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ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

Control No. 485050
EIC-M-64
29 November 1957

Minutes of Meeting Held in
Room 1121, Temporary M Building
26th Street and Constitution Avenue, N. W.

21 November 1957

PRESENT

25X1A9a Dr. Otto E. Guthe, CIA, Chairman
[REDACTED] CIA
Colonel Joseph C. Brewer, Department of the Air Force
*Mr. Lawrence E. Brice, Jr., Department of the Navy
Commander Charles B. Brouillette, Department of the Navy
Mr. Bennett V. S. Davis, Department of the Navy
Mr. John W. Easton, Joint Staff (JCS)
*Mr. George Fowler, Department of the Army
Mr. J. Duncan Holmes, Department of the Army
*Mr. Edwin F. Jones, Department of State
25X1A9a [REDACTED] CIA
Mr. Robert P. Terrill, Department of State
25X1A9a [REDACTED] EIC Executive Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. The minutes of the EIC meeting of 15 October 1957 were approved.

* Members of EIC-RL-S6 Working Group (Commander Ross R. Hirshfeld, Joint Staff member not present).

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CONSIDERATION OF EIC-RL-S6, "COMMUNIST CHINA'S IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, 1956:
TRADE AND TRANSPORT INVOLVED"

2. Discussion:

The draft report on "Communist China's Imports and Exports, 1956: Trade and Transport Involved" (EIC-RL-S6), prepared and approved by the Working Group, was reviewed. The Chairman indicated that he considered this report the best in the series and that the Working Group members should be commended for their preparation of the report. Mr. Terrill also indicated that he considered the report of high quality and the members of the Working Group deserving of commendation. The other members concurred. [REDACTED] Chairman of the Working Group, thanked the other Working Group members for their efforts and cooperation.

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3. Action:

The EIC, after making minor revisions in the Working Group draft, approved EIC-RL-S6, and agreed that the Chairman should transmit it to the IAC for its approval. The EIC unanimously commended the Working Group for its preparation of this report.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP ON EIC SUBCOMMITTEES

4. Discussion:

Mr. Holmes stated that the present requirement that documents indicating the affiliation of individuals with specific EIC Subcommittees or Working Groups have a ~~SECRET~~ security classification raised problems in his agency. He requested that consideration be given to downgrading the classification of such documents to ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~.

5. Action:

It was agreed that this matter would be investigated, and a report made to the EIC.

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Executive Secretary

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