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Minutes of Meeting Held in  
IAC Conference Room, Administration Building  
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 13 December 1955

Director of Central Intelligence  
Allen W. Dulles  
\*Presiding

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence  
Lieutenant General Charles P. Cabell  
\*Presiding

M E M B E R S   P R E S E N T

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Special Assistant for Intelligence,  
Department of State  
Major General Ridgely Gaither, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2,  
Department of the Army  
Rear Admiral Carl F. Espe, Director of Naval Intelligence,  
Department of the Navy  
Major General John A. Samford, Director of Intelligence,  
Headquarters, United States Air Force  
Rear Admiral Edwin T. Layton, Deputy Director for Intelligence,  
The Joint Staff  
Mr. Harry S. Traynor, Atomic Energy Commission representative  
to the IAC  
Mr. Alan H. Belmont, Assistant Director, Federal Bureau of  
Investigation

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\*Part of meeting

Lieutenant General Ralph Canine, Director, National Security  
Agency, attended part of the meeting.

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1. Report of the IAC Ad Hoc  
Guided Missile Intelligence  
Survey Committee  
(IAC-D-81/13, 25 November 1955)

a. Colonel White, Chairman, Ad Hoc Guided Missile Intelligence Survey Committee led off the discussion by summarizing briefly the conclusions reached by the Committee.

b. Admiral Layton, supported by Admiral Espe and General Gaither, took the position that under existing NSC directives, guided missiles intelligence, being intelligence on weapons, fell clearly within the responsibility of the Department of Defense. In short, that guided missiles intelligence is departmental intelligence. He further expressed the view that the creation of an IAC subcommittee on guided missiles was not the answer to what is basically a collection problem.

c. General Samford stated that, based on the experience of the Air Force as the primary collector of guided missiles intelligence, he believed that there was merit in the idea of a coordinated community approach. This approach had demonstrated its value in the field of atomic energy intelligence.

d. Mr. Dulles expressed the view that guided missiles intelligence was national intelligence of the highest priority, probably of even greater ultimate importance to our national security than atomic energy intelligence. A concerted attack on the problem by the community, under the guidance of an IAC guided missiles committee, is therefore essential if he and the community are to discharge their responsibilities under existing NSC directives.

e. It was agreed that Mr. Dulles would draw up his views for presentation to the National Security Council under the procedure provided in NSCID No. 1, paragraph 3 a.

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2. Approval of Minutes  
6 December Meeting  
(IAC-M-221)

Approved as written.

3. Watch Committee Report  
No. 278

Noted.



Approved as amended.

6. European Trip Report

General Gaither briefed the Committee on his recent trip to Europe.

7. NIE 12-55  
Probable Developments in  
the European Satellites  
Through 1960

Mr. Dulles suggested, and the members agreed, that consideration of this estimate be deferred to permit additional time for study.

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8. Release of NIE 80/90-55  
Conditions and Trends in  
Latin America  
(ONE Memorandum, 8 December 1955)

Agreed not to release this estimate to any foreign government, and agreed that Board recommendations on the release of estimates on Latin America should continue to be based solely on intelligence considerations.

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a. Approved as amended.

b. Agreed that a post-mortem on this estimate was not required, in view of its brief and general nature.

Adjournment: 1315



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2. No objection having been raised by a member, the Secretary has authorized release to USIA of NIE 80/90-55, "Conditions and Trends in Latin America," and NIE 11-13/1-55, "Review of Soviet Foreign Policy in the Light of the Geneva Foreign Ministers' Conference," both dated 6 December 1955 (IAC-M-221, Secretary's Notes, Item 1).

3. The Board of National Estimates and the IAC representatives have agreed that a post-mortem is not required on NIE 11-13/1-55, "Review of Soviet Foreign Policy in the Light of the Geneva Foreign Ministers' Conference," dated 6 December 1955. This estimate was based on broad general considerations, rather than on specific intelligence data. Unless objection is raised by a member at the next regular meeting of the IAC, therefore, no post-mortem will be undertaken on this NIE.



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