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INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting Held in Director's
Conference Room, Administration Building
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 26 July 1955

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

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Special Assistant for Intelligence,
Department of State
Major General Robert A. Schow, acting for Assistant Chief of
Staff, G-2, Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Robert W. Cavenagh, acting for Director of Naval
Intelligence, Department of the Navy
Major General Millard Lewis, acting for Director of Intelligence,
Headquarters, United States Air Force
Rear Admiral Edwin T. Layton, Deputy Director for Intelligence,
The Joint Staff
Mr. Charles H. Reichardt, acting for Atomic Energy Commission
representative to the IAC
Mr. Ralph Roach, acting for Assistant to the Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation

ALSO PRESENT



Mr. Howard Furnas, Department of State
Mr. M. Burgin, Department of State
Mr. Richard K. Stuart, Department of State

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Lieutenant Colonel V. J. Fenili, Department of the Army
Lieutenant Colonel D. L. Husman, Department of the Army
Captain C. C. Coley, Department of the Navy
Commander H. B. Vickery, Department of the Navy
Colonel Willis B. Sawyer, Department of the Air Force
Lieutenant Colonel Van A. Woods, Jr., Department of the Air Force
Mr. Samuel S. Rockwell, Department of the Air Force
Mr. Benjamin Weems, Department of the Air Force
Colonel Robert Totten, USAF, The Joint Staff
Colonel John E. Leary, USA, The Joint Staff
Colonel A. Ward Gillette, USA, The Joint Staff
Colonel Ralph H. Wade, USAF, The Joint Staff

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1. Probable Developments
in Laos
(NIE 63. 3-55)

Approved as amended.

2. Approval of Minutes
19 July Meeting
(IAC-M-204)

Approved, as amended at item 5 c to read: "Admiral Layton, while noting that the term 'capability' was fully defined as used in the report, pointed out that this was a specialized usage."

3. Watch Committee Report
No. 259

Noted. Admiral Layton noted that his customers were very pleased with the new format of the reports.

5. Probable Developments
in Guatemala
(NIE 82-55)

Approved as amended.

6. Release to SHAPE and SACLANT
Headquarters of Estimates of
Indications of Soviet Military
Aggression
(IAC-D-6/11.1, 15 July 1955)

a. The members approved the Watch Committee's recommendation on SHAPE's request.

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b. The Chairman suggested that a personal letter also be sent to General Schweizer, explaining the reason for the IAC action. The Army member undertook to write General Schweizer inasmuch as G-2 is executive agent in this case.

7. Direct Provision of Intelligence Information by the National Security Agency to the National Indications Center
(IAC-D-6/12.1, 15 July 1955)

Approved. The Chairman and the State, the Joint Staff, the Air Force, and the Army members spoke in favor of the position taken by the Watch Committee, emphasizing that the purpose of the plan is to insure that no item of intelligence information be overlooked, which of itself or in relation to other information might be of critical importance. The Navy member based his objection on the possible establishment of an undesirable precedent leading to an increase in the flow of unevaluated information to the NIC. After receiving assurances that this would not be the case, he withdrew his objection.

8. Designation of Chairman of Ad Hoc Guided Missile Intelligence Survey Committee
(IAC-D-81/12.1, 22 July 1955)

The Chairman asked for nominations, and General Schow nominated the Air Force member of the ad hoc Committee. General Lewis declined, and nominated the CIA member. At the request of the Air Force member, the Army member withdrew his nomination and was designated Chairman.

9. IAC Task Force to Study Intelligence Requirements Stemming from the President's Proposal for Exchange of Military Blueprints and Aerial Inspection with the USSR

a. Agreed to the Chairman's proposal that the IAC organize a task force to study US intelligence requirements of any scheme designed to implement the President's proposal for a US-Soviet exchange

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of military blueprints and aerial inspection. It was noted that the intelligence assets of the community are more effectively utilized when requirements of this type are met through joint rather than individual effort.

b. The Chairman's offer to have CIA chair this group was accepted. Members were requested to provide the Secretary with the names of their representatives on this task force.



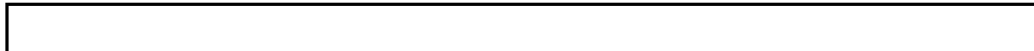
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11. Post-Geneva Estimate on
Motivations and Intentions
of the USSR

Mr. Amory asked the State Department member when State would like a post-Ceneva estimate on Soviet intent to be produced. Mr. Armstrong said that in view of the fact that the USSI has not yet commented on some of the Western proposals made at Geneva, consideration of the scheduling of this estimate should be delayed at least until next week's IAC meeting. The members agreed.

12. Release of EIC-R.1-S4:
Report on Communist
China's Trade and
Transport
(IAC-D-42/11, 12 July 1955)

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SECRETARY'S NOTE

1. Designation of new FBI Member: The Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, has notified the Chairman, Intelligence Advisory Committee, by letter dated 22 July 1955, that Assistant Director A. H. Belmont has been named as the Bureau's representative on the IAC, vice Mr. L. V. Boardman. Mr. R. R. Roach will continue as the designated alternate.

2. Post-Mortem: The Board of National Estimates and the IAC representatives have agreed that no serious intelligence deficiencies were encountered in the production of NIE 82-55, "Probable Developments in Guatemala," approved by the IAC on 26 July, and that a post-mortem thereon would not be required. The estimate benefited not only from good reporting from the field, but also from first-hand studies of the Arbenz regime and an extensive World Bank report on Guatemala's economic prospects as of early 1955. No post-mortem will therefore be undertaken, except at the request of a member of the IAC.



4. No objection having been raised by a member, the Secretary has authorized release to USIA of NIE 63.1-55 "Probable Developments in North Vietnam," 19 July 1955 (IAC-M-204, 19 July 1955, Secretary's Note, item 5).

5. Unless objection is raised by a member at the next regular meeting of the IAC, the Secretary proposes to release to USIA, NIE 63.3-55 "Probable Developments in Laos," 26 July 1955, and NIE 82-55 "Probable Developments in Guatemala," 26 July 1955.