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Minutes of the Fourth Meeting  
of the Ad Hoc Committee  
to Survey Scientific & Technical Intelligence  
4 June 1952

MEMBERS

The Committee: Mr. Becker, CIA, Chairman; Mr. Trushart, State;  
Lt. Col. Dempsey, G-2; Capt. Hurd, ONI; Col. Pinkney,  
D/I USAF; Col. Dunn, JED. (Dr. Henderson, AEC, absent)

## Appearing before the Committee:

From the Services — Lt. Cmdr. R. W. Gillette, ONI; Dr. Louis F.  
Woodruff, G-2; Col. John G. Erikson, D/I USAF; Col. John R.  
Tolman, JCS; Capt. Gilbert, USN; Lt. Col. Teaberg, D/I USAF;  
Mr. Zimmerman, D/I USAF

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From CIA/ONI — Mr. Ralph L. Clark,

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The Committee heard from Lt. Cmdr. Gillette, for the Services, and Mr. Clark, for O/SI, respecting the question of the proper treatment of Guided Missiles and Electronics. At the conclusion of these presentations, the tentative view was expressed by the Chairman that guided missiles are of such a character as to be assignable to the Services, and that electronics (including telecommunications) is of such a nature that it should be treated as "national" or "revolutionary," with the joint coordination of all departments.

The Chairman remarked the Committee's recognition that a vertical alignment of scientific and technical intelligence categories co-exists with the horizontal alignment. Between basic science on the one hand, and end product technical intelligence at the other, there is a "gray zone" of more or less applied research which is of interest to those charged with responsibility at either end. He suggested that, subject to the qualification that there is such a "gray zone" of guided missiles intelligence, he felt that guided missiles would properly fall in the area of primary Service concern.

With respect to electronics, it was brought out by discussion that certain of the hardware aspects should be reviewed to determine whether they might not be separated from those aspects to be treated as "national" or "revolutionary."

\* Mr. Richard D. Drain, Executive Assistant to Mr. Becker, acted as recorder of the meeting.

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Various members of the Committee commented on the desirability of assigning responsibility for all subjects to one department (or agency) or another. The Chairman reviewed certain responsibilities of the Director of Central Intelligence under the National Security Act of 1947 and National Security Council Intelligence Directives. The necessity for CIA to obtain, expeditiously, a full coverage from all able to contribute was stressed. The Chairman indicated he was prepared to take a formal position, on behalf of CIA, respecting the need for a coordinating mechanism to supervise areas of common or joint interest and the fact that there are subjects other than AS for which it will be necessary to establish such a mechanism.\* Such mechanism might be something other than a JIC or IAC sub-committee, namely a body to which either IAC or JIC could direct requests for coordinated views.

The Committee will meet on Wednesday, 11 June, at two o'clock, in the conference room, Administration Building, CIA, to hear views as to the proper treatment of the Chemical and Biological aspects of CBR and the treatment of Medicines.

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\* Subsequent to the meeting, the Chairman called an additional meeting of the Committee for Tuesday, 10 June, at 10:30, at which time the problem of coordinating mechanisms will be explored.

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