

ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

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FROM: <i>Adm. Div. Dir.</i>	NO. 12055
	DATE <i>11 Apr 53</i>

TO	ROOM NO	DATE		OFFICER'S INITIALS	COMMENTS
		REC'D	FWD'D		
1. <i>Sec</i>				<i>[initials]</i>	
2. <i>[blacked out]</i>			<i>4/15/53</i>	<i>[initials]</i>	
3. <i>[blacked out]</i>			<i>15 Apr</i>	<i>[initials]</i>	③ Let's hold this for the articles being reviewed as IRSO is not a distribution. <i>[initials]</i>
4. <i>[blacked out]</i>			<i>20 Apr</i>	<i>[initials]</i>	
5. <i>[blacked out]</i>	<i>1534</i>		<i>22 Apr</i>	<i>[initials]</i>	
6. <i>[blacked out]</i>					
7. <i>Ops/SI</i>			<i>5/1/53</i>		<i>Article file</i> <i>Errata - reg 5:</i> <i>RW</i> <i>P & P Staff</i>
8. <i>[blacked out]</i>			<i>1/1</i>		
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11. <i>OPS/SI</i>	<i>16-33</i>				
12.	<i>1953 MAY 4</i>				
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14.				<i>[initials]</i>	<i>77 407</i>
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11 April 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, PP

SUBJECT: Follow-up on EW Resolution (United Nations).

a US official's view

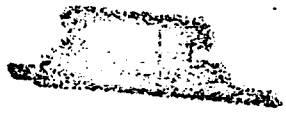
1. In accordance with ~~my~~ conversation with you yesterday, I took to the meeting with ~~Senator Lodge~~ this morning your memorandum dated 10 April and bearing the above-entitled subject-heading. I offered this memorandum to him and had actually (as you will observe from the foot of the original, which is returned to you herewith) torn off your name -- and was about to tear off my title at the top, when ~~Senator Lodge~~ stated that he did not believe he wished to have any more from us at this time, on this subject. He expressed a profound distaste for the entire matter and said that he hoped we would never hear of it again -- it had been a nasty and difficult issue, principally because of the difficulty of explaining away the film and the statements of the American fliers. However, the vote had been favorable and he hoped that this was the end of the matter for him. He had no desire to raise the subject again himself, but said that he would probably call upon us for additional material if and when the matter should arise in the future.

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2. I said that we fully shared his view that "the issue was finished in the United Nations", but that it had been our experience that "the bug" comes from a very hardy strain and had exhibited appalling vitality. For this reason, I said that I thought it would be a mistake to be too complacent about the matter. To the last statement ~~Senator Lodge~~ replied with a question as to just what explanation we could give of the statements of the American fliers -- how did we account for this and what could be done about it? I said that our best guess was that the statements had been in one way or another forced out of the captive airmen and that one of the techniques which we thought had possibly been used was the Soviet (and now Chinese) technique of "brain-washing". ~~Senator Lodge~~ said that he thought the public was very inadequately informed about "brain-washing" and that in the absence of a much larger quantity of public information than now exists on the subject, the impact of the fliers' statements is terrific. I replied by stating that we shared his view and pointed out that the Department of Defense is expected to issue a lengthy statement over the week-end and that he might watch his Sunday or Monday newspaper for this.

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