

INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting held in Director's  
Conference Room, Administration Building  
Central Intelligence Agency, on 23 April 1951

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence  
Mr. William H. Jackson  
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr., Special Assistant, Intelligence,  
Department of State  
Brigadier General John Weckerling, acting for Assistant Chief  
of Staff, G-2, Department of the Army  
Rear Admiral Felix L. Johnson, Director of Naval Intelligence,  
Department of the Navy  
Colonel Edward H. Porter, Acting for Director of Intelligence,  
Headquarters, United States Air Force  
Dr. Malcolm C. Henderson, acting for Director of Intelligence,  
Atomic Energy Commission  
Brigadier General Vernon E. Megee, USMC, Deputy Director for  
Intelligence, The Joint Staff  
Mr. C. D. DeLoach, acting for Assistant to the Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. William L. Langer, Central Intelligence Agency  
Lieut. General Clarence R. Huebner, USA (Ret.), Central  
Intelligence Agency  
Dr. Raymond J. Sontag, Central Intelligence Agency  
Mr. Paul Borel, Central Intelligence Agency  
Mr. Allen Dines, Central Intelligence Agency  
Colonel R. H. DelMar, Department of the Army  
Captain Ray Malpass, USN, Department of the Navy  
Colonel J. C. Marchant, Department of the Air Force  
Colonel David Crist, Department of the Air Force  
Captain R. G. McCool, USN, The Joint Staff  
Mr. Meffert W. Kuhrtz, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Secretary  
Mr. James Q. Reber  
Central Intelligence Agency

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as per  
DCI Staff Minutes

Approval of Minutes

1. Action: The minutes of the meeting of 12 April 1951 (IAC-M-26) were approved subject to the addition of a notation that the various agencies have considerably reduced their distribution lists for NIE's. It was agreed that CIA would handle the distribution to joint agencies: the National War College and the Armed Forces Staff College.

Key Problems Affecting U.S. Efforts to Strengthen the Near East (NIE-26)

released in E.O. review E 81-0048  
NIE 26 (25 Apr 51)

2. Action: This estimate was approved subject to minor revisions.

Prospects for the Creation of an Adequate Western European Defense (NIE-13)

no record of  
NIE 13

3. Action: It was agreed that no further efforts would be made to secure operational information for inclusion in this paper and that unless Mr. Armstrong finds that there is a genuine demand for an intelligence evaluation of the ability of our Western allies to meet their commitments, the paper will be cancelled. In the event that he finds such a demand exists, work will proceed to produce such an estimate.

Soviet Capabilities to Interfere with U.S. Delivery of Atomic Weapons to Targets in the USSR (NIE-30)

no record of  
NIE 30  
Apr 1951 or 1950

4. Action: It was agreed to suspend action on NIE-30 and to refer the matter to General Smith.

5. Discussion: Reference was made to the view of the JCS regarding NIE-30 that the McMahon request was not made on proper authority nor was it made to the proper agency and that nothing further could be done with the IAC draft estimate in view of General Marshall's letter.

6. There was considerable hope expressed in the arrangements reported by General Huebner and confirmed by General Megee which have been established with the Joint Staff. These arrangements provide that the members of the JIG, who have complete access to operations and policy information including war plans,

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should be responsible for guiding the intelligence estimators in such a way as to provide the operations or planning information essential to making their estimates useful.

7. General Huebner felt that the State Department had a similar responsibility and might develop a similar arrangement. Mr. Armstrong agreed and indicated that his people are in close contact with policy officers in the Department and, as far as he knew, were providing adequate and proper guidance for the intelligence estimators.

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