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STAFF MEMORANDUM NO. 82-56

SUBJECT: O/NE Consultants' Conference

1. Attachment A is a summary of the salient points and major suggestions made by the consultants during their meeting [redacted] on the 4th and 5th October, 1956. Attachment B is a record of the discussions. (b)(3)

2. The following consultants and members of O/NE participated in the conference.

Participants:

[redacted]

Salvin Hoover

[redacted]

Harold F. Linder  
Max Millikan  
Philip E. Mosely  
Joseph R. Strayer

[redacted]

O/NE Members present:

Abbot E. Smith, Board  
R. J. Smith, Staff  
W. O. Webb

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Philip Halla

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3. On Thursday morning, October 4th, Calvin Hoover and Philip E. Mosely, gave their general impressions of the Soviet Union resulting from [redacted] Their reports were followed by a general discussion of the USSR. Discussions on Thursday afternoon and Friday centered on:

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- 1) NIE 11-4-56, Soviet Capabilities and Courses of Action through Mid-1961, and the general question of Soviet-Satellite Relations;
- 2) an O/NE Staff Memorandum on NIE 100-6-56, Estimate of the World Situation and an OIR Draft Outline for World Estimate by [redacted] dated 27 September 1956;
- 3) an O/NE Staff Memorandum, Soviet Strategy and the Position and Prospects of the Continental Western European Socialists, dated 3 October 1956, [redacted]  
[redacted]
- 4) general problems of the Middle East, based on three recent crash NIE's on the area; and
- 5) the estimates schedule for the six months beginning 1 October 1956.

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