THE CHAIRMAN (Captain Taylor) opened the discussion by pointing out that subject item with associated papers had been explained at the last meeting where it was decided to defer substantive action until each member had considered the list and was prepared to present specific recommendations for deletions, additions or other amendments. He invited comments from the members starting with Mr. Zander.

MR. ZANDER suggested that all of the agencies within or under cognizance of the Department of Defense might well be dropped from the list (enclosure with USCIB 13.7/7). He continued, at the request of the Chairman, by naming the various interdepartmental activities which have a "need to know" and are presently considered under cognizance of the Department of Defense.

A lengthy, general discussion ensued as to the proper certifying authority for the Watch Committee, SACEUR, SACLANT, JCS, Project LINCOLN, Department of Treasury, Bureau of the Budget, the Committee for the Liberation of the Peoples of Russia, etc., and individual members thereof.

The discussion proceeded with each member indicating those activities considered to be under his exclusive cognizance. Further coordination, it was felt, between interested members and the Executive Secretary would be required to reach agreement on the proper methods of handling several of the activities. It was the consensus that the Executive Secretary should consolidate the views expressed at this meeting and resubmit his proposals to the members for vote sheet action.

DECISION: (29 April 1954) USCIBEC agreed that the Executive Secretary, after being furnished some additional information by interested members, would consolidate the views expressed at the meeting on this item and resubmit his proposals to USCIBEC for vote sheet action.