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SUBJECT NUMBER

USCIB: 29.18/12 Item 2 of the Agenda for the 104th Meeting of USCIB, held on 14 June 1954.

Subject: UKUSA Conference on [redacted]

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Dulles) stated that in introducing this item he would like to congratulate Mr. Francis Raven and his Committee for the excellent report which has been submitted.

MR. RAVEN acknowledged the Chairman's congratulations.

The CHAIRMAN then proposed that the report be considered, and suggested that it be taken up on a country-by-country basis, starting with [redacted]. He invited comments by General Canine on the [redacted] paper.

GENERAL CANINE said that he is sure he can "live with" the Committee's recommendations on [redacted] and proposed that they be approved. He added that he has kept in reasonably close touch with the Committee, and believes its members have come up with a very good paper. It provides a way, he said, of accomplishing what he had in mind when he first tabled the problem several months ago.

GENERAL ERSKINE said that the [redacted] recommendations are acceptable to him.

MR. ARMSTRONG stated that he had one suggestion, namely, that the [redacted] paper be amended by insertion of a paragraph on mutual re-examination similar to that contained as paragraph 2c, Section f of the [redacted] paper. (Para. 2c of enclosure 5 with USCIB 29.18/8.)

It was agreed that such a paragraph will be added as paragraph 2f of enclosure 4 with USCIB 29.18/8.

The CHAIRMAN expressed his opinion that it is advisable to have a saving, or terminating, clause in papers of this kind.

MR. ARMSTRONG pointed out that these arrangements, when agreed, will necessarily fall within the provisions of the UKUSA agreement.

CAPTAIN TAYLOR read the provisions on termination from the basic UKUSA agreement for the information of those present, adding that many of the individual Appendices also provide for review from time to time. He explained, further, that it is customary for each conference on UKUSA arrangements to provide that the work of the conference be reviewed at a later date.

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The CHAIRMAN said that he would be inclined to put similar wording in each of these papers.

MR. ARMSTRONG suggested, instead, that the conference delegation be instructed to insure that the conference report contain appropriate wording, similar to the UKUSA agreement, with regard to termination and review of the arrangements agreed upon.

Mr. Armstrong's suggestion was approved.

MR. AMORY raised a question concerning the last clause of paragraph fl(b)(4) of enclosure 4 with USCIB 29.18/8 which states "...insofar as this is compatible with the fulfillment of the objectives in paragraph a, above." He said that the statement is confusing to him and is probably not intended.

The CHAIRMAN stated that the clause is also confusing to him.

CAPTAIN TAYLOR, stating that he too considered the clause turbid, suggested that the word "vital", earlier in the sentence, should suffice to convey the intended meaning.

It was agreed to end the sentence in question by placing a period after the word [] and deleting the final clause as quoted by Mr. Amory. It was agreed, further, to delete the same clause from the paper on [] (paragraph fl(b)(4) of enclosure 5 with USCIB 29.18/8).

GENERAL CANINE pointed out a possible source of trouble for the Delegation in the U.K. contact with the [] He said that if the UK [] arrangements deal only with ELINT there is no cause for concern; however, if COMINT is also involved it will probably be necessary to elicit all details if the conference is to achieve its purpose of bringing to light all side arrangements. He suggested that the wording of the papers be left unchanged but that the Delegation recognize the problem and be prepared to deal with it.

It was so agreed.

The CHAIRMAN invited comments on the [] paper.

GENERAL CANINE commented that some action must be taken to obtain more from [] and suggested that the British be given an opportunity to obtain information satisfactory to us, with the understanding that if they are unable to produce to our satisfaction we must be free to pursue some other course. He explained that such is provided for by the "reasonable time" clause; however, he suggested that the Delegation attempt to reach agreement upon just what a "reasonable time" shall be.

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The CHAIRMAN agreed that the [] problem will require somewhat different treatment than that of [] in view of their non-NATO status. He pointed out that the U.S. has much to offer [] thereby placing us in a position where we could play a major part in any arrangements with []. With this in mind, he thought it might be unwise to agree to [] arrangements which exclude U.S. participation or influence.

The advisability of a joint US-UK approach to [] was discussed.

It was agreed that the Delegation should be aware of the views expressed and endeavor to avoid acceptance of arrangements which will permit any [] to play off the U.K. against the U.S., or vice versa.

Turning to the paper on [] the CHAIRMAN inquired concerning the reason for a somewhat different approach to the []

GENERAL CANINE explained that the [] effort is considerably smaller, their geography is probably not as desirable, and our knowledge of their potential is limited. The paper on [] is designed, he said, to permit the Delegation some leeway in dealing with these points.

The [] paper was approved without further comment.

The CHAIRMAN commented again upon the successful efforts of Mr. Raven's Committee, and asked if there were other matters to be discussed in connection with the conference.

In the ensuing discussion the Board reached agreement on the following additional points:

(1) That the U.S. position papers will be expurgated, before forwarding to the U.K., by an ad hoc committee consisting of representation from NSA, CIA, and Army, assisted as necessary by the Executive Secretary.

(2) That position papers will be exchanged with SUKLO, Washington on or about 21 June 1954, and that the conference be scheduled to begin on 12 July 1954.

(3) That the U.S. Delegation consist of one representative from each of the following organizations, plus technical assistants as required: State, CIA, NSA, Army, Navy, and Air Force.

(4) That the Deputy Executive Secretary, USCIB, serve as Assistant to the Delegation Chairman.

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DECISION: (14 June 1954) USCIB approved the U.S. position papers contained in USCIB 29.18/7 and 29.18/8, with the amendments indicated above, and also agreed:

- (1) That an ad hoc committee of representatives of NSA, CIA, and Army, assisted as necessary by the Executive Secretary, USCIB, expurgate the USCIB 29.18/7 and 29.18/8 versions of the U.S. position papers for transmittal to U.K. authorities.
- (2) That position papers be exchanged with SUKLO on or about 21 June 1954.
- (3) That the U.S. Delegation consist of one representative, plus technical assistants as required, from each of the following organizations: State, CIA, NSA, Army, Navy, and Air Force.
- (4) That the Deputy Executive Secretary, USCIB, serve as assistant to the Delegation Chairman.

This item to be dropped, temporarily, from the agenda.

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