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1. Passed to DCI Contact Division information received from [redacted] and [redacted] respecting their future plans, and secured his approval to having this information restricted to CIA only.

2. After my talk with Mr. Noyes, I felt that he was not fully informed as to the activities of Paul Nitze [redacted] and called this to the attention of Fisher Howe. It subsequently developed that Mr. Noyes had been fully informed.

3. Attended PRC.

4. Discussed the case of [redacted] and Shef Edwards. It was agreed that she should be put on sick leave and this was done. Col. Edwards undertook to assist in any way possible.

5. Dr. Craig consulted me respecting the NATO paper which was produced as a result of the recent [redacted] meetings. Kermit Roosevelt was interested in this meeting and Craig had requested it from General Porter who had not delivered. Dr. Craig inquired whether he might look at the paper in CIA. I stated that we would be unable to permit this, since not only would Pentagon approval have to be obtained, but also CIA was not officially represented in the meeting which produced the paper.

6. Dr. Craig informed me as to his plan to have Admiral Kirk briefed on electronic warfare matters which would involve a Mr. Clark, who is a member of the President's Committee on Telecommunications. I approved, with the understanding that Mr. Clark, in doing this, would not be representing CIA, but would be acting in his capacity as a member of the Presidential Committee.

7. Talked with Mr. Amory about the possibility that Alton Jones was feeling hurt because he had not been invited to speak to DCI. I explained that I had checked with the Office of the DCI and learned that an appointment had been cancelled by Mr. Jones, who would call DCI as soon as he could come to Washington to have a talk.

8. Told Mr. Amory that I would request General Porter to give us a copy of the NATO paper resulting from the [redacted] Conference. I later did this, and was informed by General Porter that a copy of the paper was sent to CIA. Asked Mr. Drain to follow up.

9. Mr. Clark consulted me on the following:

a. [redacted]

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b. Dr. Clark inquired as to the best manner to brief DCI in his capacity as Chairman of PSB, on the Telecommunications Committee paper on electronic warfare. I suggested that this should be done through [redacted] who was the DCI's briefing officer on PSB matters.

c. Mr. Clark informed me that additional information had been obtained on flying saucers, particularly reports of sightings on the ground by relatively reliable observers. He noted that one of the primary theoretical difficulties with sightings thus far reported was the lack of noise and flare. Several scientists have recently delivered papers indicating a possible means of propulsion which would not involve noise and flare. He proposed to have a briefing on this general subject and to call the information to the attention of Air Force and R&DB. I concurred.

10. Discussed with Dr. Stout, and later with Matt Baird, the Director of Training's program of lectures for incoming trainees. I indicated my general approval of the course he suggested, and that it be kept flexible. It should be arranged with ADs that incoming personnel need not take the course as soon as they come on board, where there was an emergency and immediate need for their services in the Office; further, all personnel would not require all portions of the course. I felt that this was a matter for Training to work out on an individual basis with our offices. Dr. Stout and Col. Baird indicated that they agreed with this position and would talk with the ADs, and would have a talk with me after this had been done. During the course of my discussion with Col. Baird, he discussed the over-all activities and mission of training. I indicated that, as far as I was concerned, I felt that all matters could be resolved between Training and all our Offices. I felt that they could afford us very helpful services, but that this would have to be ~~carried into~~ coordinated with the activities of the various Offices. When Col. Baird raised some question about O/RR's internal Office training, I pointed out the necessity that his Office, with its broad charter, be relatively liberal in giving a license to the various AD's to accomplish results within their own Office, where that was the logical place to do the job. I did not feel that there was any magic in having a course under the auspices of training personnel reporting to the Director of Training. I was primarily interested in results. I really feel, however, that Col. Baird understood this and will proceed along these lines.

12. Conferred with Mr. Bundy as to a number of matters pertaining to Project VICTOR.

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