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MEMORANDUM FOR OL/OP

17 December 1951

FROM: WED

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SUBJECT: David Atlee Phillips

1. Covert clearance, for use as outlined below, is requested for subject on whom available information is submitted separately.

Op. Clearance Security Clearance Op. Support Sp. Inquiry

2. Use of subject: (State in detail the scope and nature of activities to be performed, their duration, the area involved, project involved, etc.)

Subject owns and operates a printing and publishing business in Santiago, Chile. He has been operationally cleared for use in connection with Fulminator project (see memo of 3 October 1950 signed by [redacted] for ADSO). It is now desired to use his business facilities for printing OPC propaganda material, and himself for cut-out and other agent functions in connection with specific OPC projects in contemplation. It is planned to make him contract agent.

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3. "Cover" story suggested for investigation: Governmental Commercial Other

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4. Limits, if any, to investigation. No CIA interest to be shown; No U. S. Government interest except in usual agency name checks.

- 5. Is Subject aware that an investigation is in process? Yes No
- 6. Is Subject aware of CIA interest? Yes No
- 7. Has Subject been briefed on "cover" story? Yes No
- 8. Has subject established "cover" for investigation with probable contacts? Yes No
- 9. Is Prov. Operational Clearance necessary? Yes No

If so set out PAILED JUSTIFICATION in separate memo

10. Investigation to be routine Expedite. Must be completed by: _____

11. REMARKS: It is hoped this clearance can be granted with a minimum delay to dissuade subject from his plan to sell his business and leave Chile. P.R.C. background data earlier submitted to IAS. OSO Station Chief, Chile, presently in Washington asserts this information up-to-date.

Security Officer

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Case Officer

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