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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with Mr. Packard, 2 June 70

We discussed several classified subjects:

NRO Budget. I told Packard that I had been reviewing our NRO budget and that there were several items in it which amounted to quite a bit of money; that we were not going to operate at the level which we had in mind earlier, and that I therefore felt we could take a fairly sizeable cut without being hurt too much. He said that this was good to know because we probably will have to take those cuts.

TAGBOARD. I told Dave that the drone would be ready to go in a week's time and that we were in the process of trying to draw up a mission plan which would cover the target area in the optimum fashion. He expressed gratification that the flight had been approved by the "40 Committee."

U-2R. I told him that we had terminated the U-2R activity in Southeast Asia, that we had a few minor problems which we didn't feel were fundamental but which were compromising our ability to make a good evaluation. I indicated we would fix the equipment and complete the evaluation later.

Briefing to Disarmament Committee. We reviewed the briefing which Bob Naka gave to the General Advisory Committee on Arms Control and Disarmament. The most significant item to come out of that session was the strong stand taken by Dean Rusk that we should do nothing to compromise the security of the NRP. Rusk feels very strongly. He mentioned that he did not accept the fact that the Russians are as dependent on

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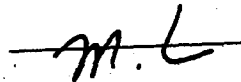
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overhead photography as we are, because they have maintained a very extensive espionage system; whereas we have gotten away from that kind of thing, except for our overhead photography and SIGINT. Rusk also mentioned that he had briefed many foreign ministers during his term of office and that he wasn't too sure that all those people would continue to keep quiet if the current security restrictions were modified. Another case

forums. Packard reacted quite strongly to this. He was in view of the fact that Mr. Laird plans to brief some of the NATO Ministers, he would like to get Dean Rusk's views in front of Laird before he goes over. He will try to get a review of the proceedings from John McCloy and pass it to Mel.



John L. McLucas

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