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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 18, 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE
THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
THE CHAIRMAN, INTERDEPARTMENTAL INTELLIGENCE CONFERENCE

SUBJECT: International Diplomatic Communications (Proposed Legislation to Permit Reciprocal Radio Agreements)

REFERENCE: Memorandum for Addressees from the Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, same subject, dated May 29, 1957 SK 9-8732

You will recall that, as outlined in subparagraph a of the reference memorandum, the President requested a report by the Director of Central Intelligence and the Chairman, Interdepartmental Intelligence Conference, as to the balance of advantages and disadvantages from the viewpoint of intelligence which would result if proposed legislation on the subject were approved.

By memorandum dated June 17, 1957, the Director of Central Intelligence advised that CIA and IIC have not as yet been able to reach agreement on the requested report, and the Director of Central Intelligence recommended that action with respect to the subject be deferred pending more exhaustive investigation in the ensuing months with a view to submitting a recommendation prior to the convening of the Congress in 1958.

In the light of the foregoing further action will not be taken by this office with respect to the subject until such time as the report requested by the President is submitted for appropriate consideration.

ROBERT CUTLER
Special Assistant
to the President

cc: The Attorney General
The Director, Office of Defense Mobilization
The Chairman, Federal Communications Commission
Director, Bureau of the Budget
Deputy Director, U. S. Information Agency
Major General Wilton B. Persons

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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Christian Herter
The Under Secretary of State

SUBJECT: International Diplomatic Communications
(Proposed Legislation to Permit Reciprocal
Radio Operating Agreements)

I am transmitting herewith for your information and record a copy of a memorandum, Subject as above, which I have just dispatched to the Honorable Robert Cutler.

SIGNED

ALLEN W. DULLES
Director

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17 June 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Robert Cutler
Special Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs

SUBJECT: International Diplomatic Communications
(Proposed Legislation to Permit Reciprocal
Radio Operating Agreements)

REFERENCES: Memo for: The Under Secretary of State,
The Deputy Secretary of Defense, The
Director of CIA, The Chairman, Interdepartmental
Intelligence Conference, same subject,
dated 29 May 1957.

1. The reference calls for a report by me and by the Chairman, Interdepartmental Intelligence Conference as to the balance of advantages and disadvantages from the viewpoint of intelligence which would result if subject legislation were approved.

2. My representatives and representatives of the Chairman, IIC, have discussed this matter and have not as yet been able to reach agreement. Not only intelligence is involved, but also the matter of internal security, and there are a number of factors which require further detailed consideration, including certain new developments in the field of radio communication.

3. In view of the foregoing and also the improbability that the Congress in the short time remaining in this session would have an opportunity to deal with this matter, I recommend that action be deferred pending more exhaustive investigation in the ensuing months with a view to submitting a recommendation prior to the convening of the Congress in 1958.

ALLEN W. DULLES
Director

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