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OPERATIONS COORDINATING BOARD
Washington 25, D. C.

September 14, 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OPERATIONS COORDINATING BOARD

SUBJECT: OCB Coordination of NSC 5429/2, "Review of U. S. Policy in the Far East"

NSC REVIEW COMPLETED, 10/31/03

The attached papers on the above subject were approved by the Board Assistants on behalf of their principals at their meeting on September 10, 1954.

Copies of these documents are being made available to the OCB Staff Representatives for distribution to the members of the following working groups at forthcoming meetings:

Japan
Korea
Formosa and Nationalist China
Philippines
Southeast Asia
Indochina
Indonesia
Far East Policy Review
Expanded Educational Exchange Program in the Far East

Early designation of members for the new working group will be appreciated.

Previous draft papers on the above subject dated August 25 and 26 and September 2 and 9, 1954 are obsolete and may be destroyed in accordance with the security regulations of your agency.

Elmer B. Staats
Executive Officer

Attachments:
1. Subject Paper dated 9/10/54.
2. Terms of Reference for Working Group on Coordination of Sec. III, Pars. 3, 4 & 5, of NSC 5429/2, dated 9/10/54.

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OCB Coordination of NSC 5429/2,
"Review of U. S. Policy in the Far East"

1. The President has directed the use of Sections II, III and IV of NSC 5429/2 as a general guide in the implementation of pertinent policies toward the Far East by all appropriate Executive Departments and Agencies of the U. S. Government and has designated the Operations Coordinating Board as the coordinating agency for these sections, effective August 20, 1954.

2. Accordingly, certain OCB working groups are assigned the responsibility of coordinating the necessary actions in support of these NSC policies. These OCB working groups and their responsibilities for inter-agency coordination and reporting under NSC 5429/2 are as follows:

a. Japan (PSB D-27, NSC 125/2 and NSC 125/6)

Assigned the responsibility for applying Section II, and the information and cultural programs in Section III, paragraph 6, to Japan.

b. Korea (NSC 170/1)
Formosa and Nationalist China (NSC 146/2)
Philippines (NSC 5413/1)

Assigned the responsibility for applying Section II, noting that primary responsibility for paragraph 2. a. dealing with Japan is assigned to the Japan group, and the information and cultural programs in Section III, paragraph 6, to their respective areas.

c. Southeast Asia (NSC 5405)

Assigned responsibility for applying Section II, subparagraph 2. d., the information and cultural programs in Section III, paragraph 6, and Section IV, except for paragraphs 10 and 12, to their area.

d. Expanded Educational Exchange Program in the Far East

Assigned responsibility for the education and exchange programs in Section III, paragraph 6.

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e. Indochina (Special Working Group)

This group is assigned responsibility for the information and cultural programs in Section III, paragraph 6, with respect to Indochina and Section IV, paragraph 10.

f. Indonesia (NSC 171/1)

Assigned responsibility for the information and cultural programs in Section III, paragraph 6 as apply to the area, and Section IV, paragraph 12, subparagraphs a. and b.

3. A new working group chaired by the Department of State will be established with responsibility for paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of Section III. The terms of reference of this group will be made available for information of working groups concerned.

4. Immediate attention should be given to reviewing present policies, programs and actions in the light of NSC 5429/2 to determine any conflict or gaps therein. The results of the review will be reported to the OCB Executive Officer by October 15, 1954.

5. Progress reports on NSC 5429/2 will be submitted only by the working group having responsibility for paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of Section III with respect to its area of responsibility.

Attachment:

Terms of Reference for Coordination of Section III, paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of NSC 5429/2, dated 9/10/54.

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Terms of Reference for the Working Group on Coordination of Section III, paragraphs 3, 4 and 5, of NSC 5429/2 "General Political and Economic Measures in the Far East."

(Policy approved by the President, August 20, 1954)

1. The President has directed the use of Sections II - IV of NSC 5429/2 by all appropriate Executive departments and agencies as a general guide in the implementation of pertinent policies toward the Far East and has designated the OCB as the coordinating agency for these sections.

2. To assist the Board in coordination of Section III, "General Political and Economic Measures in the Far East," paragraphs 3, 4 and 5, representatives of the following agencies and the OCB staff will constitute a working group chaired by the member from the Department of State:

a. Department of State
b. Department of Defense
c. United States Information Agency
d. Foreign Operations Administration
e. Central Intelligence Agency
f. Treasury Department (as required)
g. Department of Commerce (as required)
h. Other agencies when appropriate, as determined by the OCB Executive Officer

3. The working group will be guided by pertinent portions of OCB Procedural Memoranda.

4. The working group will obtain necessary data concerning implementation of the NSC policies with which it is concerned and prepare a consolidated report thereon as of February 15, 1955 suitable for transmission to the NSC, to be submitted to the OCB Executive Officer by February 28, 1955, and each six months thereafter. The group may submit other reports as necessary and desirable.

5. The group will advise with and coordinate their efforts with the OCB working group on "Expanded Education Exchange Program in the Far East" since paragraphs 4 and 5 of Section III contain items which are of mutual interest to both groups.

6. Attention is directed to Annex B of NSC 5429/2.

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