

Selected List of Intelligence-Related Research Topics and Intelligence Milestones

The Eisenhower Library holds a significant quantity of documentation relating to the history of intelligence and espionage. This material falls primarily into the World War II, post-World War II and Eisenhower Presidency periods. Availability of primary source materials relating to intelligence varies, depending on age and topic covered. Security-classification continues to be a major impediment to research on many aspects of intelligence, especially operational details involving specific countries or data on collection techniques. Students working in these materials should, therefore, be prepared to be frustrated by materials withdrawn or heavily redacted on certain topics. Nevertheless, there is much here to support classroom research projects and security-classification problems encountered may themselves constitute part of the reporting process. Another problem encountered, particularly with materials involving loyalty and security issues, is that of privacy. Some materials, although declassified or unclassified, may require continued protection in order to protect the privacy of individuals who may still be living. Thus, many documents involving allegations of disloyalty may be released in part with names of individuals excised. The Library staff is prepared to discuss questions involving access to primary source materials so please feel free to consult us if you have questions about our holdings. The list of topics which follows is merely suggestive and is by no means exhaustive.

World War II and immediate Post-War (1942-1945)

1. Office of Strategic Service (OSS) and Special Operations Executive

A. Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, Office of Secretary, General Staff (SHAEF, SGS) (microfilm copies of records in RG-331 in National Archives), Reel 21 - Intelligence General (Frames 923-1429) and Reel 12 - Monthly SOE/SO Reports (Frames 390-682). See also file of declassified copies returned from mandatory review action.

B. Papers of C.D. Jackson, Boxes 6-7, file folders: "Intelligence--Paris."

C. Dwight D. Eisenhower Library Collection of Twentieth Century Military Records Series VII, European Advisory Committee Material. Eighteen boxes consisting primarily of OSS Research and Analysis Branch reports on Germany with some on other European countries.

D. Papers of Bernard Yarrow, Boxes 1-6 for information on the Shepherd Project and Yugoslavia, 1943-1945.

E. Papers of Edward Lilly, Boxes 16-17, file folders: "Coordinator of Information [June 1941 - August 1942];" Box 23, file folder: "Office of Strategic Services" contains William Donovan memorandum to FDR re OSS/OWI relations and authority for OSS actions in ETO.

2. Claude Boillot and British intelligence

Papers of Claude Boillot, Boxes 1-2 contain correspondence, messages, reports, training bulletins and other materials documenting Boillot's work with British intelligence in France during World War II. A few items remain classified.

3. Resistance movements in Nazi occupied Europe

A. SHAEF, Office of the Secretary, General Staff, Records (Microfilm), Reel 52, French Resistance Groups (check other reels for other resistance groups).

B. Papers of C. D. Jackson, see various boxes annotated with "French Relations."

C. Dwight D. Eisenhower Collection of Twentieth Century Military Records: University Historical Studies, Box 36, #121 Special Operations: AAF Aid to European Resistance Movements, 1943-1945.

4. Psychological Warfare Intelligence (World War II)

A. Papers of C.D. Jackson. The first 27 boxes contain much pertinent material. A few selected folders include the following: Box 3, file folders: "Cairo--Algiers (1)-(3);" Box 4, folders of R.H.S. Crossman correspondence; Box 6, folders regarding France; Boxes 6-7, file folder titled "Intelligence;" Box 9, file folder titled "McClure, General;" Box 10, file folders: "Overlord--London (1)-(3);" Box 13, folders on PWB and PWD; Box 18, file folders: "Psychological Warfare in the Mediterranean Theater (1)-(3)."

B. SHAEF, Office of the Secretary, General Staff, Records (Microfilm) Reels 5 and 6 - Propaganda; Reel 6 - Psychological Warfare Against Germany.

5. ULTRA

A. Dwight D. Eisenhower: Pre-Presidential Papers, 1916-52, Principal File Series, Box 166, file folder: "DIARY - BUTCHER (January 8, 1943 - May 5, 1943 (1)-(5)," see entries for February 20-21 and 23, 1943 regarding ULTRA and Kassarine Pass; Box 77, file folder: "MELO - MEN (Misc.);" for letters exchanged between Stewart Menzies and General Eisenhower July 1945.

B. Dwight D. Eisenhower: Pre-Presidential Papers, 1916-52, Miscellaneous Series, Box 20, file folder: "George C. Marshall Letters re Use of ULTRA Intelligence March-May 1944" for letters from George Marshall to Eisenhower, MacArthur and other commanders re use of ULTRA.

C. Dwight D. Eisenhower Library Vertical File, file folder: "ULTRA Intelligence"

contains 35 pages of reports received by the U.S. War Department on use of ULTRA in European Theater of Operations.

6. SHAEF Weekly Intelligence Summaries

Walter Bedell Smith, Collection of World War II Documents, Boxes 30-32 contain SHAEF weekly intelligence reports consisting of order of battle information on German forces, information derived from POW interrogations and occasional texts of captured enemy documents.

7. USFET Intelligence Reports and Near Prints

Dwight D. Eisenhower's Pre-Presidential Papers, 1916-52, Principal File Series, Box 178. The section on Military Reports and Near Prints-U.S. Forces European Theater contains intelligence reports covering period from July to November 1945 with reports on conditions in Germany, including counter-intelligence data, and reports on other countries as well.

8. U.S. Army Unit Battlefield intelligence

U.S. Army Unit Records. 1,600 boxes of records of U.S. Army infantry, armored, airborne and cavalry divisions plus some regimental and other components. Typically, each unit record contains G-2 or S-2 reports and logs with order of battle information, prisoner of war information, captured enemy documents and occasionally summaries of interrogations of captured Germany military and civilian personnel such as in records of 101st Airborne Division in Box 13-A. Contains intelligence information pertaining to operations in the Southwest Pacific against Japan as well as operations in North Africa, the Mediterranean and Northwest Europe.

9. TORCH and North Africa

Dwight D. Eisenhower's Pre-Presidential Papers, Principal File Series, Box 130, file folders: "CABLES - (C.C.S. August 1942 - December 1942) (3)(4)" includes British Cabinet papers with intelligence estimates of German intentions and capabilities. These were used during planning Operation Torch.

U.S. Army Unit Records, Box 772, file folder: G-2 Reference File on Spanish Morocco (Part of 3rd Infantry Division Records). Contains G-2 intelligence reports from military attaches and other sources including British regarding Spanish Morocco in 1942-43 with topographical as well as political and military intelligence information and G-2 estimates of situation in Spanish Morocco. See also Box 21, part of records of First U.S. Armored Division for additional intelligence information on Spain and Spanish Morocco.

10. Pastorius Undertaking

Franklin Stone (Special Agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 1934-44) was in charge of the FBI's handling of the case involving eight Nazi saboteurs who were landed in the United States by German submarines in 1942. Franklin Stone Papers, Box 1 contains reports on this operation named Pastorius Undertaking, and documents FBI investigative and counter-espionage activities.

11. Air Intelligence Weekly Summaries (North Africa and Mediterranean)

Lauris Norstad Papers, Box 8 contains Air Intelligence Weekly Summaries from April 1943 to July 1944, reporting on Allied and Axis air operations.

Post World War II: 1946-1953

12. Richard Sorge Espionage Case

A. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Records as President (White House Central Files), Confidential File Series, Box 66, file folder: "Sorge Case." Report prepared by Military Intelligence Section, General Headquarters, U.S. Far East Command (bears dates 1949 and 1952) for use by the U.S. House of Representatives, House Committee on Un-American Activities. Includes statements, photographs, with Japanese texts along with English translations. Report covering Richard Sorge's spy ring in China and Japan during 1930s and 1940s, endeavors to connect Soviet espionage in Far East with subversive activities within the United States.

B. Walter Bedell Smith Papers, Box 26, file folder: "Miscellaneous" includes an apparent abbreviated version of above report entitled Sorge's Own Story with translation of Sorge's statement. This version was also prepared by the Military Intelligence Section, U.S. Far East Command (Douglas MacArthur's Headquarters) and sent to Walter Bedell Smith, then Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, probably in 1952.

13. Post-War Occupation Intelligence

U.S. Army Unit Records, Boxes 831-837 (U.S. 25th Infantry Division). These boxes contain G-2 Periodic Reports from November 1945 to February 1949 documenting U.S. Army's monitoring of potential subversion and political activities in Japan during its occupation by U.S. troops. Topics covered include investigation of Japanese execution of American airmen during the war, Japanese elections, militarism, labor unions, communism, Japanese public opinion and various intelligence and counter-intelligence targets. Other U.S. Army unit records contain similar materials for Germany and Korea.

14. P.D. Ginder, Senior Military Attache at Prague, Czechoslovakia, 1949-51

Major General P.D. Ginder Papers, Box 1 contains several Military Attache reports, State

Department messages, and Department of the Army correspondence regarding the situation in Czechoslovakia in 1950-51, including a memorandum critiquing the quality of political reports from one source. Includes observations on Czech armed forces in parade and comments on political personalities and conditions, alleged U.S. violations of Czech air space and Oatis case. Pertinent documents are scattered through out the small quantity of alphabetically arranged correspondence. One item and small portion of another still classified.

15. Korean War battlefield intelligence

J. Lawton Collins Papers. Box 22, file folder: "Korea- Air Interdiction Program, 1951-52" contains a study by the U.S. Far East Command, Military Intelligence Section which evaluated the air interdiction program launched against enemy communications lines in 1951. Found here are maps, charts and text. Box 23 contains several file folders documenting J. Lawton Collins' trips as U.S. Army Chief of Staff to Korea from July 1950 through 1953. Collins' reports on his conferences with Generals MacArthur, Ridgway, Van Fleet, Clark and others during these years include summaries of intelligence situation on Korean battlefield, evaluation of U.S. military progress and assessments of North Korean and Chinese capabilities and intentions.

16. Assessments of the Soviet Union's Atomic Energy Program 1950-1953

White House Office, National Security Council Staff Papers, Executive Secretary's Subject Series, Box 1, file folder: "#1 Miscellaneous (2)" contains a partially declassified CIA report on the status of the Soviet Atomic energy Program as of July 4, 1950 which lists assumptions about Soviet activities along with comments on specific production processes and estimates on thermonuclear capabilities. The file folder titled "#1 Miscellaneous (3)" contains a partially declassified National Scientific Intelligence Estimate on the status of the Soviet Atomic Energy Program as of January 8, 1953. Even more detailed reports are found in Box 16 of the Executive Secretary's Subject File Series in file folders titled "Special (File #1) (4)(5)." These contain CIA Scientific Intelligence Reports on Soviet Atomic Energy Program dated January 5 and July 28, 1951. The reports provide narrative discussion, summaries of Soviet production of various nuclear materials and comments on espionage. Note: Portions of all reports cited for this topic were still security-classified as of 2003.

Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Years 1953-61

Please Note: Intelligence related materials are found throughout Dwight D. Eisenhower's Presidential papers and the office files of his White House staff, especially those files relating to the Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, the Office of the White House Staff Secretary, and the National Security Council Staff. The personal papers of John Foster Dulles, Christian Herter, C.D. Jackson and Walter Bedell Smith also hold intelligence materials.

Since intelligence information may be found in many country files as well as widely scattered throughout chronologically arranged series, it is not feasible to prepare a report so comprehensive that it will cover everything pertaining to intelligence. Researchers interested in particular countries should check files for those particular countries (i.e. United Kingdom and Soviet Union to give two examples of country files likely to contain intelligence materials).

There are files entitled Central Intelligence Agency in the Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries of the Records of the White House Staff Secretary; in the Confidential File Series of the White House Central Files; and in other locations. These should be checked. The Allen Dulles folders in Box 13, Administration Series, Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President provide examples of intelligence documents on various topics. Two specific files which should be checked by almost anyone interested in studying the role of intelligence in the Eisenhower Administration are cited as follows:

A. Records of the White House Staff Secretary, (Andrew Goodpaster) Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Boxes 14-15. All file folders titled Intelligence Matters. These span the period 1956 to 1961 and are an especially important source for tracking U-2, peripheral reconnaissance and satellite reconnaissance programs but also contain intelligence relating to Syria, Cuba and other areas as well.

B. Records of the White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, Special Assistant's Series, Presidential Subseries. Boxes 3-5 contain a series of file folders entitled Meetings with the President. These record Gordon Gray's discussions with President Eisenhower from mid 1958 through January 1961 covering NSC 5412 matters, intelligence oversight and other intelligence issues. Gordon Gray and Andrew Goodpaster were key advisers to the President on intelligence and other national security matters and their files will be cited again and again under various topics listed below.

17. National Security Council Intelligence Briefings

Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File), NSC Series, Boxes 4-13. Allen Dulles, Director of Central Intelligence, normally briefed the National Security Council during regularly scheduled meetings. Typically, these DCI briefings cover countries, foreign leaders and events around the world and include comments by the President and other NSC members in response to Allen Dulles remarks. These briefings are incorporated into the detailed summaries of discussion prepared for most NSC meetings. Portions remain security-classified.

18. Synopses of intelligence reported to the President

Records of White House Office of the Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Box 14. File folders titled "Intelligence Briefing Notes" (24 folders). These notes summarizing intelligence material used in briefing the President begin in June 1958

and continue through the end of the Administration in January 1961. These consist primarily of one to three or four page memoranda containing brief summaries of intelligence on one or more countries, events or foreign leaders during this period. Copies of many of these intelligence notes are also found in the DDE Diary Series of Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File). Portions of these intelligence synopses remain classified.

19. Intelligence Oversight

A. Doolittle Committee (studying covert activities of CIA). Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File), Administration Series, Box 13, file folder: "Allen Dulles (4)." Found here is a memorandum of a conversation between President Eisenhower and General Doolittle in October 1954 regarding Allen Dulles and the Central Intelligence Agency. Also found here is a memorandum setting forth objectives for General Doolittle's committee. Additional material concerning the Doolittle Committee is found in Records of the White House Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Box 12, file folder: "Doolittle Committee." A sanitized copy of the Doolittle Committee Report is available in the Library's research room.

B. Clark Task Force on Intelligence. Records of White House Office of the Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Box 13, file folders: "Hoover Commission on Intelligence Activities" (12 folders). These files include partially declassified summaries of recommendations and agency comments. This material covers the Central Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency, military intelligence and other aspects of the U.S. Government's intelligence programs. Additional memoranda concerning the Clark Task Force on Intelligence is found in Box 9, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries. Portions of the Clark Task Force documentation remain security-classified. A sanitized (partially declassified) copy of the Clark Task Force report is available in the Library's research room.

C. President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File), Administration Series, Box 13, file folder: "Dulles, Allen (3)" contains the first report of the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities, dated December 1956. Portions still security classified. DDE Diary Series, Box 21, file folder: "Diary-Staff Memos" contains memorandum of a conference between the President and the Board, January 17, 1957 discussing the Board's report. Also in DDE Diary Series, Box 30, file folder: "Staff Notes, February 1958" is a memorandum of a Presidential meeting on February 10, 1958 regarding the Baker Panel report on special intelligence.

D. Records of the White House Office of the Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Boxes 5-6. Eight file folders on Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities from November 1955 to January 1961 including reports and memoranda. Portions remain classified.

E. Records of the White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, NSC Series, Subject Subseries, Boxes 7-8 contain twenty one file folders on the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities. These also reflect the Board's oversight functions and include correspondence, memoranda and reports. Portions remain classified.

F. Records of the White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, Special Assistant's Series, Presidential Subseries, Boxes 3-5 contain memoranda of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, Gordon Gray, meetings with the President from 1958 to 1961. This is a key file for many intelligence matters and includes references to the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities. Portions still classified.

G. Gordon Gray Papers, Box 2, file folder: "[Gordon Gray-President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board] documents Board matters and Gordon Gray's service with the Board in 1962. Portions remain classified.

20. National Security Council Intelligence Directives and Coordination and Organization of Foreign Intelligence Programs

A. Records of White House Office of Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, NSC Series, Administration Subseries, Box 6, file folder: "NSCIDs." Six folders containing texts of National Security Council Intelligence Directives and related memoranda. See also Box 12, Executive Secretary's Subject Series for other file folders of NSCIDs. Significant portions of the contents of these folders remain security-classified.

B. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File), NSC Series, Box 9, file folder: "358th Meeting of NSC, March 13, 1958." This meeting summary records lengthy discussion of NSCIDs and is largely declassified. Box 13, NSC Series, file folder: "473rd meeting of NSC, January 5, 1961" and "474th Meeting of NSC, January 12, 1961" discuss NSCIDs and recommendations made by Joint Study Group on Foreign Intelligence.

C. Records of the White House Office of the Special Assistant for National Security Affairs, Papers Rec. since 1/10/61 Series, Box 1, file folder: "Papers received since January 10, 1961 (3)" contains a report of the Joint Study Group on Foreign Intelligence (declassified in part).

D. U.S. Department of State, Foreign Relations of the United States: Emergence of the Intelligence Establishment, 1945-1950. Recommended source of information on early development of U.S. Government's intelligence programs. Contains texts of many early NSCIDs.

21. NSC 5412 (Covert Operations)

A. Records of White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, NSC Series, Policy Papers Subseries, Box 10, file folder: "NSC 5412 - Covert Operations" contains the first NSC 5412 directive on covert operations plus related memoranda including memoranda regarding historical background of NSC 5412. Portions of this file remain security-classified.

B. Records of White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, Special Assistant's Series, Presidential Subseries, Box 2, file folders: "President's Papers 1955 (1) and (7)" contain revisions of NSC 5412 which were issued as NSC 5412/1 and 5412/2.

C. Records of White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, Special Assistant's Series, Presidential Subseries, Boxes 3-5, file folders titled "Meetings with the President." These folders contain memoranda of conversations between President Eisenhower and the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, Gordon Gray. Gordon Gray discussed NSC 5412 matters and other intelligence issues with the President. These file folders constitute an important source of information on the Eisenhower Administration's intelligence programs. Portions remain security-classified.

22. Operation PBSUCCESS: The United States and Guatemala, 1952-1954

Dwight D. Eisenhower Library Reference Collection of Miscellaneous Declassified Documents. This file contains a partially declassified copy of a report entitled Operation PBSUCCESS which was produced by the History Staff, Center For the Study of Intelligence (116 pages). Also found here is a partially declassified report (12 pages) entitled CIA and Guatemala Assassination Proposals 1952-1954.

Although the paper trail on PBSUCCESS thins out quickly in the Eisenhower Library's holdings, pertinent materials can be found which provide interesting if limited information on this undertaking. These include the following:

Papers of James Hagerty, Hagerty Diary, Box 1, Diary entries for May, June, and July 1954. (See index). Some but not all of these were published in Robert Ferrell's The Diary of James C. Hagerty (Bloomington, Indiana: Indiana University Press, 1983).

Papers of John Foster Dulles, Box 2, file folders: "Telephone Memos (Excepting to and From White House) May 1, 1954 - June 30, 1954 (1)-(3)."

Records of White House Office of the Staff Secretary, Cabinet Series, Box 2, file folder: "C-16 (1) July 9, 1954".

23. Cuba: U.S. Covert Actions against the Fidel Castro Regime

A. Records of White House Office of the Staff Secretary, International Series, Box 4, file folder: "CIA Policy Paper re Cuba [March 17, 1960]" contains "A Program of Covert Action Against the Castro Regime," March 16, 1960. This 11 page document has been declassified in full, including portions withheld from the Department of State's Foreign Relations of the United States series. Also examine the file folders on Cuba in this same box.

B. Records of White House Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Box 15, file folder: "Intelligence Matters March-May, 1960" and "Intelligence Matters August 1960." Found here is fully declassified memorandum of March 17, 1960 meeting with the President which discussed the planning paper cited above plus an August 1960 meeting on Cuba also. The folders entitled Intelligence Matters may contain other items on Cuba.

C. Records of White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, Special Assistant's Series, Presidential Subseries, Boxes 4-5, file folders entitled "Meetings with the President" contain memoranda prepared by Gordon Gray re Presidential discussions of Cuba. See in particular Memoranda of Meetings with the President, November 29, 1960 and January 5, 1961 which document extensive presidential discussions of covert action regarding Cuba.

Please Note: The Eisenhower Library holds a significant quantity of declassified documentation concerning Cuba. Materials can be found in NSC discussions, telephone discussions between Secretary Herter and the President and even in Dwight Eisenhower's Post-Presidential Papers. A search report specifically covering Cuba is available at the Eisenhower Library and can be readily copied upon request.

24. The Report of the Technological Capabilities Panel (Killian Report): Meeting the Threat of Surprise Attack (February 1955)

A. Records of Office of White House Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Box 16, file folder: "Killian Report - Technological Capabilities Panel" (2 folders). Contains a copy of this two volume report totaling 190 pages. Both volumes contain sections on intelligence. See in particular, Part V of Volume II, Intelligence: Our First Defense Against Surprise. The Killian Report is one of the key historical documents of the Eisenhower Administration relating to the national security. Portions remain security-classified.

B. Records of the White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, NSC Series, Policy Papers Subseries, Box 16, file folder: "NSC 5522 - Technological Capabilities Panel." NSC 5522 is a 120 page report consisting of comments on the recommendations of the Killian Report by various U.S. Government agencies including the CIA. Portions remain security-classified.

25. Cold War Reconnaissance - Airborne Peripheral Reconnaissance missions

A. Records of the White House Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Boxes 14-15, file folders entitled "Intelligence Matters." This is a key file for reconnaissance intelligence in general including peripheral (Ferret Missions), U-2 and satellite. Contain materials from 1956 through 1960. See in particular memorandum of conference with President on July 1, 1960 and attached briefing which covered aerial reconnaissance programs conducted near communist territory. Portions of this key file remain classified.

B. Records of White House Office of the Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Box 23, file folder: "RB-47" contain messages and statements regarding the Soviets shutdown of the US RB-47 in July 1960. Portions of this material remain classified. See also "Summary of the 451st Meeting of the NSC, July 15, 1960," Box 12, NSC Series, Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President, a Memorandum of Conference with the President dated July 19, 1960, Box 52, DDE Diary Series, Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President; and memoranda of telephone calls between Christian Herter and the President in Box 10, Papers of Christian Herter, file folder: "Telephone Calls 7/1960 to 1/20/61."

C. Records of White House Office of the Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Box 20, file folders: "Navy, Dept. of." These contain documentation re downing of U.S. Navy Mercator off the coast of China in 1956. The President discussed this loss in a meeting with Admiral Radford, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff in August 1956, which is recorded in a largely declassified memorandum of conference with the President, Box 17, file folder: "Aug. 56 Diary-Staff Memos." See also materials in Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers, the Papers of John Foster Dulles and the Christian Herter Papers regarding the Soviet shutdown of a US C-130 in September 1958. Portions of these reconnaissance materials remain classified. (Library guide to holdings on POW/MIAs contain information and file locations for documentation on the C-130 and other shutdowns or incidents involving reconnaissance aircraft.)

26. Cold War Reconnaissance - U-2 Overflights

A. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File), Box 3, file folder: "ACW Diary November 1954 (1)" contains one page memorandum of Presidential conference on November 24, 1954 in which President approved program to produce 30 special high performance aircraft (U-2s).

B. Records of White House Office of the Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Boxes 14-15, file folders: "Intelligence Matters." Found here are several memoranda of conversations and handwritten notes by Andrew Goodpaster documenting the authorization of U-2 overflights of the USSR and other denied territory. Portions of

this important historical file remain classified.

C. Records of White House Office of the Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Box 25, file folders: "U-2 Incident." These contain diplomatic messages, CIA reports, printed statements and even a letter from Francis Gary Powers to his wife. Portions of this file remain classified.

Much documentation concerning the diplomatic impact of the U-2 Incident is available for research at the Eisenhower Library. A search report covering most of this material is available and can be copied upon request.

27. Cold War Reconnaissance: Satellite Reconnaissance

A. Records of White House Office of the Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Boxes 14-15, file folders: "Intelligence Matters." These folders contain memoranda by Andrew Goodpaster documenting discussions of Project CORONA, agency reports on same subject and a report on SAMOS. Significant portions of this important file have been declassified in full or with minor redactions. Some items do, however, remain security-classified.

B. Records of White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, NSC Series, Briefing Notes Subseries, Box 7, file folders: "Earth Satellites (1)-(3)." Several references to reconnaissance satellites in these folders.

C. Records of White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, NSC Series, Policy Papers Subseries, Box 16, file folder: "NSC 5520 - U.S. Scientific Satellite Program." Contains memoranda re reconnaissance satellites including brief schedule. Box 25 of same series, file folders titled "NSC 5814 - Outer Space" contain NSC policy paper on outer space with several paragraphs on satellite reconnaissance.

D. Records of White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, NSC Series, Subject Subseries, Box 10, file folder titled "Reconnaissance Satellites 1960" contains several memoranda regarding NSC decisions on the topic plus public information handling of reconnaissance satellites. Portions of this file remain classified.

E. Records of White House Office, NSC Staff Papers, Executive Secretary's Subject Series, Box 15, file folder: "Reconnaissance Satellites" contains summary of Special NSC meeting of August 25, 1960 plus other memoranda. Portion of this file remained security-classified as of 2003.

F. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File), NSC Series. This series contains several discussions of outer space policy including reconnaissance satellites such as 374th NSC meeting, July 31, 1958 (Box 10); 376th NSC meeting, August 14, 1958 (Box 10); and 431st NSC meeting, January 13, 1960 (Box 12). Portions

of these NSC memoranda remain classified.

28. National Intelligence Estimates (NIEs) and Special Intelligence Estimates (SNIes)

A. Records of White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, NSC Series, Subject Subseries, Boxes 10-11, file folders containing NIE-11-8-54 re Probable Warning of Soviet Attack; NIE 11-4-54 re Soviet Capabilities and Probable Soviet Courses of Action through Mid 1959; NIE 11-3-55- Soviet Capabilities and Probable Soviet Courses of Action Through 1960; and NIE 11-4-56- Soviet Capabilities and Probable Soviet Courses of Action Through 1961. These include advance and final copies. NIE 11-4-56 remained security-classified.

B. Records of White House Office of the National Security Council Staff Papers, NSC Registry Series, Boxes 3-4, file folders entitled "NIEs" and "SNIes" plus file folders in Boxes 4-5 on Intelligence Advisory Committee and United States Intelligence Board. The NIE folders contain largely declassified lists of NIEs for period 1955-57. The Intelligence Advisory Committee and U.S. Intelligence Board files contain material relating to preparation of NIEs. The Remote Archives Capture Program (RAC) has resulted in the declassification in part of important portions of the materials relating to the Intelligence Advisory Committee although several items remain security-classified.

Note: The Eisenhower Library does not have a complete set of NIEs. Presumably such documents can be requested through the Freedom of Information Acts placed with the CIA or the National Archives. Individual NIEs and SNIes can, however, be found in the Library's holdings within specific country or subject files. (For example, file folders on Berlin in Boxes 7-9 of Executive Secretary's Subject Series, NSC Staff Papers contain SNIes on Berlin.)

29. Economic Intelligence

Records of U.S. Council on Foreign Economic Policy, Office of the Chairman, Randall Series, Intelligence Reports Subseries. Boxes 1-3 contain Department of State Office of Intelligence Research (OIR) reports, other State Department reports, CIA Economic Intelligence Committee Reports and a declassified NIE (11-3-56) re Sino-Soviet Policy and Probable Effects in Under Developed Areas. These reports pertain primarily to Soviet economic penetration in Third World countries. See also files on East-West Trade and Soviet Economic Penetration in other series in this collection and in the related Records of the Council on Foreign Economic Policy for other intelligence reports on economic matters. Some materials remain security-classified.

30. Laos Situation Reports

Records of White House Office of the Staff Secretary, International Series, Box 10, file folders: "Laos Situation Reports." These files consist of a series of CIA field reports

covering developments in Laos from August to December 1960, supplemented by JCS situation reports from December 30, 1960 to January 18, 1961. This file provides detailed reporting on events in the ongoing crisis in Laos and offers the opportunity to examine one category of CIA field reports which only appear occasionally elsewhere in the Library's holdings. File folders on Laos in Box 9 of this series contain memoranda of presidential conferences and messages which also contain intelligence information. Portions of the CIA field reports remain security-classified.

31. Vietnam and Intelligence

Papers of J. Lawton Collins. Boxes 24-32 documents Collins' mission to Vietnam in November 1954 through April 1955 with detailed look at developments in this country during this time. Contains correspondence and memoranda regarding Ngo Dinh Diem, Edward Lansdale and other individuals and issues with intelligence information scattered throughout this series. Portions remain security-classified.

32. Nuclear Test Monitoring

A. Records of White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, NSC Series, Briefing Notes Subseries, file folder: "Atomic Testing - Killian Report - Technical Feasibility of Cessation" contains Report of NSC Ad Hoc Working Group on Technical Feasibility of a Cessation of Nuclear Testing (March 1958). Documents intelligence capabilities for monitoring Soviet tests. See also other file folders in this box and in Box 3 entitled "Atomic Testing-Suspension of Nuclear Testing" which contain memoranda of conversations of Meetings of the Principals at Geneva negotiations regarding nuclear test limitations or cessations. Portions of the Report of the NSC Ad Hoc Committee remain classified as well as portions of memoranda concerning the Meetings of the Principals at Geneva and related materials.

B. Records of White House Office of the Special Assistant For Science and Technology (James Killian and George Kistiakowsky) Box 1, file folder: "Disarmament-Nuclear" contains material re the NSC Ad Hoc Working Group. Box 3, file folder: "President's Science Advisory Committee" contains minutes of meetings of Atomic Energy Working Group. Portions of this documentation remain security-classified as of 2003.

33. Joint Chiefs of Staff Crisis Situation Reports

A. Records of White House Office of Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Department of Defense Subseries, Boxes 4-5, file folders: "Joint Chiefs of Staff [Vol. II]" contain JCS Situation Reports covering developments during the United States military operations in Lebanon. Reports cover period July through November 1958 and include information from military attaches, U.S. and British Embassies and other sources. Later reports cover developments in the Formosa Straits. Small portions of some of these reports remain classified.

B. Records of White House Office of Staff Secretary, International Series, Boxes 3-4, file folders: "Congo Situation Reports." These JCS reports span period from July 1960 to January 1961.

34. Biographical Intelligence

Dwight D. Eisenhower's Records as President (White House Central Files), Confidential File Series, Boxes 72-80, file folders entitled "State Department" arranged chronologically. These folders contain biographical reports prepared by the Department of State based on intelligence available to the Department as part of briefing books used in conjunction with visits by foreign heads of state or heads of government to the United States. Briefing reports normally cover the foreign leaders themselves along with key members of their governments. Material can be found for visits by such leaders as Jawaharlal Nehru, King Saud, Ngo Dinh Diem, Konrad Adenauer, Nobusuke Kishi, Harold Macmillan, Souvanna Phouma and others. Some of these biographical sketches remain security-classified as of 1999. See also the International Series in Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President; and the International Series and International Trips and Meetings Series, Records of the White House Staff Secretary.

35. Psychological Warfare

A. White House Office of the National Security Council Staff Papers, OCB Secretariat Series, Box 6, file folder: "PSB, Short History of (by Dr. Lilly)" contains a history of U.S. psychological operations during period 1946-51 written by Dr. Edward Lilly, a member of Psychological Strategy Board staff. Portions of this history remain classified.

B. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File), Miscellaneous Series, Box 5, file folder "Report of President's Committee on International Information Activities (Jackson Committee), 1953." Portions of this report remain security-classified. See also Records of U.S. President's Committee on International Information Activities (Jackson Committee), 1950-53, 16 boxes.

C. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File), Administration Series, Box 33, file folder: "Report of President's Committee on Information Activities Abroad (Sprague Committee), December 1960." Portions of this report remain security-classified. See also Records of U.S. President's Committee on Information Activities Abroad (Sprague Committee), 29 boxes.

D. Papers of C.D. Jackson, Box 83, file folders: "Princeton Meeting, May 10-11, 1952 (1)-(5)" contain transcript of meeting involving many U.S. Government officials such as Allen Dulles participating in an unofficial capacity to discuss plans for conducting cold war psychological warfare activities. See also file folders entitled Log for 1953-60 for diary entries, memoranda and correspondence reflecting C.D. Jackson's role as

psychological warfare adviser in the Eisenhower Administration. Many other file folders in the Jackson Papers pertain to such topics as the Free Europe Committee and psychological warfare.

Please note: psychological warfare was a major area of activity during the Eisenhower Administration and is well documented in the Library's holdings. In addition to the Papers and Records of C.D. Jackson and the records of the two presidential committees cited above, important documentation can be found in the Psychological Strategy Board Central Files and Operations Coordinating Board Central Files Series of the NSC Staff Papers; the Records of the White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs; and in many other collections in the Library's holdings.

36. Eastern Europe

A. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File), NSC Series, Box 8, file folder "290th Meeting of the NSC, July 12, 1956" includes a largely declassified discussion of U.S. policy toward the Communist dominated countries of Eastern Europe with some of the discussion bearing on intelligence activities and information.

B. Records of the White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, NSC Series, Policy Papers Subseries, Box 8, file folder: "NSC 174- Policy Toward Soviet Satellites in Eastern Europe;" and Box 17, file folder: "NSC 5608 Policy Toward Soviet Satellites in Eastern Europe." Some materials may still be classified.

C. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Records as President (White House Central Files), Confidential File Series, Box 27, file folder "Foreign Operations Administration A (1)" contains report on effectiveness of escapee programs produced in late 1953. Portions of this report remain classified.

37. Iran

A. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File), International Series, Box 32, file folders: "Iran 1953-59 (8)(9)." Contains messages, memoranda and correspondence documenting U.S.-Iranian relations during 1953. Portions remain security-classified.

B. White House Office, NSC Staff Papers, PSB Central Files Series, Box 13, file folder: "Iran." Contains memoranda regarding situation in Iran in 1953. Portions of this file remain classified.

C. Papers of C.D. Jackson, Box 73, file folder: "McClure, Robert (1)." Contains correspondence from General McClure, part of U.S. Military mission to Iran reporting on situation in August 1953.

D. White House Office of Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, NSC Series, Policy Papers Subseries, Box 8, file folders: “NSC 175” and “NSC 5402 – U.S. Policy Toward Iran.” Portions remain security-classified

E. Dwight D. Eisenhower’s Records as President (White House Central Files), Confidential File Series, Box 40, file folder: “Mutual Security (11).” Contains lengthy (about 180 pages) report on U.S. aid program in Iran with background information. A small portion remains security-classified.

38. Syria

A. Dwight D. Eisenhower’s Papers as President (Ann Whitman File) International Series, Box 48, file folders “Syria (1)-(3)” contain memoranda of Presidential meetings on Syria in 1957 plus messages. Portions remain security-classified.

B. Papers of John Foster Dulles, Subject Series, Box 11, file folder “S/Miss Bernau [Syria, September, 1957]” contains memoranda of conversations and messages. Portions remain security-classified.

39. Iraq

White House Office, National Security Council Staff Papers, Special Staff File Series, Box 4, file folder: “CP Iraq – Philip Halla’s files (1)-(6).” Documents Special Working Group on Iraq during period 1958-60 and includes CIA intelligence estimates. Portions still classified.

40. Intelligence documentation in general

A. Dwight D. Eisenhower’s Papers as President (Ann Whitman File), Administration Series, Box 13, file folder: “Dulles, Allen (1)-(4).” Contains correspondence, messages, memoranda and reports covering variety of intelligence matters. Portions remain classified.

B. Records of White House Office, Office of the White House Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Boxes 7-8, file folders on CIA. These contain memoranda from Allen Dulles and others covering wide range of intelligence topics. Portions remain security-classified.

C. Papers of John Foster Dulles, White House Memoranda Series, Box 8, file folder: “Conv. with Dulles, Allen W. (All Intelligence Material) (1)-(4).” Portions remain classified.

41. Tibet

A. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File) International Series, Box 48, file folder: "Tibet" contains messages, correspondence and one partially declassified CIA report. Portions of file remain security classified.

B. Records of White House Office of the Staff Secretary, International Series, Box 13, file folder: "Tibet" contains correspondence, messages and memoranda. Portions remain security-classified.

C. Records of White House Office of the Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Box 15, file folders "Intelligence Matters" contain memoranda regarding Tibet but are largely security-classified.

42. FBI Correspondence, Memoranda and Reports

Records of the White House Office, Office of the Special Assistant for National Security Affairs, FBI Series, Boxes 1-16. Boxes 1-3 consists primarily of alphabetical correspondence and memoranda from FBI Director, J. Edgar Hoover, to Special Assistant For National Security Affairs on communism, civil rights, groups protesting nuclear testing, Ku Klux Klan, NAACP, and other matters of concern to FBI from security standpoint. Box 4 includes file folders entitled "Intelligence" which contain FBI and White House reports on Israeli intelligence (heavily redacted). Boxes 5-6 contain FBI Current Intelligence Estimates (mostly still security-classified as of 1999) and boxes 7-16 a series of FBI publications on Communist Party, Soviet and other foreign espionage, a report on Donald Duart Maclean, Guy Francis De Moncy Burgess, and Harold Adrian Russell Philby (highly redacted) and other security issues. Portions of this series remain classified.

43. Julius and Ethel Rosenberg

A. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Records as President (White House Central Files), Official File, Box 354, file folder: "OF-101-R – Rosenbergs." Two file folders contain letter from Ethel Rosenberg and memoranda relating to the case.

B. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File), Administration Series, Box 32, file folder "Rosenberg Statement" contains exchange of letters in which the President explains his reasoning for not commuting sentence plus State Department message reporting international opinion on case.

C. Records of C.D. Jackson, Box 2, file folder "Brownell, Herbert" includes a memorandum with C.D. Jackson's recommendation that efforts be made to psychologically crack the Rosenbergs.

D. Records of White House Office, NSC Staff Papers, PSB Central File Series, Box 26, file folder "PSB 383.4 Espionage" contains memoranda regarding Rosenberg Case.

Portions of file classified.

E. Records of White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, FBI Series, Box 3, file folder "O - R (3)" includes FBI correspondence regarding protests against execution of the Rosenbergs.

44. National Security Agency Defectors: William H. Martin and Bernon F. Mitchell

A. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Papers as President (Ann Whitman File), NSC Series, Box 13, file folder "463rd Meeting of NSC October 13, 1960" contains discussion of Martin and Mitchell case. Portions remain security-classified.

B. Records of White House Office of Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, Special Assistant's Series, Presidential Subseries, Box 4, file folder "1960--Meetings with President" contains memorandum dated November 21, 1960 regarding the case.

C. Records of White House Office of the Staff Secretary, Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries, Box 17, file folder: "Martin and Mitchell [August-September 1960] (1)(2)." Portions remain classified.

D. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Records as President (White House Central Files), Official File, Box 301, file folder "OF-99-E" contains file of correspondence regarding Congressional inquiry into this case.

45. Loyalty and Security Investigations

A. Papers of Fred A. Seaton, FAS Eyes Only Series, Boxes 1-8 contain data on Army-McCarthy hearings and on allegations of security violations, personnel security risks, and Communist influence on military posts and in the government. Some materials in this series are closed in accordance with donor's deed of gift for reasons of personal privacy.

B. Papers of James Hagerty, Hagerty Diary, Boxes 1 and 1-A contain numerous diary entries regarding Senator Joseph McCarthy and loyalty-security matters.

C. Records of Bryce Harlow (A67-56), Box 16, file folder "Miscellaneous Classified" includes material regarding investigation of alleged subversion at Ft. Monmouth. Portions security classified and/or closed for reasons of personal privacy.

46. Cryptanalysis in the Cold War (See also entry for World War II Ultra Intelligence)

A. Records of the White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs, (OSANSA), NSC Series, Subject Series, Box 10, file folder "Scientific Judgments on Foreign Communications Intelligence (Baker Report) [January 23, 1958]" contains a partially declassified report over 150 pages in length on cryptanalysis including

theory and practice, problems encountered and objectives.

B. Records of the White House Office of the Special Assistant For National Security Affairs (OSANSA), Special Assistant's Series, Subject Series, Box 1, file folder "Baker Panel (ODM Science Advisory Committee) [May 1957 - July 1958]" contains a partially declassified memoranda regarding the Baker Panel report including objectives. [See also files cited above on intelligence oversight. Some of the PFIAB material contains references to the Baker Panel.

INTELLIGENCE MILESTONES DURING THE EISENHOWER ADMINISTRATION

- May 18, 1953 Special Evaluation Subcommittee of NSC, established By President Truman, January 19, 1953 (NSC 140) issued Report Summary Evaluation of the Net Capabilities of the USSR To Inflict Direct Injury on the United States up to July 1, 1955 (became NSC 140/1; NSC 140/1 was superseded by NSB 5423 in June 1954. Subsequent directives regarding a Net Evaluation Subcommittee were approved as NSC 5511, 5605, 5728, and 5816.
- July 29, 1953 U.S. Air Force RB-50 aircraft shot down by Soviet fighters over Sea of Japan. One crew member rescued, 16 others lost. National Security Council was briefed on this shoot down on July 30, 1953.
- August 1953 Operation TP-AJAX, covert operation involving the CIA, ousted Mohammed Mossadegh as Prime Minister in Iran and restored Shah Pahlevi as head of the Iranian Government.
- March 15, 1954 President Eisenhower approved NSC 5412 as official policy directive on U.S. Government covert operations. Later amended as NSC 5412/1 and NSC 5412/2.
- June 1954 Operation PBSUCCESS, CIA supported coup, resulted in Overthrow of Jacobo Arbenz government in Guatemala.
- Summer 1954 President Eisenhower approved formation of National Indications Center for purpose of preventing strategic surprise. The Center Formed interagency staff of National Watch Committee.
- September 30, 1954 Committee chaired by General James Doolittle, presented to the President its report on covert activities of the CIA.
- November 24, 1954 President Eisenhower approved program to produce thirty U-2 Aircraft.
- February 1955 The Technological Capabilities Panel, chaired by James R. Killian, reported to the President, issuing recommendations concerning ICBM development, construction of DEW line, and acquisition and use of intelligence.

May 1955 Task Force on Intelligence Activities, chaired by General Mark Clark, issued report on Intelligence Activities in the Federal Government. Report prepared for the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government (Hoover Commission).

May 27, 1955 President Eisenhower approved International Geophysical Year (IGY) scientific satellite project. One objective was to establish principle of freedom of space and right of unimpeded overflight.

January 10, 1956 Initial balloon reconnaissance project, named GENETRIX, was launched. President Eisenhower terminated project in February 1956 after strong Soviet protests.

January 13, 1956 President Eisenhower established the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities (PBCFIA), (Predecessor of the current President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board – PFIAB).

June 20, 1956 First U-2 flight over denied (communist) territory (Poland, East Germany and Czechoslovakia). On July 4 U-2 overflew Russia for first time.

August 22, 1956 U.S. Navy Patrol Plane, PM4 1 Martin Mercator, shot down by Chinese Communist fighters thirty-two miles from Wenchow and 150 miles north of Formosa. 16 man crew lost.

February 7, 1958 Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA) established in Defense Department with authority over military space activity and temporary responsibility for U.S. civilian satellite projects.

February 7, 1958 President Eisenhower agreed to beginning of film-recovery satellite project separate from other military reconnaissance satellite programs. (Development of CORONA program).

September 2, 1958 U.S. C-130 aircraft with crew of seventeen, and equipped with electronic Equipment, was shot down near Soviet-Turkish border. Entire crew was lost.

March 17, 1960 President Eisenhower approved a plan of covert action directed against Fidel Castro's regime in Cuba.

May 1, 1960 U-2 aircraft, piloted by Francis Gary Powers, is forced down within the Soviet Union with Powers being captured by Soviets. Premier

Khrushchev walked out of Paris Summit Conference two weeks later resulting in failure of the conference.

July 1, 1960

U.S. reconnaissance aircraft, an RB-47, is shot down in Barents Sea north of the Soviet Union. Two crew members rescued, four died.

August 18, 1960

First image successfully recovered from CORONA reconnaissance Satellite.

December 15, 1960

Joint Study Group on Foreign Intelligence Activities, chaired by Lyman Kirkpatrick, presented its report to the Director of Central Intelligence. The Joint Study Group's recommendations were discussed at National Security Council meetings on January 5 and 12, 1961.

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