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MEMORANDUM OF MEETING: Working Group on the Road to the 1970s
Related Information Program (RIP) on
10-25-70

Twenty-eight members of the RIP Working Group met on
10-25-70 at the State Department.

Working Group Members Present

- State - Mr. Philip C. Shelton / Acting Chairman
- Defense - Maj. Gen. Richard D. Taylor, USAF Ret.
- USIA - Mr. Joseph P. ...
- AEC - Mr. Morse S. ...
- JM - Mr. David P. ...
- OGE - Mr. Richard ...

Others Present

- State - Mr. Robert ...
- Defense - Major Richard ...
- USIA - Mr. Stephen ...
- Office of Spec. Assistant to the President - Mr. ...

1. Review of Draft Six-Months Progress Report to NSC
Working Group comments were noted and the OGE Staff agreed to agree to furnish a new draft to the Working Group by close of business Tuesday, 10/27/70.

2. Nuclear-powered Merchant Vessel Program
The Chairman stated that he had discussed the program with Maritime officials, who had expressed concern over the type of vessel proposed by the NSC action on this project. They felt that such a vessel would be useless except for a limited number of years. The project to advance criticism of the program was a stunt. Maritime felt that there were other types of vessels for cargo vessels would preempt the need for many years that a more appropriate rule for nuclear-powered vessels found in a tanker or a passenger vessel. A working agreement on the basic responsibility for the program would be unwisely to proceed with the merchant vessel program. Mr. Irvin, on behalf of the program, requested that the attention of the White House staff be drawn to the basic problems which would be involved in the program.

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Philip C. Shelton
Chairman

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Otherwise, from the psychological standpoint the problem cannot be achieved the purposes for which it was designed.

3. Ninety-day Follow-up Report by the NSC on the British 1944 Statement. Working Group was advised of the following: the subject report: to the Executive Office, May 1, 1944; to the Council for Central and Eastern Europe, May 1, 1944; to the Council for Central and Eastern Europe, May 1, 1944; that State would be prepared to brief a group on the subject of the report on overseas reaction at the next meeting, which would be held on the call of the Chairman.

Michael Beach
NSC Staff Representative

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