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SUBJECT:  Freedom of Information Act Request – Rempel, NND 941138

In response to your letter, dated July 21, 1994, which referred the attached Freedom of Information Act request, the Department of Defense has reviewed the documents identified as NND pages 227-255 and has no objection to their release. Please note that the documents were declassified on March 3, 1995.

If you have any questions, please contact Lt Col Woodside, DFOISR, at (703) 491-6097.

Signed

A. H. Passarella
Director
Freedom of Information
and Security Review

Attachments:
As stated

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July 21, 1994

Mr. D. J. Blakeslee
Acting Director, Freedom of Information and
Security Review
1400 Defense Pentagon
Room 2C 757, The Pentagon
Washington, DC 20301-1400

Re: Requestor’s Name: Roy Rempel
Project Number: NND 941138

Dear Mr. Blakeslee:

Under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, Roy Rempel has requested access to a document from the Records of International Conferences, Commissions and Expositions which we believe may be of interest to your agency. Enclosed are copies of Mr. Rempel’s request letter and of the item for your review for possible declassification. The Department of State has no objection to the release of this document in full subject to your agency’s concurrence.

If exemptions are made under the (b)(3) provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, please cite the pertinent statute in your response. Also, please specify the number of days in which the researcher, if necessary, may appeal your agency’s decisions. We will notify the researcher that your agency’s time limitations for an appeal will commence from the date of NARA’s letter to the requestor.

Please send your review determination, including all sanitizing instructions, to this office and refer to our project number NND 941138. The National Archives will notify the researcher of your decision and of any appeal rights. If you have any questions regarding this case, please contact Herb Rawlings-Milton on (202) 501-5347 and cite our project number.

Sincerely,

JEANNE SCHAUBLE
Director
Records Declassification Division

Enclosures

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TOP SECRET

National Archives and Records Administration
Mr. Milton Gustafson,
Chief, Civil Reference
Branch,
National Archives,
Washington D.C.
20408

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Dear Mr. Gustafson:

Pursuant to my previous requests, I would like to apply for
access to certain additional documents which are presently
classified. If required I would like to apply for these
documents under the Freedom of Information Act. All of
the documents are found in RG 43, CFM. The first set of
documents are found in Box 68. These comprise files
withdrawn from the following folders:

A. Folder: Bi and Tri Talks/Misc Memos Conv. etc:

- Tab #6: dated Nov. 1, 1951
- Tab #17: dated Nov 1, 1951
- Tab #17A: dated Nov 4, 1951
- Tab #17B: dated Nov 5, 1951
- Tab #18: dated Nov 28, 1951
- Tab #19: dated Nov 28, 1951
- Tab #20: dated Nov 29, 1951

These files have been withdrawn under Authority NMD 893107

B. Folder: ST/CTO Telegrams I-66

- Tab #4: dated Nov 5, 1951
- Tab #5: dated Nov 14, 1951
- Tab #6: dated Nov 20, 1951
- Tab #7: dated Nov 22, 1951

These files were also withdrawn under Authority NMD 893107

C. Folder: Truman-Churchill Mtg.

- Tab #22H: dated Jan 22, 1952
- Tab #24A: dated Dec 1951
- Tab #25: dated Dec 13, 1951
- Tab #26: dated Dec 31, 1951
- Tab #27: dated 1951
- Tab #28: dated Dec 23, 1951
- Tab #29: dated Dec 14, 1951
- Tab #30: dated Dec 18, 1951
- Tab #31: dated Dec 30, 1951
- Tab #32: dated Jan 4, 1951 (date should likely read 1952)
- Tab #33: dated Dec 23, 1951
- Tab #34: dated Jan 2, 1951 (date should likely read 1952)
- Tab #35: dated 1951
- Tab #36: dated Jan 2, 1952

These files were withdrawn under Authority NND 917309

D. Folder: TCT/Steering Group - Memoranda 1-13a

- Tab 44: dated Dec 1951
- Tab 44A: dated Dec 18, 1951
- Tab 45: dated Dec 28, 1951
- Tab 46: dated Dec 23, 1951
- Tab 47: dated Feb 5, 1952
- Tab 48: dated Jan 1952
- Tab 49: dated Dec 10, 1951
- Tab 50: dated Dec 17, 1951
- Tab 51: dated Dec 20, 1951

These files were also withdrawn under Authority NND 917309
Second, in Box 69 several files from different folders all of which focus on the Truman-Churchill talks:

- Tab 1: Folder D-1
- Tab 2: Folder D-2
- Tab 3: Folder D-3
- Tab 4: Folder D-4
- Tab 5: Folder D5-1 thru D5-5c
- Tab 6: Folder D5/6 thru 5/13c
- Tab 7: Folder D6
- Tab 8: Folder D7
- Tab 9: Folder TCT Unnumbered documents
- Tab 10: Folder " " "

All these documents were withdrawn under Authority NND 917309 and were dated c. 1952

- Tab 8: Folder TCT D-7, dated Jan 1952
- Tab 13: Folder: Defense Commitments, dated Jan 8, 1952
- Tab 14: Folder: " " " , dated Jan 10 1952
- Tab 15: Folder: British paper on policy toward Soviet Russia, dated c. 1952

Finally in Folder: Truman-Churchill Talks - Miscellaneous, the following files:

- Tab 17: dated Dec 10, 1951
- Tab 18: dated Dec, 1951
- Tab 19: dated Dec 10, 1951
- Tab 20: dated Jan 2, 1952
- Tab 21: dated Jan 7, 1952

All were withdrawn under Authority NND 917309
I hope that these files can be made available. Thank for your assistance!

Yours Sincerely,

R. Rempel

Roy Rempel
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-1/5, dated 29 December 1951, entitled "Political Warfare Against USSR".

The Joint Chiefs of Staff have recommended one change in wording in their memorandum enclosed herewith.

This recommendation has my concurrence.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) William C. Foster
DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Enclosure

The Honorable
The Secretary
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to the Department of State draft position paper TOT D-3/4b, dated 26 December 1951, entitled "Spain".

The Department of Defense concurs in those parts of the above negotiating paper having military implications.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

The Honorable

The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TGT D-3/5b, "Yugoslavia".

The Joint Chiefs of Staff have reviewed this paper and indicated no specific objection to those portions of the draft position paper having military implications. They have, however, made several recommendations in the interests of preciseness and completeness in their memorandum which is inclosed for your information. I concur in the comments of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

Inclosure

The Honorable

The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-4/1b, dated 26 December 1951, entitled "Coordination of Policies in the Middle East".

While the Department of Defense concurs in those portions of the draft negotiating paper having military implications, the Joint Chiefs of Staff have recommended the incorporation in the draft of the substance of certain proposed changes in the interests of accuracy and preciseness. These proposed changes are contained in the enclosed comments of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in which I concur.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

The Honorable
The Secretary of State

Inclosure
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-4/2b, entitled "Middle East Command".

Since the Joint Chiefs of Staff have recently completed a detailed study of command arrangements in the Eastern Mediterranean and Middle East, they are able to spell out in considerable detail the relationship of the various steps in the formation of the Middle East Command, and where appropriate, the relationship of these steps to corresponding NATO developments.

Detailed JCS comments are contained in their enclosed memorandum in which I concur.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

The Honorable
The Secretary of State

Inclosure
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper entitled "Morocco" (TCT D-4/5b), dated 20 December 1951.

While the Department of Defense has no objection to those portions of this paper having military implications, it is recommended that, in the interests of completeness, a statement along the following lines be inserted between the first and second sections of that portion of the reference paper entitled "Position to be Presented":

"From the United States' military point of view, it would be desirable to have close United States support for French policies in Morocco".

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

At the steering group meeting of 21 December 1951 in preparation for the Truman-Churchill talks, State and Defense representatives discussed the question of the advisability of including the matter of "Commonwealth Capabilities and Intentions in the Middle East" in the coming talks, and if so, what substantive points should be elicited.

This question was referred to the Joint Chiefs of Staff in memoranda transmitting to them the tentative draft position papers TCT D-4/8 and TCT D-4/8a on this subject.

Their reply is inclosed for your information. I concur in the views of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and request that the subject be retained and the draft position paper TCT D-4/8a be revised as indicated in order to develop the desired information at the coming talks.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

Inclosure

The Honorable

The Secretary of State
2 JAN 1952

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-5/11b, entitled "The Military Role of Australia and New Zealand".

The Joint Chiefs of Staff have suggested extensive changes designed to define more closely the purpose of this paper and the aspects of the military role of these dominions which require discussion, particularly the inter-relationship of their responsibilities within and outside of the Pacific area. These proposed changes are contained in the attached memorandum of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in which I concur.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

The Honorable

The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-2/2p "War Planning to Include the Re-creation of the Combined Chiefs of Staff".

The Department of Defense has no objection to those portions of this paper having military implications, but would not agree to any retreat from the basic United States position expressed in this paper. That is, that the United States is opposed to the formation of an over-all military authority such as a Combined Chiefs of Staff organization to exercise higher direction and command in global war. The Joint Chiefs of Staff have extensive comments designed to insure that the United States' position is more fully and accurately set forth. These comments are contained in the enclosed memorandum from the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in which I concur.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOYETT

The Honorable
The Secretary of State

Inclosure
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-1/25, dated 27 December 1951, entitled "U.S. and U.K. Appreciation of Probable Soviet Actions in the Near Future."

The Joint Chiefs of Staff have reviewed this paper and recommended extensive changes to reflect accurately the nature of the Soviet threat and to deal adequately with the British tendency toward optimism in this respect. These recommendations are contained in their enclosed memorandum on this subject. Their recommendations have my concurrence.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) William C. Foster

Enclosure

The Honorable

The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-2/1b, dated 28 December 1951 entitled "Nature of the US-UK Relationship".

The Department of Defense, from the military point of view, would like to record its concurrence in the above paper, and particularly in the following statements therein:

Paragraph 4 under US Objectives:

"The US is opposed to formal consultative machinery such as combined boards or a combined chiefs of staff."

Fifth paragraph under Position to be Presented:

"Political-military talks (such as those between Sir Oliver Franks, Air Marshal Elliott, General Bradley and Mr. Matthews) might be used to identify problems which require attention. In some cases, the talks might result in recommendations on desirable courses of action. In others, they might only identify an emerging problem and recommend further study between other officials of the two governments."

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) William C. Foster

DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper entitled "Exchange of Information Regarding the Australian Guided Missile Project" (TGT D-2/6, dated 30 December 1951).

The Department of Defense concurs in the above paper, subject to modification as follows:

a. Delete the second sentence in the second paragraph under the heading "Position to be Presented".

b. Revise the fourth paragraph under the heading "Discussion" to read as follows (changes indicated in the usual manner):

"When the section of the Burns-Templer Agreement ... as is necessary for the development of the general United Kingdom-Australian guided missiles program subject to the conclusion of satisfactory arrangements between the United States and Australia with respect to safeguarding such information ... ."

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

The Honorable

The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TGT D-5/10a, "Indonesia", dated 20 December 1951.

While the Department of Defense concurs generally in the above paper, it is recommended in the interests of clarity and completeness that a new sentence as follows be added to the paragraph under the section of the paper entitled "US Objectives":

"At this time, the major United States interest in the problem of Netherlands-New Guinea lies in the desire that the area be in the hands of a nation friendly to the United States."

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
2 JAN 1952

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft position paper TCT D-5/7b entitled "Burma".

The Joint Chiefs of Staff concur generally in the Position to be Presented in this paper but strongly recommend certain modifications in that section of the paper and elsewhere to avoid the implication that the United States might entertain planning which would directly involve this nation in Burma in certain eventualities. Other recommendations are made in the interests of clarity, preciseness, and completeness. These views are contained in the inclosed memorandum of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, which have my concurrence.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

The Honorable

The Secretary of State

Inclosure
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TOT D-5/8a, dated 20 December 1951, entitled "Malaya".

Inclosed for your information are the comments and recommendations of the Joint Chiefs of Staff with regard to the above paper, designed principally to clarify the question of United States military support in that area. I concur in the comments and recommendations of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

Inclosure

The Honorable

The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TOT D-6/9a, dated 20 December 1951, entitled "A Pacific Security Pact".

The Joint Chiefs of Staff have studied this matter and oppose the statement of United States position as set forth in this paper, which by implication indicates that the United States desires to form a Pacific Area Pact similar in purpose and structure to North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Their detailed comments are enclosed for your information. These comments have my concurrence.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

Inclosure

The Honorable

The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper, TCT D-5/1b, dated 26 December 1951, subject "Korea".

The Joint Chiefs of Staff concur generally in this paper, subject to certain changes which, among other things, bring the paper into consonance with NSC 118/2. These changes are contained in the attached copy of Joint Chiefs of Staff comments, with which I concur.

In addition, the Department of Defense would like to suggest that the footnote on page 5 be expanded to read in substance as follows; for the more complete information of the President.

"The question of a naval blockade is still under consideration in the National Security Council. The second sentence in paragraph 5 above is therefore all that can be said at the present time in a paper reflecting a national position. However, Defense feels strongly that we should press for the adoption by the other major powers concerned of the second alternative in that sentence and only settle for the first alternative if the second proves impossible of attainment. This is in contrast with the views of the Department of State that the first is the preferable alternative."

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

Inclosure

The Honorable

The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TOT D-5/12b, dated 26 December 1951, entitled "Defense of Southeast Asia", which discusses U.S. interests in the defense of that area.

In their comments on this paper, the Joint Chiefs of Staff oppose any statement, expressed or implied, that U.S. support will include the commitment or involvement of any United States armed forces to the Southeast Asian area; and they therefore recommend, in the interests of clarity, preciseness, and completeness, that the sections of the basic paper headed Position to be Presented and Discussion be revised as indicated in their comments. However, they do agree to a meeting with the British and French in Washington in early January on the subject of Southeast Asia, this conference to be without commitment on the part of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Inclosed herewith are the detailed comments of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, with which I concur.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

Inclosure

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft position paper TGT D-5/3b, dated 26 December 1951, entitled "Indochina".

The Joint Chiefs of Staff have reviewed this paper and concur generally in it. However, they feel that the paper does not adequately cover possible courses of action in the event of Chinese Communist intervention in the hostilities of Indochina, and accordingly recommend certain additions for this purpose, as well as changes to define more closely possible US command relationship and commitments in that area. A copy of these comments and recommendations is inclosed herewith. These comments and recommendations have my concurrence.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

Inclosure

The Honorable

The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-5/2a, dated 26 December 1951, entitled "Divergence of US and British Policies Respecting China."

The Joint Chiefs of Staff feel that a particularly strong position must be taken on this subject, and suggest several changes designed to strengthen the paper and to further answer anticipated British objections to our position in this matter. I concur in these views of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, which are contained in their memorandum inclosed with this letter.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

Inclosure

The Honorable

The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft position paper WTR D-43b, dated 26 December 1951, entitled "Egypt".

Since the subject matter of this paper is essentially political, the Department of Defense has no comments from a military point of view.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-5/13b, dated 26 December 1951, entitled "Singapore Conference - Defense of Southeast Asia."

The Joint Chiefs of Staff have reviewed the above paper and have suggested several changes. These changes are contained in their inclosed memorandum, in which I concur.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed), William C. Foster

Inclosure

DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

The Honorable

The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-2/4b, dated 30 December 1951, "Exchange of Technical and Scientific Information Other than Atomic Energy Matters."

The Department of Defense, from the military point of view, concurs generally in the above paper. It recommends, however, that for the sake of emphasis, the substance of the following be added at the end of the final paragraph under the heading Position to be Presented:

"However, as I have previously stated, we are most reluctant to extend the release of secret data until both our countries are operating under the Principles and Standards of Security drawn up in Paris last summer."

The Department of Defense notes that the above paper omits the section headed Discussion which was part of the previous paper (TCT D-2/4a) from which the present paper was derived. The Department of Defense is of the opinion that the material contained in the Discussion would be useful in the current version of the position paper and suggests that it be included.

Sincerely yours,

(signed), William C. Foster

ACTING SECRETARY

The Honorable

The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper entitled "Increased Military End-Item Assistance to the United Kingdom" (TGT D-6/4a dated 30 December 1951).

The Department of Defense, from the military point of view, concurs generally in the subject paper. This Department requests, however, that this expression of its concurrence be considered as without prejudice to its ultimate views with respect to the Temporary Council Committee report.

In the interest of completeness, the Department of Defense recommends that the last sentence of the final paragraph under the heading "Position to be Presented" be changed as follows (changes indicated in the usual manner):

"This re-examination could include the question of the importance, from such a priority standpoint, of filling any certain UK requirements for forces which are not committed to NATO, as it might also include consideration of the importance of French requirements for similar forces."

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) William C. Foster
DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-6/5a, dated 2 January 1952, entitled "The Burden Sharing Aspects of the TOC Report."

The cover page of the draft states that, "This paper has been further revised in accordance with the sense of the meeting between State Department representatives and the Joint Chiefs of Staff on January 2. It is now approved at the official level." At the meeting between State Department representatives and the Joint Chiefs of Staff on 2 January 1952, it was the understanding of the Joint Chiefs of Staff that they would be given opportunity to comment on this paper before approval on the official level.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff are now studying the Temporary Council Committee (TOC) Report as well as the problem of burden sharing principles. Their study, however, probably will not be completed prior to the Truman-Churchill meetings. Accordingly, the Joint Chiefs of Staff must reserve their position on the findings in the TOC Report having military implications.

In the light of statements under the heading Position to be Presented in the Department of State draft negotiating paper entitled "Reorganization of NATO" (TCT D-6/3b, dated 28 December 1951) to the effect that the TOC recommendations represent a point of departure and should be considered within NATO at an early date, and in any event in view of the considerations set forth in paragraph 3 above, the Joint Chiefs of Staff recommend that the views in the subject paper be changed to read as indicated in paragraph 4 of their memorandum which is enclosed herewith.

I concur in the views of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT A. LOVETT

Enclosure

The Honorable

The Secretary of State

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DECLASSIFIED ON: 3 MAR 1995
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-6/2c, dated 28 December 1951, entitled "Standardization of Small Arms."

The Joint Chiefs of Staff have reviewed this paper and concur subject to the addition and the change set forth in paragraphs 3 and 4 of their memorandum of 2 January, as modified by their second memorandum, dated 4 January 1952, both of which memoranda are enclosed herewith. I concur in the recommendations of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) William C. Foster
DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Enclosures

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to my letter to you of 2 January 1952 transmitting a copy of the comments of the Joint Chiefs of Staff with regard to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-5/2a, "Divergence of U.S. and British Policies Respecting China".

Subsequent to the formulation of these comments, another pressing problem in this connection has arisen and is discussed in a second memorandum from the Joint Chiefs of Staff (enclosed herewith) dated 2 January 1952, with regard to this same paper.

I concur in these comments and recommendations of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) William C. Foster
DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Enclosure

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-6/1, dated 28 December 1951, entitled "The Appointment of SACLANT."

The views of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in their review of this paper, are indicated in their memorandum enclosed herewith.

I concur in the views of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) William C. Foster
DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Enclosure

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to Department of State draft negotiating paper TCT D-5/5b, dated 30 December 1951, entitled "Japanese Relations with China."

In their enclosed memorandum the Joint Chiefs of Staff condition their concurrence on the inclusion of the material proposed in their paragraphs 2 and 3. I concur in the recommendations of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) William C. Foster

DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Enclosure

The Honorable

The Secretary of State