

25. Helms, Memorandum for the Record, "Operation RUSTY," 19 December 1946

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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SUBJECT: Operation RUSTY

A meeting was held in New York City on 19 December, 1946 to consider Operation RUSTY. Those attending were:

Mr. A.W. Dulles, Special Adviser, Director CIG  
Mr. W.H. Jackson, Special Adviser, Director CIG  
Col. E. K. Wright, CIG  
Gen. Edwin Sibert, CIG  
Mr. Richard Helms, CIG  
Mr. Samuel Bossard, CIG  
Col. Donald H. Galloway, CIG  
Col. L. L. Williams, G-2 WDGS  
Lt. Col. John Deane, USFET

A discussion was held on the advantages and disadvantages of Central Intelligence assuming responsibility for this operation.

Conclusion

Both Mr. Dulles and Mr. Jackson pointed out the dangers of the operation from a national viewpoint and recommended that a representative of CIG proceed to Germany to initiate an "on the ground" survey as to the value of this operation to a peace time intelligence organization. The consensus of the meeting was that the operation should be materially reduced but that certain parts had possible long-range values and that the survey as recommended by Mr. Dulles and Mr. Jackson should be undertaken.

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