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DIARY FOR THURSDAY, 10 March 1955

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C Dr. [redacted]
G [redacted]

C 1. For approximately four months Dr. [redacted], who is an en-
B ployee of [redacted], has conducted a series of tests at
H [redacted] in [redacted]. Dr. [redacted] has been assisted by a few of his immedi- C
B ate [redacted] staff and some [redacted] personnel, including [redacted]. These H
tests, which are conducted along the line of certain experiments in [redacted] F/I
are designed to unbalance the ego of the individual tested. Eventually they C
may be of significance in the prisoner of war interrogation field. [redacted]
has contributed his services gratis, because of his keen professional interest.
C This derived from [redacted] brain surgery. He is one of the few surgeons in
I this country who operate on the brain to relieve [redacted]
C [redacted]. I have not met [redacted] but I have read the papers he has pre-
H pared, including a recent summary on his experiments at [redacted] which he drafted H
for [redacted] at my request.

A 2. On 28 February 1955, [redacted] (ext. [redacted] of the Psychological J
E Assessment Unit of the Office of [redacted] came in to advise that he had just
finished reading the pertinent sections of the 700-page [redacted] US POW document, H
and that there were certain questions he wished to raise. [redacted] has been A
assigned the task of determining what is being done in the Agency and else-
where in the brain-washing field, and to recommend whether a full-time staff F
should be assigned to monitor the field. As [redacted] was familiar with the H
I [redacted] experiments, I gave him a copy of Dr. [redacted] last summary. I C
H made arrangements for [redacted] to meet [redacted] in his office on 1 March A
H to discuss the [redacted] US POW reports

H 3. On 3 March, [redacted] advised that he had had a satisfactory session
A with [redacted] and would secure additional information from [redacted] US POW files H
A for [redacted] use. He also asked me, at the suggestion of the [redacted] H
A Assistant Director, to pass to [redacted] the information that [redacted] H
H [redacted] knew of [redacted] studies on brain-washing.

H 4. On 9 March, [redacted] called from [redacted] to advise me that Dr. B
C [redacted] had just telephoned him from [redacted]. A CIA employee, [redacted] had A
C requested a meeting later in the day. [redacted] asked [redacted] to be present at H
A the meeting. I telephoned [redacted] of Security Office (Building [redacted] J
J ext. [redacted]. I told him of my relationship to [redacted] of [redacted] participa- H
C tion in [redacted] experiments, and of [redacted] suggestion that [redacted] attend H
A the meeting. [redacted] stated that he and Dr. [redacted] of [redacted] were going A
C to meet Dr. [redacted], who had just been fully cleared, to discuss "artichoke".
C I said that I was aware of the general nature of this field. [redacted] stated A
H that, as this was his first session with [redacted] he would prefer not to have
H [redacted] present. I told [redacted] of [redacted] recommendation against his attendance. A
H I also mentioned that the subject matter to be discussed was the one which had
H been of special concern to [redacted] (former [redacted] Assistant
H Director). [redacted] stated that, if that were the case, [redacted] should be warned A

[redacted]

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C that Dr. [redacted] did not think this was a fruitful field for investigation.
A I relayed this to [redacted] who appreciated this briefing on [redacted] attitude. C

A 5. On 10 March, [redacted] advised that he had had a very satisfactory talk
d with Dr. [redacted] [redacted] asked [redacted] and me to meet him in his office Tuesday, H
15 March, for a full briefing on "Artichoke".

A 6. On 10 March, at a meeting with [redacted] of TSS, he indicated
C that his component is supporting various types of research in this field. I
informed him briefly of [redacted] experiments at [redacted] and stated I would H
like to set up a meeting at which [redacted] could brief him on this H
project. I also mentioned the survey being conducted by [redacted] [redacted]
A stated he would discuss their activities with [redacted]

A [redacted]
col [redacted] G