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Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Affairs, 1955-57; Director, Office of Defense Mobilization, 1957-58; Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, 1958-61.

DESCRIPTION: Interview #1. Personal background: his long association with the National Security Council (NSC); relationship with Secretary of Defense Charles Wilson. Service as Special Assistant for National Security Affairs: Robert Cutler's organization of the NSC; his working relationship with Andrew Goodpaster; DDE's use of the NSC; NSC "summary records of discussion." Eisenhower administration's relationship with Fidel Castro during 1960: approval of covert activities against Castro; Gray's memoranda of meetings DDE had re Cuba in 1960; alleged planning of Bay of Pigs operation; alleged discussions re assassination of Castro; Short comment on assassination of Trujillo in the Dominican Republic.

[Eisenhower Library Oral History Project, interview by Maclyn P. Burg, 1975]