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4. STATUS OF NATIONAL SECURITY PROGRAMS ON JUNE 30, 1957
(NSC 5720, Parts 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8)

Mr. Cutler commented briefly on the several status reports, stressing particularly the Internal Security Program and the Intelligence Advisory Committee's status report. In connection with the latter report, he commented on some provisional figures submitted by the Bureau of the Budget relative to the total annual cost and the total personnel employed throughout the U. S. intelligence community. The Budget estimated the costs of maintaining the U. S. intelligence community to have been over.....

The Director of Central Intelligence commented that the figures submitted by the Bureau of the Budget were very misleading indeed.

The President commented that his only interest in this matter was whether, in the field of intelligence, we are doing what we ought to do and not doing what we ought not to do. If it cost..... to do what we ought to be doing, this was OK with him.

The National Security Council:

Noted and discussed the following reports on the subject:

- a. The Mobilization Program.
- b. The Civil Defense Program.
- c. The NSIA Program.
- d. The Foreign Intelligence Program.
- e. The Internal Security Program.

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