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Re Deptel 216 of November 10, 1958 to Berlin rptd Bonn 960 and last preceding Deptel of October 15, 1959 re intelligence coordination in Berlin. Department requests urgently Ambassador or Chargé renew November 1958 authorization to USCOB to exercise responsibilities as Deputy Chief of Mission in Berlin on behalf of Ambassador.

Purpose of renewing authorization now is to assure Ambassador's senior status and clear lines of authority preserved, to assure that no rpt no precedent established for coordination of Foreign Service reporting and to avoid any diminution of USCOB's authority in coordination of overt intelligence collection in Berlin.

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Department suggests that renewed authorization may be brief reference to November 1958 telegram adding paragraph of delegation authority to USCOB to coordinate overt intelligence collection in Berlin with proviso no change in coordination Foreign Service reporting.

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~~October 16, 1959. This is a copy of the proposed text for Executive Order 10628.~~

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Understand meeting in Berlin on intelligence coordination scheduled October 16. JCS likely to oppose that portion CIA proposal which provides for designation senior CIA representative as chairman ICC(B) on ground designation of chairman prerogative of USCOB in exercise his command responsibility under Executive Order 10608. Department agrees designation chairman prerogative of USCOB, but in his capacity as Ambassador's Deputy.

Insofar as coordination covert intelligence is concerned, JCS expected to take position that ICC(G) repeat ICC(G) already provides suitable mechanism to effect this. Department wishes avoid being involved in this dispute and to refrain from disagreement with JCS directives to USCOB in this field.

Parallel messages being sent from Washington to CAS Bonn and Berlin with instructions to consult with Timberlake and Lightner before taking any action.

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