

July 10, 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. FAHY

I saw Nash this morning following our telephone conversation. The letter to you was evidently the result of Niles's decision last week.

1. Duplicates of the letter to you have not been sent to the other Committee members. Nash said their expectation is that you will notify the other members of the President's letter to you, and that then the President will send a letter of thanks to each member. The reason for this procedure is that Sengstacke may wish to print the letter from the President, and a simple letter of thanks would be more appropriate for this purpose.

2. I asked whether there had been any discussion and decision with respect to a method of reporting progress to the Secretary of Defense and the White House. Nash said Niles felt that you should handle with Leva any suggestion for assigning to the Personnel Policy Board a person who would be responsible for making such reports. My personal feeling is that, with the Committee relieved of further responsibility, this should be undertaken by Niles.

3. Nash said he had discussed with Niles the need for redrafting Executive Order 9981, and Niles had decided this was unnecessary.

4. Nash talked as if the Committee could be called back into being, if necessary, to make a later report. I think this had better be cleared up, as it would be almost impossible to get a clear picture of the extent of implementation merely by calling for a report from the services. Unless some person had been following developments closely, such a report would be too general to mean much.

5. Nash suggested that a set of basic documents be left with Niles's office and the remainder of the files be deposited with either military records or The Archives.

6. Mrs. Dillard will also be severed as of July 31.

