

NSC SERIES: STATUS OF PROJECTS SUBSERIES

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The Status of Projects Subseries of the NSC Series consists of four primary components: status of projects reports, status of U.S. national security programs, current policies of the U.S. relating to national security, and records of action by the NSC (1960). The status of projects reports, which were compiled on a weekly and then a monthly basis (January 1953-May 1955), include a brief synopsis and status of completed projects, projects under consideration by the NSC, current NSC planning Board projects, other current Council projects, and canceled projects. The reports were compiled by the Planning Board Secretariat from reports submitted by other departments and agencies, primarily the DOD, CIA, ICA, ODM, USIA, AEC, and FOA.

The reports to the NSC on the status of U.S. programs for national security were prepared by the Executive Secretary's staff from reports submitted by the responsible departments and agencies, with the assistance of the NSC Reporting Unit. The Policy Coordinating Staff kept informed on the status of national security programs and provided guidance to the agencies in their preparation of annual status reports and other reports on their programs.

The reports on Current Policies of the U.S. relating to National Security were prepared by the Deputy Executive Secretary of the NSC. Current Policy reports were issued for the information and use of the Council members and their staffs. Texts of the decisions were taken, with minor editorial changes, from official Council reports and memoranda.

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