

NOTE-TAKING FROM 40 COMMITTEE RECORDS OF ACTION  
AND MINUTES

1. Committee Staff members may take unlimited notes as long as the notes are kept in the NSC offices and the work based on them is done in those offices.

2. They may take from the NSC offices only those statistical, not substantive, notes necessary to report the following information:

... total number of covert action approvals

... total number initiated by the President  
by the Assistant to the President  
by the State Department  
by an Ambassador in the field  
by CIA  
by another agency

... total number approved by telephonic vote

... total number approved in 40 Committee meetings

... total dollar amounts

3. These statistics may be broken down as desired by the Committee in the following agreed categories:

Middle East/Persian Gulf

Sub-Saharan Africa

Paramilitary operations

4. Unacceptable categories suggested by the Committee staff are "Elections" and "Operations in Major Allied Countries".

5. There will be no note-taking on on-going operations, except



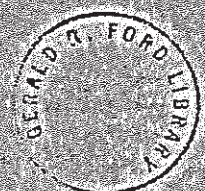
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6. The NSC Staff will reserve the right to spot-check those notes being removed from the building in a manner comparable to that agreed upon for verification by the Committee Staff (through Mr. Scalia) of the correctness of the deletions made by the NSC Staff in the 40 Committee material.

7. Once the statistical information for the various categories has been assembled, the Committee Staff may select one illustrative program in each category, that selection to be approved by the NSC. The Committee Staff may then explore in depth these illustrative programs and may take back to their offices substantive notes to permit this exploration.

8. These notes will be classified Top Secret/Codeword and will be subject to the same agreement regarding publication as are the documents furnished to the Committee.

9. All notes taken by the Committee Staff including those maintained in NSC offices and those removed to Committee offices will be burned upon completion of the illustrative projects.



Pursuant to the Administration offer to the Pike Committee regarding access to 40 Committee material; the following is the procedure --

(1) Any Committee member may with such staff assistance as he desires inspect the documents at any time if he gives 24-hour notice.

(2) Either Mr. Field or Mr. Donner or both may inspect the documents with such other staff as the ranking majority or minority member certifies is necessary at any time if staff counsel gives 24-hours notice.

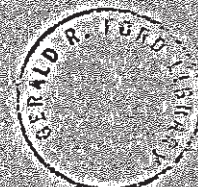
(3) All deletions of text from documents open to inspection will not relate to the approval of covert actions, but a statement of general content will be inserted to indicate general nature of deletion.

(4) General discussion concerning operations approved will be included but specific suggestions, as opposed to the initiatives for the operation, will have the identity of the suggestor deleted.

(5) Names of individuals will be deleted unless necessary to an understanding of the operation.

(6) All deletions will be subject to verification by either the ranking majority or minority members upon a request 24 hours in advance.

(7) If material deleted is determined by either the ranking majority or minority members to be necessary to the Committee's investigation, a request for that material may be made and prompt consideration will be given to the request.



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