
Members Present:

Senators Dirksen, Saltonstall, Kuchel
Representatives Halleck, Arends, Brown, Byrnes, Hoeven

Members Absent:

Senator Bridges
Representative Miller

Also Present:

Robert Humphreys, Bryce Harlow, Harry Brookshire, Mark Trice, Robert Allett

In the absence of the Presiding Officer, Chairman William E. Miller, the meeting was called to order at 9:08 A.M. by Senator Everett Dirksen and the following agenda was presented for consideration:

Nuclear Test Ban
Loose Democrat Statements
Legislative Matters

Mr. Halleck was recognized and read a prepared fact sheet in regard to Nuclear Testing after which the proposed press statement was read. There was discussion concerning several changes to be made in the text and after mutual agreement the statement was approved.

Senator Dirksen called to the attention of the membership the prepared fact sheet in regard to conflicting Democrat statements on foreign policy and then read the proposed press statement. There was discussion on certain suggestions in the text after which the statement was approved.

Copies of statements as released are attached hereto.

Congressman Halleck stated that the House was ready to start the Foreign Aid Bill and also spoke concerning the recent action of the House in regard to the Hanford Nuclear Power Project.
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There was a brief discussion concerning the Impacted Areas and the Defense Education Act.

After brief discussion it was generally agreed that the Republicans should take the position that the Congress should adjourn sine die the weekend before Labor Day.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:18 A.M.

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Acting Secretary

Approved by the
Presiding Officer
August 18, 1961