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MEMORANDUM

TO: ARA - Mr. Charles A. Meyer

FROM: INR/DDC - Wymberley Coerr

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the 40 Committee, 25 March 1970

The minutes of the meeting of the 40 Committee, dated 30 March 1970, contained the following items:

"1. Chile - Political Action Related to 1970 Presidential Election

a. [redacted] briefed the Committee in detail on the close three-way presidential election race in Chile between Alessandri, Allende, and Tomic. He noted that the joint State/CIA consensus is that the U.S. should not provide direct support to any presidential candidate. Rather, the covert effort should be confined to spoiling operations undertaken against the Popular Unity (UP) electoral front, a coalition of Communists, Socialists and leftists supporting Allende. [redacted] described the operations, mechanisms and secure funding methods to be used and noted that total estimated costs of these efforts through September 1970 would be [redacted]

b. In the ensuing diescussion [redacted] the Ambassador and [redacted] might recommend additional action, possibly even including direct support to one candidate.

c. The members were unanimous in approving the proposal as described in the CIA paper dated 5 March 1970, including the funding level."

Dept of State, RPS/IPS, Margaret P. Grafeld, Dir.
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