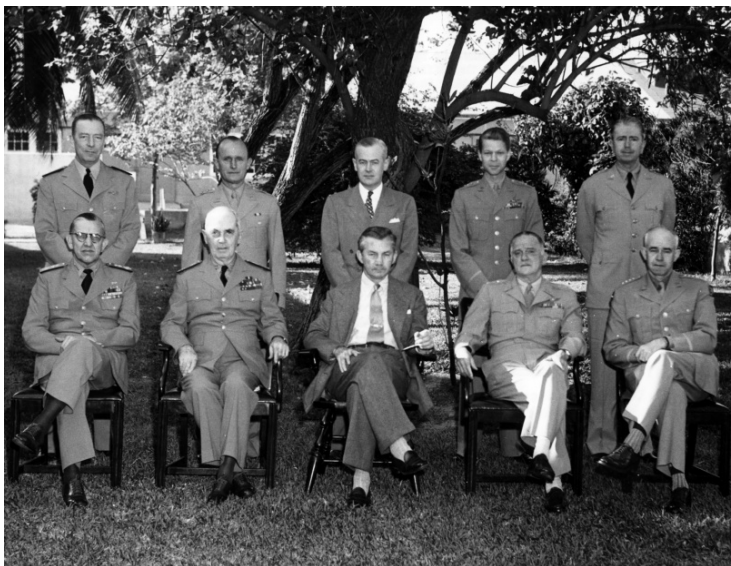


Top officials of the National Military Establishment meet with Forrestal



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Description

Top officials of the National Military Establishment attend a special meeting to discuss military problems with Secretary of Defense James Forrestal at the Naval Base in Key West, Florida. From left to right, front row, are Admiral Louis E. Denfeld, United States Navy, Chief of Naval Operations; Fleet Admiral William D. Leahy, United States Navy, Chief of Staff to the President; Secretary of Defense James Forrestal; General Carl Spaatz, USAAF, Chief of Staff, Air Force; and General Omar N. Bradley, Chief of Staff, U. S. Army. From left to right, back row, are: Vice Admiral Arthur W. Radford, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations; Major General Alfred M. Gruenther, USA, Director, Joint Staff; W. J. McNeil, Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense; Lieutenant General Lauris Norstad, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Air Force; and Lieutenant General Albert C. Wedemeyer, USA, Director of Plans and Operations, Army General Staff.

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