

QUESTION:

h. More details are desired about the tape recorder and the miniature camera which apparently Hunt had secured from the Agency sometime in August 1971.

ANSWER:

All the details about the tape recorder are contained in item g. On 25 August 1971 Mr. Hunt was furnished with a commercial Tessina camera disguised in a tobacco pouch. At Mr. Hunt's request, an unidentified associate was also given support material and documents. These items were provided to him on the understanding that they were required in connection with his official duties. The Agency is not aware of the purpose for which these items were intended or used. The Agency refused a request to assist actively by providing a backstopped address and phone contact. On 27 August 1971 Mr. Hunt, on arrival from California, returned the concealed Tessina camera as unsuitable for his use. He requested that a roll of undeveloped film be developed for him immediately. He was met later the same day and given the developed prints and film. At this point the Agency determined that Mr. Hunt's requests for Agency support had escalated to an unacceptable level, and no further Agency contact with or assistance to Mr. Hunt of any sort occurred after August 1971.