

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Summary of Mr. Karl Wagner's Knowledge of CIA Assistance to Mr. E. Howard Hunt

1. On 22 July 1971 Mr. E. Howard Hunt, known to be working at the White House, visited General Cushman. He stressed that he had been authorized to conduct a very sensitive operation by the White House and that it should be held as a very secret matter. Mr. Hunt stated that he had a requirement to elicit information and in order to accomplish this he would like some flash alias documentation and physical disguise. General Cushman responded that he would look into it and get in touch with Mr. Hunt at his White House office.
2. Pursuant to General Cushman's instructions, Mr. Hunt was met by technical personnel on 23 July and provided with a set of alias documents and a disguise (wig, glasses, and a speech alteration device).
3. Thereafter, Mr. Hunt requested certain additional support. On 20 August, Mr. Hunt was given a recorder and business cards. He arranged for an associate to be documented and disguised. He asked for a  address and phone in New York, but these were not provided.
4. Mr. Hunt was later given a concealed camera. On 26 August Mr. Hunt telephoned a CIA officer and asked to be met at the airport to pick up and develop certain film. This was done, and Mr. Hunt was met later in the day when the developed film was returned.
5. On 27 August Mr. Wagner instructed the technical personnel to withhold further assistance to Mr. Hunt because his requests had gone beyond the original understanding. Furthermore, they appeared to involve the Agency in domestic clandestine operations. Mr. Wagner immediately reported these facts to General Cushman and sought guidance. General Cushman called the appropriate individual in the White House with these concerns and explained that the Agency could not meet the kinds of requests Mr. Hunt was levying. The White House official stated he would restrain Mr. Hunt. Since 27 August 1971, neither General Cushman nor Mr. Wagner had any further contact with Mr. Hunt on this subject.