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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing of HPSCI Staff Members

1. On 9 September 1982 the undersigned provided an update on the OIG investigation of the Wilson/Terpil case to HPSCI Staff. Present were Staff Director, Thomas Latimer, Majority Counsel Michael O'Neil, Minority Counsel Patrick Long and staff members Betsy Keyes and Ira Goldman. Also present were [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] of the Legislative Liaison Division (LLD).

2. The HPSCI staff was interested in knowing the current status of the investigation and in ascertaining if we had uncovered any new or startling information which might support the allegation made by Wilson's attorney that "Wilson could reveal information which would shake the CIA to its foundation." I explained that we have continued to examine all identifiable records which show any connection with Edwin Wilson and we are pursuing any and all leads which develop from the file reviews. We have interviewed a number of current employees that were known to have had some personal/social relationship with Ed Wilson. We have, as a result of the interviews, developed some information which was not previously known and which might be surfaced by Wilson either in plea bargaining or if he comes to trial. I explained that in this connection, we have attempted to compile a listing of all recorded contacts with Wilson after his resignation from the Agency on 28 February 1971. I pointed out that many of the contacts were previously known and had been cited in the OIG investigation of 1977. We have added to that list and will continue to do so as new leads are

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uncovered. While no single contact is of any great significance, when viewed in their totality they would/could help to support a Wilson defense that he conducted some or part of his post resignation activities on behalf of the Agency. Several examples were cited:

[REDACTED]

- As late as 1979 and while still employed by the Agency [REDACTED] continued to maintain contact with Wilson. In an OIG interview [REDACTED] revealed that he: utilized the Wilson firm Around the World Shipping as an alternate paper source of income to support a commercial loan application; had been tasked by Wilson to provide certain information [REDACTED] claims he never provided any classified information); he traveled to Geneva at Wilson's expense and at Wilson's direction on returning to the U.S. he established the firm [REDACTED] which was to serve as one of Wilson's import/export firms.

- Sometime in the time period 1978/79 [REDACTED] provided certain assistance to Service D'Finance, a Wilson-owned company. [REDACTED] acted as a consultant on an aircraft Service D'Finance was planning to purchase [REDACTED]. In exchange for [REDACTED] services he was provided a key to the aircraft and given permission to use the plane. [REDACTED] also revealed that in 1979 he received \$5,600 for consulting work he did on behalf of Tom Clines' firm EATSCO. In response to Latimer's question, I explained [REDACTED] has been interviewed by the FBI and the Justice

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Department. Larry Barcella has been provided the information from the
OIG [REDACTED]

3. A question and answer period followed. Mike O'Neil was primarily concerned about the Shackley Wilson relationship and whether or not we have uncovered any memoranda or other written material which would document the extent and degree of contact between Shackley and Wilson. I explained that the written record ends with the September 1977 period when [Mulcahy] blew the whistle on Wilson. (O'Neil's seeming preoccupation with the Shackley connection may be due to the fact that O'Neil was introduced to Shackley by [REDACTED] during the period that Shackley served as Deputy Chief of the Tasking Center).

- Pat Long's primary interest was in ascertaining if we have examined every avenue of approach to insure that there will be no surprises. Specifically, he wanted to know how we have gone about selecting specific individuals for interviews. I explained that we are of course limited in who we can interview because of Justice Department interests. Where it concerns former employees we have focused on key individuals who had not been interviewed at the time of the 1977 investigation. Some reinterviewing has been done when circumstances dictate. In those cases where we are aware of Justice Department interest, we have cleared our intent to interview in advance. With presently serving employees, we have spoken with individuals currently serving in Headquarters and who appear to have had more than a straight social contact, i.e. attended the Wilson annual July 4th picnic.

- Ira Goldman focused exclusively on the Shackley/Clines [REDACTED] proposed operation (Tom Latimer later told me in private that Goldman's

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interest was due to the fact that he had interviewed [REDACTED]

4. At the conclusion of the session [REDACTED] and I accompanied [REDACTED] Latimer to his office. (Earlier, he had indicated that he wanted to pursue the [REDACTED] interview). Latimer asked if the [REDACTED] interview would be made available to him. I assured him he could see it whenever he desired. He responded by asking if I felt he needed to read it or had he been apprised of all significant points. I explained that I was reasonably certain he knew all there was to know but I would review all my interview notes and call him back in a day or two. Latimer then said he needed some information.

- He wanted to contact former Agency employee [REDACTED]. Since [REDACTED] is still employed by the Agency, can we provide him with the [REDACTED] home telephone number and/or address.

- HPSCI has information that a current Agency employee named [REDACTED] has maintained contact with Wilson for an unknown period of time. Do we have a [REDACTED], what is his status, background, etc.

- HSPCI has information that Wilson maintained telephone contact with General Vernon Walters during the period that Walters served as DDCI - 1973-76. Does the Agency maintain telephone logs and does Executive Registry have any record of General Walters telephone calls.

- HSPCI has been led to believe that the Honeywell Protective Service was alerted by Ed Wilson to the Agency's plans to install certain technical/security equipment in DCI Turner's home in 1977. How did Honeywell get the contract, were any OS employees who had knowledge of the installation talking with Wilson. Could we provide some answers (this is a follow-up to telephone request from Latimer for information on the same subject).

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• HPSCI has been told that there may have been some Wilson/CIA/
Law Enforcement Assistance Agency (LEAA) connection with respect to the
"movement" of money during the period 1976-78. Latimer was told that I
would take his requests back to the Agency and we would respond at an
early date.

5. It was my impression that the session went very well. Latimer
indicated in an aside that "it was just what we wanted." [REDACTED]
and [REDACTED] both of whom took notes, will be writing up an account
of the briefing. This account is for use in the DCI weekly report.
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