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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Congressional Relations for 1958

REFERENCE : Memorandum to DCI from Legislative Counsel dated 25 April 1958; same subject

1. This memorandum is for information only. In response to your query for comments on the referenced memorandum I have just three points to make.

a. I believe that we have succeeded during this session of Congress in establishing a wider knowledge among the Members of our general competence. I still feel that we can improve on this by bringing more people into the act who know Congressmen and can in their own right host a luncheon.

b. I consider it a matter of extreme priority that the key Members of the Congress be briefed on AQUATONE and AUTOMAT, and would urgently recommend that the CIA subcommittees of Armed Services in both Houses be briefed immediately.

c. The more that I have thought about it, the more I am convinced that at least once during each session of the Congress the CIA subcommittees, and in this I would include both Armed Services and Appropriations, should issue public reports to the other Members to the effect that they have recently met with the CIA and had their information requirements satisfactorily fulfilled regarding the competency and efficiency of CIA operations. I believe that

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only after such a public notice is issued will we have a reasonable expectancy of quashing the recurrent clamor that there is no Congressional review of CIA activities.

*ASL* ~~APPROPRIATE~~

**LIDIAN R. KENNEDY**  
Inspector General

cc: DDCI  
DD/S ✓  
LC *via 0015*

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