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3. [redacted] Called to Mr. Tavenner's attention that H. R. 2730 had been reported out favorably by the Judiciary Committee. The bill would extend the jurisdiction of the Espionage Laws by repealing section 791. I mentioned the fact that this problem had been discussed earlier with Mr. Nittle of the Committee and we had provided Nittle with a legal memorandum on broadening the jurisdiction. The suggested language in that memorandum was included in Mr. Walter's Omnibus Bill, H. R. 6. I indicated there was concern among some lawyers that a simple repeal would not necessarily be effective. I indicated further I had discussed this problem with Mr. Bosterman who was most interested and that I was bringing it to Tavenner's attention as a matter of interest. Mr. Tavenner appreciated our interest in this and appeared to favor the version which was included in H. R. 6. He stated he would look into this matter and possibly talk with Mr. Walter.

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4. [redacted] In the absence of Colonel G. B. Knight and Colonel C. N. Nelson of the Congressional Inquiry Division, Air Force L&L, I talked to Lt. Col. C. V. Schott to advise him regarding the comments of Major General Hanna before the DAY convention banquet on 3 June 1961 regarding persons from the Birmingham area who had been killed in Cuba. I advised Col. Schott that although I could not go any further on details, we had discussed the matter with Representative George Huddleston, Jr. (D., Ala.) on 14 June. Mr. Huddleston advised that any inquiries received would probably be transmitted to Air Force. Should any question arise at Air Force on the receipt of such communication, Col. Schott may call us. (See Journal Item No. 2, 14 June 1961)

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