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12. [redacted] Met with Mr. Russ Blandford and reviewed a letter which had been forwarded to Representative Leslie Arends in which one [redacted], a former special forces officer with service in Thailand, alleges that CIA was making gifts of Mercedes Benz automobiles and wrist watches. After checking with the [redacted] I advised Mr. Blandford that we knew of no basis for such a story.

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13. [redacted] Mr. LeKander, in the office of Representative Frank Bow, was also advised of the above since a copy of this same letter had gone to Representative Bow.

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16. [redacted] Talked with Senator Stuart Symington on the proposed brief letter to Senator Fulbright on the Carver article. Senator Symington stated that he did not believe this was sufficient particularly in view of the length of time. Taking certain of his suggestions, a new letter was prepared which was signed by the Director and dispatched.

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