10 December 1969

MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

SUBJECT:

Ambassador McConaughy's Testimony

before the Symington Subcommittee

PARTICIPANTS:

State: Mr. Wolf

Mr. Futterman

Mr. Froebe

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CIA:

TIME AND PLACE: 1500 hours, 10 December 1969, Room 7336,

State Department

1. I met with Messrs. Wolf, Futterman and Froebe this afternoon to discuss Ambassador McConaughy's testimony. We agreed that a few paragraphs could be made public but these would have to be taken out of context and would be insignificant. Therefore, it was agreed that all the testimony would remain classified "secret." The committee would be told that the classification was necessary because one suspended program (the U-2 overhead reconnaissance) is of great sensitivity and the is ongoing

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and considered sensitive by the GRC.

2. The Department of State will retain the transcript, the tape and the typewriter ribbon until they have completed the declassification meetings with the Subcommittee. Thereafter, sometime in early January, the transcript, the tape and the ribbon will be sent to CIA for permanent retention. I told

Mr. Wolf that our Office of Legislative Counsel would retain the testimony in CIA.

3. We discussed the alteration of the ground rules for testimony on intelligence matters and I informed Wolf and Futterman that we would bring up this matter with the Director after the holidays. Everyone agreed that this could be postponed until early January.

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