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25X1 6. [redacted] Mrs. Bell, in the office of Representative James R. Grover, Jr. (R., N.Y.), called to request brochures and application forms for a constituent. The requested items were sent to her.

25X1 7. [redacted] Mr. Sullivan, in the office of Senator Robert Dole (R., Kan.), reported that page M-12 of the 25 March 1971 U.S.S.R. Daily Report was blank and asked if we could look into it and send him whatever material he is missing.

25X1 8. [redacted] Spoke with Robert Hull, Department of State, to determine, informally, their interest in joining us in "piggy-backing" on the Civil Service proposed legislation relating to cost of living adjustments on retirement. He said they would be interested in joining us.

25X1 9. [redacted] Received a call from Mrs. Anne Peterson, in the office of Representative George H. Mahon (D., Texas), regarding a letter from a constituent, [redacted] inquiring about employment possibilities with the Agency in [redacted] I suggested that she forward the letter to this office and we would have our Personnel office take whatever action is necessary. 25X1A
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25X1 10. [redacted] Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and gave him a copy of the Warren Unna 1968 article concerning alleged opium smuggling by Vice President Ky. I told him also that [redacted] was associated with an Agency activity for the period October 1962 to 31 July 1964. Mr. Preston thanked me and said he would appreciate more on [redacted] and his allegations if it is available. 25X1A
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Mr. Preston also told me that he would like to schedule the morning of 13 April together with Mr. Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, if he is available on that date, for briefing on the Agency budget proposal. I later talked to Mr. Woodruff who indicated that he will do his best to be in attendance at the briefing on the 13th. This has been cleared with Colonel White. Mr. John Clarke, OPPB, has been advised.

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25X1 4. [] Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and briefed him on ChiCom statements on Soviet border buildup; ChiCom military airfield near the Laotian border; ChiCom instrumentation ship conducting sea trials; a ChiCom atomic facility; Soviet ABM boosters; Soviet Mediterranean fleet; Soviet SS-13 Mod 2; Soviet airlift to Egypt; and new deployment of radar equipment in Egypt.

25X1 5. [] Received a call from Mr. James Lowenstein, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, who told me that Senator Muskie "forgot" to tell the Director that he would have an additional list of questions for inclusion in the transcript. Mr. Lowenstein will call me when the questions are ready to be picked up. [] DDI, has been advised.

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25X1 6. [] I met with Mr. John Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and told him that Representative McCloskey's (R., Calif.) staff has contacted the office again today requesting briefing on Agency activities in Laos. The message has been relayed that clearance from the Chairman, House Armed Services Committee, is necessary for such briefings. Mr. Blandford will take care of the matter if it comes his way from the Chairman.

I also briefed Mr. Blandford on the following items: ChiCom statements on Soviet border buildup; ChiCom military airfield near the Laotian border; ChiCom instrumentation ship conducting sea trials; a ChiCom atomic facility; Soviet ABM boosters; Soviet Mediterranean fleet; Soviet SS-13 Mod 2; Soviet airlift to Egypt; and new deployment of radar equipment in Egypt.

25X1 7. [] Steve Vossmeier, in the office of Senator Thomas Eagleton, called and said the Senator would like a follow-up briefing to the one Mr. Carver gave him on 9 March preparatory to his upcoming trip to Southeast Asia. He said the Senator hoped Mr. Carver could give it preferably on Tuesday, 6 April, at either 1:00 or 2:00 p.m. I said I would give him an answer tomorrow.

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25X1 2. [REDACTED] After the Director's briefing of the Arms Control, International Law and Organization Subcommittee of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, I met with Mr. Jim Lowenstein, Staff Consultant of the Subcommittee, at his request concerning questions posed by Senator Case (R., N.J.) and Senator Fulbright (D., Ark.) during the briefing. See Memorandum for the Record.

25X1 3. [REDACTED] Met with Mr. Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, who told me he thought the briefing had gone well and reiterated that the transcripts will be held in the Committee office for review by members if desired and will not be made available to the personal staff of the Committee members. He also indicated that he feels Committee utilization of the transcripts will be complete in one or two days at which time the transcripts will be returned to the Agency for safekeeping.

25X1 4. [REDACTED] The transcript of the Director's briefing of Senate Foreign Relations Committee on 25 March was forwarded to the Committee for their use and returned to the Agency for safekeeping.

25X1 5. [REDACTED] Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, in response to his call concerning the 22 March Jack Anderson column relating to CIA support of "opium racket in Laos." I gave Mr. Preston the factual information developed in response to last year's accusations by then Representative John V. Tunney (D., Calif.). Mr. Preston asked that we also give him a short outline of our review of the matter of the alleged letter charging that Vice President Ky once flew opium out of Laos written by [REDACTED]

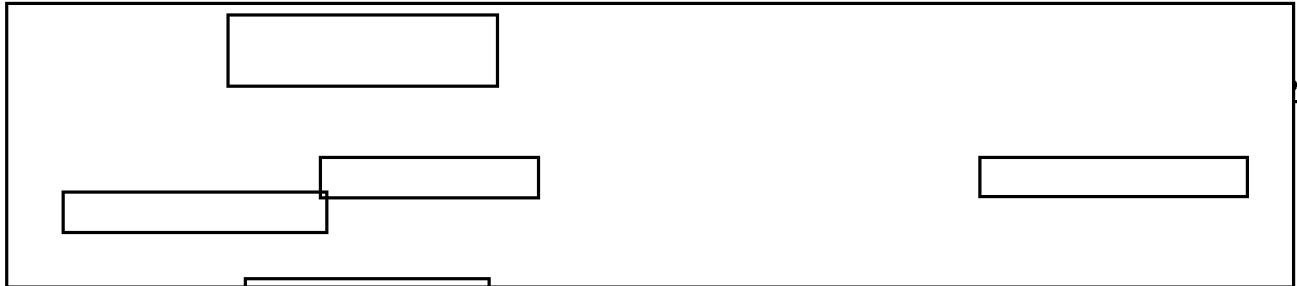
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6. [redacted] At the close of the Director's briefing, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Mr. Wayne Birdsall of the reporting firm of Ward and Paul advised Mr. Kuhl that his firm would not be able to transcribe the reporter's notes until tomorrow. Arrangements were made to return the reporters notes to the Agency for safekeeping and delivery to the reporting firm tomorrow to be transcribed. The finished transcripts will be retained by the Agency subject to call by the Committee.

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7. [redacted] Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, who told me that Representative Minshall (R., Ohio) has requested a briefing by the Director on current intelligence. Scheduling of a date will await approval for the meeting by Chairman Mahon.

I briefed Mr. Preston on the following items: ChiCom statements concerning the Soviet Union; ChiCom anti-aircraft defense in northern Laos; and Soviet airlift of electronic equipment to Egypt.

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8. [redacted] Met with Mr. Charles Andrews, Columbia Reporting Company, and made the necessary arrangements for security control of the transcripts of the Director's testimony before House Armed Services Committee on 25 March.

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9. [redacted] Talked to Mrs. Oneta Stockstill, Executive Secretary, House Armed Services Committee, and received from her the listing of Committee staff personnel who will be attending the Director's briefing on 25 March. The list includes all of the professional staff members of the Committee with the exception of Mr. Blandford, who is in the hospital.

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