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Special Assistant to the DDS, called Austin Smith, House Appropriations Committee staff, concerning the restrictions pertaining to shipment of foreign made automobiles at Government expense as contained in the conference committee and House Appropriations Committee reports on the Defense and State, Justice, Commerce and Judiciary appropriations bills.

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25X1 4. [redacted] Left with Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, and with the staffs of the Senate Armed Services Committee, House Armed Services Committee, and House Appropriations Defense Subcommittees copies of the FBIS take on the Hanoi radio broadcast 25X1 covering the Vietnam peace agreement.

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10. [redacted] Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, called and asked if I could refresh his memory on the title of the Soviet film which he and Bob Michaels, who was on the House Appropriations Committee staff, viewed here at Headquarters some years ago. After checking with [redacted] of CRS, I advised Woodruff the film he saw was a Soviet training film entitled "True Sons of the People;" that he and Michaels saw it on 24 April 1969. He has been asked to look at a Soviet film and he wanted to see if it was the same one he had seen earlier, but it is not.

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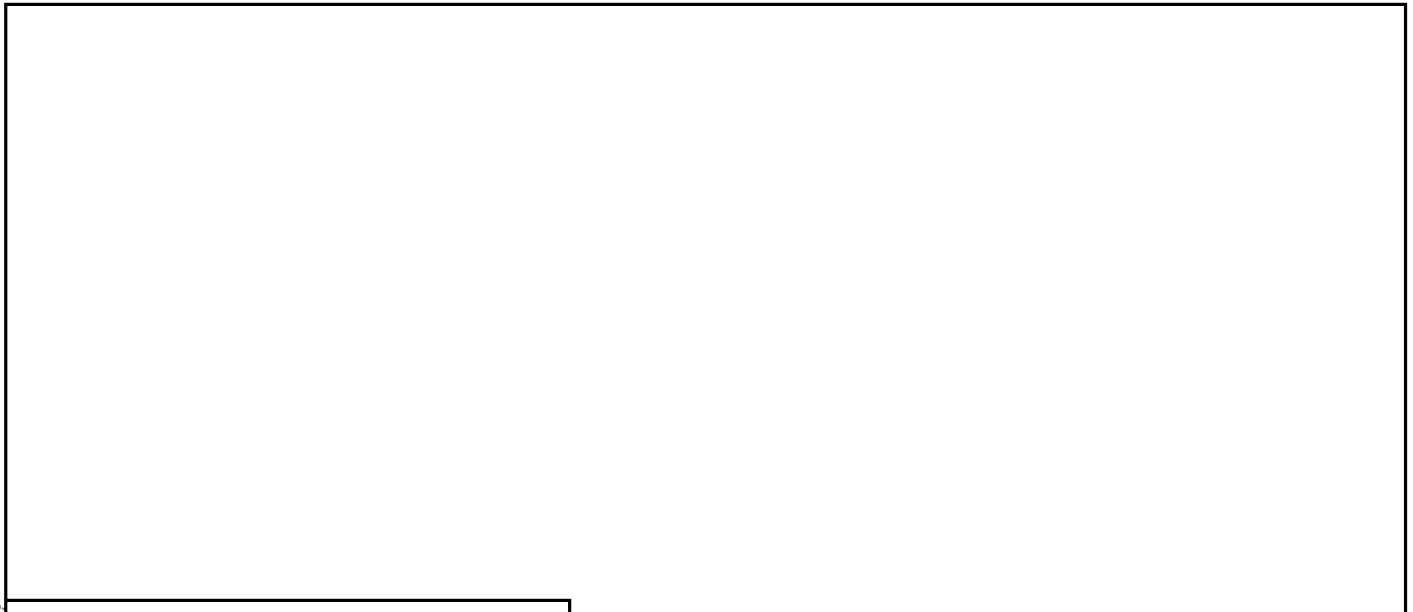
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Talked to Ralph Preston, Staff Assistant, House Appropriations Committee, about the proposed trip of Representative Jamie Whitten and Preston to Latin America. I said we would be glad to provide them with briefings prior to their departure. Regarding other areas, I suggested (on the basis of recommendations by Chief, WH Division) that they might want to visit Venezuela and Ecuador and, if they should venture further south might find Brazil and Peru interesting. I said Panama was fairly tricky now and they better consult State Department about a visit there, that we would advise against a visit to Guatemala at this time, that there was not much going on in Nicaragua and Costa Rica, that it was not a good time to visit Argentina and certainly Chile.

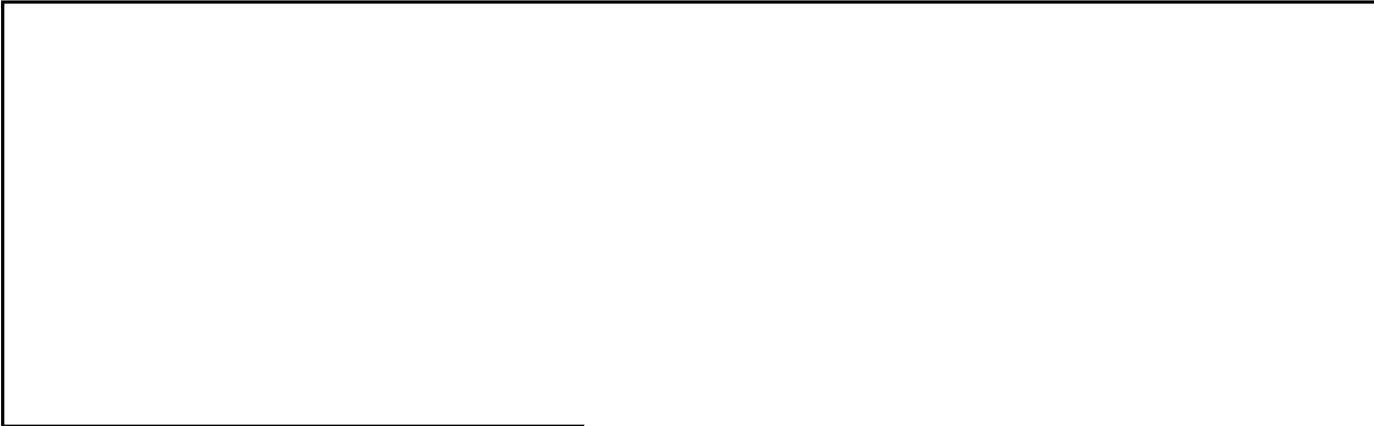
Mr. Preston asked if there would be any problem if a member of the Agriculture Subcommittee staff came along. I said we could clear him and cut him in on situation briefings but certainly not Agency matters.

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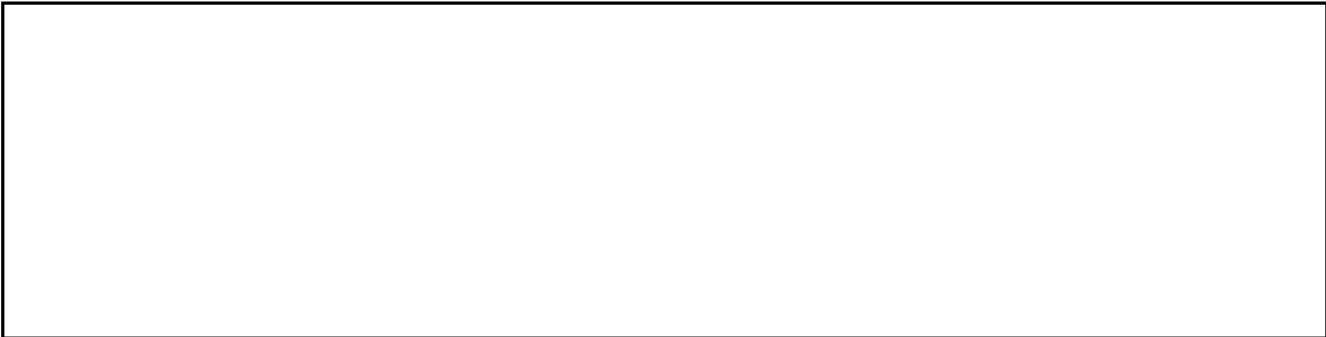


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Met with Mr. Bruce Meredith, Staff

Assistant to Chairman Mahon, House Appropriations Committee, who told me that the agreement reached in conference on the debt limit bill concerning spending limitations would restrict the President only to a maximum of 20 percent of any functional area of expense set forth in the budget. This would, of course, allow discontinuance of complete programs within a given function as long as the 20 percent was not exceeded. The provision as presently drafted would give the President authority to limit such spending without regard to any other law and could therefore be utilized as authority to cut back on Agency spending. It was Mr. Meredith's opinion that the Senate vote on the original Senate position to designate certain areas that the President could not cut may result in Senate rejection of this conference report when it is considered by them today. It was also his opinion that it would not be possible for the Congress to close out today because of this 25X1 matter and could well keep the Congress in session until Thursday.



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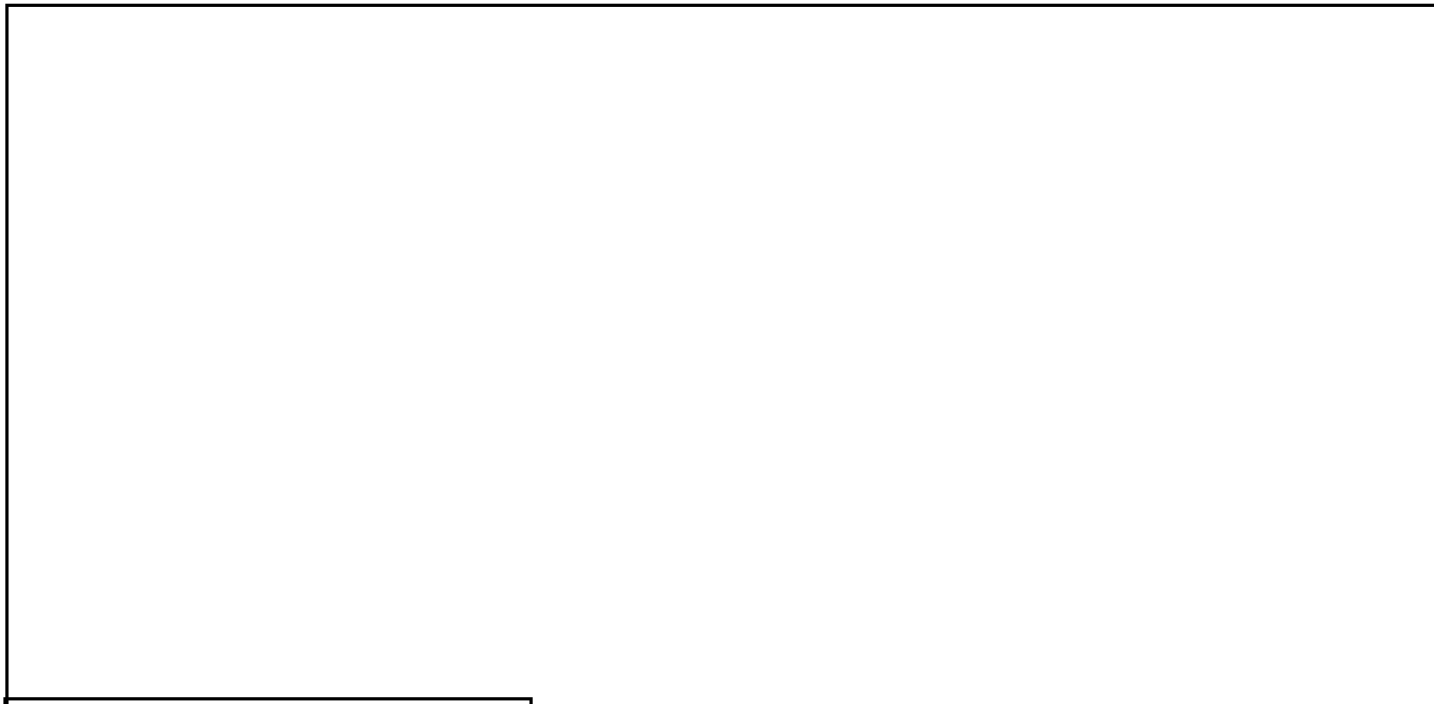
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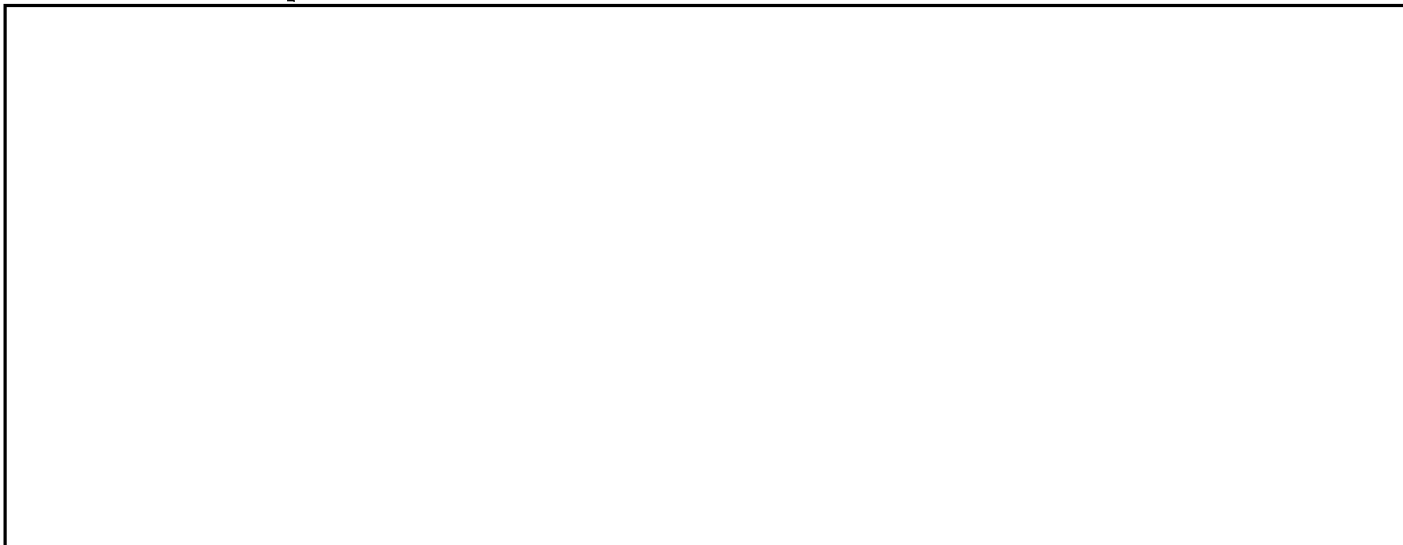
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[Redacted] Delivered to Ralph Preston, House Appropriations
Committee staff, a draft letter to the Director of the Office of Management
and Budget for use by Chairman Mahon in reporting the approval and amount
of the Agency budget and reserve replenishment to OMB. Mr. Preston told 25X1
me that he expected that the Chairman would sign the letter during the day.



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