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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT WASHINGTON

June 22, 1972

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

> The Honorable William Proxmire Chairman Subcommittee on Foreign Operations United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is in reference to your letter of June 19 concerning the Public Safety program. My reply is basically similar to our letter of June 15.

No programs funded under the economic assistance portions (Part I of the FAA) are or will be used directly or indirectly for the support or cover of activities which your Subcommittee has not been clearly informed in public hearings. This, of course, includes Public Safety programs funded under Part I.

In regard to supporting assistance programs in Southeast Asia (Part II), I am constrained to reiterate the position in my June 15 letter and refer -- as all government agencies -- any further questions on these matters to the Central Intelligence Agency.

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Dr. Hannah:

I have your letter of June 15 with reference to certain uses of the Agency for International Development of which the Foreign Operations Subcommittee had not been made aware in the course of our hearings.

Let me pose this additional narrower question: Can you provide a clear, unequivocal and unclassified assurance that AID's Public Safety Program was not, is not and will not be used directly or indirectly for the support or cover of activities of which the Foreign Operations Subcommittee has not been clearly informed in public hearings.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

William Proxmire, U.S.S. Chairman, Subcommittee on

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

In your letter of June 19, 1972, you raised the question as to whether I can "... provide a clear, unequivocal and unclassified assurance that AID's Public Safety Program was not, is not and will not be used directly or indirectly for the support or cover of activities of which the Foreign Operations Subcommittee has not been clearly informed in public hearings."

I regret that I am unable to provide an unclassified response to the question as you have posed it. I will, however, be happy to arrange for you to be given a full response in a classified communication or a personal briefing.

I am most anxious that you receive a satisfactory response to your question and have arranged for the appropriate officials to contact you for this purpose in the near future.

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

I have your letter of June 8 asking for assurance that the Agency for International Development is not being used for purposes and activities which have not been justified to the Foreign Operations Subcommittee of the United States Senate.

I can provide a clear, unequivocal and unclassified assurance that the funds and personnel of the Agency for International Development are not and will not be used directly or indirectly for the support of activities not clearly disclosed in our Congressional Presentations of which the Foreign Operations Subcommittee has not been informed in public hearings.

The second part of your question is whether the funds and personnel of the Agency for International Development have not, are not and will not be used directly or indirectly for the cover of activities of which your Subcommittee has not been clearly informed in public hearings.

No programs funded under the economic assistance portions (Part I) of the FAA are or will be so used. In regards to security supporting assistance programs (Part II), I stated publicly in 1970 that there were a few such cover positions in Southeast Asia and that we were seeking to reduce them. This remains our position. A.I.D., as all agencies, is under instructions to refer any further inquiries on these matters to the Central Intelligence Agency. I am sure you will understand that it is necessary for us to abide by these instructions in this case.

With kind personal regards,

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