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Monday - 10 December 1973 Met with Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and filled him in on my meeting with Chairman Nedzi, Intelligence Subcommittee. I also briefed him on the Director's correspondence with Chairman Lee Hamilton, Subcommittee on Near East and South Asia, House Foreign Affairs Committee, concerning the alert of American forces during the Middle East crisis. Slatinshek asked if possible if he could see a copy of the correspondence. I briefed Slatinshek on the Agency's negotiations with GSA on SLUC. Due to time limitations we didn't get into detail but he asked that we discuss it further. In his opinion the position taken by GSA is complete nonsense. As Chairman Nedzi had done, Slatinshek noted the Agency should not expect very much help from OMB in either the SLUC or the Renegotiation Board Air America problems. I discussed with Slatinshek the presentation before the full Committee tomorrow morning on S. 2714 the CIARDS cost of living bill. Slatinshek will attempt to field any questions coming from the full Committee in order to avoid getting into classified information. Met with Ralph Preston, Staff Assistant, House Appropriations Committee, and made an appointment for Wednesday, 12 December at 10:00 a.m. for John Iams, Comptroller, STAT Deputy. Preston asked that the other meetings tentatively scheduled for this week be put off at least until next week due to the press of Committee business. Preston's assistant, Marcia Matt, is checking the files for material relating to the restrictions imposed on the Defense Department in shipment of foreign-made privately owned vehicles. 25X1A has been advised.

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5. Received a call from Bruce Merkel, in the office of Representative William Bray, who asked if I would come by and pick up a letter that Bray is sending to an Agency employee.

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6. Called General Ray Furlong, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs, and asked him the status of legislation providing foreign billets to West Point. (This has to do with the desire of the son of General Vang Pao to attend West Point.) General Furlong said he would check and let us know.