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25X1 1. [redacted] Called Senator Stuart Symington to tell him that an official announcement of the Director's retirement and nomination as Ambassador to Iran and James Schlesinger's appointment as DCI was expected around noon today. Senator Symington said the White House had just called him with this news which had left him "not only unhappy but depressed."

25X1 2. [redacted] Called Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Intelligence Operations Subcommittee, House Armed Services Committee, to say the announcement of the Director's retirement and Mr. Schlesinger's taking over was expected within a few hours.

25X1 3. [redacted] Called Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, to say the announcement of the Director's departure and Schlesinger's taking over was expected within a few hours.

25X1 4. [redacted] Talked to Jack Ticer, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, and told him of the upcoming announcement of the Director's retirement. Ticer undertook to pass the word on to the appropriate Committee members and staff. 25X1

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25X1 6. [redacted] Jim Woolsey, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, called to say that Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel of the Committee, will be accompanying him to the Agency on 27 December for a briefing by Mr. Bruce Clarke. 25X1

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7. [ ] Received a call from Dr. John Brady, House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, who told me that he will be travelling to Europe and Latin America in January with Representatives Murphy (D., Ill.) and Steele (R., Conn.) on a narcotics survey trip. He asked if it would be possible to have a staff briefing on Latin America. He does not feel that he needs anything on Europe at the present time.

Later in the day I put [ ] NARCOG, directly in touch with Dr. Brady to assist Brady in lining out his itinerary for Latin America and South America. Tentative arrangements have been made to brief Brady at 2:00 p. m. on Friday, 22 December.

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8. [ ] Received a call from Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, who told me that he had had a long meeting with Chairman Mahon this morning and asked if I could provide him with biographic and background information on Mr. Helms for the Chairman's use. The Chairman intends to go on the floor soon after the beginning of the new Congress with an address about Mr. Helms. He also asked if I would provide whatever biographic information we have on Mr. Schlesinger.

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9. [ ] Talked to Bill Van Ness, Chief Counsel, Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, and told him that we had received a request from the Library of Congress for advice on security clearances for members of the staff of Senator Lee Metcalf (D., Mont.) "to review the documents on the Mid-East oil situation which are now supposed to be in the hands of CIA." Van Ness readily understood the Agency policy of providing such information to members of the Senate or cleared Committee staff personnel designated by the Chairman and said if it would be of help he would be pleased to assist Senator Metcalf in this matter. He also said that since Senator Jackson, Chairman of the Committee, had excluded personal staff from the briefing a week ago that the Agency policy is in accord with Senator Jackson's own thinking. I thanked Van Ness for his advice and told him I would keep him up-to-date on this matter.

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10. [redacted] Talked to Robert Blum, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, and provided suggested wording for his use in the preface to the OSS documents that were released to the Committee yesterday. See Journal of 20 December 1972.

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