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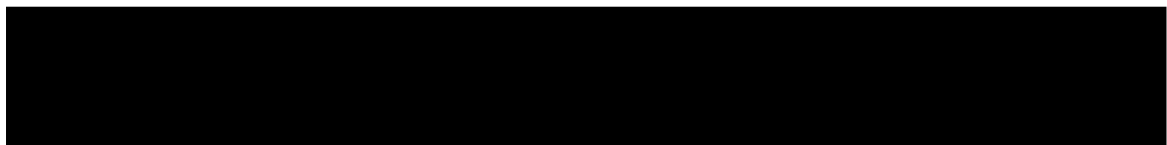
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1. At the Deputies' Meeting this morning:

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b. Mr. McCone asked Dick Helms to expedite the comments of the Deputy Director (Plans) on the Inspector General's report on Project [REDACTED]. 25X1A2g
He said that since this operation took place prior to the time he assumed Office he intended to forward the report and the DD/P's comments to the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board without any personal judgment. He also requested that the comments on the Inspector General's Survey of the WH Division be expedited and wanted the substance of this report and another made by a joint State-FBI-CIA Group to make up the agenda for the forthcoming Regional Conference in Panama.

c. Mr. McCone has seen Senator Russell and his confirmation hearing is scheduled for 18 January.

d. Mr. McCone anticipated leaving for Palm Springs next Thursday, 11 January, to brief Ex-President Eisenhower.

e. It was announced that Mr. Amory has replaced General Cabell as Chairman of the Watch Committee, and it was agreed that Mr. Sheldon would be the permanent Vice Chairman.

f. Dick Helms discussed the forthcoming trip of Mrs. Kennedy to India and the President's forthcoming trip to Mexico. Mr. Rowley of the Secret Service at the White House is arranging the details and it is possible that we may be called upon to render considerable support. I have alerted Shef Edwards to this possibility.

g. Dick Helms announced that the Attorney General had approved of proceedings with an approval made known from Houston is handling this with Abel's lawyer.

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h. I reported to the group that the auxiliary power equipment would be tested on Saturday and urged everyone to be prepared for the inconvenience and to co-operate.

2. General Cabell telephoned to request that Gates Lloyd and others from the DD/P Area meet with Admiral Ricketts, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, this afternoon to dis-

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25X1A9a 3. [redacted] advised me that he was sending a copy of the Comptroller General's reply to Mr. McCone's letter concerning the "delegation of authority to the Deputy Director" to the General Counsel via me. Mr. McCone specifically requested that nothing be done about this until General Cabell's replacement was appointed.

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4. Jack also advised me that Mr. McCone was concerned about the moisture on the front steps of the building. I have looked into this with [redacted] and it is not certain what is causing this. However, it will be cleaned up tomorrow morning and we can then tell whether it is due to condensation, the remains of deicing from the last snow, or what. I have reported this to Jack. H

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5. I asked [redacted] to supply the Office of Logistics with a list of those units that may be left out of the new building in the "outside" office so that we might provide alternates in our contract for the next phase of the move. 25X1A6a

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6. I talked with [redacted] about [redacted] and suggested that we defer writing a letter to either the Department of the Interior or the Department of the Navy until after Bill's meeting with [redacted] on Monday, 8 January. I requested that Bill propose at this meeting, attended also by representatives from the Department H

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7. I had a good talk with [redacted] the CAT Security Officer. I believe that he would concur in most of the things that the Inspector General has said about George Doole. He did not think that morale was at all good.

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