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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Operations
Deputy Director for Management and Services
General Counsel

SUBJECT: H. R. 8152 - Amendment to Title I of the Omnibus
Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968

1. Attached for your information is an excerpt from yesterday's Congressional Record covering House approval of an amendment which is directed at CIA. The basic legislation (H. R. 8152) amends Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968. The floor amendment was not considered in committee and was offered on 18 June by Miss Holtzman. Its effect is to take away the authority of the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration to use the available services, equipment, personnel, and facilities of CIA in carrying out the Administration's functions under the Act.

2. The legal effect of the Holtzman amendment falls somewhat short of the colloquy which appears to have been prepared with a broader bill in mind (H. R. 8432). The Koch bill would cut off any direct or indirect CIA assistance to State or local government law enforcement activities and thereby prohibit communication of foreign intelligence information through the FBI to local government units on narcotics, terrorist bomb threats, etc. The Koch bill has been referred to House Armed Services Committee since it is in the form of an amendment to the National Security Act of 1947. We are currently drafting an Agency position on the bill for submission to Chairman Hebert.

3. H. R. 8152 passed the House yesterday and should be referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee shortly. Suggestions for an Agency position to be taken with the Senate Judiciary Committee is herewith requested on a priority basis.

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