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1. [redacted] LIAISON FOIA I took a call from Walter J. Sheridan, Chief Investigator, Subcommittee on Administrative Practice and Procedure, Senate Committee on the Judiciary. Sheridan advised he had two letters from the [redacted] family to Senator Edward M. Kennedy (D., Mass.) regarding the Agency's failure to respond to their FOIA request. I said I would check and call back later.

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2. [redacted] LIAISON Received a call from Vince Morelli, on the staff of Representative Jack Kemp (R., N. Y.). The Congressman is preparing to introduce proposals and speak about congressional oversight of CIA, and Morelli asked to meet with an Agency representative to hear our views on the subject. I agreed to meet with Morelli sometime next week.

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3. [redacted] LEGISLATION Called Sheridan Brinley, in the Office of Legislative Affairs at AID, regarding congressional action on amendments to curb covert activities in Angola. Such amendments, to the foreign military assistance legislation, are before both the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and House International Relations Committee. Brinley said he expected votes in both Committees this week on these amendments.

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4. [redacted] LEGISLATION Called Everett Bierman, House International Relations Committee staff, about the Harrington/Bonkers amendment to the foreign military assistance legislation, which would halt U. S. Government aid to any group in Angola. Bierman said the Committee had not yet dealt with the amendment, but was unable to give me a firm prognosis on it. He said Ted Dobbs was handling the bill in mark-up for the State Department.

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5. [redacted] LEGISLATION Called Ted Dobbs, Congressional Relations, Department of State, regarding the International Relations Committee mark-up on the foreign military assistance legislation. He outlined State's position against the Harrington/Bonkers amendment which is that massive Soviet and Cuban aid to the MPLA threatens political stability in all of southern Africa and the U. S. Government must have the flexibility to aid friendly forces.

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10. [redacted] LIAISON Called Marian Czarnecki, House International Relations Committee staff, and alerted him to the call [redacted] has received from Mike Finley, staff of House International Relations Subcommittee on International Political and Military Affairs, asking for an intelligence briefing on Angola for Representatives Dante Fascell (D., Fla.), Donald Fraser (D., Minn.), Jonathan Bingham (D., N. Y.), Lee Hamilton (D., Ind.), and Charles Whalen (R., Ohio). Czarnecki asked what areas were to be covered and I said Angola, Zaire, Somalia and Ethiopia. He said to go ahead with the meeting but to keep it strictly to an intelligence briefing. I told him I would clear it with the Director.

11. [redacted] LIAISON Called George Ingram, House International Relations Committee, and told him it was alright with us for them to print the 7 October 1975, "Background Information re Soviet Oil Developments Since October 1973" in their printed hearings, with attribution of the publication to the Agency.

12. [redacted] INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING I received a call from Mike Finley, on the staff of the Subcommittee on International Political and Military Affairs, House International Relations Committee, requesting that a briefing on Angola and related African matters be given to Representative Dante B. Fascell (D., Fla.) and other Congressmen. See Memorandum for the Record.

13. [redacted] LIAISON I called Dick White, Administrative Assistant to Representative Dale Milford (D., Texas), and set up an appointment for 10 December at 1330 hours to brief the Representative on follow-up questions to the briefing given Milford by Admiral Donald Showers, IC Staff.

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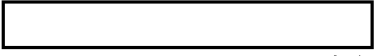
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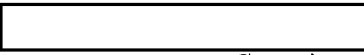
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1.  ADMINISTRATIVE - DELIVERIES Delivered the Director's letter on the status of the reserve to Jane McMullan, Senate Appropriations Committee staff; Clark McFadden, Senate Armed Services Committee staff; and Frank Slatinshek, House Armed Services Committee staff.


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2.  LEGISLATION Talked to Clark McFadden, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, about the medical malpractice immunity legislation. He said that the Committee definitely would not consider the issue before the Christmas recess and probably would schedule hearings in early 1976 on the subject. They will ask an Agency representative to testify on our need for inclusion within the bill. He said either Senator Sam Nunn's (D., Ga.) Subcommittee on Manpower and Personnel or Senator Harry Byrd's (L., Va.) Subcommittee on General Legislation would handle the bill, depending on the relative work load of the two Subcommittees. He said a Justice Department proposal to give all Federal doctors malpractice immunity had come to the Committee's attention, and indicated this would be one argument against inclusion of CIA within the present legislation.

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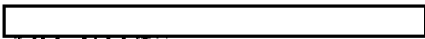
3.  LEGISLATION Called Dan Spiegel, Legislative Assistant to Senator Hubert Humphrey (D., Minn.), regarding the mark-up hearings scheduled tomorrow before Senator Humphrey's Subcommittee on Foreign Assistance and Economic Policy, Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. I inquired about Senator Dick Clark's (D., Iowa) amendment no. 1194, which would ban covert aid to Angola. Spiegel said the Subcommittee is expected to consider the amendment but may not do so at tomorrow's meeting. He recommended that the Agency get a paper to the Committee on the amendment.

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4.  LIAISON Accompanied the Director to a briefing of the House International Relations Committee on several covert action programs. (Sec Memo for the Record.)

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