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1. [Redacted] Accompanied John Warner, General Counsel, who testified before the Subcommittee on Government Information and Individual Rights, House Government Operations Committee, from about 0935 hours to 1215 hours concerning the 1954 understanding with the Department of Justice and related matters. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

2. [Redacted] Delivered to Charles Meissner, Staff Member, Subcommittee on Multinational Corporations, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, an unclassified copy of "Non-Oil LDCs Able to Cover a Substantial Share of Higher Oil Costs Through OPEC Aid," provided by [Redacted] OER, which was used in briefing Meissner last Friday.

3. [Redacted] Accompanied James Lilley, NIO/CH, [Redacted] OER, and [Redacted] OCI, to a briefing of Senators Adlai Stevenson (D., Ill.) and Charles Percy (R., Ill.), and John Lewis, Consultant to Senator Stevenson, in connection with their upcoming trip to China. The briefing went very well.

4. [Redacted] Stanley Fike, Administrative Assistant to Senator Stuart Symington (D., Mo.), called on behalf of an air ferrying service which is in contact with Air America concerning ferrying planes from Thailand to the United States. Fike wanted to know if Air America could pay its bills. After discussing this with [Redacted] OGC, I called Fike and told him that they can. The concern of the ferrying company arose out of word from pilots in Southeast Asia that Air America is going out of business.

5. [Redacted] [Redacted] OCI, and I briefed Senator Dick Clark (D., Iowa) on Somalia. We left some biographic material with the Senator and provided him with maps of the African countries he is to visit. We were asked to postpone Thursday's and Friday's sessions until 4 August at 0900 hours because of the Senator's schedule.

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[redacted] Took a call from Timothy Leeth, Staff Assistant to Representative J. Edward Roush (D., Ind.). Leeth had read in the July 12th Washington Post that CIA estimates of Soviet grain production differed substantially from the estimates of the Department of Agriculture. Leeth inquired about our methodology and techniques in estimating grain production. I said I would inquire and get back to him as soon as possible. [redacted] OCI, and [redacted] OER, have been notified.

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13. [redacted] Called Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, regarding the proposed amendments of Senator Richard S. Schweiker (R., Pa.) restricting the use of unvouchered funds. McConnell had alerted us to this problem earlier this month. I inquired whether Senator Schweiker has pressed this matter, and he said that four appropriations have been marked up thus far by the Committee and Schweiker has not offered his amendment to any of them. He said the Defense appropriations bill would be before the Committee in September. I told him we had one problem with the language of his amendment and he suggested we prepare an informal paper for the Committee's use setting forth our problem. I said we would prepare such a paper.

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14. [redacted] Called the office of Representative Andrew Maguire (D., N.J.), who served as Chairman on the June 10 Congressional Conference on Spain and U.S. Policy. The Conference was sponsored by the Fund for New Priorities in America and held in the House Caucus Room. [redacted] DDO/EUR, had called me earlier and inquired whether we might get hold of the report of the Conference. Several Spanish dissidents spoke and [redacted] would like copies of their statements. I inquired of Representative Maguire's receptionist whether a report on the Conference had yet been issued. She said no but took my name and address and will send me one when the report is out.

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15. [redacted] Roy Greenaway, staff of Senator Alan Cranston (D., Calif.), called to request information on how one of the Senator's constituents could leave by air from Luanda, Angola. Later the same afternoon, I called the office back and advised them that the constituent could leave by Air Zaire from Luanda to Kinshasa or take an internal Angolian airlines flight (TAAG) to Nova Lisboa and then hook up to other flights going to Lusaka, Zambia. Apparently, Senator Cranston's office was told by the Department of State that there was a six-month wait for international flights leaving Angola. This is true in terms of major airlines going direct to Europe but is not true of airlines going to other African capitals or other internal airlines leaving from there. There were freighters in the Luanda harbor which the constituent could hop a ride on in an emergency.

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25. [Redacted] Talked with Sally Shelton, Legislative Aide to Senator Lloyd Bentsen (D., Tex.), and told her Mr. Cary and [Redacted] would brief the Senator at 3:00 p.m. on Portugal. I asked if anyone else was going to sit in and she said only the Senator would be present.

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27. [Redacted] Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, called and asked if the 11:00 a.m. session scheduled for tomorrow could be changed to 3:00 p.m. After checking the Director's schedule, I called Slatinshek back and told him there might be a problem with the Director but, if so, General Walters would be there to brief the Committee

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28. (Unclassified - GLC) Called Michael Oppenheimer, of GAO, by way of follow-up to his telephone call to [Redacted] the other day on GAO's investigation of the Mayaguez incident. I told him that we had been in touch with the NSC staff which is trying to focus on this matter on a Government-wide basis since DOD and State agencies and NSC were all involved. I told him as soon as I received some guidance from the NSC staff, I would be in touch with him. I mentioned in the course of our conversation that under normal circumstances we would respond directly to congressional committees on a matter of this sort, but in view of the involvement of the NSC and the others, we would await the White House's guidance.

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29. [Redacted] Elly Vogtmann, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, called and asked if the briefing scheduled for Friday at 10:00 a.m. could be changed to 11:30. After checking with the Director's office, I confirmed 11:30.

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25X1 [redacted] During the course of the day I talked with Les Janka, on the NSC staff, to see if I could get further information about the following: handling of the GAO inquiry on the Mayaguez -- this is still up in the air but I mentioned that we were doing a post-mortem on this which might be of some help; the Allen Dulles testimony of 1960 which is on General Brent Scowcroft's, Deputy Assistant for National Security Affairs at the White House, desk for clearance -- Janka said he would do what he could on this; and the briefing of the House Armed Services Committee on the [redacted]

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25X1 31. [redacted] In a conversation with Ralph Preston, staff of the House Defense Appropriations Subcommittee, I advised him of the Chairman's discussion with the Director regarding the possible Subcommittee action to terminate the [redacted] program. I said we had recently "scrubbed this down" and would be happy to provide any information on this subject which the Subcommittee might desire. Preston suggested that when it became a little clearer as to just what the Subcommittee proposed to do, that he and the Chairman get together with the Director and myself along with our project officer to discuss the matter further. I told him we would be happy to do this and would await his call.

25X1 32. [redacted] Talked with Ed Braswell and Clark McFadden, both of the staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee, to bring them up to date on several items including the Director's final decision on the letter to Representative Jack Brooks (D., Tex.) on his request for a copy of the 1973 IG report and several other items. [redacted]

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34. [Redacted] Met with Bill Ashworth, staff of Senate Foreign Relations, in response to his request and he asked if we could give Senator Stuart Symington's (D., Mo.) Subcommittee on Arms Control, International Organizations and Security Agreements, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, a briefing on Tuesday, the 29th of July covering nuclear weapons developments in the 29 nations who are parties to the international agreement for cooperation. He said that Symington has gone to the IAEA on this matter and plans to hold hearings next Tuesday which will include in addition to the Agency witness, Messrs. Freedman of ERDA, Kratzer of State and George Vest, Director of Politico-Military Affairs, Department of State. He said the Senator would want our witness (presumably Carl Duckett) to discuss the steps which each nation has taken (or has not taken) in the development of nuclear weapons. He said he would also want us to cover those countries who we thought would join the "nuclear club" whether or not they were parties to the international agreement. He specifically mentioned Korea, Taiwan, Brazil, Argentina and India. He also cautioned against our invoking the safeguard provisions since, as he put it, Senator Symington can effectively dispel this argument. I told him I would be back to him on this tomorrow.

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35. [Redacted] Called Bob Carlstrom, OMB, to alert him to our reports on H.R. 61 and S. 1428 (criminal justice information) and to ask him to expedite their clearance. I pointed out that they were virtually identical to the report the Agency submitted earlier on the Justice Department draft bill on criminal justice information. He said he would do his best.

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