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STAT 10. [] LIAISON I spoke with Vern Loen, Deputy Assistant for Legislative Affairs (House) in the White House Office, regarding the Security Assistance Acts of the Senate and House and discussed with him the various problem areas and our concern about them.

STAT 11. [] LIAISON I took a call from Bill Keener, in the Austin, Texas office of Senator John G. Tower (R., Texas), concerning the disappearance of the husband of a constituent. I told him I would look into the matter and call him back.

STAT 12. [] LEGISLATION I attended the final mark-up session of the Senate Government Operations Committee on the issue of congressional oversight. At the end of the meeting the Committee voted 12-0 to report a resolution establishing a new Senate Committee on Intelligence Activities. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

STAT 13. [] LIAISON Prior to the Senate Government Operations Committee mark-up session, met briefly with Jeff Record, Aide to Senator Sam Nunn (D., Ga.); Walker Nolan, Aide to Senator John Glenn (D., Ohio); and George Patten, Legislative Assistant to Senator Lawton Chiles (D., Fla.), regarding the pending mark-up session. All three of these men were sympathetic to certain Agency concerns, but rejected other concerns such as the annual authorization requirement in the Committee resolution.

STAT 14. [] LIAISON After the Senate Government Operations mark-up session, received a call from Jim George, Aide to Senator Bill Brock (R., Tenn.). I had earlier mentioned to George that the Agency was not happy with certain provisions of the Government Operations Committee's resolution, but we had not discussed our concerns, as George had said Senator Brock would not be able to attend the mark-up session. Senator Brock had asked George what areas gave us problems, and I explained to George our major concerns were with the disclosure section and the section requiring an annual authorization.

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25X1 19. [redacted] LIAISON Scott Cohen, Executive Assistant to Senator Charles Percy (R., Ill.), called requesting that the Agency prepare a [redacted]

25X1 [redacted] This can be presented as a briefing. 25X1
25X1 The request was discussed with [redacted] DDS&T 25X1
25X1 [redacted] Acting Chief, AF/Division, will prepare the briefing
25X1 in coordination with [redacted] AF/Division. I called Cohen back and confirmed the briefing for 3:30 p. m., Wednesday, 3 March 1976.

25X1 20. [redacted] LIAISON Received a call from Duke Short, Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Internal Security staff, 25X1 advising that the Canadian Broadcasting Company had called him and is considering the possibility of arranging a television interview with [redacted] 25X1
25X1 [redacted], at an agreed meeting place in Northeast United States. They will also consider giving a small remuneration. [redacted] 25X1
25X1 [redacted] SE/DB, was advised.

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25X1 22. [redacted] HEARING Jim Michie, Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Practice and Procedure staff, called to ask if I had seen the 27 January letter to John Warner, OGC, from Justice offering no objection to the Agency's release of the documents of destruction of the Agency's files on drugs. I told him I had not but the letter would allow our providing the documents which were already declassified and awaiting Justice's decision.

25X1 23. [redacted] LIAISON Called Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and alerted him to the fact that we would be sending up to him today our Soviet Defense Expenditures paper. He appreciated the notification.

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1. [REDACTED] LIAISON Spoke with Shelva Hoffmann, on the staff of Representative Hamilton Fish, Jr. (R., N. Y.). She had called to request an Agency speaker for a group of high school students who would be visiting Washington on 23 and 24 March. After checking with [REDACTED] OTR, and with Mr. Cary's approval, I told her that [REDACTED] would be happy to speak with the group at 1:30 p.m. on 23 March. Ms. Hoffmann said that she would try and find a room on the Hill. She said there would be approximately 50 students and that they would like the opportunity to ask questions. I told her these arrangements were fine with us and have relayed them to [REDACTED]. A member of OLC will accompany [REDACTED].

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2. [REDACTED] LIAISON Received a call from Carla Reames, on the staff of Representative William V. Alexander (D., Ark.), who requested a copy of the Agency publication entitled "Potential Implications of Trends in the World Population, Food Production, and Climate." I told her we would be glad to send her a copy, and in answer to her question, said it was our most up-to-date paper on the subject.

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3. [REDACTED] LIAISON Talked to Jack Marsh, Counsellor to the President, who returned the call of Mr. Cary, and told him of our concern with respect to the assertions by the Budget Committees for jurisdiction over Agency and intelligence community budgets. I explained the contrary advice we were receiving from our Appropriations Committees and asked if it was possible that the Administration had taken a position with the Senate Government Operations Committee on the topic of authorizing legislation which is a related topic. Marsh agreed that we needed more Executive Branch coordination and suggested a meeting between the Director, Mr. Cary, himself and Max Friedersdorf, also of the White House staff. I urged that any session be held soonest as the Senate Government Operations Committee would be considering this as well as other topics as early as tomorrow.

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25X1 4. [REDACTED] LIAISON Tried to reach Paul Myer, White House Office of Congressional Relations staff, regarding the budgetary meeting on Friday, 20 February. Mr. Myer was not in and I requested that his secretary ask him to call Mr. Cary Thursday morning regarding his presentation at the budgetary meeting. I reminded his secretary that we would have a car pick Mr. Myer up and return him after lunch.

25X1 5. [REDACTED] LIAISON I took a call from Bill Florence, on the staff of Chairwoman Bella S. Abzug's (D., N. Y.) Subcommittee on Government Information and Individual Rights, House Government Operations Committee, who wanted to know the status of the response to Chairwoman Abzug's letter re classification. I told him that the response was in the final stages and, hopefully, it would be completed by the end of this week or the beginning of next.

25X1 6. [REDACTED] LIAISON I spoke with Denis Neill, AID, regarding S. 2662 and the various amendments thereto which affect the Agency. He really had no additional information of value and suggested that I call his assistant, Bill Espinosa, for further insight into the status of the matter. I placed a call to Espinosa but was unable to contact him.

25X1 7. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION John Childers, Senate Government Operations Committee staff, called to inform me that the morning mark-up session on congressional oversight had been postponed for one day.

25X1 8. [REDACTED] LIAISON Talked to Winslow Wheeler, in Senator Jacob Javits (R., N. Y.) office, about the Senate Select Committee formed in 1971 as a result of Senator Mike Gravel's (D., Alaska) reading of the Pentagon Papers at a meeting of the Subcommittee on Public Works, Senate Appropriations Committee. Wheeler said he thought he could find a copy of the report and I could pick it up tomorrow.

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ADDENDUM TO JOURNAL

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Tuesday - 17 February 1976

1. [Redacted] LIAISON Left with Jim Michie, Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Practice and Procedure staff, a declassified version of part of the Agency's response to the questions posed by Senator Edward Kennedy (D., Mass.), in his letter of 25 September 1975 as per the request of the Subcommittee. This will be an exhibit to the Subcommittee's report and should close out this matter with the Subcommittee.

2. [Redacted] FOIA Called Wayne Schley, in the office of Senator Ted Stevens (R., Alaska), and discussed Senator Stevens' letter of 3 February 1976 on behalf of [Redacted] I explained to Schley how [Redacted] requests were handled and the reasons for the delay to his FOI request. I also clarified with him that [Redacted] mentioned in [Redacted] letter to Senator Stevens was actually [Redacted] of our office, with whom Schley had talked to concerning this matter. Schley felt that he will clarify this personally with Senator Stevens and assured me it would be no problem. I told Schley that our full letter of explanation would be sent shortly.

3. [Redacted] LEGISLATION Called Ken Lazarus, Associate Counsel to the President, and inquired as to the status of their review of our draft letter to the Chairmen of the Senate and House Judiciary Committees commenting on [Redacted] introduced by Senator Charles McC. Mathias (R., Md.), and Representative Goodloe E. Byron (D., Md.). I was referred to the office of Mr. Ed Schmults, Deputy Counsel to the President. His secretary said she would check and have him call me back. I made clear to her that we had heard nothing to date.

Later in the day, Ken Lazarus called me back and asked that we give some rationale to justify the amount of compensation and suggested that we coordinate our response closely with Rex Lee and Mike Uhlmann, Department of Justice. He asked that our letter be finalized by next week.

I subsequently called Tom Martin, Department of Justice, who prepared State's draft report. We discussed the thrust of the Agency's letter. I will send him a copy of our draft tomorrow for Justice's review and comment.

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14. [redacted] LIAISON Les Janka, NSC staff, called concerning an inquiry they had received from Jerry Warren, now with Copeley News Service and former Deputy Press Secretary for Presidents Nixon and Ford, for identifying information which would help to refute an allegation to be made in an article by Jack Anderson that some 26 employees of Copeley News Service were CIA employees or on the Agency's payroll.

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15. [redacted] INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING I took a call from Peter Hunt, on the staff of the Subcommittee on Energy and Power, House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, who had some additions to make to the outline of the briefing previously submitted. The addition concerned the impact of non-free world oil and gas production on the international energy situation. I told him that since it was of a technical nature I would have [redacted] OER, who will do the briefing, call him. I notified [redacted]

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Mr. Hunt also asked if we could include in the briefing anything on silent aircraft. He explained that the Alaska pipeline would need to be patrolled by aircraft but the environmentalists were raising issues of the destruction of flora and fauna by the noise from the aircraft. I told him I would check into the matter and call him back.

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16. [redacted] LIAISON I called Sam Goldberg, State Department, and discussed with him the status of Senate S. 2662 and the Tunney and proposed McGovern amendments on covert action. He was not aware of either of the amendments but suggested that we perhaps should contact members of the Select Committee on Intelligence who are also members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and explain to them the problems inherent in the amendments.

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1. [redacted] LIAISON Called Mike Cornfield, on the staff of Representative Michael Harrington (D., Mass.), in connection with his earlier request for a list of the recipients of the National Security Medal for the past ten years. Based on guidance from Mr. Jack Blake, DDA, and Mr. Cary, I told him that the award is presented by the White House with the approval of the President and, therefore, he should direct his request to the White House. He said he would do so.

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2. [redacted] BRIEFING In the absence of Marian Czarnecki, Staff Director, House International Relations Committee, I spoke with Jack Brady, on the Committee staff, with respect to a briefing requested by Representative Lester L. Wolff (D., N. Y.), Chairman, Subcommittee on Future Foreign Policy Research and Development. I told him that this was in furtherance of our policy to bring such requests to the attention of the Chairman of the full Committee. I told him the date set was 19 February and that it would be in executive session, with no attribution and that it would cover the Soviet-Chinese-U. S. power triangle but that nothing would be said with respect to U. S. policies. He said he would pass the information on to Representative Thomas E. Morgan (D., Pa.), Chairman, House International Relations Committee.

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3. [redacted] LIAISON After checking with the Office of Personnel, I called Mae Sykes, Congressional Relations, State Department, in connection with her request of yesterday regarding [redacted] being an Agency employee. Ms. Sykes was not in her office so I left a message for her that [redacted] was not employed by this Agency.

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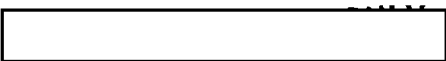
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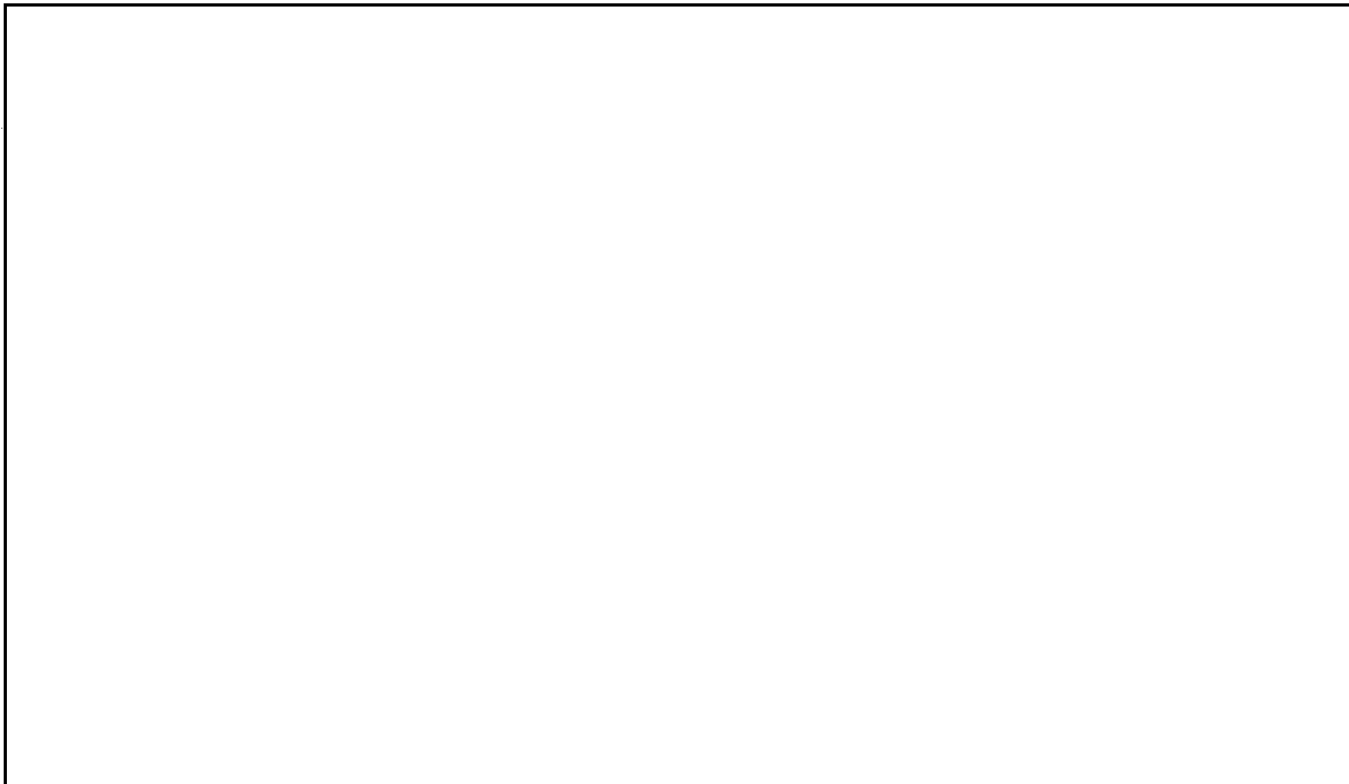
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15.  LIAISON Met with Chuck Snodgrass, Defense Subcommittee, House Appropriations Committee staff, and brought him up-to-date on our assessment of the questions raised by Prime Minister Rabin with respect to the Agency's assessment of the Arab/Israeli military balance.

I also briefed him on the declaring as excess to our needs to GSA assets of a sensitive project.

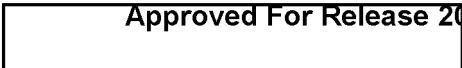
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16.  LIAISON Met with Scott Cohen, Executive Assistant to Senator Charles Percy (R., Ill.), concerning the Senator's request regarding mercenaries in Angola. Cohen will pass on to Senator Percy some information I provided and will let us know if the Senator would like a further briefing.

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17.  LIAISON George Gilbert, OMB, called and asked if we had received a request from the White House for 200 copies of the proposed legislation to protect intelligence sources and methods. I told him we had not. He said he would check further with the White House and not to be concerned unless he calls back. I offered the Agency's printing facilities if necessary in order to make the President's timetable. Later in the day 200 copies were sent to Mike Duvall, at the White House.

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