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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence
Deputy Director for Plans
Deputy Director for Support
Deputy Director for Science & Technology
General Counsel**

SUBJECT : H. R. 1600, A Bill "To Amend the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 to Prohibit the Agency from Contributing Funds to Domestic Organizations"

1. Chairman Hebert, House Armed Services Committee, has requested Agency views and recommendations on Subject bill (Tab A) introduced by Representative Ryan (D., N. Y.).
2. The bill stems from past disclosures involving the Agency and the National Student Association and other private organizations. It clearly exceeds reasonable limitations on the Agency and would prevent the acquisition of publications and other materials from domestic publishing organizations. The effect upon Agency programs dependent thereon would be crippling.
3. Representative Ryan has introduced identical legislation in prior Congresses. Since the bill has been introduced for the third time, an Agency position has been requested for the record. It is doubtful that the bill will receive favorable consideration or that hearings will be scheduled.
4. Your comments are requested, and if there are no objections, a copy of the attached proposed report (Tab B) to Chairman Hebert will be forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget.

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Attachments

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