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MEMORANDUM FOR: Associate Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT : Impact of Proposed Legislation Prohibiting Transactions with Former CIA Employees

REFERENCE : Your memo dated 1 Nov 73, Comments on Congressional Proposal

1. The impact on CRS of the proposed legislation that would prohibit transactions between former CIA employees and the Agency above and beyond purely routine administrative matters is minimal.

2. CRS has hired on a contract basis, several former employees to write history and perform related assignments. These former CRS employees were senior staff members with many years of CRS service; much of which was related to the development of early CRS programs. Their previous experience enabled them to research the files and prepare histories much quicker than more junior, less experienced, CRS employees. The Office history projects are almost completed. A former employee currently on board under contract is finishing up the last stages of the project.

3. CRS has no other similar activities that involve contacts with former employees. I do not anticipate any such programs in the future. Because of the rapid changes that occur in the "state of the art" in information storage and retrieval, I prefer to use as consultants

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4. CRS has received several requests for service from former CIA employees now working in private research institutes. These employees generally are engaged in projects under contract for the DoD. In each instance, these former employees have been directed to levy their requests for CRS service through their DoD contractors rather than coming directly to CRS for support.

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