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NOTES FOR DDCI

27 November 1963

1. The NSC briefing charts covering 11-8 will be ready for your review as requested by DCI sometime Monday, 2 December. The DCI last night told Ray Cline there is no possibility of an NSC meeting until sometime next week and this accounts for the fact that the graphics will not be ready until Monday.

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2. DCI has read your transcript of your conversation with [redacted] on 13 November. This led him to a discussion of how his and your transcripts are handled. He recognizes the sensitivity and thinks the best arrangement is to have them handcarried to the DD or DDs involved for their reading only. He, of course, intends to give you a look at his transcripts and expects you will do the same for him.

*He spoke to me of this - is getting goosey about too many people knowing of it -*

3. Larry Houston will be off in Charlottesville through the coming weekend. John Warner will be acting in his place. Larry reports that his office is nearing completion of the research project on Johnson's positions on various issues as requested by DCI.

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4. Minutes for the State Department Staff Meeting on 27 November show that the Department is preparing itself for briefing of the President much the same way we are. Ball has asked all bureaus to prepare papers on troubled areas requiring urgent decisions for use by him or the Secretary when talking with the President.

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At the same Staff Meeting Harlan Cleveland pointed to the forthcoming debate beginning Monday on space issues at the UN. It seems that the Soviets are coming up with some surprises. They do not want any references to US-Soviet cooperation in a moon shot. They are opposed to any statement on cooperation in establishing a worldwide telecom system by satellite, and they curiously want to strengthen provisions for registering space shots despite the fact there are six that they have never acknowledged.

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