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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: "Compromise" of Sensitive ICS Papers on the
Mayaguez Incident

1. I made a small, discreet inquiry last week concerning the question of how internal memoranda from General Wilson to the DCI concerning the Mayaguez incident reached other components of the Community. (These memoranda were prepared by PRD in the days immediately following that incident.) I am convinced that the external distribution of these papers by the NIOs/SEA was completely inadvertent, as we suspected.

2. It's too bad this happened, in view of concern created in INR and elsewhere, but there was no severe, lasting damage that I am aware of. In any event, had there not been such enormous pressure to produce papers for the White House with only a day or two's notice (in the case of the two papers prepared by the NIOs), I don't think our sensitive pieces would have gone astray.

[Redacted Signature]

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