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NO REASON FOR EXEMPTION OF CIA EMPLOYEES

JOHN WILLIS: Congressman Charles Wilson of California says he sees no reason why employees of the FBI, CIA and National Security Agency should be exempted from the Bill of Rights that he has proposed for federal employees.

Under Wilson's proposal, workers for those agencies could be given tests which ask personal questions only if the Director of the agency makes a personal finding about the individual which may affect national security.

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25X1 7. [] Met with Mr. Drury Blair, Senate Immigration and Naturalization Subcommittee staff, Senate Committee on Judiciary, with regard to the Jucu bill (H. R. 3929). In brief, he told me that at present the Committee does not need anything from the Agency in support of the bill but that a copy of the report furnished the House Committee, if available, might be useful. I told him I would get a copy to him later in the week.

25X1 8. [] Al Tarabochia, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, called on behalf of an unnamed Senator interested in whether Rennie Davis had met with North Vietnamese representatives in Paris last September. I told Tarabochia that, as he well knows, we do not keep track of the activities of U. S. citizens and suggested that he contact the FBI.

25X1 9. [] Met with Senator Clifford P. Hansen (R., Wyo.) and Sam Marler and William Thomson, of his staff, regarding a response for the Senator to make to inquiries from the poet, Allen Ginsberg, concerning allegations of CIA involvement in Southeast Asian drug traffic. The Senator welcomed our suggestions for responding to Ginsberg, and agreed to try to obtain from the Bureau of Narcotics a statement which could be made public in order to set the record straight.

25X1 10. [] and I met with Representative Morris K. Udall (D., Ariz.) and explained our problems with the Ervin bill guaranteeing the privacy of Federal employees. Mr. Udall seemed to understand our problems, but offered no encouragement so far as our request for a complete exemption was concerned.

Mr. Udall asked us to check into an individual in Tuscon who had been involved in some shady activities, and who, according to the local press there, was suspected of being a CIA employee. (See [] Memo for Record 25X1)

25X1 11. [] Met with Thad Murray, in the office of Senator William Spong, who wanted assistance in responding to a constituent inquiry regarding allegations in the Jack Anderson column that the Agency was involved in Southeast Asian drug traffic. Murray accepted my suggestions for a response, and agreed to have Senator Spong ask for further details from the Bureau of Narcotics.

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- 25X1 1. [REDACTED] Victor Zafra, OMB, called to say they had no problem with our revised letter to Senator Ervin on S. 1438.
- 25X1 2. [REDACTED] Talked briefly with Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, about the upcoming hearings of the Intelligence Subcommittee on the community budget and on the problem of closeout or interim funding of the Radios pending action on the Case bill. Regarding the Radios, Woodruff said this was a problem for State Department to worry about and again emphasized that as far as he and Ellender were concerned there would be no money for the Radios in the budget for fiscal 1972. He said he would like to consider this our budget cut. See Memorandum for the Record.
- 25X1 3. [REDACTED] Judy Morrison, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, called for the transcripts of the Director's testimony on 28 October 1969 and 23 March 1971 for tomorrow morning. They are being sent.
- 25X1 4. [REDACTED] Met with Representative Frank Brasco (D., N. Y.) of the Hanley Subcommittee on Employee Benefits and explained our position regarding legislation on the privacy of Federal employees on which the Subcommittee is about to start hearings. Brasco said he fully appreciated our problem but that he was experiencing heavy pressure from his constituents in supporting the bill and wondered whether we couldn't "finesse" the problem with some sort of compromise rather than a complete exemption. I said we had made a diligent effort to do this at the request of Senator Ervin but reluctantly concluded that it was not possible. Brasco gave every indication of wanting to be helpful but said that in view of the current clamor over the "invasion of privacy issue" started up by the press and certain liberal members of Congress, he didn't know whether he could get by with voting for complete Agency exemption or not. He said personally he was fully behind us, and secretly agreed with the Vice President and Attorney General on issues of this kind, but he couldn't say this to his constituents.

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25X1 5. [] Met with Representative Charles Wilson (D., Calif.) and gave him an outline of the effect of certain provisions of H.R. 7199, Representative Wilson's bill on invasion of privacy of Federal employees, and a short paper on factors affecting CIA personnel security that were discussed with him on Thursday. Representative Wilson said that he would review them and that we can be assured that he has no intention of hurting the Agency. He noted in passing, however, that at least at this time he is not disposed to consider a full exemption for the Bureau.

Late in the day I received a call from Mr. Charles Gould, in the office of Representative Wilson, who said the Representative wanted us to know that he will be introducing his bill tomorrow before the Employee Benefits Subcommittee of House Post Office and Civil Service Committee without the amendments suggested in last Thursday's meeting and the discussion this afternoon. He will wait and see how matters go before the Subcommittee and consider possible amendments at a later date. I thanked Mr. Gould for Representative Wilson's courtesy in keeping us advised.

25X1 6. [] Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and discussed with him some of the suggestions for surge funding of the Radios. In brief, it is Mr. Preston's considered judgment that funding of the Radios under a continuing resolution would terminate at the point or time when determination is made by either Committee limiting or discontinuing the funding. As for reprogramming by OMB of yearend defense funds, Mr. Preston knows of no such funds that would be available without review and approval by the congressional committees.

I briefed Mr. Preston on Salyut mission; Soviet H-III submarine; Soviet forces in the Far East, ground and air; silo construction; Soviet Mars launch; and []

25X1 7. [] Talked to Mr. Arthur Kuhl, Chief Clerk, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, who told me the transcript of the Director's appearance of 5 May will be needed tomorrow for Committee use during Ambassador Rountree's appearance.

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25X1 8. [redacted] Talked to Miss Fran Christy, House
Immigration and Naturalization Subcommittee staff of the Committee on
25X1 Judiciary, who told me that the Committee will not be making formal
requests for reports on [redacted] a bill for the relief of [redacted] 25X1
She would appreciate, however, a copy of whatever report was furnished
to the Senate Committee. Further action on the bill in Committee will
await the meeting to be arranged by the Committee Counsel, Mr. Cline,
for me with Representative Rodino (D., N.J.) after Mr. Cline's return
from Europe around 20 May.

25X1 9. [redacted] Met with Mr. Richard Barton, House
Employee Benefits Subcommittee staff of the Post Office and Civil Service
Committee, who told me that Chairman Hanley, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Martiny ✓
and himself had had an enjoyable visit at NSA today. He also suggested that
he wait until we have made our contacts with the various members of the
Subcommittee before he attempts final scheduling of a "Subcommittee
meeting" at the Agency.

25X1 10. [redacted] Returned to Miss Angie Morris, Senate Foreign
Relations Committee staff, the classified documents that were held for
Mr. Lowenstein during his absence from the country.

25X1 11. [redacted] In connection with possible pacifica-
tion hearings by the House Foreign Operations and Government Information
Subcommittee, spoke with staff members Vincent Augliere and Norman
Cornish and learned that, in all probability, the hearings will be open
session unless classified information is discussed and that the hearings
on pacification by the Subcommittee have not yet been given the green light.
25X1 [redacted] has been advised.

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