

8 March 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: DCI Briefing of House Armed Services Committee -
7 March 1966

1. The Director appeared before the full House Armed Services Committee for a general worldwide briefing. Present from the Committee were:

Philip J. Philbin
F. Edward Hebert
Melvin Price
Porter Hardy, Jr.
Charles E. Bennett
James A. Byrne
Samuel S. Stratton
Otis G. Pike
Richard H. Ichord
Alton Lennon
William J. Randall
Charles H. Wilson
Jed Johnson, Jr.
Rodney M. Love

Floyd V. Hicks
Hervey G. Machen
Speedy O. Long
E. S. Johnny Walker
William H. Bates
Leslie C. Arends
Alvin E. O'Konski
William G. Bray
Charles E. Chamberlain
Alexander Pirnie
Durward G. Hall
Donald D. Clancy
Robert T. Stafford
Richard S. Schweiker

Present from the staff were:

John R. Blandford, Chief Counsel
Philip W. Kelleher, Counsel
Frank M. Slatinshek, Counsel
William H. Cook, Counsel
Earl J. Morgan
Ralph Marshall

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Prior to the hearing, there was a technical sweep and there was monitoring during the hearing. A transcript was taken and special security arrangements were made so that Agency personnel had supervision of stenotype notes, typewriter ribbons, carbons, transcripts, etc., and the transcripts and all such materials were returned to the Agency. The morning session lasted from 10:00 until about 12:15 p.m. The afternoon session began at 2:00 p.m. and ran until approximately 5:15 p.m.

2. The Director covered in detail Communist China, Soviet Russia and touched on the Dominican Republic, Cuba, and Ghana. He followed the prepared briefing almost verbatim. There were numerous questions and obviously the Committee was interested and felt they were getting the type of information they needed. There are two action items:

- (a) to supply for the record the number of Soviet troops in the satellite countries; and
- (b) to furnish details on the performance and characteristics of the Soviet MI-6 helicopters.

3. The Director received many laudatory comments on the content and presentation in this session. Mr. Philbin, who was acting as Chairman for Mr. Rivers, in particular was most complimentary to the Director both from the Chair and in personal conversation with the Director.

4. There were several questions which began to touch on Agency matters and as soon as the Director began his answer referring to sources and methods, privilege, etc., Mr. Philbin, in the Chair, stated that these were the rules and the questions were immediately dropped.


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Leadership ✓	12	; 4:00
Foreign Policy ✓	16 B	10:30
<i>10:40</i> Economy ✓	19 G	2:00
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<i>11:15 end</i> <u>NORTH VIETNAM:</u> <i>11:30 end</i>	DRV-1	15:00
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