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March 31, 1975

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. E. H. Knoche, Assistant to the Director
FROM : James B. Weidner
SUBJECT : Request for Files

Please provide copies of the following materials to the undersigned. These materials are contained in a file labeled "DCI Chrono Helms - 1970":

1. Letter dated 14 January 1970 from Richard Helms to Hon. Melvin R. Laird concerning security clearances. (one page)
2. Memo dated 14 January 1970 from Howard J. Osborn to DCI re. Security Clearance Procedures for Congressional Staff Members, plus enclosure (4 pages)
3. Letter dated 20 March 1970 from Richard Helms to Hon. J. Edgar Hoover. (5 pages)
4. Memo dated 6 July 1970 from Richard Helms to Tom C. Huston enclosing "Black Radicalism in the Caribbean". (one page)

I would appreciate your forwarding these materials to me at the earliest feasible time. Thanks.

OGC HAS REVIEWED.

James B. Weidner
JAMES B. WEIDNER
Counsel

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14 January 1970

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The Honorable Melvin R. Laird
The Secretary of Defense
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mel:

Because of certain events which occurred last year, I asked the Chief of our Security Office to look at the procedures in Government for granting security clearances to congressional staff members. The result of his examination is herewith. We do not claim that it is a hundred percent accurate, but it is at least an effort to pull together what is clearly a "grab bag" of arrangements. Perhaps this is the way it has to be, but I have a hunch that the system has tended to grow like Topsy with little attention from anyone.

The point of my note to you is to ask for your personal opinion as to whether or not it is worth drawing this matter to the attention of the White House, specifically Bryce Harlow. I would appreciate a call from you at your convenience.

Cordially,

(Signature)

Richard Helms
Director

Enclosure - 1

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14 January 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT : Security Clearance Procedures for
Congressional Staff Members

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1. I hope that the attached resume is responsive to your requirement established by you in a meeting you and I had with [redacted] Legislative Counsel, some weeks ago. We tried to condense a longer version which was forwarded to you originally into a form which would be meaningful and useful for you to send the Secretary of Defense under an appropriate covering letter.

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2. This has been worked and reworked. I have sent a copy of the attachment to [redacted] for his information.

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Howard J. Osborn
Director of Security

Attachment

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20 March 1970

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

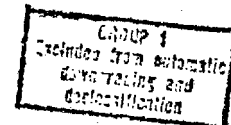
Dear Mr. Hoover:

We have completed our review of domestic positive intelligence collection engendered by your letter of 11 March 1970. We warmly welcome periodic reexamination by our two agencies of the implementation of the 1966 agreement and the collection of positive intelligence which you proposed. I concur also with your comments that there is a need for close coordination of our efforts in the field of positive and counterintelligence collection. To be most effective, I agree that it is essential for this Agency, together with your Bureau, to conduct a continuing analysis of clandestine collection activity. The product is of growing importance to the national security and to the United States Intelligence Community. Therefore we endorse your proposal for a reexamination and bespeak your desires as to how this might be conducted.

With regard to the 1966 set of ground rules, which you sent to the then Director, Vice Admiral William F. Raborn, Jr., the competent work of our respective representatives did, in fact, produce an effective and realistic agreement. I welcome your statement that no major problems have been encountered since its adoption.

I feel strongly that there are other related subjects, of similar importance to the national security, which warrant periodic reexamination since they have a direct bearing on domestic clandestine collection of positive intelligence.

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Mr. Tom C. Huston
Staff Assistant
The White House

You will recall that at our meeting with the President on domestic intelligence collection, he made reference to black radicalism in the Caribbean and asked to have a brief study made of its relationship to militant black organizations in the United States. Here is that study.

I assume you will see that the President receives his copy.

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Richard Helms

Attachments - 3
No. 0524/70 - Intel Memo -
Black Radicalism in the
Caribbean.

6 July 1970

cc: Chief, CI w/3 attachments

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You may want to give a copy of this to If additional copies are needed, you can get them from OCI.

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ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

SUBJECT: (Optional)

Weidner Request of 31 Mar 75 for 4 items from "DCI Chrono Helms - 1970"

FROM: Inspector General
Room 2E24 Hqs

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1 April 1975

TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

DATE

OFFICER'S INITIALS

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The attached documents are submitted for review and clearance for release to authorities investigating CIA. Please return, unmarked, to the Inspector General as soon as possible. Space for concurrence is provided below.

10-2. Please clear #2 with DOD, AEC & FBI for release to Coman. *WL*

1-10 Since item 2 discusses security procedures of the DOD, the AEC, and the FBI with respect to the clearances of Senate Committee and personal staff members, I recommend that the release of this material be cleared with those departments and agencies. Subject to the above, I concur in the release of the attached documents to authorities investigating CIA.

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