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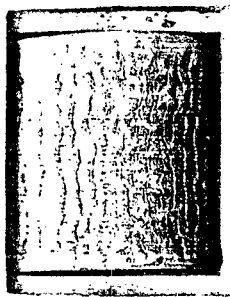
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MEMORANDUM FOR: DCI:

More on Rosenthal. On 12 Feb Rosenthal was given your letter & the 17 documents; on 15 Feb J. Baker was given your memo and the proposed letter from President Reagan to Rosenthal. Once the President sends that letter to Rosenthal the matter should be closed — Rosenthal can't legally publish the documents.

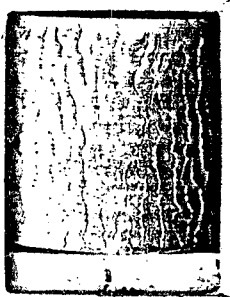
On 16 Feb Judge Clark's office called and asked for a copy of the memo you gave to J. Baker on 15 Feb. Copies of that memo, and the proposed Presidential letter to Rosenthal were given to Clark's staff *as were the two books containing the documents and our deletions.*

I think the thrust of this External Affairs memo is wrong. You shouldn't be required to further explain to Rosenthal why certain sections of the 17 documents were deleted. The CIA has a charter responsibility to protect sources and methods; the 17 documents were reviewed exhaustively by senior CIA officials (including Bob Ames) and their determination should be final — assuming the President concurs. It's apparent from this memo that Rosenthal's staff doesn't care too much with protecting sources and ~~the~~ methods. We care, and we should persist with our decision. joe



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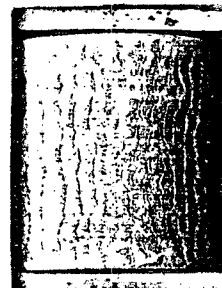
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NOTE TO: Director of Central Intelligence
FROM: Director, Office of External Affairs
SUBJECT: Rosenthal Request

As the attached implies, this matter is not dead and to preclude possible embarrassment to the Agency and the Administration, you may wish to call your friend, Chairman Ben Rosenthal, directly.



Attachment:
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