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NOTE FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
Executive Director

FROM: Acting Director, Office of External Affairs

SUBJECT: Phil Taubman, New York Times, Query

1. Phil Taubman, NYT, has asked for a DCI comment on remarks Taubman claims Senator Lugar made in a press conference this afternoon. According to Taubman, Lugar said:

- The SSCI has good relations with the DDCI. Congress' ability to serve as a check and balance on intelligence activities depends on the information it is provided.
- He does not believe the DCI will have the trust the DDCI enjoys because the DCI does not "know enough about intelligence." The DCI lacks the DDCI's years of experience in the field that have enabled him to gain the confidence of the Committee.
- The Committee is still unhappy about its access to the DCI and is displeased it was not informed of the DDCI's resignation until the last moment.

2. This is for your information. It does not deserve a response and Public Affairs will tell Taubman that the DCI has no comment on the alleged remarks.



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