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SFRC Staffer Ken Myers' Request for Arms Control SUBJECT: Briefing by NIOs Gershwin & Ermath.

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- Myers/called last evening after COB with a short-lead-time request. He would like to arrange for CIA to provide a classified briefing at a closed SFRC hearing on Thursday afternoon, 21 February 1985, in room S-116 of the Capitol, as part of SFRC's series on Soviet-American relations on arms control. He wants CIA to discuss the current state of strategic competition in arms control between the US and the USSR. Myers is not asking for information on compliance issues but suggested it would probably be wise for a knowledgeable person to stand by in case SFRC members had questions on that topic. He gratuitously suggested NIO's Gershwin and Ermath for the briefing and said their briefing would be scheduled prior to appearances by State's Burt and Perle and ACDA's Nitze and negotiators. Myers said he wants "an appropriate stage setter" by the NIOs prior to the State and ACDA witnesses.
- 2. Myers cautioned that he did not want CIA to make "a big deal" out of this -- he isn't seeking the DCI's testimony. (He was informed the DCI & other high level CIA officials would be tied up with HPSCI and SSCI hearings that day anyway.) Nor, he said, does he want a CIA-DIA-ACDA "combine" which "doesn't work." (He was told OLL believed "combines" were routinely handling such briefings but his request would be relayed to the appropriate parties.) His final comment was that he wishes to have "an informal give-and-take" opportunity for the SFRC members, as well.
- 3. Myers was asked how this SFRC arms control hearing series fits in with the newly organized Senate Arms Control Observer Group's activities. Myers stated that he has been directly involved in the ACOG's formation but, despite his many words, he never did satisfactorily explain the nexus, if any.

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	5. Ken Myers telephone number is 224-7162. He works in room 446 Dirksen.
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