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FROM:  Deputy Director for Legislation 25X1  
Office of Congressional AffairsSUBJECT: Senate Floor Debate and Passage of Intelligence  
Authorization Bill/DCI Views Letter

1. Floor Debate and Passage. On September 24, 1986, the Senate debated and passed S. 2477, the Senate version of the Intelligence Authorization Bill for Fiscal Year 1987. Attached please find copies of pp. S13559 - S13580 from the Congressional Record of that date which contain the Senate floor action.

2. DCI Views Letter. Also attached is a copy of a views letter from the Director of Central Intelligence (DCI) to the House and Senate conferees on the Intelligence Authorization Bill (identical letters were sent to the House and Senate sides).

3. Helms Amendments. Your attention is directed to pp. S13566 - S13580 of the debate which contain the proceedings on the two amendments offered by Senator Helms and ultimately adopted by the Senate: the first by voice vote and the second by a party-line vote of 53-47. A brief description of both amendments follows.

4. First Amendment - Classified Annex. The first Helms Amendment added a new section to the bill, Section 104. This new section, in turn, directs that the "Classified Schedule of Authorizations" appended to the bill (usually referred to as the "classified annex") be amended to incorporate a "classified supplement" (hereinafter the "Helms supplement"). Section 104 states further that the Helms supplement incorporates additional directions to the Intelligence Community on the following subjects: "competitive analyses of key intelligence topics, survivability of national technical means of

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intelligence collection, availability of the report of the President's 1980 Transition Team study of intelligence; training on combatting Marxism-Leninism; integration of military, political and economic aspects of national estimates on the Soviet Union; assessment of the effects of Soviet data denial; Foreign Broadcast Information Service analyses; reconnaissance capability; protection of polygraph information; role of the Defense Intelligence Agency; and intelligence policy regarding Panama."

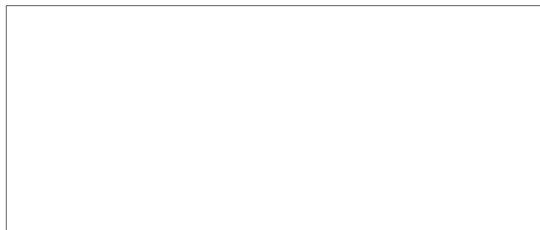
5. In the debate on p. S13567, Senator Helms lists thirty-two (32) topics which he states his first amendment will mandate be addressed by "competitive analysis." In fact, however, this thirty-two item list is not the "Helms supplement". The actual Helms supplement is much smaller; it contains only eleven items in total, the first of which mandates that eight subjects be addressed by competitive analysis. The attachment to the DCI's views letter is a correct copy of the Helms supplement with the additions and deletions which the DCI proposes to the conferees marked thereon.

6. The thirty-two item list which Senator Helms read appears to have come from a version of the list prepared earlier by Senator Helms' staff for purposes of discussion with the Agency and the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence.

7. Second Amendment - DCI Study Of Panama. The second Helms amendment appears on p. S13571. It added a new section to the bill, Section 604. This new section mandates the DCI to provide a report to the SSCI and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence no later than March 1, 1984, as to whether and to what extent the Defense Forces of the Government of Panama have violated the human rights of the Panamanian people, are involved in international drug trafficking, arms trafficking, or money laundering, or were involved in the death of Dr. Hugo Spadafora. In effect, it repeats somewhat the eleventh item in the "Helms supplement".

8. The conference on the authorization is almost concluded and the report of the conferees is expected to be available within the next few days.

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