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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM: Chief, Legislative Liaison Division
Office of External Affairs

SUBJECT: Senate Select Committee on Intelligence
Staffers' 28-29 March Visit

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1. I would like to express our deep appreciation and thanks for your efforts, and the efforts of all the staff at [Redacted] in making the 28-29 March visit of Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) staffers Charles Andreae, Robin Cleveland, and Larry Kettlewell such a success. All three staffers have repeatedly commented to me and to Whitley Bruner, of my Senate Branch, that their visit was not only instructional, but also highly enjoyable. One staffer exclaimed that this was the most memorable trip yet on SSCI business. (U)

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2. As you can see in the attached letter to the Acting Director of Central Intelligence, Mr. Kettlewell singles out yourself [Redacted] for special (and well deserved) praise. We in the Legislative Liaison Division most gratefully echo those laudatory comments. In the midst of a hectic training cycle, it is scarcely easy to take time away from one's office, but I believe the "extra effort" in this case will have positive long-term reverberations among the staff of a key oversight committee. (U)

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3. Mr. Kettlewell notes in his letter that such visits foster better understanding between the SSCI and the Agency. From the perspective of the Legislative Liaison Division, this definitely appears to be the case. Many Members of Congress and their staffers, returning from travel abroad after contact with overseas Stations, have commented on the high quality of overseas DDO personnel. Only through visits [Redacted] however, can our oversight committees gain an understanding of the hard work that goes into the formation of an overseas DDO officer and of the expense and dedication that this training involves. (U)

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4. You and your staff should certainly be commended for putting together a program for our SSCI visitors which was

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just what the doctor ordered. You may have succeeded so well during this last visit, in fact, that the other SSCI staffers may request a visit soon to find out what all the excitement is about. Nothing succeeds like success. (U)

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