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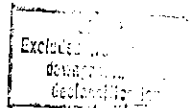
MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Jim Clark and Marty Convisser, BOB

1. In a follow-up to my telephone conversation with Jim Clark on 5 June 1967 regarding TAF funding (See Memorandum of Record) I arranged to meet at the Bureau of the Budget for further discussion and clarification of the Bureau's position. I outlined what Clark had stated in his conversation with me and inquired whether this continued to be the Bureau's position. He stated he would modify his position somewhat regarding the responsibility of the Agency to replenish any reserve release to TAF in equal amounts from the 1968 appropriation irrespective of program cuts made by the Congress. He advised that the Bureau would hope that Congressional cuts in the 1968 program would not occur and that to the extent reductions were made in the program by Congress because of advance funding of TAF from the Reserve, the Bureau would not expect the Agency to replenish the Reserve from other program monies. I agreed that this was a reasonable tack and in complete accord with what the Agency had suggested. Clark also made the point that to the extent Congress cut program monies from the Agency's programs, he would want it to be clear that the Bureau would not consider the application of those cuts against replenishing the [] to the Agency Reserve to get a release to TAF now. I agreed that in our discussions with Congress, should the Director choose to have same, we would urge the point out that we anticipated replenishing the Reserve from appropriations for TAF for [] in 1968. I assured Clark that cuts made by the Congress against funds other than those budgeted for TAF would not be presented by the Agency to the Bureau as an offset to replenishing a TAF release. The question of whether the Agency wished to request a release was left open pending the Director's decision to discuss the issues with Congress and on Congressional action thereto.

2. Marty Convisser then raised the question of alternatives to release from the Reserve for TAF. He pointed out that the 303 Committee had not addressed this question and that he could see no

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reason why the Agency should not wait until the beginning of Fiscal Year 1968 -- 1 July -- and surge fund TAF by [] under the continuing resolution on or after that date. I explained that the Agency is considering this alternative and that it had been presented to Col. White. I pointed out that whether the Agency went the Reserve route or the 1 July route, Congressional committees would have to be queried in either case. Clark found no problem with approaches to Congress, but stated that it would be the Bureau's preference that the surge funding for TAF be done after 1 July and under the continuing resolution. He observed that this alternative might be a better way to assure that Congress might not cut funds in the Agency's Congressional Budget now before the committees.

3. In spite of the foregoing, however, Clark did leave open the determination to go via the Reserve route or the 1 July continuing resolution route to the DCI.

(signed) John M. Clarke
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