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SUBJECT:

Agency Watergate Involvements

- 1. We have today received Mr. Colby's memorandum of 23 May 1973 regarding Agency involvement in the Watergate case.
- 2. This office has had no "involvement" with individuals or matters related to the Watergate case. However, we are peripherally "endangered" because of cover considerations.

| 3. John Dean's lawyer is Robert C. McCandless, who until recently was a partner in the firm of Burwell, Hansen & McCandless. This legitimate law firm,  |
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| gave Mr. McCandless   |
| the option of leaving the partnership or dropping his present client for reasons of conflict of interest within that firm. Mr. McCandless is presently seeking to physically move from the offices but there is no assurance that this will be accomplished before John Dean is under even heavier press coverage than he is today. Mr. McCandless has advised me that John Dean knows, back from the days of |
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4. We should also note that Howard Hunt, dating from his days of Agency employment, knows several employees of this office and not personally know Jim McCord but also dating from his Agency employment,

5. Our three Miami Cuban/U.S. employees, who administer the program, know Howard Hunt and the Watergate Cuban personages involved dating from the Bay of Pigs era.

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