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29 May 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Chief, East Asia Division

SUBJECT : Comments to the Administrative Memorandum
Entitled "Agency Involvement in the
Watergate Case"

1. From my reading of the referenced memorandum I feel it necessary that I report the following facts for the record. You may wish to forward this to the IG through the DDO or directly to the DCI.

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From [Redacted] that date I have not dealt with him in any official capacity. However, I did see him on rare social occasions, but never at my home or at his. During Calendar Year 1972 and early 1973 I had two or three short conversations with Mr. Hunt in Potomac Village. At no time was the Watergate case mentioned and only matters concerning our families and other social topics had been discussed.

3. Related to the Pentagon Papers and the Ellsberg trial, I wish to state that I am a neighbor and acquaintance of Dr. Morton Halperin. I believe it was during the years 1970 and 1971 both Dr. and Mrs. Halperin had mentioned to both my wife and myself that they believed that their phone had been tapped by the U.S. Government. On each occasion I had answered by stating that I in no way could believe that the U.S. Government would have tapped the home phones of Dr. and Mrs. Halperin. I have never discussed the Watergate case, the Pentagon Papers, nor the Ellsberg trial with the Halperin's. At one time 1970 I had met with Dr. and Mrs. Ellsberg at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Halperin, but this was during a large buffet dinner, and I did not discuss any political matters with Dr. Ellsberg.

4. I have a brother-in-law by the name of [Redacted] who is currently a [Redacted] He is a

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Naval Academy graduate and as a military officer served in the Pentagon/International Security Affairs and was also assigned to Vietnam for a one-year period. [redacted] claims to have been one of the [redacted] of the Pentagon Papers, states that he knows Dr. Ellsberg well, and although I feel it improbable, [redacted] telephone may have been tapped during the same period Dr. Halperin's phone had been tapped. I mention this in the context that the press claims that there were 12 government officials' telephones tapped during the 1970-71 period. At that time [redacted] was the [redacted] [redacted] to Under Secretary of State, Elliot Richardson and worked exclusively on Vietnam matters. Related to that, he had also had Dr. and Mrs. Ellsberg as a week-end guest about the same time the Ellsberg's had spent a week-end with the Halperin's. [redacted] on more than one occasion had expressed the belief that her phone had been tapped and I believe that these expressions were made to me some time during 1970 and 1971. Of the individuals mentioned above only [redacted]

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