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Honorable John C. Stennis, Chairman Armed Services Committee United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In a letter dated 1 April 1974 (copy enclosed), Senator Howard Baker advised me of steps he proposed be taken in connection with his report on his inquiry into CIA activities.

Action by this Agency was anticipated in two areas—a declassification/sanitization review, and submission of comments on the report. Unfortunately, neither can be satisfactorily completed by Senator Baker's deadline since all the relevant transcripts are not yet available. I have, however, prepared some preliminary comments which we may wish to expand upon when the additional material is made available and we have had an opportunity to review it. As requested I am also recommending certain security deletions from the report.

I am forwarding herewith for such disposition as you feel is appropriate, a copy of Senator Baker's summary report along with our preliminary comments on the report and recommended security deletions.

I am also forwarding copies of this material to the Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Sincerely,

W. E. Colby

Director

Enclosures