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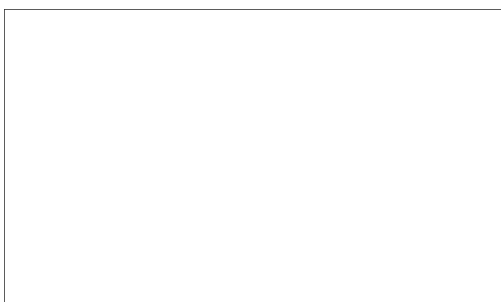
MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Visit with Senator Stennis, 18 December 1973

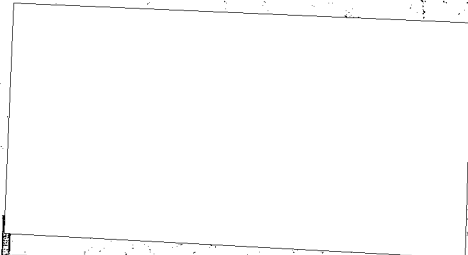
On 18 December I visited with Senator Stennis for a very few minutes when he stepped out of a conference committee. I stated that I was concerned at Senator Howard Baker's continued indications that he believed that CIA was somehow involved more deeply in Watergate. I pointed out that we had responded to every specific matter Senator Baker had raised with us, and had apparently satisfied him on these matters, but that he had referred to some additional information whose source he was not authorized to reveal. I said that this was a very unsatisfactory situation to us as it made us unable to prosecute the specifics of any particular allegation he may have. I stated that I came to Senator Stennis to seek his advice on whether I should go to Senator Baker to say that if he could not reveal the source to me would he please discuss the matter in depth with Senator Stennis or Senator Symington? We discussed this a bit. Senator Stennis said that he did not think that this direct approach would be a good idea but that he might be able to raise the matter in some appropriate way with Senator Baker to see if he could determine what his problems were. I thanked Senator Stennis and left the matter with him.

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