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3. [redacted] called to say that 25X1 Mr. Barthelemy, State Department, had been in touch with him about State Department testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee with respect to the Radios. He said that during these hearings Senator Javits questioned State witnesses as to how much money the Soviets spend on similar activities. In checking State's records Barthelemy found that in his confirmation hearings as Ambassador to Iran Mr. Helms was asked the same question and responded that the Soviets spend twice as much as is spent on the Radios. Barthelemy wondered if there was any objection to their referring to this. I told Feldman that since this was testimony by Helms before the Foreign Relations Committee as Ambassador-designee I saw no reason why State witnesses could not refer to his testimony.

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4. [redacted] Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, called off the record to advise us that Senators McClellan, Young and Pastore met today with Senators Cranston and Scott to discuss Cranston's request that there be some disclosure of intelligence budget figures. According to McConnell, Cranston referred to a statement by Mr. Schlesinger before the Senate Armed Services Committee to the effect that he thought there would be no objection to disclosure of an overall budget figure. Both McClellan and Pastore felt that under the circumstances such a figure might be made public. Senator Young was a little more reluctant to go along with the idea. McClellan mentioned that the Intelligence Operations Subcommittee would be reviewing the Agency budget in the near future and would give consideration to Senator Cranston's desires at that time. Cranston apparently pushed for a breakout of the total figures for CIA, DIA, and NSA.

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5. [redacted] Talked to Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, who said that Senator Symington was still planning to have Mr. Colby appear in open session for confirmation hearings on Monday, 2 July. Braswell said on this occasion Symington planned to go into questions relating to the authority under which the Agency was operating in Laos.

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