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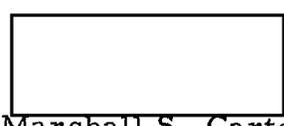
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. McCone

1. As you know, Secretary Zuckert and General LeMay are appearing before this Senate Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee, and are using a "Top Secret," sanitized version of our "Soviet Capabilities" paper as part of their briefing. I have informed Bromley Smith in the White House of this.

2. You might be able to get out of this briefing on the basis of pure repetition, but in order to justify this you should have access to Zuckert's and LeMay's prepared presentations, in addition to those of any others who may be appearing from the Defense Department.

3. I suggest, as an initial gambit, a call to Secretary Gilpatric asking him to see that you are fully clued in as quickly as possible as to just what the plans of the Defense Department are, and what type of presentation is going to be given. I would also suggest that you inform General Taylor of what you are doing in this regard.



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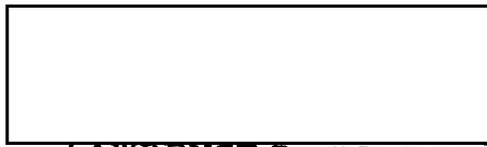
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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE DIRECTOR

The attached memorandum relates to an outstanding request from the Senate Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee for a briefing on the Soviet military posture and is pertinent to your present considerations stemming from your meeting with the President on the estimate on this subject.



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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence**

**SUBJECT: Briefing of Senate Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee on Soviet Military Posture**

1. This memorandum is for information.
2. You will recall that in the middle of June the Senate Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee requested that the Agency brief them, as it has in prior years, on the Soviet military posture so that they would be in a better position to make their determinations with respect to U. S. programs which were to be presented by Department of Defense components.
3. When we consulted Senator Richard B. Russell with respect to the requested briefing, he indicated he did not see how we could avoid it. Senator Russell indicated of course that the Agency should deal only with conclusions and not how we reach them. I understand when the request of the Subcommittee was mentioned to you, you also felt that we would probably have to do this and that you requested that it be delayed until completion of the basic estimate. We informed the Subcommittee staff of the difficulty in timing since the intelligence estimate on this subject was then in process. We have delayed further commitments to the staff.
4. It is my understanding that at the White House briefing this morning the President expressed considerable concern with respect to the distribution of this information, not only from a standpoint of source but also as to the conclusions involved. The Subcommittee staff has again queried us concerning the timing of the briefing. You may wish to give consideration to this outstanding request in connection with the general problem of specific distribution of the information contained in the estimate.

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