

29 December 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 29 December 1965

Mr. Helms was in the chair as Acting DCI.

25X1 In answer to an earlier inquiry from Mr. Helms, DD/I said that virtually all of our finished intelligence is made available to the BOB. This goes back to [ ] tenure in BOB when he had asked for this. (See Action 1)

25X1 [ ] noted the CIB item today on Turkish moves to suspend U. S. reconnaissance flights in the Turkey area. Sheldon noted that the SIGINT Committee is meeting this afternoon to discuss the implications.

A-DD/S reported that the move of Agency offices into the Magazine Building in Rosslyn will begin on 3 January. Working hours there will be staggered to facilitate traffic flow.

A-DD/S noted that the White House is now staffed with five Agency telephone operators. Those that remain on duty in the Agency are forced to work a six-day week. The Acting DCI asked A-DD/S to try to recruit some more in order to lessen the load.

25X1 [ ] reported on a meeting he attended yesterday with DOD officers concerning a NATO intelligence working group and the implications of a SecDef invitation to expand intelligence exchanges within NATO. The Acting DCI asked [ ] to keep in touch with the staff working on this problem and to keep the Agency informed. 25X1

25X1 [ ] initiated a discussion of Secretary Vance's negative re-  
25X1 action to the NSA Daily SIGINT Summary when he was shown a copy of this report recently by [ ]. It was agreed that this is a problem not worth pursuing until such time as we have a better idea of how the White House is to be staffed in the coming months. The Daily SIGINT Summary is sent to the White House at White House request.



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Sheldon reported that a U-2 mission over South China has been alerted to cover certain priority targets, coverage of which was recently requested by Secretary Vance.

DD/P noted a cable [redacted] pertaining to his recent discussions with Senator Symington.

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Executive Director noted a letter from Secretary Rusk to the DCI in which the Secretary responds to an earlier DCI letter by saying he concurs with priority intelligence work on the China problem and has sent a message to all U. S. missions underlining his support of this work.

The Acting DCI commended OCI for the treatment given by the President's Daily Brief and the CIB to the Shelepin visit to Hanoi.

The Acting DCI reported a telephone call he had from Secretary McNamara this morning. The Secretary wants to know as much as we can get about the nature, composition, and purpose of the Shelepin mission to Hanoi. (See Action 2)

Mr. Helms noted the appointment of [redacted] as Assistant to the Director in dealing with outside contacts and relationships with press media. He underlined the need to all hands to permit [redacted] direct access and to lend all possible support.

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Mr. Helms noted Agency receipt of the "interim report" of the State/Defense study group on China. Agency comments are invited, and the action in this regard is assigned to [redacted]

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Mr. Helms noted that there will be a noon ceremony at Headquarters today to make a posthumous award to the widow of [redacted]. It was requested that senior Agency officers be present.

ACTIONS:

1. As of 1 January dissemination of finished intelligence reports to BOB is to cease. The Agency will await requests for this type of intelligence support and requests from BOB are to be made over the signature of the Director of the BOB. (DD/I)

2. DD/P is requested to take steps to alert all appropriate stations to the need for information pertaining to the Shelepin visit to Hanoi.



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