

4 August 1955

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

On 3 August 1955 I directed Legislative Counsel to prepare the following papers:

(1) By 1 September 1955, a memorandum to the Bureau of the Budget requesting all legislation that the Central Intelligence Agency will need during the ^{second} session of the 84th Congress. This memorandum should include all aspects of career service legislation which were not obtained during the recent session of Congress, as well as any other legislation desired by components of the agency.

(2) By not later than 1 October 1955, a memorandum outlining in detail the necessary steps that will have to be taken with the Congress concerning the construction of the CIA building. This memorandum should include an itemization of what members of Congress should be briefed and talked to in order to obtain their support; what subcommittees or committees of the Congress should be contacted and when; what steps should be taken in order to obtain the full appropriation for the building prior to the adjournment of the 84th Congress. It was stressed that inasmuch as 1956 is a presidential election year, with 1/3 of the Senate and the full House up for reelection, as well as two national conventions meeting in August, that the Congress would be rushing to adjourn sometime in late June or early July. It was further stressed that if we are unable to get to the Congress by April 1956 sufficient details concerning our building construction, we will probably fail to get our appropriation for the building until the 85th Congress of 1957. The Logistics Office and the architects should be advised of this time pressure.

(3) By 1 October 1955, an analysis of CIA's relations with the first session of the 84th Congress. This should include a recapitulation of the official appearances made by the agency at committee hearings, etc.; a listing of the Congressmen entertained at lunch and briefed or debriefed; an analysis of the Congressional requests received, broken down by categories, i.e., recommending employee applicants, asking for information, etc., with an annex showing all Senators and Congressmen by name and the number of requests they made; and an analysis of statements made concerning the CIA either in committee or on the floor.

(4) By not later than 5 October 1955, or whenever the Legislative Counsel leaves for military duty, a memorandum indicating the steps that the CIA should take to develop good relations and protect its interests with the second session of the 84th Congress. This should include a recommended list of recess briefings and recommendations concerning an aggressive program to get the subcommittees of the Armed Services Committees to take over the review and protection of CIA.

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