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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Request for Appearance of the DCI before the State Department Organization and Foreign Operations Subcommittee of the House Foreign Affairs Committee

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation in paragraph 6 for approval of the Director of Central Intelligence.

2. Mr. Boyd Crawford, Staff Administrator of the full Committee of House Foreign Affairs, telephoned this afternoon inquiring if the Director could appear before the Subcommittee on State Department Organization and Foreign Operations. He indicated that this Subcommittee is concerned with not only the State Department but also with USIA and liaison with CIA. That information is consistent with the Calendar of House Foreign Affairs which so describes the functions of that Subcommittee. The Subcommittee is chaired by Wayne L. Hays (D., Ohio), and its other members are:

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Selden, Armistead I. Jr. (D., Ala.)	Jackson, Donald L. (R., Calif.)
Zablocki, Clement J. (D., Wisc.)	Bentley, Alvin M. (R., Mich.)

3. I questioned Mr. Crawford on the subject matter of such an appearance, and he answered with one word, "Iraq." He suggested a tentative time of 2:30 P.M. on the 5th of August. Without any commitment, I informed Mr. Crawford I would look into the matter and advise further.

4. In the case of your appearance before the House Foreign Affairs Committee on 18 June, the initial query was in the form of a request for your appearance before the Inter-American Affairs Subcommittee. This was subsequently translated into a written invitation by the Chairman of the full Committee, and all members of the full Committee were invited to attend the so-called Subcommittee hearing. Presumably this could occur

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in the present case. This call was not unexpected in view of your appearance before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on 29 July.

5. In view of the discussions with Mr. Vinson this morning on the question of Congressional appearances, I discussed the matter with Mr. Smart. He shares my opinion that it would be extremely difficult under the circumstances to avoid discussing the Middle East situation with the full Foreign Affairs Committee. Mr. Smart said he would attempt to mention the matter to Mr. Vinson and I informed Mr. Smart that you might well wish to discuss the matter with Mr. Vinson.

6. Under the circumstances of the precedent established by your appearance before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the House Foreign Affairs Committee subsequent to the Vice President's South American trip and the fact of your discussing the Middle East situation with Senate Foreign Relations, I would recommend that you accept an invitation from the Chairman of the full House Foreign Affairs Committee to discuss the Middle East with the full Committee, subject to working out a mutually convenient time.

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Legislative Counsel

OGC/LC/JSW/ckm (30 Jul 58)
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The Director is to appear before the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee (members of the full Committee will be invited also) at 2:35 on 5 August in room G-3 of the Capitol.

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