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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Telephone Conversation with David Aaron, 24 May 1978

1. I talked with David Aaron on the civil defense study. He is concerned that the Administration is not ready to answer all the questions it will raise as to what we are going to do in our targeting in our own civil defense, etc., to compensate. He's also concerned that Harold Brown may not be ready to respond in testimony if asked about this study. I made my arguments; he asked to delay the decision until Brzezinski is back and until they have checked with Harold Brown. I should call Harold Brown, alert him to this, and make my arguments.

2. We also discussed the leak on the [redacted]. He agreed with our intended course of action of writing a letter to Chairman Flynt requesting a return of materials they have, requesting an investigation, and announcing that we would not provide other materials in the interim, but recommended that we add in that this is a violation of the law--if that in fact is the case.

3. He thanked me for the paper we'd sent Jody Powell on what we can say about Cuban involvement in the Katangan invasion of Zaire. He wanted me to know, however, that the State Department is saying that people on the Hill are saying that CIA people on the Hill are denying that there is a connection. I told him I had no evidence of this but would keep my eyes and ears open.

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Director

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