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Executive Director

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Assistant General Counsel

1. There is presently in the process of preparation a detailed, section by section, brief in support of the proposed CIA legislation. This brief is for the use of the Director when he makes his appearance in executive session before the Armed Services Committee of the House and Senate in support of our bill.

2. It is felt that each section of the proposed bill can be justified in the light of past experiences in CIA and wartime experiences with the OSS.

3. In view of the need for this justification, each section, where applicable, should be carefully supported by specific examples -- at least two or three in each instance. Many of these examples must, of necessity, come from OSO.

4. It is requested that, if possible, the undersigned be furnished for this purpose with two or three examples where we have succeeded in ascertaining details as to the size and scope of foreign intelligence organizations or operations through knowledge of their appropriations or numbers of personnel employed. It may be that such examples would only indicate a knowledge of a part of such foreign intelligence organizations, but even so that would be helpful. In furnishing such information, the name of the country concerned should be left blank or described as "a European country" or "a South American country".

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6. It is also felt that the Director should be supplied with two or three obsolete gadgets either in the nature of trick fountain pens, trick cameras or other toys which would be effective as exhibits indicating the specialized nature of certain of our procurements.

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