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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

FROM: Dave Gries

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SUBJECT: Telephone Conversations with Representative Ike Skelton on 7 and 8 October 1986

Representative Ike Skelton called on 7 October to ask whether there was any truth to the story that the aircraft shot down in Nicaragua was a CIA aircraft. I said there was no truth to the story. We had no connection to the aircraft or its crew, despite the fact that the wife of Eugene Hasenfus had called the State Department alleging that her husband was a CIA employee. He is not.

On 8 October I called Representative Skelton to correct the record in that we now knew that Hasenfus had been an Air America employee years ago. However, we had had no contact since Air America was disbanded.

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