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25X1 1. [ ] Representative Sam Gibbons (Fla.)  
visited the Agency briefly this morning to discuss his impressions during  
his recent visit to Chile. Those present included [ ] 25X1  
[ ] While Mr. Gibbons had nothing startling by way  
of information, he did want to register his deep concern about the forth-  
coming elections in Chile indicating he believed it would be a catastrophe  
if the Communists were permitted to win there. It was indicated that we  
would register his concern both within the Agency and with the Department  
of State.

25X1 2. [ ] Talked with Russ Blandford, House Armed  
Services Committee staff, as to the next step before Rules Committee on  
the resolution for a Joint Committee on Intelligence. Mr. Blandford indicated  
that in confidence he wanted us to know that Judge Smith had indicated to  
Mr. Arends and Mr. Vinson that it would not be necessary for them to  
present their case. In effect, there was an arrangement and the Rules  
Committee will not take favorable action to permit this resolution to go  
to the floor. It is likely that there will be no overt action by the Rules  
Committee and that they will simply sit on the matter.

25X1 3. [ ] Provided Miss Cleary, Secretary to  
Senator Eugene McCarthy, with a copy of an unclassified paper on the  
Cuban economy. Miss Cleary indicated that no attribution would be made  
as to source.

25X1 4. [ ] Provided Mr. Francis McNamara, Director,  
HCUA, with a listing of overt sources on certain biographic items he had  
requested concerning [ ] 25X1

25X1 5. [ ] Provided a copy of the Department  
of State April 1964 release concerning charges made by [ ]  
to Congressmen Ford and Arends, and to Mr. J. Russell Blandford, Counsel,  
House Committee on Armed Services.

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25X1 6. [redacted] Met with Mr. William Pitts, Administrative Assistant to Representative Leslie Arends, who provided me with a copy of a letter from W. W. Norton & Company, Publishers, New York City, taking exception to certain remarks on the floor of the House by Congressman Arends. Guidance was requested in responding to the letter.

Mr. Pitts also indicated he had received a call from Senator Warren G. Magnuson's office requesting information as to the investigation by House Armed Services Committee [redacted] Mr. Pitts relayed this only as an item of information.

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25X1 7. [redacted] Met with Representative William T. Cahill (R., N.J.) concerning the case of [redacted] New Jersey. Congressman Cahill is equally at a loss on how to approach this matter but suggested that it might be worthwhile if the Agency would contact either the local or state police authorities through Jim Oakley, resident agent of the FBI in Camden, New Jersey, and advise him of the situation. Congressman Cahill also asked that we keep him advised.

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25X1 8. [redacted] In the absence of Representative E.C. Gathings, I spoke with his Legislative Assistant Mr. Fred Ward regarding the Congressman's letter to General Carter. In the letter, Mr. Gathings had extracted parts of a communication he had received from [redacted] [redacted] letter raised questions regarding the Japanese youth who stabbed Ambassador Reischauer. I gave Ward background information [redacted] indicating there was no evidence of Communist conspiracy or other involvement but rather this was an isolated situation of a mentally deranged person. Ward said he "had kind of expected that we would be up to see them on this letter," was most appreciative of the information we provided and will reply to Mr. [redacted] without referring to the Agency as the source of the information.

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