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16. (Confidential - JMM) Talked to Chairman James M. Hanley, Employee Benefits Subcommittee of House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, who welcomed the suggestion that the Subcommittee visit Headquarters for a breakfast briefing in the next several days and he said that Dick Barton, of his staff, would coordinate with other Subcommittee members and call me to work out arrangements.


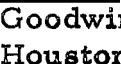
17. (Confidential - JMM) Called William Thomson, in the office of Senator Clifford P. Hansen, who said that in view of the time deadline they had telegraphed to the Wyoming University newspaper, The Branding Iron, the Senator's open letter in response to Allen Ginsberg's open letter query to the Senator regarding Agency involvement in Southeast Asian drug traffic.

Mr. Thomson said that nevertheless they planned to go ahead with a query to the Bureau of Narcotics which they hoped would produce an answer that could usefully be made public.

18. (Unclassified - JMM) Received a call from Ben Welles, of the New York Times, who said he understood that Representative Herman Badillo was introducing a bill forbidding the Agency to engage in paramilitary operations, and Wells wondered if this would get much support on the Hill and if we were seriously concerned. I said I didn't expect this bill to go very far.

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