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12. [ ] Talked to Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, who said that Jim Calloway, of the Committee staff, would not be able to join McConnell and [ ] on their up-coming field trip to Europe.

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I arranged to send McConnell a letter from Mr. Colby to Chairman McClellan in answer to followup questions from our budget hearing.

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13. [ ] Dave Abshire, Institute of Strategic Studies, called to say that his Institute was planning to take on [ ]

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[ ] but would very much appreciate our checking to see if he seemed to be on the level.

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14. [ ] Senator Stuart Symington called to say that he wanted to make sure we gave our unclassified answers to Senator Proxmire's questions to the Senator as soon as possible. I said he already had them.

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15. [ ] At 5:15 p.m. this afternoon Senator Stuart Symington called to say he was much concerned about the Southern Air Transport situation and that "my lawyer" says it looks like CIA is trying to exert improper influence on CAB and favor Williams. He asked what we cared what happens to the airline and why we should stick our noses in its disposition anyway if we didn't want it or need it. I told him I was not well up on it. He said Senator William Proxmire had received complaints which he had passed on to Symington and that Paul Seligman(?) had contacted Proxmire's office in the matter. Symington very emphatically said that if we didn't want to keep the airline we shouldn't try to influence who gets it. I said I would pass this on to Colby and Houston.

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16. [ ] Talked to Dorothy Fosdick, Senate Permanent Investigations Subcommittee staff, who told me that Senator Jackson would appreciate a report on the personnel case she told me about the first thing Monday, if possible.

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17. [ ] At the suggestion of Bill Hogan, Intelligence Subcommittee staff, House Armed Services Committee, a meeting was scheduled with Representative William Bray (R., Ind.) for 11:30 Tuesday, 31 July 1973, after Bray's return from the district. Hogan indicated that as senior Republican, Bray has a number of items he wishes to discuss.

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