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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Director's Briefing of Special Subcommittee on
Intelligence of House Armed Services Committee--
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1. This morning the Director appeared before the Intelligence Subcommittee of House Armed Services Committee in executive session to discuss H. R. 6167, CIARDS retirement quota legislation. The meeting lasted from 1007 hours until 1132 hours. No technical sweep of the room, 2337 Rayburn House Office Building, was conducted and the room was not kept under technical monitoring throughout. Discussions were on a Secret level. A transcript was taken and is on file in the Office of Legislative Counsel.

2. Present throughout the session, except for Hebert and Arends who left briefly, were:

- Lucien N. Nedzi (D., Mich.), Chairman
- F. Edward Hebert (D., La.)
- Melvin Price (D., Ill.)
- O. C. Fisher (D., Texas)
- William G. Bray (R., Ind.)
- Leslie C. Arends (R., Ill.)
- Bob Wilson (R., Calif.)

3. Staff members present were:

- Frank M. Slatinshek, Chief Counsel
- William Hogan

4. Participating with the Director were:

- Harold L. Brownman, DD/M&S
- Harry B. Fisher, D/Personnel
- John M. Maury, Legislative Counsel
- Associate Legislative Counsel

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5. Gist of off-the-record discussions:

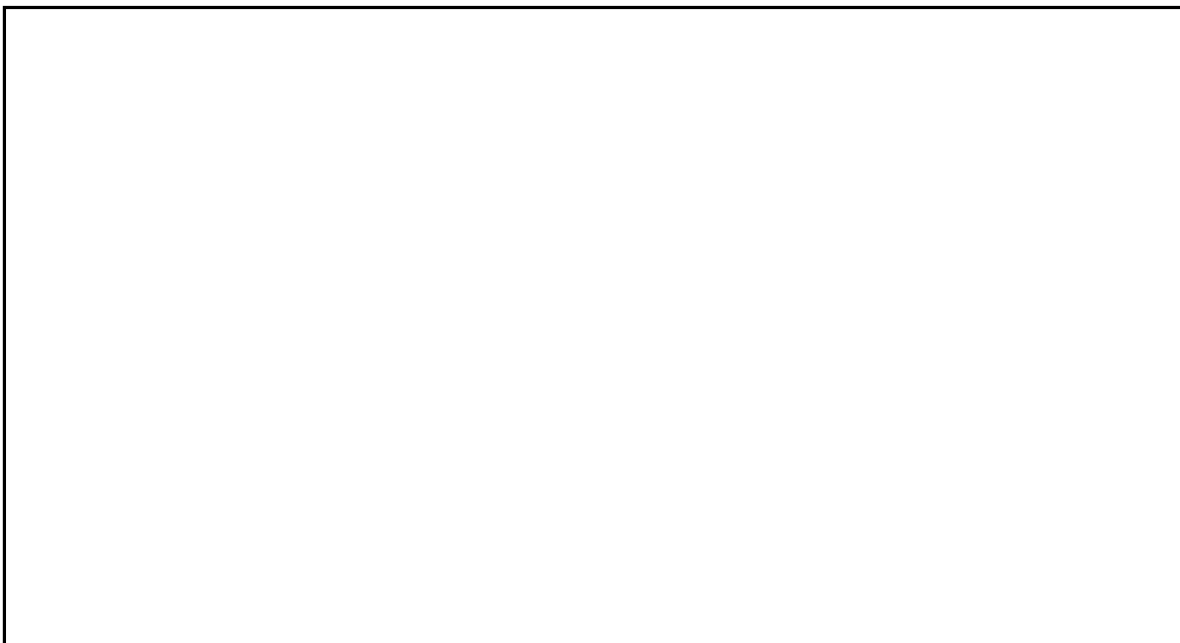
a. Following discussion of chart on the Agency's population over age 45, the Director referred to the historical propensity that no one ever leaves the Agency. After they return from an overseas assignment, they are "stuffed in places" (Turkey Farm).

b. Nedzi said the credibility of the Committee is at stake, too, on the legislation and that [] seemed a more reasonable figure in that respect. The Director responded that he didn't want the Senate or conference committee to cut below [] Hebert, who is primarily interested in the mechanics of getting the legislation enacted, asked the Director how he is doing in the Senate, and the Director told him of his conversation with Symington.

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6. At the end of the session it was quite apparent that the Committee probably would approve a quota lower than [] probably [] There were indirect references to the possibility that the quota would be extended and not permitted to expire on 30 June 1974. The Director and Hebert and Nedzi agreed that to accelerate movement of the legislation at the level that is needed, the Senate committee should act before the House committee.

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7. Followup Action:

a. Reduction in numbers of Agency personnel in South Vietnam.

b. Quantitative data on the state of the CIA Retirement Fund.



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