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25X1A 10. (Confidential - JGO) Met with Mike Finley, House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, and received from him a copy of a letter dated 13 December from Senator John Tunney to Acting Secretary of State Rush concerning [redacted]. Finley told me that Representative Dante Fascell would like to ascertain whether the Agency has any objection to the suggested prisoner exchange or any other comments on the matter that we would care to provide for his benefit. [redacted]

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11. (Confidential - JGO) Received a call from Dorothy Fosdick, Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations staff, who said Senator Henry Jackson would appreciate a briefing during the day on the ChiCom leadership, strategic and general political situation and Sino/Soviet relations. She noted he would also be interested in whatever information we might have on the cancellation of the Heath visit to China.

12. (Confidential - JGO) Received a call from John Brady, House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, alerting us to the statements made on the floor yesterday by Representative Lester Wolff concerning Shan States opium offers. I met with Brady later in the day and delivered back to him certain documents he had loaned for NARCOG review.

13. (Confidential - JGO) Met with Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and reviewed with him the correspondence file relating to Chairman Jack Brooks', House Government Operations Committee, questioning of Chairman Sampson, GSA, concerning Agency authority for disposal of Federal property. I also gave Slatinshek a copy of the OGC classified legal memo on this subject. His original reaction was this may well be an area in which the Committee can help by providing positive legislation in the package that will be under consideration next year to avoid such questions in the future. I also discussed with him the possibility of an amendment to the National Security Act to include criminal sanctions for unauthorized disclosure of sources and methods information. Slatinshek said that although the policy of the Committee has generally been against inclusion of criminal sanctions that in this instance he feels the Committee may be willing to consider such a provision.

I briefed Slatinshek on a number of current intelligence items. See Memo for Record.

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