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DIARY NOTES

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1. Requested Mr. Meloon to make a complete report on the case of [redacted] who is supposed to have been wounded by gunshot in Los Angeles.

2. Asked Mr. Meloon to make a report on the legalities involved in considering the possibility of having the brother of one of our employees lost overseas regarded as an "only surviving son", thus enabling him to obtain draft deferment. Mr. Meloon was also requested to provide the name of the Selective Service Director for the State of Connecticut.

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3. Matt Baird telephoned urging expeditious handling of the administrative plan for Project [redacted] tells me that he believes the plan can be completed within forty-eight hours and I will so advise Matt.

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4. Jim Garrison called to let me know that he had returned from [redacted] He said that he thought his trip had been very successful and that he had been able to make arrangements which would save us considerable money in transportation costs.

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6. Asked [redacted] to expedite the handling of the case of [redacted] (one of our employees in [redacted] who wants to civilianize) and to prepare a cable for my signature by tomorrow, if possible.

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7. Larry Houston telephoned to recommend a [redacted] GS-13, for possible assignment to OSI to help them out with a special project which will last for approximately one month. I will get in touch with OSI and give them whatever assistance they need.

8. Lunched with Colonel Harris, Army War College, who was interested in knowing the status of NIS production and, also, in knowing something about NIE's which the Army War College receives. I supplied him with the proper point of contact in G-2 and asked him to make his requests through them. He also wanted to explore informally what I thought of the possibility of a designee of the Director giving an address at the Army War College which would be a sort of international estimate of the world situation from an intelligence point of view. I told him that I could not hazard a guess as to what the Director's reaction to such a request would be, but, in any case, would recommend that the problem be explored informally through G-2.

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9. Shef Edwards says that he is getting behind in his processing of security clearances due to lack of clerical help. At the moment, he has a backlog of approximately three weeks. Since this hurts the entire Agency, I informed him that I would instruct Personnel to put a No. 1 priority on filling clerical vacancies in the Inspection and Security Office.

10. Shef telephoned later to say that he had heard a lot of adverse comment regarding the air raid warning on the 12th to the effect that it was foolish, a waste of Government money, etc., and wanted to reaffirm his understanding that our emergency planning had full backing of headquarters. I assured him that it did, and emphasized that one had to expect this sort of reaction when such a large number of people were involved.

25X1A9a 11. I gave [redacted] of Personnel a copy of a cable concerning the table of or-
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there was no indication that Personnel had been consulted.

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George Meloon discuss them with me at his earliest convenience.

25X1A9a 13. [redacted] of OIG was in to say that his Office was compiling NSCID's and
DCID's (with the exception of those applicable to DD/P) into a looseleaf booklet for
proposed distribution as far as the division level. I told him that if the Director
approved of this kind of distribution I would need copies for the DD/A, the General
Counsel, the Comptroller, the Personnel Office, and the Procurement and Supply Office,
but that we could get along with one copy for the DD/A and one for the General Coun-
sel if essential.

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