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10. (Unclassified - GLC) LIAISON Met with Senator Milton Young (R., N. Dak.) and his Administrative Assistant, Bill Wright, and provided them with a draft reply to the letter from Hal Simons, of THE FORUM. Wright had also prepared a draft reply which paralleled our paper to an amazing degree--in fact it was much more critical of Simons than our letter. It did contain some inaccuracies however, which I called to their attention. I left with the impression that Wright will combine some of the points of our letter with his draft in the final version that goes to Simons.

11. (Secret - GLC) LIAISON In response to his request, met with Jim Gehrig, Professional Staff Member, Senate Committee on Aeronautical and Space Sciences, who explained in further detail the briefing they would like for the new Staff Director, Gilbert Keyes, at Headquarters sometime next week. He introduced me to Keyes and then mentioned they were considering writing a letter to NASA asking for information on Soviet space failures, but wanted to talk with us about it in advance. He said he assumed NASA would come to us for the information. I told him I would talk with Carl Duckett, DDS&T, about this but I expected if anything was to be released it should be by the Agency directly and not through NASA. I added I was not too optimistic that much could be done about this. I said I would be back in touch with him on a date for the briefing session.

12. (Secret - GLC) LIAISON Met with Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, and covered a number of items with him including: our suggested reply for Senator Milton Young (R., N. Dak.); a copy of our letter to Chairman George Mahon, House Appropriations Committee, on the budget and the Director's Reserve Release letter of 26 September; and mentioned the request we had received from the Senate Select Committee for specific information including the amounts of funding of covert action programs.

13. (Confidential - GLC) LIAISON Met briefly with Clark McFadden, General Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, and revised the information previously given to him concerning our review of the Director's SAL'T testimony before the Arms Control Subcommittee of 11 February 1975. I told him that we had decided to provide our deletions to Chairman Henry Jackson and let him reach his own conclusions on the basis of those deletions. (The issue of deletions made because of diplomatic and similar negotiations is still unresolved.)

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6. (Confidential - GLC) THIRD AGENCY [redacted] DDO, 25X1  
 called to discuss a matter which has been the topic of discussion between  
 State Department and Agency representatives concerning anticipated  
 contact by State with Senators Hubert Humphrey (D., Minn.) and  
 Daniel K. Inouye (D., Hawaii) and Representative Otto Passman (D., La.)  
 [redacted] State is concerned  
 that contacts with these members may raise questions regarding recent  
 findings made by the President under the Foreign Assistance Act and  
 wondered how this could best be handled. The suggestion had been made  
 that if these members raise a question in this subject area they be referred  
 to the Agency. I suggested as an alternative that State Department contact  
 the Chairmen of the committees involved (House and Senate Appropriations  
 and House International Relations and Senate Foreign Relations) in advance  
 and obtain their approval of State's merely referring these members to those  
 Committee Chairmen if the question arises. I subsequently cleared this  
 approach with the Director and so notified [redacted] 25X1

7. (Secret - GLC) LIAISON Contacted Russ Rourke, in the office  
 of John O. Marsh, Counsellor to the President, to alert him to the status  
 of our dealings with the NSC staff on the Director's testimony on SALT  
 for Senator Henry Jackson's (D., Wash.) Arms Control Subcommittee of  
 Senate Armed Services. Rourke asked that we let him know when the  
 transcript goes to Armed Services. Later in the day, I told him that the  
 transcripts had gone and we had gotten some feedback from Richard Perle,  
 of Senator Jackson's office, and we would be dealing with him regarding the  
 deletions. I also mentioned that we were in close touch with Les Janka,  
 of the NSC staff, on this.

8. (Confidential - GLC) LIAISON Jim Gehrig, on the staff of the  
 Senate Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee, called to say that a new  
 Staff Director, Gilbert Keyes, has recently been appointed and Gehrig would  
 like to arrange a "thorough briefing" for him. He said he hated to tie up  
 Carl Duckett and whoever we thought were competent persons to brief him  
 were perfectly acceptable to them. He also indicated that he would like to  
 talk with me in the next day or two regarding some thoughts they had about  
 sending a letter to NASA which has some repercussions as far as the Agency  
 is concerned. Gehrig wanted to talk to us before sending such a letter.  
 I told him I would drop by to see him probably on Monday, meanwhile we will  
 get in touch with Mr. Duckett's people to set up a briefing on Soviet space  
 missiles and related programs for Keyes.

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16. (Confidential - GLC) LIAISON Charles Lombard, Assistant to Senator Barry Goldwater (R., Ariz.) on the Senate Select Committee, called to say that last Friday, General Lew Allen, NSA testified in executive session before the Senate Select Committee and said he could not testify in open session. Lombard said Chairman Frank Church has since made representations that Secretary of Defense Schlesinger might be willing to have some of NSA material released, specifically the Watch List. He said from their vantage point it looks like the Administration is in disarray. Lombard said the other day, when he lunched with Mr. Colby, the Director suggested perhaps he and Schlesinger could write a letter to Church. He said Senator Goldwater has opposed open hearings but he would like to know just what the Administration's position is regarding NSA. I said I would get in touch with the Director and [redacted]

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After consulting with General Walters, I called Lombard back and told him that the DCI and General Allen were going to the Senate Select Committee this afternoon to appeal to them not to have open hearings on NSA. [redacted] have been advised.

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17. (Unclassified - GLC) LAISION Representative Ralph S. Regula (R., Ohio) called and asked if the Director could be available to make a radio tape with Regula. I told him I would talk with the Director and call him back. [redacted] has been advised.

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18. (Confidential - GLC) LIAISON Called Senator John Stennis and advised him that the Director would be calling Senator Henry M. Jackson to recommend against publication of any of the DCI's testimony on SALT on 11 February 1975 on grounds that it would violate US/USSR negotiations agreements. Stennis said "that should appeal to him."

19. (Confidential - GLC) LIAISON Talked with Bob Wolthius, White House staff, regarding the Director's briefing members of Congress at the White House [redacted] He said this might be held in the rooms of the House International Relations Committee--although it was not a Committee briefing as such. He said he would not arrange for this to take place on Friday since the Director is scheduled to appear before the Senate Select Committee on Friday at 10:00 a.m.

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4. (Confidential - LLM) LIAISON In the company of [redacted] met with Representative Dante Fascell (D., Fla.) concerning the Comptroller General's letter to the Director of 9 September 1975 requesting "any and all information possessed by the Agency on the Mayaguez incident and other documents." It was explained that in the interest of limiting the unnecessary proliferation of sensitive Agency information, we have for more than a quarter of a century preferred to deal directly with the committees rather than with them through the GAO and that we thought that any change in the method of operation should await the findings of the Select Committees who obviously will be faced with the problem of which institutions or committees of Congress should be provided access to the various types of information possessed by the Agency. Mr. Fascell was understanding of our position, was of a disposition to call off the GAO in this instance, at least until the issue is resolved, and in general said he was supportive of GAO assuming a greater role in support of the Congress. Mr. Fascell will talk to GAO and will then advise us of his decision.

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5. (Unclassified - DFM) LIAISON In response to his call to OGC, I called [redacted] in the General Counsel's office at NSA, and gave him Congressional Record cites to the June 1974 debate on the Proxmire open budget proposal.

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6. (Unclassified - RC) BRIEFING Accompanied [redacted] [redacted] EA/VNO, to meet with Robert Schick, of Senator Hugh Scott's (R., Pa.) office, to discuss IndoChinese refugees. Mr. Schick's main concern was what would happen to Vietnam and Cambodian refugees who returned to their home countries; would they be subjected to reprisals or death. He was also interested in what needed to be done about the Laotian refugees on Thailand who might wish to come to the United States.

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7. (Unclassified - RC) THIRD AGENCY Called J. J. Hitchcock, Department of State, on the declassification of an agreement between RLG and the USG on integration of Meo forces into FAR. I said the declassification would probably create foreign relation problems for the USG but the Agency cannot by itself object to its declassification. Whereas our method of doing business may be disclosed, but at this time it is not sufficient to bar declassification. He said the foreign relations problem was for State to decide and asked if the declassification would create a heartburn for us. I replied in the affirmative but said the heartburn was not sufficient and painful enough for us to ask that it not be declassified. I said this decision was below the Director's level and was passing it on on that basis. I informed C/EA.

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14. (Unclassified - PLC) FOIA Received a call from Elizabeth Stevenson, in the Palo Alto, Ca. office of Representative Paul N. McCloskey (R., Calif.), inquiring as to the status of the Freedom of Information request of Joe Siler. After checking with IRS, I called her back and told her that a final reply would be sent within a few days.

15. (Confidential - PLC) THIRD AGENCY Called Mr. Eireich, Associate Director for Communications and Data Information, GAO, in response to his earlier call (see 19 Sept. journal, item # 5) and informed him that we have no knowledge of any attempt to technically compromise computer systems. I made it clear, however, that this should not give him any assurances that the threat does not exist since our systems are protected by encryption and other means. He said he understood and will confine his study to agencies such as Commerce whose systems are comparable to the proposed system for the Internal Revenue Service and are not encrypted. He assured me that our response and those of the FBI, NSA, which were also negative were informal and are not to be included in any GAO report that he prepared. This request and the response were discussed with [Redacted] DD/P&M/OS, [Redacted] Commo Security/OC.

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4. [REDACTED] PLC) LIAISON Called Jim Davidson, Counsel, Senate Government Operations Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations, and informed him that a decision had not yet been made as to whether the Director would accept the invitation of the Subcommittee to testify on 3 October on the subject of congressional access to executive information. I told him a decision should be made by early next week. He stated that Senator Frank Church (D., Idaho), Chairman, Senate Select Committee, will testify but it is not clear at this time whether Representative Otis G. Pike (D., N. Y.) Chairman, House Select Committee, will also appear.

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5. [REDACTED] PLC) THIRD AGENCY Mr. Eireich, Associate Director for Communications and Data Information, GAO, called. GAO is reviewing the security of a new ADP computer system for the Internal Revenue Service. The system is vulnerable to compromise and GAO must determine whether it should be encrypted. He had checked with NSA and FBI as to whether they were aware of any cases whereby a system has been compromised through the intercept of magnetic radiation or on-line tapping. Both agencies were negative. Charles Nudorfer, FBI, had suggested that Eireich contact [REDACTED] CIA, who is responsible for computer security. Eireich was advised by his people that he should check our office and not contact [REDACTED] directly. I told him I would check and call him back.

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6. [REDACTED] PLC) LEGISLATION Called Bob Carlstrom, OMB, and in response to my query, he stated that an Administration position had not yet been formulated on S. 2170. I told him that a decision had not yet been made as to whether the Director would accept the invitation to testify on 3 October before the Senate Government Operations Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations, on the bill. He asked that we clear the Director's statement with them prior to his appearance if he agrees to testify.

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