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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM

: Angus MacLean Thuermer

Assistant to the Director

SUBJECT

: Overseas Press Club and Missing Journalists

Jack Raymond, who will be the Master of Ceremonies at the Overseas Press Club banquet, was good enough to call today to tip you off to the following:

In his remarks he will call attention to the fact that there are 21 journalists still missing in Indochina. A committee chaired by Walter Cronkite continues its efforts to try to find out what has happened to them. The Overseas Press Club is not ending its efforts in this field and is pressing authorities in Vietnam and elsewhere to see what can be done.

This may give you an opportunity to make some statement STATINTL on the matter, Mr. Raymond said.

that you are glad that this has come that you are glad that this has come up. The reason you are glad is because the Agency has once again gone through a search of such evidences available in one particular case and, of course, stands ready at any time to help the journalists' committee in any way it can.

I think this pushes it back to the committee to make a STATINTL formal request, at which time we can do the appropriate thing.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

· FROM : Angus MacLean Thuermer

Assistant to the Director

SUBJECT : Overseas Press Club - Late Notes

Mr. Beck of the club reconfirmed today that there would be no Q&A at your talk. He will make sure members understand this.

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He knows that is coming. A special room is being set aside at the Biltmore so she can change. He knows that will be substituting for me in giving you a hand.

If the Security people want to check out the area, they should direct themselves to the Biltmore banquet manager, Mr. Balzano.

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Concerning your talk: if you don't want to speak on the Church report, I think you can very well stand on the position you took with the newsmen outside the hearing room the other day. The Church report is a massive document, in any event, and not yet been released in its entirety. My inclination is not to spend much time on it. Your comments will just focus the news spotlight on this report again. The interest in the thing may very well have peaked by Monday.

I come down pretty heavily on the side of taking this occasion to give a "progress report" mentioning the appointment of your two new deputies.

You can very well play on the fact that you have as your strong right arm with the intelligence community a man who not only knows his way around the Pentagon and the intelligence community but is an ocean-going sea-dog who commanded one of our great battle units, the Sixth Fleet. This shows you have no Pentagon warrior but a real-life fighting man who has used intelligence on your team.

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In the matter of Hank, you might want to stress that he has come up through the analytical side. But I think you should couple it with the admonition that you are not meaning to signal that intelligence collecting is going to be ignored just because your deputy has come up from the end-product side. The production of intelligence is of the essence but you don't want anyone to get the idea that secret collection is going to wither away. We've got to have it.

Angus MacLean Thuermer

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : Angus MacLean Thuermer

Assistant to the Director

SUBJECT : Overseas Press Club Speech

It's a bit difficult to get the Overseas Press Club people to give us much help on a subject for your speech.

My old buddy, Stan Swinton, has told the OPC that you are exceptionally interesting in off-the-record chats about China. He has suggested that -- contrary to what everyone might expect at the Overseas Press Club banquet -- you might want to talk about China.

Other officers of the OPC simply repeat that you might wish to talk about the Agency or use the OPC as a forum for making some statement.

There are a few things to keep in mind:

Your off-the-record background chats on China are one thing but a full-blown banquet address on China is quite another. If you want to talk on China, you may want a text with some degree of coordination all around the ball park.

If you wish to say anything about the Senate Select Committee report, here is a chance to make some brief comments.

On the other hand, you may want to make a report on carrying out the Executive Order. The speech will be the first one you make before an audience of any size after having selected your two new deputies.

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The Robert Capa Gold Medal anese civil war and Paul Vogle his pictures of Vietnamese flee-

York Times will receive the lor ms and winners were and wire service reporting. He was cited for his coverage of the final takeover of Cambodia by Communist forces a year sidine, one of its writers and a past president of the Overman.

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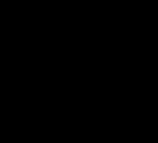
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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Director of Central Intelligence

FROM

: Angus MacLean Thuermer Assistant to the Director

SUBJECT

Overseas Press Club Speaking Date

Mr. Jack Raymond, President of the Overseas Press Club, has asked you to be the principle speaker at their Annual Awards dinner on May 3, 1976 at 8:00 PM in New York.

You can name your own subject.

The affair is black tie. Mrs. Bush is invited as are Mrs. Thuermer and I.

As I mentioned at the morning meeting, the Awards banquet will take place while the American Newspaper Publishers Association is meeting. Many publishers will be at the dinner and around town during that period, Raymond said.

The dinner co-chairmen are Donald Rosendale, Vice President of Norton Simon Communications, and my old AP buddy, Stan Swinton, Vice President and Assistant General Manager of the AP.

Past speakers at this annual dinner have been Presidents Truman, Eisenhower, and Kennedy and such newsy personalities as Jim Schlesinger, Madame Nhu, and Princess Grace.

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Angus MacLean Thuermer

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Overseas Writers' Luncheon Invitation

At morning meeting, I mentioned an invitation from Nick Daniloff of the Overseas Writers. This is a group founded in 1921.

The leading foreign affairs correspondents attend its occasional luncheons, e.g., Walter Cronkite of CBS, Murrey Marder of the Washington Post, Dick Valeriani of NBC, Bernard Gwertzman of The New York Times and the AP and UPI men.

They are interested in 10-20 minutes on the role of CIA and some of your Peking experiences, plus a 30-40 minute question and answer period.

About 60 persons would show up. You could have it on background or on the record. I and one other person are included in the invitation.

This is one you should take on somewhere down the road a bit.

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Angus MacLean Thuermer Assistant to the Director

United States Senate

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May 4, 1976

Angus:

Any chance of getting the gentleman to speak to The Overseas Writers of Washington? In June?



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CIA DIRECTOR GEORGE BUSH SAYS THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
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