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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Law Enforcement Assistance Administration Reauthorization Legislation.

On 9 June 1978 I received a call from Robert Carlstrom, OMB, concerning the reauthorization legislation for the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) which OMB was currently drafting. Mr. Carlstrom specifically asked if we had any views on retaining in the reauthorization bill the present section 508 of P.L. 93-83, the LEAA enabling legislation, which restricted CIA assistance to law enforcement agencies. I told Mr. Carlstrom I would check on this and get back to him. I raised this matter with the following individuals: [redacted] STAT

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OGC, and [redacted] Office of Security. The general consensus, reflecting my view, was that there were no grounds on which we could at this point raise objection to the provision in section 508 of P.L. 93-83, given that it had been a matter of law for nearly five years and given the problems that would be raised by our attempting to have the provision deleted. I transmitted this view to Mr. Carlstrom on 12 June, as a preliminary response to his question, and told him I would provide him a final response as soon as possible.

Based on discussions with above-named Agency individuals, it was agreed our formal position on this matter should be that the Director should not at this point interpose an objection to the subject provision in the LEAA legislation. This position was transmitted to Mr. Carlstrom on 23 June 1978.

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