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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

FROM:

Community Counterintelligence and Security Countermeasures Office, IC Staff

SUBJECT: Security Support to HPSCI

1. On 29 September 1987, and the undersigned visited Statt Director Iom Latimer, HPSCI, in the HPSCI offices at the Capitol. The purpose of the meeting was to introduce Art Fajans as the officer designated by Chairman, IG/CM(P), with responsibility for organizing a team of interagency security specialists to assist HPSCI as required. The other purpose for the meeting was to learn from Mr Latimer just what security guidance and assistance was desired and in what depth and scope the House leadership would expect the effort to be conducted.

2. Mr. Latimer had invited other responsible House committee officers and those present were:

Fred Mohrman	Appropriations CommitteeStaff Director	
John Plashal	Appropriations CommitteeDefense Subcommittee Staff Assistant	
Bob Davis	Appropriations CommitteeDefense Subcommittee Staff Assistant	
Bill Hogan	Armed Services CommitteeGeneral Counsel	
Peter Abbruzzese	Foreign Affairs CommitteeStaff Consultant	
Bob Jenkins	Foreign Affairs CommitteeMinority Senior Staff	
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3. Itated the background up to the time of the meeting, tracing how the original request for security support went informally to D/ICS and to DDCI and DCI for concept approval back through the SIG-I structure to the IG/CM(P) where working responsibility rests. Mr. Latimer introduced a letter (attached) from the House Speaker to Les Aspin, Chairman, Armed

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Services Committee, asking that appropriate senior members of certain committees meet to consider establishing uniform security standards and regulations for management of classified information in the House. The letter referenced correspondence from Chairman, HPSCI, who originated the request for a task force to examine House committees and member offices to determine needs in formulating rules and standards on security.

4. Mr. Fajans expressed his intent to gather whatever resources were necessary to provide security advice and guidance to the House as required. He stated only that he needed to know specifically what the requirements were. Some specific (ACM, emanations) and some general security topics were iterated. Technical Surveillance Countermeasures (TSCM) and TEMPEST inspections were suggested by the House personnel. Also mentioned was the matter of Capitol Police personnel being utilized along with Committee security officers in more expanded roles which led to the matter of training in security disciplines. The availability of training at the Defense Security Institute, Richmond, Virginia was surfaced and the House personnel seemed to favor that for selected personnel.

5. Some dialogue followed regarding the applicability of a security survey in various Committees and it was soon evident that in-depth surveys were not desired. An exception was Armed Services Committee. Mr. Hogan said he wanted a comprehensive security survey to cover all aspects of his Committee's operations. It was then agreed that a paper should be prepared which would provide the Executive Branch guidelines, regulations, and standards for the protection of collateral classified information which the House could review, accept, and possibly develop into a House Resolution.

6. In concluding the meeting, the points and actions agreed upon were the following:

- o General and specific security advice, guidance, and support will be rendered using interagency assets through the SIG/I structure.
- An interagency team, headed by Art Fajans of OSD will make available Executive Branch guidelines, rules, and standards pertaining to security protection of collateral classified information. (SCI is managed separately under CIA cognizance.)
- o Mr. Fajans will manage and direct an interagency-staffed team of specialists to conduct a comprehensive security survey of the Armed Services Committee. Recommendations will be offered to bring that body into conformity with regulations and standards established for the protection of classified information.
- Mr. Latimer will arrange for transmittal of a letter from the Speaker of the House to the DCI requesting the Executive Branch security

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guidelines, regulations, standards, and procedures for protection of classified information. (These could later take the form of a House Resolution after acceptance by the House membership.)

o Mr. Hogan will arrange for a similar letter requesting a comprehensive security survey of the Armed Services Committee.

7. Mr. Latimer was asked if there was any deadline or urgency attached to the proposed actions. He answered saying while timing was not critical, he would like to move ahead on this since the letter from the Speaker which initiated the matter was written in June 1987. Mr. Fajans responded by saying now that he knew what was required, he thought actions could be completed within a reasonable time.

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The Speaker's Rooms H.S. House of Representatives Bashington. D. C. 20313 June 8, 1987

Hon. Les Aspin U.S. House of Representatives 2336 Rayburn Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Les:

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We have received a letter from Chairman Louis Stokes and ranking member Henry Hyde, requesting that we "form a task force to look at security of all House Committees and Member offices and to make recommendations based on that survey for uniform standards and regulations involving the security of classified information." We have attached a copy of the Stokes-Hyde letter.

We would very much appreciate it if the chairmen and ranking members of Foreign Affairs, Appropriations, Armed Services, and Intellegence would meet as soon as conveniently possible and, after discussion, report to us with recommendations concerning the important issues and necessary questions that have to be raised about the issue of uniform standards of security for the House. Once we have those guidelines, we can proceed to come up with suggestions for possible legislation in this area.

We thank you for taking the time out of your busy schedule to advise us on this issue.

Sincerely, Nim /Wright The-Speaker

Bob Michel

Republican Leader

cc: Hon. Louis Stokes Hon. Henry Hyde