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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Security Research Staff

FROM : [redacted]

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SUBJECT : [redacted]

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In view of the length of the attached report, this cover memorandum is intended to show the conclusions reached as a result of reports received from [redacted] and review of other material available to writer:

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(1) Both [redacted] and writer are convinced [redacted]

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(2) Source's report reflects that at least one of the allegations against CIA originated with John HENSHAW, long time leg-man for Drew PEARSON when PEARSON was still associated with Robert S. ALLEN. Information from another sensitive source reflects that HENSHAW in recent years has been very close to both Jackson ANDERSON and Paul SCOTT (each without knowledge of the other). Although HENSHAW apparently has no political leanings of any kind, over many years he has been involved in news-gathering of the muckraking stripe. Of the four named above, PEARSON has been generally denounced as a Communist since the 1930's. ALLEN has a record of favoring Communist causes during the 1930's and possibly into the 1940's. SCOTT was described by the right-wing elements during the 1950's as being "left-wing," however, he appears to have subsequently been accepted in the far-right circles, according to reliable sources.

ANDERSON's politics are not known, however, it is generally conceded from most sources that he is a "first-class liar."

Recent conversations with Mr. GOODWIN show that ANDERSON portrayed Drew PEARSON as the source of the numerous attacks against CIA, and he stated he cannot really control PEARSON. This is the same type of performance once played by ALLEN and SCOTT, and by the team of PEARSON and ALLEN. ANDERSON's book, Washington Expose, is both critical and favorable

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to various aspects of CIA and its operations. ANDERSON's claim of military service in the Merchant Marine has been disputed by correspondence from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and other Merchant Marine records. His further claim to service in the U.S. Army also came up for dispute after his testimony in the legal suit resulting from the libel charges filed by Colonel Philip CORSO against ANDERSON.

According to his testimony, ANDERSON was in China working as a "war correspondent" for a series of newspapers (whose names he could not recall), and claims he was inducted by the U.S. Army "into Stars and Stripes" and thinks there was a brief period of time he was in the Quartermaster Corps. He also claims to have received a Merchant Marine decoration for service in "action in the Pacific", which decoration he could not name; claims to have had a serial number he could not recall; claims he worked for Stars and Stripes in the Pacific, where as the military publications in the Pacific were called "Round Up" and "China Lantern." Westbrook FUGLER, several years ago, stated that ANDERSON was an employee of "China Lantern" where "his editorial policy fomented trouble among the military personnel coming near to mutiny."

It is also significant to note that Senator Joseph McCARTHY was a very close friend of Jack ANDERSON during the late 1940's, although this friendship broke off in 1950. It might also be interesting to note that ANDERSON is married to Olivia FARLEY, long-time secretary to Stanley TRACY when he served as Assistant Director to J. Edgar HOOVER at the FBI. [redacted] (b)(7)(d)
[redacted] states that TRACY has remained a close friend of the ANDERSONS up to the present time. (b)(7)(d)

In "The Drew Pearson Story" written by Frank KLUCKHOHN, the following statement is made regarding the team of PEARSON and ANDERSON: "... there are those who have developed a certain tolerance for PEARSON. One cannot say the same for Jack ANDERSON. Observers...do not see him in white, or even gray. Restraints which DREW on occasion has exhibited seem non-existent for Jack ANDERSON."

[redacted] will continue to follow this matter, although it should be noted he is not aware of HERRSHAW's association with SCOTT and ANDERSON. (b)(7)(d)

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