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SURVEY FORM 1: REFUSALS TO PROVIDE EXHIBITS, DOCUMENTS, CHARTS OR WRITTEN INFORMATION OF ANY KIND

Date of Request (1)	To whom addressed, and agency represented (2)	Nature of information requested, and nature of hearings or other reason for which requested. (3)	Date of Refusal (4)	Person authorizing refusal (5)	Reason given for refusal, and documentation of refusal as available, and other remarks. (6)
3/1/72	Frank Shakespeare Director, U. S. Information Agency	USIA Country Program Memoranda	3/16/72	Shakespeare	President Nixon's directive of Mar. 15, 1972 and Aug. 30, 1971 invoking Executive Privilege. (Correspondence attached.)

Separation of Powers Subcommittee SURVEY.
U.S. SENATE, March 5, 1973
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U.S. SENATE,
COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS,
March 1, 1972.

Mr. FRANK SHAKESPEARE,
Director, U.S. Information Agency,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. SHAKESPEARE: I am enclosing a copy of Mr. Ablard's letter of February 28 to Mr. Robert Dockery of the Committee staff concerning the status of the Country Program Memoranda prepared by the United States Information Agency. I understand from Mr. Ablard's letter that the Memoranda are regarded as "internal planning or working documents" and as such, the Agency believes that "it would not be appropriate to provide these documents to the Committee."

As you know, the "Agency in Brief 1972" publication describes this material in the following way:

"These CPM's (Country Program Memoranda) are designed to integrate USIS planning and resource allocation

with overall U.S. objectives in the country. The CPM's encompass total Agency resources devoted to the country, including media products and materials supplied from Washington." (p.19)

I believe this information would be of interest to all Members of the Committee and of particular assistance to them in connection with the Agency's authorization hearings, beginning March 20.

In view of this, I am requesting that the Agency reconsider its decision and agree to make this information available to the Committee. I should appreciate hearing from you on this matter at your earliest convenience and, hopefully, no later than March 10. If the original decision is maintained, I should like to know what the Agency's legal authority is for withholding this type of information from the Congress.

Sincerely yours,

J. W. FULBRIGHT,
Chairman.