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TO : Mr. W. R. Wannall

DATE: 6/20/75

FROM : W. O. Cregar

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SUBJECT: SENSTUDY 75

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To advise that Senate Select Committee (SSC) has been given access to a CIA "Secret" document prepared in May, 1973, containing information concerning questionable activities in which CIA has engaged, a number of which activities involve the FBI and which are the subject matter of current SSC inquiries of this Bureau.

DETAILS:

On 6/20/75, through prior arrangement, Major Perry Miles, USMC, Intelligence Community Staff, upon instruction from John Clarke, Associate Deputy to Director of Central Intelligence for the Intelligence Community, appeared at Headquarters for the purpose of briefing Intelligence Division personnel concerning possible problems which may have arisen in connection with captioned matter. Present at the briefing, in addition to yourself and me, were the following personnel familiar with CIA and Senstudy matters: Special Agents Leon F. Schwartz, John P. Thomas, Seymour F. Phillips, Fred J. Cassidy,* and Thomas J. McNiff.

Major Miles brought with him a 693-page document, classified "Secret," containing information concerning questionable activities in which CIA had engaged, which document was prepared in May, 1973, by CIA under the direction of then CIA Director James R. Schlesinger. This document consisted of numerous memoranda relating to a wide variety of operations in which CIA had engaged. Sometime after its compilation, date unknown, the document was turned over to the Justice Department for review to determine possible criminal

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ramifications, and the Department still has a copy in its possession.* Major Miles advised that the White House is in possession of a copy of this document and it was his impression that Mr. James A. Wilderotter, Associate Counsel to the President, is aware of its existence. He also advised that members of the SSC, with the knowledge of CIA Director Colby, have had access to this document if not a copy of same in their possession. Major Miles, upon instruction of John Clarke, is visiting the various members of the intelligence community mentioned by CIA in the document for the purpose of briefing them concerning its existence and those portions which may pertain to those agencies. He indicated that he had the previous day briefed General Allen, Director of National Security Agency (NSA), and Mr. Benson Buffham, Deputy Director. From the document which Major Miles kept in his possession at all times, he cited numerous pages which made reference to the FBI. The following items which are deemed pertinent for mention at this time and worthy of research are:

Page 23 - Information concerning incarceration by CIA of Soviet defector for an extended period in early 1960. In mid-1960, this defector was turned over to, and cooperated with, the FBI. It is believed this reference refers to Soviet defector Yuri Nosenko.

Pages 70 and 77 - ~~(S)~~ Information concerning use of CIA funds (S) in the amount of \$2,700,000 to acquire real estate and technical equipment, in late 1971 for use of the FBI in Washington, D. C. This undoubtedly refers to the KORSIJ Program with which the Director is familiar.

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Page 111 - Information concerning arrangements for purchase of audio equipment from a legitimate electronics firm through a CIA proprietary company, ostensibly for the purpose of circumventing Federal statutes against such

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purchases. In October, 1971, as a result of Bureau inquiry at the above electronics firm, the Bureau was referred to the Department of Justice, which indicated it was aware of the operation and requested no additional investigation.

Pages 140-142 - A series of five code words describing CIA's clandestine operations, mostly electronic in nature, which were apparently being conducted in coordination with the FBI. One of the code words cited was the ~~above mentioned~~ [ORKID Program]. Other code words mentioned were (MOHAWK, UNION, ROSE) and (WU GRAVEL), significance of which is unknown at this time. (S)

Pages 221-222 - Makes mention of seven electronic penetration operations wherein the CIA supported the FBI by supplying electronic equipment. It is believed some of these operations refer to this Bureau's penetration of the [Chilean Embassy and our coverage of People's Republic of China establishments] in this country. (S)

Page 234 - Information concerning CIA refusal of FBI request to process photographic imagery of a suspect in a bank robbery case.

Page 329 - Information concerning [Project SALVAGE] where, in 1967 at the request of a high Bureau official, [the Office of Security of CIA paid rent on and maintained custodianship of a plant in New York City directed against the United Nations.] In December, 1967, the assets of this operation allegedly were turned over to the FBI. (S)

Page 334 - Information concerning [1971-73 electronic penetration of Chilean Embassy] initiated by the FBI at the request of the CIA, which matter is the subject of a current inquiry of this Bureau from SSC. (S)

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Page 361 - Information contained in CIA report relating to a May, 1972, breakin in the Chilean Embassy which report stated that no investigation was being conducted by the FBI in view of lack of jurisdiction. (5)

Pages 457-458 - Information concerning CIA counterintelligence operation including forcible entry and removal of documents in 1962 against an unnamed foreign establishment in the United States. Top United States officials, including President Kennedy, were briefed concerning this operation. Then Attorney General Robert Kennedy after being briefed stated the operation was not to be called to the attention of the FBI unless FBI first initiated inquiry. It is to be noted former Bureau liaison officer Sam Papich was queried concerning this matter in recent interview by SSC representatives.

Page 459 - Information concerning controversy between former CIA Director McCone and Bureau official Mr. Belmont regarding Bureau's opposition to CIA recommendation that there be an extensive broadening of counterintelligence activities against diplomatic establishments in this country.

OBSERVATIONS:

Contact this date with Department officials elicited that four Department attorneys, including K. William O'Connor, Special Counsel for Intelligence Coordination, Office of Deputy Attorney General, have reviewed the above 693-page document and have ^{been} furnished additional sanitized documents of interest from a prosecutive standpoint.

From the above, it is obvious that this Bureau, in order to be in a position to knowledgeably and accurately reply to SSC inquiries and to fully identify operations listed above, should first obtain a copy of the above 693-page

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