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1. (Unclassified - BAA) LIAISON Per Mr. Cary's request, sent via courier, a copy of DCID 1/14 to Charles Snodgrass, Defense Subcommittee staff, House Appropriations Committee.

2. (Secret - GLC) LIAISON Called Richard Sprague, Chief Counsel, House Select Committee on Assassinations, at his Philadelphia office, to follow up on our meeting on Wednesday and to tell him that Mr. Bush and Mr. Knoche would be very interested in meeting with Chairman Thomas Downing (D., Va.) and Representative Henry Gonzalez (D., Texas). Sprague thought this was an excellent idea. Sprague said he would be speaking to the Democratic Caucus on Thursday and he would mention the good cooperation the Agency is giving the Committee. I also told him that I would have Sid Stenbridge, DD/OS, come by and talk to him about security matters, including physical security measures for Committee offices. Sprague was interested and suggested that we come by on Monday at 10:00 a.m. Mr. Stenbridge has been notified.

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Later in the afternoon, I again called Sprague about the cable in from Mexico City regarding the contact of Kenneth Brooten and Jonathan Blackmer, also of the Select Committee, with the Ambassador and the [redacted] Sprague said he had no intention or desire to have the Agency involved in staff contact with the Cuban Embassy. He said he had instructed them to make no contact with Cubans without the knowledge of and the approval of the Ambassador. He said he contemplated the possibility of the Ambassador making an inquiry through the Swiss on their behalf but did not want to involve the Agency in the Committee's investigation. We agreed completely on the matter.

3. (Secret - GLC) LIAISON Called Bill Miller, Staff Director, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, and discussed several matters with him, including Tom Moore's, also of the Committee staff, request for information on George DeMorenschildt; the Reserve release letter on the storage of the Gleamar Explorer; Elliot Maxwell's, also of the Committee staff, wanting to get in touch with some of our people on the West Coast and supplemental authorization appropriations. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

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