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18 December 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Mr. Richard H. Davis re the William Martin, former NSA Employee, Case

1. At the request of C/SR, I delivered a copy of the Moscow Embassy report on the meeting that two U.S. exchange professors had with William Martin to Mr. Richard H. Davis, Deputy Assistant Secretary, EUR on December 13, 1963.

2. Mr. Davis read the paper, said it was very interesting, remarked that he could not recall that Martin's health situation in Leningrad had been the subject of press coverage. He said that the contents of the paper would be of interest to Secretary Rusk and Ambassador Thompson. He asked if he could retain the copy which I brought over in order to brief them. He later added John Guthrie's name to the list. I agreed.

3. I told Mr. Davis that we received the paper via our channels at the Ambassador's request. Further that the two American professors had been advised by the Embassy to neither seek nor refuse further contact with Martin and to report in detail on any further meetings.

4. I asked Mr. Davis if he had any objections to CIA passing the information to the FBI and NSA. He said he did not object and that we could indeed forward the information to them.

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