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TO: PRIORITY TEHRAN.

AMBASSADOR HELMS FROM MAURY.

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1. RE PARA 3 REF YOU ARE CORRECT IN UNDERSTANDING THAT 28 JUNE 1972 MEMO AND COLBY FOUR-PAGE MEMO TO SYMINGTON ON 6 NOV. HAVE BEEN RELEASED TO PRESS BY SYMINGTON BUT SO FAR AS WE AWARE VERBATIM TEXTS HAVE NOWHERE BEEN PUBLISHED IN ENTIRETY.

2. RE PARA 4 REF BELIEVE THE "CONTRADICTION" WHICH STERN PROFESSES TO FIND IN RECORD IS BASED ON APPARENT ~~IN~~ CONSISTENCY BETWEEN YOUR INSISTENCE THAT AGENCY IN NO WAY INVOLVED IN WATERGATE AND HENCE BUREAU INVESTIGATION OF WATERGATE LEADS POSED NO THREAT TO AGENCY OPERATIONS ON ONE HAND, AND TONE OF 28 JUNE 1972 MEMO IMPLYING CONCERN THAT UNRESTRAINED BUREAU PURSUIT OF WATERGATE LEADS MIGHT INDEED "RUN AFOUL OF OUR OPERATIONS."

3. THIS IS SAME POINT PURSUED BY PATRICK SLOYAN OF BALTIMORE NEWS AMERICAN AND SPECIAL PROSECUTORS OFFICE DURING COX TENURE. WARNER HAS NOT YET GOTTEN THROUGH TO JAWORSKI SO HAVE NO READING ON HIS ATTITUDE. THIS IS SAME POINT THAT INITIALLY TROUBLED NEDZI

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WHEN HE WAS QUERIED BY SLOYAN IN LATE OCTOBER. ON 30 OCTOBER I TRIED TO STRAIGHTEN NEDZI OUT ON THIS EXPLAINING OUR CONCERN OVER THE POSSIBLE MISCHIEF WHICH MIGHT RESULT FROM A WIDE-RANGING FBI FISHING EXPEDITION IN MEXICO REGARDLESS OF OUR NONINVOLVEMENT IN WATERGATE9- AFTER CONSIDERABLE BACK AND FORTH ON ALL OF THIS HE FINALLY CONCLUDED BY SAYING HE WAS "INCLINED TO AGREE" THAT THERE WAS NOTHING REALLY TROUBLESOME ABOUT THE 28 JUNE 1972 MEMO.

4. FOR THE MOMENT, THIS PARTICULAR PROBLEM SEEMS TO HAVE SUBSIDED BUT OF COURSE MAY COME UP AGAIN AT ANY TIME. MEANWHILE, SENATOR BAKER CONTINUES BUSY, HAVING RECENTLY REQUESTED OUR ANALYSIS OF THE LAST CHAPTER OF THE ANDREW ST. GEORGE ARTICLE IN THE NOVEMBER HARPER'S ENTITLED "SUPPLANTING THE CIA," AND ASKING A SERIES OF ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS ABOUT WHO FIRST ADVISED WHAT AGENCY OFFICIALS OF THE JUNE 17 WATERGATE BREAK IN AND WHETHER WE HAD ANY ADVANCE INFORMATION OF THIS OR THE BREAK IN OF DR. FIELDING'S OFFICE FROM PEOPLE LIKE MARTINEZ ET AL.

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