

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. J. P. Mohr
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TO : Mr. C. D. Brennan

DATE: 6/30/71

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FROM : W. R. Wannall *wlw*

- 1 - Mr. D. J. Dalbey
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SUBJECT: MC LEK
(NATIONALITIES INTELLIGENCE)

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To summarize for information data received during the night in our continuing investigation of the leak of classified data to "The New York Times."

The 6/29/71 issue of the "Boston Herald Traveler" set forth an article that Daniel Ellsberg, subsequent to his arrest on 6/28/71, had stated he hoped to hold a press conference on 6/29/71 in Faneuil Hall, Boston, Massachusetts. On 6/29/71 an employee at Faneuil Hall advised Ellsberg had not been able to secure the hall for the press conference and it had been postponed until 7/1/71 and reportedly would be held at the Hotel Commander, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

A review of [redacted] passport disclosed he traveled to Trinidad-Tobago, British West Indies, on 3/23/71, returning to New York City on 3/29/71. It will be recalled that on 3/23/71 [redacted] of "The New York Times" and [redacted] had completed reproduction of documents at [redacted] and had indicated they were leaving the Boston area. Possibility exists the [redacted] met with [redacted] outside the U. S. We are checking passenger manifests of pertinent airlines.

On 6/29/71 [redacted] identified a photograph of [redacted] correspondent of "The New York Times," as being identical with the female who reproduced documents at his establishment during 3/71. On observing a photograph of [redacted] he advised it "looks like" the male individual who had been with [redacted]. [redacted] identified a photograph of [redacted] as being the male individual who duplicated documents at the [redacted].

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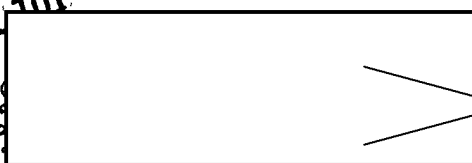
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On 6/29/71 [redacted] advised that [redacted] while employed at [redacted] had legal access to notebooks belonging to [redacted] U. S. Air Force, which notebooks consisted of documents, memoranda, and other writings of [redacted] was a participant in the original task force commissioned to compile the [redacted] Best of opinion some of the articles which appeared in the series printed by "The New York Times" may have come from the material contained in [redacted] notebooks. [redacted] who is currently stationed in the [redacted] will be interviewed. The notebooks are in possession of the Department of Defense.

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[redacted] advised on 6/28/71 she had been contacted by a female reporter from the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), who requested she deliver a note to [redacted] requesting him to submit to a CBS interview. During the contact this female reporter mentioned she had also been trying to contact Ben Bagdikian. According to [redacted] Bagdikian was assigned to the Rand Corporation in California at the same time as [redacted] and was on a leave of absence from the "Washington Post."

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[redacted] has advised that Bagdikian, who is currently the national editor of the "Washington Post," was employed by Rand on the staff of the Social Science Department from 9/5/67 to 12/31/69 and he had a "Top Secret" clearance. He recalled that on the night prior to the "Washington Post's" publication of classified information, he had attempted to call Bagdikian but was informed by [redacted] he was unavailable. [redacted] related that [redacted] had attempted to contact Bagdikian several days before. Possibility exists that the "Washington Post" obtained its copy of classified information from [redacted] through Bagdikian.

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[redacted] advised that during recent days she and her family have been befriended by [redacted] nationally syndicated writer and chief of the [redacted] [redacted] circulated nationally. She questions his motives and has advised she does not intend to have any further contact with him.

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