UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT *lemorandum* Mr. DeLoach

7/17/68

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SUBJECT:

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Legat Minnich called from London to advise that Arthur Hanes, attorney for Ray, saw subject Ray today. Minnich does not know the substance or nature of the conversation.

Minnich stated that all of the press services are running wild with speculation as to when Ray is going to depart, where he will depart from, and so forth. Minnich indicated we should be expecting all sorts of stories concerning this matter but insofar as he knows - it is all speculation.

Hanes has advised the press that the Department of Justice is blocking his efforts with respect to his relationship with subject Ray, his client. According to Minnich the above position will probably be amplified by the press.

The Consul General advised Minnich today that in conversation with Hanes he had pointed out to Hanes that the Department of Justice, namely Vinson, regretted that Hanes could not be allowed to accompany the subject; that Hanes would understand the reason why; and that insofar as Hanes activities on behalf of his client in Britain were concerned, the Department of Justice had no control over this.

Arrangements have also been made for Assistant Attache Alden McCray to be in contact with the Bureau in the absence of Minnich when he departs from London.

I inquired of Minnich if any details were available concerning British plans for transporting the prisoner. He advised me that in view of the open line he would prefer not to give me all of the details but assured me he has gone over all of the arrangements and is thoroughly satisfied with security, etc. He did explain in guarded language that the prisoner would probably be moved when final notice was received that he was going to depart for the U. S. to an intermediate point under proper security measures and that this point would be near the final

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departure point, namely Lakenheath Field. This would facilitate in assuring that the prisoner would get to the departure point without any difficulty. Minnich feels that all of the arrangements which have been made are entirely satisfactory.

ACTION:

If there are any changes in the situation in London, you will be advised.

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