

To: Staff Director

From: Director of Security

RE: Alleged security violations in the case of Mr. Kevin Walsh

1. On March 24, 1977 you requested that I conduct an informal investigation into the allegations that Mr. Kevin Walsh was removing sensitive documents in possession of the Committee. Additional allegations included those of excessive use of alcohol, drugs, and working irregular working hours. During the course of this discreet inquiry I interviewed the accused, Miss Jacqueline Hess, Mr. Donovan Gay and Mr. Robert Tanenbaum. My findings are as follows:

(1) That there is absolutely no evidence to support this allegation of illegally removing sensitive/classified documents from the Committee work spaces. Conversely, Mr. Walsh has been extremely security conscious and has adhered to good security practices.


(2) A compilation of log entries indicated that Mr. Walsh works normal working hours frequently working 8-10 hour days, occasionally 12 hour days and infrequently on weekends.

(3) There is absolutely nothing to support the allegation that Mr. Walsh uses alcohol excessively or uses drugs. This is supported by his consistent work schedule, his immediate supervisor as well as other members of the Staff.

Additional Observations:

(1) Mr. Donovan Gay was exceptionally complimentary about Mr. Walsh's performance of duty, conscientiousness, loyalty, security practices and personal habits.

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(2) I have had a number of lengthy discussions with Mr. Walsh long before these allegations surfaced. My personal and professional evaluation of this individual is that he is a remarkably fine devoted, professional member of this Staff. There is absolutely no reason to doubt his veracity, trustworthiness or loyalty to his job, this Committee or his country.

(3) This entire matter appears to have surfaced as a result of a personality clash.

Recommendation:

(1) That the matter be dropped and any further allegations should be supported by fact.

(2) That the Staff Director "clear the air" with Mr. Walsh by telling him his activities are not suspect by the authorities on the Staff.

(3) THAT THE STAFF DIRECTOR COMPLIMENT HIM FOR HIS EFFORTS.

Frank Kelly