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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Meeting with Former DCI McCone

1. I met with Mr. McCone this afternoon in his hotel room at the Dolley Madison Hotel in Washington, D.C. Present was Mr. Walter Elder, Mr. McCone's Executive Assistant during his service as DCI.

2. I showed Mr. McCone a declassified copy of the transcript of his deposition taken by HSCA personnel, referring to one Maurice Bishop (copy attached). I told Mr. McCone that an extensive search of Agency records showed no person by that name in Agency records. As a result, I wished to have him look at photographs of Agency employees during the 1960s with that surname. Mr. McCone declined, saying that he had lunched at the Metropolitan Club that very day and had not recognized old friends from that period. He felt that photographs would not help.

3. Mr. McCone said that the name was given him at the end of his deposition, which had taken some five hours. It came along with another dozen or so names. He had recognized the names of Dave Phillips and Win Scott, but not many of the others. The name Maurice Bishop "rang a bell" but he really could not say how. He suggested that it may have been a football player.

4. Mr. McCone said that he must have been in error. He asked if he should write the HSCA so stating. I said he could do as he wished, but it should suffice for me to simply report my meeting with him. He said I could say that he had been in error. He said that my letter should state that I had met with him, in the company of his "Executive Officer" who had access to all his records of meetings with people, and that he had stated that he had been in error in stating to the HSCA representative that he had known a CIA employee named Maurice Bishop. I said I