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8/29/72 Howard, FYI: Cyril's experts on the spot seem to have been CIA only and of them, Bud, Sprague, Smith and Lesar only. Ed Williams informs that Lifton did a large written backgrounding for which Cyril did not take time. That he didn't read it Ed suggests is a blessing. Rather aptly he termed all of this a theater of the absurd in his 8/24 or, before the fact. I do not know his source on Lifton but he and Dick did meet. He likes Dick. And I have heard from nobody as of today's mail. H