

October 5, 1961

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Timing of further staff investigation regarding non-diplomatic influences by foreign governments.

The Chairman decided today that he liked the *attached* outline of a further staff investigation on this subject and the idea of hiring Walter Pincus to help John Newhouse, but he also decided that the start of such additional staff work should be delayed until 1 April 1962.

The Chairman reasoned that the staff investigation will likely conclude with the recommendation that the committee conduct an inquiry. If that recommendation were forthcoming at the end of January 1962, the start of the committee's inquiry would occur at the very time that the Chairman would be occupied with Arkansas political problems. (The final date for filing for the Democratic primary in Arkansas is May 1.)

The Chairman suggested that we ascertain Mr. Pincus' availability to investigate during April and May 1962 with the assumption that the committee might begin its own inquiry in June or July after a major portion of the committee's normal business is out of the way.

*h.c.d.l*

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