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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Event: Meeting with Senator Diane Feinstein, member of the Select Committee on Intelligence and the Committee on the Judiciary, U.S. Senate.

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Participant: Vice Chair Hamilton

A summary of the matters discussed with Senator Feinstein and the views she conveyed:

1. Senator Feinstein does not believe intelligence oversight has been effective.

- 2. The analysis from CIA has been bad.
- 3. INR gets the analysis right.
- 4. The SSCI report on Iraq WMD is too long, too wordy.
- 5. SSCI meetings are too ad hoc; they do not have enough depth. This is a problem with the staff as well.
- 6. Senator Feinstein favors a standing committee for intelligence oversight (presumably with membership rules similar to other Senate committees) and a subcommittee structure.
- 7. She is looking for co-sponsors to her legislation to establish a Director of National Intelligence.