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MEMORANDUM FOR: Legislative Counsel  
ATTENTION: Mr. Scott Breckinridge  
FROM: Robert W. Gambino  
Director of Security  
SUBJECT: Investigation Regarding Any Use of  
Drugs in the Case of Yuriy Nosenko (U)

(S) Forwarded herewith are the results of interviews and records search conducted by Raymond M. Reardon of the Office of Security concerning the issue of the possible use of drugs in the case of Yuriy Nosenko. This material was compiled at your request in order to be prepared for any inquiries regarding this matter which may be raised by the House Select Committee on Assassinations. It is known that Yuriy Nosenko has communicated to the House Select Committee on Assassinations his belief that he was subjected to the use of drugs during the period of his confinement by the Agency.

*for*  
*Robert W. Gambino*  
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of Drugs in the Case of Yuriy Nosenko

On 12 and 13 July 1978, the below listed members of the Office of Security who served on the teams involved in the detention and safeguarding of Yuriy Nosenko were interviewed regarding their knowledge of any possible use of drugs by Agency personnel during the entire period of incarceration of Nosenko. The below listed individuals served at both the Clinton, Maryland, facility and the facility which was located at ISOLATION. All of the individuals indicated that they had no knowledge or reason to believe that any drugs other than routine medication were ever administered to Nosenko during the period of his incarceration from April 1964 until October 1967. Several of the individuals recalled that Nosenko complained from time to time that his food was being drugged; however, since they prepared the food they were certain that this was not true. The individuals interviewed were:

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[Redacted]  
Joseph F. King  
John T. Harrington  
[Redacted]  
Billy HIX  
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Joseph P. Mirabile  
[Redacted]

On 20 July 1978 Atherton (Pete) Noyes, III was interviewed concerning any administration of drugs to Nosenko. Noyes related that he was a junior case officer on the Nosenko case and was present at Clinton, Maryland, during the hostile interrogations conducted in April 1965. He was also present during the interrogation conducted by Nicholas Stoiaken at ISOLATION during October 1966. Noyes was absolutely certain that no drugs had been administered to Nosenko during these interrogations. Furthermore, Noyes was convinced that no drugs had ever been administered to

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Nosenko during the period of his incarceration. Noyes recalled that from time to time Nosenko had complained about being drugged but he did not believe there was any basis for these complaints.

Noyes recommended that Thomas Ryan of DDO/SE Division and Paul Dillon, currently assigned to the Domestic Training Station, be interviewed for further confirmation of the fact that no drugs had ever been administered to Nosenko for other than routine medical purposes. (Since Mr. Ryan is currently scheduled to be interviewed by the House Select Committee on Assassinations, he has not been interviewed at this time; however, it is known that Mr. Ryan has informed George Kalaris, Chief; SE Division, that he is certain that no drugs other than routine medication were ever administered to Nosenko.)

The question of whether Nosenko has ever been administered any drugs for interrogation purposes has been the subject of previous research by the Office of Security. Attached to this report is a memorandum dated 4 August 1975 reporting the results of the Office of Security's previous research. This research, confined basically to a review of the logs maintained by the Security personnel in charge of Nosenko's custody, disclosed no evidence of the use of drugs during any of Nosenko's interrogations.

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