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MEMORANDUM FOR: File

FROM:

A. Bert Davis, Deputy Director

SUBJECT:

TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH IRA ROSEN, 60 MINUTES

On March 4, 1981, Mr. Rosen called for Mr. Keppler and I took the call. He said he was interested in talking about Zimmer. He had been contacted by Mr. Applegate and was aware of the Applegate allegations and concerns. He asked me how serious the matter was. I told him I was not in a position to give an answer to that now since the investigation was proceeding. He asked how long it was going to take to do the investigation. I indicated I could not give an answer to that and in spite of his trying to pin me down, no specific answer was provided.

I attempted to assure Mr. Rosen that we were performing a thorough investigation. We discussed the GAP involvement and the questions being asked as to the quality of our previous investigation of this matter. Mr. Rosen indicated that he felt better that we were being watched closely by GAP and assured me that he would watch us closely also. He implied that we would not do a good job unless we were watched closely. He brought up the Creswell/Davis Besse problem as an indication that we are not thorough in our work. He closed the conversation by restating that he would watch us closely and would be in touch with us with respect to the Zimmer investigation.

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