A NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY AND BILL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

DECLARATION OF POLICY

Sec. 1. (a) Findings and Declaration.--

In order effectively to accomplish the national intelligence mission by supplying the President of the United States, the Secretaries of State, War, and the Navy, and such other officials of governmental departments and agencies as shall be appropriate with foreign intelligence, a centralized intelligence service is required by the United States. This service should produce intelligence necessary to enable the appropriate officials of the Government to be properly informed in their dealings with other nations, and to enable these officials to formulate national policies and plans which this Government is to pursue in order to avert future armed conflicts and assure the common defense and security of the United States. This intelligence is also needed so that the appropriate officials may recommend to the Congress of the United States such legislation as is necessary to assure the common defense and security and to avert future armed conflicts. The accomplishment of this service is the national intelligence mission of the United States.

Experience during and following two World Wars has proven that the decentralization of the collection, evaluation, and dissemination of foreign intelligence information among many departments and agencies of the Government is unsatisfactory. This experience has shown the need for a centralized intelligence service, so that all the intelligence sources and facilities of the Government may be utilized in the production of foreign intelligence to the greatest extent, and their fullest potentialities realized most economically in accomplishing the national intelligence mission.

Accordingly, it is hereby declared to be the policy of the people of the United States, that, subject at all times to the paramount objective of assuring the common defense and security, and in order to strengthen the hand of the Government in formulating national policies and relations with other nations, and in order to assist the legislative branch of the Government in formulating and enacting legislation in the interests of the welfare of the people, a National Intelligence Authority is herein established to give policy direction to a Central Intelligence Agency (also herein established) in the planning, development, and coordination of all Federal foreign intelligence activities necessary for the effective accomplish-
ment of the national intelligence mission. The Central Intelligence Agency shall in turn be charged with the collection and evaluation of foreign intelligence information, and the dissemination of the resulting foreign intelligence (determining that this can best be performed centrally), and with the over-all coordination and direction of the foreign intelligence activities of this Government.