

Excerpts from *The Agency and Hill*:

"This is a study of the CIA's relationship with Congress. It encompasses the period from the creation of the Agency until 2004—the era of the DCIs."

"Looking back over the Agency's early history, it is remarkable how often the idea of a joint committee on intelligence was offered up in Congress as the panacea to the existing oversight arrangements."

"The Agency's fortunes on Capitol Hill to some degree have always been a function of how the committees with responsibility for the Agency perceived the DCI: the greater the level of trust, the greater the level of comfort in terms of how the Agency is operating. But especially during the early years, when so much of the interaction between the Agency and the Congress was informal and personal, how the DCI was perceived on the Hill was a key factor in setting the terms of the relationship."

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