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MEMO TO: SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF

FROM: Joe

RE: UPCOMING MATTERS

- 1. S. 414, Bayh-Dole Patent bill, reported out of Committee by unanimous consent. Will seek early floor consideration. Possibility of conference later in the year. Should pass Senate.
- 2. S. 1679, Patent Reexamination. Committee consideration in early February, good prospects for favorable action.
- 3. S. 2079, Independent Patent Office. Hearings that Birch Bayh will chair January 24 and an additional day in March. Veryppopular.
- 4. S. 334, Family Farm Antitrust Act. Pending in Antitrust Subcommittee. May be offered as floor amendment. Uncertain prospects.
- 5. Senator Bayh has also committed himself to making sure that this year's Commerce Dept. appropriation is adequate to take care of the Patent and Trademark Office. This should not take up too much of his personal time sence most of this can be done by staff or by letters.
- 6. Grain embargo. Could take up some time early this year. Beyond testifying before the Ag. Committee, Senator's personal commitment of time should be minimal.

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