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Decades before he was Attorney General (twice), Barr served in the Agency's Office of Legislative Council in the wake of the the Church Committee hearings

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A memo uncovered in the Central Intelligence Agency's declassified archives shows that during his time at the CIA's Office of Legislative Council, current Attorney General William P. Barr drafted letters calling for the end of the moratorium on destroying records imposed on the Agency ahead of the Church Committee hearings.

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Barr, who served in the OLC from 1973 to 1977, frequently appears in the OLC's journal from that period, usually going by the far more familiar "Bill."

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