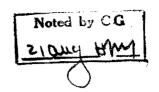
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August 19, 1950

Dear General,

It is good to learn from this morning's paper that you will soon assume direction of the Central Intelligence Agency. There is no position in our Government more vital to our continued national existence, and the fact that you will become Director of the Agency will mean that it will have the complete confidence of the Congress, the Services, and the public.

I hope that your return to Washington will mean that I may have the pleasure of seeing you more frequently.

With regards and best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

General Walter Bedell Smith, Governor's Island, New York. Mount Hauth

Mr. Frank W. Wozencraft Southern Building Washington 5, D. C.

Dear Mr. Wesengraft:

Many thanks for your letter of August 19th. It was thoughtful of you to write and I sincerely appreciate your kind remarks in connection with my new assignment.

Hoping that I shall have the pleasure of seeing you in Washington and with kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

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