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Hon. Allen W. Dulles Director Central Intelligence Agency 2430 E Street NW. Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

Your letter of November 19, 1956, proposes the transfer to the Central Intelligence Agency of the Government Printing Office printing plant located in your administrative building.

The language of the proposed transfer is satisfactory to me and I hereby concur in and recommend approval by the Joint Committee on Printing of the proposal contained in your letter of November 19, 1956, supported by Annexes A, B, and C. Please note that I have added approximately 357 items of machinery and equipment to Annexes A and C. All of these items have been fully depreciated except item K6480 in Annex C, which is for a rack that was manufactured in 1955 with \$154.09 still remaining to be depreciated.

Subject to approval of the Joint Committee on Printing, and immediately thereafter, I suggest that representatives of the Central Intelligence Agency and the Government Printing Office apprise all employees of the subject printing plant of the plan to transfer control of the plant to the Central Intelligence Agency, at which time all employees might be urged to accept transfer to the Central Intelligence Agency to provide uninterrupted service by that plant. The approximately 70 employees who accepted assignment from the Government Printing Office since February 1, 1947, when the plant was placed under Government Printing Office management, should be advised of their prerogative to transfer to the Central Intelligence Agency rolls or return to the Government Printing Office. This would be in keeping with the policy of the Government Printing Office to insure that employees who were requested to accept assignment to the subject printing plant have their interests fully protected by the Government Printing Office.

The lists of supplies, etc., which would be transferred to the Central Intelligence Agency will be prepared by the Government Printing Office at the time of transfer of the plant.

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Hon. Allen W. Dulles

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It is my opinion that the interests of the Government will be served best by transferring the operations of this plant to the Central Intelligence Agency in view of the impending relocation and your plan to consolidate this plant with other printing units now operated by your Agency.

Sincerely,

RAYMOND BLATTENBERGER
Public Printer

Attachments:

Annex A (20 sheets)

Annex B (1 sheet)

Annex C (8 sheets)