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Honorable Lester L. Wolff, Chairman
Special Subcommittee on Future Foreign
Policy Research and Development
Committee on International Relations
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for your letter of 11 June requesting the appearance of an Agency employee to provide personal, as opposed to Agency, testimony to your Subcommittee during the week of 21 June.

As you know, earlier this year we were pleased to arrange for our National Intelligence Officers, dealing with China and the Soviet Union, Messrs. James Lilley and [redacted] respectively, to meet with your Subcommittee. It is my understanding that the 19 February session was beneficial and, of course, we would be pleased to arrange a similar session with our substantive experts.

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The specific request involving [redacted] raises serious problems however. The first is that your interest is in the policy recommendations that he made in a recent article, written as an individual and not expressing a CIA position. I am determined that the CIA will stay out of policy matters. Secondly, even though there were disclaimers in it, [redacted] article was followed by speculative stories suggesting that he was expressing CIA policy views. Third, [redacted] ceased working as an Agency analyst on Chinese affairs last Fall.

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Should you desire a substantive intelligence briefing, however, we would be happy to oblige by arranging, as was done last February, for appropriate officers to appear before your Subcommittee.

Sincerely,

/s/ George Bush

George Bush
Director

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Honorable George Bush
Director of Central Intelligence
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Dear Mr. Bush:

I am writing concerning hearings on American foreign policy toward China which the Subcommittee would like to schedule during the week of June 21.

As you know, the Subcommittee on Future Foreign Policy Research and Development has been conducting hearings on the subject of The Great Power Triangle: United States-Soviet Union-China. As part of our exploration of this triangular relationship, our subcommittee recently returned from a visit to the People's Republic of China.

It is the opinion of the Subcommittee that in our continuing examination of this critical question, it will be beneficial to have input from various China experts both inside and outside government. In pursuit of these goals, we feel that the appearance of Mr. Roger [redacted] Senior Analyst of the Central Intelligence Agency would be extremely informative in adding to the Subcommittee's knowledge on this subject. In light of his recent article in the quarterly magazine Foreign Policy there has been considerable interest expressed in hearing his views.

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Therefore, I would appreciate it if you could make the necessary arrangements for him to appear during the week of June 21 with the understanding, on our part, that his testimony represents a personal view and not that of the Agency.

Looking forward to your cooperation on this request.

Sincerely,

Lester L. Wolff, Chairman
Subcommittee on Future Foreign
Policy Research and Development

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I am attaching for your information several interesting articles that appeared in the 25 May Congressional Record regarding Rep. Wolff's recent trip to China.

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George L. Cary
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