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Mr. Robert Amory
Deputy Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bob:

The program for the November 17 meeting of CED's Trustees is now all set, and Don David and Mike Cowles both have asked me to tell you how pleased they are that you are going to be with us and participate in the discussion.

As I mentioned on the telephone, we will be able to send you in advance the papers which the six economists are preparing, but you need not feel that this is a call for any formal preparation on your part. You can make your remarks as informal as you wish and may make them of any duration, although we are trying to hold all presentations to 20 minutes each. The meeting itself will be entirely off-the-record. An edited version of the proceedings will appear in the Saturday Review in January, but you will have ample opportunity to edit your remarks or, if you wish, even eliminate them completely, as we are in charge of what is released to the Saturday Review.

I am enclosing a copy of the initial program announcement which contains the subjects each of the economists will cover. We plan to complete the economists presentations in the morning. Secretary Anderson is planning to talk on the gold and balance of payments situation at lunch, and we would like to have you open the discussion after lunch.

I hope these arrangements are satisfactory to you. Let me say again how pleased we are that you can be with us. Trustee interest in this meeting is especially lively so I think you can be assured of meeting with a minimum of 300 of the most thoughtful of the country's business leaders.

The meeting will be in the West Ballroom at the Shoreham and will begin at ten-thirty.

Sincerely yours,

Alfred C. Neal

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