

THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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MEMORANDUM: Disclosures of U. S. Intelligence Methodology

I wish to invite your personal attention to the attached intelligence "damage" assessment, which describes the extent to which public disclosures concerning the Cuban missile crisis have exposed U. S. intelligence sources and methods.

This study reaches the obvious conclusion that U. S. intelligence collection ability has been impaired by these disclosures.

It is my hope that no further disclosures will be necessary. If, for policy reasons, certain information must be made public, I urge most careful consideration be given to the consequences and that the Director of Central Intelligence, who is charged by statute with the protection of intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure, be given an opportunity to comment prior to the action.

JOHN A. McCONE  
Director

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