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The Honorable Albert C. Hall
Assistant Secretary of Defense (Intelligence)
Department of Defense
Washington, D. C.  20301

Dear Al:

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        I anticipate no problems in providing the CIA EVENT file to
COINS as requested in your 21 January memorandum.  I suggest that
your office arrange a meeting between potentially interested Com-
munity users and [          ] of CIA's Office of Weapons Intel-

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ligence [      ] to define the data and maintenance schedules
required to provide maximum COINS utility.  Following that, we
estimate that approximately six weeks may be required to perform
the necessary computer programming to prepare the file for COINS
access via the NSA system.

                                Sincerely,

                                /s/ Bill

                                W. E. Colby
                                Director

CONCUR:

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Deputy Director for Intelligence           Date

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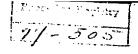               1 - DDI File (Defense)  w/basic
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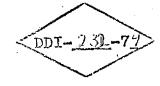               1 - DDI Chrono

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Honorable William E. Colby
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D. C.  20505

Dear Bill:

  Last September, as a result of a recommendation from the COINS Files Working Group, I asked for your consideration of the CIA FORCES file for community use in COINS, and your support was greatly appreciated.

  The working group has now informed me that there is high community interest in the CIA EVENT file.  The CIA member of the group has reported that the technical and financial implications of making this file compatible with the NSA system appear to be minimal.  Therefore, I recommend your favorable consideration of this file for COINS, so that we may continue in our efforts to achieve a user-oriented data base.

             Sincerely,

             Albert C. Hall