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Lieutenant General Daniel O. Graham, USA  
Director  
Defense Intelligence Agency  
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Washington, D. C. 20301

Dear Danny:

I have been reflecting on the intelligence problems associated with the intelligence community support of the MBFR negotiations and the US attempts at improving NATO's conventional warfare capability. This has led to a deep concern that we have already fallen behind on our more pressing requirements in these areas and that a redirection of effort is called for. We need to examine the way we do conventional forces intelligence in the community. In addition, the problems we are now having with theater forces intelligence are likely to be dwarfed by those we will have when we begin [REDACTED]

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For me to adequately present community needs to OMB and the Congress, it will be necessary to study the whole process of forces intelligence in order to highlight needs and confidently justify requirements for the resources needed for improvement. Such effort should additionally better fulfill the requirements of the unified commands. Rationalizing community resources so that we can get the best possible theater forces intelligence for our money will be in everyone's interest.

To support my responsibility to the national policy makers in this regard and to assure continuing and improving support for departmental and operational command requirements, I would like to convene a small group of appropriate senior level representatives of NSA, DIA, and CIA. This interagency group would review the various systems of theater

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force analysis and make recommendations on ways to handle the problems over the next several years as well as ways to solve the shorter term problems already posed by MBFR and NATO.

25X1 I am asking [redacted] the Assistant National Intelligence Officer for Conventional Forces, to chair the group.

Sincerely,

W. E. Colby

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