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Honorable Carl F. Ochsala
Acting Secretary of Commerce
Department of Commerce
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Ochsala:

Thank you for raising with me the issue contained in your letter of July 25, 1960. As I am sure you are aware, I thoroughly agree with you in principle, but I am under the impression that the amount of this activity sponsored by our Agency or over which we are able to exercise control is far less than your letter would seem to indicate and may, in fact, prove to be rather insignificant.

STAT [redacted] of our Counter Intelligence Staff has been in direct contact with Mr. John Hebrew of your Export Control Investigation Staff over a considerable period of time. He has discussed with Mr. Hebrew the occasional operations of concern to this Agency that come within the purview of your letter. Our problem normally involves an agent or firm, in which we have a definite operational interest not involving trade with the Bloc, getting into a position where the agent or firm has to procure or ship some material in order to keep the operation going.

STAT [redacted] is on leave until 11 August. I would like to suggest that, following his return, he discuss your letter with Mr. Hebrew or anyone else you may designate. After this discussion, we will conduct a survey to determine in exactly what activities we may be engaged that would be of interest to you and in which we could take advantage of your offer of the advice of your specialist.

Sincerely,

AWD

Allen W. Dallas
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
VIA: Acting Deputy Director (Plans)
SUBJECT: Letter of 25 July 1960 from Acting
Secretary of Commerce

Transmitted herewith is a suggested reply for the Director's signature to the attached letter of 25 July 1960 from Acting Secretary of Commerce Oechsle in which Mr. Oechsle suggests cooperation between this Agency and his Department in the field of export control.

[Redacted Signature Box]

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Acting Chief
Counter Intelligence Staff

Attachment, as above

cc: DDCI

(letter to Acting Secretary of Commerce Carl F. Oechsle)

cc: DDCI

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Signature Recommended:

[Redacted Signature]

Acting Deputy Director (Plans)

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

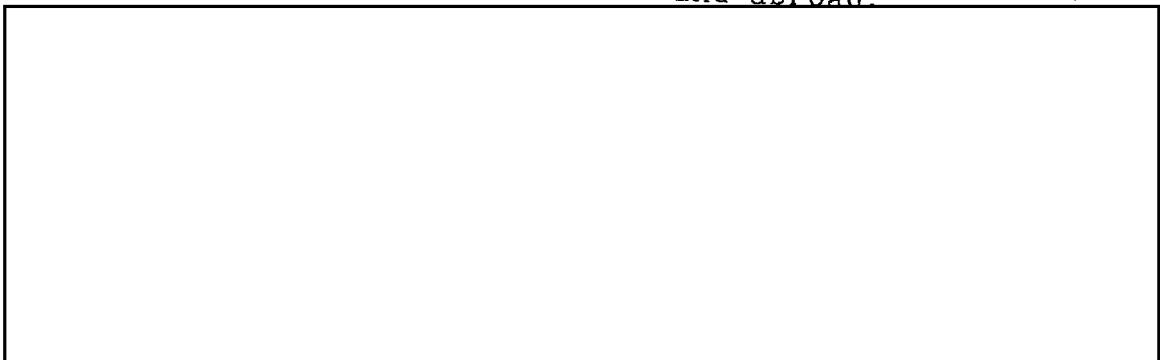
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Honorable Allen W. Dulles
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Allen:

As you know, the Commerce Department is designated to administer and enforce the Export Control Act of 1949. Our chief objective, under this law, is to prevent unauthorized diversions, transshipments and re-exportations of strategic U.S.-origin commodities and technical data to the Sino-Soviet Bloc.

We seek to attain this goal through an export licensing system which is administered by our Bureau of Foreign Commerce. For enforcement of the controls, we rely on the Export Control Investigation Staff in that Bureau. To perform their duties our investigators, in carrying out their intelligence and liaison functions, have the cooperation and assistance of not only the U.S. Foreign Service, but also of the several civilian and military investigative-intelligence organizations which operate within the United States and abroad.



It occurs to me that the experienced commodity technicians in our Bureau of Foreign Commerce, aided by technicians of our National Bureau of Standards and Business and Defense Services Administration, can be of considerable

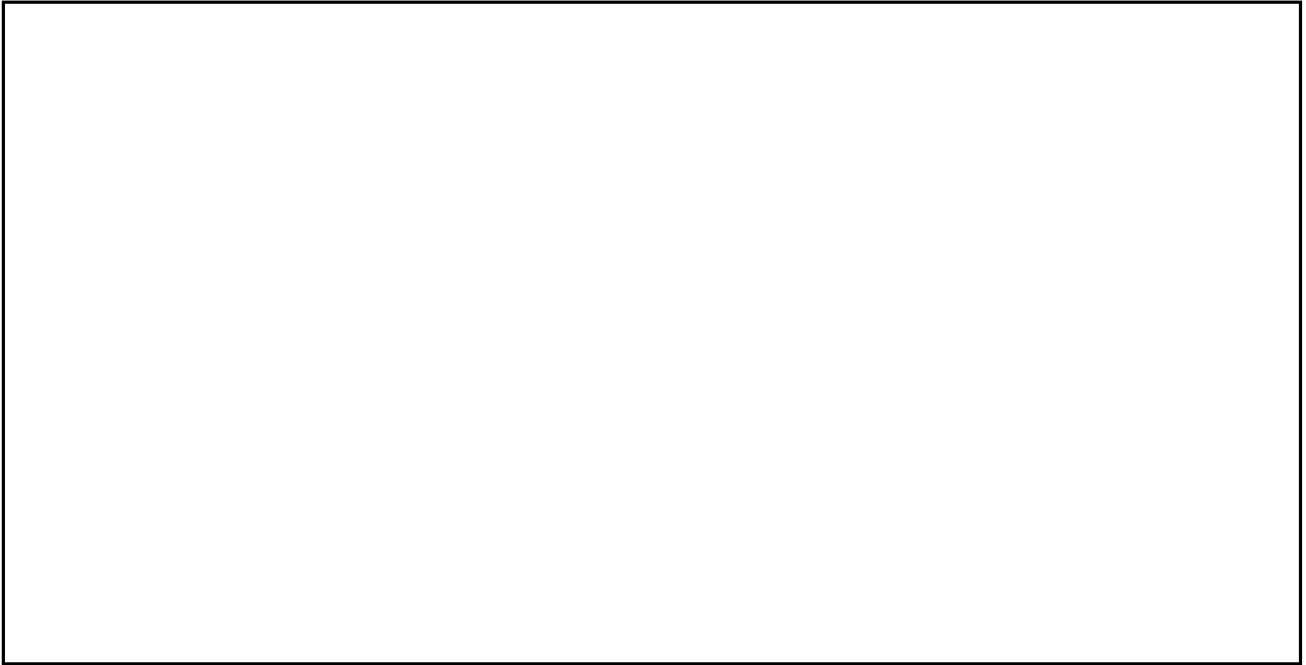
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In view of the foregoing, I believe it would be useful to have representatives of our two departments confer for the purpose of making arrangements for cooperation in this area of mutual interest. I would appreciate an early expression of your views.

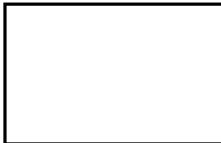
Sincerely yours,



ACTING Secretary of Commerce

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A copy of this letter has already gone to
Bob Amory for comment and preparation of an
appropriate reply for your signature.



27 July 60

(DATE)

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