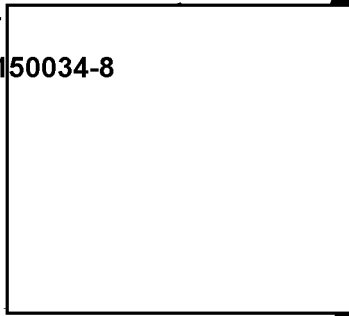


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Mr. James S. Russell
Office of the Chief of Naval Operations
Department of Navy
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Russell:

Mr. Dulles asked me to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of 24 April 1959 and the enclosure thereto suggesting additional retaliatory action in the event of a Soviet Berlin blockade. He found this most interesting and has forwarded it to our specialists who are concerned with this matter.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

Executive Officer

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