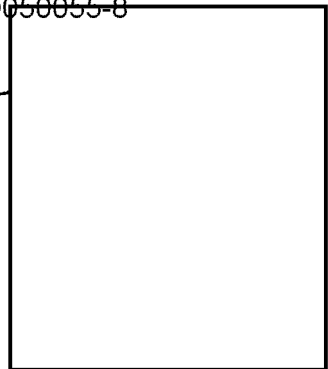


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Mr. Walter P. Paepcke
Chairman of the Board
Container Corporation of America
Chicago 3, Illinois

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Dear Mr. Paepcke:

I wish to thank you very much for your letter of 24 February inviting Mrs. Dulles and me to one of the Aspen Executives' programs at Aspen, Colorado, sometime this summer.

Much as we would like to join you, especially in that very pleasant part of the country, I sincerely regret that I shall not be able to accept your kind invitation. My commitments are such that I hesitate to assume another, even though you were good enough to leave the choice of time to me. Your courtesy in asking Mrs. Dulles and me to attend is greatly appreciated and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you every success in your programs.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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