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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

: Director, National Foreign Assessment FROM

Center

: Providing Unclassified Publication to SUBJECT

Congress

1. Action Requested: That you approve the distribution to all Members of Congress of a recent NFAC publication that lists all CIA publications available in the Library of Congress.

- Background: In April you approved a pilot program to distribute unclassified publications to the ninety members of our oversight committees in the House and Senate. This program appears to be working well. Manpower and resource constraints have made it impossible for us to provide this service to all Members. We have recently compiled a listing, however, of all CIA publications released to the public through the Library of Congress DOCEX system. (Attachment 1) I believe this publication (and its annual updates) would be useful to all Members.
- 3. Staff Position: NFAC has the ability to service Congressional requests for these publications. We do not, however, have the ability to service Congressional constituents, and have made that point in the letter we propose you send to individual Members of Congress. This proposal has been coordinated with the Office of the Legislative Counsel and the Public Affairs Office.
- 4. Recommendation: That you approve the distribution of the referenced publication to all Members of Congress.

Robert R. Bowie

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Honorable	

Dear Senator (or Mr.):

The CIA regularly publishes unclassified reports on a wide variety of topics. Normally, these publications are distributed to individuals and to institutions that subscribe through the Library of Congress. We have recently compiled a comprehensive listing of such documents made available from 1972 through 1977, and we plan to update this list annually.

I am taking the liberty of forwarding this listing to you in the hope that it might be useful to you and to your constituents. Unfortunately, we just are not equipped to handle constituent requests for unclassified publications, and I would suggest that these requests be directed

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to the Photoduplication Service of the Library of Congress.

I personally place a great deal of importance on making unclassified Agency reports available to the public. We all recognize the vital necessity of maintaining the security of classified information. However, it is my hope that by putting as much unclassified information as possible into the public domain, we will be better able to protect the information that must remain secret.

I hope that you will find this publication useful.

Yours sincerely,

STANSFIELD TURNER

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Dear Congressman Simon:

As you no doubt remember, when you were here for lunch with us in February, we talked about ways in which we could inform Members of Congress about unclassified Agency publications. Attached is a listing we have recently developed that seems to fill the bill. This publication is being sent to all 535 Members, and we will update it annually. In addition, we are now distributing all of our unclassified publications to the ninety Members on our eight oversight committees as well as making them available to the public through the Library of Congress.

I hope this information proves useful to you and your colleagues, and we do appreciate your interest in this Agency.

Sincerely,

Richard Lehman