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Honorable William Proxmire, Chairman  
Subcommittee on Priorities and Economy  
in Government  
Joint Economic Committee  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I have your letter of 31 March to the Director requesting data on CIA programs concerned with the Soviet economy. Some of the information requested in the letter, such as budget and personnel figures, is classified. Last week Agency representatives met with Richard Kaufman, General Counsel to the Joint Committee, to discuss how the Agency might contribute to the Committee's public study without revealing classified information. Agreement was reached to submit to the Committee a description of the major CIA research functions on the Soviet economy, together with a list of specific topics about which CIA has specialized expertise; for example, agriculture, metals, and military costing. We will also provide a listing of CIA's unclassified studies on the Soviet economy and military expenditures published during the past six years. The data is now being compiled.

Sincerely,

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