September 20, 1966

Honorable Richard Helms Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Helms:

The Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee would like to have you appear before it to present an outline of the military threat currently facing the United States and other Free World nations. We are interested in a discussion of the threat by the various areas of the world and also by each country.

Further details about the matters which we would like you to discuss can be obtained if you will have your representative contact Mr. James T. Kendall, the Subcommittee's Chief Counsel.

We hope to schedule your appearance prior to October 8, 1966, and I would appreciate it if you would let me know as to your availability during this period.

With personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

John Stennis Chairman, Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee

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