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The Honorable
William J. Casey
The Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill :

I appreciated the opportunity for our discussion a week ago today. I found your remarks relevant and interesting but I must confess that your spirit of optimism was not wholly reflected either at the senior or at the working levels. On the contrary, there seems to be concern that we are making no headway against the spread of neutralism in Western Europe , that we may be out-manuevered once again in Central America and that we have failed to date in finding the answers to the several challenges which will confront the Operations Directorate in the next several years.

As I mentioned to you in our conversation, some of the activities which are undertaken by the several components appear to indicate a lack of institutional memory. Other actions suggest a lack of knowledge of conspiratorial thinking --

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I doubt that after last week's barrage on Central America our cause is ahead, although based on the facts alone it should be.

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Against the above background, I feel I could be useful to you -- or to your senior associates -- as a planner, as a sounding board for the consideration of programs or proposals, as a reviewer, or as a trouble-shooter. My experiences as Chief of Station [Redacted] along with the several staff assignments I held in Headquarters, most recently as Chief of the Personnel Management Group in the Operations Directorate, give me a background and operational experience which, without any false modesty, few currently on duty can match. At this point in my life I am not looking for any high position in the hierarchy -- I have been a GS 18 for ten years. I would like to continue to serve and to make a contribution.

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I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely

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cc: Mr. John A. Brass

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