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August 7, 1986

Mr. George V. Lauder
Director
Public Affairs office
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505

Dear Mr. Lauder:

The new map of Jordan is beautiful! Its colors are attractive. What makes it especially lovely is its dramatic improvement in accuracy over the preceding summary map of Jordan and over many of the maps of the Middle East still in circulation.

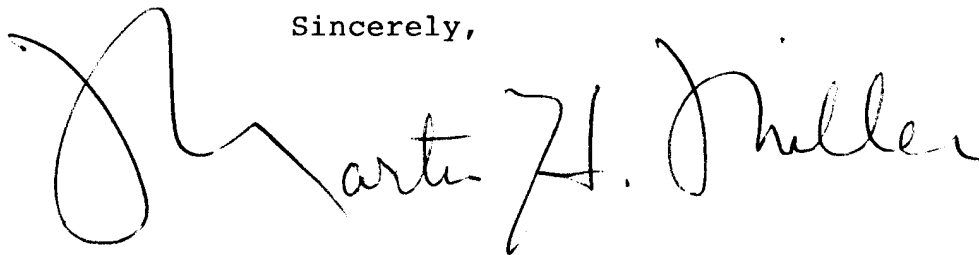
The new map should inspire correction of other new official maps which embrace Jordan and also the correction of erroneous maps in the media, in encyclopedias, atlases, textbooks, and other reference works.

The accurate maps and text in the annual CIA WORLD FACTBOOK have already been useful in the work of endeavoring to supplant the general misinformation about the status of the area in question. I am confident the accurate maps and texts on Jordan in future editions will also help in this work.

Many thanks for your gracious letter of July 28 and for the copy of the map. I am grateful to you for both. Many thanks, too, for your significant contribution to the issuance of the new map. I am writing to Robert M. Gates to thank him for bringing us together a year ago January 2. Enclosed is a copy of my letter.

May I also note that you are ably represented by
 She is both competent and personable.

Sincerely,



Martin H. Miller

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Mr. Robert M. Gates
Deputy Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505

Dear Mr. Gates:

We talked on the phone on December 31, 1984. You then arranged for Mr. George V. Lauder, your Director of Public Affairs, to call me. I met with him on January 2. As a result of our discussion that day and subsequent letters, conversations with members of his staff and with specialists in other sections of your agency, a new summary map of Jordan has just been issued. Enclosed is a copy of Mr. Lauder's letter to me of July 28 and a copy of the letter of thanks I am sending him today.

Many many thanks for initiating the process which culminated in the issuance of the new map. This will mean a great deal for the work of correcting a significant--virtually universal--distortion of the facts about an area of considerable significance for American foreign policy. The people in the Agency with whom I dealt exemplify the high degree of professionalism you set as your standard. My experience with you, Mr. Lauder, and your associates makes me proud of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Sincerely,

Martin H. Miller