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Mr. James F. Collins
Director of Intelligence Policy
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Collins:

Enclosed for your information is a letter that our General Counsel recently sent to Mike O'Neil concerning which types of activities require Presidential Findings under the Hughes/Ryan Amendment, and which do not.

If you have any questions on the letter, please give me a call at:

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Sincerely,

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Mr. Sven Holmes
Staff Director
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C, 20510

Dear Mr. Holmes:

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Ms. Mary Lawton
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Policy and Review
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Ms. Lawton:

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Michael J. O'Neil, Esq.
Chief Counsel
Permanent Select Committee on
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House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mike:

During a meeting on 25 January 1988 with Administration officials, including a member of my staff, you requested further information about the CIA's interpretation of the Hughes-Ryan Amendment, 22 U.S.C. § 2422. Specifically, you asked for the CIA's analysis concerning which types of activities require Presidential Findings under the Hughes-Ryan Amendment, and which do not.

As you know, the Hughes-Ryan Amendment provides:

No funds appropriated under the authority of this or any other Act may be expended by or on behalf of the Central Intelligence Agency for operations in foreign countries, other than activities intended solely for obtaining necessary intelligence, unless and until the President finds that each such operation is important to the national security of the United States. Each such operation shall be considered a significant anticipated intelligence activity for the purpose of section 501 of the National Security Act of 1947.

22 U.S.C. § 2422. Thus, the statute requires a Presidential Finding for: (1) an "operation", (2) that occurs in a foreign country, (3) that is conducted by the CIA, (4) that expends funds during the process, and (5) that is not intended solely for obtaining necessary intelligence.

