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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director
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Dear Edgar:

My specialists have translated and reviewed "The Great Ten Years (Statistics of Economic and Cultural Achievement)", the Chinese Communist publication you sent me recently. They have found that much of the data in this book is new and fills important gaps in our information on the development of Chinese Communist economy. The statistics in this book also provide some absolute figures on production in Communist China; these figures will help us interpret more accurately much other information previously available to us. For these reasons the book is most valuable.

After we had asked for and received your permission to downgrade the classification of this publication from "Top Secret" to "Secret", we received from the Hong Kong Consulate General another copy of the same publication. Since this Hong Kong copy was obtained through non-sensitive sources, we will use it as the basis for dissemination of a translation of the publication, copies of which we will give you. Your sending us the publication first enabled us to make the translation available to the intelligence community much more quickly than would have been possible otherwise.

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I hope you will forward to me any similar materials you collect in the future, since the Chinese Communists are now greatly restricting the number of Chinese language publications sent out of China, and we find it increasingly difficult to get these publications through regular procurement channels.

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Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles

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