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Re: 19 FOIA requests for a William E. Colby biography project

Dar Mr. Koch:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. Subsection 552, I am requesting information or records on Director of Central Intelligence William E. Colby and his career at the Agency.

If there are any fees for searching for, reviewing, or copying the records please supply the records and I agree to pay those fees up to the amount of \$500 without prior notice. If the fees exceed that amount please call me. In order to determine my status to assess fees, you should know I am a journalist and an author of six books. The most recent two are Franklin: The Essential Founding Father (Regnery 2003), and Allen Dulles, Master of Spies (Regnery 2000), which was named best intelligence book of 2000 by the Association of Former Intelligence Officers. You may check out my other bona fides at my Website: www.jamessrodes.com.

You will notice that my requests concentrate on the period between 1973 and 1976 during Mr. Colby's directorship. This is because the focus of the book will be the challenges he faced as DCI during the various Congressional and other investigations into CIA conduct during 1975---the Church, Pike, Rockefeller, and Murphy probes specifically. You also should know the project has the cooperation of Mr. Colby's family and many of his colleagues in the Agency, including former DCI James Schlesinger

The requests are numbered separately and it is my request that the documents in question be provided as soon as they are available separately rather than be held until all the requests are dealt with. If you deny all or any part of these requests, please notify me separately and cite the exemptions that justify your refusal to release the information.

If you have any questions about handling any of these requests, you may telephone me at my office (202) 232-5312 or contact me by the email address above. Thank you.

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### FOIA REQUESTS FOR WILLIAM E. COLBY BIOGRAPHY PROJECT

Request No. 1 of 19.

The CIA in-house biography of William E. Colby prepared by Harold P. Ford. It is my understanding this biography was declassified and provided to author Evan Thomas for use in his book *The Best of Men*.

Request No. 2 of 19.

A report dated March 10, 1971 titled "A Review of the Intelligence Community" prepared by James Schlesinger (later DCI) for President Nixon, aka "The Schlesinger Report."

Request No. 3 of 19.

Statement of Ambassador William E. Colby, deputy to COMUSMACV for Civil Operations and Rural Development Support, dated 21 April 1971.

Request No. 4 of 19.

Speech by DCI William E. Colby, title: "Foreign Intelligence for America," to the Commonwealth Club of California, 7 May 1975.

Request No. 5 of 19

Speech by DCI Colby, title "Intelligence and the Press," to the Associated Press annual meeting, 7 April 1975

Request No. 6 of 19.

Other public speeches or press interviews by DCI Colby given between May 1973 And 30 January 1976.

Request No. 7 of 19

The 1973 CIA Inspector General's Office 693-page study of "potential flap activities," that is, a history of possible legal violations and questionable activities undertaken by CIA, requested by DCI Schlesinger but used by DCI Colby (then Executive Director) to brief various Congressional committee chairmen and the U.S. Justice Department. This report is

variously also known as "the family jewels" and covers such activities as Chaos Operation, surveillance of U.S journalists, mail opening and wiretaps against citizens under surveillance, and the Agency's possible involvement with the Watergate conspirators. Probably dated either March or April 1973.

#### Request No. 8 of 19.

Briefing documents prepared for and used by William Colby in his position as DDO, Executive Director, or DCI during the period 1973 and 1974 for briefings for Rep. Lucien Nedzi (D. Mich.), chairman of the Intelligence Subcommittee of the House Armed Services Committee. References including but not limited to the IG's "family jewels" disclosures, possible CIA actions in Chile and Cuba, and Colby's role as director of the Phoenix Program in Vietnam.

### Request No. 9 of 19.

Briefing documents prepared for and used by Mr. Colby in his position as DCI during 1975 for briefings and testimony before the Senate Select Committee to study Governmental Operations with Respect to Intelligence Activities, also known as the Church Committee. Topic areas include but are not limited to the IG's "family jewels" report, CIA actions in Chile and Cuba and Colby's role as director of the Phoenix Program in Vietnam.

### Request No. 10 of 19.

Briefing documents prepared for and used by Mr. Colby as DCI during 1974 and 1975 hearings before the Commission on CIA Activities in the U.S., also known as the Rockefeller Commission. Topic areas include but are not limited to supervision and control of CIA, the CIA's mail intercept program, Operation CHAOS, Watergate involvement, domestic spying against U.S. citizens, CIA relationship with other federal agencies, domestic operations of the Directorate of Operations, domestic operations of the Directorate of Science and Technology (including psychotropic drug testing)

### Request No.11 of 19.

Briefing documents prepared for and used by Mr. Colby as DCI during the 1975 hearings of the House Select Committee on Intelligence, also known as the Pike Committee. Topics covered include but are not limited to the items prepared for the Rockefeller and Church hearings.

#### Request No. 12 of 19.

Correspondence, memoranda, briefing documents prepared for and used by DCI Colby to Presidents Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford, Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, or other White House security officials on the topics being examined by the various Congressional and joint commissions during the period 1974 through January 1976. Also any correspondence or replies to DCI Colby by those White House officials involving those topics or any general directives on his conduct before those investigative bodies.

#### Request No. 13 of 19.

Correspondence or memoranda between DCI Colby and Representatives Otis Pike (D-NY), Michael Harrington (D-Mass.) and Ronald Dellums (D-Calif.) on the Pike Committee hearings. In addition to the topics cited above also any items concerning leaks by committee members and staff of Agency material to the press. 1975.

#### Request No. 14.of 19.

Memoranda or briefings to DCI Colby by CIA Congressional liaison personnel on the activities of the Rockefeller Commission, Church Committee and Pike Committee investigations, covering the previously mentioned topics as well as leaks of confidential Agency material from the committees to the press. 1975.

## Request No. 15 of 19.

Texts of public testimony given by DCI Colby to the Church, Pike, and Rockefeller investigative bodies during 1974-1975.

# Request No. 16 of 19.

Memoranda or briefings to DCI Colby during 1974-1975 by security staff on leaks of CIA material to press, surveillance of specific journalists or Agency personnel.

### Request No. 17 of 19.

Correspondence and memoranda between DCIs Schlesinger and Colby and CI director James Angleton, 1973-1975, on suspension of the mail opening program, and on Angelton's dismissal.

# Request 18 of 19.

Agency photos of William Colby covering any periods of his service including his OSS-Jedburgh operations in World War II, his decoration with

the Silver Star by General William Donovan, his CIA service beginning in the Office of Policy Coordination November 1950; as OPC's representative in Stockholm, ca. 1953; as DDP for political action in Rome, ca. 1953-1959; Deputy Chief of Station, Saigon and Chief of Station, ca. 1959-1960; Deputy Chief and Chief, Far East Division, DDP ca. 1962-1968, as AID deputy and then director for Civil Operations and Rural Development (CORDS) Vietnam, ca. 1968-1972; CIA Executive Director, ca. 1972; Deputy Director for Operations, ca. 1972-1973; and as DCI, ca. 4 September 1973-30 January 1976. Special reference to official ID's, also formal functions, swearing-in ceremonies, decorations and the final hand over of the agency to DCI George H.W. Bush.

#### Request No. 19 of 19.

Any communications from CIA Counterintelligence, the DCI's office or other staff to British Intelligence Services (MI-5, MI-6) or records of communications between President Dwight D. Eisenhower and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill regarding British subject Alan Turing, a senior official in British cryptographic staff, as a possible security risk.



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