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***Information Review & Release (IRR) News for 19 - 23 August 2002
Executive Summary***

Immediate Calendar:

(U//~~ATUO~~) **4 September 2002: Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP):** Next Liaisons' meeting at Crystal City.

Future Planning Calendar:

(U//~~ATUO~~) **17 September 2002: Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP):** Next Principals' meeting at the EEOB in Washington, DC.

(U//~~ATUO~~) **8-9 January 2003: Historical Review Panel:** Next meeting at

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(U//~~ATUO~~) **April 2003:** The Automatic Declassification Date per Executive Order 12958, as amended, for unreviewed intelligence-related or multi-agency records.

Overview of IRR Activities Last Week:

(U//~~ATUO~~) **CIA Declassification Center**

(U//~~ATUO~~) **D/ISOO Keynote Speaker at August External Referral Working Group**

(U//~~ATUO~~) Bill Leonard, new Director of the Information Security Oversight Office (ISOO), was the keynote speaker at the monthly External Referral Working Group (ERWG) meeting on 22 August held at NARA I in Washington, DC. Mr. Leonard acknowledged the important relationship that ERWG had with ISOO in the past and his belief this relationship would continue in the future. Mr. Leonard then discussed the important homeland security issues facing ISOO and the difficulty of balancing the protection and sharing of information. He then turned to an issue of great interest to ERWG members, the state of the EO revision. He was pessimistic about the EO revision meeting the April 2003 automatic declassification deadline. He was very supportive of an EO extension to 31 Dec 2006 and thought it would require a separate and focused Executive Order in order to be completed in a timely fashion. He thought that such an EO would be promulgated.

- *The ERWG was formed in 1996 to coordinate declassification policies, standards, and procedures among the agencies affected by President Clinton's Executive Order 12958 on Classified National Security Information. Today over 40 declassification programs representing more than 25 federal agencies participate in ERWG programs.*

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(U//~~ATUO~~) **From the Archives: General Washington on Intelligence**

(U//~~ATUO~~) DCI Allen Dulles on 1 February 1961 sent a letter to President Kennedy containing a Photostat of a letter written by George Washington. The original letter was owned by CIA employee Walter Pforzheimer. The text of the DCI's letter follows:

"Dear Mr. President:

I am sending you herewith a Photostat of General Washington's letter to Colonel Elias Dayton, a copy of which you requested last Thursday when you were here. This letter contains the following paragraph which particularly interested you:

'The necessity of procuring good intelligence is apparent & need not be further urged -- All that remains for me to add is that you keep the whole matter as secret as possible. For upon Secrecy, Success depends in most Enterprises of the kind, and or want of it, they are generally defeated; however well planned & promising a favorable issue.'

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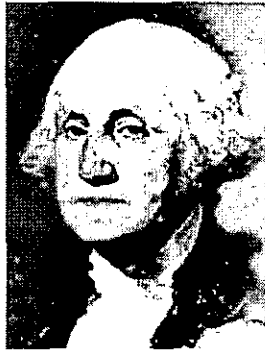
I am also attaching a transcript of the full letter. This letter is addressed to Colonel (later General) Elias Dayton, then at Elizabeth Town, New Jersey. Colonel Dayton was a line officer who was a trusted intelligence officer of General Washington.

This letter comes from the personal collection of one of our employees, Walter Pforzheimer, and as far as can be determined is still unpublished. Mr. Pforzheimer would be pleased to have you use this letter or any quotations from it in any way you may desire. It is noted on the back of the letter that it is in General Washington's 'own handwriting.' It may actually, however, be in the hand of an aide. It is certainly genuinely signed in Washington's own hand.

Respectfully yours,
Allen W. Dulles
Director"

- *Walter Pforzheimer served at the CIA with the Legislative Counsel from January 1949 to December 1955. The material reviewed did not indicate how Mr. Pforzheimer acquired the letter or the exact date of the letter. There was no text of the Washington letter itself in reviewed files.*

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(U//AIUO) FOIA Requests

(U//AIUO) Minnesota Ship Modeller Wants Information on "Sleeping Beauty"

(U//AIUO) A freelance researcher and ship modeller from Minnesota requested records pertaining to "the Motorized Submersible Canoe, code-named Sleeping Beauty," which, according to the requester, was designed during WWII by the OSS and the British Special Operations Executive (SOE).

- CIA provided the requester with 82 pages of previously released records located during a search conducted on behalf of a previous requester. [redacted]

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(U//AIUO) Louisiana Requester Asks for CIA's Information on Stokely Carmichael

(U//AIUO) A requester from Louisiana seeks all available records on deceased political activist Stokely Carmichael, who later changed his name to Kwame Ture.

- The requester indicates he wishes not to pay fees. [redacted]

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(U//AIUO) Scottish Requester Wants Information on Palestinian Bomb-maker

(U//AIUO) A requester from Glasgow, Scotland asked for a copy of an "interview with Marwan Khreesat," whom he states is the bomb-maker of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestinian General Command (PFLP-GC). The requester states this interview is mentioned in the book *Cover-Up of Convenience*, by John Ashton and Ian Ferguson.

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(U//AIUO) National Security Archive Asks for Information on Colombian Guerillas and Drug Traffickers

(U//AIUO) Frequent requester, National Security Archive, requests "disclosure of an October 1996 study of links between guerrilla groups and narcotics trafficking in Colombia."

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