



(U) The Pulse of the Public: CIA Receives LSD and a Frisbee in the Mail, and Words of Support

The Office of Public Affairs receives thousands of phone calls, emails, faxes, letters, and packages on a weekly basis from the American, and occasionally international, public. The submissions vary in topic, including suggested guidance on actions CIA should take regarding world events, positive feedback, future employment applications from elementary school children, and on the rare occasion, illicit drugs.

OPA regularly receives positive feedback from the public...

...from appreciative citizens...

"The American people love you guys. I don't mind paying taxes for services that you guys do to keep America safer. Keep up the good work."

...to others who want a new job...

"It took me three clicks to submit my interest in serving with your agency utilizing this simple contact form. My current job is boring, I work with too many idiots, and I'm still single which enables me to be mobile."

...to retired police officers who want CIA to keep up the good fight...

"I want to thank you for everything you do for our country. I am a 59 year old retired cop. I know it's hard to keep looking forward when the sharks are biting your ass. Carry on the good fight until we win. If there was anything I could do for you I would. God bless you and take care. Remember two things: Luck follows those best prepared; It's ok to look back, just don't stare."

OPA also receives, to a lesser extent, postal mail, all of which is processed by [REDACTED]

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On 10 February, OPA received a letter with a white powder in a sealed plastic bag. Office of Security [REDACTED] confirmed the powder was a variant of the illicit drug LSD.

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The day before, OPA received a package with a Frisbee inside.

Other letters are from young children who cannot wait to work for the Agency:

"I am a straight A student and have been training for CIA forever. This might surprise you, but I would never kill a man. I am honest and helpful. When things go bad, I get good, at least that is what I think. I know I will have to take risks, but it's worth it. I can't wait to help out."

"I hope you'll accept me when I am older, (I am 8 now), in a few years. You should be counting down, because when I am 22 I am coming to work at Agency headquarters!"

And, OPA receives plenty of head-scratching calls:

"I believe there is a large nationwide group of people who know how to use chemicals to make you sleep, to keep you awake, to change the texture of hair and skin. They know how to implant tracking and recording devices under the skin and the eyes...." (This article is UNCLASSIFIED.)

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