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Mr. Harry Schwartz 50 Argyle Road Scarsdale, New York

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

Ray Cline is on leave and has asked me to reply to your letter of 4 October, which raises a question about the authenticity of a book entitled "The Penkovskiy Papers."

I understand that the Agency was shown a prepublication manuscript of "The Penkovskiy Papers" by the editor, Mr. Frank Gibney, who has the details of their origin and acquisition. The Agency did not comment on the content of the manuscript, but did make a determination that the text did not contain any information which would compromise national security interests. On the face of it, however, the material appears to be authentic.

Yours very truly,

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