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August 23, 1950.

Lt. General Walter Bedell Smith,  
First Army,  
Governors Island,  
New York.

Dear General Smith:

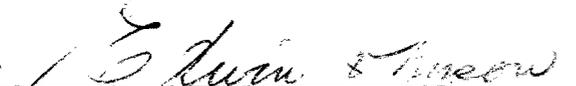
I have just learned and with a great deal of pleasure that you have been signally honored by President Truman in appointing you Director of Central Intelligence and hasten to extend to you my sincere congratulations. Our President is also to be congratulated upon his selection. As my grandfather use to say "May Your Shadow Never Grow Less."

With kind regards and best wishes for your success in your new position, I am,

Sincerely yours,

JOHN A. JOHNSON & SONS, INC.

By

  
Edwin Johnson,  
Executive Vice President.

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28 August 1950

Mr. Edwin Johnson  
Executive Vice President  
John A. Johnson & Sons, Inc.  
270 41st Street  
Brooklyn 32, New York

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Your thoughtful letter of congratulations with its kind remarks on the occasion of my appointment as Director of the Central Intelligence Agency is sincerely appreciated.

Although I am keenly aware of the problems ahead of me, I am at the moment greatly encouraged and heartened by the confidence which the President has seen fit to place in me and by the support of my friends which has been made evident by such letters as yours.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

J. B. FOWLER

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