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Mr. Ismar Baruch
Chief, Personnel Classification Division
Civil Service Commission
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Baruch:

At the time of the passage of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, we were informed by Mr. Dirks of your division that in his opinion certain provisions of this Act made it unnecessary for the Civil Service Commission to continue to audit job classifications of this Agency. This opinion has since been confirmed in personal conversations with Mr. Delavigne who is your specially cleared representative to perform such audits.

It is now my understanding that as a result of the above opinions and further personal conversations on your part with Mr. William J. Kelly, our Personnel Officer, that the Civil Service Commission would like to withdraw from the responsibility given to them under the Classification Act of providing for audit of all CIA civilian positions, basing this action on Section 7 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949.

I understand thoroughly the difficulties encountered by your representative performing job classification audits in this Agency, particularly with regard to the large number of positions the responsibilities of which cannot be fully described to him for essential security reasons. I wish also to express at this time our very deep appreciation for the understanding with which your representative approaches his responsibilities in this connection and the very real assistance he has always rendered to us in auditing and establishing our positions. We do not desire under any circumstances to be completely cut off from this assistance. Should it be determined that the Commission has no further responsibility in law to render this service, I wish to make a very strong request that we be permitted to call upon you for assistance in our classification problems in any cases where we feel such need.

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It is requested that this Agency be informed of the official position of the Civil Service Commission on the provisions of Section 7, of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 and the desires of the Commission as to future action in connection with audit, classification and establishment of positions in this Agency.

Sincerely,

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Sgd & dispatched by hand by [redacted]

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Director of Central Intelligence

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