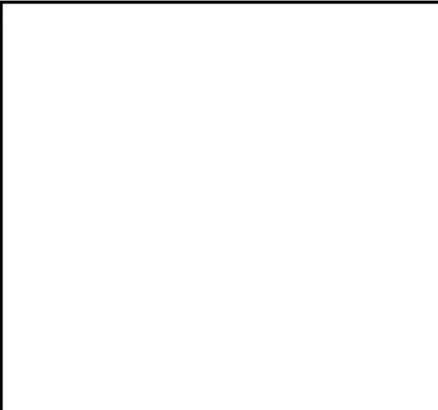


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General Graves B. Erskine
Assistant to the Secretary of Defense
(Special Operations)
Department of Defense
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Erskine:

Just prior to Mr. Dulles' departure for a brief visit out of the city, he asked me to thank you for sending him copies of messages from Ed Lansdale. We appreciate your keeping us informed on this difficult matter.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

SIGNED

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Dear Allen:

The attached messages from Brigadier General E. G. Lansdale are forwarded for your information. Copies have also been furnished to Assistant Secretary of State Parsons.

Sincerely,

GRAVES B. ERSKINE
General, USMC (Ret.)
Assistant to the
Secretary of Defense
(Special Operations)

2 Inclosures

1. Msg, 5 Jan 61
2. Msg, 6 Jan 61

Honorable Allen W. Dulles
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