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Mr. Allen W. Dulles  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Administration Building, Room 123  
2430 E Street, Northwest  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Allen:

Your very kind letter extending congratulations on my 35th Anniversary has been received, and I am deeply appreciative of your thoughtfulness.

Your generous comments concerning my administration of the activities of this Bureau are most reassuring, and it is a source of real inspiration to know that I enjoy your confidence and support.

With very best wishes, I am,

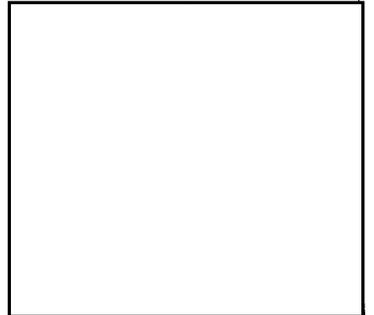
Sincerely,

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The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Department of Justice  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Edgar:

Please accept my heartiest congratulations on your 35th anniversary as Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which you celebrate on May 10th.

Your service in this capacity will be long remembered. From modest beginnings the progress that has been achieved under your guidance has made the FBI an internationally recognized and respected organization in the fields of crime detection and prevention and internal security.

Those of us in the Central Intelligence Agency are appreciative of the increasingly close and cooperative relationship with the FBI which has developed over the years.

Sincerely,

**SIGNED**

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Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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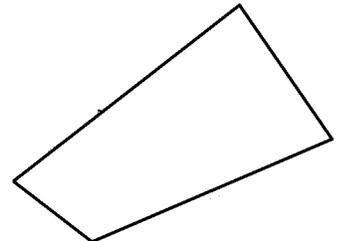
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