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3 August 1955

Mr. W. E. Reynolds  
Commissioner  
Public Buildings Service  
General Services Administration  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Reynolds:

It is anticipated that activities of this Agency now located in Temporary Buildings "M" and "Q" will require approximately  square feet of space in excess of the area of those two Buildings during this fiscal year. For operational reasons, it is essential that the activities concerned be maintained either in a single building or in immediately adjacent space. Every practicable alternative has been considered, including consultation with your office relative to the construction of additions to Temporary Buildings "M" and "Q", and an exchange of space with other Government agencies. Advice from your office and our own previous experience indicate that neither of the foregoing possibilities is feasible.

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A partial solution which appears to be possible on a timely basis would be the acquisition of the Riverside Stadium located on 26<sup>th</sup> Street which contains approximately 49,000 square feet of gross space. The availability of this building for occupancy by this Agency, while not a completely adequate solution, could be made to serve with reasonable satisfaction until other more satisfactory plans, of which you are aware, can be brought to completion.

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It is understood that Riverside Stadium is partially situated on Government-owned land and that Public Buildings Service has appropriated funds for the purpose of acquiring the building for the Government. Your representatives estimated that the cost of preparation for occupancy by this Agency would be approximately

It is requested that action be initiated by the Public Buildings Service to acquire the Riverside Stadium for assignment to this Agency. A letter dated 25 July from the present occupant stating lease terms, together with a Certificate of Necessity signed by the Director of Central Intelligence are attached.

Your early decision and action would be greatly appreciated as our need for this space is urgent.

Sincerely,

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cc: Chief, Adm Serv-4

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**CERTIFICATE OF NECESSITY**

In accordance with the authority vested in me by Paragraph (a), Section 6, of Public Law 110, 81st Congress, approved 20 June 1949, entitled, "Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949", I hereby find it necessary that, with regard to the property known as Riverside Stadium, the limitations on alterations, improvements, and repairs to leased property as contained in the Economy Act of 30 June 1932, as amended, be exceeded to permit the Central Intelligence Agency to successfully perform its functions.

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**WALTER B. SMITH**  
Director of Central Intelligence

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CERTIFICATE OF NECESSITY

In accordance with the authority vested in me by Paragraph (b), Section 6, of Public Law 110, 81st Congress, approved 20 June 1949, entitled, "Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949", I hereby find it necessary that, with regard to the property known as Riverside Station, the limitations on alterations, improvements, and repairs to leased property as contained in the Leasing Act of 30 June 1932, as amended, be exceeded to permit the Central Intelligence Agency to successfully perform its functions.

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WALTER B. SMITH  
Director of Central Intelligence

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