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Mr. Harland Bartholomew  
Chairman  
National Capital Planning Commission  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Bartholomew:

I have received a copy of a letter, dated 21 November 1955, to you from Mr. A. Claiborne Leigh, recently elected member of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors for the Dranesville District. In his letter Mr. Leigh expresses concern for the maintenance of strict zoning in the Langley area in order to protect the rural residential quality of the community.

We welcome Mr. Leigh's views on this subject and earnestly hope that zoning regulations will in fact be established so as to ensure the maintenance of the basic character of this attractive area. As I have stated before your Commission and on several other occasions, such regulations would be entirely in keeping with the desire of this Agency to locate its permanent headquarters at a site which, in addition to meeting the basic criteria as to proximity to Washington, security, access, etc., affords a maximum of privacy in the conduct of our sensitive operations.

Inasmuch as the establishment of adequate zoning regulations in the Langley area would be as beneficial to CIA as it would be to the residents, you may be assured that if our headquarters were to be located at the proposed site we would cooperate in every possible respect with the County authorities on this matter.

I know that the entire membership of the National Capital Planning Commission and the National Capital Regional Planning Council are interested in the zoning problem for the Langley area

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and I am, therefore, taking the liberty of sending a copy of this letter to each of them and to Mr. Leigh.

If there is anything further we can do in connection with your consideration of our proposal to locate at Langley, we are at your disposal.

Sincerely yours,

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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L. K. WHITE  
Deputy Director  
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28 November 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DULLES

The letter to Mr. Bartholomew from Mr. Leigh, who upset the Chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors in the recent election, is not particularly good. However, it does offer us an excuse to address the Commission on the subject of zoning.

Recommend that you sign the attached proposed letter to Mr. Bartholomew. I will then see that copies are supplied to each member of the Planning Commission and the Regional Council.

L. K. WHITE

28 Nov 55

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