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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF DEFENSE MOBILIZATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

July 18, 1955

Honorable Allen W. Dulles
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

This will refer to your letter dated May 10, 1955 and the subsequent presentation by your [redacted] relating to the scope of your Central Radio Frequency Usage File. We have had subsequent conversations with your staff on the subject and are impressed with the efficiency of the operation.

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We are particularly interested in the availability of these files to all Federal Government agencies, including ourselves and the Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee, when such information is necessary in developing a national position for use at international conferences, reviewing basic radio allocations, resolving questions of radio spectrum management, and so forth.

While it is axiomatic that a current product derived from controlled radio monitoring cannot be replaced by the type of records that any historical usage file provides, we are of the opinion that the information contained in your usage file is a necessary adjunct to current and controlled monitoring data. This is particularly true if the usage records are complete and reflect information concerning United States domestic and overseas operations as well as foreign transmissions which are so inter-related that the impacts, both technical and political, must receive careful consideration. In view of this premise it is our belief that the mission of your file should be broadened to permit accession of United States domestic and overseas frequency usage information.

We would like an expression of your feelings in this matter and your assurance that these files will be available as necessary.

Sincerely yours,

Harold M. Botkin
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Assistant Director for
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Mr. Harold M. Botkin
Assistant Director for Telecommunications
Office of Defense Mobilization
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Botkin:

In reply to your letter of 27 April 1955, I wish to state that we were pleased to have Messrs. Loeber, Obermiller and Plummer visit the [redacted] and hope that our facilities will prove of increasing interest and value.

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I shall be glad to have [redacted] and [redacted] present to the Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee [redacted] an outline of the scope of the Central Foreign Radio Frequency Usage File on 24 May 1955. Mr. [redacted] and [redacted] will be in contact with Mr. Plummer to make the final arrangements concerning the presentation.

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Sincerely yours,

ALLEN W. DULLES
Director

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4 May 1955

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF DEFENSE MOBILIZATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

April 27, 1955

Honorable Allen W. Dulles
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

We wish to express our appreciation for the opportunity extended to Messrs. Loeber, Obermiller and Plummer of this office on March 28, 1955 to visit your [redacted] for the purpose of inspecting the radio monitoring records.

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It is considered that the radio monitoring information now maintained by your [redacted] would be of great benefit if made available to the Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee (IRAC). Accordingly, if [redacted] would care to present to the IRAC, which is composed of Government agencies which use radio frequencies, an outline of the scope of the material and the methods under which it might be used, we feel that it would be of benefit.

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If you are agreeable to such a procedure I will be glad to arrange for such a presentation at the meeting of the IRAC on May 24, 1955.

Sincerely yours,

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