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*Carl*  
Lieutenant General Emmett O'Donnell, Jr.  
Deputy Chief of Staff Personnel  
Headquarters, United States Air Force  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Rosy:

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On 29 March 1954, I requested that a policy exception be made to allow Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] to remain with this Agency for an additional two-year period. On 31 March 1954, you very kindly granted this request.

I now find it necessary to request an additional two-year extension of his tour with CIA, and wish to assure you I would not do so if I were not personally convinced that this assignment is for the common good of the Government.

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Since my 1954 request, the National Security Council has initiated the 1290-d program. The purpose of the 1290-d program, in which the Department of Defense and other departments and agencies have responsibilities, is to strengthen the capabilities of countries subject to Communist subversion through the training and reinforcement of their internal security systems. In order to best fulfill this Agency's responsibilities under the program, we need the services of [redacted] in a supervisory position in Washington.

As you are aware, this Agency for some time has been engaged in activities to assist certain countries in the internal security field, and it is

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in this important work that [redacted] has made his greatest contribution. The knowledge and experience which he has acquired is invaluable, and is duplicated in this Agency by only a few officers. In fact, he has performed his duties in such an outstanding manner that I had the privilege recently to confer a decoration upon him.

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Your favorable response to this request for [redacted] to continue his assignment in CIA for another two years, will be greatly appreciated. I will be happy to discuss this in more detail should you consider it desirable.

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Sincerely,

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C. P. Cabell  
Lieutenant General, USAF  
Deputy Director

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**Lieutenant General Emmett O'Donnell, Jr.  
Deputy Chief of Staff Personnel  
Headquarters, United States Air Force  
Washington 25, D. C.**

**Dear Rosy:**

25X1 On 29 March 1954, I requested that a policy exception be made and that [redacted] be allowed to remain with this Agency for a two-year period. On 31 March 1954, you very kindly granted this request. [redacted] has performed his duties in such an outstanding manner that I had the privilege to confer a decoration on him on 25 March 1957. The knowledge and experience which he has acquired is invaluable and is duplicated by only a few officers in CIA. As you are aware, since my 1954 request, the NSC 1290-d program has been initiated. CIA's part in this program involves the type of work in which [redacted] has acquired such experience. The 1290-d program is a Governmental effort in which the Department of Defense, as well as other departments and agencies, have responsibilities. In order to best fulfill our responsibilities, we need the services [redacted] in a supervisory position in Washington, in which he can bring the weight of his unique ability and experience to bear on the programs for all 1290-d countries. CIA, in addition, is assisting certain other countries in the internal security field who do not come under the 1290-d program. 25

25X1 I regret the necessity to have to again request your permission for [redacted] to continue his assignment in the Central Intelligence Agency for another two years. I assure you that I would not

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do so if I were not personally convinced that this assignment is for the common good of the Government.

I will appreciate your assistance and will be happy to discuss this request in more detail, should you consider it desirable.

Sincerely,

C. P. Cabell  
Lieutenant General, USAF  
Deputy Director

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