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Honorable Wilber M. Brucher
Secretary of the Army
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Wilber:

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Sincerely,

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Allen W. Dulles
Director

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JAN 7 1959

Mr. Allen Dulles
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Allen:

Recently I have read and discussed with my staff your memorandum relating to the status of the Soviet ICBM program. I am sure that the findings of such ad hoc panels can be extremely useful in charting the future course of the Soviet missile development.

Your memorandum also pointed up the fact that the scientists and technical personnel engaged in the development of our own missile programs are uniquely qualified to assist in the interpretation of technical intelligence data acquired on the developing Soviet systems. In this regard, I would like to mention that the Department of the Army has available at ABMA and in its technical services integrated teams of outstanding scientific personnel. Some of these teams were assembled by the Army as far back as 1945 and their efforts have helped carry the United States to the forefront in missile research and development.

In determining future requirements for scientific and technical consultant groups in the missile intelligence field, I am hopeful that the wealth of talent presently engaged in the Army missile program can be used to the advantage of our national intelligence.

I am certain you will agree that if we are to keep abreast of Soviet missile developments, our intelligence effort must be increased materially. I am anxious that our Army intelligence resources respond to this challenge and share fully in carrying the load of the heavy intelligence tasks facing you and our intelligence community. In this regard I am especially concerned that in view of the Soviet Army's close involvement with the Soviet missile program to include the long range programs, that our intelligence coverage of these elements of the Soviet Armed Forces be appropriately emphasized.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Wilber M. Brucker".

Wilber M. Brucker
Secretary of the Army

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