

30 December 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Clearance Letters under Executive Order 10450

X1 In accordance with our conversation about the letter from the  
Director which [ ] requested in connection with his  
clearance, we have checked with the Department of Justice and  
they point out that the 1950 Act on which the Executive Order  
is based requires that the individual be informed specifically  
of the determination of the Head of the Agency. They state  
that it is common practice to have this information given in  
a letter from the Head of the Agency to the individual. I  
X1 believe, therefore, that [ ] request is consistent  
with general practice and recommend signature by the Director.

[ ] 25X1

LAWRENCE R. HOUSTON  
Acting Deputy Director  
(Administration)

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles -  
See also Mr. Houston's  
memo. to DDCI.

Recommend you  
sign the original letter  
but amended by  
deletion of all after  
"recommendations" in 7<sup>th</sup> line  
CPC  
DDCI

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(DATE)