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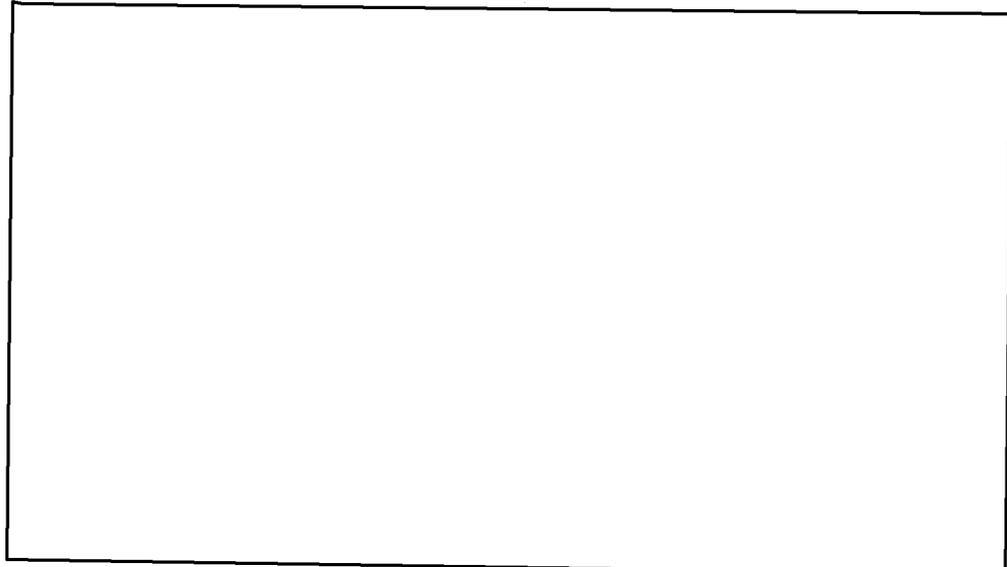
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The Honorable
Director of the
Bureau of the Budget
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Lawton:

The annual budget estimate for the Central Intelligence Agency for Fiscal Year 1952 is attached. The estimate includes, in addition to detailed statistical information concerning projected requirements, summaries, charts, statement of functions, activities, and accomplishments, and additional statements of justification considered necessary to facilitate an appropriate analysis of the individual and total requests. Due to security considerations certain details and information have been omitted in the budget submission. However, upon request additional data will be supplied authorized representatives of the Bureau of the Budget.

The following statement reflects by object of expenditure the estimated obligations for Fiscal Year 1952:



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Estimates are based upon known or realizable factors despite the possibility that changes in world conditions may result in the placing of further requirements upon the Agency. If such a contingency occurs, it may be necessary to submit a supplemental request for additional funds.

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The operations of the Office of Policy Coordination are of such a nature that it is extremely difficult to estimate accurately as to exact requirements. Under the provisions of NSC Directives this Office receives direct policy guidance from the Departments of State and Defense and in many instances is directed to carry out certain covert operations which were not anticipated. Such instructions may also result in a request for a supplemental appropriation.

The budget estimate will be submitted to the National Security Council for review and approval. A copy of the Council's recommendations will be forwarded to your office for consideration.

Sincerely,

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R. H. HILLENKOETTER
Rear Admiral, USN
Director of Central Intelligence

Attachment

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Management Officer