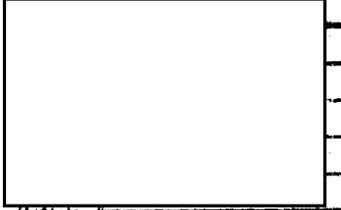


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4 February 1961

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General Walter Bedell Smith



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Dear Beedle:

Many thanks for your kind letter of 25 January concerning the Franklin Award that I received from the New York Employers Printing Association.

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With one eye on heaven and one on the twentieth award, perhaps I will have a chance to vote for your getting that one.

With my best wishes,

Faithfully,

**SIGNED**

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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January 25, 1961

Dear Allen:

I had a letter from Bill Walling telling me that they had selected you for the most recent Franklin Award. My sincere congratulations.

Except for myself you join a rather distinguished company, and even with me in the crowd, it completes a ten year full cycle starting with CIA and the tenth one going to you.

I hope you live long enough and are active long enough to get the twentieth. I shall certainly vote for you.

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Beedle'.

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