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Mr. Herbert V. Prochnow
Vice President
The First National Bank of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Prochnow:

Thank you for your kind letter of 20 December concerning the invitation for me to talk before the Commercial Club of Chicago at a luncheon meeting.

As I wrote Mr. Livingston, it is regretted that I cannot accept the invitation due to prior commitments. Your courtesy in writing to me as you did is greatly appreciated.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely,

Signed

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

HERBERT V. PROCHNOW
VICE PRESIDENT

December 20, 1957.

The Honorable Allen W. Dulles,
Director of Central Intelligence,
Central Intelligence Agency,
2430 E Street,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

Mr. Homer Livingston, President of this bank and President of the Commercial Club of Chicago, has written you a letter inviting you to speak to the Commercial Club.

All of us greatly hope that you will find it possible to accept the invitation.

The leading business and professional men in Chicago are members of this Club. The meetings are held off-the-record. I am sure you would have a message which would be exceptionally worthwhile for this audience.

My guess would be that you would have about 200 persons at luncheon.

With kind personal regards and with best wishes for a Merry Christmas, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Herbert V. Prochnow
Vice President.

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