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Dear Mr. Dulles:

The Commandant of The National War College will conduct the Defense Strategy Seminar-1961 under the direction of the Joint Chiefs of Staff during July 1961. This Seminar brings together approximately 250 outstanding Reserve Officers who are leaders in civilian life, such as Mayors, Chairmen of Chambers of Commerce, and people in similar positions to influence our nation.

The purpose of the Seminar is to make its members aware of the critical situation facing our nation in the cold war; to make them realize that an awakening of our people is required to provide increased determination to meet the challenge of world communist imperialism; and to present to them some ways in which they will be able to create this awareness and determination among their local people when they return home.

I am delighted to confirm the informal invitation extended to you, on my behalf, by Captain Edward R. King, USN, to give the first lecture of this Seminar series at 10:00 a. m. on Monday, 10 July 1961, on the subject, "Review of the World Situation," and I am pleased to learn that you have accepted this invitation. This lecture is the very foundation on which we build the Seminars and I know of no one more eminently qualified to make this presentation.

We shall communicate with you further regarding the administrative arrangements for your visit.

The college is certainly fortunate to have such a staunch and true friend as yourself, and it will be a pleasure to have you return to the college this summer.

Sincerely yours,

THOMAS L. HARROLD
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army
Commandant

The Honorable Allen W. Dulles
Director, Central Intelligence Agency

Washington 25, D. C.

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