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Mr. William Groat  
 Project Action  
 Twin Cities for American Ideals  
 Wold-Chamberlin Field  
 U. S. Naval Air Station  
 Minneapolis, Minn.

DEEPLY REGRET LONG-STANDING PREVIOUS COMMITMENT PRECLUDES ACCEPTANCE  
 YOUR KIND INVITATION FOR APRIL 28 - 29. BEST WISHES FOR SUCCESSFUL  
 PROGRAM.

Allen W. Dulles

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 Message Center*

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*Invitation*  
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MR. DULLES:

Mr. William Groat, head of Project Action, Minneapolis, called to invite you to be the speaker at a rally similar to the one held in Lubbock, Texas, in 1959, - to be held April 28-29.

Mr. Groat has also spoken with the White House today regarding this rally and said that they are willing to go all the way to the top of the ladder to get the best speaker and they would be delighted if you could accept this invitation to speak before 10,000 people. He said, "We have got to have some power - a speaker with authority."

Mr. Groat would appreciate receiving a collect-wire as to whether or not you could do this:

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You have received an invitation for April 28 to address the U. S. Naval Academy. STAT

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