

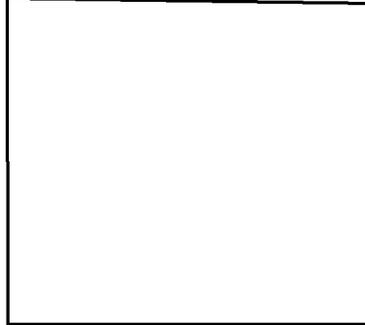
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October 25, 1959

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The Honorable Chester Bowles
Hayden's Point
Essex, Connecticut



Dear Chester:

Many thanks for your letter of October 13, about your forthcoming trip.



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I share the general apprehension expressed in the third paragraph of your letter, and I believe this is also shared by others here in important positions in the Executive Branch. Certainly there is no reason to relax as we have no reason to conclude that the fundamentals of the situation have been altered. We still stand by the principle that we are waiting for deeds and not for words.

I shall look forward to seeing you when you get back from your trip.

Faithfully yours,

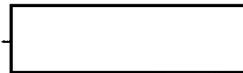
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October 13, 1959

Dear Allen:

I am leaving on an abbreviated trip to Europe on the 28th of October. It will consist of a series of two or three day stands in Rome, Tunisia, Greece, Turkey, Yugoslavia, Bonn and London. If there is anything I can do to be helpful in the course of these brief visits, let me know.

I wish I could come to Washington to talk with some of your people before I go but I am afraid in view of all the other commitments I have made for October, this will not be possible.

I would particularly like to have had your views in retrospect of the Khrushchev visit. It seems to me that for better or for worse we are moving from one historic period to another and that we are ill prepared for it. There is grave danger that the public may interpret the change which may be taking place, not as a fundamental challenge in the economic, social and political fields, but as an assurance that everything is right with the world and that now we can relax.

Unless we can somehow break free from this mood, the Soviet Union may find that in a relaxed atmosphere it can make more progress than in the previous period of tension.

With my warmest regards.

Sincerely,

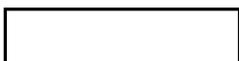
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Mr. Allen Dulles
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

P.S. I thought that the Khrushchev visit was extremely well handled.

October 26, 1959

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I dispatched the original of the attached
on Sunday.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles

A copy of the attached has been sent to

Tracy Barnes

You wanted to make the reply yourself
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