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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Tracy Barnes
Deputy Director
Psychological Strategy Board

1. I enclose a copy of a letter from Frank R. Barnett, whose activities in the field of psychological warfare have already been brought to your attention.

2. To my mind his idea is not a bad one, although I doubt that this would have been a very propitious time for this experiment. I suggest that you file it away with a tab so that it may be revived at an appropriate time next year.

ALLEN W. DULLES

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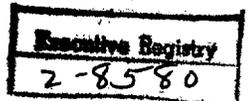
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Dear Mr. Barnett:

I read with interest your letter of 21 April 1952. Unfortunately, in part due to my absence from the city, it did not reach me in time to steer it into proper channels for action this year. However, I am seeing that it is brought to the attention of those who may be able to take action in the future; possibly, under more propitious circumstances.

Faithfully yours,

Allen W. Dulles

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21 April 1952

Mr. Allen Dulles
2430 E St., NW
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

As you know, this Friday, April 25th, marks the 7th anniversary of the meeting of the American and Soviet armies at the Elbe.

Would it be appropriate for a senior officer still on active duty to say a few words in remembrance of this occasion? A salutation to old comrades-in-arms might be useful in creating friction between Red Army career officers and the politically elite. (General J. Lawton Collins commanded the VII Corps, to which the 69th Infantry, the first unit to meet the Red Army, was attached on April 28, 1945.)

May I, as an interested amateur, take heart at the recent pronouncements of a distinguished statesman who deplores "containment" and hope that some day soon it may be feasible to establish a Legion of Liberation under the NATO army? I appreciate that under the circumstances this question must be regarded as rhetorical.

Sincerely yours,

Frank Barnett
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