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The Honorable Louis Johnson
The Secretary of Defense
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

As you will readily understand, this Agency has a very keen interest in the course and outcome of the current North Atlantic Pact defense talks which you are sponsoring. It seems highly desirable that the Agency's analysts, who will be called upon for evaluation of the repercussions of the conferences, be provided with a sound basis of factual information concerning the questions under discussion.

It would be much appreciated if you could arrange for the Central Intelligence Agency to have copies of the memoranda, working papers, and other pertinent documents prepared for use in the conferences and also those papers prepared as a result of the conferences. They would be most useful to the Agency if we could arrange to pick them up on a daily basis.

If you find it feasible to approve this request, I should like to designate [redacted] as my representative to work out the details of the deliveries with whomsoever you choose to name. [redacted] may be reached by telephone on [redacted]

Sincerely,

Signed -- disp by hand 10/6

R. H. Hilsenkoetter
Rear Admiral, USN
Director of Central
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