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Lieutenant General A. C. Wedemeyer, GSC  
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Department of the Army  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Al:

Thank you very much for your kind and thoughtful letter of 18 September. You cannot imagine what a pleasure it has been for me to work with you, and on a purely personal basis I regret your leaving Washington accordingly.

However, I should like to congratulate you on your new assignment because I am sure it is a step, and a necessary one, to advancement to even more responsible posts.

With very best wishes for complete happiness and for complete success, please believe me,

Sincerely,

sgd & disp 9/20/49 via ER

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Note: Ltr frm Gen Wedemeyer: "Prior to my departure for service in the Sixth Army, I want to express my sincere appreciation of the loyal and effective support that you and the members of CIA have given me the past two years. My frequent contacts with you and members of your outstanding group cause me to leave Washington with confidence concerning the bright future of our strategic intelligence service. Sincere good wishes for every happiness and success."

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