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The Honorable John Marshall Butler  
United States Senate  
Washington 25, D. C.

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DATE: 29 APR 1987 REVIEWER:  STAT

Dear John:

Thank you for your letter of 12 May regarding the proposal of the Continental Construction Company, Inc. that CIA consider some land in Greenbelt as a possible headquarters site for this Agency.

In consideration of all of our requirements, we have tentatively concluded that properties most accessible to the metropolitan area of Washington would best suit our needs. We have, therefore, considerably narrowed the number of locations which are presently being given intensive study. However, if none of the sites under current study prove to be finally acceptable, we shall be glad to include the Greenbelt property in any further study which we would be required to make.

I greatly appreciate your calling these matters to our attention, and your continued assistance in this problem.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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Rewritten 26 May 55  
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1 - Dir. of Logistics w/basic

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Dear John:

I have your recent referral to me of a letter which you received from \_\_\_\_\_ regarding the possibility of our utilizing property in Cumberland or Allegany County as a headquarters site for the Central Intelligence Agency.

Since Colonel White last talked to you about our study of prospective headquarters sites, we have completed the review of all suggested locations. As a result, we have considerably narrowed down the number of sites for final study, with the hope that we may make a positive selection at an early date. At least two sites in Maryland are still being considered.

In view of our requirements, we have tentatively concluded that property most accessible to the metropolitan area of Washington would best suit our needs. Therefore, we feel that \_\_\_\_\_ suggestion of possible sites in Cumberland or Allegany County are too far from the metropolitan area for our purposes. However, if for any reason none of the sites presently being considered are finally selected, we will again review the many suggestions which we have received, including that of \_\_\_\_\_

I appreciate your continued interest and assistance to us in this matter, and am returning \_\_\_\_\_ letter to you as you have requested.

With kindest regards.

*for*

- OGC:WLP/blc (10 May 55)
- Rewritten 12 May 55
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Sincerely,

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Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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Assistant to the Director

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Dear John:

Thank you for your letter of 10 May 1955 together with its enclosed maps indicating a possible location for the new CIA headquarters.

We would be pleased to have [ ] contact the Agency directly in regard to a possible headquarters site for CIA, and I suggest that she write to Mr. L. K. White, our Deputy Director who is in charge of this matter. However, in all fairness, I should point out that we have narrowed down our site selection to a comparatively few sites which are presently undergoing final review in the hopes that one of them will prove satisfactory. If one of these sites is not finally selected, however, we will again review all of the suggestions that have been made, and at such a time we would be glad to consider the site which [ ] wishes to propose. STAT

I appreciate your continued assistance and interest in this matter.

With kindest regards.

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- 2 - Legislative Counsel [ ]
- 1 - DD/S
- 1 - Dir. of Logistics w/basic

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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Counsel*

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2	Legislative Counsel / <i>OGC</i>		
3	<i>223 Encl</i>		
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1	Assist. to the Director	<i>FMC</i>	12 May
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- COMMENT       PREPARATION OF REPLY       DISPATCH
- CONCURRENCE       RECOMMENDATION       FILE

Remarks:

Preparation of reply for DCI signature.



1 to 2: For preparation of reply for Mr. Dulles' signature, after appropriate coordination with the Director of Logistics and Colonel Grogan, Assistant to the Director, and return to me by 18 May

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