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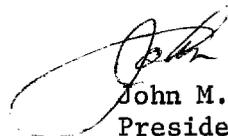
I am very deeply grateful for the contribution you made to our seminar program. Your talk was outstanding. I am sure you could tell from the reaction of the audience how much they appreciated the insight you provided into the problems now facing the intelligence community.

I want to add a very sincere "good luck" on the speaking engagements you have planned for the future. The message you have to convey is one the American people need desperately to hear. I am convinced that if the talk you gave at our seminar could be aired on prime time television, the difficulties now faced by the C.I.A. would diminish rapidly.

I will be forwarding in the next day or so the tape recording of your talk as we promised.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

  
John M. Fisher  
President

JMF/Ck

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Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Walters:

I am very pleased that you have agreed to speak at our national security Seminar of January 26-27. As Phil Clarke may have mentioned, we will be having the top officials of the American Legion in the audience, including the current and incoming national commanders and the current and incoming presidents of the Legion's Auxiliary. Colonel Phelps Jones, the foreign affairs specialist of the VFW will be there.

In addition, the Co-Chairmen of our BICENTENNIAL OPERATION ALERT, General Lemnitzer, and Ambassadors Henderson and Durbrow will be in attendance (the National Commander of the American Legion is also a Co-Chairman).

The other speakers at the Seminar will include Dr. James Dornan, the chairman of the department of politics at Catholic University; Dr. Stephan Gebert, Georgetown University; Professor Ray Sleeper, Space Institute of Tennessee; and Maj. General George Keegan, head of Air Force intelligence.

The Seminar runs from 5:30 p.m. on January 26th to 4:00 p.m. on the 27th.

We have scheduled you as the first speaker. You will be on after dinner on the 26th. We'd appreciate it if you could talk for about half an hour to forty-five minutes with an equal time for questions, answers and discussion afterwards.

I know that the audience is especially interested in how seriously you view Soviet political warfare efforts and how changes have affected CIA's capability to meet the challenge.

I am enclosing a map showing the way to the Freedom Studies Center.

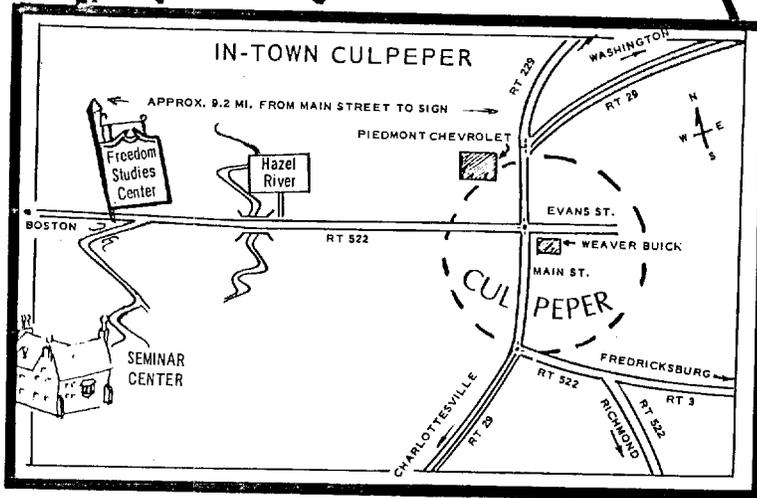
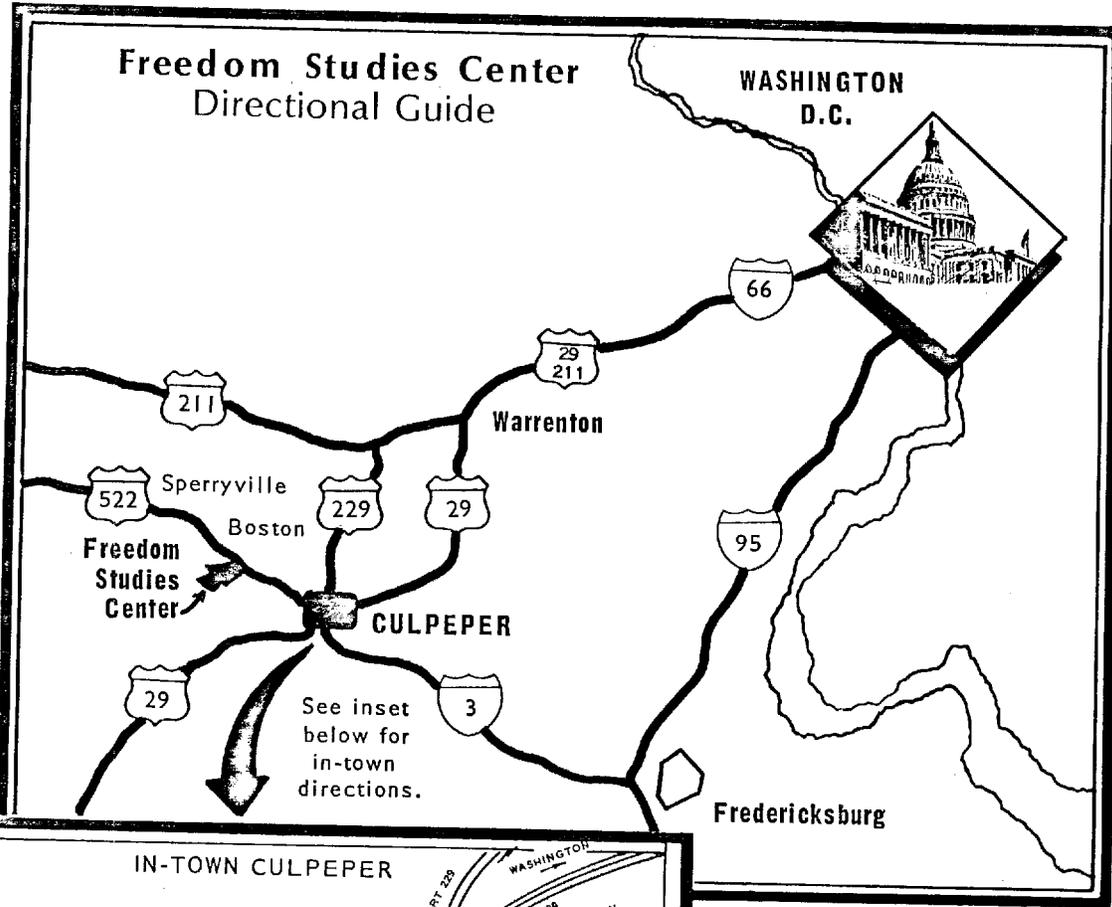
Warm regards,

Sincerely,

  
John M. Fisher  
President

JMF/Cc

Enclosure



PHILIP C. CLARKE



12/31/75

Dear Angus:

Here's the transcript of Dr. Cline--Part I. Another program is in the works dealing with his observations on whether the CIA can compete with the KGB vis-a-vis an open vs. closed society. I'll see that you get this as well.

Our Boston, Va., office is mailing directly to you a map with instructions for Gen. Walter's use in driving there on the 26th. Please let me know if you can make it, too, and whether any of the General's associates might accompany him.

FYI, have program scheduled with David Phillips on Friday and lunch with Jim Angleton next Tuesday. I should like nothing better one day soon than to take a sabbatical and write a definitive book or series of articles presenting an objective insight into the CIA. The American people need desperately to know --within the bounds of security--the full story of the Agency's contributions and why its preservation is absolutely necessary to our national survival.

With all best wishes in the New Year,

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WASHINGTON REPORT OF THE AIR  
REPORTER : Philip C. Clarke with  
Professor Ray S. Cline of  
Georgetown University  
INDEX : U.S.-C.I.A.  
FOR BROADCAST: Friday, January 2, 1976

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THE CIA: CAN IT SURVIVE?

Nineteen seventy-five was by all measures a bad year for the CIA. The question now is: Can the Central Intelligence Agency survive in the years ahead, and, if so, by what means?

As a veteran of 30 years experience in the intelligence field, Dr. Ray S. Cline, former CIA deputy director and head of intelligence and research for the State Department finds the CIA at a critical point:

RAY S. CLINE: "My feeling is that the agencies, particularly the CIA, have been so denegated by exaggerated criticism and by the spotlight of adverse publicity for a whole year that they are unable to do the job of collecting intelligence, which they formerly did, and are at a very awkward position for doing any covert action in supporting a U.S. policy abroad. We see how handicapped CIA has been in taking any positive role in supporting democratic parties in Portugal. We see that we have not been able to approach directly assisting the independence movements in Angola which are resisting a very blatant attempt by the Soviet Union to organize a guerrilla army which will be beholden to them. I think it's easy to see that foreign people who might in the past have been quite anxious to assist the United States either by giving information of value to us or by cooperating in political movements of the moderate, democratic kind are reluctant to be associated with CIA. The term has become a bad name. We've discredited it ourselves, press has discredited it, our Congress has discredited it, and I am quite sure that the recruiting of agents and securing foreign cooperation is extremely difficult in this atmosphere."

Dr. Cline, who now serves as Executive Director of Studies for the Center for Strategic and International Studies at Georgetown University, believes the CIA can and should be maintained to protect our national security.

At the same time, he would reorganize the CIA to provide a clearer distinction between the analytical functions of the agency and its covert activities. These should be related, he says, but administratively separated. And finally, Dr. Cline recommends that the CIA Director be elevated from his subordinate position to full Cabinet level status.

Only then, he says, can there be proper understanding by the nation's leadership of the importance of intelligence in today's world.

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Remarks:

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 2) Anyone going avec?  
 3) Clarke asks: can he stay for entire 24 hrs. i.e. arrive Monday aft, 26, speak in evening, stay with Legation (over)

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people until Tuesday  
at 5pm? Take  
part in seminars.

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Talked to Philip Clarke and told him that General Walters would not be able to participate in seminar on the 27th. Said I did not know if he would stay overnight and that it depended on how late he would up his presentation on 26th. Told him DDCI would be accompanied by an assistant named  Asked him if he could arrange to tape the General's presentation and make the tape available to us so that we could transcribe his remarks. He agreed to do that. They expect him to arrive in afternoon. Starts at 5:30. DDCI speaks after dinner. ncl

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MONDAY, JANUARY 26

5:30 p.m. - Reception  
7:00 p.m. - Dinner  
After Dinner - GUEST LECTURER  
Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters  
Deputy Director, C.I.A.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27

8:00 a.m. - Breakfast  
8:45 a.m. -- SYSTEMS IN CONFLICT  
Professor Raymond S. Sleeper  
10:00 a.m. - Coffee Break  
10:15 a.m. - GUEST LECTURER  
Maj. Gen. George Keegan  
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11:30 a.m. - WHAT CAN BE DONE  
John M. Fisher  
12:30 p.m. - Lunch  
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Dr. Stephan Gibert  
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Dr. James Dornan  
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