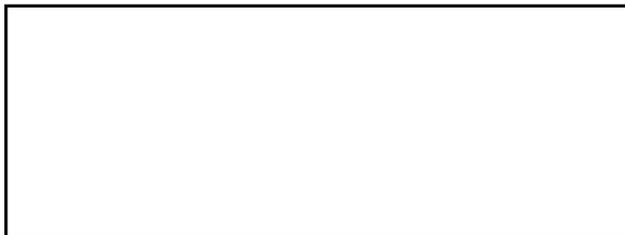


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Your note came just today, and I am sorry but, as long as you are physically retired, we cannot take you in CIA. The law just will not permit it unless you are willing to give up your retired pay, and I imagine that would be a little foolish.

Please give me a ring when you come to Washington. With best wishes, believe me,

Sincerely,

R. H. Hillenkoetter
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Rear Admiral, USN
Director of Central Intelligence

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Note for record: 
dtd 28 Jan sent to CR for file: "Dear Hilly:
Will you ask one of your many subordinates
to look up the law and see if I can work
for CIG. Am pretty sure I can't--Am a
physically retired. While I like the financial
business very well, with the volume of business
the last two years, you can't make enough to
pay for your lunches. I'd be delighted to
send you our firm's Weekly Reviews if you'd
like--good luck. Sincerely, "