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Lt. General James H. Doolittle
New York, New York

Dear General Doolittle:

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I have asked [redacted] to kindly hand you this letter and suggest that you destroy it when it has served its purpose.

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Enclosed are brief curriculum vitae of certain of the key men of the organization whom you will meet on your trip with their background of experience. [redacted]

Kindly

destroy these memoranda when you are finished with them.

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As you may recall, I had planned to brief you this week personally and alone on several particularly sensitive operations. In view of the change of plans this has not been possible, but one of these operations is being handled [redacted]

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[redacted] We have instructed our [redacted] [redacted] to brief you on these operations. I will of course leave to your own good judgment the extent you may wish to brief any other members of your group. Here in the office knowledge of these matters is restricted to very, very few persons.

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On my trip [redacted] yesterday, I did not get a real chance to discuss with the Boss the problem of coordination between your group and that of General Clark's. I did tell him, however, of the progress your group is making and mentioned your trip.

Furthermore, on the plane going out, I had a good talk with Arthur Flemming who is one of the President's appointees on the Hoover Committee and who was fully familiar with the problem of coordinating the work of the two groups. I believe the best solution would be a talk between you and General Clark with the Boss on the latter's return to Washington. Possibly there should be a preliminary talk with Herbert Hoover.

This morning I had a brief word with John Hollister, Executive Director of the Hoover Committee, who also seems most anxious to avoid unnecessary duplication in the work of the two groups.

Good luck on your trip and I am delighted you are taking it.

Faithfully yours,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

Enclosures

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