

MEMORANDUM FOR: DAVID LOW

GRAHAM FULLER

- PLEASE REVIEW THE ATTACHED AND COMMENT AT YOUR EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY.
- DDO/PCS WILL ALSO REVIEW BEFORE C/NIC CONSIDERS THE REQUEST

-- [REDACTED] ALL, AND I AGREE THAT THE REQUEST SHOULD BE DENIED -- SENATOR PRESSLER CAN BE BRIEFED HERE, GAO NEED NOT SEE / RECEIVE THE ESTIMATES

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21 JULY 1984

I would think NESEA briefing would be good enough on these sensitive topics for OAO
Graham Fuller

Date

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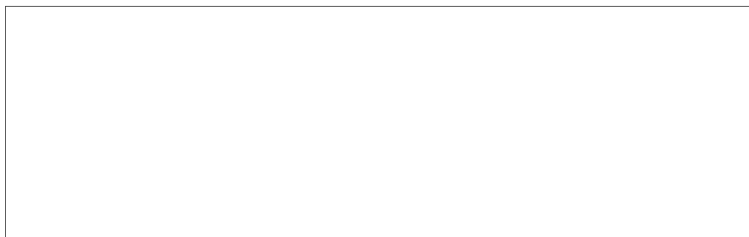
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25 July 1984

NOTE FOR: Chairman, National Intelligence Council

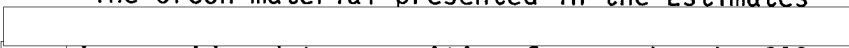
SUBJECT: GAO Request

I join Graham Fuller, David Low, and DDO/NE
in denying the attached GAO request for access to
three National Estimates:



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The Orcon material presented in the Estimates



is considered too sensitive for use by the GAO
in the stated context.

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We recommend instead that Senator Pressler be
briefed on topics related to his request for the
proposed GAO study.



Hal Ford
NIO At Large

THE DIRECTOR OF
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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Chairman
National Intelligence Council

DPLL -

Chuck -

Per conversation - neither we
nor S/OZ are comfortable giving
access to these documents.




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Per Chuck P. Mags.

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Deny documents to GAO,
but GAO may tell President we will
be happy to have him read them
or ~~but~~ ~~briefed~~. 
will write letter to GAO
(you draft) or you may
do by phone.

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ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

SUBJECT: (Optional)
GAO Request

FROM:	[] OLL/LD 7B02 HQS	EXTENSION	[]	NO.	
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1. [] PO/NIC	23/7	23/7	SL	<p>GAO has renewed its request for the two SNIEs and one NIE cited on the attached paper. I turned down the original request in June, basing my position on our history of not putting estimates into GAO hands and the unlikelihood that the ORCON would be cleared by DO for GAO. Because of the renewed request, I am seeking your reaction. The requestors are GAO staffers (cleared to TS) who are working on a report on [] security needs. Their study will be classified, at a yet undetermined level, and CIA will be allowed to review the draft before publication. The bottom line is whether we consider the ORCON material too sensitive to be used as a classified GAO publication. The staffers have had two briefings here by DDI/NESA analysts but the nuclear topic, which GAO is most interested in, has not been covered in the depth they would like.</p> <p>Would you please discuss this among yourselves and give me a call.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 50px; margin: 10px auto;"></div> <p style="text-align: center;">Please return copies of the estimate Agree to deny. SL</p>
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3. Graham Fuller, NIO/NESA			SL	
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5. David Low, NIO/NP	23/7	24/7	SL	
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7. DDO/PCS <i>denied</i>	24/7	24/7	SL	
8. NIC/PO			<i>even as background for</i>	
9. VC/NIC	25/7		HF FOR NEM HF	
10. EPS/LA		24/7	ALB	
11. C/NIC				
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