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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

23 JUL 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR: Hon. McGeorge Bundy  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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1. This is in answer to Mr. Arthur Schlesinger's memorandum of July 12, 1963. Would appreciate it if you would pass this information on to him.

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(C) 2. CIA has explored the problem of reinstatement of [REDACTED] with State and our own people.

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(C) 3. We share Mr. Schlesinger's feeling [REDACTED] has an outstanding record for bravery and scholarship. However, there are reasons that we think make it impossible for us to use the [REDACTED] as a means of supporting [REDACTED]

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(C) 4. First, his writing is, as Mr. Schlesinger points out, bound to be offensive to Yugoslavia precisely when we are being most careful to avoid actions that might upset the delicate balance in our relationships with that country. The Yugoslav regime would inevitably construe [REDACTED] grant as an action that would only be taken with official U.S. knowledge and approval.

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(C) 5. As an operational matter, we find that it would be untimely and inconsistent to render support of this kind to [REDACTED] when we are in fact engaged in a deliberate program of retrenchment of funds being dispensed to exiles through our projects. We have managed quite successfully, for example, to accomplish significant reductions in grants to [REDACTED]

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(C) 6. This Agency has no alternative proposals for helping [REDACTED] other than those mentioned in Mr. Schlesinger's letter. We think private foundation assistance might be obtained.

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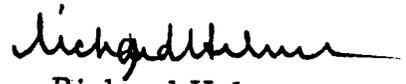
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7. We appreciate Mr. Schlesinger's calling this matter to our attention. We regret that we cannot simply proceed to use the [redacted] but for the reasons given do not believe it would be wise to do so.

  
Richard Helms  
Deputy Director (Plans)

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