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April 16, 1957

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover

Subject:

*Joseph Alsop*

Concerning my letter of 5 April, I am submitting herewith a copy of the report [redacted] following his interview with Subject on 3 April.

It should be noted that in this report the matter of Subject's future travel into Soviet controlled areas seems less definite than it did in the earlier [redacted] summary of the interview. However, it is also apparent that in Subject's present state of mind, his actions cannot be safely predicted. Subject's proposed travel plans have been brought to the attention of the State Department at a high level.

I wish to acknowledge your report on Subject dated 29 March 1957 and your letters of 5 April and 9 April. In the latter communication you state that you do not feel that your Bureau is in a position to make any recommendations concerning Subject's future conduct or plans, nor has the responsibility of furnishing guidance concerning his future. This position is identical with my own views in the matter insofar as pertains to CIA, except that I view with apprehension any possible plans of Subject to travel behind the Iron Curtain under the special circumstances of this case. It is my intent so to inform Subject, and I wish to know whether you would desire that we also inform him of your views because of his specific requests in this regard.

Having reviewed the attached report, I am not at all satisfied with Subject's evaluation of his own situation or his refusal to cooperate more fully in the interview. Judging by this document, it seems apparent that at this time Subject is not disposed to contribute any further information regarding his contacts or activities.

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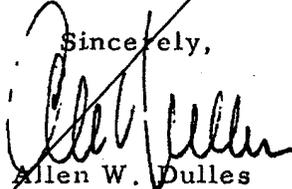
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I am looking forward to receiving any comments or observations which you may have to make on the enclosed report. Meanwhile I propose to follow Subject's movements abroad to the extent feasible.

Sincerely,



Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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