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My dear Mr. Secretary,

The directive of January 22, 1946, setting up the National Intelligence Authority provided for the appointment by the President of a personal representative to serve on the National Intelligence Authority and also for the appointment by the President of a Director of Central Intelligence.

You are hereby advised that, in accordance with such directive, I have today appointed Fleet Admiral William D. Leahy, U.S.N., as my personal representative on the National Intelligence Authority and I have appointed Rear Admiral Sidney W. Souers, U.S.N.R., to serve as the Director of Central Intelligence.

Very sincerely yours,

(Sgd) HARRY S. TRUMAN

Honorable James F. Byrnes x20
Secretary of State
Washington, D.C.

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