

Thomas J. Betts 100 C Street, Southeast Washington 3, D. C.

19 August, 1950.

Dear Beedle:

Congratulations again, this time de facto, to you and CIA on your new association. You are undoubtedly what the organization needs at this time.

I believe that your most important and pressing substantive problem is going to center around the organization of National Intelligence. Bob Jackson is undoubtedly aware of this from his participation in the Hoover Commission survey of CIA. Nevertheless it is something behind which you will have to put your personal weight. I write the foregoing with what I believe is detachment, since my present connection with CIA has nothing directly to do with intelligence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tom".

T. J. Betts
Colonel GSC

Lt. Gen. W. B. Smith
Hq First Army
New York

*Correction re-typed
on original*

22 August 1950

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Mr. Thomas J. Betts
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Dear Tom

Your congratulations and kind remarks on
my new appointment are sincerely appreciated.

This will undoubtedly turn out to be as
difficult as anything I have yet undertaken,
but I am confident that now, as in the past, I
will receive the assistance and support of some
first-rate people and that together we will make
a go of it.

With warmest personal regards,

Faithfully,

Isi Bedell