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653 Channing

Atlanta, Ga.

Sept. 7, 1950

Dear General:

I am busy expediting personnel and other jobs for the Westinghouse corporation and not too busy to take time out to write you and congratulate you on your appointment as Director of central intelligence. You will find the man best suited for the job and I am happy you agreed to take it.

I was in Dept of the A. S. I. 1942-46 formerly night school, was a representative for General Motors, Personnel manager for St. Regis Paper Company. I live in [unclear] but my home is in Congressman Sikes' district, Pensacola, Florida. I am and have two young sons.

I just wanted to say this opportunity
wishes you well and to tell me if
I can help you, please let me know



Sincerely yours

James A. [unclear]

14 September 1950

Mr. James M. Fleming
653 Channing Drive, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Fleming:

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

Although I am under no illusion as to the difficulty of the position which I am shortly to assume, I am at the moment greatly heartened and encouraged by the confidence which the President has seen fit to place in me, and by the generous public support which has been made evident by such letters as yours.

Sincerely,

W. B. SMITH