

The Director of Central Intelligence

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Dear [redacted]

As 1978 draws to an end, I want to let you know how much I appreciate your great efforts and accomplishments during this past year. You have worked under difficult circumstances and moved ahead in spite of impediments. I only wish that I could have paved a smoother road for your new organization. What you have accomplished, however, and how you have done it, has set [redacted] on the right course. The impact on the Community is already being felt for the better, and the long-term benefit to the country will be very great.

Most of all, [redacted] I am grateful for your sense of teamwork. With me you have been forthright in your advice and I treasure that; with all others you have been straightforward in ways that have built confidence. This has been so essential and is such a hallmark of your character.

As the New Year comes in Pat and I will be grateful for your and [redacted] friendship over these fifteen years plus, and looking forward so to 1979 together.

Thanks.

Yours,



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