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Honorable Claiborne Pell, Chairman
Subcommittee on Oceans and
International Environment
Committee on Foreign Relations
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In response to your letter of 21 July 1976, the answer to both of the questions you ask in that letter is "no." The Central Intelligence Agency has never been involved in any project employing weather modification techniques against Cuba, off the coast of Cuba or any other nation or against any nation's harvest activities.

You will recall that in connection with our correspondence earlier this year (your 23 January letter to Mr. Colby and my 19 February reply) my colleagues briefed two members of your personal and Committee staff on certain Southeast Asian activities, none of which were directed against harvests or-- obviously--against Cuba.

I would be happy to discuss this further with you personally if you wish.

Sincerely,

/s/ George Bush

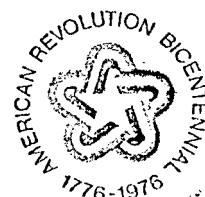
George Bush
Director

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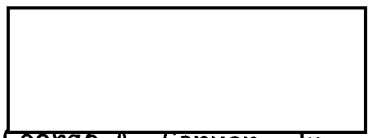
MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
THROUGH : Mr. George L. Cary, Jr.
Legislative Counsel
FROM : George A. Carver, Jr.
SUBJECT : Response to Senator Pell

1. Per our conversation this morning, attached is a draft response to Senator Pell's letter of 21 July (of which a copy is also attached).

2. If you care to, you could add a second paragraph saying something like the following:

You will recall that in connection with our correspondence earlier this year (your 23 January letter to Bill Colby and my 19 February reply) my colleagues briefed two members of your personal and committee staff on certain Southeast Asian activities, none of which were directed against harvests or -- obviously -- against Cuba.

On reflection, my inclination would be to send him only the one-paragraph letter and convey the flavor of the above orally through a telephone call or in your next face-to-face meeting. That would keep our statements in the public written record accurate but avoid whetting curiosity. On the other hand, you may not care to sail quite this close to the wind so far as the written record is concerned and, hence, may want to incorporate something like the suggested second paragraph in the actual written response.



George A. Carver, Jr.

Atts

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5 August 1976

Honorable Claiborne Pell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Claiborne:

In response to your letter of 21 July, the answer to both of the questions you ask in that letter is "no". The CIA has never been involved in any project employing weather modification techniques against Cuba, off the coast of Cuba or any other nation or against any nation's harvest activities.

Sincerely,

George Bush
Director

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