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Mr. George Bush  
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Dear Mr. Bush:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 USC Sec. 522).

For an article Victor S. Navasky is writing for Harper's Magazine, we request copies of all CIA files, documents, or other materials falling into the following categories:

- 1) The titles, authors, and publishers of the "well over a thousand books" referred to in Volume I of the Foreign & Military Intelligence section of the Final Report of the Select Committee to Study Governmental Operations with Respect to Intelligence Activities of the United States Senate ("the Church Committee") (see pages 193-195). According to the Church Committee report these books "were produced, subsidized or sponsored by the CIA."
- 2) All CIA materials made available to the members or staff of the Church Committee relating to books produced, subsidized or sponsored by the CIA up to the present time.
- 3) All other CIA materials and files relating to books produced, subsidized or sponsored, directly or indirectly, by the CIA whether or not made available to the Church Committee.

As you know, the amended Act provides that if some parts of a file are exempt from release, that "reasonably segregable" portions shall be provided. We therefore request that, if you determine that some portions of the requested information are exempt, you provide us immediately with copies of the non-exempt materials or files. We reserved our right to appeal all such decisions.

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If you determine that some or all of the requested information is exempt from release, we would appreciate your advising us as to which exemption you believe covers the information which you are not releasing.

We are prepared to pay costs specified in your regulations for locating the requested files and reproducing them.

As you know, the amended Act permits you to reduce or waive the fees if that "is in the public interest because furnishing the information can be considered as primarily benefitting the public." We believe that this request plainly fits that category and ask you to waive any fees.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please telephone us at either of the above numbers.

As provided for in the amended Act, we expect to receive a reply within ten working days.

Yours sincerely,

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