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Honorable J. W. Fulbright
Chairman, Foreign Relations Committee
United States Senate
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In Mr. McGone's absence from the city, I am replying to your letter of 20 August 1964 in which you forwarded a communication from [redacted] concerning alleged recruiting activities by the Central Intelligence Agency at Harvard University.

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Representative John V. Lindsay previously forwarded to us a copy of an identical letter which did not disclose the author's name. This Agency, as a matter of policy, does not recruit Americans to report on the activities of other Americans here or abroad. An investigation was conducted, however, to identify any situation which might possibly have been construed so as to provide a basis for this allegation. The doubt which you expressed concerning the validity of the claims made in the letter was well founded.

Representative Lindsay's office was advised that our investigation did not disclose any situation which might have been interpreted as reported. We also indicated our deep concern regarding allegations of this sort and expressed an interest in investigating the matter further.

I am enclosing for your information a copy of a letter which we have just received from [redacted] containing his conclusion that the charge was based on "a faulty inference."

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We appreciate [redacted] forthright attitude in advising us of his conclusions as well as the opportunity you have given us to comment on the charge.

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Faithfully yours,

Marshall S. Carter
Lieutenant General, USA
Acting Director

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Remarks: Attached is a suggested reply to Senator Fulbright's letter transmitting a communication he received alleging that CIA recruiting agents were attempting to get Harvard University students to go to the American University in Beirut to report on the activities of other Americans there. Also attached is background material concerning an earlier inquiry from Representative Lindsay and a letter received yesterday from the source of this inquiry.

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Assistant Legislative Counsel

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