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The Honorable Arthur J. Goldberg Secretary of Labor Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Geldberg:

EXECUTIVE

Thank you for your letter of 19 July 1961, transmitting the President i

statement on Safety Policy for the Pederal Service.

The Central Intelligence Agency will make every effort to cooperate

in furthering the safety objectives set forth in the President's statement.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Allen W. Dulles The Director of Central Intelligence Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

Demonstrating anew his dynamic leadership and deep concern for human values, President Kennedy has taken a decisive step in the direction of further safeguarding from injury those who work for, or come in direct contact with, the many and varied activities of the Federal Government.

With the issuance of his Safety Policy for the Federal Service on June 21, the Chief Executive makes plain, and with characteristic directness, the responsibility each one of us bears as a department or agency head to fully implement this policy. Our objective is to reduce to an irreducible minimum the economic waste and the human suffering that accidental injuries cause each year.

I think you will agree with me that the President's policy statement greatly strengthens our hands as administrators in our efforts to achieve this objective, and affords us a powerful instrument in exerting the safety leadership for which the policy calls. I am enclosing a copy of the President's statement with the thought you may wish to pass it on through various administrative and geographic subdivisions in your organization.

Despite highly creditable safety performance by a number of agencies the Federal accident record for all establishments over the past dozen years has leveled off, the number of disabling injuries per million manhours worked hovering around 8. The President has -2-

told us to get off this dead-center and start pushing the injury curve downward. I am sure you will want to re-examine your safety program with this purpose in mind.

With the splendid examples of the VA, NASA, and AEC, winners of the President's Safety Award for 1960 before us, I feel sure that each Federal department and agency, large or small, can and will take every step necessary to effectuate the President's policy statement.

The President has directed me to provide assistance to all agencies through the Federal Safety Council and its field affiliates. I stand ready to make these services available wherever desired. At the same time, I bespeak for the Federal Safety Council the wholehearted support of all Government agencies in the effort to achieve a breakthrough in this important area of human endeavor.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary of Labor

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

June 21, 1961

SAFETY POLICY FOR THE FEDERAL SERVICE

In accord with our national concern for human life and the well being of all citizens, it is the policy of the Federal Government to safeguard from injury all those who work for it.

To carry out this policy, I charge the heads of Executive departments and agencies and, through them, their supervisory staffs to exert leadership in the establishment of vigorous accident prevention programs to achieve safe conditions of employment, and to promote safe practices by civilian and military personnel on and off duty. Safety programs of the Federal Government should also assure the fullest protection to all who visit our Federal buildings, installations, parks, forests, and other public areas. Similarly, these programs should extend to the safety of the public and Government driver alike, in their use of our public highways.

In order that these programs meet current needs and reflect the rapid changes in both technology and character of the working force, the Federal Government will cooperate with management, labor, State and local governments, and safety organizations in developing and applying modern safety standards.

The Government will take all appropriate means to foster the salety of all of those engaged directly or indirectly in the world-wide activities of the Government. To this end, I have directed the Secretary of Labor to provide assistance to all agencies through the Federal Safety Council and its field affiliates.

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BRIEF FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Interagency Correspondence Regarding Safety

 The attached correspondence for your signature is in reply to the Secretary of Labor's memorandum concerning Safety Policy for the Federal Service.

2. It highlights certain programs which the Agency is

fostering to effect a more realistic Safety Program.

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Acting Director of Security

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