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600 South Spring Street

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Dear Maury:

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Thank you so much for your letter of October 18th. I have discussed the matter with and plan to see Bob Macy upon my return from my current trip, which will be in about two weeks.

Best personal regards,

/S/ John,

(signed by TML)

John A. McCone

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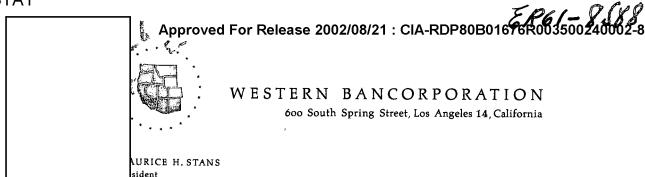
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WESTERN BANCORPORATION

600 South Spring Street, Los Angeles 14, California

October 18, 1961

Dear John:

I am sorry that it won't be possible for us to get together on Saturday as I had hoped to talk with you about the CIA.

However, everything I had in mind could be said to you equally well by Bob Macy, head of the International Division of the Bureau of the Budget.

I started an investigation of our Intelligence costs and activities about two years ago. It was a joint action of the five interested agencies, and Bob Macy represented the Bureau of the Budget in the group.

The report that was presented at the time, supplemented by what Bob can tell you, would cover the ground that I had hoped to discuss.

Sincerely

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Mr. John A. McCone