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General George S. Blanchard Commander in Chief Headquarters, United States Army, Europe and Seventh Army APO New York 09403

Dear George,

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Thank you for the fine comments on the work performed during the period 9 through 22 September by the national intelligence community in support of the CARBON EDGE portion of the REFORGER 77 exercise. As you are aware I fully support the use of national collection systems as tools for use by U.S. tactical commanders, especially during peacetime. I welcome the opportunity to continue our support of both tactical exercises and real world tactical operations.

Rest assured that you have my continued support and I have instructed my staff which supported you during the CARBON EDGE USAEUR exercise to interface with your intelligence staff through the channels already established for timely support of your future requirements.

Sincerely,

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TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)	D/ RECEIVED	FORWARDED	OFFICER'S INITIALS	COMMENTS (Number each comment to show from whom to whom. Draw a line across column after each comment.)
1. Executive Registr	У			NPIC is not presently knowledgeable of all the
2. Executive Secreta	ry			contributions made by the intelligence community to the CARBON EDGE exercise.
3. ADDCI				Enclosed is a letter to General Blanchard which
4. DCI (signature)				acknowledges his letter of 4 November and requires Admiral Turner's signature
5. DDS&T				Also enclosed are 11 letters of appreciation to NPIC
6.				employees who participated in the CARBON EDGE exercise. These also require DCI signature. Finally, enclosed for information purposes is a background description of th work involved in supporting CARBON EDGE.
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