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COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS  
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Admiral Stansfield Turner  
Director of Central Intelligence  
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Admiral:

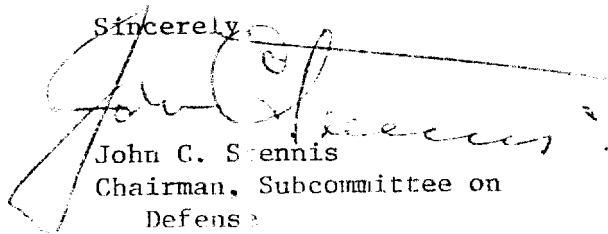
Reference is made to your letter of May 3, which requested approval to reorganize elements of the Intelligence Community oversight function. A proposed FY 1978 reprogramming and FY 1979 budget amendment were associated.

Basically, the Committee interposes no objection to the concept of staff reorganization as you have outlined it. In such matters, the Committee feels that, within the bounds of Congressional direction, mechanics of program execution are best left to those tasked with that responsibility. This, however, does not constitute approval for all aspects of the proposal.

The matter of ultimate personnel and funding levels for this function is yet to be resolved as part of the FY 1979 budget process. As such, no commitment is made beyond the 220 positions addressed in your letter and, pending budget action, no implementing steps should be taken which would presuppose a higher number.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,



John C. Stennis  
Chairman, Subcommittee on  
Defense

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