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October 2, 1985

The Honorable William J. Casey  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, which I chair, plans to hold public hearings in the near future to examine the system of collection used by the Soviet Union to acquire classified U.S. information and technology. This overview will seek to expose the extent of espionage activities carried out by the Soviets and their Bloc nations against this country through diplomats, United Nations personnel, trading companies, U.S. chartered corporations, and other "legal" covers such as academics.

The potential for harm to this country is too great, and the Soviet network too extensive, to ignore this problem which has faced intelligence and law enforcement professionals for many years.

I solicit your assistance in these important hearings and ask that you provide a point of contact through whom my staff may coordinate our requests for assistance from your agency. If you have any questions regarding this request, please have your staff contact Daniel F. Rinzel, Chief Counsel to the Subcommittee or David R. Glendinning, Staff Counsel at 224-3721.

Sincerely,



William V. Roth, Jr.  
Chairman

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