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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: George V. Lauder  
Director, Public Affairs Office

SUBJECT: Keynote Address of the Old Crows Association

1. Action Requested: None. This is background information for your address to the DoD/Association of Old Crows (AOC) Electronic Warfare Technical Symposium on Tuesday, 1 October at the Sheraton Washington Hotel, 2660 Woodley Road, N.W., (corner of Woodley and Connecticut), Washington, D.C. Phone 328-2000.

2. Arrangements: You are requested to be at the main entrance of the Sheraton Washington Hotel on Woodley Road at 8:45 a.m. Donald Ricketts member of the AOC Board of Directors [redacted]

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[redacted] will meet you and escort you to the Wisconsin Room. Coffee will be served and you will have time to visit with J. Kenneth Driessen, AOC Symposium Chairman [redacted] You will proceed

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to the Ballroom for the welcoming remarks; President of AOC RADM Albert A. Gallotta, Jr. USN, (Ret) will introduce you. Your speech is scheduled to run from 9:10 - 9:45 a.m. The suggested format is for your keynote address to take most of the allotted time and, if you choose, to accept a few unclassified questions at the close of your prepared remarks. PAO forwarded suggested remarks to your office on Tuesday, 24 September. Additional materials requested by [redacted] were sent to your office yesterday. Congressman Les Aspin (D-WI), whose speech follows yours, and Mr. Driessen will be on stage with you. (See opposite agenda and biographies.) A podium and microphone will be available.

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3. Audience: Approximately 1800 electronic warfare specialists from the military, DOD, and private industry will attend. All hold SECRET or higher clearances. Although members of the media will not be allowed to attend your address, we understand that representatives from NATO countries and Australia and New Zealand will be present.

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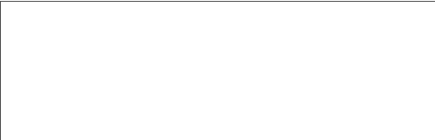
4. Background: The Association of Old Crows is a professional association of individuals engaged in the science of electronic warfare, electronic defense, C3CM and related disciplines. The membership includes scientists, engineers, managers, operators, educators, and military personnel in all grades.

The AOC was organized in 1964 to provide a forum for the exchange of information on the technical and operational aspects of EW and related fields. It has since grown to over 87 chapters with more than 23,000 members in the United States and 47 foreign countries. The AOC works for the advancement of electronic defense subjects with the full cooperation of the United States Department of Defense and defense organizations of allied nations by conducting technical symposia, field demonstrations, and other educational programs. (For further information see brochure opposite.)

The name "Old Crows" emerged from the first large-scale use of EW during World War II. United States and Allied bombing raids over Europe were equipped with radio and radar receivers to monitor the enemy, and transmitters to jam enemy frequencies. The receivers and transmitters were part of the Allied Radio Countermeasures (RCM) efforts and were designed, produced and used under the equipment's common codeword "Raven." Operators who flew on the missions were known as "Raven Operators." Common jargon later changed the term "Raven" to "Crows."

Other speakers who are on the program besides Congressman Aspin are General Hans-Joachim Mack, Deputy Supreme Allied Commander, Europe and Dr. George Keyworth, Scientific Advisor to the President. (For list of speakers see brochure opposite.)

5. Banquet: You have agreed to attend the AOC banquet on Wednesday, 2 October which will be held at 8:00 p.m. in the Sheraton Washington Ballroom. A reception for the headtable participants will be held in the Delaware Room at 7:30 p.m. (See opposite for headtable list and biographies.) Senator Phil Gramm (R-TX) is the guest speaker for the evening and will be seated to your right. LTG William E. Odom will be on your left. Foreign nationals at the headtable are General Hans-Joachim Mack, Deputy Supreme Allied Commander, Europe and Major General Fernando Paula Vicente, Portuguese Air Force.

  
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