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

Dear Judge Webster:

As Ranking Member of the Committee on Foreign Relations, I urgently request the classified report which the CIA has compiled on the international effects of the AIDS epidemic. I understand that the world wide effects of this plague are reaching catastrophic proportions in Africa, Latin America, the Carribean, and will, in the near future, reach similar levels of infection in the United States and Western Europe. The implications for our security, military, and financial assistance, not to mention our defense posture abroad, are staggering.

I am convinced that the analysis contained in this report would be of immense benefit to our national security. My staff member on the Committee with clearance, Dave Sullivan, is the point of contact.

I appreciate your assistance in releasing this document which will help begin the process of establishing an effective policy to combat this disease.

With very best regards, I am,

Sincerely,



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