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Re: Public Release of Transcripts of CIA Officials Who Testified Before the Church Committee

Dear Barry:

The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence has recently provided to the Review Board transcripts of certain CIA and other officials who testified before the Church Committee so that the Review Board may obtain the appropriate agency authorization to release this testimony to the public.

Accordingly, please review and authorize the public release of the Church Committee testimony of the following officials:

1. Samuel Halpern, Executive Assistant to William Harvey on Task Force W and Executive Officer for Desmond Fitzgerald, 4/22/76 testimony.
2. Jane Roman, CIA Liaison Officer, 5/2/76 testimony.
3. James Angleton, Chief of Counterintelligence, 9/12/75, 9/17/75, 1/22/76, and 2/7/76 testimony. The Committee also released to the Review Board the 6/19/75 testimony of Mr. Angleton, but that testimony is already publicly available in the JFK Collection at the National Archives. Therefore, we are not submitting that transcript to you for CIA approval.

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As we receive any additional Church Committee testimony of CIA officials, we will forward that testimony to you for CIA's formal approval to be released to the public.

Sincerely yours,

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