

MEMORANDUM

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BY FACSIMILE

To: Barry Harrelson, HRG

From: Michelle Combs, ARRB

Subject Ref. CIA-7, Clarification of Existence of CIA Histories

Barry,

In the footnotes of his book, Cold Warrior, Tom Mangold makes reference to a series of official histories ordered by then DCI Richard Helms. "In 1968, DCI Richard Helms and DDO Thomas Karamessines decided that all operating sections of the DDO would write their official histories--a compendium of all important operations, events, decisions, personnel, problems, governing rules, and liaison contacts." (Chapt. 22, Footnote 39)

Were such histories in fact prepared? Were they included on the index shown to Jeremy Gunn and Mary McAuliffe? Please inform us of the circumstances surrounding the location of such histories.

Thank you.

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