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Mr. Thomas Valley, Ass't. Dir.
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Washington, D.C.

Dear Tom,

The Archives has sent me two lists of documents made available following the 1970 review. One is by GS number only, disclosing nothing else. The second part of the other, a list of the files which now material has been withheld, is restricted to your control numbers in six GIs. For the most part, these lists are naturally meaningless without the expenditure of considerable time and money by researchers and for those far from Washington, great cost.

If you have any meaningful identification of what you declassified, I'd appreciate a copy. If these relate to the questions I asked of you at our first meeting, that also I would like to know. You may recall that for the most part, you have not yet responded to that.

As of our last edition of it, you still could not relate all your control numbers to either GIs or CIs. I do hope you can at some point have this done and make it available to the Archives and to researchers who might ask for it. I certainly would like a copy, and I know others who would. I would, in fact, make my copy, if I had one, available and thus save considerable time within the government.

Should you ever read some of what has been declassified other than by your agency, and read with care, you might get the feeling that some of your boys were bad. Any other interpretation is less kind to your boys.

Sincerely,

Harold Melching