

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Washington, D.C. 20505

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL CIA EMPLOYEES

Recent press reports outline in detail certain alleged CIA activities with respect to the Howard Hughes and other Parties. We are fully aware that behind these stories are those stated in the attached draft of a statement I will be making to the Senate Committee on Appropriations on 14 May. As can be seen, the Agency provided no assistance in response to a request by senior officials. The Agency has cooperated with and made available to the appropriate law enforcement agencies information about these activities and will continue to do so.

All CIA employees should understand my attitude on this type of issue. I shall do everything in my power to restrict CIA activities to those which fall within a strict interpretation of its legislative charter. I take this as a given because I am not in the executive branch. I am prohibited from using the resources of the Agency for the private and necessary and of course we must be sensitive to the national security of the United States.

In taking several actions to implement this position,

I have ordered all the senior and principal staff of this Agency to suspend their activities in any capacity which would be considered to be outside the legislative charter of this Agency.

I hereby direct every person presently employed by CIA to report to me on any such activities of which he has knowledge. I invite all ex-employees to do the same. Anyone who has such information should call my secretary (extension 5363) and say that he wishes to talk to me about activities outside CIA's charter.

Every CIA employee his own lead about its "legislative charter"

It is noted that procedures were proper in the future,
promulgate the following standing order for all CIA employees:

Any CIA employee who believes that he has received
instructions which in any way appear inconsistent
with the CIA legislative charter shall inform the
Director of Central Intelligence immediately.



James R. Schlesinger
Director

EMPLOYEES WHO BELIEVE THAT THEY ARE CONSIDERED WITH

any employee who believes that he has received
conditions which in any way appear inconsistent with
the CIA legislative charter will inform the Director
of Central Intelligence immediately.

(This applies to All CIA Employees from the act dated
10 April 1952)