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Mr. Harold Weissberg
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Dear Mr. Weissberg:

We do not have any literature describing the purposes and activities of the Veterans of Strategic Services other than the statement of its objects as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation which is as follows:

Article II.

Objects

Section 1. This Chapter is formed to preserve and defend the Constitution and the laws of the United States; to preserve and foster the spirit of fellowship among those who served in the Office of Strategic Services and in its predecessor, the Office of the Coordinator of Information, and to provide an organization through which they may unite in fraternal bonds of comradeship; to render such aid as may be possible to all former members of the Office of Strategic Services and the Office of the Coordinator of Information, as well as their widows and orphans; to preserve the traditions, memories and incidents of the Office of Strategic Services and the Office of the Coordinator of Information; to hold sacred the history and memory of the members of the organization who have given their lives to their country.

ARTICLE III.

Section 1. The Chapter shall not be used for the promotion of the candidacy of any person seeking public office or preferment.

Periodically we have social gatherings of the organization for good fellowship and to be enlightened by a speaker worth listening to usually on some problem of strategic interest to the U.S.

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As you can see from our letterhead, there is a Donovan Award Committee which periodically awards the Donovan Medal to a man of international stature who represents the ideals, ideas and activities of General Donovan.

Among the recipients of this medal have been:

^{1st}
Alan Dulles
Ambassador Bruce
Lord Mountbatten
President Eisenhower

I guess that sums it up.

Enclosed is an application blank.

Thanking you for your inquiry, I am

Sincerely,



John Howley

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Enc.

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5. Citizen of What Country: _____

6. Military or Naval Service: _____

Branch: _____

Dates: _____

Rank: _____

7. O.S.S. Service: _____

Branch: _____

Dates: _____

8. Other Government Service: _____

9. Have you ever advocated or been a member of an organization which advocates the overthrow of the United States Government by force or violence?

Signature in Full