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Brig. General A. J. Goodpaster, USA
Staff Secretary
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Andy:

The President, in his 15 June speech before the Philippine Congress, mentioned Operation Brotherhood in a laudatory context when he stated:

"... Certainly, we Americans salute ... the example set the whole free world by the Filipino nurses and doctors who went to Laos and Vietnam on Operation Brotherhood ..."

Operation Brotherhood is largely CIA financed [redacted]

[redacted] I believe that a note from the White House to the Filipino personnel of Operation Brotherhood would have a greatly salutary effect on their morale and would also indicate an understanding of and concern for the situation in Laos. The Filipinos in Laos are working under extremely primitive conditions at a considerable personal sacrifice. While their feeling that they are doing a very worthwhile job buoys them up, specific recognition from the highest level in the United States would mean a great deal, [redacted]

Perhaps you or John Eisenhower would be willing to sign a letter to Mr. Melgre O. Granada, Field Coordinator, Operation Brotherhood, Vientiane, Laos, along the lines indicated in the attached draft.

Sincerely,

[Redacted signature box]

Allen V. Dulles
Director

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