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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Acting Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT

- Proposed Commendation for Communications Personnel who have serviced the TPAJAX Operation.
- 1. A suggestion has been made to me which I heartily endorse and pass on to you as a recommendation for your action -- that the communications personnel who have serviced the TPAJAX operation receive a special commendation from you. If you agree that such a commendation should be given, I should appreciate it if you could associate myself and our staff personnel, who are aware of the long hours of hard work put in by the communications people, with the commendation.
- 2. I am sure that you are aware of the exceptionally heavy volume of traffic which this operation has necessitated. The communications personnel involved have conducted themselves with conspicuous energy and efficiency. Although I do not know all the facts, I em sure that many of them worked extra hours and throughout the nights. Just one illustration of the zeal which has marked their activities is the fact that on the first messages from Teheran yesterday the communications people beat our estimated deadline (as to the earliest time we could expect to have the messages in front of us) by nearly two hours. I was also most favorably impressed by the serious and expeditious treatment of the midnight message to the Director about which I called you.
- 3. My suggestion would be that you address the proposed commendation to General McClelland, to be shown by him to all hands, both here and in the field, who were involved. If you approve of this suggestion, I will be glad to draw up the commendation for your signature -- that is unless you would prefer to do so yourself.

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