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15 June 1973

1. Request [] pass the following message, and the two separate cover attachments to Ambassador Helms.

2. To Ambassador Helms from []

The subject of the attachments (Mr. Arthur C. Lundahl) is retiring as Director of NPIC in July 1973. Those planning his ceremonies have asked me to communicate this fact to you, as former Agency Director, as you may wish to send greetings on this occasion to Mr. Lundahl. For your convenience, I am sending a draft which may be of assistance to you in this matter and I am attaching a brief biographical sketch. Mr. Walt Elder has been asked to contact Mr. John A. McCone with this same occasion in mind.

Retirement activities for Mr. Lundahl will include a luncheon at Agency headquarters with the Agency Director, the Deputies, an invited number of other very senior past and present officers plus the head of DIA and relevant officers there. This specific occasion, scheduled for July 6, seems the best time to announce your greetings to Mr. Lundahl.

I am sending a copy of this to [] in [], who, as a former Deputy, might wish to also send his greetings to Mr. Lundahl at this time.

If you will reply to me, I will see that your message is placed in proper hands for use at the right time.

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Under Separate Cover Attachment 1

Dear Art:

I regret that I'm unable to be present at your retirement and its ceremonies. I'm sure that Bill Colby will distinguish the occasion.

Let me say that I'm pleased to have an opportunity to publicly recognize, as your former DCI, the tremendous contribution to national security you have made. The additions to our intelligence to which you have so handsomely contributed over the years have their singular mark. The elementary and modest beginnings that led to the National Photographic Interpretation Center were nurtured and carried forward under your leadership for over twenty years and now stand as a major national intelligence asset.

My best wishes for a happy and productive "post-retirement" experience.

With warm regards to you and Mrs. Eundahl.

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Under Separate Cover Attachment 2

Biographic Sketch - Arthur C. Lundahl

POB: Chicago, Illinois

DOB: April 1, 1915

Education: B.S. Geology University of Chicago - 1939
M.S. Geology University of Chicago - 1942
Ph.D. (Prelims) University of Chicago - 1942
One year study - Photogrammetry - Zurich,
Switzerland - 1948

World War II: Naval Officer - U.S. and N. Pacific 1942-1946

1946-1953: Second Most Senior Civilian, USN PI Center

1953-to date: CIA

- Organized Agency's first PI capability
- 1961-CIA/PIC designated National Photographic Interpretation Center (NPIC). Lundahl Appointed Director, NPIC by DCI with concurrence of Sec. of Def.
- NPIC manned jointly by CIA and DIA. Employs more than people.

Publications: Numerous tech and scientific publications.

Memberships: (Partial list)

American Geographical Society

American Society of Photogrammetry

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National Research Council

Sigma XI

American Geophysical Union

International Society of Photogrammetry

Cosmos Club

Offices: (Partial)

President, American Society of Photogrammetry - 1954-55

National Research Council Committee Member

Joint Crossroads Committee Member

Member, President's National Policy Commission

Honors and Awards: (Partial)

Navy Commendation Medal - 1943

Navy Meritorious Civilian Award - 1955

Recipient of a "Cuban Missile Crisis" Tiffany

Silver Calendar from President John F. Kennedy - 1962

American Society of Photogrammetry Photographic

Interpretation Award - 1963

Fifth Naval District Reserve Intelligence Award - 1963

National Civil Service League Career Service Award - 1963

Presidential Unit Citation - 1963

Listed in "Who's Who in America"

Listed in "American Men of Science"

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