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RECOMMENDATION FOR HONOR OR MERIT AWARD

(Submit in triplicate - see HR 20-37)

SECTION A

4. EMPLOYEE NO. 003820		2. NAME OF PERSON RECOMMENDED (Last, First, Middle) Moore, James Walton			3. POSITION TITLE Field Office Chief	
4. GRADE GS-15	5. SD DYD	6. OFFICE OF ASSIGNMENT Dallas Field Office		7. RECOMMENDED AWARD Career Intelligence Medal		
8. INCLUSIVE DATES FOR WHICH RECOMMENDED 1940 - 1977			9. IF RETIRING, DATE OF RETIREMENT December 1977		10. POSTHUMOUS YES NO X	
11. HOME ADDRESS 5145 Rexton Lane Dallas, Texas 75080					12. HOME PHONE 214-368-4199	

SECTION B

LIST ANY PERSONNEL GIVEN AN AWARD OR RECOMMENDED FOR AWARD WHO ASSISTED IN THE ACT OR PARTICIPATED IN THE PERFORMANCE.

13. FULL NAME	14. TYPE OF AWARD

SECTION C

ATTACH NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF PERFORMANCE OR SERVICE WARRANTING AWARD, ANY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AND A PROPOSED, UNCLASSIFIED CITATION.

- Attached narrative description of performance.
- Attached proposed citation.

SECTION D

15. TITLE AND SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYEE MAKING RECOMMENDATION <i>Jackson R. Horton</i> JACKSON R. HORTON Chief, Domestic Collection Division		DATE 24 August 1977
16. HEAD OF <u>D</u> CAREER SERVICE (Career service of nominee)	TITLE AND SIGNATURE See Item 18.	DATE
17. DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CAREER SERVICE	TITLE AND SIGNATURE See Item 18.	DATE
18. DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF OPERATING COMPONENT	TITLE AND SIGNATURE 03 76/ [Robert D. Brown, Jr.] Deputy Director for Operations	DATE 11 OCT 1977

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Section C

Mr. James Walton Moore is hereby nominated for a Career Intelligence Medal in recognition of his substantial contributions to the missions of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Office of Strategic Services, the Strategic Services Unit and the Central Intelligence Agency for more than 37 years.

J. Walton (Jim) Moore spent most of his boyhood (1920-27, 1930-36) in Shantung Province, China with his missionary parents. Following graduation from Hardin-Simmons University in 1940, Jim joined the FBI and served as a Special Agent in both Chicago and San Francisco. During the latter assignment he reported on pro-Communist elements in Chinatown and directed a US Government panel to interview aliens and US citizens returning home to ensure that enemy agents were not slipping into the US as refugees or foreign businessmen.

27 Jim joined OSS in November 1944 and was commissioned as an Ensign, USNR. His first assignment was in Kunming where he recruited and trained Chinese agents to infiltrate Japanese lines. While in Kunming he took parachute training and on August 17, 1945 jumped into the Japanese internment camp at Weihsein. Following evacuation of refugees he became Chief of Mission in Tsingtao. Returning to the US in December 1946, he was reassigned as Vice Consul and [redacted] in Dairen. Soviet intransigence prevented his reaching Dairen so he remained in Tsingtao for an additional year until transferred as [redacted] in Calcutta, arriving there in April, 1948. 27

Jim returned to the United States in October 1949 and joined the Contact Division, Office of Operations, CIA. CD/00 policy favored continuity and Jim was no exception. From 1949 to 1954 he served in the Houston Field Office and from 1954-1972 as the Resident Officer in Dallas. The Contact Division evolved into the Domestic Contact Service and a reallocation of resources raised the Dallas Resident Office to Field Office status. Jim was the obvious choice for the job. After nine months training and preparation in Washington (where he performed admirably) he was assigned as Chief of the new office with responsibility also for Resident Offices in Tulsa, Houston, New Orleans and, eventually, Austin.

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Jim's work in Dallas has been consistently excellent. Under his leadership the Dallas complex has provided timely foreign intelligence in response to worldwide priorities and requirements. As an example, in April 1975 the Acting Director, Strategic Research commended Jim for "outstanding performance" for urgent special efforts to obtain information which resulted in a reduction of over 500,000 in the Intelligence Community's estimate of the total number of Soviet military personnel.

Similarly, the Dallas Office has provided excellent support to the Clandestine Service. In November, 1976 the Chief, FR Division commended Jim and his staff for "outstanding support" from October 1975-October 1976 in efforts which were "indispensable" to the establishment of FR assets in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana and in identifying and assessing prospective targets for recruitment.

There are very few persons of potential consequence to the Intelligence Community in Texas who Jim Moore does not know and little that he cannot accomplish there on behalf of Community and Agency requesters.

The assassination of President Kennedy in Dallas in November 1963, the subsequent allegations against CIA and Jim Moore's long association with Agency interests and programs in Texas have made him a repeated target for media attention and scurrilous innuendo. Although under various forms of severe external pressure as a result, Jim Moore never lost his calm, cool demeanor and has been absolutely dependable in adversity.

An experienced professional, a true gentleman, a delightful person, and an example to be emulated, Jim Moore has been a real credit to the intelligence profession. As he approaches retirement, he richly deserves recognition in the form of the Career Intelligence Medal.

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