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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. LADD

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Mr. Hillenkoetter called to express his appreciation for the cordial and friendly relations that had existed during his administration as the Director of CIA. I reciprocated these sentiments.

We had a general discussion about the problems with which CIA has been confronted and some of which will have to be faced by General Walter Bedell Smith, successor to Admiral Hillenkoetter.

Very truly yours,

H. J. E. H.

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT
FROM : V. P. KEARNEY
SUBJECT: ADMIRAL ROSCOE H. HILLENKOETTER
FORMER DIRECTOR OF CIA

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Admiral Hillenkoetter telephonically contacted Mr. DeLoach at 9:30 a.m. this morning to advise he would depart from Washington on October 27 for San Francisco in order to assume command of a Cruiser Division bound for Far Eastern waters. Hillenkoetter stated he was most anxious to see the Director Tuesday morning, October 24, 1950, at any time convenient to Mr. Hoover. He stated that he not only wished to pay his respects to the Director and to thank him sincerely for the personal cooperation extended to him while Director of CIA, but also to confidentially advise the Director of various circumstances surrounding CIA's "frequent blundering."

Hillenkoetter was advised that his request would be conveyed to the Director.

ACTION:

The Liaison Section will await the Director's wishes in this matter.

I shall be glad to see him Oct 24 at 10.15 a.m. if convenient to him.

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