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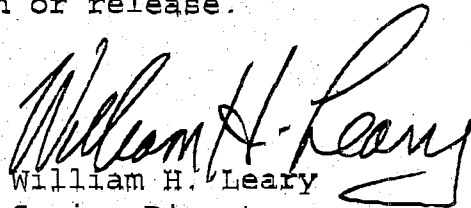
March 12, 2002

Dear Mr. Vice President:

Thank you for your letter of March 5, 2002, regarding Mr. A. Denis Clift accessing your classified Vice-Presidential papers as your historical researcher under provisions of Executive Order 12958, Section 4.5.

The National Security Council staff has no objection to access by Mr. Clift consistent with protection of the national security. Access to classified documents among your Vice-Presidential papers originated or maintained during your tenure as Vice-President that are under NSC classification jurisdiction is, therefore, granted in accordance with the following conditions:

- Confirmation to the National Archives and Records Administration that Mr. Clift currently holds the requisite security clearances.
- Mr. Clift may not take copies of classified White House or NSC documents. If he wants copies, he should request them in accordance with the mandatory review provisions of Executive Order 12958, Section 3.6.
- Notes taken from material subject to the NSC's classification jurisdiction will be forwarded to the NSC staff for review and, following review, transmittal of declassified notes to Mr. Clift. Notes must adequately describe and identify the source documents, including classification markings, in order to facilitate NSC review.
- Any manuscript citing classified NSC or White House material will be submitted to the NSC staff for review and clearance prior to publication or release.



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