MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR, NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY

SUBJECT: H.R. 1152, 83d Congress, 1st Session

1. Reference is made to your memorandum, subject as above, dated 7 Oct 53, in which you submitted to the Department of the Army two (2) classified letters signed by Mr. William F. Friedman; the first addressed to you, dated 18 Sep 53, and the second addressed to the Hon. Chauncey W. Reed, Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary, House of Representatives, dated 18 Sep 53.

2. The Department of the Army does not consider it desirable to transmit Mr. Friedman's letter to Cong. Reed because of the communication intelligence information contained therein. However, as the action department for the Department of Defense on H.R. 1152 "For the Relief of Mr. William F. Friedman," the Department of the Army will consider the additional facts and arguments contained in Mr. Friedman's proposed letter to Cong. Reed, together with the additional information contained in your memorandum to ACofS, G-2, subject as above, dated 17 Nov 53, in determining whether or not the Department of the Army will modify its previous report of 6 Jul 53 on H.R. 1152 to Cong. Reed.

3. Accordingly, the Department of the Army is holding Mr. Friedman's proposed letter to Cong. Reed, together with your memoranda dated 7 Oct 53 and 17 Nov 53, respectively, for purposes of evaluation and processing.

Robert T. Stevens
Secretary of the Army