



ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
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Dear Mrs. Tolmach:

The White House has asked that we reply to your letter of April 21 to the President concerning the anti-communist film presentation "Communism on the Map" and the indoctrination of Naval personnel at the Point Mugu Missile Test Center.

We believe that you have already received the information you requested concerning this matter, as the result of your inquiry to Senator Engle, and our reply to the Senator. However, we are inclosing for your information a statement of the Department of Defense position with respect to the films in question, as given in official memoranda issued to the Service Secretaries on March 10 and April 21.

In compliance with the Defense instructions of April 21, the film in question is not to be used in training programs for Naval personnel at Point Mugu, or for personnel of the Armed Forces at other installations.

The concern which you have expressed on behalf of the Ventura County Democratic Central Committee regarding this matter is fully appreciated. You may be assured that all aspects of this problem have been given careful consideration, and that Service-wide compliance with Defense instructions is expected.

Sincerely,

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