

**Statement by Stanley Moskowitz, CIA
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My name is Stan Moskowitz. I want to thank Archivist Weinstein, Senator DeWine and Congresswoman Maloney for the opportunity to speak briefly on behalf of CIA.

For some thirty years, CIA has been struggling with the nettlesome problem of how to balance the public's interest in the historical record of CIA's connections to Nazi's, and an intelligence Agency's need, for ethical and utilitarian reasons, to protect the identities of sources. The passage of time has shifted the balance, as time frequently does. I am happy to report that we are near the end of this long effort.

A little more than a year ago Porter Goss asked me to help him guide the Agency through the final hurdles toward a full disclosure of the historical record as captured in CIA files. He assured me that whatever the particular language of the Nazi Disclosure Act, he was committed to living up to its spirit. He saw no inconsistency, nor do I, with a reinvigorated effort to protect secrets that need protecting and declassifying secrets whose reasons for being secret had long since passed.

With Porter Goss's commitment in hand, I met with and promised the public members of the IWG that CIA

- Would declassify information on all Nazis.
- Would declassify operational files associated with those Nazis.
- Would re-review material that had been redacted.
- Would undertake such additional searches that historians or we thought necessary as we learned more.

CIA has made good on all of these promises.

I have been in touch with Director Hayden and he will continue our efforts.

Over the past year, we have released 27,000 pages from 174 files. This is half as much material as was released in the previous five years. Most of this is new material. It deals with previously released files now re-reviewed on such individuals as Globke, Lebed, Saevecke, and Soobzokov. It includes operational files on Plan IVY, which was the OSS plan to prevent German sabotage in northern Italy, and the KIBITZ and SATURN staybehind programs.

We have researched close to 1,000 new names, about half we in CIA identified ourselves. We produced a lexicon/research aid for the assistance of scholars. We are on course to finish all of the reviews and searches and declassifications by the end of this year. We will have withheld nothing of substance.

I cannot imagine how this would have gotten done without the remarkable dedication and steadfastness of Mary Walsh, who has acted truly in the best tradition of CIA. Thanks should also go to our declassifiers and the people in the National Clandestine Service

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who have become part of the solution. Thanks also to our fellow members of the IWG and its historians for being active and understanding participants.

We have done our part. We look forward to the work of the historians to put this material into sound historical context.