

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER



May 19, 2017

Ms. Gay Vietzke
Superintendent
National Mall and Memorial Parks
National Park Service
900 Ohio Drive, SW
Washington, DC 20242-2000

RE: Final Determination of Effect for the Eisenhower Memorial per Stipulation 11 of the 2012 Memorandum of Agreement

Dear Ms. Vietzke:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the proposed revisions to the design of the Eisenhower Memorial which was provided pursuant to Stipulation 11 of the project's Memorandum of Agreement.

We understand that the Commission of Fine Arts has raised concerns about the proposed changes to the subject matter and the quality of the mock-up, and requested that a second, larger mock-up be provided on-site, in front of the Department of Education Building.

As you are aware, the Department of Education Building was recently listed in the National Register of Historic Places and, given CFA's concerns, we need to make certain that we understand how the proposed tapestry revisions will affect the historic building.

Therefore, we feel that we will be unable to make a meaningful and informed determination regarding the potential for new or intensified adverse effects until we have an opportunity to review the mock-up at the Eisenhower Memorial site.

We request the NPS to keep us informed of when the second mock-up will be provided for review and we appreciate your continued cooperation in this matter.

In the meantime, please feel free to contact me at andrew.lewis@dc.gov or 202-442-8841 if you should have any questions or comments regarding this matter.

Sincerely,


C. Andrew Lewis
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