



**Explorer Series**

**Declassified: 50 Top Secret Documents That Changed History**

**Thomas B. Allen**

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**9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

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*Declassified* is a lively history of never-before-published or hard-to-find documents that played critical roles in American history. Culled from archives around the world, the 50 documents in *Declassified* illuminate the secret and often inaccessible stories of agents, espionage, and behind-the-scenes events.

Author and historian Tom Allen places each document, spanning the time from Elizabethan England to the Cold War and beyond, into its historical and cultural context. In this context is found little-known truths behind state secrets and clandestine operations. The documents shed light on such topics as the art of the double cross, espionage accidents, secrets of war, and more. Among the 50 documents are the Zimmerman Telegram, which led America into World War I, and letters from Robert Hanssen to his Soviet spymaster, marking the start of his career as a mole.

Thomas B. Allen is the award-winning author of 30 books on subjects ranging from military history to sharks, and is a frequent contributor to *National Geographic* magazine. His title *Spy Book*, co-authored with Norman Polmar, is the principal source book for the International Spy Museum in Washington, D.C. He is a founding member of the Writer's Center.

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