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F02-0001

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

September 29, 2001

Ms. Barbara Freimann
FOIA Coordinator
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request copies of:

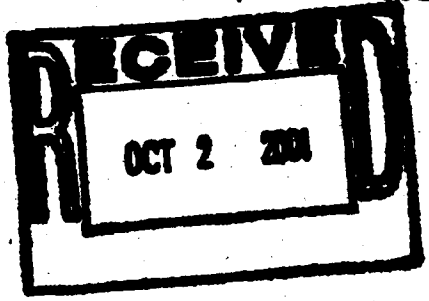
Hans Mark, "Final Report of the DNRO," October 1979, DNRO [Charyk, McMillan, Flax, McLucas] Final Reports [1963-1972].

John McLucas, "Final Report of the DNRO," 1973.

The FOIA provides that if only portions of a record are exempted from release, the remainder must be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all nonexempt portions which are reasonably segregrable. I particularly request that it be kept in mind that there may exist reasonably segregable portions of classified paragraphs. I also request that any present classified material be considered for declassification.

To permit an intelligent, informed decision as to whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, I also request that you describe in detail the withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data v. Department of the Air Force 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir. 1977).

I also request a fee waiver. The fee waiver provisions under section 552 (a) (4) (A) of the FOIA, as amended on April 25, 1987, rewrote section 552 (a) (4) (A) to create categories of requesters entitled to fee waivers. Under those provisions, I qualify for exemption from fees in the "news media" category. In a recent decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit unanimously held that for FOIA fee waiver purposes "representatives of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. (See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217 (D.C. Circuit, July 28,1989).



I easily meet this criteria as a result of my books (The U.S. Intelligence Community (Westview, 4th ed.1999); American Espionage and the Soviet Target (Morrow, 1987);America's Secret Eyes in Space (Harper & Row 1990); A Century of Spies: Intelligence in the Twentieth Century (Oxford University Press, 1995, America's Space Sentinels: DSP Satellites and National Security (University Press of Kansas, 1999),and The Wizards of Langley: Inside the CIA's Directorate of Science and Technology (Westview, 2001),and newspaper and magazine articles. (A vita is available upon request). The information in the documents I request is to be incorporated into similar publications that will further public knowledge and understanding of activities in the area of national security.

I also qualify for favored treatment under the "all other requesters" category because my work has and is highly likely to continue to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of the government. For example, The U.S. Intelligence Community is used in numerous university courses throughout the United States (including at the Air Force Academy) as well as being used by newspaper reporters as a reference guide to the U.S. intelligence community.

My intended use of the material request above, in light of my extensive publication record, clearly meets the criteria extablished by statute and case law for prefered fee status under the FOIA as a representative of the news media. As such a representative I am entitled to have search and review fees waived. And given the contribution of my work to enhancing public understanding of the government operations I request that you also waive reproduction fees.

I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Jeffrey T. Richelson

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

21 May 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Reference: FOIA Case No. F02-0001

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your letter, dated 29 September 2001, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 2 October 2001. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " . . . Final Reports of the DNRO . . .".

According to the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Section 502, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the publication, disclosure, search, and review provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552. As such, the files that would contain responsive records, if any exist, are not subject to search in response to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

[redacted]
Barbara E. Freimann

F02-0001

JEFFREY T. RICHELSON
[redacted]

June 12, 2003

NRO Appeal Authority
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Va. 20151-1715

This letter appeals the NRO's response of 21 May 2003 to my FOIA request (F02-0001) of 29 September 2001 for copies of:

John McLucas, "Final Report of the DNRO," 1973.
Hans Mark, "Final Report of the DNRO," October 1979

The NRO has denied the request in its entirety on the grounds that any responsive records are part of the NRO's operational files, and therefore "not subject to search." A copy of the denial letter is attached.

I believe that use of the operational files exemption to deny my request, without search and review, is completely inappropriate. NRO operational files are defined as "files ... that document the means by which foreign intelligence or counterintelligence is collected through scientific and technical systems."

The requested documents are historical documents that concern a variety of matters, including organizational. At least one of the documents (McLucas) is also likely to contain significant data on already declassified and/or obsolete (as specified by the DCI and NRO) collection systems - including the U-2 and Corona.

Reports by earlier DNRO's have already been released in part, in response to earlier FOIA requests. Those documents are enclosed to illustrate the nature of such reports. For example, Brockway McMillan's 1965 report to the Secretary of Defense contains information on the A-12 and SR-71, as well as a discussion of the 1965 NRO Agreement, the job of the DNRO, and organizational problems.

Finally, I would note that the "NRO and the FOIA" section of the NRO's web site states that "The goal of the FOIA office of the NRO is to release as much information as possible, consistent with the need to protect information" and "where discretionary releases can be made without causing harm, the Chief Information Access and Release Center, as the initial denial authority, and the NRO Chief of Staff, as the appeal authority, use their discretion to release information even where an exemption may be available." To refuse to review the documents requested and release information that would be disclosed without harm would not be consistent with the NRO's own stated information release policy.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey T. Richelson

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

10 July 2003

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Richelson:

Your letter dated 12 June 2003 was received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 18 June 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, you are appealing the denial of records pertaining to the " . . . Final Report of the DNRO . . 1973 and Hans Mark, Final Report of the DNRO. . . 1979".

Your appeal has been accepted. We will advise you when a determination by the NRO Appeal Board has been made.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference Case Number F02-0001.

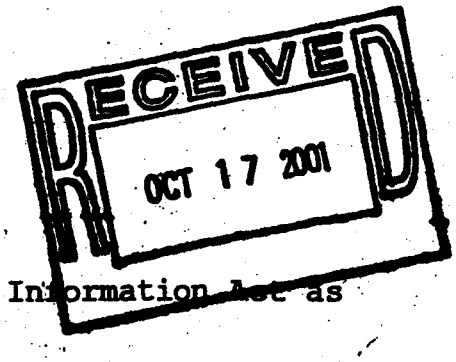
Sincerely,

Dennis A. Cain

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

October 15, 2001

FOIA Coordinator
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715



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Mail
F02-09

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Sincerely,

[redacted]

Jeffrey T. Richelson

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

24 October 2001

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your letter, dated 15 October 2001, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 17 October 2001. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " . . . Report to the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board . . . Report to the 40 Committee . . . ."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information you provided, you have been placed into the "other" category, which

means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages.

Please be advised regarding your request for a fee waiver that fee waivers or reductions are granted when there is a public interest in disclosure of information, which will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO. A decision to waive or reduce fees cannot be made until after responsive documents to be disclosed have been reviewed for "public interest."

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F02-0009. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

JEFFREY T. RICHELSON
[redacted]

June 12, 2003

NRO Appeal Authority
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Va. 20151-1715

This letter appeals the NRO's response of 21 May 2003 to my FOIA request (F02-0009) of 15 October 2001 for copies of:

Report to the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board on the National Reconnaissance Program, January 1 to June 30, 1967.

Report to the 40 Committee on the National Reconnaissance Program, July 1, 1970 to June 30,1971.

The NRO has denied the request in its entirety on the grounds that any responsive records are part of the NRO's operational files, and therefore "not subject to search." A copy of the denial letter is attached.

I believe that use of the operational files exemption to deny my request, without search and review, is completely inappropriate. NRO operational files are defined as "files ... that document the means by which foreign intelligence or counterintelligence is collected through scientific and technical systems."

The requested documents are historical documents that concern organizational matters and already declassified and/or obsolete (as specified by the DCI and NRO) collection systems - including the A-12 and U-2 aircraft, and the Corona and KH-7 satellite systems.

Indeed, both of the documents requested have already been released in part, in response to my 1992 request for documents on NRO's role in airborne reconnaissance. The documents are enclosed and demonstrate that such documents cannot be accurately characterized as being part of NRO's operational files.

The redacted version of the *Report to the PFIAB* contains declassified information on airborne collection activity, on obsolete/retired collection systems (e.g. the A-12), *as well as organizational information*. Much of what was deleted as "non-responsive" would appear to concern Corona and KH-7 operations. Such material is responsive to my request for the entire document and certainly does not relate to current collection operations or capabilities - as certified by the DCI, NRO, and NIMA. Indeed, given the date of the document it would seem that none of the systems addressed would pertain to current collection activity. Hence, the document should not be considered part of the NRO's operational files and it should be provided to me, less any currently properly classified information.

The redacted version of the *Report to the 40 Committee* also contains entire sections on matters that demonstrate that the document is not part of NRO's operational files - including sections on NRO organization and retired aerial collection systems. As with the *Report to the PFIAB*, its discussion of collection systems would seem to relate to obsolete systems. Thus, the document should be reviewed and all portions not currently exempt should be provided to me.

I would also refer to the language concerning NRO operational files in the FY 2003 conference report on intelligence authorization (attached), which specified that "records from exempted operational files which have been disseminated to and referenced in files that are not exempted under paragraph (1) and which have been returned to exempted operational files for sole retention shall be subject to search and review." Under this provision, previously released documents are subject to search and review. In addition to having been disseminated to NRO FOIA, and possibly other, files, they have been disseminated to my files.

Finally, I would note that the "NRO and the FOIA" section of the NRO's web site states that "The goal of the FOIA office of the NRO is to release as much information as possible, consistent with the need to protect information" and "where discretionary releases can be made without causing harm, the Chief Information Access and Release Center, as the initial denial authority, and the NRO Chief of Staff, as the appeal authority, use their discretion to release information even where an exemption may be available." To refuse to review the documents requested and release information that would be disclosed without harm would not be consistent with the NRO's own stated information release policy.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Jeffrey T. Richelson

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

12 January 2004

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your letter dated 12 June 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO). Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are appealing our use of the NRO Operational File Exemption on your request for the " . . . Report to the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board . . . Report to the 40 Committee . . ."

Your appeal has been accepted. We will advise you when a determination by the NRO Appeal Board has been made.

If you have any questions, please call me, Acting Chief, Information Access and Release Center, on (703) 227-9128 and reference case number F02-0009.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Linda S. Hathaway

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE

Office of the Director

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your letter dated 15 October 2001, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office on 17 October 2001. You are appealing our use of Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003 on your request for " . . . Report to the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board . . . Report to the 40 Committee . . . ."

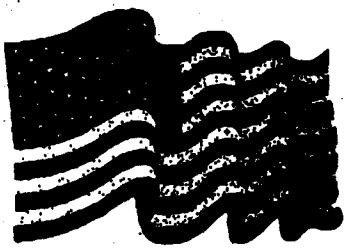
As the Appellate Authority, and after a complete review, I have determined that the records responsive to your request are segregable. They have been treated for release in part. Material being withheld is denied pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(1) as properly classified information under Executive Order 12958, Section 1.4(c), (e), and (g); and exemption (b)(3), which applies to information specifically exempt by statute; the National Security Act of 1947, 50 U.S.C. § 403-3(c)(7), which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure.

You are advised that you are entitled to a judicial review of this determination in a United States District Court in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552 as amended.

Sincerely,

[redacted]
Pamela S. Tennyson
Deputy Director for
Administration

Enclosures:
1. Rpt to PFIAB
2. Rpt to 40 Committee



S & P Suppliers
1211 Adkins Rd
Richmond, Va. 23236
Office: 804-745-4580 Fax: 804-745-4581

To Whom It May Concern:

We are writing in regards to receive a list of your current purchase card holders. The nature of S & P Suppliers is supplying the government with office supplies.

Please forward our request to the above address.

Thank You,

Stephanie and Peggy
S & P Suppliers

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

2 October 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Stephanie and Peggy
S&P Suppliers
1211 Adkins Road
Richmond, VA 23236

Dear Stephanie and Peggy:

Your facsimile dated 1 October 2002 was received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 2 October 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) you are requesting; "a list of . . . current purchase card holders."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. The records you requested are denied pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(3) which allows the withholding of information prohibited from disclosure by statute, 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office."

The NRO Office of Contracts is the focal point for the receipt of inquiries from companies desiring to do business with the NRO. Companies are asked to write to:

National Reconnaissance Office
Office of Contracts
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

The Office of Contracts maintains a register of companies who have expressed an interest in providing a product(s) to the NRO. Any office having an interest in your product will contact you directly.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. You have been placed in the "Commercial" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable search, review, and duplication costs. In this instance no fees have been incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0001.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

ZILM INVESTMENTS

6762 E. 25th Pl.
Tulsa, OK 74129
918/835-8008
FAX 918/835-8088
e-mail rszilm@aol.com

September 26, 2002

National Reconnaissance Office
Information Access & Release Ctr.
ATTN: FOIA Officer
14675 Lee Rd.
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I am hereby requesting a list of buildings leased by the National Reconnaissance Office including owner's name, remaining lease term, square footage, location, etc. We would prefer this in CD Rom format. However, after further consideration, an e-mail transmission will be more preferred.

We are a real estate investment trust interested in purchasing buildings leased by the National Reconnaissance Office or any of its components.

Please advise of any costs required to produce and deliver this product. I will be glad to pay the costs. Should you have any questions, please contact me at the above number.

Thank you sir.

Respectfully,

Robert S. Zilm

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

6 May 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Robert S. Zilm
Zilm Investments
6762 E. 25th Pl
Tulsa, OK 74129

Case Number F03-0002

Dear Mr. Zilm:

This is in response to your letter, dated 26 September 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 1 October 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested "a list of buildings leased by the NRO including the owner's name, remaining lease term, square footage, location, etc".

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552 as amended, but in accordance with section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Public Law 107-306, the records you requested are not available.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann

Los Angeles Times
1875 Eye St. N.W., Suite 100
Washington D.C. 20006-2282

FOIA REQUEST

October 2, 2002

Barbara Freimann, Chief
Information Access and Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715
By fax (703) 808-5082

Dear Ms. Freimann:

On behalf of the Los Angeles Times, and pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. s. 552, I request access to and copies of the following:

- A list of all NRO contracts, contractor names, contract amounts and the contract nature or purpose for the last five years. If the information is releasable electronically, we would prefer that method, but paper copies are acceptable.

Please waive any applicable fees. Release of the information is in the public interest because it will contribute significantly to public understanding of government operations and activities, as it may be included in an article that is currently being prepared. This request is not for commercial purposes, but is made as a member of the news media. If the fee waiver is denied, I agree to pay reasonable duplication fees for the processing of this request. Please do not delay the information request due to a denial of a fee waiver. However, please notify me prior to your incurring any expenses in excess of $200.

If my information request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you cite the specific exemption of the act that justifies each deletion. I will also expect you to release all non-exempt portions of any redacted documents. I reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information or to deny a waiver of fees.

As I am making this request as a journalist and this information is of timely value, I would appreciate your communicating with me by telephone, rather than by mail, if you have questions regarding this request.

I look forward to your reply within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Regards,

Robert Patrick and
Phone 202-861-9288
Fax 202-861-9257
Email: robert.patrick@latimes.com

Lisa Getter
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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
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16 October 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Robert Patrick
Los Angeles Times
1875 Eye St., N.W., Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20006-5482

Case Number F03-0003

Dear Mr. Patrick:

This is in response to your faxed letter, dated 2 October 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 2 October 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested "A list of all NRO contracts . . .for the last five years."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You may appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

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As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "news media" category of requesters, which means you are responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction in the processing of this request. If and when any records are found, they will be evaluated and a fee waiver determination will be made.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0003. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

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21 November 2002

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Dear Mr. Patrick:

This is in response to your faxed letter, dated 2 October 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 2 October 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested "A list of all NRO contracts . . . for the last five years."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. One record consisting of 123 pages was found to be responsive to your request. The record is hereby denied in full pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(1) as properly classified information under Executive Order 12958, Section 1.5(c); and exemption (b)(3) which applies to information specifically exempt by statute, the National Security Act of 1947, 50 U.S.C. § 403-3(c)(7) which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure and 10 U.S.C. §424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of (1) The organization or any function . . .(2) . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office;"

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the "news media" category of requesters, which means you are responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction in the processing of this request. In this case, no fees have been incurred.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

ITT Industries

Deanna Formaini
Manager, Contracts

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11 October 2002

In Reply Refer to: DGF02:054

Barbara Freimann
Chief, Information Access and Release Center
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Subject: Request for Copy of Contract under the Freedom of Information Act

Dear Ms. Freimann,

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. §552). We request that you forward one (1) copy of the following Contract document and all amendments issued to date:

Contract Number:	Unknown
Subject Matter:	Cooperative Antenna Development Program – Phase II; Reference RFP NRO000-02-R-0343
Contract Date:	Approximate Award Date – August 2002
Contractor:	Boeing Corporation

Please send the copy of the Contract with Amendments and the bill for reproduction to my attention at the above address.

Should you have any questions or need clarification regarding this request, I can be contacted at the letterhead phone number or address and by email at Deanna.Formaini@itt.com.

Very truly yours,

Deanna Formaini
Manager, Contracts
Advanced Technology

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

29 October 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Ms. Deanna Formaini
Manager, Contracts
ITT Industries
7821 Orion Avenue
Van Nuys, California 91409-7713

Case Number F03-0004

Dear Ms. Formaini:

This is in response to your facsimile letter, dated 11 October 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 15 October 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested information pertaining to; "Cooperative Antenna Development Program - Phase II . . . RFP NRO000-02-R-0343 . . . August 2002 . . . Boeing Corporation".

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You may appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "commercial" category of requester, which means you are responsible for all charges incurred for search, review and duplication in the processing of this request. As requested, you will be notified if the charges are going to exceed $50.00.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0005. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

23 April 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Deanna Formaini
Manager, Contracts
ITT Industries
7821 Orion Avenue
Van Nuys, CA 91409-7713

Case Number F03-0004

Dear Ms. Formaini:

This is in response to your facsimile letter, dated 11 October 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 15 October 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested information pertaining to "Cooperative Antenna Development Program - Phase II . . . RFP NRO000-02-R-0343 . . . August 2002 . . . Boeing Corporation".

We have reviewed your request for records in accordance with Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act (IAA) 2003, Public Law 107-306 and find that records, if they exist, are not available pursuant to the IAA of 2003, sec 502.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715, within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number F03-0004.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann

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20 June 2003

In Reply Refer to: DGF03:021

NRO Appeal Authority
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Attention: Mr. Dennis Cain

Subject: Case Number F03-0004; Appeal Regarding Release of Records

Reference: (a) NRO Letter dated 23 April 2003
(b) ITT Letter DGF02:054 dated 11 October 2002

Dear Mr. Cain,

This letter is provided in response to the reference (a) NRO letter which states that the records requested by reference (b) are not releasable pursuant to the Intelligence Authorization Act (IAA) of 2003, sec 502. We have reviewed this reference and respectfully appeal this decision. We request further clarification regarding the non-release of the requested documents and/or to understand the specific grounds that were used to make the determination to withhold the requested information.

For reference, our original letter requested one copy of the following contract document and all amendments issued to date:

Contract Number:	Unknown
Subject Matter:	Cooperative Antenna Development Program – Phase II; Reference RFP NRO000-02-R-0343
Contract Date:	Approximate Award Date – August 2002
Contractor:	Boeing Corporation

Thank you for your reconsideration of our request. Please feel free to contact me at the letterhead phone number or address and by email at Deanna.Formaini@itt.com.

Very truly yours,

Deanna Formaini
Manager, Contracts

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

25 June 2003

Ms. Dianna Formaini
Manager Contracts
Advanced Technology/ITT Industries
7821 Orion Avenue
Van Nuys, CA 91409-7713

Dear Ms. Formaini:

Your faxed letter dated 20 June 2003 was received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) 23 June 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, you are appealing the denial of your request for contract RFP NRO000-02-R-0343.

Your appeal has been accepted. We will advise you when a determination by the NRO Appeal Board has been made.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-5029 and reference Case Number F03-0004.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Cain

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Office of the Deputy Director

20 August 2003

Ms. Dianna Formaini
Manager, Contracts
ITT Gilfillan
7821 Orion Avenue
Van Nuys, CA 91409-7713

Case Number: F03-0004

Dear Ms. Formaini:

This is in response to your 20 June 2003 letter to the National Reconnaissance Office in which you are appealing our 23 April 2003 decision to deny your request for contract records pertaining to the "Cooperative Antenna Development Program - Phase II. . . RFP NRO000-02-R-0343 . . . August 2002 . . . Boeing Corporation".

As the Appellate Authority, and after a complete review, I have determined that your request was properly denied. The records you seek, if they exist, would be located in files designated as "operational" pursuant to Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003. Please note that if requested records are located in "operational files" then they are entirely exempt from the search, review, and release provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Your appeal is hereby denied.

Please be advised that you are entitled to a judicial review of this determination in a United States District Court in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552 as amended.

Sincerely,

Dennis Fitzgerald

Centurion Research Corporation
Executive Plaza
4404 South Florida Ave. Suite 6B
Lakeland, FL 33813
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Email: centurionfl@aol.com

October 15, 2002

Information Access & Release
National Reconnaisance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Attn: Barbara Freeman

RE: Internal Control #F0369

Dear FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), Centurion Research Corporation respectfully requests a copy of the FASTMAX II list of contractors who were awarded Blanket Purchasing Agreements under the FASTMAX II program.

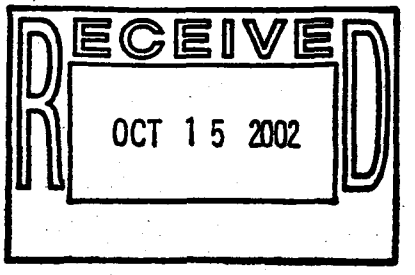
We understand there may be charges for processing this request. Centurion Research is prepared to pay these charges, however, if the charges are going to exceed $50, please notify me ahead of time.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Terri Legg
Research Analyst

Internal Control #F0369



NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
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17 October 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Terri Legg, Research Analyst
Centurion Research Corporation
Executive Plaza
4404 South Florida Avenue, Suite 6B
Lakeland, FL 33813

Case Number F03-0005

Dear Ms. Legg:

This is in response to your faxed letter, dated 15 October 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 15 October 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested "a copy of the FASTMAX II list of contractors who were awarded Blanket Purchasing Agreements under the FASTMAX II program."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You may appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "commercial" category of requester, which means you are responsible for all charges incurred for search, review and duplication in the processing of this request. As requested, you will be notified if the charges are going to exceed $50.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0005. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
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10 December 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Terri Legg, Research Analyst
Centurion Research Corporation
Executive Plaza
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Lakeland, FL 33813

Case Number F03-0005

Dear Ms. Legg:

This is in response to your faxed letter, dated 15 October 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 15 October 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested "a copy of the FASTMAX II list of contractors who were awarded Blanket Purchasing Agreements under the FASTMAX II program."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. One document consisting of two pages was found to be responsive to your request. It is being released to you in full.

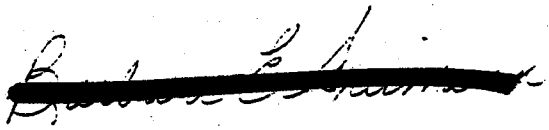
As you know, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the "commercial" category of requester, which means you are responsible for all charges incurred for search, review and duplication in the processing of this request. One hour of computer search (professional), one professional hour of review time and .5 hour of Executive review were logged. The

fee for the computer search is $44.00. One hour of professional review is $44.00 and .5 hour of Executive review time is $37.50, for a total of $125.50.

Please submit a certified check or postal money order, referencing the case number cited above, in the amount of $125.50 ***payable to the Treasurer of the United States*** and forward it to the Chief, Information Access and Release Center, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,



Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

Enclosure:
List of Contractors

Barbara Freimann

From: Scott Carter [scarter@input.com]
Sent: Monday, October 14, 2002 10:01 AM
To: freimanb@nro.mil
Subject: FOIA Request

Attn: FOIA Officer

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, as amended, and as implemented by the Freedom of Information Act Program 32 C.F.R. part 286, we hereby request the following for a copy of contract numbers:

I would like a list of higher education grants that have been awarded since August 1, 2002. I would like the list to include: Grant Award Name, Grant recipient institution and US state in which it resides, Contact in recipient organization, award date, award value, grant duration, and summary of award purpose or function.

For those awards with an estimated value larger than $5 million, what is the scope of work being performed, estimate of the IT related value of the award, and other key terms and conditions.

I would prefer this information in electronic format.

Your response is respectfully requested within 20 working days of your receipt of this letter (32 C.F.R. 289.29 (e)). If any requested record contains information determined to be exempt from disclosure under FOIA Exemptions 1-9, 32 C.F.R. 286.15, it is further requested that nonexempt portions thereof be released. 32C.F.R. 286.29 (d).

We are aware of the fee schedule set forth in 32 C.F.R. 286.35 and hereby agree to assume all reasonable costs or searching and reproduction. However please contact me if the fees for complying with this request exceed ($0.00). I may be reached at (703) 378-8740 should you have any further questions. Thank you for your assistance.

Nick McAdams
INPUT
14900 Conference Center Drive
Suite 225
Chantilly, VA 20151
Phone (703)378-8740
Fax (703)378-8804

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

23 October 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Nick McAdams
INPUT
14900 Conference Center Drive
Suite 225
Chantilly, VA 20151

Reference: DGF02:054

Case Number F03-0006

Dear Mr. McAdams:

This is in response to your faxed letter, dated 14 October 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 16 October 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested "A list of higher education grants that have been awarded since August 1, 2002."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended and has revealed no records responsive to your request. Please be advised that the NRO does not award "grants" of any kind.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "commercial" category of requester, which means you are responsible for all charges incurred for search, review and duplication in the processing of this request. In this instance, all fees are waived.

Your letter states that you are willing to pay all fees but also requests that we contact you if our fees exceed "($0.00)". We ask that in future requests that you stipulate a dollar amount other than what is currently stated in your letter.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0006. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

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THE NATIONAL SECURITY ARCHIVE
SUITE 500 1755 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W. WASHINGTON, D.C. 20036 (202) 797-0882

IN ALL CORRESPONDENCE PLEASE REFER
TO ARCHIVE FILE NO. 940654DOD110

19 August 1994

Charlie Y. Talbott
Chief, FOI Division
Defense Department
OASD (PA), Rm 2C757, The Pentagon
Washington D.C. 20301

Dear Mr. Talbott:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. Section 552, et seq. (as amended), I hereby request disclosure of the documents described on the attached page of this letter for inspection and possible copying. If you regard any of these documents as potentially exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them. As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable nonexempt portions of documents which contain information you regard as exempt. To permit me to reach an intelligent and informed decision whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denied material, please describe any withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the basis for your exemption claims.

This request is made on behalf of the National Security Archive, a nonprofit public interest research institute and library in Washington, D.C. The Archive is a tax-exempt nonprofit organization whose purpose is to enrich public policy debate by making widely available records on important areas of major public concern on foreign, defense and intelligence policy. Documents obtained by the Archive, including the records requested in this letter, are carefully analyzed, indexed, organized into collections and published. Archive document collections are also available for inspection and copying at the Archive by scholars, journalists, members of Congress and their staffs, present and former public officials, other public interest organizations, and the general public. Information in these documents is disseminated across the country through distribution of our published collections to research libraries and through the Archive's other publishing and media activities. I am conducting research on the subject of this request as part of an Archive research team which includes experts on the subject and which already has done extensive research and determined that the requested materials are necessary to our project.

Please also waive all fees in connection with this request. In National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, 880 F.2d 1381 (D.C. Cir. 1989), cert. denied, 110 S Ct. 1478 (1990), the Archive was declared entitled to a waiver of all search and review fees under the FOIA as a "representative of the news media." This request also qualifies for a waiver of duplication fees because disclosure of the information in the requested documents is in the public interest since release to us of these records, which directly relate to the formation of U.S. policy on the subject, is likely to contribute significantly to greater public understanding of the operations or activities of the government in making that policy. Should you decline to waive or reduce all duplication fees, we are prepared to pay normal reproduction costs if I decide to copy the records produced, but please describe your specific reasons in writing and notify us before incurring costs over $100.

To expedite the release of the requested documents, please disclose them on an interim basis as they become available to you, without waiting until all the documents have been processed. If you have any questions regarding the identity of the records, their location, the scope of the request or any other matters, please call me at (202) 797-0882. I look forward to receiving your response within the ten-day statutory time period.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

William Burr

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE

31 October 2002

MEMORANDUM FOR ASD (C3I),
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
ATTENTION: [redacted]

SUBJECT: (U) Freedom of Information Request—William Burr (Case No. 94-F-1840)

REFERENCE: NRO Case Number F03-0007

(U) We have reviewed the documents responsive to the above referenced FOIA request and find that one record still contains information requiring continued protection. Page ten of the package, "Memorandum For The President", is marked in red to indicate the information that is still considered classified IAW E.O. 12958, section 1.5 (c). We have tabbed the page to aid in identifying the correct document.

(U) If you have any questions, please call the undersigned at (703) 808-5029 and reference the case number cited above.

Barbara E. Freimann

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and Release Center

Attachments:
1. Document package from DFOISR

Unclassified when separated from attachments and control markings removed.

CL BY: [redacted]
Cl Reason: *1.5(C)*
DECL ON: *X1*
DRV FROM: *NRO SCG 5.1*
1 May 2000

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Government Contracts Counsel
Government Relations and Contracts

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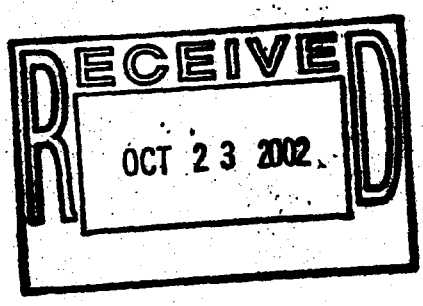
VIA EXPRESS MAIL

October 21, 2002



FOIA Coordinator
National Reconnaissance Office (NRO)
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

RE: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request

Dear FOIA Coordinator:

It is our understanding that the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) has a contract for procurement services/contracting with Boeing North America Services, Inc., and separate contracts/purchase orders with both LexisNexis (a.k.a. Reed Elsevier) and LRP Publications (CyberFeds) for online information services. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, 32 CFR Par 296.1, and DoD Regulation 5400.7-R, West hereby requests the following information:

Boeing North America Services, Inc.

1. One complete paper copy of any and all current contracts that the NRO has for procurement or contracting-related services with Boeing North America Services, Inc..

2. One copy of any and all purchase orders, delivery orders, and/or any modifications or amendments issued pursuant to the above-referenced Boeing North America Services, Inc. contract, for FY2001 and FY2002.

LexisNexis Contract/Purchase Orders

1. One complete paper copy of any and all current contracts that the NRO has for computer-assisted legal research, and/or information services, with LexisNexis (a.k.a. Reed Elsevier).

2. One copy of any and all purchase orders, delivery orders, and/or any modifications or amendments issued to LexisNexis for computer-assisted legal research and/or information services, for FY2001 and FY2002.

LRP Publications/CyberFeds Contracts/Purchase Orders

1. One complete paper copy of any and all current contracts that the NRO has for computer-assisted legal research, and/or information services, with LRP Publications (a.k.a. CyberFeds).

2. One copy of any and all purchase orders, delivery orders, and/or any modifications or amendments issued to LRP Publications/CyerFeds for computer-assisted legal research and/or information services, for FY2001 and FY2002.

As required by 5 U.S.C. § 552, we look forward to your response to our request within twenty (20) business days after receipt. If you deny all or any part of this request, please provide a written explanation for the denial, including a reference to the specific statutory exemption(s) upon which you base your denial, as well as the appeal procedures available under the law. We would expect that any nonexempt information would be separated from the exempt information and disclosed.

West understands that pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552, fees can be charged in processing FOIA requests. West falls under the Fee Category I (commercial use). If there are any fees associated with this FOIA request, please notify me of the amount, and a check will be sent to you promptly.

Please send all correspondence regarding this FOIA request to John S. Nelson, West, 610 Opperman Drive, Office D5-S493, Eagan, Minnesota 55123. Thank you for your cooperation and prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

John S. Nelson
Government Contracts Counsel

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

30 October 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. John S. Nelson
Government Contracts Counsel
610 Opperman Drive
Eagan, MN 55123

Case Number F03-0008

Dear Ms. Nelson:

This is in response to your letter, dated 21 October 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 23 October 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested the following information:

One complete paper copy of any and all current contracts between NRO and Boeing North America Services, Inc.; LexisNexis, Reed Elsevier; LRP Publications and CyberFeds; to include all purchase orders, delivery orders, modifications, amendments for FY 2001 and FY 2002.

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "commercial" category of requester, which means you are responsible for all charges incurred for search, review and duplication in the processing of this request.

The total cost associated with processing your request is $88.00 for 2 hours of search at the professional rate of $44.00 per hour. Please submit a certified check or postal money order, referencing the case number cited above, in the amount of $88.00 ***payable to the Treasurer of the United States*** and forward it to the Chief, Information Access and Release Center, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0008. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

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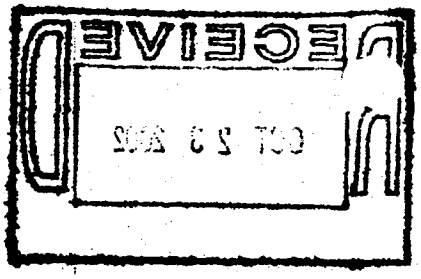
10-17-02

Hello This is a Freedom of Information Act request to Search for records of January 12 1994 Im interested in NRO Satalight photos above Greeny Mountain Colorado NORAD contacted the Sheriffs Department to do an aerial Search there was a large heat flash two Cobra gun ships Black hawks were protecting the air space I saw this on Sighting and recorded it as well I am a Mufon Investigator for the Mutual ufo Network I collect Government ufo Documents from all the Intelligence Agencys I'm interested all ufo related Case file I was refered to contact you by the CIA I have contacts at the British Ministrys of Defence and Civil Aviation Athocity for pilot ufo sightings reports I just recently signed a Petition to be sent to the united Nations about the full disclouser of all foreign Countrys about ufos and cattle Mutalations, Im a strong supporter and ufo researcher who studies ufo crash recoverys and ufo sightings and I have been working on a 5 year study and Comparing ufo sightings from past to present Canadian British, USA, Flying Triangles, Chevrons, Saucers, large Mother ships, Im also interested in any information about



ufo over Tehran 1967 238 scans USAF Coonel Richard Secord held a top secret meeting about ufo's tracked on radar a large mother ship and a smaller saucer land on a nearby Mountain Army chased the objects along the boarder for 3½ hours thank you for your time please send me your ufo Documents package you offer to the public thru the Freedom of Information Act I only want ufo related documents any ufo sightings reports radar tracking records over NORAD or any other us. military bases any records from March 13 1997 of a large Boomerang shaped object above Pheonix Arizonia City Council woman Frances Barrwood called for an investigation 1995 Japan airlines pilot reported a ufo and was tracked on radar CIA, FAA, held a secret meeting in the round room at the Pentagon a USN Admiral John Callihan attended the meeting I have a copy of the recording I want a copy of all these records thru Freedom of Information Act I would like a response within 10 working days to my FOIA request

Sincerly [redacted]

..ATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFI..
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

24 October 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Jeffrey Karvanek
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0009

Dear Mr. Karvanek:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request letter, dated 17 October 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office on 23 October 2002. You have requested " . . . records of January 12 1994 I'm interested in NRO satalight photos above Greeny Mountain Colorado . . .."

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. Previous searches for records in our files and databases dealing with UFOs have revealed that we have no responsive records.

Any satellite photos that might be responsive to your request would be under the control of the National Imagery and Mapping Agency, Office of General Counsel, 4600 Sangamore Road (D-10), Bethesda, MD 20816. We suggest you contact them to determine if what you're looking for exists.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the "other" category of requester, which means you are responsible for all charges incurred for search and reproduction after the first two hours and 100 pages. In this instance no fees were incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

[redacted]

20 October 2002

FOIA Coordinator
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Re: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request -- Synthetic Aperture Radar and Goodyear Aerospace Corporation

Dear Freedom of Information Act Officer:

This letter constitutes my request for National Reconnaissance Office information via the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552).

I am requesting this information for use in my doctoral dissertation, two scholarly articles, and a planned monograph, which I am presently preparing in the history department at Arizona State University. The dissertation, "Solid State: The Science, Politics, and Culture of the Electronics and Aerospace Industries in Arizona, 1948-1975," examines the history and impact of the electronics industry in Arizona during the opening decades of the Cold War.

1. Synthetic Aperture Radar: I am trying to locate information on the development of the U.S. Air Force reconnaissance radar known as synthetic aperture radar (SAR), side-looking aperture radar (SLAR), or high-resolution radar. The radar was partially developed by Carl A. Wiley of Goodyear Aerospace Corporation in Litchfield Park, Arizona during the 1950s. The research program was known as DOUSER, or possibly, AN/APS-73 (XH-1). It could have also been developed as part of Goodyear's all-weather navigation system, or ATRAN radar guidance program, for the *Matador* missile.

Goodyear's research in SAR technology continued throughout the Cold War. As a result, I also wish to document, if possible, the following research programs:

AN/APS-73 (XH-2), C-97 aircraft, 1958-1961
AN/APS-73 (XH-4), NKC-135 aircraft, 1962-1968, Program 665A
B-70 Electronic Processor, B-70 aircraft, 1958-1963
APQ-152 AWTMS, C-130 aircraft, 1961-1973
AN/UPD-3 (XE-1), NKC-135, 1962-1973
KP-1, SR-71 aircraft, 1962-1970
AN/APQ-102A, RF-4C aircraft, 1962-1980

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Polyfrequency Device, C-131B aircraft, 1967-1982
FOPEN, KC-135 aircraft, 1967-1972
CAPRE SAR, SR-71 aircraft, 1971-1977
LANCE-D, U-2 aircraft, 1971-1974

2. Quick Check: I am interested in any historical accounts, organizational studies, or documentary materials relating to the PROJECT 665A, BIG SAFARI, MONTICELLO PROJECT, or QUICK CHECK reconnaissance programs. I do not have much information on the first three items, but the latter, QUICK CHECK, was initiated shortly after the Cuban Missile Crisis of 1962. It consisted of photographic and radar surveillance flights of Cuba via B-58 *Hustler* aircraft. It saw usage of the AN/APS-73 (XH-3) pod-mounted radar installation. The radar was developed at Goodyear Aerospace Corporation in Litchfield Park, Arizona between 1959-1963, with first-flight being in 1961.

Within the documents I am most interested in sections and/or paragraphs which speak to the administrative history of the programs, and specifically, to the workload which was completed in Arizona. I am not interested in highly technical or scientific information, but rather documents which provide a contextual history, timeframe, and overview.

I request a waiver of fees for this request. I believe the requested information is in the public interest and is likely to contribute significantly to the public understanding of the operations and activities of the National Reconnaissance Office. For use in my academic dissertation, the material will help highlight the relationship of Arizona to the broader scientific community and to foreign policy initiatives of the period. The completed dissertation and its oral defense will be public and the dissertation will be indexed publicly through Dissertation Abstracts (DAI) and filed for public access through DAI. Moreover, this request is not primarily in my commercial interest.

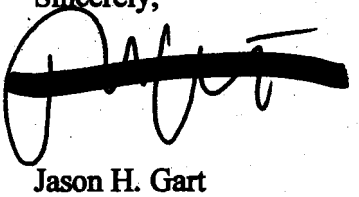
If you deny all or part of this request, please cite each specific exemption that justifies your refusal to release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552).

If you have any questions regarding the handling of this request, or need further information, please feel free to contact me at [redacted] or via e-mail at [redacted]

If required, I will be happy to provide a letter of introduction from the chair of the history department at Arizona State University.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



Jason H. Gart

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

29 October 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jason Gart
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0010

Dear Mr. Gart:

This is in response to your letter of 20 October 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 24 October 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting information on "the development of the U.S. Air Force reconnaissance radar known as synthetic aperture radar (SAR), side-looking aperture radar (SLAR), or high-resolution radar."

Your request did not indicate a willingness to pay any charges incurred. The procedural requirement of Department of Defense (DoD) Regulation 5400.7-R published at 32 CFR 286 (Vol. 52, No. 132, July 10, 1977), mandates that requesters must indicate a willingness to pay assessable fees.

Your request is being suspended until the issue of your willingness to pay fees has been resolved. This issue must be resolved within 60 days from the date of this letter or your request will be administratively closed.

Regarding your request for a fee waiver, please be advised that fee waivers and/or reductions are granted when there is a public interest in disclosure of information which will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO. A decision to waive or reduce fees cannot be made until after any responsive documents to be disclosed have been reviewed for "public interest."

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "educational/scientific" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable duplication fees (.15 per page) exceeding 100 pages.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0010. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

October 21, 2002

Barbara E. Freimann
Information Access and Release Center
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Dear Coordinator:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. subsection 552, I am requesting diagrams and schematics on the Atlas IIA rocket.

If there are any fees for searching for, reviewing, or copying the records, please let me know before you task my request or, please supply the records without informing me of the cost if the fees do not exceed a $5.00

If you deny all or any part of this request, please cite each specific exemption you think justifies your refusal to release the information and notify me of appeal procedures available under the law.

Sincerely,

Matthew C. Day

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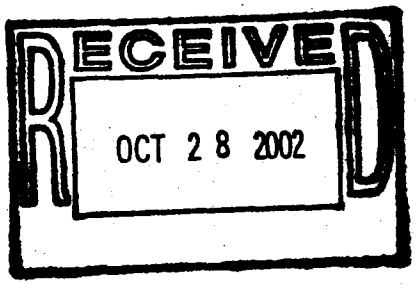


NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

16 December 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Matthew C. Day
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0011

Dear Mr. Day:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request letter, dated 21 October 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office on 28 October 2002. You have requested " . . . diagrams and schematics on the Atlas IIA rocket . . .."

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search of our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records.

Records responsive to your request would be under the control of the United States Air Force. You may contact them by writing to Department of the Air Force, 11CS/SCSR (FOIA), 1000 Air Force Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330-1000.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the "other" category of requester, which means you are responsible for all charges incurred for search and reproduction after the first two hours and 100 pages. In this instance no fees were incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

October 15, 2002

03-F-0063

Assistant to the Secretary of Defense
for Public Affairs
DFOISR
1155 Defense The Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301-1155

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request copies of the pages from the most recent 2002 issue of the DoD Telephone Directory dedicated to the following organizations:

National Reconnaissance Office
National Imagery and Mapping Agency
Defense Intelligence Agency
Deputy Chief of Staff, Intelligence (US Army)
US Army Intelligence and Security Command
Office of Naval Intelligence
Naval Security Group Command

The FOIA provides that if only portions of a record are exempted from release, the remainder must be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all nonexempt portions which are reasonably segregable I particularly request that it be kept in mind that there may exist reasonably segregable portions of classified paragraphs. I also request that any present classified material be considered for declassification.

To permit an intelligent, informed decision as to whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, I also request that you describe in detail the withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data v. Department of the Air Force 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir. 1977).

I also request a fee waiver. The fee waiver provisions under section 552 (a) (4) (A) of the FOIA, as amended on April 25, 1987, rewrote section 552 (a) (4) (A) to create categories of requesters entitled to fee waivers. Under those provisions, I qualify for exemption from fees in the "news media" category. In a recent decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit unanimously held that for FOIA fee waiver purposes "representatives of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. (See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217 (D.C. Circuit, July 28,1989).

I easily meet this criteria as a result of my books (The U.S. Intelligence Community (Westview, 4th ed.1999); American Espionage and the Soviet Target (Morrow, 1987);America's Secret Eyes in Space (Harper & Row 1990); A Century of Spies: Intelligence in the Twentieth Century (Oxford University Press, 1995, America's Space Sentinels: DSP Satellites and National Security (University Press of Kansas, 1999),and The Wizards of Langley: Inside the CIA's Directorate of Science and Technology (Westview, 2001),and newspaper and magazine articles. (A vita is available upon request). The information in the documents I request is to be incorporated into similar publications that will further public knowledge and understanding of activities in the area of national security.

I also qualify for favored treatment under the "all other requesters" category because my work has and is highly likely to continue to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of the government. For example, The U.S. Intelligence Community is used in numerous university courses throughout the United States as well as being used by newspaper reporters as a reference guide to the U.S. intelligence community.

My intended use of the material request above, in light of my extensive publication record, clearly meets the criteria established by statute and case law for preferred fee status under the FOIA as a representative of the news media. As such a representative I am entitled to have search and review fees waived. And given the contribution of my work to enhancing public understanding of the government operations I request that you also waive reproduction fees.

I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,

Jeffrey T. Richelson

TIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

13 November 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Richelson:

Your letter dated 15 October 2002 was referred to the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) by the Department of Defense and received in this office on 12 November 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " . . . pages from the most recent 2002 issue of the DoD Telephone Directory . . . National Reconnaissance Office . . . ."

The responsive record was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. The record you requested is exempt from release by FOIA exemption (b)(3) which allows the withholding of information prohibited from disclosure by statute, 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office."

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0012.

Sincerely,

[redacted]
Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

JEFFREY T. RICHELSON
[redacted]

November 21, 2002

NRO Appeal Authority
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Va. 20151-1715

This letter appeals the NRO's denial of my request (F03-0012) for the NRO section of the most recent DoD Telephone Directory. The NRO's denial letter is included.

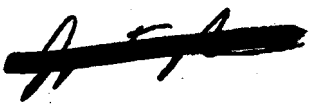
The grounds given for the denial is NRO's exemption from having to disclose organizational information.

However, while NRO is exempt from having to disclose such information, it does choose to publicly release such information - as indicated by an examination of its web site. Hence, there would seem to be no reason to withhold the same information contained in the pages of the DoD Telephone Directory.

The directory does contain additional organizational information that does not appear on the NRO's web site. However, the additional organizational information that has been published in the DoD Telephone Directory in the past, and presumably today, is unclassified.

I believe that such information should be released because transforming the DoD Telephone Directory into an FOUO publication was intended, as I understand it, to protect the privacy of the individuals working for DoD and its agencies, not to hinder the understanding of the organizational structure of the DoD or its agencies.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey T. Richelson

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

27 November 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Richelson:

Your faxed letter dated 21 November 2002 was received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) 22 November 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, you are appealing the denial of " . . . pages from the most recent 2002 issue of the DoD Telephone Directory . . . National Reconnaissance Office . . . ."

Your appeal has been accepted. We will advise you when a determination by the NRO Appeal Board has been made.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

17 January 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your faxed letter dated 21 November 2002 received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) 22 November 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you appealed the denial of " . . . pages from the most recent 2002 issue of the DoD Telephone Directory . . . National Reconnaissance Office . . .."

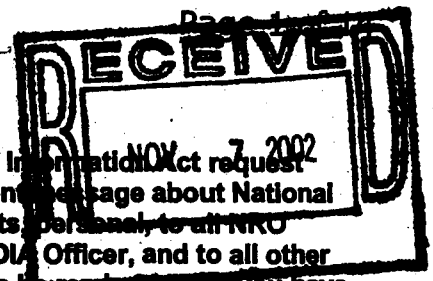
As the Appellate Authority, and after a complete review, I have determined that portions of this document can be released. Portions that continue to be withheld are pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(3) which allows the withholding of information covered by 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office."

You are advised that you are entitled to a judicial review of this determination in a United States District Court in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552 as amended.

Sincerely,

Garnett R. Stowe, Jr.
Chief of Staff

Enclosure:
1 page - DoD Telephone Directory



November 1, 2002, all above mentioned, please forward below Freedom of Information Act request (See U.S. Code, Title 5, paragraph 552 and 552a), and complaint, and urgent message about National Security right away to National Reconnaissance Office, Director Peter Teets, personal, to all NRO Deputy Directors, to Chief of Staff, General Counsel, Inspector General, FOIA Officer, and to all other NRO executives, personal, and acknowledge to me that you did so. Please be reminded that you have an obligations to process FOIA/PA requests, and that investigating the issues that I raised in below request is your mission.

Rec'd on Nov. 4, 2002 by NRO Director Peter Teets, personal and for NRO Records, Release Chief, Barbara Freimuth.

COMPLAINT, URGENT REQUEST FOR INFORMATION AND INVESTIGATION, INCLUDING FOIA/PA REQUEST

This request is no spam. This message contains very important information to National Security. Inform me also if you receive this message sabotaged, e.g. when words and paragraphs are cut off, or when the e-mail arrives truncated or crazy additions and punctations are made to it. Please note, that the word "hacker" is a German word, slang for somebody who types a lot. This hopefully tells you, who invented and controls the hackers. This is all not done by me and those doing it have apparently interest in that you should not know about the facts below, or they want my message ridiculed. In such case, please inform me that you want the message in the form I wrote and mailed it, and I will send it to you with the Postal Service. TKU, Barbara Schwarz. [redacted]

[redacted]

Attn. NRO, Director Peter Teets, personal and all others as above mentioned NRO executives, personal,

please inform me if you or your staff have knowledge of Mark C. Rathbun (de Rothschild), or his family, or his attorneys, or Scientologists, or an Independent or Special Counsel, or other members of Congress asking you to investigate a secret German Nazi infiltration of the U.S. government, all Departments, numerous federal agencies and even courts, or State governments, or asked you to sponsor a new Committee, or Subcommittee, or federal agency, or office, to investigate this illegal infiltration. Inform me if they contacted you to find me as witness to their investigation and asked you to mail your FOIA/PA or other records on me to them.

Inform me also on status of any pending FOIA/PA request, appeal, or request for investigation of mine in your agency, e.g. my FOIA/PA request of December 2, 2001, of May 20, 2002, my appeal of June 13, 2002, my requests for investigation dated May 20, 2002, January 12, 2001, March 20, 2002, December 2, 2001 and December 3, 2001.

Please mail me also under FOIA/PA, records, that your office has on me, Barbara Schwarz, or misspelled version Schwartz, since the last time you mailed me some. Search also for my other names, Barbara Bretschneider or Sarah Eisenhower or Sarah Hubbard. I also want your records on President Dwight David Eisenhower and L. Ron Hubbard. Search in all your offices, but do not incur any fees without my consent. You have my signature already in your files. I still live at same address. I am aware that some agencies do not want to process any FOIA/PA request of mine, because of my alleged unpaid fees of $ 303.30 to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Fact is however, that those fees were never actually incurred by VA, just criminally fabricated to use my indigency to cover up records before me to which I am legally entitled. VA never asked me for my consent to incur those $ 303.30, but this was the whole purpose of this campaign, to make up the amount behind my back, and start then a nationwide criminal hate campaign against me, denying my rights for records and FOIA/PA processing of my requests. They knew I could not pay and this is the reason they fabricated the fees. The VA Inspector General knows about this fraud and campaign, but he does not investigate to protect the criminal cronies within his department, which set this criminal act up. I received information that the DOJ, the Office of Information and Privacy (OIP), both co-directors are promoting this criminal campaign, me having debts to Dept. VA of 303.30 Dollars, to all other U.S. Agencies, to make sure that they also deny my right of records. The OIP conspirers against me and promotes this criminal campaign against me, in retaliation for my civil FOIA/PA lawsuits. Dept. VA and OIP received affidavit from me, that the 303,30 Dollars VA-fees are a fraud, but they are conspiratively ignoring it. The Va-employees that made the amount up to use my indigency to deny records to me, and the OIP

employees, that know of this criminal act, did not provide affidavit, that would say that the fees are lawfully incurred, because they all know, they are outrageous fraud. This means that all agencies, including yours, have to believe me, and to process my FOIA/PA requests. If you want another originally signed copy of this affidavit, please ask me, I'll mail you one with the USPS right away. In any case, I want your agency, to investigate this fraud and the campaign and the denials of my rights. Moreover, DOT, the Maritime Administration (MARAD) has also criminally fabricated fees behind my back. Their FOIA Officer Marduia deliberately mailed me the wrong records to use up my 100 pages free records. MARAD never asked me for my consent, if I can or will pay their fees. It is a criminal act to make up fees behind the back of me requester, using my indigency to start a campaign against me, saying that I shall either pay the unwanted records, or no request of mine will be processed and to get other DOT administrations and the HQ and even other Departments and agencies to join in this criminal campaign against me. If MARAD would have asked me in advanced if I will pay fees, I would have responded, that I can't. They knew that I am indigent, before they criminally fabricated the fees. But this was the whole purpose of those fees, to set them up and to give me no possibility to say no to them. Other signs that the fees are a fraud are that they constantly changed. First I was told I shall pay 108,80 Dollars, than 98,80 Dollars, than 100,42 Dollars, all for the same unwanted records. I ask DOT and MARAD to finally waive the fees. By not processing my FOIA/PA requests, appeals, or requests for investigation, or complaints, every agency is same guilty of fraud and conspiracy as MARAD is.

Treat above also as a civil rights complaint and investigate accordingly and to the laws.

IN ORDER TO FULFILL YOUR MISSION AND TO DO YOUR JOB EFFECTIVELY, INVESTIGATE ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

I am convinced that a German Secret Service is resonsible for the freezing of America, in many instances, including setting up bankruptcy cases, the bad conduct of parties in bankruptcy cases, law violations, bankruptcy fraud, and abuse. Through ear implants, they organize crimes in corporate America. They try with illegal methods to become world power number one, by ruining the United States and it's economy secretly. Whenever you deal with pushing worthless stock, defrauding and abusing consumers, commerical robbery, bankrupcy, economical and other law violations, a bad declining economy, you should pull strings, as to what foreign force put those socalled Americans up to it.

As to my knowledge, the infiltration of the U.S. government is a crystal clear fact, and this German secret service runs American governmental officials and also judges and federal courts. The just mentioned lie even under oath and conspire, corrupt justice and likely are in contempt of Congress. As far as I am concerned, they violate the Freedom of Information Act, by denying this act to me conspiratively and by covering up records to which I am legally entitled and also denying other even constitutional rights to me, e.g. my right to access to the courts and due process. I wrote to you already, they fabricate fees behind my back and use my indigency to cover up records that prove that they are German Nazi infiltrated, that they lie under oath, corrupt justice and are in contempt of Congress. Letters written by the Department of Justice, Office of Information and Privacy, the Co-Directors about me and sent to all U.S. agencies celebrate the denials of my rights and rally all agencies to deny them also to me. Those messages read as if copied out of German Nazi executive orders.

I figured out that Mark C. Rathbun (de Rothschild), an upright American citizen and a Scientologist, (a strong opponent of the secret infiltration of the U.S. government by foreign sources), and my husband, was framed by German Nazi conspiracy having harmed and murdered me, Barbara Schwarz, and is wrongfully incarcerated. He could lose his life behind bars and is tortured there, because such a target by the Germans. I can prove his innocence, but nobody within the German Nazi infiltrated U.S. government was sofar willing to assist me to testify for him or also to just contact his attorneys. Same applies for the American courts till up to the U.S. Supreme Court. They keep the place of incarceration of Mark a secret before me, so that I can't testify, so that the Germans can come away with their violations of our human and civil rights and can come away with the secret Nazi infiltration of the U.S. government.

Other signs of the infiltrated U.S. government pop up every day in the news. Any Department, any

agency, including your very own agency, is very much so the target of infiltration. The fact, that the Department of Justice made 48 documents with classified material terrorist Moussauoi available and can't explain why and how it exactly happened, points directly towards an infiltrated U.S. government, with employees that have no true American intentions, rather work for the enemy. Take for example former FBI counterespionage executive Phillip Hanssen, former Boston FBI agent John Connolly, and the FBI Nevada agents, that worked like Connolly for the mob. It can be expected that there are much more in governmental rows with such connections, and I am sure, that above espionage, but also the Mafia is Germany. Newmagazine "60 Minutes", reported on October 25, 2002 about the FBI whistleblower case of Sibel Edmonds, about that the FBI slowed down translations to create a backlog that might win the FBI translator unit money and staff, they hired unqualified translators, deleted ready translated work, left crucial information out of the translations that would reveal the infiltration of the U.S. government by foreign forces and spies, then they fired the whistleblower. Other reports in the media indicate that the FBI is not taking calls from citizens as to crime and terror serious, because they refer the callers to FOX TV channel, who takes in those calls for the FBI. As you can see, if the U.S. government would be not infiltrated like hell (and by the Germans, there is no doubt whatsoever in my mind with the overall control over any foreign infiltration), such corruption within the U.S. government would not happen. Especially after September 11, 2001, an uninfiltrated U.S. government would take much better care and produce much better results.

Your agency has to know that the Germans work with methods to cheat through the grades and to obtain false school, college and university degrees. They contact their international and also American agents around the first grade. They install them microchip body implants in their middle ears, which goes as fast as earlope piercing. Through those implants, they receive orders in their language, but originated by the German Secret Service. This secret service asks the agents for favors, to work for their purposes, by channelling them in return what to say or write in school exams to pass those. This is a method to breed stupidity, because the children don't learn to think for themselves. Their case officer is doing it for them. Those children grow up and lead the world of tomorrow, which is scary, but it already happened. This system, to make and hire agents, is already very old and explains the many corrupt idiots, that occupied important positions and made and make very unintelligent and also dangerous decisions for citizens in all of the world. Education is a joke, when your agency does not do anything against ear implants and case officers telling their agents what to write and say during exams. This concerns your agency directly, because your agency hires such people that received their American and other University degrees from the German Secret Service, as thanks for their work for German, European and Anti-American purposes.

Moreover, the Germans also work and worked on it to re-write history. They also try to declare the Holocaust as not true. Your agency has to also take serious look into what the German Secret Service already did, to re-write history and what scientific data, that others discovered, they withheld and withhold. You can't just leave that up to the U.S. Secret Services, because they are also German controlled, otherwise they would have discovered and made known already what I wrote to you.

This German secret service runs their agents till they die. They run American officials and judges and others within this country and order them to do their jobs so deliberately bad and wrongful, that the majority of all U.S. citizens have serious disadvantages. Those agents comply to the Germans for personal gain. Tax payers money is wasted, rights to Americans are denied, the ground for crimes and terrorism is prepared, knowledge of crimes and possible terror acts are swept under the carpet. They provoke U.S. citizens, they bully Americans but also other nationals and countries, they set up "human errors" to trigger attacks and wars, they let the economy falter, they are the reason why science is not as advanced as it could be and they deliberately don't want to find terrorists as Bin Laden and his people, to just name a few of the crimes. I am certain that Bin Laden and corrupt heads of States as Saddam Hussein are also runned by the Germans. The Department of Justice knows that the September 11, 2001 terror attacks were planned in Germany. The media reported now that Haydar Zammar was arrested. He is born in Germany and recruited terrorist Atta into Al Queda, who flew the plane in the first WTC tower. Germany apparently had him arrested right after September 11, 2001, but did let him go so that US official can't get their hands on him and can't question that animal. He eventually went to Syria, and the Syrian officals are more helpful to the Americans than the Germans in questioning that terrorist, which also shows that Germany is still an old enemy to the USA. You might have hopefully heard of the German stock company Munich Re, (Muenchener Rueck) and that quite a number of their customers knew that the WTC would be hit by a direct disaster, and instead of

alarming the American authorities and the occupants of the WTC with the information they have received hereto, they sold their stock and made money with it. If the Germans would have had their ways on this terrible September day, the White House or Capitol Hill would have suffered the same fate like the WTC or the Pentagon and the President and his staff and many and perhaps all of the Senators and Congressmen would be history by now. However, the Germans choose other nationals to do the dirt work for them, so they used in the majority Saudi's. Hitler was also choosen by them because he was no German, but Austrian, so that they can blame it on other countries, if the acts are upsetting the world. However, Germany, their secret service made those people to terrorists. All I have heard about Hitler's death is so suspicious that I am absolutely certain that he did not commit suicide and was not the person that they found in a burned uniform. Like Bin Laden, they helped Hitler to come away. It would be not surprising for me to learn that the Germans helped Bin Laden even to new kidneys.

The American forces in Afghanistan, that should capture or kill Bin Laden, are also clearly German controlled, otherwise they never would have allowed a triple agent for Al-Queda/Taliban/Germany, to go after Bin Laden in the mountains of Tora Bora, while sitting in the village, waiting. He tipped and helped Bin Laden to flee, that is why he came away. If the forces in Afghanistan would be true Americans, they would have done the job themselves, and they would have found, the most wanted criminal of this century. It is unbelieveable by socalled Americans, to give that job to a traitor. They deliberately goofed their chance to capture Bin Laden. America is really in bad hands.

The Germans avoided for almost one year to charge September 11 terror-attack co-conspirator Mounir El Motassadeq with anything. It is to assume, that they charged him only "pro forma", to get rid of the blame that Germany breeded those terrorists, which they did. They let others in Germany, connected to the September 11 terror attacks come away, e.g. the German Secret Service officers that set up the attacks and watch it unfold, and the German Psychiatrists that hypnotized the "suicide pilots", Atta, Al-Shehhi and Jarrah and others into committing those atrocities. I am absolutely certain, that also other socalled suicide pilots were hypnotized and drugged by German controlled psychiatrists. Your agency should really and very urgently look into that.

A German computer geek is said to have had closest relationship with Al Queda. The Germans protect this man and publish only his first name, Christian, and the first letter of his last name "G". The German authorities want to let this guy come away by saying that they don't have any laws to prosecute him. How convenient for the Germans, who anyhow are behind and above Al Queda. Apparently, Christian G., the German, was called by Al Queda Terrorist, that committed the Djerba terror attack and the German gave his blessing for it. It must be concluded that Christian G., the German, knew also about the September 11, 2001 attacks in advance. Here you see again, that the Germans run Al Queda.

September 11-terrorist Al-Shehhi evidently was bragging in year 2000 in a German library, that they plan a terror attack against the World Trade Center in New York, with thousands dead, but those Germans either did not inform the authorities, or they did, and the German Authorities did not alarm the U.S. authorities, to make sure that the attacks will take place.

On September 5, 1972, the German Secret Service also used Muslim agents to kill Jews. Some people say that September 5, 1972 in Munich was the start of modern terrorism as we know it. I remind you that on this day, during the Olympic Games in Munich, eleven Israeli's, all of the Israeli Olympic Team were brutally murdered, because the Israeli Ambassador in Germany apparently approved that the notorious anti-semitic German authorities and police shall handle the situation. As not other expected by Nazis, they did not only put the Muslims up to take the Israeli hostages, they also made sure that the Muslims were provoked to kill all of the Jews. As they can't gas officially Jews anymore without causing worldwide protest, they find other nationals to kill them for the Germans. I claim the Germans allowed those September 5 terrorists to conduct their atrocities in Germany as they allowed the September 11 terrorists to plan their unbelievable actions against humanities on German grounds. The Palestinian gunmen of 1972 did not only ask to release Palestinian prisoners, but also German extremists, which is also evidence, that those gunmen worked for Germans and had German interests. Thirty years (!) after the massacre of the 11 Israelis, the German government paid to the relatives only $2,98 Million compensation, instead of the $29 Million, that they demanded, and the Germans did not

even utter an apology.

Germans, obsessed with ruling the entire world since centuries, don't just quit their plans. They continue, if they can't openly, then they do it covertly. I heard a few days ago in the news that Germany wants to put one of their investigators/prosecutors in the U.S. Department of Justice, allegedly for the purpose to investigate the September 11, 2001 terror-attacks. The truth however is, that this investigator/prosecutor has as purpose to whitewash the Germans and to mislead the U.S. Department of Justice and other departments and the American Public to search the origins and the organizing of the September 11 terror attacks not within Germany, but only within Muslim or other countries. The United States should not see that Germany is using Orientals and other nationals to continue their hatred against Jews and the USA. It is also very creepy to have German official sitting in an American Department. They killed hundred thousands of Americans in WW II and wanted to overtake the United States. They run already American officials secretly and now they walk in the front door of American Department and apparently want to govern the USA officially.

On the other side of the coin, however, the AP reported on September 4, 2002, that Germany is withholding evidence against the September 11 conspiracy defendant Moussauoi, from the USA, to prevent that this terrorist will be executed. More than 3000 Americans had to die on September 11, but Germans want to prevent that one of their co-conspirators has to suffer the fate that he and his partners had for others. The Germans are not sensitive when Millions of innocent people have to die, as their history has learned us, but they were always great in protecting the guilty and the monsters. However, I know the real reason why they cover up evidence is, to cover up the very active German origins and involvment in the September 11, 2001 attacks and there are no other reasons. This is the German plan: Their American runned officials will say that they will not waive their rights to execute Moussaoui, which helps the Germans, to "appear more human" to the world than the Americans, in their attempts to cover up evidence that would burden and convict the Germans. Ramzi Binalshibh of the Hamburg cell was arrested on September 14, 2002, but not by German authorities, they let him slip away. He was arrested in Pakistan, and German authorities have the guts, asking for his extradition to Germany, despite that they intend to withhold information to the USA. Why do they want Binalshibh? To prevent that he blows the whistle on German nationals being also responsible for the September 11 terror attacks, to cover up what really is behind the attacks and who set them up and supervised and controlled them.

According to the Associated Press on July 13, 2002, the head of the German Foreign Intelligence Agency, August Hanning said, that to their knowledge, Bin Laden ist still alive and moves around at the Pakistan/Afghanistan Boarder, while President Bush recently said, he would not know if Bin Laden is still alive. Apparently, the Germans know so much more about Bin Laden's whereabouts and Al Queda and the Taliban, because they secretly run them. It seems they have not shared the details of their knowledge with the USA. Hanning said further that Al Queda and Taliban are preparing further attacks, but he did not refer to specifics. My guess is that the Germans don't want to stop the attacks. If American intelligence and agencies would be not so terrible infiltrated by people that have no true American interests at heart and would not secretly work for the German still existing Nazi Secret Service, they would have found Bin Laden and all still operating militant Al Queda and Taliban members. American intelligence and agencies would have discovered long ago that Germans have cooked out the September 11 terror attacks and other recent atrocities by using other nationals to commit them for Germany. They also don't mind to kill German nationals and citizens to make Germany look like a victim rather than the orginator and the perpetrators of the terror attacks. If you speak German and know their dialects, like I, you would also discover that the word Al Queda is a code for saying that all members of Al Queda are ok.

You furthermore must know that the German government years ago approved that their Secret Services can put tabs on members of minority religions. They spy on their every movement and they are doing it more than any other country as to my knowledge. They persecute with this executive order mainly Scientologists, members of a religion that is good in the roots and very helpful to people. As people that belong to minority religions (and Islam in Germany is a minority religion) are under constant surveillance, the German Secret Services must have had detailed knowledge to the September 11, 2001 terror attacks, while ringleader terrorist Atta and others plotted the attacks in Germany. They did not stop the attacks, despite they could have done so. I am a 100% sure that

Germans used fanatical orientals to attack the USA and that September 11 attacks were born in sick German still existing Nazi minds.

The September 11 Anniversary Plot, to bomb the U.S. Army Europe Headquarters in Heidelberg, was on September 5, 2002 only prevented, because the U.S. Authorities urged the German police to go after the subjects, and the German authorities had no other choice. The Germans would have let the attack happen and 5 bombs and 287 lb chemicals would have been exploded and and would have killed and hurt the 16.000 Americans that work and live there. Germany quickly declared the arrested suspect are "very religious".Turk Osman Petmezci, would hate the USA and Jews, and his girlfriend Astrid Eyzaguirre, would be American and hates Jews too. However, fact is, that Petmeczi is German raised and is not religious, because living unmarried with his girlfriend in one apartment, and he was seen by others drinking beer and smoking pot, just like the other Germans. Eyzaguirre is also German citizen. The Germans informed that those both have "no terror ties". The Germans again did not disclose that above Al Queda is another terror network, a German secret service, which is senior to Al Queda and all other terror networks. Once again, the Germans picked an alleged Muslim and an alleged American to carry out the September 11 Anniversary Plot, so that Germany can't be blamed with it.

Another example of many is the Los Angeles gunman, the Egyptian, that opened fire on an Al EL (Israel airline) ticket counter und killed without provocation two people last Independent Day. The FBI announced that he has no connection to Islamic terror groups. This is, because it is not necessary, since the Germans are the common denomminator. They have access to everybody through ear implants and channel those the atrocities their agents shall commit on their behalf and channel those in the governments to not detect the Germans behind it.

Timothy McVeigh, the Oklahoma City bomber also had strong connections to Germany and worshipped sick Nazi ideas. I am a 100 % sure that he blew up the federal building to kill hundreds of Americans on secret German Nazi command. I also believe they told him that he would not die and that the injection, that he would receive on executition date, would not kill him, just make him look dead, that they would carry him out, revive him and help him escape, just as they did it with another most wanted criminal, Hitler.

The Maryland/Alabama serial snipers are surely also agents of the sick German Nazi secret service. I am convinced, they have also put those men, like other snipers and killers before in the USA, on their disgusting crime spree. They even control the witnesses to lie, or to not come out right away or at all, so that those lunatics can continue to kill others. The witnesses don't feel threatened by the snipers, because they know they are controlled by their network, and just shoot those, which the Nazi secret service wants to have shot, which is not them. Other methods to control that the serial snipers can continue to kill and terrorize is to hypnotize the population. The Germans have unrestricted access to the ear implants of the people. They channel into their subconscious mind to be not alert and to not see the snipers. By having access to the minds of the people, the Germans put people in trance and also cause socalled "traffic accidents". This is important for your agency to know and to investigate.

A friend of the serial sniper John Allen Muhammad said the tipped the FBI in June 2002, that Muhammad planned to shot people, including those of law enforcement. FBI did not follow up the lead, which, as we know, resulted in at least 13 shootings and 10 dead people. Once more, evidence that the U.S. government is secretly infiltrated to assist crime and terror. I am absolutely certain that the Germans are behind it. The snipers were sympathetic to the September 11 terrorists, but it is said that they have no connection to Al Queda. This connection is not necessary, because a German Secret Service connects them, which has access to anybody's ear implants.

Do you remember massmurderer Michael McDermott from Massachussets? He had gunned down seven co-workers in an internet consultant company on December 26, 2000. "60 Minutes" interviewed authorities on him and they said that McDermott did not say anything after the crime, but: "I don't speak German!". Nobody asked him if he did, but it should be an alibi for the Germans (a ridiculous one by the way, because Germans speak English and have also computers in any language to run their international agents). By telling American authorities in the USA that he does not speak German should take the attention away from a German Secret Service, that put up killers and orders crime

sprees. I am certain that with any of those killers there is the German connection, as also with mass murderer Joseph Paul Franklin, who took Hitler so serious that he celebrated his birthday even in prison. The Germans secretly attack the USA with crimes, terror and drugs. They attack the pride, the economy, the security of the American people and distract from other serious problems that needs to be solved and needs attention.

The current German secret service, the Bundesnachrichtendienst (BND) is the former German Nazi Secret Service, as you can hopefully recall. The German General Reinhard Gehlen served as chief of the Nazi spy right during WWII and who apparently later negotiated an agreement with the United States, which allowed his spy network to continue in existance despite past war denazification programs. Control of the Gehlen organization from German Nazi infiltrated USA apparently shifted back to West Germany and became the German Federal Intelligence Service, the Bundesnachrichtendienst (BND). An official or inofficial section of this secret service continued to persecute, abuse, terrorize and control the entire world. Fact is that the United States was (and still is) heavily German Nazi infiltrated in 1945, otherwise this Nazi Spy Ring would have been dismantled in any detail. It is unbelievable that the USA allowed Nazi chief spy to "negotiate". Germany was defeated thanks to the true American, the Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces, Dwight David Eisenhower. The U.S. government continued in present time to cover up records as to those negotiations and their deals in and after 1945 with the German Spy Ring and Gehlen. Federal employees don't even want to conduct adequate FOIA- searches for those records, rather want to cover them up, which also proves again what kind of infiltrated government the United States has.

You also must remember former Senator Joseph McCarthy, who gave a speech in February 1950 in West Virginia, that the U.S. government was full of secret Communists who were carring out the order of the Russians, and he became the leader of the anti-Communist Crusade in the USA. He ordered people to appear before his investigative subcommittee and this all ended in that McCarthy was indentifed as fraud and bully. Fact is that McCarthy was a German Nazi agent. He was put up by the Germans to blame the Russians, the Soviets instead the factual infiltrators, that buy and bribe Americans (but also other nations) in great numbers, the Germans! The way McCarthy behaved and investigated should take away all appetite of Congress and the American people to look into the allegations (which I know former Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces and later U.S. President Eisenhower also made) that a German Nazi Secret Service still runs secretly the entire world including U.S federal employees and also judges and others in all walk of life. - Certainly, the Soviets and Russians and other countries also had and still have their spies in the USA, but the Germans put them up to it and had and still have the overall control over any infiltration.

Take for another example the blast of the Victory Parade in Southern Russia, in May 2002, that sent at least 29 people, amongst many children to their death. They celebrated the victory over the German Nazis. Officially Chechnya rebels did it, but I know that German Nazi Secret Service is hiring those people to do the terrorism for them. Who else in the world would be interested to explode a Victory Parade against German Nazis than the German Nazis? Moreover, the Chechen gunmen that took in October 2002 more than 700 hostages in a Moscow theatre, and the unprofessional handling by the Russian authorities, that resulted in death of more than 100 hostages, was surely a German product. They have the overal control about the rebels and the Russian government.

90 Percent of all Germans don't want the USA to remove Saddam Hussein from power, as you probably have heard. They don't see "the need". Of course not, because they secretly run that dictator. They cover up the evidence that the foreign minister of Iraq met with Atta, (the one who flew the first plane in the WTC and who identified himself as being German to his U.S. flight school) before September 11. I am absolutely certain that Saddam Hussein's foreign minister and Saddam Hussein himself were very well informed in advance on the September 11, attacks and that the German Secret Service is supervising those attacks and did not inform the U.S. authorities. The Germans want to leave co-conspirator Saddam Hussein in power, because they want to have a criminal and fanatical leader available who would attack the USA with atomic bombs, dirty bombs, chemical and biological weapons and other means of mass destruction, as soon as the Germans decide that the time is ripe. I hate war and the idea that innocent people might be hurt much more that the Germans, because they were the cause of all world wars and as I know them also the secret source behind all other wars. Them not wanting to assist the U.S. getting rid of Saddam, is not being anti-war, it is being anti-

American and still anti-Semitic. Saddam's involuntary companion for many decades, Parisoula Lampsos stated that he worships Hitler and his ideas. I wished that there would be another way than war to remove Saddam from power, and this way could be very well to expose that Saddam is a German agent. The Iraqi people and those of other middle Eastern countries have to be made understood, that Saddam Hussein is a German agent and was co-conspirator of the September 11 terror attacks and that they all are much better off with a non-terrorist leader in Iraq. If the American and other western Secret Services would not be also German controlled and runned, the crystal clear evidence of Saddam Hussein being directly involved with the September 11, 2001 atrocities would be already in details documented. Bin Laden was seen with Saddam Hussein in the mid 90's and Saddam gave Bin Laden money. That money was surely for terrorism. Saddam gassed 5000 Kurds in 1988. The use of gas, does this not sound very German? In other words, he is a mass murderer. Germans say they want to leave him in power to "stabilize the Middle East". What kind of stabilization can a mass murderer give to a country or region or the rest of world, except of more mass killings? You see, it is typically German to be on the wrong side, to protect the really bad and to attack those that are on the right track. Instead of calling President Bush Hitler, the German Justice Minister Herta Daeubler-Gmelin, should have called mass murderer Saddam Hitler. President Bush is doing the right thing going after Saddam, same applies for Vice President Cheney. The Germans have their spin doctors and just twist the truth around. Hitler would have never gone after a massmurderer as Saddam is, just like the German leadership is not going after him, but waits rather till America has another and even more worse September 11. Germany and it's international agents say that USA found "no smoking gun", that would justify to go after Saddam. The history of Saddam Hussein however, is one big smoking gun. Today people ask how it ever could have happened that the real Adolf Hitler and his German Reich, killed millions of people, and nobody stopped him early. How many millions of people do the today Germans want to have killed by Saddam, before they want him removed? How dare of them to twist the facts around and compare those that want to go after mass murderer, terrorist-supporter, weapons of mass destruction collector, and Hitler-fan, Saddam Hussein, with Adolf Hitler. The German spin machine turns good into evil and evil into good. The Le Monde Diplomatique reported in March 1998, that the Iraqi Government Services were trained by STASI experts from East German Secret Service. If you still don't believe that Saddam Hussein is a German agent, listen to this: Le Monde Diplomatique also reported in March 1998, that Germany supplied Baghdad with a large part of the technology required for the production of chemical weapons, and in an unusual display of East/West military co-operation, German engineers enhanced the performance of the Scud aircraft, which Iraq had obtained from the Soviet Union. They also wrote that Saddam Hussein referred to President George H. Bush as the new Hitler, just in the same manner as recently the German justice minister compared President George W. Bush to Hitler.

Even if weapons inspectors in Iraq, would try as best as they can, to find weapons of mass distruction (which I doubt), it is like finding a needle in the haystack, in this big country, with a corrupt government trying to hide them. It would be much safter, to remove Saddam Hussein and his supporter, even if this means that he might attack. He will do so anyway, on German commands, sooner or later. I am absolutely convinced, the only reason, why he did not directly attack the USA yet is, because he was informed that Bin Laden and Al Queda and Taliban will do so and he has not to stick out his neck. But as more as Al Queda and Taliban is dismantled, as more certain it is that the Germans will use Saddam to attack the USA and it's allies. He is a lunatic. In his insanity to develop and possess weapons of mass destruction, he hides them in and under hospitals and in his own palaces. Somebody should tell him to stuff biological weapons directly in his pillow and have a good night sleep on it. He needs to be removed, and with him is case officers, and I bet everything I own, that they are German case officers.

They also run the rest of the world. Just look at the Security Council of the United Nations, China, Russia and France. Russia and France don't want to use force against Iraq, even if they refuse to disarm. It is outrageous. How can they dare to pamper a wild animal and dangerous massmurder like Saddam, if they would not be remote controlled from a higher instance as Iraq, that is a German Secret service.

In the 1980's, German Imhausen-Chemie lead the construction of "Pharma 150", a giant complex that would house terrorist state Lybia's first poison gas production plant. German citizen Jurgen Hippenstiel-Imhausen, head of Imhausen Chemie had joined forces with Ihsan Barbouti, an Iraqi born man in Hamburg/Germany, who helped Iraq build chemical weapons. The operation for Lybia/Rapta

included nearly 30 German companies. One official report said, that Rapta was big enough to produce 40 tons of mustard and nerve gas per month! A second chemical weapons plant, called Pharma 200 was also developed by German Imhausen in 1990, and two additional German companies, Rose of Stuttgart and Abacus were suspected to help design the death-bringing facility. Germany lied first, as they usually do, saying they played no role in Lybia's chemical weapons efforts, but their outrageous criminal activities in developing weapons of mass destruction was evident. Hippenstiel-Imhausen got only five years in prison from a German court. He was only convicted on Tax fraud and export violation, not on his intention to provide Lybia with chemical weapons to attack the USA and Israel. As to my knowledge, the other 29 German companies came all away without any penalty. Barbouti died under mysterical circumstances in a hospital. According to my feeling, he was medically murdered, so that he can't blow the whistle who else in Germany was in on that as well. In August 1996, three German businessmen were charged with selling Lybia between 1990 and 1993 advanced computerized equipment that could be programmed to manufacture soman and sarin, but my personal experience with German courts are, that real bad people come away with a slap on the wrist, so that they can continue a bit later with their mass destruction plans. In 1991, Lybia-bound machinery for making missles has been sized in Hamburg, Germany. "60 Minutes" reported on September 29, 2002, that Lybia is not more far from having an Atomic bomb. I am sure that the Germans are helping them actively also to archive that goal.

If the U.S. Secret Services would be not German controlled, they would have found out in time and much earlier that North Korea has a nuclear program. It is quite scary to imagine what such German controlled secret services else "overlook". It is unbelievable, that we just found out about the North Korea nukes, and other mass destruction weapons, after they made it public themselves. What is behind it? German strategy to assist their agent Saddam Hussein to stay in power. A German Nazi secret service that runs the entire world and has as major purpose to overtake the USA creates as much problems for the United States as possible: Iraq, other hostile countries, former allies that suddenly become enemies, communism, North Korea, Lybia, Syria, Iran, attacks on Israel, anthrax, the serial snipers, corporate crimes, bad economy, socalled natural disasters, you name it. German plan is to create as much problems for the USA till it can't handle them anymore and breaks down completely. Then they want to emerge as world power number one.

The German Secret Service hired socalled Iraqi opposition people, to barge in Iraqi embassy in Berlin, Germany, on August 20, 2002 to take hostages to "protest" German chancellor Schroeder's denial to help to remove Saddam Hussein from power. It does not need super intelligence to figure out that this action was staged to assist the chancellor to have another justification to leave their agent, Saddam Hussein, in power and the United States without support to remove that lose cannon. Chancellor Schroeder made it to a big part of his re-election campaign to not help the U.S. to remove Saddam from power. Germany announced in beginning of September 2002, that in the event of an U.S. attack on Iraq, Germany would withdraw the small nuclear, chemical and biological warfare unit stationed in Kuwait as part of the anti-terror operation Enduring Freedom. I just hope that the Americans finally open their eyes and see who's not their friend. As the Germans have access to the ear implant codes of everyone, also those of the U.N. weapons inspectors, the Germans organize that the inspectors will "overlook" existing weapons of mass destruction, which Saddam Hussein, or somebody like him, will use upon secret German command on especially Americans and Jews.

The whole complex world makes a lot of sense, once you found the real "who"and common denominator behind all the disasters. Take for example the hostility of Moslems against the USA and Jews and their incomprehensible actions. The Koran, Chapter 4, says clearly that it is a sin to commit suicide for a Moslem. Does this not tell that others than religious Moslems control the suicide terrorists and bombers? I happen to know that it are the Germans that control them and make them act this crazy.

Do you know who committed the first "suicide missions"? You guessed it, the Germans, the "Luftwaffe", the German Air Force! They had suicide operations against the Allied Forces in 1945 to "save" their beloved Nazi-Germany. They called it operation "Werewolf" and at least 180 suicide crews participated. Here you have it. Discover the Germans behind that insanity, make them stop, make other countries aware of what is going on and you will have the end of "suicide bombers" and "suicide terrorists".

You also know that Germany is the birthplace of Psychiatry. Psychiatrists know all about making people to zombies, to force their will onto people and to control them. I have seen it done by them to others. They transform people with hypnosis and all other kind of really nasty mindcontol and drugs into monsters. A terrorist sleeper is not only a terrorist that is inactive, but one that is hypnotized and mindcontrolled, somebody in trance and not yet activated, but can go wild at any moment upon Germans secret service orders. People that came in contact with "suicide" terrorists and bombers often describe them as robotic (as Atta) or had a bad stare (as Columbine and German school schooters), ect. Have you seen the videos of the Palestinian "suicide" bombers? They have all the same robotic behavior. See how automatically they read their "suicide" notes and they don't make eye contact with the cameras. They just are anymore remote controlled machines. I bet everything I own, without that German mindcontrol and hypnosis, nobody of them would choose to die. That applies to the September 11, terrorists, to the school schooters and the suicide bombers, you name it. A former FBI agent from New Jersey killed two others and himself on November 16, 2002, in a "murder-suicide" in New York, near Times Square. I believe once more that this agent was mindcontrolled, hypnotized, remote controlled to kill the others and himself, and that this thing was also set up by a German secret service. So, if you think nothing will happen to you, because you are federal employee, think again.

The FBI arrested terrorist-suspects Goba, Alwan, Taher, Galab and al-Bakri in mid of September 2002, in a Buffalo inquiry. As you know, they are American citizens of Yemeni descent, and I also believe that they are part of a dangerous Al-Queda cell. However, those young men were described once as your average friendly young Americans. I am convinced, that their minds were also altered, brainwashed. Hypnotized and remote controlled, they were just waiting to hear their criminal orders through their ear and body implants. Those mind manipulations may have happened in Afghanistan or on U.S. soil, but I bet my life on it, that Germans ordered and organized it.

Germany is also target of terror attacks and disasters ordered by their own secret service. Why? Alibi reasons, so that nobody should discover them behind it, when it happens also in their own country. They play victim by killing their own people. I refer to the school shooting in Erfurt as an example. Germany has a long pattern of committing outrageous crimes against their own. Millions of Jews that were killed were born in Germany and lived there as German citizens. The mentally retarded German Nazis were jealous of the success of their own German Jews. Instead of doing it just like them, or better, primitive Germans love to kill. Later, Hitler and his mindcontrollers (which all came away) and all leading German Nazis (including that "lovely" Gehlen spy ring that was pampered by infiltrated USA) knew that WWII was lost for them. Despite running the entire world secretly, they could not convince the rest of the world, including their own agents in other countries, that killing millions of people is the right thing to do. They had to give up officially the genocide. In 1945 they had thousands of German soldiers fighting before Stalingrad, Russia, in freezing temperatures. The Germans could have called their soldiers back, because everything as to their knowledge was already lost, but they did not. Those thousands of Germans, often still just kids, died, because the Germans don't really value their own. They don't even like themselves. - Lateron they agreed to split Germany in two parts, to make the impression that they are defeated and would be not still secretly in control of the entire world and each government. They locked up the East Germans and shot them when they tried to cross the boarder into West Germany. Fact is that Germany also was the creator and implementor of the communism. Marx and Engels, which wrote the Communist Manifesto were Germans, as you know. They tried through several governmental systems to enslave and control the people. They set up the terrible communist apparatus with all it's gruesome acts towards people and their freedoms. They could have prevented the building of the Berlin wall, but why did they not? To make the world believe that German Nazis are not more active. The reason why Communism was defeated and the wall removed in the late 80's was because the Germans figured that they want to become officially world power number one through the European Union or Community. They needed east Germany for more economy and are secretly ruining the economy of other countries, including the USA, to get there.

From all I have read about FBI spy Hanssen, the reason why he was busted was only to create the impression that the infiltration of the USA, if any, is by the Russians. Again, they surely have their spies like other countries in the U.S. government as well, but the German Nazi secret service has the overall control over them. Hanssen was not only a Russian spy, but is also a German Nazi spy. - The Russians and the USA were allies in WWII, only a still covertly active German Nazi secret service

created the Cold War between those superpowers. Hitler and his bloodthirsty Germany did not succeed destroying the United States and the Jews, so the German secret service came up with another idea, to get Soviet Union and the USA at it's neck to destroy each other, but they would have supported secretly the Soviets in order to get Americans and Jews out of this world. It almost happened, but only almost and now the Germans are at it making the Moslems to the enemies of the United States and the Jews.

The hostility between Moslems and Jews is completely unnatural and created by the Germans. The Germans always hated Americans and Jews most, but as even their own agents in other countries had problems accepting the gasing and killing of Millions of people and after it became politically incorrect even for Germans, they had to stop officially the genocide. They changed their operations and kill now mainly covertly. For example, they turned Moslems and Jews against each other in neverending hostilities, to name just one of the large problems they created since end of WWII. We all know that this kind of hostility arrived officially in the USA latest on September 11. The German Nazi-hatred against the Jews and the USA is very well still alive. Naturally, without a German Nazi secret service preventing it and turning people against each other, Moslems and Jews would be the best of friends, because their religions and cultures have more in common with each other than with the Christians. Everything about that fight between Jews and Moslems feels artificially and German controlled.

If the German Nazis would have gone for good how do you explain the phenomena that so many Germans and their agents claim that the Holocaust never happened? I lived in Germany for more than 30 years and I heard it so often. - The Holocaust did happen and it was even worse than what entered the history books. How come there is such a campaign trying to make the Holocaust undone? There is no campaign that says that there were no slaves in the United States, right? And there is no campaign saying that the Atomic bomb did not level Hiroshima in 1945 and did not kill thousands of people, right? (And just as a footnote, if the USA would have been not secretly already infiltrated in 1945 and before, the USA would have never threwn Atomic bombs, and if, not on Japan, but rather on those that poisoned Japan against the United States: Germany.) But there are large campaigns by the Germans to cover up that the Holocaust ever happend. Officially Germany says that it is forbidden by law to claim that Holocaust never happened and they prohibit Nazi agents from other countries to come into Germany when they want to claim this. But what Germany says and does are two different shoes. Nazi agents that deny the Holocaust, brag about it that Germany lets them nevertheless or especially because of that, enter the country and continue their ways. The Germans, their secret service tries to re-write history and they do it also with other historical data, mainly to make themselves, the Germans look better or even best of all nationals. In short: If Nazis in very large numbers would be no longer active, why would they have so many campaigns going to get that "ugly stain" with name Holocaust from their vests by twisting facts and re-writing history? The United States just can't longer ignore the Germans and their despicable secret actions. The Associated Press reported on September 6, 2002, that Anti-Semitism is up in Germany and a large number of Germans find Hitler a "great statesman". I know that Germans were always anti-semitic and anti-American, just let it hang out more in recent years. Nazis firebombed on September 5, 2002 a museum northwest of Berlin honoring the victims of Nazi death, destroying the main exhibition, and they also burned down in 1992 the rebuilt prisoner barracks inside the Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp, outside Berlin. Please be reminded that those attackers are Germans and no Muslims. Tom Browkaw reported on September 16, 2002 in his eventing news, that another Nazi wave is sweeping all over Europe with serious attacks against Jews, and that the Jews are again under siege. Nazi officers and aides of the Hitler era are still pampered around the world, esp. in Europe, despite being responsible for death of so many people. They either were deliberately never caught, or don't have to finish their prison terms, as Maurice Papon in France, who wrote to the Justice minister of France in October 1999 that he felt neither "regret nor remorse". His actions apparently killed half the amount of people that were murdered on September 11, 2001. Papon served not even four years out of the ridiculous low ten years that he got in the first place. They claim they let him go, because of his age and health. The Nazis and Papon never spared any old and sick Jew from the concentration camp, right? The treatment of old Nazis is also evidence that we still live in an active Nazi world.

You know now that the Germans in the tender school age take advantage of that the minds of the children are not ripe, to trap them. They implant those agents (but also people against their will) microchips in their middle ears. Through those, the agents hear numbers, codes and orders, which are translated from German into English and any other language on earth. The agents obey to those

orders for personal gain and those orders violate federal and constitutional laws of the United States and endanger National Security. The agents think they have won the lottery, because the German Nazi secret service helps them through schools and college, tell them through the ear implants what to write in exams to pass it. In other words: Total idiots can have university degrees and are then the people that decide on other peoples' fates, which is outrageous and American citizens have to suffer as consequence.

By having trapped almost everyone and running them with secret orders channelled through microchip implants in their bodies, the German Nazi Secret Service also has control over the American economy and the stock market. They discourage their agents to make the right decisions, they order them to commit corporate crimes, they involve them in insider trading, fraud, all other kinds of illegal and unethical matters, and also make them to produce bad or dangerous products. Did you ever wonder why products made in Europe have a better reputation than those made in the USA? The German Secret Service orders their agents to deliberately produce worse products in the USA, so that Europe and on top of it Germany will be World Power number one in future. They can and make with the U.S. economy, but also with the world economy, whatever they want. As the agents think that being part of this Secret Service and having body implants through which they are runned by their case officer, does help, instead of harming them, they go along for personal gain and don't get it that they are losing with the USA, despite the personal gain, and are giving the German still active Nazis all the power of American and world finances, as the Nazis want it. Every governmental office has to know about that and to act accordingly.

However, there is something what most of the agents don't even know. They are being lied to by their case officers that this system would protect and help them through life. The reasons why the Germans invented this system was solely for control purposes. The German Nazi secret service has access to anybody who has those microchips body implants and they know all codes and numbers. They channel secretly in the subconscious mind of anyone. That results often in accidents.The agents (but also the few people that don't work officially for this system) don't hear those commands loud, but they hear them subconsciously just as good. Even unborn life is their target, with activated germs through remote control, they can cause birth defects and developmental disabilities.

As they are trained to follow certain codes and numbers, it is a piece of cake for this secret service to make their agents do whatever they want. And the secret service has even a justificiation: If the person is caught, they can say, we did not order you to commit that crime, that was your idea. - Fact is, it was not, it was sent deliberately in the subconscious mind of the agents to increase the crime rate and the terror, but also addictions and any other kind of harmful behavior. If you would start digging and pulling strings behind the crimes, you would find exactly what I am saying. The Germans are behind all other crimes, that the USA, has to solve, as child pornography, cyber crimes, drug traffic, drug cartels, bank robberies, white collar crimes, Civil Rights violations, government fraud, gangs, environmental crimes, economic espionage, decline in moral, ethics and culture, organized crime, you name it.

Furthermore, there is another thing that everybody must know: The Germans breed germs and they must be very proud of this, otherwise they could have prevented that the English word Germs is named after them. They also train those germs, like flea circus directors do with fleas. They distribute those germs through their international and very dumb agents all over the world and they are in the water, in the food, in the medication, in the clothes, in the air, even in products that supposed to kill the germs. Through those body and ear implants, the German Nazi Secret Service activates those germs. Some micro biologists may show you certain germs and might tell you that they do not cause any harm, but they are wrong. Like you can make a harmless dog to a pitch bull, any bacteria can be trained to be harmful and even deadly. And that is what the Germans do: They activate the germs through body implants and they cause cancer, heart diseases, Parkinsons, Alzheimers, and any other sickness under the sun. They kill people with this and make it look like a natural death. Scientists will agree that most sicknesses are directly related to germs, bacteria. Those little creatures are secretly used, trained as attackers, to make us sick and to kill us. They order their agents to put those germs, that can be remote controlled to cause all kinds of sickness and death, in water, food and even in medicine. A mammography or x-ray may even help them to direct the germs better to cause tumors. Those germs are in funitures and clothes, and remote controlled to make everyone sick, and then

people wonder why they get ovarian and prostata cancer or other form of cancers. The "use" of those remote controlled bacteria is limitless and there is no one in this world, including the German agents, that would not have to suffer those consquences at the end. We also must be very concerned as to their secret actions with bio-terror, dirty bombs and the fact that the German secret service hires any national to terrorize America and any allies with it. Nobody, esp. within the government, can afford to be blind as to this subject.

Japan published recently that they now use germs "constructively" to build things. However, nothing worthwile can come of it, because Germs can be easily influences to cause distruction, pain, torture, sickness, other harm, catastrophies and death. Germans use germs on a regular basis to cause all the foregoing and they do it without knowledge of the people they target. For example, remaining germs on the Japanese products that people buy can be used to cause accidents and death.

I am also convinced that they withhold vital data about aging to the average world population, e.g. that aging can be eliminated by having people live in protective environments, with their own air, water and food, away from all poisons, chemicals, radioactivity and dangerous germs.

As you can see, the German Nazi infiltrated world and especially the German Nazi infiltrated U.S. government is very much the concern of anybody. An investigation by your agency is absolutely required. National Security is a joke without discovering the infiltration and the ways they work. Anybody will sooner or later fall victim to this conspiracy. Life could be so much better so much more peaceful and healthier for all of us without the Germans and their sick and imprudent secret service. Please investigate those matters. I am willing to tell you all I know about them and how you can convict them.

If the United States would be not secretly infiltrated by hostile forces, the Germans, the germs lovers, especially, they would have never conducted open-air bioweapons, deadly nerve agents in Alaska, dangerous bacteria over Hawaii, killer nerve gas in Utah, in the 1960 tests, or any earlier or later tests, against the U.S. population. It is typically German to bribe officials to do the outrageous to their own country. Those open air bioweapons test were not the only crimes that socalled U.S. officials committed against U.S. citizens, as we all know.

From all I know about the Germans is that they also have access to weather satellites and cause Billions of damage to the United States corrupting U.S. weather. They can influence the weather during war, so that the war can go lost of the USA. I also know that they control space and don't inform people on earth on what is really out there, but plan to overtake all of the universe. I know it sounds like a Science Fiction, but in order to get to the bottom of concentrated evil on and around the earth you have to leave box-thinking behind you and think further and deeper. I lived amongst Germans for so long, that gives me the advantage to know what they are capable of. Please investigate this.

Most urgently of all, investigate the secret infiltration of the U.S. government and the conspirative cover up of the wrongful incarceration of Mark C. Rathbun (de Rothschild).

Please let me now if you need more information and how I can help. Investigate any allegation that I have made. Do not forget to inform me if you know of Mark C. Rathbun (de Rothschild), his family, their attorneys, an Independent or Special Counsel, or Scientologists, or members of Congress who claim same or similar as I in this letter. Please write me as soon as possible where I can contact them. I have thousands of documents in my possession, correspondence with socalled U.S. officials, which they need to prove even more the infiltration of the U.S. government or the State governments by Non-American Secret Service and their agents. Just because somebody who works in the U.S. government or state governments and wears a stars and stripes pin on his or her jacket, does not mean that he or she is a true American. The actions and non-actions is what counts.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely

[redacted]

Barbara Schwarz, [redacted]

Attn: NRO, pls. process this complaint and request lawfully, the e-mail transmission failed, that is why I mail it to you with USPS.

Barbara Schwarz [redacted]

...ATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFI...
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

13 November 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Ms. Barbara Schwarz
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0013

Dear Ms. Schwarz:

This is in response to your letter that was received in the Information Access and Release Center on 7 November 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, you are requesting records on:

Mark C. Rathbun (de Rothschild), Barbara Schwarz, Barbara Schwartz, Barbara Bretschneider, Sarah Eisenhower, Sara Hubbard, Dwight David Eisenhower, and L.Ron Hubbard.

This is to advise you that this case, F03-0013, has been administratively closed by this office because you have not paid past-due fees to the Veterans Administration for previously processed records.

Per 32 Code of Regulations, Part 296.4, Paragraph (f)(2) and the Department of Defense Directive 5400.7-R, Paragraph C6.1.5.2.7., you are required to substantiate that you have paid this debt before the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) takes any action on a new request you submit. Further, the NRO may collect the full amount of any anticipated fee in advance of continuing or beginning work on any new request you submit.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the National Reconnaissance Office Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal and reference case number F02-0067.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access
and Release Center

November 19, 2002

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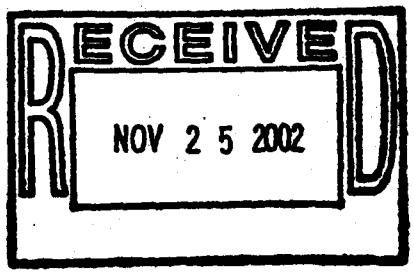

Attn: Ms. Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Infomration Access and Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act.
Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. S552 as amended), I hereby request disclosure of the following documents for inspection and copying. Copies of the cleared declassified document are normally provided to the FOIA requester.

If any of my requests may fall under [redacted] review, I wish this to be done as well.

REQUEST

In order to understand the evolving American perspective of the Soviet manned space program (earth orbit, and lunar efforts) in the 1960s through mid 1980s, I request the declassification of U.S. Intelligence Community documentation, of reports on the [redacted]

REQUEST DETAILS:

Please **search in the following already declassified documents, as well as those pending to be declassified.**

Topics:

The **following** I wish to have the **years searched from 1963 through 1976:**

1) [redacted] (Vladimir Komarov);

2) Manned Circumlunar missions, **manned circumlunar program, manned** [redacted], circumlunar program cancellation, **manned**

moon mission launch failure, December 1968 manned circumlunar mission, December 1968 manned Zond failure, Proton moon failure;

J-vehicle, J launch-pad complex, **J-vehicle failure,** J pad complex, lunar heavy lift rocket, **Launch Complex J, Soviet liquid hydrogen/oxygen engines;**

Lunar cosmonaut training facilities, Soviet manned lunar exploration equipment (I am aware that there was a training facility outside of Moscow, that was also outside in the open air that had simulated lunar terrain and lunar lander equipment to train upon), **lunar module mock-up, lunar lander;**

The **following** I wish to have **the years searched from** [redacted]

5) [redacted] **Kosmolet, Raketoplan, Soviet military space plane, MIG space fighter, 50-50 project, Buran, Uragan, Cosmos 1374, Cosmos 1445, Ramenskaye** (in relation to space shuttle and space plane only), spaceplane, **shuttle test bed, spaceplane test bed.**

If any document on this subject as noted under the REQUEST section of this letter is existing, and not classified, I would like a full copy of each Document or Documents sent to me. If however, they are classified, then I am requesting a mandatory declassification review. In the event that the requested materials are still classified, I request that all segregable, unclassified portions be released.

If the documents include classified information, and the volume of classified material would make a lengthy declassification review necessary, I will accept, in lieu of mandatory declassification review at this time, the prompt release of all portions individually identified as unclassified or declassified (not otherwise exempt) in order to identify which of the remaining classified portions—if any—I wish to have processed under the mandatory declassification review. This is an attempt to narrow the request, which would be further aided by the release of any table of contents, summary, and index.

I further request that you disclose the listed documents as they become available to you, without waiting until all the documents have been assembled. Also add my name to any existing list to receive these declassified reports.

To my knowledge, the requested material is not readily available in the public domain. If you regard any of these documents as exempt from the required disclosure under the Act, I hereby request that you exercise your discretion to disclose them nevertheless. The reports disclosed pursuant to this request will be used in the preparation of articles for dissemination to the public and news media (I am a space history scholar (I have been attempting since 1990 to extract relevant documents on this topic from the L.B.J. Library in Texas, and my name might be familiar to those

on your staff), as well as a freelance science journalist, with articles appearing in *Astronomy*, *New Scientist*, *Ad Astra*, *Spaceflight*, *Quest: the History of Spaceflight Quarterly*, *JBIS*, and others). Accordingly, I request that pursuant to 5 U.S.C. S552 (a) (4) (A), that you waive all fees in the public interest because the furnishing of the information sought by this request will be used in the preparation of articles for dissemination to primarily benefit the public. I have published works in this area (see my previous mention). My research based on the requested materials will be widely disseminated in the form of articles, reports and press releases. This scholarly study will fill a large historic gap in the history of the space activities of the former Soviet Union, and what the United States knew about these activities, and will help make a more informed public. If, however, you decline to waive all fees, I am prepared to pay your normal fees, but I request that you notify me if you expect the search fees to [redacted]

Please respond to this letter within the 10 day statutory time period.

Please forward all correspondence on this to my home address as soon as possible.
My home address is:
Attn: Mr. Peter Pesavento
[redacted]

I look forward to hearing from you on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

Peter Pesavento

IONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

4 December 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Peter Pesavento
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0014

Dear Mr. Pesavento:

This is in response to your letter, dated 19 November 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 25 November 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested information pertaining to ". . . the former Soviet Union's manned-related space programs for the years 1963 through 1986."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You may appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "media" category of requester, which means you are responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction in the processing of this request. If and when any records are found, they will be evaluated and a fee waiver determination will be made. As requested, you will be notified if the charges are going to exceed $100.00.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0014. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

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...ATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
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12 December 2002

Information Access and Release Center
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Mr. Peter Pesavento
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Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "media" category of requester, which means you are responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction in the processing of this request. In this case, no fees have been incurred.

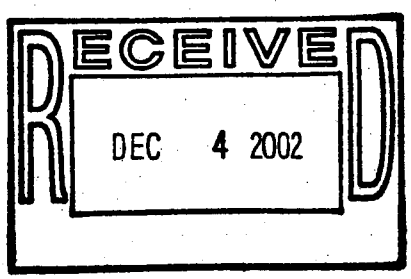
If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

December 3, 2002



Ms. Barbara Freimann
FOIA Coordinator
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request copies of:

Memo, J.A. McCone, Chm USIB to D/NRO, Subj: Photographic Satellite Reconnaissance Program, April 9, 1963.
Brockway McMillan, "Intelligence Requirements for Satellite Collection," August 12, 1963.

The FOIA provides that if only portions of a record are exempted from release, the remainder must be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all nonexempt portions which are reasonably segregable I particularly request that it be kept in mind that there may exist reasonably segregable portions of classified paragraphs. I also request that any present classified material be considered for declassification.

To permit an intelligent, informed decision as to whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, I also request that you describe in detail the withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data v. Department of the Air Force 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir., 1977).

I also request a fee waiver. The fee waiver provisions under section 552 (a) (4) (A) of the FOIA, as amended on April 25, 1987, rewrote section 552 (a) (4) (A) to create categories of requesters entitled to fee waivers. Under those provisions, I qualify for exemption from fees in the "news media" category. In a recent decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit unanimously held that for FOIA fee waiver purposes "representatives of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. (See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217 (D.C. Circuit, July 28, 1989).

I easily meet this criteria as a result of my books (The U.S. Intelligence Community (Westview, 4th ed.1999); American Espionage and the Soviet Target (Morrow, 1987);America's Secret Eyes in Space (Harper & Row 1990); A Century of Spies: Intelligence in the Twentieth Century (Oxford University Press, 1995, America's Space Sentinels: DSP Satellites and National Security (University Press of Kansas, 1999),and The Wizards of Langley: Inside the CIA's Directorate of Science and Technology (Westview, 2001),and newspaper and magazine articles. (A vita is available upon request). The information in the documents I request is to be incorporated into similar publications that will further public knowledge and understanding of activities in the area of national security.

I also qualify for favored treatment under the "all other requesters" category because my work has and is highly likely to continue to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of the government. For example, The U.S. Intelligence Community is used in numerous university courses throughout the United States as well as being used by newspaper reporters as a reference guide to the U.S. intelligence community.

My intended use of the material request above, in light of my extensive publication record, clearly meets the criteria established by statute and case law for preferred fee status under the FOIA as a representative of the news media. As such a representative I am entitled to have search and review fees waived. And given the contribution of my work to enhancing public understanding of the government operations I request that you also waive reproduction fees.

I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,

Jeffrey T. Richelson

NAT IAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
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10 December 2002

Information Access and Release Center
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Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
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Case Number F03-0015

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your facsimile, dated 3 December 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 4 December 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " Memo, J.A. McCone . . . April 9, 1963 . . . Brockway McMillan . . . August 12, 1963."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages.

Regarding your request for a fee waiver, please be advised that fee waivers or reductions are granted when there is a

public interest in disclosure of information, which will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO. A decision to waive or reduce fees cannot be made until after any responsive documents to be disclosed have been reviewed for "public interest."

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

23 December 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0015

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your letter, dated 3 December 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 4 December 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested information pertaining to "Memo, J.A. McCone . . . April 9, 1963 . . . Brockway McMillan . . . August 12, 1963."

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requester, which means you are responsible for all charges incurred for search and reproduction after the first two hours and 100 pages. In this case, no fees have been incurred.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
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December 20, 2002

Barbara E. Freimann
Information Access and Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
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Re: Request under the FOIA, in reply please refer to Archive # 20020752NRO002

Dear Ms. Freimann,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request disclosure of the following documents for inspection and possible copying:

Copies of all documents relating to the supply of U.S. intelligence reports and other information given to Iraq concerning its war with Iran in and around June 1982.

Written reports by former U.S. officials (see Howard Teicher, *Twin Pillars to Desert Storm*, [1993], p. 207) indicate that a decision was taken by the end of June to give Iraq information about weaknesses in its position and about apparent Iranian plans to alter their offensive strategy, as well as satellite imagery, maps and the assistance of a U.S. intelligence officer in interpreting those materials, among other means of intelligence support.

The materials requested include, but should not be limited to, communications with Iraqi officials or intermediaries (from Saudi Arabia, Jordan or elsewhere), decision documents, memoranda, meeting notes, briefing materials, minutes, summaries and any other records that relate to the U.S. decision to provide intelligence to Iraq in 1982, as well as the specifics of the information provided.

If you regard any of these documents as potentially exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them. As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable nonexempt portions of documents. To permit me to reach an intelligent and informed decision whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denied material, please describe any withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the basis for your exemption claims.

As you know, the National Security Archive qualifies for waiver of search and review fees as a representative of the news media. This request is made as part of a scholarly and news research project and not for commercial use. For details on the Archive's research and publication activities, please see our Web site at the address above. Please notify me before incurring photocopying costs over $100.

An Independent non-governmental research institute and library located at the George Washington University, the Archive collects and publishes declassified documents obtained through the Freedom of Information Act. Publication royalties and tax deductible contributions through The National Security Archive Fund, Inc. underwrite the Archive's Budget.

To expedite the release of the requested documents, please disclose them on an interim basis as they become available to you, without waiting until all the documents have been processed. If you have any questions regarding the identity of the records, their location, the scope of the request or any other matters, please contact me by phone at (202) 994-7043 or via e-mail at mbyrne@gwu.edu. I look forward to receiving your response within the twenty-day statutory time period.

Sincerely,

Malcolm Byrne
Director of Research

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

23 December 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Malcolm Byrne
Director of Research
The National Security Archive
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Washington, D.C. 20037

Case Number F03-0016

Dear Mr. Byrne:

This is in response to your facsimile, dated 20 December 2002, (Archive # 20020752NRO002) received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 23 December 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting information pertaining to communications between the United States with ". . . Iraqi officials or intermediaries (from Saudi Arabia, Jordan or elsewhere), decision documents, memoranda, meeting notes, briefing materials . . . that relate to the U.S. Decision to provide intelligence to Iraq in 1982 . . .".

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters. This means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages.

Regarding your request for a fee waiver, please be advised that fee waivers or reductions are granted when there is a public interest in disclosure of information. The information disclosed must contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO. A decision to waive or reduce fees cannot be made until after any responsive documents to be disclosed have been reviewed for "public interest."

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference case number F03-0016.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

30 December 2002

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Mr. Malcolm Byrne
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Case Number F03-0016

Dear Mr. Byrne:

This is in response to your facsimile, dated 20 December 2002, (Archive # 20020752NRO002) received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 23 December 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting information pertaining to communications between the United States with " . . . Iraqi officials or intermediaries (from Saudi Arabia, Jordan or elsewhere), decision documents, memoranda, meeting notes, briefing materials . . . that relate to the U.S. Decision to provide intelligence to Iraq in 1982."

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters. This means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages. In this instance, fees were not incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference case number F03-0016.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
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IN ALL CORRESPONDENCE PLEASE REFER
TO ARCHIVE FILE NO. 20010358CIA049

March 21, 2001

Kathryn I. Dyer
Information and Privacy Coordinator
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington DC 20505

Dear Ms. Dyer:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. Section 552, et seq. (as amended), I hereby request disclosure of the documents described on the attached page of this letter for inspection and possible copying. If you regard any of these documents as potentially exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them. As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable nonexempt portions of documents which contain information you regard as exempt. To permit me to reach an intelligent and informed decision whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denied material, please describe any withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the basis for your exemption claims.

This request is made on behalf of the National Security Archive, a nonprofit public interest research institute and library in Washington, D.C. The Archive is a tax-exempt nonprofit organization whose purpose is to enrich public policy debate by making widely available records on important areas of major public concern on foreign, defense and intelligence policy. Documents obtained by the Archive, including the records requested in this letter, are carefully analyzed, indexed, organized into collections and published. Archive document collections are also available for inspection and copying at the Archive by scholars, journalists, members of Congress and their staffs, present and former public officials, other public interest organizations, and the general public. Information in these documents is disseminated across the country through distribution of our published collections to research libraries and through the Archive's other publishing and media activities. I am conducting research on the subject of this request as part of an Archive research team which includes experts on the subject and which already has done extensive research and determined that the requested materials are necessary to our project.

Please also waive all fees in connections with this request. In National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, 880 F .2d 1381 (D.C. Cir. 1989), cert. Denied, 110 S Ct. 1478 (1990), the Archive was declared entitled to a waiver of all search and review fees under the FOIA as a "representative of the news media." This request also qualifies for a waiver of duplication fees because disclosure of the information in the requested documents is in the public interest since release to us of these records, which directly relate to the formation of U.S. policy on the subject, is likely to contribute significantly to greater public understanding of the operation or activities of the government in making that policy . Should you decline to waive or reduce all duplication fees, we are prepared to pay normal reproduction costs if I decide to copy the records produced, but please describe your specific reasons in writing and notify us before incurring costs over $100.

To expedite the release of the requested documents, please disclose them on an interim basis as they become available to you, without waiting until all the documents have been processed.If you have any questions regarding the identity of the records, their location, the scope of the request or any other matters, please call me at (202) 994-7000. I look forward to receiving your response within the twenty-day statutory time period.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

William Burr

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Publication royalties and tax-deductible contributions through The National Security Archive Fund, Inc. underwrite the Archive's budget.

Archive Requester: Burr, William

Archive Request Number: 20010358CIA049
Date of Request: 03/21/2001
Archive Record Number: 22366

Subject of Request:
Copy of a study, "Report on Strategic Warning," February 1967, prepared in response to a request from the Deputy to the Director of Central Intelligence for National Intelligence Program Evaluations

Note: I request that all documents be reviewed in their entirety, and that no information be omitted on the grounds of "non-relevance".

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
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28 January 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COORDINATOR
ATTENTION: [redacted]

SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Request Coordination
William Burr

REFERENCE: CIA FOIA/PA No: F-2001-00734

This is in response to your 18 December 2003 memorandum (copy enclosed) regarding Mr. Burr's request.

We have reviewed the records per your request and found no classified NRO equities. We strongly recommend that you coordinate these documents with NIMA, DIA, and NSA.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 (non-secure) or 91850-5029 (secure) and reference Case Number F03-0017.

Barbara E. Freimann

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and Release Center

Enclosure

CL BY: [redacted]
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December 19, 2002

ATTN. Barbara E. Freimann
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National Reconnaissance Office,
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715, telephone number: (703) 808-5029, fax number: (703) 808-5082

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Barbara Freimann:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. §§ 552, *et seq.*, I hereby request information from your agency regarding your database(s). We are a document retrieval firm and are attempting to gather information regarding what records or information are kept on databases at various government agencies. Enclosed is a brief survey that details the information we are requesting. Please take a moment to fill it out and return it to *Database Info*, Washington Document Service, 1023 15th Street 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20005.

If for any reason you determine that portions of the requested information are exempt from disclosure under FOIA, please leave the corresponding section blank, inform me of the basis for the claimed exemption, and send those portions of the requested information that you determine not to be exempt. My consent to such omission at this time is designed to facilitate your prompt response and in no way waives my right to appeal any determination that you may make regarding the applicability of any FOIA exemptions to the requested information.

I request that you provide me with an accurate account of the information requested. I agree to pay reasonable search and reproduction costs; however if these costs exceed $25.00, I request that you notify me before reproducing the documents. I understand that I can expect a response within 20 days of your receipt of this letter.

If you have any questions about this request or require further information, please call me at (202) 628-5200. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

J Nelson Wilkinson
FOIA Administrator

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Mr. J. Nelson Wilkinson
FOIA Administrator
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Washington, DC 20005

Case Number F03-0018

This is in response to your letter dated 19 December 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 27 December 2002 requesting answers to your questions in the form of a survey.

We cannot process your request since it falls outside the parameters of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. We are precluded from conducting research to answer questions and/or requests for information. We can only search for existing records, which have been requested with sufficient specificity (as to their type, origin, etc.) to conduct an organized, non-random search of our records systems. We also may not create records in response to a request for records.

We are providing you with a copy of the NRO Freedom of Information Act handbook, which explains the procedures in filing a proper FOIA request.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information and
Release Center

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December 12, 2002

National Reconnaissance Office
Attn: Barbara E. Freimann, Chief, Information Access and Release Ctr
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Dear Mrs. Freimann:

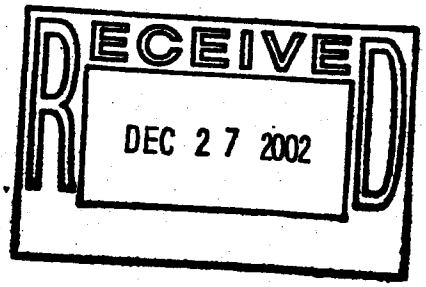
Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, we hereby request a copy of the following records:

A copy of the meeting minutes and agendas for the NRO committees or councils or boards (etc.) that handle declassification policy OR historical studies matters. Although we are willing to narrow the scope of this request, if necessary, we would prefer at this time to request all such records found at NRO regarding such NRO committees.

We agree to pay up to $30 for costs associated with this request, if necessary.

Sincerely,

Michael Ravnitzky
Reporter



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Michael Ravnitzky
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Case Number F03-0019

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is an initial response to your letter, dated 12 December 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 27 December 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting a copy of " . . . meeting minutes and agendas for the NRO committees or councils or boards that handle declassification policy or historical studies matters".

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You may appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages. As requested, you will be notified if the fees exceed $30.00.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
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30 January 2003

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Case Number F03-0019

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in response to your letter in which you requested a copy of " . . . meeting minutes and agendas for the NRO committees or councils or boards that handle declassification policy or historical studies matters".

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages. In this instance, no fees were incurred.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
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December 12, 2002

National Reconnaissance Office
Attn: Barbara E. Freimann, Chief, Information Access and Release Ctr
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Dear Mrs. Freimann:

Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, we hereby request a copy of the following records:

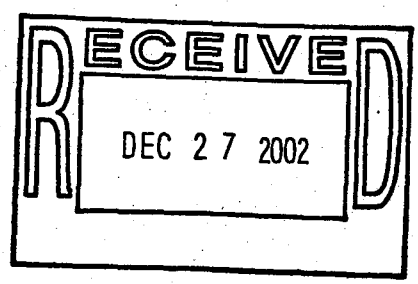
A copy of any technical papers on the subject of [redacted] or parachute systems" at NRO. recovery systems or aerodynamic decelerators

Please place this request into the fee category "all other requesters".

We agree to pay up to $30 for costs associated with this request, if necessary.

Sincerely,

Michael Ravnitzky
Reporter



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Mr. Michael Ravnitzky
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Case Number F03-0020

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in response to your letter, dated 12 December 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 27 December 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting 'A copy of any technical papers on the subject of "parachutes or parachute systems" at NRO.'

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the fee category "others" which means that you will be responsible for the cost of search time exceeding two hours and reproduction costs after the first 100 pages. You will be notified should the fee exceed your $30 threshold.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

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15 January 2003

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Mr. Michael Ravnitzky
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Case Number F03-0020

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in response to your letter, dated 12 December 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 27 December 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested 'A copy of any technical papers on the subject of "parachutes or parachute systems" at NRO.'

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

We suggest that you check the Index to The Declassified Collection of CORONA, ARGON, AND LANYARD RECORDS on the NRO Website. If you find something there that is of interest to you with regard to this request, you can make an appointment to visit the Reading Room.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the fee category "others" which means that you will be responsible for the cost of search time exceeding two hours and reproduction costs after the first 100 pages. In this case, a total of 3.25 hours was spent searching for documents. The

exceeded $30, and we were unable to do that until all of the taskings were returned to us, we will reduce our search fee to the agreed upon $30.

Please submit a certified check or postal money order, referencing the case number cited above, in the amount of $30.00 ***payable to the Treasurer of the United States*** and forward it to the Chief, Information Access and Release Center, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

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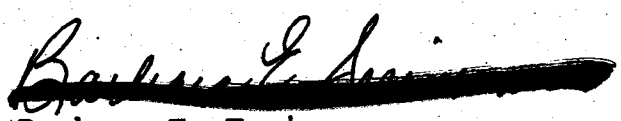

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December 12, 2002

National Reconnaissance Office
Attn: Barbara E. Freimann, Chief, Information Access and Release Ctr
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Dear Mrs. Freimann:

Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, we hereby request a copy of the following records:

A copy of any point papers, position papers, background papers, white papers, or other reports on the subject of: ufo's, or atmospheric anomalies, or unidentified flying objects, or comparable topics.

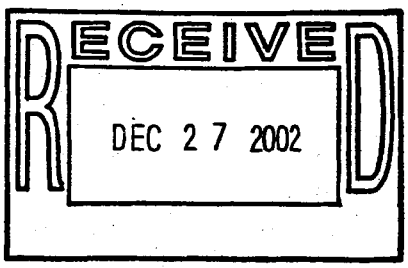
Please place this request into the fee category "all other requesters".

Please search for records only at NRO - we do not require a search of any other agencies (except if you need to forward third party equities to another agency)

We agree to pay up to $30 for costs associated with this request, if necessary.

Sincerely,

Michael Ravnitzky
Reporter



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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
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6 January 2002

Information Access and Release Center
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Mr. Michael J. Ravnitzky
American Lawyer Media
1730 M Street N.W.
Suite 800
Washington, D.C. 20036

Case Number F03-0021

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in response to your letter, dated 12 December 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 27 December 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " a copy of any point papers, position papers, background papers . . . on the subject of ufo's, or atmospheric anomalies, or unidentified flying objects, or comparable topics."

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages. In this instance, no fees have been incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

AMERICAN LAWYER MEDIA

December 12, 2002

National Reconnaissance Office
Attn: Barbara E. Freimann, Chief, Information Access and Release Ctr
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Dear Mrs. Freimann:

Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, we hereby request a copy of the following records:

1) The [redacted] issued by the NRO General Counsel
2) The [redacted] at the NRO (Multimedia?) Office

These records are requested for newsreporting purposes by American Lawyer Media, publishers of The National Law Journal, Legal Times, American Lawyer, Corporate Counsel, and 25 other publications.

We agree to pay up to $30 for costs associated with this request, if necessary.

Sincerely,

Michael Ravnitzky
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30 December 2002

Information Access and Release Center
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Mr. Michael Ravnitzky
1730 M Street N.W. Suite 800
Washington, DC 20036

Case Number F03-0022

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in response to your facsimile, dated 12 December 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 27 December 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "list of titles of Legal Opinions . . . list of videotapes . . . NRO (Multimedia?)."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "media" category of requester, which means you are responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction in the processing of this request. If and when any records are found, they will be evaluated and a fee waiver determination will be made.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

21 May 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Michael Ravnitzky
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0022

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in response to your letter, dated 12 December 2002, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 27 December 2002. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "list of titles of Legal Opinions . . .list of videotapes . . . NRO (Multimedia?)."

On 13 May 2003, you notified the NRO that your open FOIA requests should be forwarded to your new address. Please be advised that the NRO considers all FOIA requests made by you to the NRO on behalf of American Lawyer Media (ALM) to be the property of ALM. Therefore, we have administratively closed this case.

You may make a new FOIA request pertaining to any information you desire and in doing so will be placed in the "other" fee category for requesters.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

JAMES BRADLEY FATCHETT

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Request for Production of Documents
5 U.S.C.S. 552

COMES NOW JAMES BRADLEY FATCHETT, herein after referred to as requester, and pursuant to 5 U.S.C.S. 552, and requests the foregoing:

1. Any documents related to methods or mechanisms for the capture (herein after defined as gathering through ultraviolet imaging or acoustic harvesting) of 1-50 Hz, restricted bandwidth, very low wattage (less than 10 watts) transmissions as applied to human, signals, communication or electronic intelligence gathering methods.
2. Any documents related to methods or mechanism for the derandomization (herein after defined as the separation into specific ranges, ie: 12.5 -17.5 Hz and eventually cryptic strings) of 1-50 Hz, restricted bandwidth, very low wattage transmissions as applied to human, signals, communication or electronic intelligence gathering methods.
3. Any documents related to human intelligence gathering through evoked potentials derandomization (1-50 Hz, .01 - .05 mw) including efforts to separate emissions by range and/or cryptic strings (to the extent that incidental Hz emissions represent incidental cortex function & synaptic activity).

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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JAMES BRADLEY FATCHETT

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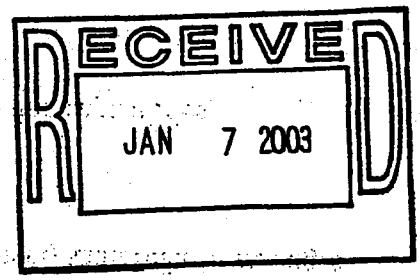

Request For Production of Documents
5 U.S.C.S. 552, 552(a)

COMES NOW JAMES BRADLEY FATCHETT, herein after referred to as requester, and pursuant to 5 U.S.C.S. 552, 552(a), and requests the foregoing:

1. Any documents related to satellite based electronic intelligence (ELINT) harvesting equipment for the capture ("capture" at all times utilized herein (this document) shall refer to capture via acoustic gathering method or ultraviolet imaging) and derandomization of 1-50 Hz (restricted bandwidth), low wattage ("low wattage" at all times utilized herein (this document) shall refer to wattages less than 2000) emissions.
2. Any documents related to satellite information processing capabilities, specifically, those designed to process gathered electronic intelligence (ELINT) in the 1-50 Hz (restricted bandwidth) range.
3. Any documents related to satellite based, restricted, broad band (1-50 Hz) transmission equipment, specifically broad band digital pulse radio.
4. Any documents related to adaptive optic interfaces with satellite based restricted broad band (1-50 Hz) transmission equipment.
5. Any documents related to the storage capabilities (specific data related to imaging storage capabilities and durations) for domestic and foreign satellite based passive or active imaging systems.

6. Any documents related to the derandomization of any emissions on the 1-50 Hz (restricted) bandwidth, with wattages less than 100.

7. Any documents indicating the names and addresses of any private, quasi-governmental organization or individual with a license or contract to transmit directed energy, in the 1-50 Hz (restricted bandwidth), or any bandwidth in conjunction with 1-50 Hz, on very low wattages (less than 2000) through adaptive (passive or active) optic interface; specifically, directed energy.

If there are any fees associate with this request which exceed $25.00, please process this request without prior contact. If you feel any exemption justifies your failure to release any document, please cite the specific paragraph and exemption.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

[redacted]

JAMES BRADLEY FATCHETT

DECLARATION PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C.S. 1746

I hereby certify that I am James Bradley Fatchett, born date [redacted] social security number [redacted]. I reside at [redacted] I am a United States citizen.

I certify the foregoing under penalty of perjury.

[redacted]

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

22 January 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. James Bradley Fatchett
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0023

Dear Mr. Fatchett:

This is in response to your undated letter received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 7 January 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " Any documents related . . . 1-50 Hz, restricted bandwidth . . . as applied to human, signals . . . methods."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages. In your original request you expressed a willingness to pay fees up to the amount of $25.00 for

reproduction. We will notify you if it appears this threshold will be exceeded in processing this related request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

29 January 2002

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. James Bradley Fatchett
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0023

Dear Mr. Fatchett:

This is in response to your undated letter, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 7 January 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "Any documents related . . . 1-50 Hz, restricted bandwidth . . . as applied to human signals . . . methods."

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages. In this instance, no fees have been incurred.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

January 7, 2003

Ms. Barbara Freimann
FOIA Coordinator
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request copies of:

NRO Directives 10-2; 10-3; 10-4; 16-2; 40-1; 50-1; 50-2; 60-2; 61-1; 82-1a; 120-4 as well as the NRO Directives table of contents.

The FOIA provides that if only portions of a record are exempted from release, the remainder must be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all nonexempt portions which are reasonably segregable I particularly request that it be kept in mind that there may exist reasonably segregable portions of classified paragraphs. I also request that any present classified material be considered for declassification.

To permit an intelligent, informed decision as to whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, I also request that you describe in detail the withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data v. Department of the Air Force 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir. 1977).

I also request a fee waiver. The fee waiver provisions under section 552 (a) (4) (A) of the FOIA, as amended on April 25, 1987, rewrote section 552 (a) (4) (A) to create categories of requesters entitled to fee waivers. Under those provisions, I qualify for exemption from fees in the "news media" category. In a recent decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit unanimously held that for FOIA fee waiver purposes "representatives of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217 (D.C. Circuit, July 28,1989).

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I easily meet this criteria as a result of my books and articles, which have appeared in a wide variety of publications. (A vita is available upon request).

My books include *The Wizards of Langley: Inside the CIA's Directorate of Science and Technology* (Westview 2001); *America's Space Sentinels: DSP Satellites and National Security* (University Press of Kansas, 1999); *The U.S. Intelligence Community* (Westview, 4th ed.1999); *A Century of Spies: Intelligence in the Twentieth Century* (Oxford, 1995); *America's Secret Eyes in Space* (Harper & Row, 1990), and *American Espionage and the Soviet Target* (Morrow, 1987).

My articles and commentaries have appeared in *Scientific American, Air Force Magazine, Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, Jane's Intelligence Review, International Journal of Intelligence and Counterintelligence, ISR Journal, Armed Forces Journal Intenrational, Defense Week, The National Interest, the Washington Post, the Los Angeles Times, the Boston Globe,* and *Newsday.*

My intended use of the material requested above, in light of my extensive publication record, clearly meets the criteria established by statute and case law for preferred fee status under the FOIA as a representative of the news media. As such a representative I am entitled to have search and review fees waived. And given the contribution of my work to enhancing public understanding of the government operations I request that you also waive reproduction fees.

I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Jeffrey T. Richelson

ATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFI
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

8 January 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0024

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your facsimile, dated 7 January 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 7 January 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " NRO Directives 10-2 . . . as well as the NRO Directives table of contents."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages.

public interest in disclosure of information, which will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO. A decision to waive or reduce fees cannot be made until after any responsive documents to be disclosed have been reviewed for "public interest."

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

23 April 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0024

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your facsimile, dated 7 January 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 7 January 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested " NRO Directives 10-2 . . . as well as the NRO Directives table of contents."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended and Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003. Eleven documents totaling sixty-two pages were found to be responsive to your request. These records are being released to you in part. Portions of these records are being withheld pursuant to the following FOIA exemptions:

(b)(1), which applies to information currently and properly classified in accordance with Executive Order 12958, to include the following section: 1.5(c), intelligence activities (including special activities, and intelligence sources or methods;

(b)(3), which applies to information specifically exempt by statute, the National Security Act of 1947, Subsection 102 (d)(3), as amended 50 U.S.C. 403 (d)(3) which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure; 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in Subsection (c),

no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of (1) The organization or any function . . . (2) . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations. . . The National Reconnaissance Office;" and Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003 which exempts operational files of the NRO from search, review, publication or disclosure under FOIA.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that you will be responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages. In this instance, no fees were incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715, within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me on (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann

Attachments:
Eleven Documents (62 pages)

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

January 14, 2003

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Ms. Barbara Freimann
FOIA Coordinator
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request copies of:

All memos (with attachments) to or from the DNRO and DDNRO between 1993 and 1995 concerning the declassification of the CORONA, ARGON, and LANYARD programs.

The FOIA provides that if only portions of a record are exempted from release, the remainder must be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all nonexempt portions which are reasonably segregable I particularly request that it be kept in mind that there may exist reasonably segregable portions of classified paragraphs. I also request that any present classified material be considered for declassification.

To permit an intelligent, informed decision as to whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, I also request that you describe in detail the withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data v. Department of the Air Force 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir. 1977).

I also request a fee waiver. The fee waiver provisions under section 552 (a) (4) (A) of the FOIA, as amended on April 25, 1987, rewrote section 552 (a) (4) (A) to create categories of requesters entitled to fee waivers. Under those provisions, I qualify for exemption from fees in the "news media" category. In a recent decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit unanimously held that for FOIA fee waiver purposes "representatives of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. (See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217 (D.C. Circuit, July 28,1989).

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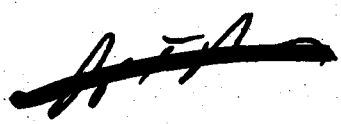
I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,



Jeffrey T. Richelson

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

14 January 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0025

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your facsimile, dated 14 January 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 14 January 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " All memos (with attachments) to or from the DNRO and DDNRO . . . .1993 and 1995 . . . declassification of the CORONA, ARGON, and LANYARD programs"

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages.

Regarding your request for a fee waiver, please be advised that fee waivers or reductions are granted when there is a public interest in disclosure of information, which will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO. A decision to waive or reduce fees cannot be made until after any responsive documents to be disclosed have been reviewed for "public interest."

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

25 August 2003

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your facsimile dated 14 January 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 14 January 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested "All memos (with attachments) to or from the DNRO and DDNRO . . . 1993 and 1995 . . . declassification of the CORONA, ARGON, and LANYARD programs".

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

During our search for records responsive to your request, we have identified one document that is U.S. Government material that was not originated by the NRO. This document has been referred to the originating agency for review and direct response to you.

We also located and treated four documents, totaling 24 pages that are being released to you in part. Portions of these records are being withheld pursuant to the following FOIA exemptions:

(b)(1), which applies to information currently and properly classified in accordance with Executive Order 12958, to include the following section: 1.4(c), intelligence activities (including special activities, and intelligence sources or methods;

b)(3), which applies to information specifically exempt by statute, the National Security Act of 1947, Subsection 102 (d)(3), as amended 50 U.S.C. 403 (d)(3) which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized

disclosure; 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in Subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of (1) The organization or any function . . . (2) . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations. . . The National Reconnaissance Office"; and

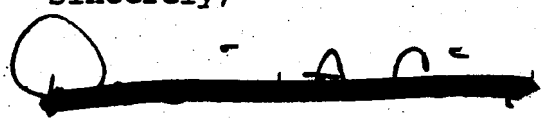
(b)(6) applies to information. Release of which could reasonably be expected to constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of individuals.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information you provided, you have been placed into the "other" category of requesters, which means that you will be responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages. Search time was 6.5 hours at $44.00 per hour for a total of $286.00. In this case, the fee is being waived.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0025.

Sincerely,



Dennis A. Cain

Attachments:
1. Memo dtd 14 Apr 95
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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
INFORMATION ACCESS & RELEASE CENTER
ATTN: FOIA OFFICER
14675 LEE ROAD
CHANTILLY, VA 20151-1715

DEAR NRO FOIA OFFICER:

THIS IS A REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (5 U.S.C. 552). I REQUEST THAT THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENT BE PROVIDED TO ME:

A PUBLIC RELEASE ON WHAT THE NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE PROVIDES TO THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AND INFORMATION ON WHAT SERVICES THE NRO PROVIDES TO THE CIVILIAN COMMUNITY.

UNDER DoD 5400.7-R - DoD FOIA PROGRAM CHAPTER C 1434.-I ENVOKE MY RIGHT AND DEMAND THAT I HAVE MY FOIA REQUEST BE PROCESSED AND NOT BE PROCESSED ELECTRONICLY AND/OR ANY OTHER FORM.

IN ORDER FOR YOU TO DETERMINE MY STATUS - I AM AN INDIVIDUAL (NON-COMMERCIAL) AND I AM WILLING TO PAY FEES UP TO $250.00 FOR THIS REQUEST. IF YOU DETERMINE THAT THE FEES MAY BE MORE- PLEASE CONTACT ME VIA THE U.S. MAIL.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME IN PROCESSING MY REQUEST.

SINCERELY,

MICHAEL LITHERLAND

[redacted]

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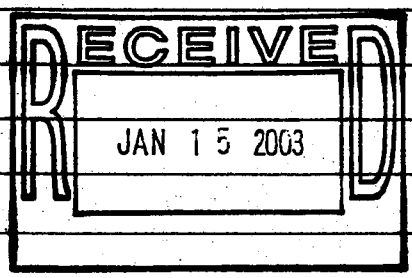

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

16 January 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Michael Litherland
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0026

Dear Mr. Litherland:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request letter, dated 7 January 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office on 15 January 2003. You have requested " . . . a public release on what the National Reconnaissance Office provides to the national defense and information on what services the NRO provides the civilian community . . .."

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search of our files revealed two documents responsive to your request. We are releasing these documents to you in full.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the "other" category of requester, which means you are responsible for all charges incurred for search and reproduction after the first two hours and 100 pages. In this instance no fees were incurred.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
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ATTN.: BARBARA E. FREIMANN
INFORMATION ACCESS AND RELEASE CENTER
NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 LEE ROAD
CHANTILLY VA 20151-1715

Dear Sir/Madame:

RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT
REQUEST FOR AN ORGANIZATIONAL CHART(s) or STAFF DIRECTORY

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you once again for your previous courtesy and timely response.

As before it is respectfully requested that you forward to this office your latest organizational chart, (charts), or staff directory, at your earliest convenience.

The Service publishes charts of corporations, - military and governmental organizations. . . providing interested persons with an accurate reference point, thereby enhancing and expediting the business of all parties.

All companies, - Military, and Government organizations whose cooperation was requested, immediately recognized the need and are cooperating in this matter.

If any fees must be paid to obtain the information, I'll gladly remit a check after you letting me know how much.

I wish to thank you in advance for your timely cooperation in forwarding to this office your latest organizational chart(s), or staff directory.

Very Respectfully,

A. F. Lippman

Adriana F. Lippman (Mrs.)
President

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Mrs. Adriana F. Lippman, President
U.S. Organization Chart Service, Inc.
P.O. Box 1335
La Jolla, CA 92038

Case Number: F03-0027

Dear Mrs. Lippman:

This is in response to your letter, dated 15 January 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 22 January 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, you are requesting " . . . latest organization chart, (charts), or staff directory, ..."

The NRO has a website on the internet that contains an organizational chart as well as additional organizational information. The address is www.nro.gov/index1.html. We trust that this information will satisfy your request.

If you have any questions, you can contact me at (703) 808-5029.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

Marriott.
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45020 Aviation Drive • Dulles, Virginia 20166

Request under the Freedom of Information Act

National Reconnaissance Office
FOIA Coordinator
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

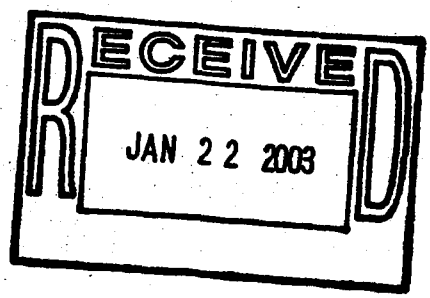
To Whom It May Concern:

I am seeking copies of any purchase order(s) and/or contract(s) that exist between the National Reconnaissance Office and any lodging facility in the Washington D.C. Metropolitan area with an emphasis on Northern Virginia.

I am seeking these records to assist me in determining the individuals and departments within the agency who are involved and influential in planning meetings and or travel arrangements. As the Sales Manager for a hotel, I am responsible for our government sales. It is my belief that by identifying those personnel involved in the meeting and travel planning, I will be able to minimize my contact with your busy employees who are not involved in this process.

Thank you for your assistance,

Steve French
Account Executive



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Information Access and Release Center
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Mr. Steve French, Account Executive
Marriott
Northern Virginia Market Sales Office
45020 Aviation Drive
Dulles, VA 20166

Case Number F03-0028

Dear Mr. French:

This is in response to your undated letter received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 22 January 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "copies of any purchase order(s) . . . with an emphasis on Northern Virginia."

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

You mentioned that you were interested in the individuals involved in planning meetings and travel. The NRO does not release the names of employees pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(3) which allows the withholding of information prohibited from disclosure by statute, 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of (1) The organization or any function . . .(2) . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office;"

The NRO Office of Contracts is the focal point for the receipt of inquiries from companies desiring to do business with the NRO. Companies are asked to write to:

National Reconnaissance Office
Office of Contracts
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

The Office of Contracts will maintain a register of companies who have expressed an interest in providing a product(s). Any office having an interest in your product will contact you directly. You may also register online at http://arc.westfields.net/register/.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

James Bradley Fatchett
[redacted]

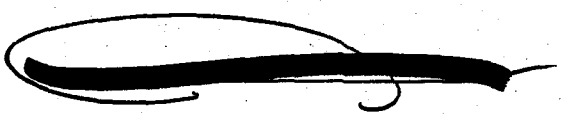
Request For Production under 5 U.S.C.S. 552, 552(a)

COMES NOW REQUESTER, James Bradley Fatchett, and for his Request for Production, under 5 U.S.C.S. 552, 552(a), and requests;

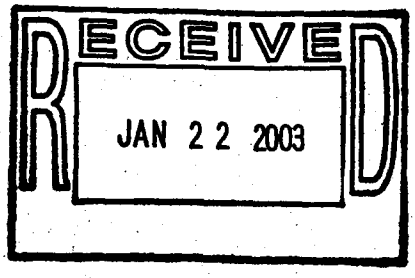
1. Any and all documents indicating the identities of any private party or entity involved in the operation of evoked potentials derandomization and replication (through directed energy 1 – 50 Hz signal replication) links, including but not limited to communication links.
2. Any and all documents indicating the identities of any private party or entity involved in the operation of evoked potentials derandomization and replication (through directed energy 1 – 50 Hz signal replication) links, including but not limited to communication links.
3. Any and all documents which would tend to indicate constructive or actual consent to the participation in any activity conducted by N.R.O.

In any situation in which you feel justified to fail in withholding any document, please cite the specific paragraph or exemption justified.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



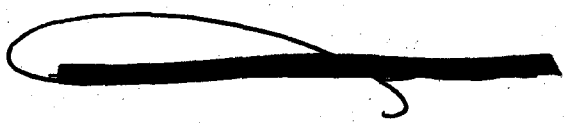
JAMES BRADLEY FATCHETT



Affirmation of Identity

28 U.S.C.S. 1746

I certify that I am James Bradley Fatchett, [redacted] I was born in St. Louis County, MO. I certify this under penalty of perjury.



JAMES BRADLEY FATCHETT

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

23 January 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. James Bradley Fatchett
[redacted]

Case Number: F03-0029

Dear Mr. Fatchett:

This is in response to your undated letter received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 22 January 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "Any and all documents indicating the identities . . . derandomization and replication . . . 1 - 50 Hz signal . . . communication links. . ."

Your request is being suspended until the issue of payment of fees has been resolved. Your request did not indicate a willingness to pay any charges incurred. Under the procedural requirements of Department of Defense (DoD) Regulation 5400.7-R published at 32 CFR 286 (Vol. 52, No. 132, September 1998), requesters must indicate a willingness to pay assessable fees.

You have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable search fees in excess of two hours and duplication exceeding 100 pages. In accordance with the FOIA, search fees are assessable even if no records are found, or if found, we determine that they are not releasable. This means you will be charged search fees even if our search results are negative or if it is determined that no information is releasable under the FOIA.

Please be assured that this is not a denial of your request, but merely an explanation as to why no further action can be taken to process your request at this time. Please submit a statement of your willingness to be responsible for fees. You may submit a request for a fee waiver, which we will take under advisement.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number. If we do not hear back from you within 30 days from the date of this letter, we will administratively close this case.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

27 March 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. James Bradley Fatchett
[redacted]

Case Number: F03-0029

Dear Mr. Fatchett:

This is in response to your undated letter received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 5 March 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "Any and all documents indicating the identities . . . derandomization and replication . . . 1 - 50 Hz signal . . . communication links. . ."

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

You have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable search fees in excess of two hours and duplication exceeding 100 pages. In accordance with the FOIA, search fees are assessable even if no records are found, or if found, we determine that they are not releasable. This means you will be charged search fees even if our search results are negative or if it is determined that no information is releasable under the FOIA. In this instance, no fees have been incurred.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
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January 23, 2003

VIA FACSIMILE (703-808-5082)

Ms. Barbara Freimann
Chief, Information Access and Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Ms. Freimann:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 ("FOIA"), and implementing regulations, we hereby request copies of the following records:

All records (including but not limited to all notes, minutes, agendas, attendance rosters, electronic mail messages, memoranda, reports, correspondence, or any other documents, including drafts thereof) that discuss, mention, evidence, or in any way relate to a meeting that

(1) took place on or about July 20, 2000,

(2) was chaired or otherwise attended by [redacted]

(3) discussed the project known as Super 2, Version 2 ("the S2V2 Project") and/or National Reconnaissance Office ("NRO") Contract No. NRO000-C-00-0002, and

(4) discussed the descoping, reduction, or partial termination of the S2V2 Project and/or NRO Contract No. NRO000-C-00-0002, including but not limited to the descoping, reduction, or partial termination of the following portions of the S2V2 Project and/or NRO Contract No. NRO000-C-00-0002:

(a) the Requestor or Requestor Subsystem and associated subelements;

(b) the Hardcopy Management System or Subsystem (HCMS) and associated subelements;

(c) the Scoping System or Subsystem and associated subelements; or

(d) the Adjudications Assessment and Recommendation Utility (AARU) System and associated subelements.

Please note that we previously submitted, and then withdrew, this FOIA request (Case No. F02-0055) on April 29, 2002 and July 31, 2002, respectively.

As you know, FOIA, as amended, provides that if any part of a record is exempt from disclosure, "reasonably segregable" portions of said record must be released. Therefore, we request that, if you determine that any portion of the requested records is exempt from disclosure, you provide (1) all records or portions thereof that are not so exempt, (2) a detailed list and description of all records or portions thereof for which an exemption is claimed, and (3) an identification of the FOIA exemption within which the material is asserted to fall.

In addition, we ask that you furnish us with the requested material as soon as individual records are available and that you not await compilation of the entirety of the materials covered by this FOIA request.

We will pay all applicable fees associated with this FOIA request. However, if you expect that we will be required to pay more than $800, please contact the undersigned at (202) 639-7045 before undertaking the work.

All correspondence concerning this FOIA request should be addressed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

FRIED, FRANK, HARRIS, SHRIVER
& JACOBSON

By _____
Louis D. Victorino
Steven A. Alerding

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
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25 February 2003

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Mr. Louis D. Victorino
Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson
1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Suite 800
Washington, D.C. 20004-2505

Case Number F03-0030

Dear Mr. Victorino:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request fax dated 23 January 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 27 January 2003. You have requested " . . . records pertaining to a meeting on or about July 20, 2000 . . . discussing the project known as Super 2, Version 2 . . . and/or NRO contract NRO000-00-C-0002 ,and, discussed the descoping, reduction, or partial termination of . . . Requestor Subsystem . . Hardcopy Management System . . Scoping System . . Adjudications Assessment and Recommendation Utility . . ."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "commercial" category of requester, which means you are responsible for all charges incurred for search, review and duplication in the processing of this request.

You have requested notification should fees exceed $800.00. Please be advised that once the fee threshold is reached, we will place your request on hold until we receive authorization to continue.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
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Mr. Louis D. Victorino
Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson
1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 800
Washington, D.C. 20004-2505

Case Number F03-0030

Dear Mr. Victorino:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) fax dated 23 January 2003. Your request was received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 27 January 2003. You requested records pertaining to a "meeting on or about July 20, 2000 . . . discussed the project known as Super 2, Version 2 . . . and/or NRO contract NRO000-00-C-0002 and; discussed the descoping, reduction, or partial termination of . . . Requestor Subsystem . . Hardcopy Management System . . Scoping System . . Adjudications Assessment and Recommendation Utility . . .".

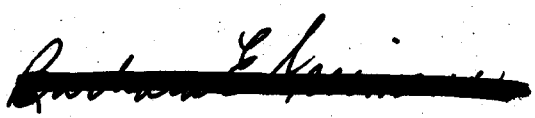
Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, but in accordance with section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Public Law 107-306, the records you requested are not available.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "commercial" category of requester, which means you are responsible for all charges incurred for search, review and duplication in the processing of this request. In this case, no fees were incurred.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,



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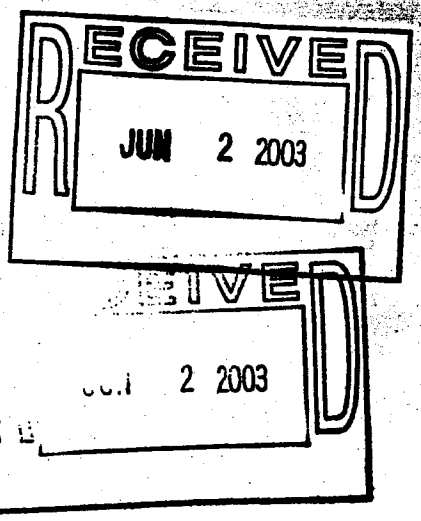

May 27, 2003

CERTIFIED MAIL NO. Z291471421
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

National Reconnaissance Office Appeal Authority
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Re: Freedom of Information Act Appeal
Case No. F03-0030

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 ("FOIA"), and implementing regulations, we hereby appeal the May 1, 2003 determination of the National Reconnaissance Office ("NRO") in response to our January 23, 2003 FOIA request (Case No. F03-0030). The NRO's determination states that, in accordance with Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, 50 U.S.C. § 403-5e, the requested records are not available. As discussed below, (1) Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003 does not apply to the requested records and (2), even if Section 502 does apply, the NRO must release reasonably segregable portions of the requested records.

I. BACKGROUND

On January 23, 2003, we submitted a FOIA request ("Request") to the NRO for copies of the following records:

> All records (including but not limited to all notes, minutes, agendas, attendance rosters, electronic mail messages, memoranda, reports, correspondence, or any other documents, including drafts thereof) that discuss, mention, evidence, or in any way relate to a meeting that
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> (1) took place on or about July 20, 2000,
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(c) the Scoping System or Subsystem and associated subelements; or

(d) the Adjudications Assessment and Recommendation Utility (AARU) System and associated subelements.

See Attachment A.[1]

On May 1, 2003, the NRO issued a response to our FOIA Request, stating in relevant part as follows:

> Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, but in accordance with section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Public Law 107-306, the records you requested are not available.

See Attachment B. The NRO's response does not explain how Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003 ("Section 502") applies to the requested records, nor does it state that the NRO is willing to release those reasonably segregable portions of the requested records that do not contain information exempt from FOIA by Section 502.

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1 Please note that we previously submitted an identical FOIA request (Case No. F02-0055) on April 29, 2002. On July 9, 2002, the NRO issued a letter stating that the estimated cost to respond to the request would be between $600.00 and $700.00, and that the request was being suspended until the payment of such fees was resolved. On July 31, 2002, we withdrew the FOIA request.

II. GROUNDS FOR APPEAL

A. Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003 Does Not Apply to the Requested Records

Section 502 provides that the Director of the NRO may exempt "operational files" from disclosure under FOIA. See 50 U.S.C. § 403-5e(a)(1). Section 502 defines "operational files" to mean NRO files that "document the means by which foreign intelligence or counterintelligence is collected through scientific and technical systems." See 50 U.S.C. § 403-5e(a)(2)(A).[2]

The Section 502 FOIA exemption does not apply to the requested records. While the Section 502 exemption covers certain sensitive scientific and technical information, the FOIA Request merely seeks certain very specific records containing only administrative information -- specifically, records relating to a single, specific meeting in which the NRO discussed the descoping, reduction, or partial termination of a specific project and/or contract. The FOIA Request does not seek, and the requested records should not contain, scientific or technical information of any kind, including specifications, information regarding overhead collection systems (satellite or air breathing), ground control, or processing systems, or any other "operational" information. The requested records therefore do not "document the means by which foreign intelligence or counterintelligence is collected through scientific and technical systems" and, therefore, do not constitute "operational files" exempt from FOIA by Section 502. Accordingly, the requested records should be released in their entirety.

B. Even if Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003 Applies, the NRO Must Release Reasonably Segregable Portions of the Requested Records

FOIA, as amended, provides that, if any part of a record is exempt from disclosure, "reasonably segregable" portions of such record must be released after deletion of the exempt portions. 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b). Similarly, Section 502 provides that "[f]iles that are not exempted under paragraph (1) [of Section 502] which contain information derived or disseminated from exempted operational files shall be subject to search and review." See 50 U.S.C. § 403-

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2 The applicable definitions of "foreign intelligence" and "counterintelligence" are contained in 50 U.S.C. § 401a. "Foreign intelligence" is defined to mean "information relating to the capabilities, intentions, or activities of foreign governments or elements thereof, foreign organizations, or foreign persons, or international terrorist activities." 50 U.S.C. § 401a(2). "Counterintelligence" is defined to mean "information gathered, and activities conducted, to protect against espionage, other intelligence activities, sabotage, or assassinations conducted by or on behalf of foreign governments or elements thereof, foreign organizations, or foreign persons, or international terrorist activities." See 50 U.S.C. § 401a(3).

5e(a)(4)(A). As stated above, the requested records pertain to a specific meeting which should not have discussed sensitive scientific and technical information covered by the Section 502 FOIA exemption. However, to the extent that such information may be contained in the requested records, it should be mentioned only incidentally. The portions of the requested records that contain such exempt information therefore should be easily deleted. Accordingly, to the extent that the requested records do contain any information exempt from FOIA under Section 502, the NRO is required to release all reasonably segregable portions of the requested records that are not exempt.

III. CONCLUSION

As discussed above, we do not believe that the requested records are exempt from FOIA under Section 502. In addition, to the extent that some portion of the requested records do contain information that is exempt, the NRO is required to release all reasonably segregable portions of such records. We therefore respectfully request the NRO Appeal Authority to require the NRO to immediately release the requested records or all reasonably segregable portions thereof.

All correspondence concerning this appeal should be addressed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

FRIED, FRANK, HARRIS, SHRIVER
& JACOBSON

By _____
Louis D. Victorino
Steven A. Alerding

Attachments

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

6 June 2003

Mr. Louis D. Victorino
Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson
1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 800
Washington, DC 20004-2505

Dear Mr. Victorino:

This is in response to your certified letter dated 27 May 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center on 2 June 2003. You are appealing the National Reconnaissance Office's determination in your Freedom of Information Act request for records pertaining to a "meeting on or about July 20, 2000 . . . discussed the project known as Super 2, Version 2 . . . and/or NRO contract NRO000-00-C-0002 and; discussed the descoping, reduction, or partial termination of . . . Requestor Subsystem . . Hardcopy Management System . . Scoping System . . Adjudications Assessment and Recommendation Utility . . .".

Your appeal has been accepted. We will advise you when a determination by the NRO Appeal Board has been made.

If you have any questions, please call the Chief, Information Access and Release Center at (703) 808-5029 and reference case number F03-0030.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
Office of the Deputy Director

7 August 2003

Mr. Louis D. Victorino
Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson
1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 800
Washington, DC 20004-2505

Dear Mr. Victorino:

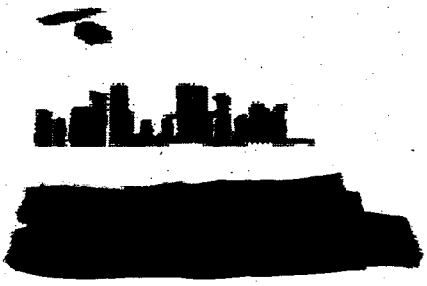
This is in response to your letter dated 27 May 2003, received on 2 June 2003 in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO). You are appealing our 1 May 2003 decision to deny your request for records pertaining to a "meeting on or about July 20, 2000 . . . NRO contract NRO000-00-C-0002 . . . ". For reference purposes, your Case Number is F03-0030.

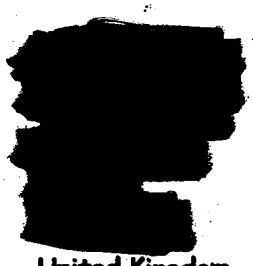
As the Appellate Authority, and after a complete review, I have determined that your request was properly denied. The records you seek, if they exist, would be located in files designated as "operational" pursuant to Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003. Please note that if requested records are located in "operational files" then they are entirely exempt from the search, review, and release provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Thus, the "reasonably segregable" provision of the FOIA does not apply to records located in "operational files." Your appeal is hereby denied.

You are advised that you are entitled to a judicial review of this determination in a United States District Court in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552 as amended.

Sincerely,

Dennis Fitzgerald





United Kingdom

26 Jan 03

National Reconnaissance Office
Office of Corporate Communications
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly
Virginia
20151-1715
USA

Dear Sirs,

In my spare time I have a research interest into the application of satellite remote sensing and archaeology. In particular, I am interested in the use of Declassified Intelligence Satellite Photographs for the detection of archaeological features (see enclosed paper recently submitted to the *International Journal of Remote Sensing*). In order to support this activity, I am keen to obtain copies of a number of declassified documents detailed in the "*Index to the declassified collection of CORONA, ARGON, and LANYARD records declassified by the National Reconnaissance Office on November 26, 1997*" ("CAL index") that is posted on the your website. I have tried to obtain copies of these documents from the National Archives but, with the exception of a couple of Performance Evaluation Reports, they do not appear to hold copies.

The particular documents that I am keen to obtain are detailed below together with my rationale for requesting them:

Reference number: 2/C/0055. Title: DOC: KH-6 CAMERA SYSTEM (HARDCOPY) (01 Feb 63) - 17 pages (see page 67 of CAL index).
Believed to be a technical description of the KH-6 camera system that will be of assistance in the interpretation of KH-6 imagery.

Reference number: 2/C/0061. Title: DOC: THE KH-4A CAMERA SYSTEM (01 Mar 67) - 13 pages (see page 68 of CAL index).
Believed to be a technical description of the KH-4A camera system that will be of assistance in the interpretation of KH-4A imagery.

Reference number: 3/C/0016. Title: DOC: KH-4B CAMERA SYSTEM (02 Oct 67) (included under cover of MEMO: FOR DIRECTOR, DIA AND DIRECTOR, NPIC SUBJECT: KH-4B DATA BOOK) - 20 pages (see page 85 of CAL index).
Believed to be a technical description of the KH-4B camera system that will be of assistance in the interpretation of KH-4B imagery.

Reference: 5/D/0008. Title: MEMO: EXPECTED GROUND RESOLVED DISTANCE 85 VS. 100 NM PERIGEE ON MISSION 1108 (25 Jul 69) - 12 pages

(see page 125 of CAL index).
Considered likely to be of assistance in understanding the ground resolution ability of CORONA imagery.

Reference: 5/D/0017. Title: MEMO: TECH MEMO # 28, SENSITIVITY OF GROUND RESOLUTION TO ALTITUDE AND LOCATION IN THE GROUND FRAME (05 Sep 69) - 11 pages (see page 125 of CAL index).
Considered likely to be of assistance in understanding the ground resolution ability of CORONA imagery.

Reference: 5/D/0025. Title: MEMO: SENSITIVITY OF KH-4 GROUND RESOLUTION AND FRAME AREA COVERAGE TO ALTITUDE (10 Oct 69) - 10 pages (see page 126 of CAL index).
Considered likely to be of assistance in understanding the ground resolution ability of CORONA imagery.

Reference: 5/D/0044. Title: MEMO: CORONA SYSTEM RESOLUTION PERFORMANCE - MEMO: SENSITIVITY OF GROUND RESOLUTION TO ALTITUDE AND LOCATION IN THE GROUND PLANE (16 Dec 69) - 12 pages (see page 126 of CAL index).
Considered to be of assistance in understanding the ground resolution ability of CORONA imagery. May be a duplication of the above reports?

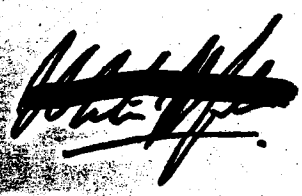
Reference: 5/C/0015. Title: DOC: PHOTOGRAPHIC EVALUATION REPORT MISSION 1103 (01 Sep 68) - 43 pages (see page 122 of CAL index).
Considered to be of assistance in the interpretation of imagery from Mission 1103-2 covering an area to the South of Budapest, Hungary, by providing technical information on the missiin (image acquisition time, perigee, lighting conditions etc.). This area of Hungary was covered by conventional aerial photography in 1997 and I am hoping to be able to compare features visible on the CORONA imagery that I have purchased from the USGS with archaeological features that have been recorded by conventional APs.

I would be most grateful if you could supply me with photocopies of the above documents in order to assist me with my research - I am willing to pay all reasonable costs that are involved. If you are unable to provide copies, would you please advise me where I can obtain them from.

If you need require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me either on my [redacted]

Thanking you in advance for your assistance. I look forward to hearing from you presently.

Yours faithfully,



Dr Martin J F Fowler

Visit the Satellite Remote Sensing and Archaeology Homepage::
WWW: http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/mjff/homepage.htm

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

20 February 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Dr. Martin J. F. Fowler
[redacted]
United Kingdom

Case Number F03-0031

Dear Dr. Fowler:

This is in response to your letter dated 26 January 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 04 February 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested "copies of a number of declassified documents . . . CORONA, ARGON and LANYARD . . ." These documents are enclosed.

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the "scientific and research" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first one hundred pages of document reproduction costs in the processing of this request. Total pages were 138. Fees incurred amounted to $5.70. In this case, fees have been waived.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

Enclosures:
Eight Records, 138 Pages

MORI DocID: 203365

JEFFREY T. RICHELSON
[redacted]

April 6, 1999

F-1999-00852

Information and Privacy Coordinator
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Sirs:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request a copy of:

> Memo, L.R. Houston, Gen Counsel, CIA to DIC, 3 June 1963, subj: Basic Authority for CIA Conduct of Overlfight Reconnaissance Operations.

The FOIA provides that if only portions of a record are exempted from release, the remainder must be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all nonexempt portions which are reasonably segregrable. I particularly request that it be kept in mind that there may exist reasonably segregable portions of classified paragraphs. I also request that any present classified material be considered for declassification.

To permit an intelligent, informed decision as to whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, I also request that you describe in detail the withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data v. Department of the Air Force 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir. 1977).

I also request a fee waiver. The fee waiver provisions under section 552 (a) (4) (A) of the FOIA, as amended on April 25, 1987, rewrote section 552 (a) (4) (A) to create categories of requesters entitled to fee waivers. Under those provisions, I qualify for exemption from fees in the "news media" category. In a recent decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit unanimously held that for FOIA fee waiver purposes "representatives of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. (See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217 (D.C. Circuit, July 28,1989).

I easily meet this criteria as a result of my books (The U.S. Intelligence Community (Ballinger 1985, 2nd ed. 1988, 3rd. ed. 1995, 4th ed. 1999); Sword and Shield: The Soviet Intelligence and Security Apparatus (Ballinger, 1986); American Espionage and the Soviet Target (Morrow, 1987); Foreign Intelligence Organizations (Ballinger, 1988); America's Secret Eyes in Space (Harper & Row 1990); A Century of Spies: Intelligence in the Twentieth Century (Oxford University Press, 1995), and America's Space Sentinels: DSP Satellites and National Security (University Press of Kansas, 1999) and newspaper and magazine articles. (A vita is available upon request). The information in the documents I request is to be incorporated into similar publications that will further public knowledge and understanding of activities in the area of national security.

I also qualify for favored treatment under the "all other requesters" category because my work has and is highly likely to continue to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of the government. For example, The U.S. Intelligence Community is used in numerous university courses throughout the United States (including at the Air Force Academy) as well as being used by newspaper reporters as a reference guide to the U.S. intelligence community.

My intended use of the material request above, in light of my extensive publication record, clearly meets the criteria extablished by statute and case law for prefered fee status under the FOIA as a representative of the news media. As such a representative I am entitled to have search and review fees waived. And given the contribution of my work to enhancing public understanding of the government operations I request that you also waive reproduction fees.

I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,

Jeffrey T. Richelson

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE

14 April 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COORDINATOR
ATTENTION: [redacted]

(U) SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Request Coordination
Jeffrey Richelson

(U) REFERENCE: CIA FOIA/PA No: F-1999-00852

(U) This is in response to your 26 February 2003 memorandum regarding Mr. Richelson's request.

(U) We have reviewed the enclosed record per your request and found two additional classified NRO equities. They have been marked for redaction on pages 8 and 9. The highlighted text remains classified in accordance with FOIA exemption (b)(1), EO 12958, 1.5(c).

(U) If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 (non-secure) or 91850-5029 (secure) and reference Case Number F03-0032.

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access
and Release Center

Attachment:
CIA/USAF/NRO Memo, 24 Jan 1963 (S//B)

CL BY: [redacted]
CL REASON: 1.5(C)
DECL ON: X1
DRV FROM: NCG 5.1
1 May 2000

May 24, 2003

National Reconnaissance Office
Attn: Barbara E. Freimann, Information Access and Release Center
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request a copy of the following NRO records

Copies of comity agreements or Memoranda of Understanding at NRO.

I agree to pay up to $30 for costs associated with this request. Please let me know if costs are expected to exceed this amount.

I believe that these records are readily available to your office at this time.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Michael Ravnitzky

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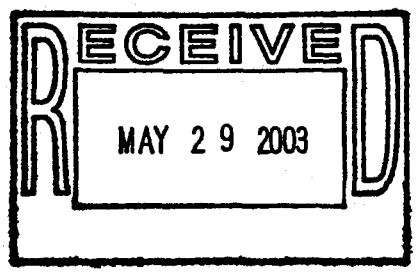


NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

17 June 2003

Mr. Michael Ravnitzky
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in response to your letter, dated 24 May 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center (IARC) of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 29 May 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting the "comity agreements of Memoranda of Understanding at NRO".

Pursuant to the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Section 502, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the publication, disclosure, search, and review provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552. As such, the files that would contain responsive records, if any exist, are not subject to search in response to your request.

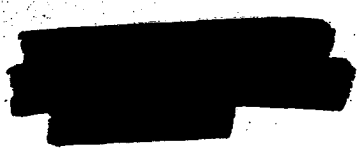
You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

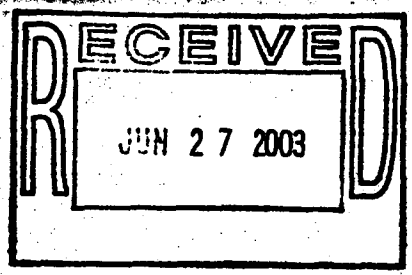
If you have any questions, please call the Chief of IARC on (703) 808-5029 and reference Case Number F03-0033.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Dennis A. Cain





June 23, 2003

NRO Appeal Authority
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL

Dear Sirs:

I hereby appeal the decision to withhold in full and to declare exempt from search the records I requested relating to NRO Comity Agreements and Memoranda of Understanding, case number F03-0033.

Under the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Section 502, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act.

However, these records do not appear to be "operational files" under the criteria set forth in the statute.

> *"(2)(A) Subject to subparagraph (B), for the purposes of this section, the term `operational files' means files of the National Reconnaissance Office (hereafter in this section referred to as `NRO') that document the means by which foreign intelligence or counterintelligence is collected through scientific and technical system."* Id.

See, e.g., 50 U.S.C. § 431, cited in U.S.See also Sullivan v. CIA, 992 F.2d 1249, 1251 (1st Cir. 1992) ("Operational files, i.e., files that memorialize the conduct and means of the government's foreign intelligence and counterintelligence efforts". See also Students Against Genocide v. Department of State, 1998 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 23088, *20, n. 8 (D.C. Cir. 1998) "Briefly, the term "operational files" means files which document (1) the conduct of foreign intelligence operations, (2) the means by which foreign intelligence is collected through scientific and technical systems, and (3) investigations conducted to determine the suitability of foreign intelligence sources."

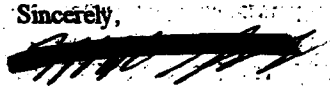
This is not that type of material.

The reason for the existence of this "operational files" exemption is that there are certain records that implicate intelligence concerns. By applying the exemption to records that so clearly fall outside the purview of these concerns, the agency is jeopardizing this extraordinary protection required by actual intelligence records. The requested administrative and management records fall outside any rational description of "operational files". Moreover, there are procedures and exemptions that would address any foreseeable harm identifiable with regard to these records.

While internal NRO procedures may inadvertantly include the Comity Agreements and MOU's in the list of "operational files" such procedures carry little or no weight with respect to contravening federal statutes and agency regulations.

I ask as an administrative remedy that this request be remanded for initial processing.

Sincerely,



Michael Ravnitzky

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

10 July 2003

Mr. Michael Ravnitzky
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in response to your certified letter dated 23 June 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center on 27 June 2003. You are appealing the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) determination pertaining to your Freedom of Information Act request for records pertaining to "NRO Comity Agreements and Memoranda of Understanding".

Your appeal has been accepted. We will advise you when a determination by the NRO Appeal Board has been made.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0033.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Dennis A. Cain

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

18 April 2005

Mr. Michael Ravnitzky
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in response to your letter dated 13 June 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 17 June 2003. You are appealing our use of Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003 on your request for records pertaining to ". . . NRO Comity Agreements and Memoranda of Understanding." For reference purposes, your case number is F03-0033.

As the Appellate Authority, and after a complete review, I have determined that the records responsive to your request are segregable. As the first interim release to your request, we are forwarding eight records, totaling twenty-seven pages that are being granted in part. Additionally, I have determined that fifteen records, totaling seventy pages, are denied in full. The denied records and portions of the records being released to you are being withheld pursuant to the following FOIA exemptions:

-(b)(1) As properly classified information under Executive Order 12958, Section 1.4(c); and exemption (b)(3), which applies to information specifically exempt by statute, the National Security Act of 1947, 50 U.S.C. § 403-3(c)(7), which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure;

-(b)(2) High, which pertains solely to the internal rules and practices of an agency and allows the withholding of information which, if released, would allow circumvention of an organization rule, policy, or statute, thereby impeding the agency in the conduct of its mission;

- (b)(3) Which allows the withholding of information prohibited from disclosure by statute, 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of (1) The organization or any function . . . (2) . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office";

- (b)(5) Inter-agency or intra-agency memoranda which are deliberative in nature; and

- (b)(6) Which applies to records which if released would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of individuals.

Please be advised that a number of records contain the equities of other agencies and have therefore been forwarded to them for coordination or direct response to you, as required by Executive Order 12958. We will forward the coordinated records to you as soon as the reviews are returned to us from the appropriate agencies.

You are advised that you are entitled to a judicial review of this determination in a United States District Court in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552 as amended.

Sincerely,

Pamela S. Tennyson
Deputy Director
for Administration

Enclosures:
MOUs (27 pages)

James Bradley Fatchett
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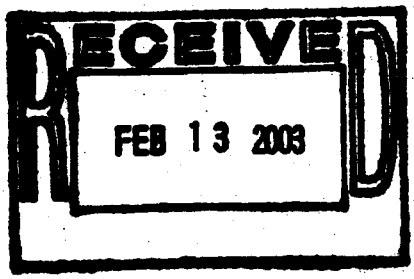


National Recconaissance Office
Freedom of Information and Privacy Act Section
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Dear Sir or Madam,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C.S. 552, I request.

1. Any and all records relating to the identity of lesees for 1-50 Hz derandomization equipment.

2. Any and all records relating to the identity of lesees for 1-50 Hz beam propagation equipment (specifically multi band digital pulse radio).

3. Any and all records relating to high definition hertz imaging or spectrum analysis from hertz propagation from private domestic sources for replication purposes.

4. Any and all records related to high definition hertz imaging or spectrum analysis from hertz propagation from private foreign sources for replication purposes.

5. Any and all records related to the placement and purpose of all domestic satellites, inclusive of those placed along the northernmost, southernmost, borders and those off the western and eastern seabords of the United States.

If you feel that any exemption justifies your failure to produce these documents, please notify me of the paragraph you feel is exempt and the specific exemption raised.

Under 5 U.S.C.S. 552(a), I request the foregoing,

Any and all records relating to domestic beam propagation, high spectrum hertz analysis, or any other investigatory material relates or inures to James Bradley Fatchett.

If you feel that any exemption justifies your failure to produce these documents, please notify me of the specific paragraph you feel is exempt and the number of the exemption raised.

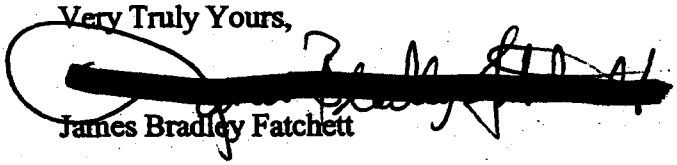
Affirmation Pursuant to 28 U.S.C.S. 1746

I certify under penalty of perjury, that I am James Bradley Fatchett, born [redacted] I swear the foregoing under penalty of Title 18.

[redacted]

James Bradley Fatchett

Very Truly Yours,



James Bradley Fatchett

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

13 February 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. James Bradley Fatchett
[redacted]

Case Numbers: F03-0023
F03-0029
F03-0034

Dear Mr. Fatchett:

This is in response to your undated letters received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 7, 22 January, and 13 February 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "Any and all documents indicating the identities . . . derandomization and replication . . . 1 - 50 Hz signal . . . communication links . . ."

We have attempted to contact you at the addresses provided in your first two letters. Both of these letters have been returned to us by the U.S. Postal Service marked "Moved - Left No Address". A copy of our returned letter in response to your first request, F03-0023, is attached, and the case has been officially closed. (See TAB A)

Your last two requests, F03-0029 and F03-0034, are being suspended until the issue of payment of fees has been resolved. Your requests did not indicate a willingness to pay any charges incurred. Under the procedural requirements of Department of Defense (DoD) Regulation 5400.7-R published at 32 CFR 286 (Vol. 52, No. 132, September 1998), requesters must indicate a willingness to pay assessable fees. A copy of our returned letter in response to F03-0029 is enclosed. (See TAB B)

You have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable search fees in excess of two hours and duplication exceeding 100 pages. In accordance with the FOIA, search fees are assessable even if no records are found, or if found, we determine that they are not releasable. This means you will be charged search fees even if our search results are negative or if it is determined that no information is releasable under the FOIA.

Please be assured that this is not a denial of your requests, F03-0029 and F03-0034, but merely an explanation as to why no further action can be taken to process your requests at this time. Please submit a statement of your willingness to be responsible for fees. You may submit a request for a fee waiver, which we will take under advisement.

Also, please note that your most recent request, F03-0034, "Any and all records relating . . . any other investigatory material relates . . . to James Bradley Fatchett" requires the following. Although you have provided your full name, Social Security number, and date of birth, before we can begin processing your request for any personal records maintained by this agency, and per NRO Privacy Act 32 CFR part 326.9, we ask that you provide us with a notarized or personally certified statement attesting to the following information:

Your Place of Birth; and
Your Citizenship Status.

Upon receipt of the above notarized or personally certified information, we will process your request, F03-0034, under both the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the Privacy Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C § 552(a) to facilitate your receiving the maximum amount of releasable information.

We will hold your requests in abeyance for 30 days pending receipt of the items requested above. For identification purposes your open requests have been assigned Case Numbers F03—0029 and F03-0034.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case numbers. If we do not hear back from you within 30 days from the date of this letter, we will administratively close these cases.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
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Attachments: (2)
1. NRO Letter, 29 JAN 03, F03-0023
2. NRO Letter, 23 JAN 03, F03-0029

York Daily Record

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Sharon Smith
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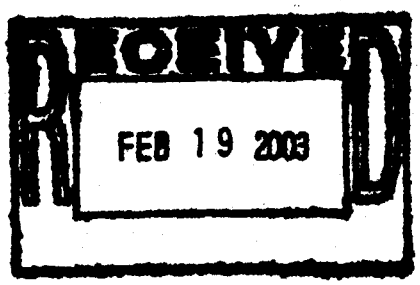
February 4, 2003



National Reconnaissance Office
Information Access & Release Center
14675 Lee Rd.
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715
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FOIA REQUEST

Dear FOI Officer:

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. s. 552, I request access to and copies of FOIA logs from 2002

I agree to pay reasonable duplication fees for the processing of this request in an amount not to exceed $10.00. However,
please notify me prior to your incurring any expenses in excess of that amount.

As a representative of the news media I am only required to pay for the direct cost of duplication after the first 100 pages.
Through this request, I am gathering information on the public's ability to access public records that is of current interest to the
public because changes have been made to the FOI Act This information is being sought on behalf of The York Daily Record
for dissemination to the general public.

Please waive any applicable fees. Release of the information is in the public interest because it will contribute significantly to
public understanding of government operations and activities.

If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the act. I will
also expect you to release all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material. I, of course, reserve the right to appeal your
decision to withhold any information or to deny a waiver of fees.

As I am making this request as a journalist and this information is of timely value, I would appreciate your communicating with
me by telephone, rather than by mail, if you have questions regarding this request.

I look forward to your reply within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Very truly yours,

Sharon Smith

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
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24 February 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Sharon Smith
122 S. George St.
P.O. box 15122
York, PA, 17405-7122

Dear Ms. Smith:

This is in response to your fax, dated 4 February 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 19 February 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " . . . copy of FOIA logs for the year 2002 . . . ."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. Our search located one record consisting of 10 pages; this record is being released to you in full. Case numbers begin at 0031 because our case tracking system works on fiscal year dating rather than calendar year.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information you provided, you have been placed into the "news media" category, which means that a requester is responsible for copying costs in excess the first 100 pages. In this instance, no fees were incurred.

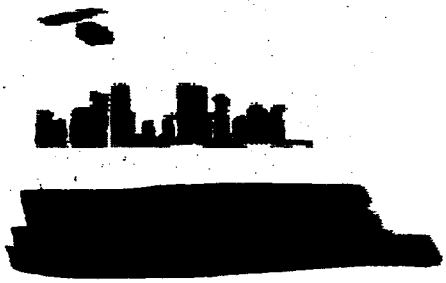
For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0035. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

Enclosure:
FOIA Log (10 pages)



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16 Feb 03

National Reconnaissance Office
Information Access and Release Center
Attn: FOIA Coordinator
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly
Virginia
20151-1715
USA

Dear FOIA Coordinator,

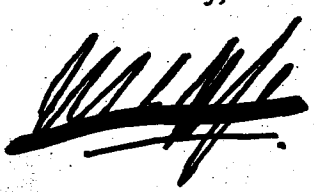
Under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. Section 552, I am requesting access to, or copies of, technical descriptions of the KH-7 and KH-9 camera systems that acquired the imagery that has recently been declassified and released to the National Archives and US Geological Survey. I believe that my requirement could be satisfied by publications that are similar to the declassified September 1967 NRO Data Book that describes the KH-4B Camera System.

If there are any fees for copying or searching the records, I will pay reasonable costs. Please inform me if fees may exceed $50, which I agree to pay.

I am requesting this information because of my spare-time research interest into the application of satellite remote sensing to archaeology. Technical descriptions of the imagery acquired by the KH-7 and KH-9 systems will greatly assist my understanding of the use of these products for archaeological prospection. As far as I am aware, no descriptions of the camera systems have so far appeared in the published literature. For your background information, I enclose a short paper that I have recently submitted for publication in *AARGnews: The Newsletter of the Aerial Archaeology Research Group*. A second paper, describing my interpretation of declassified KH-4B imagery of Jordan, was forwarded under cover of a letter to your Office of Corporate Communications on 26 Jan 03 requesting copies of a number of documents from the declassified CORONA record collection.

If you have any questions about handling this request, please do not hesitate to telephone me during office hours (0830-1730 GMT) on my work *number*

Yours sincerely,



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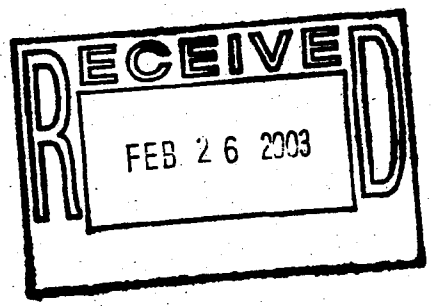

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14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

26 February 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Dr. Martin J. F. Fowler
[redacted]
United Kingdom

Case Number F03-0036

Dear Dr. Fowler:

This is in response to your letter, dated 16 February 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 26 February 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " copies of, technical descriptions of the KH-7 and KH-9 camera systems . . . .declassified and released . . . . National Archives and US Geological Survey."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

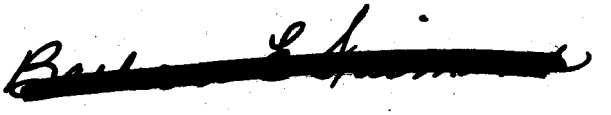
You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages.

In your original request you expressed a willingness to pay fees up to the amount of $50.00 for searching and reproduction. We will notify you if it appears this threshold will be exceeded in processing this request.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,



Barbara E. Freimann
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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
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25 March 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Dr. Martin J. F. Fowler
[redacted]
United Kingdom

Case Number F03-0036

Dear Dr. Fowler:

This is in response to your letter, dated 16 February 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 26 February 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " copies of, technical descriptions of the KH-7 and KH-9 camera systems . . . .declassified and released . . . . National Archives and US Geological Survey."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. Four documents consisting of a total of 130 pages were found to be responsive to your request. The documents are denied pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(1) as properly classified information under Executive Order 12958, Section 1.5(c); and exemption (b)(3) which applies to information specifically exempt by statute, the National Security Act of 1947, 50 U.S.C. § 403-3(c)(7) which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the "educational/scientific" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess

of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages. In this case, there were no fees incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

JEFFREY T. RICHELSON
[redacted]

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October 2, 1999

Agency Release Panel
c/o Information and Privacy Coordinator
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Sirs:

This letter appeals the "no records" response to my FOIA request of November 8, 1994 for a copy of the report of the DCI's Environmental Task Force.

Perhaps it was not clear what particular document I was requesting. The report in question led to the creation of the MEDEA group and provides the basis for some of the activities of the DCI's Environmental Center. I would expect that both the MEDEA group and the Environmental Center would have copies. I am enclosing the description of procedures and findings related to the report.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Jeffrey Richelson

22 May 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COORDINATOR

(U) SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Request Coordination
Jeffrey Richelson

(U) REFERENCE: (a) CIA FOIA/PA Case Number: F-1994-02137
(b) DFOISR Case Number: 03-F-0642 & 03-SI-004(b)
(c) NRO Case Number: F03-0037

(U) This is in response to your 1 July 2002 memorandum sent to the Department of Defense Freedom of Information and Security Review office (DFOISR) regarding Mr. Richelson's request.

(U) We have reviewed the enclosed records per the request of DFOISR and recommend that both of the documents be denied in full. The text remains classified in accordance with FOIA exemption (b)(1), EO 12958, 1.4(c), as amended.

(U) If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 (non-secure) or 91850-5029 (secure) and reference Case Number F03-0037.

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access
and Release Center

Attachment:
1. Environmental Task Force, Vol I
2. Environmental Task Force, Vol II

Memorandum FOUO when separated from attachments

CL BY: [redacted]
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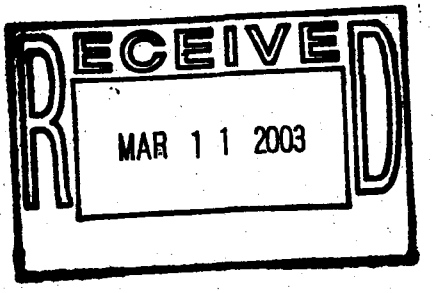

Dear Ms Freimann,

Thank you for your letter of 20 Feb 03 forwarding copies of declassified CORONA documents in response to my request of 26 Jan 03. These are proving invaluable in developing my understanding of the CORONA imagery that I have purchased from the USGS for use in my archaeological studies. In order to assist my studies further, I should be grateful if you would consider the following request.

Under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. Section 552, I request that a copy of the following records from the collection of CORONA, ARGON and LANYARD records ('CAL index') declassified on 26 Nov 97 be provided to me:

a. Reference number: 2/A/0090. Doc: CORONA Program History, Volume III, CORONA cameras (19 May 76) – 68 pages (see page 34 of 'CAL index').

b. Reference number: 3/C/0015. Doc: CORONA J-3 System Handbook (01 Sep 67) – 117 pages (see page 85 of 'CAL index').

c. Reference number: 5/C/0035. Doc: Performance analysis for the 1103 system (20 Dec 68) – 70 pages (see page 123 of 'CAL index').

d. Reference number: 6/A/0048. Doc: CORONA CR mission summary and telemetry analysis, Mission 1117 AGENA 1663/Payload CR-08 (06 Jun 72) – 28 pages (see page 131 of 'CAL index').

e. Reference number: 6/A/0051: Doc: CORONA J, Performance Evaluation Report, Mission 1117-1 and 1117-2 FTV 1663, CR-8R (20 Jun 72) – 29 pages (see page 132 of 'CAL index').

This request is in support of my privately funded research interest into the application of satellite remote sensing to archaeology. It is therefore made for a scientific and research purpose and is not for a commercial use. Documents 'a' and 'b' are requested in order to develop my overall technical understanding of the CORONA products and will contribute

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WWW: http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/mjff/homepage.htm

directly towards a research paper that I am preparing on the subject of 'Practical considerations of the use of CORONA imagery for archaeological prospection'. Documents 'c', 'd' and 'e' are requested to support specifically my interpretation of imagery from Mission 1103 covering an area rich in archaeological features to the south of Budapest, Hungary, and inform my choice of additional imagery to be purchased from the USGS.

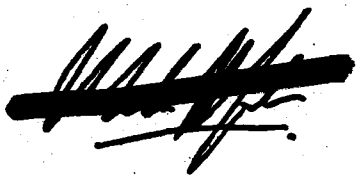
I am willing to pay fees if my request for a waiver is denied; this is requested not to exceed $50 dollars.

I request a waiver of fees for this request because disclosure of the requested information to me is in the public interest. It is likely to contribute significantly to the public scientific understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO and is not in my commercial interest. I intend to submit the findings of my research for publication as research papers in appropriate archaeological journals such as *Archaeological Prospection* or *Antiquity* in order to disseminate the information derived from the documents to the wider scientific community. Copies of these scientific papers will, of course, be forwarded to the NRO as a matter of courtesy and the NRO will be acknowledged as the source of the documents that are provided in response to this request.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on [redacted] eekdays 0830-1700 GMT) or by email to [redacted]

Thanking you in advance for your assistance.

Yours sincerely,



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14675 Lee Road
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12 March 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Dr. Martin J. F. Fowler
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0038

Dear Dr. Fowler:

This is in response to your letter dated 4 March 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 11 March 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you have requested five specific CORONA, ARGON and LANYARD records. The records you requested are enclosed.

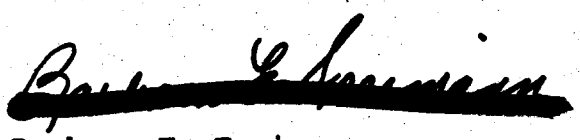
Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "scientific and research" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction costs in the processing of this request. The total of 312 pages are being released. Incurred costs are for the duplication of 212 pages at .15¢ per page resulting in a fee of $31.80.

Please submit a certified cheque in the amount of $31.80, *payable to the **Treasurer of the United States*** and forward it to the Chief, Information Access and Release Center, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, Virginia, 20151-1715.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,



Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

Enclosure:
Five Records, 312 Pages

J[redacted]rey T. Richelson
[redacted]

March 13, 2003

Ms. Barbara Freimann
FOIA Coordinator
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request copies of:

D/NRO to Ch, USIB subj: Security Handling of COMINT Collected by Recce Satellites, May 31, 1962 (BYE-1335-62).

D/NRO, subj: Security Handling of Covert Satellite SIGINT Collection Projects and Control of Raw SIGINT Intell, Nov. 20, 1962. (BYE-3011-62).

D/NRO Staff, subj: Satellite SIGINT Mission Descriptions (w/atts), December 3, 1962. (BYE-3013-62).

[ ], subj: NRO SIGINT Satellite Program, May 28, 1965. (BYE-5436-65).

NAT to Ch/USIB, subj: Evaluation of SIGINT Satellite Program, January 27, 1966. (BYE-56516-66).

The FOIA provides that if only portions of a record are exempted from release, the remainder must be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all nonexempt portions which are reasonably segregable I particularly request that it be kept in mind that there may exist reasonably segregable portions of classified paragraphs. I also request that any present classified material be considered for declassification.

To permit an intelligent, informed decision as to whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, I also request that you describe in detail the withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data v. Department of the Air Force 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir. 1977).

I also request a fee waiver. The fee waiver provisions under section 552 (a) (4) (A) of the FOIA, as amended on April 25, 1987,

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rewrote section 552 (a) (4) (A) to create categories of requesters entitled to fee waivers. Under those provisions, I qualify for exemption from fees in the "news media" category. In a recent decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit unanimously held that for FOIA fee waiver purposes "representatives of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. (See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217, D.C. Circuit, July 28,1989, as well as Electronic Privacy Information Center v. U.S. Department of Defense No. 02-1233, United States District Court for the District of Columbia, January 16, 2003).

I easily meet this criteria as a result of my books and articles, which have appeared in a wide variety of publications. (A vita is available upon request).

My books include *The Wizards of Langley: Inside the CIA's Directorate of Science and Technology* (Westview 2001); *America's Space Sentinels: DSP Satellites and National Security* (University Press of Kansas, 1999); *The U.S. Intelligence Community* (Westview, 4th ed.1999); *A Century of Spies: Intelligence in the Twentieth Century* (Oxford, 1995); *America's Secret Eyes in Space* (Harper & Row, 1990), and *American Espionage and the Soviet Target* (Morrow, 1987).

My articles and commentaries have appeared in *Scientific American, Air Force Magazine, Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, Jane's Intelligence Review, International Journal of Intelligence and Counterintelligence, ISR Journal, Armed Forces Journal Intenrational, Defense Week, The National Interest, the Washington Post, the Los Angeles Times, the Boston Globe,* and *Newsday.*

My intended use of the material requested above, in light of my extensive publication record, clearly meets the criteria established by statute and case law for preferred fee status under the FOIA as a representative of the news media. As such a representative I am entitled to have search and review fees waived. And given the contribution of my work to enhancing public understanding of the government operations I request that you also waive reproduction fees.

I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,

Jeffrey T. Richelson

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

25 March 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0039

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your facsimile, dated 13 March 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 14 March 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " copies of: D/NRO to Ch, USIB subj: Security Handling of COMINT . . . WAT to Ch/USIB, subj: Evaluation of SIGINT . . . ."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages.

Regarding your request for a fee waiver, please be advised that fee waivers or reductions are granted when there is a public interest in disclosure of information, which will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO. A decision to waive or reduce fees cannot be made until after any responsive documents to be disclosed have been reviewed for "public interest."

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

13 May 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0039

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your facsimile, dated 13 March 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 14 March 2003 and your follow-up fax dated 24 March 2003 received on 24 March 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested "copies of: D/NRO to Ch, USIB subj: Security Handling of COMINT . . . WAT to Ch/USIB, subj: Evaluation of SIGINT . . . ."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended and Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003. Responsive records, should any exist, would be contained in operational files. Please note that according to the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the publication, disclosure, search, and review provisions of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552. As such, the files that would contain responsive records, should any exist, are not subject to search in response to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715, within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

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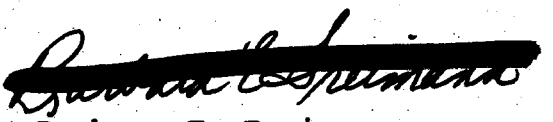

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March 17, 2003

Freedom of Information Act Request
U. S. Secret Service
950 H Street, NW
Suite 3000
Washington, DC 20223

Dear FOIA Officer,

My name is Luis Vazquez, and I am the Senior Account Manager at Micro Warehouse, Inc. for the National Reconnaissance Office . I would like to make a document request under the FOIA. Those documents are the telephone directories and/or office directories for the National Reconnaissance Office, a list of approved credit card holders and Computer specialists at the various locations, and if possible, site maps that will help me understand the local organizations. I would also request a listing of all current IT contracts being used to purchase computer equipment and supplies including who holds the contract and when they will expire.

I would be happy to get these items either on paper or by electronic means (email or floppy disk).

I will pay a fee if necessary, but you must call me with details first.

Thank you very much for your time consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Luis Vazquez
Federal Account Manager; DOD/ Intelligence Sector
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27 March 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Luis Vazquez
Micro Warehouse, Inc.
1720 Oak Street
Lakewood, NJ 08701

Case Number: F03-0040

Dear Mr. Vazquez:

Your facsimile dated 17 March 2003 was received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 17 March 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) you are requesting; "a list of . . . telephone directories . . . credit card holders . . . computer specialists . . . site maps . . .current IT contracts . . ."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. The records you requested are denied pursuant to FOIA exemptions: (b)(2) information which pertains solely to the internal rules and practices of an agency and (b)(3) which allows the withholding of information prohibited from disclosure by statute, 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office."

The NRO Office of Contracts is the focal point for the receipt of inquiries from companies desiring to do business with the NRO. Companies are asked to write to:

National Reconnaissance Office
Office of Contracts
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

The Office of Contracts maintains a register of companies who have expressed an interest in providing a product(s) to the NRO. Any office having an interest in your product will contact you directly.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. You have been placed in the "Commercial" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable search, review, and duplication costs. In this instance no fees have been incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0040.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

March 20, 2003

Ms. Barbara Freimann
FOIA Coordinator
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request copies of:

All memos and reports to or from the Director or Deputy Director NRO between June 1, 1997 and June 16, 1998 concerning the possible declassification of the GRAB satellite system.

The FOIA provides that if only portions of a record are exempted from release, the remainder must be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all nonexempt portions which are reasonably segregable I particularly request that it be kept in mind that there may exist reasonably segregable portions of classified paragraphs. I also request that any present classified material be considered for declassification.

To permit an intelligent, informed decision as to whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, I also request that you describe in detail the withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data v. Department of the Air Force 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir. 1977).

I also request a fee waiver. The fee waiver provisions under section 552 (a) (4) (A) of the FOIA, as amended on April 25, 1987, rewrote section 552 (a) (4) (A) to create categories of requesters entitled to fee waivers. Under those provisions, I qualify for exemption from fees in the "news media" category. In a recent decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit unanimously held that for FOIA fee waiver purposes "representatives of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. (See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217, D.C. Circuit, July 28,1989, as well as Electronic Privacy Information Center v. U.S. Department of Defense No. 02-1233, United States District Court for the District of Columbia, January 16, 2003).

I easily meet this criteria as a result of my books and articles, which have appeared in a wide variety of publications. (A vita is available upon request).

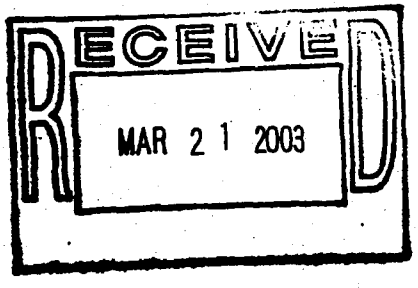
My books include *The Wizards of Langley: Inside the CIA's Directorate of Science and Technology* (Westview 2001); *America's Space Sentinels: DSP Satellites and National Security* (University Press of Kansas, 1999); *The U.S. Intelligence Community* (Westview, 4th ed.1999); *A Century of Spies: Intelligence in the Twentieth Century* (Oxford, 1995); *America's Secret Eyes in Space* (Harper & Row, 1990), and *American Espionage and the Soviet Target* (Morrow, 1987).

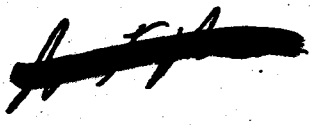
My articles and commentaries have appeared in *Scientific American, Air Force Magazine, Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, Jane's Intelligence Review, International Journal of Intelligence and Counterintelligence, ISR Journal, Armed Forces Journal Intenrational, Defense Week, The National Interest, the Washington Post, the Los Angeles Times, the Boston Globe,* and *Newsday.*

My intended use of the material requested above, in light of my extensive publication record, clearly meets the criteria established by statute and case law for preferred fee status under the FOIA as a representative of the news media. As such a representative I am entitled to have search and review fees waived. And given the contribution of my work to enhancing public understanding of the government operations I request that you also waive reproduction fees.

I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,





Jeffrey T. Richelson

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

25 March 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0041

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your facsimile, dated 21 March 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 21 March 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " copies of: All memos and reports to or from the Director or Deputy Director . . . the GRAB satellite system."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. ▮ 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages.

Regarding your request for a fee waiver, please be advised that fee waivers or reductions are granted when there is a public interest in disclosure of information, which will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO. A decision to waive or reduce fees cannot be made until after any responsive documents to be disclosed have been reviewed for "public interest."

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

19 December 2003

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your facsimile dated 20 March 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 21 March 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "All memos and reports to or from . . . the possible declassification of the GRAB satellite system."

Your request was processed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552 and Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003.

We have identified records, consisting of ten pages, which we feel are responsive to your request. All of these records are being released to you with portions withheld pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(1) as properly classified information under Executive Order 12958, Section 1.4(c), (e) and (g); and exemption (b)(3) which applies to information specifically exempt by statute, the National Security Act of 1947, 50 U.S.C. § 403-3(c)(7) which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure; and 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of (1) The organization or any function . . .(2) . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office."

Additionally, we have forwarded other documents to another government agency for coordination, as required under Executive Order 12958, for their review and release directly to you.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information that you provided, you were placed in the "other" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay duplication costs in excess of 100 pages and search fees in excess of two hours. In this case, all fees have been waived.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Acting Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 227-9128 and reference case number F03-0041.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Linda S. Hathaway

Russ Kick
PO Box 1213 | Cookeville TN 38503
russ@mindpollen.com | 931-526-8604

11 March 2003

Barbara E. Freimann
Information Access and Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

I hereby request a copy of the National Reconnaissance Office's FOIA case logs, covering the period from 1 January 2001 to the present.

If possible, please send these in electronic format readable by PC (such as Excel or Word for Windows). Paper is acceptable if no electronic format is available. For electronic files, email attachments are preferred, although CD-ROMs and 3.5-inch disks are fine.

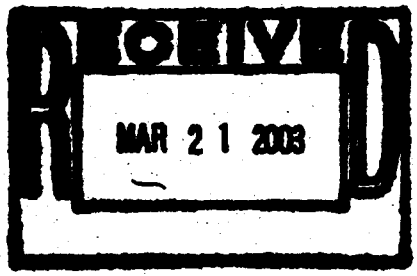
I am a freelance writer and journalist. I am willing to pay for expenses that do not exceed $20. If this request will be more than this amount, please notify me in advance.

I hope to hear from you within the 20-business-day statutory time period for responses to FOIA requests. If you decide to withhold any information from release, I would like a detailed explanation of the exemptions invoked. (If material is withheld, I am entitled under the law to be given any remaining "reasonably segregable portions" of these documents.)

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

Russ Kick



NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

27 March 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Russ Kick
P. O. Box 1213
Cookeville, TN 38503

Case Number F03-0042

Dear Mr. Kick:

This is in response to your letter, dated 11 March 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 21 March 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested "a copy . . . of FOIA case logs . . .from 1 January 2001 to the present."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You may appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information

provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages. In your original request you expressed a willingness to pay fees up to the amount of $20.00 for reproduction. We will notify you if it appears this threshold will be exceeded in processing this related request.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0042. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

15 April 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Russ Kick
P. O. Box 1213
Cookeville, TN 38503

Case Number: F03-0042

Dear Mr. Kick:

This is in response to your letter, dated 11 March 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 21 March 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "a copy . . . of FOIA logs . . . from 1 January 2001 to the present"

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. Our search located one record consisting of 23 pages; this record is being released to you in full.

NOTE: During the first ten months of 2001 the Information and Access Release Center was using a different database. Therefore, the case numbers are not sequential for cases from 1 January 2001 through 30 September 2001.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information you provided, you have been placed into the "other" category, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of the first 100 pages. In this instance, no fees were incurred.

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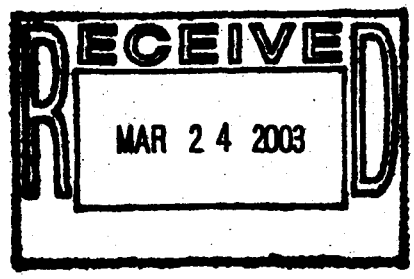
Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

Enclosure:
FOIA Log (23 pages)

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

March 24, 2003



Ms. Barbara Freimann
FOIA Coordinator
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request copies of:

Ch/COMOR to DD (R), subj: Requirements for ELINT & COMINT Collection by Means of Satellite, April 10, 1962 SYE-0013-62.
[Originator unknown], to DD(R), CIA ... subj: SIGINT Satellite Collection Program, 1962-62, November 20, 1962. TS-155884-62.
Ch/COMOR to D for Satellite Ops, NRO Staff, subj: Comments on Info Provided by NRO on Mssns 7307-7308 & Multigroup, June 16, 1965. SYE-57130-65
MFR, subj: Briefing by NRO Staff on SIGINT Satellite Plan, March 8, 1966, SYE-0049-66

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I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,

Jeffrey T. Richelson

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

27 March 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0043

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your facsimile, dated 24 March 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 24 March 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " copies of: Ch/COMOR to DD (R), . . Requirements for ELINT & COMINT Collections . . April 10, 1962, . . letter to DD (R), CIA . . . SIGINT Satellite Collection Program . . . Nov 20, 1962, . . . Ch/COMOR to D for Satellite Ops . . Comments on Info . . . June 16,1965, . . . MFR, . .Briefing by NRO Staff . . . March 8, 1962"

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two

hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages.

Regarding your request for a fee waiver, please be advised that fee waivers or reductions are granted when there is a public interest in disclosure of information, which will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO. A decision to waive or reduce fees cannot be made until after any responsive documents to be disclosed have been reviewed for "public interest."

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

7 April 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0043

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in reference to your request, dated 24 March 2003, for " copies of: Ch/COMOR to DD (R), . . Requirements for ELINT & COMINT Collections . . April 10, 1962, . . letter to DD (R), CIA . . . SIGINT Satellite Collection Program . . . Nov 20, 1962, . . . Ch/COMOR to D for Satellite Ops . . Comments on Info . . . June 16,1965, . . . MFR, . .Briefing by NRO Staff . . . March 8, 1962"

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. A thorough search was conducted of our archives and databases, but we could find no records responsive to your request.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages. In this case, no fees were incurred.

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If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

U.S. Department of Justice
UNICOR
Federal Prison Industries, Inc.

Washington, DC 20534

Dear Purchase Card Coordinator:

I am taking this means to officially request under the Freedom of Information Act the Purchase Card Holders address and email list under your responsibility.

UNICOR, (Federal Prison Industries) is requesting the above in order to identify possible marketing opportunities for our organization.

You can either mail, fax or email the list to the following:

Address: US Department of Justice
UNICOR
Federal Prison Industries
Ronn Cohen; Marketing Executive
320 First Street NW
400 Bldg. Room 4008
Washington, DC 20534

Email: rcohen@central.unicor.gov

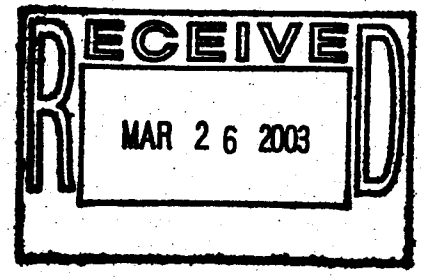
Fax: 202-305-3557

Phone: 202-305-3941

Thank you for your kind cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Ronn Cohen
Marketing Executive



NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

27 March 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Ronn Cohen
Marketing Executive
U.S. Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Prisons
320 First Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20534

Case Number: F03-0044

Dear Mr. Cohen:

Your undated letter was received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 26 March 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) you are requesting; "Purchase Card Holders . . . email list . . .for our organization"

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. The records you requested are denied pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(3) which allows the withholding of information prohibited from disclosure by statute, 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office."

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National Reconnaissance Office
Office of Contracts
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

The Office of Contracts maintains a register of companies who have expressed an interest in providing a product(s) to the NRO. Any office having an interest in your product will contact you directly.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. You have been placed in the "Commercial" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable search, review, and duplication costs. In this instance no fees have been incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0044.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

CENTURION RESEARCH CORPORATION
DULLES OFFICE PARK
3901 CENTERVIEW DRIVE
SUITE S
CHANTILLY, VA 20151
TEL: (703) 796-0100
FAX: (703) 796-0308
JSilverman@4centurion.com

April 7, 2003

Barbara E. Freimann
National Reconnaissance Office
Information Access and Release Center
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

FX: 703-808-5082

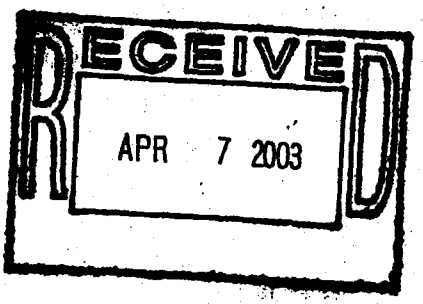
Dear Ms. Freimann,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), Centurion Research Corporation respectfully requests a list of all of the active support services contracts for the NRO.

We understand there may be charges for processing this request. Centurion Research is prepared to pay these charges, however, if the charges are going to exceed $50.00, please notify us ahead of time. I may be reached throughout the day at 703-796-0100.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Jeffrey P. Silverman
Centurion Research Corporation
703-796-0100 PH
jsilverman@4centurion.com



NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
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15 April 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Jeffrey P. Silverman
Centurion Research Corporation
Dulles Office Park
3901 Centerview Drive, Suite S
Chantilly, VA 20151

Case Number F03-0045

Dear Mr. Silverman:

This is in response to your letter, dated 7 April 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 7 April 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested ". . . a list of all of the active support services contracts for the NRO".

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. However, your request is being suspended until we receive additional information that will allow us to conduct a reasonable search. We can only search for records that have been requested with enough specificity to allow us to conduct an organized non-random search of our records system. Our Office of Contracts has informed me that they cannot search on the topic of "support services," as it is too broad.

If we do not hear from you within thirty days of the date of this letter, we will administratively close this case.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "commercial" category of requester, which means you are responsible for all charges incurred for search,

review and duplication in the processing of this request. As requested, you will be notified if the charges are going to exceed $50.00.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0045. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

21 May 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Jeffrey P. Silverman
Centurion Research Corporation
Dulles Office Park
3901 Centerview Drive, Suite S
Chantilly, VA 20151

Case Number F03-0045

Dear Mr. Silverman:

This is in response to your faxed letter, dated 12 May 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 12 May 2003. We had responded to your initial request on 15 April 2003 with a request to provide enough specificity to allow us to conduct an organized non-random search of our records system. You responded by asking for "a list of government contractors performing engineering . . . .research and development services . . . valued at $2 million dollars and higher . . . include the name of the government contractor, the contract number, and the dollar value".

Pursuant to the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Section 502, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the publication, disclosure, search, and review provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552. As such, the files that would contain responsive records, if any exist, are not subject to search in response to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann

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April 3, 2003

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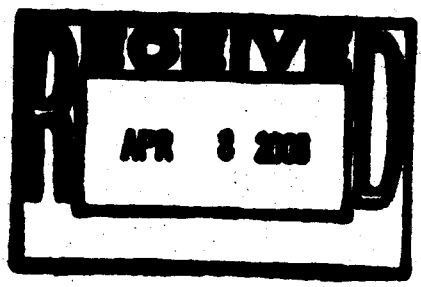


National Reconnaissance Office
Information Access & Release Center
Attn: FOIA Officer
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Re: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request copies of any and all reports and other documentation or information in the possession, custody, or control of the National Reconnaissance Office and its contractors that have been collected, received, created, and/or maintained regarding (1) Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., Sylvania-Corning Nuclear Corporation (a/k/a Sylcor), or Sylvania Products Corporation ("the Sylvania companies"); (2) the former nuclear fuel processing facility located at 70, 100 and/or 140 Cantiague Rock Road in Hicksville, New York ("the Hicksville facility"); and (3) Press Wireless, Inc. ("Press").

This request includes, but is not limited to:

(1) any contracts or agreements between any member or branch of the United States armed forces and the Sylvania companies or Press;

(2) any correspondence, communication, or records of communications between any member or branch of the United States armed forces and the Sylvania companies or Press;

(3) any information regarding the use or inspection of the Hicksville facility by any member or branch of the United States armed forces between 1950 and 1967; and

(4) any information regarding the use or inspection of any property in Hicksville, New York by any member or branch of the United States armed forces.

In addition, I request copies of any and all FOIA requests submitted to your agency that requested similar documents or information pertaining to this topic.

To the extent that any relevant documents are classified, I request that you declassify and/or sanitize the documents for my review. To the extent that you withhold any relevant documents on any basis whatsoever, I request that you identify any and all such documents by listing date, author, recipient(s), unclassified subject matter, and the basis of withholding. I would also appreciate receiving any materials you can release, on a rolling basis, as soon as possible rather than waiting for all of the responsive documents to clear your review process.

Kirkland & Ellis agrees to pay all reasonable and standard processing fees authorized by 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A) and the applicable regulations up to $500. If the fees will exceed this amount, please contact me with an estimate of the costs so that I can specifically request authorization for expenditures beyond $500.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the above telephone number or e-mail address.

Best,

Andrew R. Dunlap*

*Admission to Practice in New York Pending

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

10 April 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Andrew R. Dunlap
Kirkland & Ellis
Citigroup Center
153 East 53rd Street
New York, New York 10022-4611

Case Number F03-0046

Dear Mr. Dunlap:

This is in response to your letter dated 3 April 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 8 April 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting information pertaining to "Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., Sylvania Corning Nuclear Corporation (a/k/a/ Sylcor). . . the former nuclear fuel processing facility . . . ("the Hicksville facility"). . . and Press Wireless, Inc.".

We have accepted your request; it will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Please be advised that the NRO is a component of the Department of Defense and is not a military entity. However, a search will be conducted for the information you have requested. It is more likely that the Department of Energy has the information you are seeking.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "commercial" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable search, review, and duplication costs.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

17 April 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Andrew R. Dunlap
Kirkland & Ellis
Citigroup Center
153 East 53rd Street
New York, New York 10022-4611

Dear Mr. Dunlap:

This is in response to your letter dated 3 April 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 8 April 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting information pertaining to "Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., Sylvania Corning Nuclear Corporation (a/k/a/ Sylcor). . . the former nuclear fuel processing facility . . . ("the Hicksville facility") . . . and Press Wireless, Inc.".

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for records services. You have been placed in the "commercial" category of requesters which incurs fees for document search, duplication, and review. The search fees include 1½ hours of professional search at $44.00 per hour for a total of $66.00. Please submit a certified check or postal money order, referencing case number F03-0046, in the amount of $66.00, payable to the ***Treasurer of the United States*** and forward the check to the Chief, Information Access and Release Center, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number F03-0046.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann

April 8, 2003

Barbara Freimann
Chief, Information Access and Release Center
14675 Lee Rd.
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715
FAX: 703 808 5082

Dear Mrs. Freimann:

We spoke earlier about an FOIA request I would like to make regarding a document in the declassified CORONA/ARGON/LANYARD collection. Because I am currently at school in New Haven, I am not able to appear in person to make this request in person.

The document I am trying to attain was cited by Dwayne Day in a 1974 review of *Sentries in Space* by Phillip Klass. Please send me a copy of the following:

[DELETED] Acting Assistant Director (Special Activities), Memorandum for Special Requirements Staff, DD/R, "Accessibility of LANYARD Take to the British," 31 January 1963 National Reconnaissance Office Reading Room Files 1/C/0050.

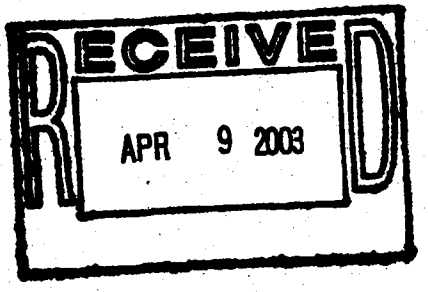
Again, I am making this request under the Freedom of Information Act.

I am currently enrolled as a graduate student at Yale University and will use the document for a paper that will attempt to outline the sharing of satellite imagery by the United States with NATO allies during the 1960s. I am willing to pay fees for the copies if necessary.

Sincerely,

Alexander Andrusyszyn

[redacted]



NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

17 April 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Alexander Andrusyszyn
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0047

Dear Mr. Andrusyszyn:

This is in response to your fax dated 8 April 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office on 9 April 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested a copy of "(DELETED) Acting Assistant Director (Special Activities) . . . Accessibility of LANYARD Take to the British . . . Reading Room Files 1/C/0050".

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552 as amended. This document is attached.

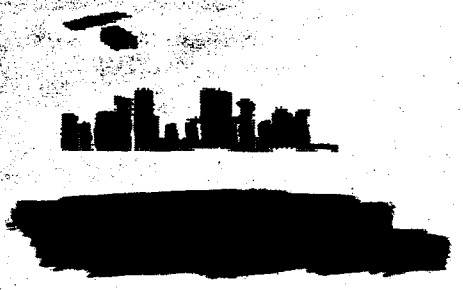
The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the "educational/scientific" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first one hundred pages of document reproduction costs in the processing of this request. Total number was two pages and in this case, fees have been waived.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann

Attachments:
Two Pages



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Ms Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
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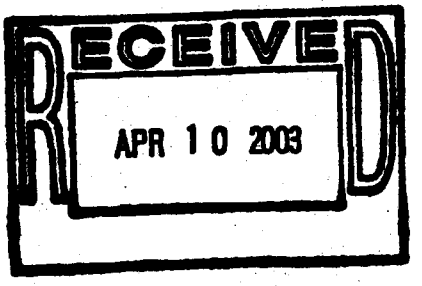

Dear Ms Freimann,

In order to further assist my studies of the archaeological utility of Declassified Intelligence Satellite Photographs, I should be grateful if you would consider the following request.

Under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. Section 552, I request that a copy of the following records from the collection of CORONA, ARGON and LANYARD records ('CAL index') declassified on 26 Nov 97 be provided to me:

✓ a. Record reference: 4/A/0033. Doc: System Performance Evaluation Report Mission 8003 (31 Jul 63), 86 pages, (see page 99 of 'CAL index').

✓ b. Record reference: 4/D/0031. Doc: Analysis of photographic image to evaluate system performance, mission 1026-1 and -2 (22 Nov 65), 51 pages, (see page 111 of 'CAL index').

✓ c. Record reference: 5/D/0007. Drawings: Mensuration procedures, KH-4B camera system (24 Jul 69), 1 page, (see page 124 of 'CAL index').

✓ d. Record reference: 5/E/0024. Doc: CORONA J, Performance Evaluation Report, Mission 1111-1 and 1111-2 FTV 1654, CR-12 (18 Nov 70), 115 pages, (see page 129 of 'CAL index').

✓ e. Record reference: 5/E/0036. Doc: CORONA Technical Information (31 Dec 70), 71 pages, (see page 129 of 'CAL index').

✓ f. Record reference: 5/E/0041. Doc: Photographic Evaluation Report Mission 1111 (01 Feb 71), 41 pages, (see page 129 of 'CAL index').

✓ g. Record reference: 6/A/0026. Doc: CORONA J, Performance Evaluation Report, Mission 1115-1 and 1115-2 FTV 1662, CR-15 (05 Nov 71), 85 pages, (see page 131 of 'CAL index').

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WWW: http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/mjff/homepage.htm

✔ h. Record reference: 6/A/0029. Doc: Photographic Evaluation Report Mission 1115 (01 Jan 72), 36 pages, (see page 11 of 'CAL index').

This request is made in continuing support of my privately funded research interest into the application of satellite remote sensing to archaeology. It is therefore made for a scientific and research purpose and is not for a commercial use. Documents 'a', 'b', 'c' and 'e' are requested in order to develop my overall technical understanding of the CORONA and LANYARD products. Documents 'd', 'f', 'g' and 'h' are requested to support specifically my interpretation of imagery from Missions 1111 and 1115 purchased from the USGS and covering Roman archaeological sites in Israel and Jordan, in particular the siege works at the fortress of Masada. A paper describing the findings from the first part of this study was forwarded to you on 26 Jan 03 together with a request for a number CORONA, ARGON and LANYARD documents (your reference F03-0031).

I am willing to pay fees if my request for a waiver is denied; this is requested not to exceed $75 dollars.

I request a waiver of fees for this request because disclosure of the requested information to understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO and is not in my commercial interest. I will contribute significantly to the public scientific I intend to submit the findings of my research for publication as research papers in appropriate archaeological journals such as *Archaeological Prospection* or *Antiquity* in order to disseminate the information derived from the documents to the wider community. Copies of these scientific papers will, of course, be forwarded to the NRO as a matter of courtesy and the NRO will be acknowledged as the source of the documents that are provided in response to this request.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on [redacted] weekdays 0830-1700 GMT) or by email to [redacted]

Thanking you in advance for your assistance.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]

Dr Martin J F Fowler

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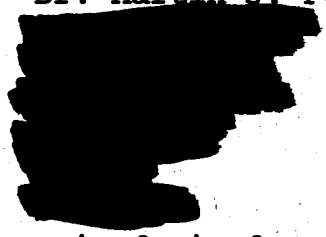
26 June 2003

Dr. Martin J. F. Fowler



United Kingdom

Dear Dr. Fowler:

This is in response to your letter dated 1 April 2003, received at the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office on 10 April 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you have requested eight specific CORONA, ARGON and LANYARD records.

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended and the records you requested are enclosed.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "scientific and research" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction costs in the processing of this request. A total of 486 pages are being released. Incurred costs for the duplication of 386 pages at .15¢ per page resulting are a $57.90. In this instance, all fees are waived.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case F03-0048.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Cain

Enclosure:
Eight Records, 486 Pages

Richard G. Schmucker
[redacted]

12 April 2003

FOIA Coordinator
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

To Whom It May Concern:

The following is a request for any and all documents, photos, etc., under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 USC, Sec.552.

I respectfully request any and all documents, mission statements, deployment, objectives, and personnel having to do with: **SIGNET READINESS BRAVO CRAYON**, especially for the period May 1967 thru July 1967. Also, any of the above as it pertains to the **USS LIBERTY (AGTR-5)**, and having to do with it's mission and attack on 8 June 1967.

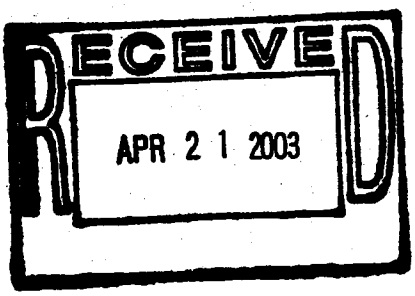
I also, respectfully request any and all documents, mission statements, deployment, personnel, and objectives with respect to the **Atlas Agena Gambit (Keyhole 7)** satellite mission that was launched between Corona flight 117 (mission 1041, 9 May 1967 to 22 May 1967), and Corona flight 118 (mission 1042, 16 June 1967 to ????). **The Atlas Agena Gambit (Keyhole 7)** mission was launched on or about 4 June 1967 and was brought down about 8 days later. This mission was deployed to "watch" the Middle East (Israel, Lebanon, Jordan, and Syria area of the globe).

I respectfully request a waiver of all the fees for this request. I firmly believe disclosure of the requested information is in the best interest of the surviving crewmen of the USS Liberty, their families, the American people, and those who have served in the armed forces of our great nation. I am willing to pay fees for this request if you can't waiver them, however, please provide me with an estimate of the cost first.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

[redacted]
Richard G. Schmucker



NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

28 April 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Richard G. Schmucker
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0049

Dear Mr. Schmucker:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated 12 April 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 21 April 2003. You are requesting " . . . any and all documents, photos . . . SIGNET READINESS . . . USS Liberty . . . and Syria area of the globe".

Your request on the USS Liberty was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search of our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records.

As to the remainder of your request, the NRO has determined that the fact of the existence or nonexistence of records pertaining to records on "SIGNET READINESS . . . Syria area of the globe" would be classified in accordance with Executive Order 12958. Your request is denied pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(1). By this statement the NRO neither confirms nor denies that such records may or may not exist.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information you provided, you were placed into the "other" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay duplication costs in excess of one hundred pages and search fees in excess of the first two hours. In this case fees were incurred in the amount of $66.00 but have been waived.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann

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Russ Kick
PO Box 1213 | Cookeville TN 38503
russ@mindpollen.com | 931-526-8604

16 April 2003

Barbara E. Freimann
Information Access and Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

I hereby request a copy of the last four issues of the magazine RECON.

I am a freelance writer and journalist. I am willing to pay for expenses that do not exceed $30. If this request will be more than this amount, please notify me in advance.

I hope to hear from you within the 20-business-day statutory time period for responses to FOIA requests. If you decide to withhold any information from release, I would like a detailed explanation of the exemptions invoked. (If material is withheld, I am entitled under the law to be given any remaining "reasonably segregable portions" of these documents.)

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

Russ Kick

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14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

28 April 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Russ Kick
P. O. Box 1213
Cookeville, TN 38503

Case Number F03-0050

Dear Mr. Kick:

This is in response to your letter, dated 16 April 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 23 April 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested "a copy . . . of the last four issues . . . magazine RECON."

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You may appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of

requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages. In your original request you expressed a willingness to pay fees up to the amount of $30.00. We will notify you if it appears this threshold will be exceeded in processing this related request.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0050. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara C. Freimann

Barbara C. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and
Release Center

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

23 February 2004

Mr. Russ Kick
P.O. Box 1213
Cookeville, TN 38503

Dear Mr. Kick:

This is in response to your request dated 16 April 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 23 April 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested "a copy . . . of the last four issues . . . magazine RECON."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003. Four documents, totaling 56 pages, have been found to be responsive to your request. They are being released to you in part.

Portions of these records are being withheld pursuant to the following FOIA exemptions.

- (b)(1), which applies to information currently and properly classified in accordance with Executive Order 12958 1.4(c), intelligence activities (including special activities), and intelligence sources or methods;

- (b)(2) "high" which permits withholding of information which, if released, would allow circumvention of an organization rule, policy or statute, thereby impeding the agency in the conduct of its mission;

- (b)(3), which applies to information specifically exempt by statute, the National Security Act of 1947, 50 U.S.C. § 403-3(c)(7) which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure; and 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of (1) The organization

or any function of an organization of the Department of Defense named in subsection (b); or (2) . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office"; and

- (b)(6), which applies to information, the release of which could reasonably by expected to constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of an individual.

PLEASE NOTE: These are the best copies we were able to produce.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information you provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages. In this case, no fees have been incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Acting Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 227-9128 and reference Case Number F03-0050.

Sincerely,

Linda S. Hathaway

Linda S. Hathaway

Attachments:
Recons (56 pgs)

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From: Barbara Freimann [freimanb@nro.mil]
Sent: Tuesday, June 17, 2003 8:43 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FW: New FOIA Request for NRO000-98-D-2108

-----Original Message-----
From: Foia Group, Inc. [mailto:foia@foia.com]
Sent: Monday, June 16, 2003 6:48 PM
To: freimanb@nro.mil
Subject: New FOIA Request for NRO000-98-D-2108

Barbara:

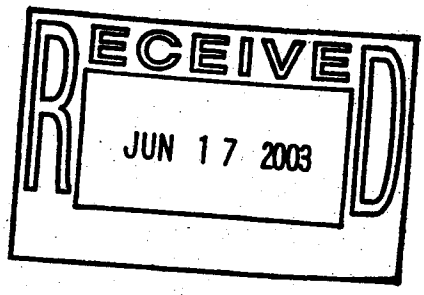
Good afternoon:

Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request

a copy of the following items identified to contract # NRO000-98-D-2108

1) Contract to include the last RFP
2) Modifications
3) Delivery-Task Orders
4) Contract Deliverables
5) Award Fee Letters
6) Bidders List & Bid Abstract
7) List of Subcontractors
8) List of Co's who submitted proposals

I agree to pay reasonable foia fees, however, please notify me if these fees exceed $55.00. Thanks! Lani Walters, Director c/o FOIA Group, Inc. 101 S. Whiting St. 16th Floor, Alexandria, VA 22304 (703) 461-3805.



NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

25 June 2003

Ms. Lani Walters, Director
FOIA Group, Inc.
101 S. Whiting St., 16th Floor
Alexandria, VA 22304

Dear Ms. Walters:

This is in response to your email dated 17 June 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center (IARC) of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 17 June 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting ". . . items identified to contract # NRO000-98-D-2108 . . . List of Co's who submitted proposals".

Pursuant to the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Section 502, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the publication, disclosure, search, and review provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552. As such, the files that would contain responsive records, if any exist, are not subject to search in response to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call the Chief of IARC at (703) 808-5029 and reference case number F03-0052.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Cain

INPUT

11951 Freedom Drive, Suite 1000
Reston, Va 20190-5658
Tel. (703) 707-3500
Fax (703) 707-6201

5/20/2003

Barbara Freimann
Chief, Information Access and Release Center
NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly VA, 20151-1715
Attn: FOIA Officer

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, as amended, and as implemented by the Freedom of Information Act Program 32 C.F.R. part 286, we hereby request a copy of the following contract:

Engineering Omnibus Contract, approximate value $48 million, awarded to the Titan Corporation.
It was a 5-yr contract awarded earlier this year by the Operational Support Office Engineering Division, Deputy Director for Military Support, to support the intelligence community.

Your response is respectfully requested within 20 working days of your receipt of this letter (32 C.F.R. 289.29 (e)). If any requested record contains information determined to be exempt from disclosure under FOIA Exemptions 1-9, 32 C.F.R. 286.15, it is further requested that nonexempt portions thereof be released. 32C.F.R. 286.29 (d).

We are aware of the fee schedule set forth in 32 C.F.R. 286.35 and hereby agree to assume all reasonable costs or searching and reproduction. However please contact me if the fees for complying with this request exceed ($100). I may be reached at 703-707-3500 should you have any further questions.

Thank you for your assistance.

Anna Feygina

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

21 May 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Ms. Anna Feygina
INPUT
11951 Freedom Drive, Suite 1000
Reston, VA 20190-5658

Case Number F03-0053

Dear Ms. Feygina:

This is in response to your faxed letter dated 20 May 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 20 May 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "a copy of . . . Engineering Omnibus Contract . . . to support the intelligence community".

Pursuant to the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Section 502, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the publication, disclosure, search, and review provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552. As such, the files that would contain responsive records, if any exist, are not subject to search in response to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

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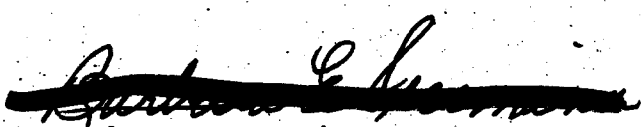


Barbara E. Freimann

F-2002-01200

Toni

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

July 9, 2002

Kathryn I. Dyer
Information and Privacy Coordinator
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Ms. Dyer:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request a copy of:

"John A. McCone, Bud Wheelon, and the Wizards of Langley: The Creation of the DS&T and the Battle over Spy Satellites," in *Fifty Years of the CIA* (Washington, D.C.: CIA, 1998).

The FOIA provides that if only portions of a record are exempted from release, the remainder must be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all nonexempt portions which are reasonably segregable I particularly request that it be kept in mind that there may exist reasonably segregable portions of classified paragraphs. I also request that any present classified material be considered for declassification.

To permit an intelligent, informed decision as to whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, I also request that you describe in detail the withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data v. Department of the Air Force 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir. 1977).

I also request a fee waiver. The fee waiver provisions under section 552 (a) (4) (A) of the FOIA, as amended on April 25, 1987, rewrote section 552 (a) (4) (A) to create categories of requesters entitled to fee waivers. Under those provisions, I qualify for exemption from fees in the "news media" category. In a recent decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit unanimously held that for FOIA fee waiver purposes "representatives of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. (See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217 (D.C. Circuit, July 28,1989).

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE

9 June 2003

(U) MEMORANDUM FOR THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COORDINATOR
ATTENTION: [redacted]

(U) SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Request Coordination
Jeffrey Richelson

(U) REFERENCE: CIA FOIA/PA No: F-2002-1200

(U) This is in response to your 16 May 2003 memorandum (copy enclosed) regarding Mr. Richelson's request.

(U) We have reviewed the records per your request and found NRO equities on page 174. The redactions are in red and also noted by a blue tab.

(U) If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 (non-secure) or 91-850-5029 (secure) and reference Case Number F03-0054.

Dennis A. Cain
Chief, Information Access
and Release Center

Attachment:
(U) Wizards of Langley (31 pages)

This memorandum is unclassified
when removed from attachment.

CL BY: [redacted]
CL REASON: 1.4(c)
DECL ON: X1
DRV FROM: NCG 5.1
1 May 2000

[redacted]

14 May 2003

Ms. Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Re: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request -- *The CORONA Story*

Dear Ms. Freimann:

This letter constitutes my request for National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) information via the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552).

I am requesting this information for use in my doctoral dissertation, two scholarly articles, and a planned monograph, which I am presently preparing in the history department at Arizona State University. The dissertation, "Under the Radar: The Rise of the Electronics and Aerospace Industries in Arizona, 1948-1968," examines the history and impact of the electronics industry in Arizona during the opening decades of the Cold War.

My request involves the following information:

2. ***NRO Historical Report:*** I wish to obtain the following NRO historical report, which appears to have been publicly released in 1987. I have been unable to obtain the report from my home institution or via interlibrary loan. The report is as follows:

Frederic C. E. Oder, James C. Fitzpatrick, and Paul E. Worthman. *The CORONA Story*. Washington, D.C.: National Reconnaissance Office, 1987.

I request a waiver of fees for this request. I believe the requested information is in the public interest and is likely to contribute significantly to the public understanding of the operations and activities of the intelligence community. For use in my academic dissertation, the material will help highlight the relationship of Arizona to the broader scientific community and to the foreign policy initiatives of the period. The completed dissertation and its oral defense will be public and the dissertation will be indexed publicly through Dissertation Abstracts (DAI) and filed for public access through DAI. Moreover, this request is not primarily in my commercial interest. I do, however, commit

to pay all fees associated with this request if said request falls within the "educational/scientific" category.

If you deny all or part of this request, please cite each specific exemption that justifies your refusal to release the information and notify me of further procedures available under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552).

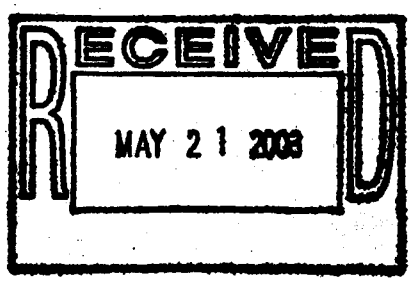
If you have any questions regarding the handling of this request, or need further information, please feel free to contact me at [redacted] via e-mail at [redacted]

If required, I will be happy to provide a letter of support from the chair of the history department at Arizona State University.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jason H. Gart



NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

22 May 2003

Information Access and Release Center
(703) 808-5029

Mr. Jason H. Gart
[redacted]

Case Number F03-0055

Dear Mr. Gart:

This is in response to your letter dated 14 May 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 21 May 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested ". . . The Corona Story . . .".

Enclosed is a copy of the requested document that was treated and released by the NRO in accordance with E.O. 12958 on 25 November 1997. The portions of this document that are withheld remain classified in accordance with E.O. 12958, 1.4(c). as amended.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

You have been placed in the "educational/scientific" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable duplication fees ($.15 per page) exceeding 100 pages. In this case the assessable fee does not meet our threshold of $15. Therefore, no fees are being charged.

We wish you success in your endeavors and hope that this document is of value to you. If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

Barbara E. Freimann

Attachment:
The Corona Story (183 pages)

May 24, 2003

National Reconnaissance Office
Attn: Barbara E. Freimann, Information Access and Release Center
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

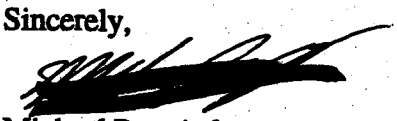
Pursuant to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request a copy of the following NRO records

The list of videotapes in the audiovisual or multimedia office at NRO

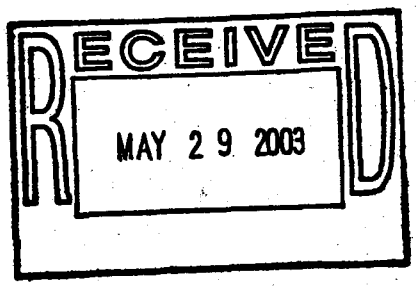
I agree to pay up to $30 for costs associated with this request. Please let me know if costs are expected to exceed this amount.

I believe that these records are readily available to your office at this time.

Sincerely,



Michael Ravnitzky



NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

10 June 2003

Mr. Michael Ravnitzky
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in response to your letter dated 24 May 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center (IARC) of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 29 May 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "list of videotapes . . . audiovisual or multimedia . . . NRO".

Pursuant to the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Section 502, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the publication, disclosure, search, and review provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552. As such, the files that would contain responsive records, if any exist, are not subject to search in response to your request.

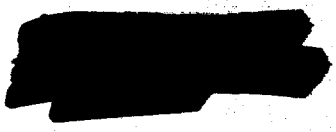
You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

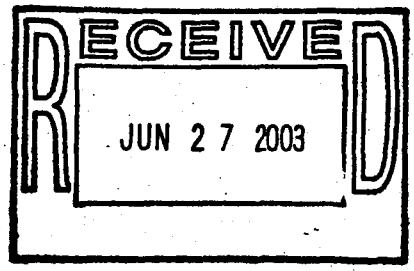
If you have any questions, please call the Chief of IARC at (703) 808-5029 and reference case number F03-0056.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Dennis A. Cain





June 22, 2003

NRO Appeal Authority
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL

Dear Sirs:

I hereby appeal the decision to withhold in full and to declare exempt from search the records I requested relating to the list or index of films and videotapes at the audiovisual collection at NRO.

Under the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Section 502, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act.

However, these records do not appear to be "operational files" under the criteria set forth in the statute.

> *"(2)(A) Subject to subparagraph (B), for the purposes of this section, the term 'operational files' means files of the National Reconnaissance Office (hereafter in this section referred to as 'NRO') that document the means by which foreign intelligence or counterintelligence is collected through scientific and technical system." Id.*

See, e.g., 50 U.S.C. § 431, cited in U.S.See also Sullivan v. CIA, 992 F.2d 1249, 1251 (1st Cir. 1992) ("Operational files, i.e., files that memorialize the conduct and means of the government's foreign intelligence and counterintelligence efforts". See also Students Against Genocide v. Department of State, 1998 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 23088, *20, n. 8 (D.C. Cir. 1998) "Briefly, the term "operational files" means files which document (1) the conduct of foreign intelligence operations, (2) the means by which foreign intelligence is collected through scientific and technical systems, and (3) investigations conducted to determine the suitability of foreign intelligence sources."

This is not that type of material.

The reason for the existence of this "operational files" exemption is that there are certain records that implicate intelligence concerns. By applying the exemption to records that so clearly fall outside the purview of these concerns, the agency is jeopardizing this extraordinary protection required by actual intelligence records. The requested administrative and management records fall outside any rational description of "operational files". Moreover, there are procedures and exemptions that would address any foreseeable harm identifiable with regard to these records.

While internal NRO procedures may inadvertantly include the list or index of films and videotapes in the list of "operational files" such procedures carry little or no weight with respect to contravening federal statutes and agency regulations. While there may be films and videotapes that relate to intelligence product, I did not intend to ask for anything of that sort.

I ask as an administrative remedy that this request be remanded for initial processing.

Sincerely,

Michael Ravnitzky

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

2 July 2003

Mr. Michael Ravnitzky
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in response to your letter dated 22 June 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 27 June 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are appealing our 10 June 2003 determination on your request for videotapes.

Your appeal has been accepted. We will advise you when a determination by the NRO Appeal Board has been made.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-5029 and reference case number F03-0056.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Dennis A. Cain

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

24 March 2004

Mr. Michael Ravnitzky
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in response to your letter dated 24 May 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 29 May 2003, appealing our use of Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003 in denying your initial request for a "list of videotapes . . . audiovisual or multimedia . . . NRO."

The Appeal Panel has overturned the initial determination. As a result, your request was processed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. A thorough search of our records and databases located one document, consisting of fifty-three pages, that is responsive to your request. It is being released to you in part.

Material withheld is denied pursuant to FOIA exemptions:

- (b)(1) as properly classified information under Executive Order 12958, Section 1.4(c);

- (b)(3) which applies to information specifically exempt by statute, the National Security Act of 1947, 50 U.S.C. § 403-3(c)(7) which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure and 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states that "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of (1) The organization or any function . . . (2) . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office"; and

- (b)(6) which applies to records which if released would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of individuals.

You were placed in the fee category "others" for purposes of this request. This means you would have been responsible for the cost of search time exceeding two hours and reproduction costs after the first 100 pages. In this case, no fees were incurred.

You are advised that you are entitled to a judicial review of this determination in a United States District Court in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552 as amended.

If you have any questions, please call me, Acting Chief, Information Access and Release Center on (703) 227-9128 and reference case number F03-0056.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Linda S. Hathaway

Enclosure:
DPC Master Videotapes (53 pgs)

May 24, 2003

National Reconnaissance Office
Attn: Barbara E. Freimann, Information Access and Release Center
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request a copy of the following NRO records

NRO Directives: 10-2, 10-3, 10-4, 10-5, 16-2, 22-1, 22-2, 22-3, 24-1, 40-1, 50-1, 60-2, 61-1, 82-1a, 82-6, 110-2, 120-1, 120-2, 120-3, 120-4, 120-5, 121-1, 83-1, 150-4

I agree to pay up to $30 for costs associated with this request. Please let me know if costs are expected to exceed this amount.

I believe that these records are readily available to your office at this time.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Michael Ravnitzky

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

6 June 2003

Mr. Michael Ravnitzky
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Ranvitzky:

This is in response to your letter dated 24 May 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center (IARC) of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 29 May 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "NRO Directives: 10-2 . . . 150-4".

Pursuant to the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Section 502, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the publication, disclosure, search, and review provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552. As such, the files that would contain responsive records, if any exist, are not subject to search in response to your request.

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If you have any questions, please call the Chief of IARC at (703) 808-5029 and reference case number F03-0057.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Barbara E. Freimann

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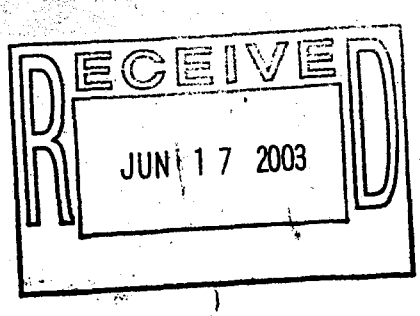

June 13, 2003

NRO Appeal Authority
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL

Dear Sirs:

I hereby appeal the decision to withhold in full and to declare exempt from search the records I requested relating to NRO Directives.

NROD 10-2 NRO External Agreement Management Policy
NROD 10-3 NRO External Organizational Directive
NROD 10-4 NRO Sensitive Activities Management Group
NROD 10-5 Corporate System Engineering Charter
NROD 16-2 no title available
NROD 22-1 Office of Inspector General
NROD 22-2 Employee Reports of Urgent Concerns to Congress
NROD 22-3 Obligations to Report Evidence of Possible Violations of Federal Criminal Law and Illegal Intelligence Activities
NROD 24-1 Congressional Notification Procedures
NROD 40-1 no title available
NROD 50-1 Intelligence Activities Affecting U.S. Persons
NROD 50-2 no title available
NROD 60-2 no title available
NROD 61-1 NRO Internet Policy
NROD 82-1a NRO Space Launch Management
NROD 82-6 NRO Space Debris Mitigation Policy
NROD 83-1 NRO Satellite End of Life Policy
NROD 110-2 NRO Records and Information Management Program
NROD 120-1 The NRO Military Uniform Wear Policy
NROD 120-2 The NRO Awards and Recognition Program
NROD 120-3 Executive Secretarial Panel
NROD 120-4 National Reconnaissance Pioneer Recognition Program
NROD 120-5 NRO Utilization of the Intergovernmental Personnel Act...
NROD 121-1 Training of NRO Personnel
NROI 150-4 Prohibited Items in NRO Headquarters Building / property

Under the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Section 502, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act.

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I ask as an administrative remedy that this request be remanded for initial processing.

Sincerely,

Michael Ravnitzky

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

25 June 2003

Mr. Michael Ravnitzky
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Ravnitzky:

This is in response to your letter dated 13 June 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center (IARC) of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 17 June 2003. You are appealing our use of Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003 on your request for NRO Directives.

Your appeal has been accepted. We will advise you when a determination by the NRO Appeal Board has been made.

If you have any questions, please call the Chief, Information Access and Release Center at (703) 808-5029 and reference case number F03-0057.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Dennis A. Cain

[redacted]

May 29, 2003

Attn: Mrs. Barbara E. Freimann
Chief, Information Access and Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office,
FOIA Coordinator
4675 lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Dear Mrs. Freimann,

Reference: **FOIA –**

REQUEST- This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act, mandatory declassification review.

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. S552 as amended), I hereby request disclosure of the following documents for inspection and copying. Copies of the cleared declassified document are normally provided to the FOIA requester.

In order to comprehend the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) major contribution to the understanding of the evolving American perspective of the former **Soviet Union's manned Lunar circumnavigation and manned lunar landing program for the years 1963 through 1974.** I am requesting the declassification of U. S. Intelligence, **NRO Reports** related documents identified through a **"CIRC" search using the Appendix, Charts 1 & II noted search terms** * and a list of historic events cross reference Appendix – Charts IV-VI , as well as the accompanying cross reference questions -Chart – III for the years 1963-1974. None of this involves current active systems or active files.

REQUEST BACKGROUND DETAILS:

1. This would entail the two launch pads launch site variously designated TT-05, "J" - facility construction started in August 1964 with its J-1 & J-2 pads on the 10 kilometer square Tyuratam/Baikonur Cosmodrome supporting infrastructure where construction was started in March 1963 located in Kazakhstan.

1A. It also involves the launch vehicle variously known as the "J"-vehicle, J-5, SL-X-, SL-X-15, SL-15, and G-1-e, first observed in November, December 1967 through 1974 now known as the Soviet 1M1, 1M2, N1-L1, N1-L3, 11A52 booster.

2. It also entails the Soviet 8k82k, Proton/Zond and Proton/Lunar, SL-12, D-1-e booster launch vehicle first flown in 1967 and Soviet 8k82, SL-13, D-1 booster and their two launch pads site, the "G"-facility where construction started in 1962 with its G-3 & G-4 launch pads, on the Tyuratam/Baikonur Cosmodrome and the SS-X-5?, Proton/SL-9, D, first flown in 1965 "City Buster" super ICBM Space booster SS-XL-?

3. It also involves the "A" launch vehicle, "A" Sputnik/Soyuz pad & facility infrastructure, SL-[illegible] booster, & unmanned flight test Cosmos/Soyuz spacecraft and Soyuz 1-9 manned Flights between 19[illegible] ough 1970.

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DOCUMENTS REQUEST: The raw intelligence reports will not ever be released. However the **summary related reports for the years 1963-1974** may be partially released since they are not active programs.

I am not looking for sources and methods raw intelligence reports but **only the basic information obtained summary related reports** and perhaps **a few comments or sentences on each section for proper context** on what was in part learned or thought to be understood about what happened during each historic even and other information with out getting into the sources and methods beyond what is publicly available.

Please keep my name on any existing list to receive declassified Soviet space program reports

This request is for a historic research book project entitled: **"Unmasking N1-L3's** Maskirovka, *An In Depth Analysis of The Soviet Manned Lunar Programs, and The American and Soviet Perspective, on A Critical aspect of the Cold War*

If any document on this subject as noted under the REQUEST section of this letter are existing and they are not classified I would like a full copy of each Documents sent to me. If however they are classified then I am requesting a mandatory declassification review. In the event that the requested material is still classified, we request that all segregable, unclassified portions be released.

If the document include classified information and the volume of classified material would make a lengthy declassification review necessary, I will accept, in lieu of mandatory declassification review at this time, the prompt release of all portions individually identified as unclassified or declassified (not otherwise exempt) in order to identify which of the remaining classified portions- if any - I wish to have processed under the mandatory declassification review. This is an attempt to narrow the request which would be further aided by the release of any table of contents, summary, and index.

I further request that you disclose the listed documents as they become available to you, without waiting until all the documents have been assembled. Also add my name to any existing list to receive these declassified reports.

To my knowledge, the requested material is not readily available in the public domain. If you regard any of these documents as exempt from required disclosure under the Act, I hereby request that you exercise your discretion to disclose them nevertheless. I am making this request on behalf of the Globalsecurity.org. The reports disclosed pursuant to this request will be used in the preparation of articles for dissemination to the public and news media. Accordingly, I request that pursuant to 5 U.S.C. S552 (a) (4) (A), that you waive all fees in the public interest because the furnishing of the information sought by this request will used in the preparation of articles for dissemination to the primarily benefit of the public.Globalsecurity.org is well qualified to analyze and disseminate the requested materials. Globalsecurity.org is a research and policy organization, concerned primarily with space policy, national security policy, arms control and disarmament issues. We have published works in this area, and we routinely serve as a resource to scholarly organizations and the news media, to other national organizations, and to interested members of the public on arms control policy matters. Our research based on the requested materials will be widely disseminated in the form of articles, reports and press briefings. This scholarly study will fill a large historic gap in the history of the lunar race for the general public. We will not benefit commercially from this information. If, however, you decline to waive all fees, I am prepared to pay your normal fees, but I request that you notify me if you expect the search fees to exceed one hundred dollars ($100.00).

A response to this letter is expected within the 10 day statutory time period.

Please forward all correspondence on this to my home office address as soon as is possible. My home office address is:

Attn: Mr. Charles P. Vick

[redacted]

I look forward to hearing from you on this matter in the near future.

Sincerely Your,

Charles P. Vick, Senior Fellow
Globalsecurity.org

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

17 June 2003

Mr. Charles P. Vick
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Vick:

This is in response to your letter dated 29 May 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 9 May 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting information pertaining to the "Soviet Union's manned Lunar circumnavigation and manned lunar landing program for the years 1963 through 1974".

We have accepted your request and it will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. Please be advised that the NRO does not normally maintain records of imagery or finished intelligence on matters related to the subject of your request, but we will search for any responsive material.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "educational" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable duplication costs in excess of 100 pages at fifteen cents per page.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference Case Number F03-0058.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Cain

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

23 June 2003

Mr. Charles P. Vick
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Vick:

This is in response to your letter, dated 29 May 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 9 May 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested information pertaining to the "Soviet Union's manned Lunar circumnavigation and manned lunar landing program for the years 1963 through 1974".

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

Based upon the information you provided, you were placed in the "educational" category of requesters that incurs an obligation to pay assessable duplication costs in excess of 100 pages at fifteen cents per page. In this instance, no fees were incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

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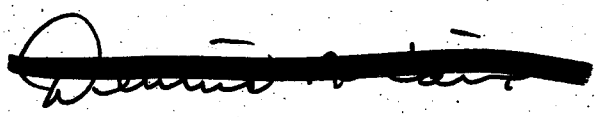

Dennis A. Cain

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June 6, 2003

Barbara E. Friemann
Information Access & Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Dear FOIA Officer,

I am seeking copies of any purchase order(s) and/or contract(s), which exist between the National Reconnaissance Office and any lodging facility.

I am seeking these records to assist in determining the individuals and departments within who are involved and influential in planning meetings and or travel arrangements. I am responsible for our Government Sales. It is my belief that by identifying those persons in the meeting and travel planning, I will be able to minimize my contact with your busy employees not involved in this process.

Please send this information to:

Marriott ExecuStay
708 Villawood Court
Raleigh, North Carolina, 27615
Attention: Angie Pearson

Thank you for your time in researching this information.

Sincerely,

Angie Pearson

Angie Pearson
Marriott ExecuStay
National Director of Government Accounts
angie.pearson@marriott.com
(919) 845-3430 (office)
(919) 291-9813 (cell)

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

12 June 2003

Ms. Angie Pearson
Marriott ExecuStay
National Director of Government Accounts
7601 Rickenbacker Drive
Gaithersburg, MD 20879

Dear Ms. Pearson:

This is in response to your letter dated 6 June 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center (IARC) of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 12 June 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "records to assist in determining the individuals and departments within who are involved and influential in planning meetings and or travel arrangements".

Pursuant to the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Section 502, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the publication, disclosure, search, and review provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552. As such, the files that would contain responsive records, if any exist, are not subject to search in response to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The NRO Office of Contracts is the focal point for the receipt of inquiries from companies desiring to do business with the NRO. They maintain a register of companies who have

expressed an interest in providing a product(s). Any office having an interest in your product will contact you directly. Companies are asked to write to:

National Reconnaissance Office
Office of Contracts
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

You may also register online at http://arc.westfields.net/register/.

If you have any questions please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-5029 and reference case number F03-0059.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Dennis A. Cain

02-F-1087

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

April 9, 2002

Assistant to the Secretary of Defense
for Public Affairs
DFOISR
1155 Defense The Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301-1155

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request a copy of:

Report of the Defense Science Board Task Force on Space Superiority, February 2000.

The FOIA provides that if only portions of a record are exempted from release, the remainder must be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all nonexempt portions which are reasonably segregrable. I particularly request that it be kept in mind that there may exist reasonably segregable portions of classified paragraphs. I also request that any present classified material be considered for declassification.

To permit an intelligent, informed decision as to whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, I also request that you describe in detail the withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data v. Department of the Air Force 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir. 1977).

I also request a fee waiver. The fee waiver provisions under section 552 (a) (4) (A) of the FOIA, as amended on April 25, 1987, rewrote section 552 (a) (4) (A) to create categories of requesters entitled to fee waivers. Under those provisions, I qualify for exemption from fees in the "news media" category. In a recent decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit unanimously held that for FOIA fee waiver purposes "representatives of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. (See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217 (D.C. Circuit, July 28,1989).

of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. (See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217 (D.C. Circuit, July 28,1989).

I easily meet this criteria as a result of my books (The U.S. Intelligence Community (Westview, 4th ed.1999); American Espionage and the Soviet Target (Morrow, 1987);America's Secret Eyes in Space (Harper & Row 1990); A Century of Spies: Intelligence in the Twentieth Century (Oxford University Press, 1995, America's Space Sentinels: DSP Satellites and National Security (University Press of Kansas, 1999),and The Wizards of Langley: Inside the CIA's Directorate of Science and Technology (Westview, 2001),and newspaper and magazine articles. (A vita is available upon request). The information in the documents I request is to be incorporated into similar publications that will further public knowledge and understanding of activities in the area of national security.

I also qualify for favored treatment under the "all other requesters" category because my work has and is highly likely to continue to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of the government. For example, The U.S. Intelligence Community is used in numerous university courses throughout the United States as well as being used by newspaper reporters as a reference guide to the U.S. intelligence community.

My intended use of the material request above, in light of my extensive publication record, clearly meets the criteria established by statute and case law for preferred fee status under the FOIA as a representative of the news media. As such a representative I am entitled to have search and review fees waived. And given the contribution of my work to enhancing public understanding of the government operations I request that you also waive reproduction fees.

I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Jeffrey T. Richelson

ATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

29 October 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, DIRECTORATE FOR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND SECURITY REVIEW
ATTENTION: LINDA KENYON

SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Request Coordination
02-F-1087

Per your request, the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) reviewed documents (FOIA request and "Report of the Defense Science Board Task Force on Space Superiority") identified under case number 02-F-1087 and referred to the DoD by Jeffrey T. Richelson.

After careful review, we find no NRO equities requiring redaction. We respectfully recommend the documents be forwarded to SAF/USI for review of their equities.

If you have any questions, please call me on 703-227-9015 and reference case number F03-0061.

Dennis A Cain
Chief, Information Access
and Release Center

National Reconnaissance Office
Attn: Barbara E. Freimann, Information Access and Release Center
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

I respectfully request, under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act as amended, copies of the following records (or specified portions thereof):

- The list of Official Histories at NRO
- The NRO Records Released Index
- The List of all NRO Directives

The title page and table of contents only for the following NRO Directives:

- NROD 16-2
- NROD 40-1
- NROD 50-2
- NROD 60-2

And the following NRO Directive in entirety:

- NROD 110-2 NRO Records and Information Management Program

In order to help determine my status to assess fees, you should know that I am an individual seeking information personal use.

I am willing to pay reasonable search, review and reproduction fees for this request up to a maximum of $20.00. However, I request that I be notified in writing prior to incurring any costs over and above the '2 hours research time and first 100 pages free' provisions of the FOIA. I believe these records are readily accessible and should require little research to locate.

If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you explain all deletions by reference to specific categories of exempted information, but as required by law, release any segregable portions that are left after the exempted material has been redacted. I also request that redactions follow DoD regulations requiring blackout not white-out.

The National Archives and Records Administration advises that records stored by agencies in Federal Record Centers remain in the custody of the agency of origin. Please include your agency records so stored in this search.

Sincerely,

James Klotz

[redacted]

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

18 July 2003

Mr. James Klotz
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Klotz:

This is in response to your fax dated 16 June 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 17 June 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "list of Official Histories at NRO . . . NRO Records Released Index . . . List of all NRO Directives . . . NROD 110-2 . . . Information Management Program".

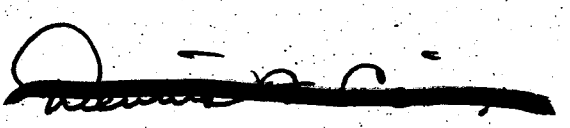
We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You may appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0062.

Sincerely,



Dennis A. Cain

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

9 February 2004

Mr. James Klotz
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Klotz:

This is in response to your fax dated 16 June 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 17 June 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested a "list of Official Histories at NRO . . . NRO Records Released Index . . . List of all NRO Directives . . . NROD 110-2 . . . Information Management Program."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003.

Seven records, totaling 180 pages, were found to be responsive to your request. One hundred and forty-four pages are being released to you in full. Six pages are being released in part and thirty pages are being denied in full. Material withheld is denied pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(1) as properly classified information under Executive Order 12958, Section 1.4(c); and exemption (b)(3) which applies to information specifically exempt by statute, the National Security Act of 1947, 50 U.S.C. § 403-3(c)(7) which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure.

According to the information that you provided, you were placed in the fee category "others" for purposes of this request. This means you would be responsible for the cost of search time exceeding two hours and reproduction costs after the first 100 pages. The search time did not exceed two hours. A total of 180 pages were found to be responsive. The first 100 pages are free. Therefore, your cost for processing this case is 80 pages at $.15 per page for a total of $12.00. As this does not meet our threshold, the fee is hereby waived.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions please call me, Acting Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 227-9128 and reference case number F03-0062.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Linda S. Hathaway

Attachments:
1. Index dtd 26 Nov 97
2. List of Dir & Instr
3. NROD 110-2

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American Society of Access Professionals, Inc.

1444 I Street, NW
Suite 700
Washington, D.C. 20005-2210
Fed. ID # 54-115-2815

Tel: 202-712-9054
Fax: 202-216-9646
E-mail: asap@bostromdc.com
Web site: www.accesspro.org

June 13, 2003

FOIA Officer
National Reconnaissance Office
Information Access & Release Center
14675 Ree Road Room 12AOOG
Chantillity, VA 20151-1715

Dear FOIA Officer:

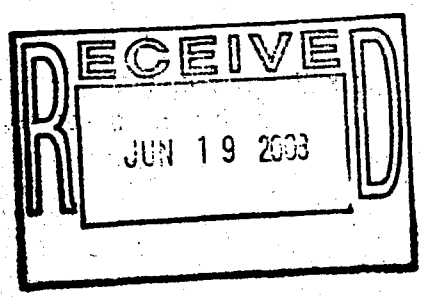
The purpose of this letter is to file a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for a list of all commercial category requesters who submitted a FOIA request to your organization between October 1, 2002 and June 1, 2003. At a minimum, the list should include the name of the requester (separated first and last name), company name, address, city, state, zip code, email address, and facsimilie number. We would prefer the list in an electronic format as a csv file.

For purposes of determining our fee category status, we are a non-governmental, independent, educational, not-for-profit association. ASAP was founded in 1980 by concerned federal government employees and private citizens working in fields of information access through the FOIA, Privacy Act (PA), laws, and regulations. We plan to notify private corporations who use the FOIA that our Business Information Day Training Program would improve both their understanding of how FOIA works and improve communications between themselves and the government employees who process their requests. The program focuses on Exemption 4 procedures, processes, and issues. Therefore, we believe that we are an "educational" category requester. Additionally, under the IRS Tax code, ASAP is a charitable, educational society with an IRS tax exempt status of 501(c)(3). If fees should exceed $25.00, please let me know.

Thank you for your cooperation in processing our request. If you have any questions, please contact me at the address on this letterhead or email me at ASAP@bostromdc.com.

Sincerely,

Claire Shanley
Executive Director



NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

21 July 2003

Ms. Claire Shanley, Executive Director
American Society of Access Professionals, Inc.
1444 I Street, N.W., Suite 700
Washington, DC 20005-2210

Dear Ms. Shanley:

This is in response to your letter dated 13 June 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 19 June 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested ". . . a list of all commercial category requestors who submitted a FOIA request to your organization between October 1, 2002 and June 1, 2003".

A search of our files and databases located one document, consisting of three pages, that is responsive to your request. It is being released to you in full.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the "educational" category of requestors, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable duplication costs in excess of 100 pages at fifteen cents per page. In this case, no fees were incurred.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference Case Number F03-0063.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Dennis A. Cain

Enclosure:
List (3 pages)

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "educational" category of requestors, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable duplication costs in excess of 100 pages at fifteen cents per page. You will be notified, as requested, if fees exceed $25.00

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-5029 and reference Case Number F03-0063.

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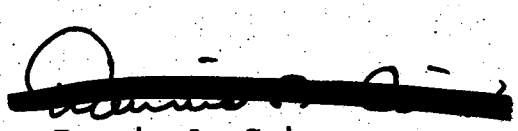

Dennis A. Cain

National Reconnaissance Office
Info. Access & Release center
attn: FOIA Officer
14675 Lee Rd.
Chantilly, VA.
20151-1715.

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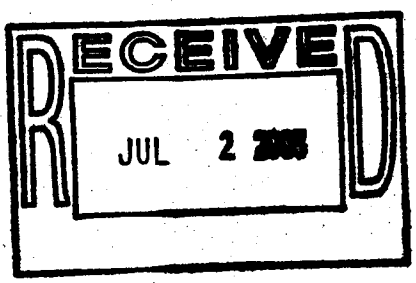
Re: Freedom of Info. Act Request.

This is a request under FOIA, 5 U.S.C. 552.
I request a copy of the following information:

1.) Catalog/Index of available books, manuals, booklets, info. from your dept.

2.) Catalog/Index of popular titles available under FOIA from your dept.

I am an individual making this request. Please send me the first 100 pages as per FOIA rules.



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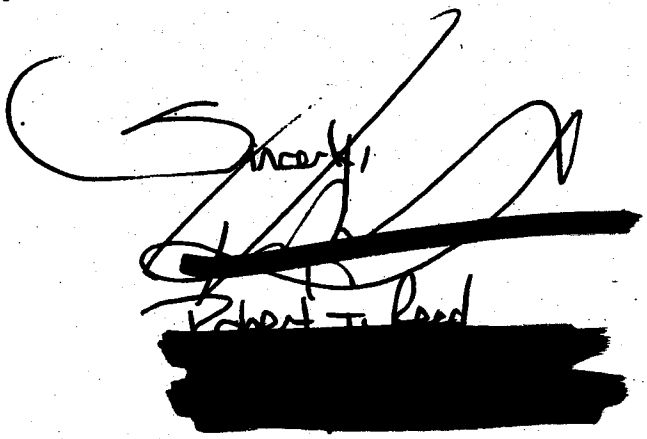


NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

2 September 2003

Mr. Robert T. Reed
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Reed:

This is in response to your letter 14 July 2003 received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 4 August 2003. Your original request asked for a "catalogue/index of available books, manuals, . . . popular titles". In your latest correspondence you have requested the "first 100 free pages and the two hours of free search time".

We regret that your request will remain suspended until the issues of specificity and payment of fees, as addressed below, have been resolved. These issues must be resolved within sixty days from the date of this letter or your request will be closed.

You are not asking for specific records. We can only search for records that have been requested with enough specificity (as to their origin, subject matter, or content) to allow us to conduct an organized, non-random search of our records systems. The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) does not require federal agencies to perform research or to conduct unreasonable searches through a body of information to see if any of it is related to a particular request. If you can identify to us a specific record that contains the information you desire, we will accept your request and search for it.

Your letters of 22 June 2003 and 14 July 2003 do not indicate a willingness to pay any charges incurred. Under the procedural requirements of Department of Defense Regulation 5400.7-R published at 32 CFR 286 (Vol. 52, No. 132, September 1998), requesters must indicate a willingness to pay assessable fees. We cannot process your case unless you express a willingness to pay fees.

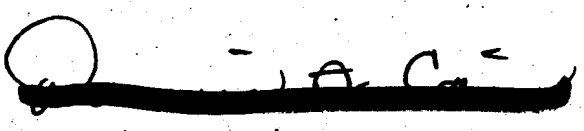
Fee waivers or reductions are granted when there is a public interest in disclosure of information, which will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO. A decision to waive or reduce fees cannot be made until after any responsive documents to be disclosed have been reviewed for "public interest".

You have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable search fees in excess of two hours and duplication exceeding 100 pages. In accordance with the FOIA, search fees are assessable even if no records are found, or if found, we determine that they are not releasable. This means you will be charged search fees even if our search results are negative or if it is determined that no information is releasable under the FOIA.

A FOIA Handbook is enclosed. If you look on the last page of the handbook, you will find a sample FOIA letter that will be of assistance to you in making FOIA requests.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0064.

Sincerely,



Dennis A. Cain

Enclosure:
FOIA Handbook

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F-2002-01189

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

July 17, 2002

Kathryn I. Dyer
Information and Privacy Coordinator
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Ms. Dyer:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request 2 copies of:

"Charting a Technical Revolution: An Interview with Former DDS&T Albert Wheelon," *Studies in Intelligence* 45, 2 (2001): 31-44

The table of contents for *Fifty Years of the CIA (CIA, 1998)*.

The FOIA provides that if only portions of a record are exempted from release, the remainder must be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all nonexempt portions which are reasonably segregable I particularly request that it be kept in mind that there may exist reasonably segregable portions of classified paragraphs. I also request that any present classified material be considered for declassification.

To permit an intelligent, informed decision as to whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, I also request that you describe in detail the withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data v. Department of the Air Force 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir. 1977).

I also request a fee waiver. The fee waiver provisions under section 552 (a) (4) (A) of the FOIA, as amended on April 25, 1987, rewrote section 552 (a) (4) (A) to create categories of requesters entitled to fee waivers. Under those provisions, I qualify for exemption from fees in the "news media" category. In a recent decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit unanimously held that for FOIA fee waiver purposes "representatives of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. (See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217 (D.C. Circuit, July 28,1989).

I easily meet this criteria as a result of my books (The U.S. Intelligence Community (Westview, 4th ed.1999); American Espionage and the Soviet Target (Morrow, 1987);America's Secret Eyes in Space (Harper & Row 1990); A Century of Spies: Intelligence in the Twentieth Century (Oxford University Press, 1995, America's Space Sentinels: DSP Satellites and National Security (University Press of Kansas, 1999),and The Wizards of Langley: Inside the CIA's Directorate of Science and Technology (Westview, 2001),and newspaper and magazine articles. (A vita is available upon request). The information in the documents I request is to be incorporated into similar publications that will further public knowledge and understanding of activities in the area of national security.

I also qualify for favored treatment under the "all other requesters" category because my work has and is highly likely to continue to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of the government. For example, The U.S. Intelligence Community is used in numerous university courses throughout the United States as well as being used by newspaper reporters as a reference guide to the U.S. intelligence community.

My intended use of the material request above, in light of my extensive publication record, clearly meets the criteria established by statute and case law for preferred fee status under the FOIA as a representative of the news media. As such a representative I am entitled to have search and review fees waived. And given the contribution of my work to enhancing public understanding of the government operations I request that you also waive reproduction fees.

I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,

Jeffrey T. Richelson

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE

13 August 2003

(U) MEMORANDUM FOR THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY,
INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COORDINATOR
ATTENTION: [redacted]

(U) SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Request Coordination
Jeffrey Richelson

(U) REFERENCE: CIA FOIA/PA No: F-2002-01189

(U) This is in response to your 30 June 2003 memorandum (copy enclosed) regarding Mr. Richelson's request.

(U) We have reviewed the records per your request and found NRO equities on pages 39, 40 and 41. The redactions are in black.
This information is exempt from release under FOIA exemptions (b)(1) and (b)(3).

(U) If you have any questions, please call me on 703-808-3623 (non-secure) or 91-850-3623 (secure) and reference Case Number F03-0065.

Dennis A. Cain
Chief, Information Access
and Release Center

Attachment:
(U) An Interview with Former DDS&T
Albert Wheelon

This memorandum is unclassified when removed from attachment.

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7/3/2003

Barbara Freimann
Chief, Information Access and Release Center
NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly VA, 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, as amended, and as implemented by the Freedom of Information Act Program 32 C.F.R. part 286, I hereby request a copy of the following contract:

Title: Network Engineering/Support,
Contractor: MRJ Technology Solutions
Awarded: November 1998 for a term of five (5) years.

Your response is respectfully requested within 20 working days of your receipt of this letter (32 C.F.R. 289.29 (e)). If any requested record contains information determined to be exempt from disclosure under FOIA Exemptions 1-9, 32 C.F.R. 286.15, it is further requested that nonexempt portions thereof be released. 32C.F.R. 286.29 (d).

I am aware of the fee schedule set forth in 32 C.F.R. 286.35 and hereby agree to assume all reasonable costs or searching and reproduction. However, please contact me if the fees for complying with this request exceed $100.
Thank you for your assistance.

Anna Feygina
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8 July 2003

Ms. Anna Feygina
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Suite 1000
Reston, VA 20190-5658

Dear Ms. Feygina:

This is in response to your faxed letter dated 3 July 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 8 July 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "a copy of the following contract: Title: Network Engineering/Support, Contractor: MRJ Technology Solutions Awarded: November 1998 for a term of five years.

Pursuant to the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Section 502, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the publication, disclosure, search, and review provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552. As such, the files that would contain responsive records, if any exist, are not subject to search in response to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0066.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Dennis A. Cain

Los Angeles Times
WASHINGTON BUREAU

July 7, 2003

Barbara E. Freimann
Freedom of Information Act Coordinator
Information Access and Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office
Via Fax: 703-808-5082

Dear Ms. Freimann,

I write seeking certain information, under the the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552). Specifically:

1. Please identify how many employees within your agency currently file a Form "278" annual disclosure report, encompassing activity that occurred within calendar year 2002.

2. Please identify how many employees within your agency are classified above GS-15 of the General Schedule and/or those employees who are paid at a rate equal to or greater than 120% of the minimum rate of basic pay for GS-15 of the General Schedule.

3. Please identify how many employees within your agency currently file a Form "450" annual disclosure report, encompassing activity that occurred within calendar year 2002.

Please contact me as soon as possible if you would like clarification of any ~~aspect of~~ this request. I write to you in my capacity as a journalist with the Los Angeles Times.

I thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

David Willman
Los Angeles Times
202-861-9247 - direct
202-861-9287 - fax

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18 July 2003

Mr. David Willman
Los Angeles Times, Washington Bureau
International Square
1875 Eye Street, N.W., Suite 100
Washington, DC 20006

Dear Mr. Willman:

This is in response to your letter of 7 July 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 14 July 2003. You have asked questions pertaining to "how many employees . . file a Form 278 annual disclosure report. . . how many employees are classified above a GS-15. . . how many employees. . . file a Form 450. . ".

We regret we cannot accept your request as it is written for the following reasons:

The FOIA or Department of Defense (DoD) Regulations do not require agencies to answer questions, draw conclusions, authenticate documents provided by the public, or respond to investigative attempts by members of the public.

You are asking us to create a record. Our regulations state "a record must exist and be in the possession and control of the agency at the time of search to be considered subject to the FOIA". There is no obligation to create, compile, or obtain a record to satisfy a FOIA request.

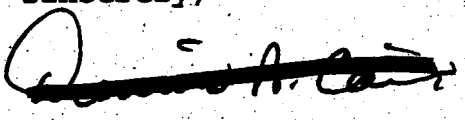
You are not asking for specific records. We can only search for records that have been requested with enough specificity to allow us to conduct an organized non-random search of our records systems. The FOIA does not require federal agencies to perform research or conduct unreasonable searches through a body of information to see if any of it is related to a particular request. If you can identify to us a specific record that contains the information you desire, we will be happy to accept your request.

Your request did not indicate a willingness to pay any charges incurred. Under the procedural requirements of DoD Regulation 5400.7-R, requesters must indicate a willingness to pay assessable fees. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "News Media" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable duplication fees in excess of 100 pages.

Please be assured that this is not a denial of your request, but merely an explanation as to why no further action can be taken to process your request at this time.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0067.

Sincerely,



Dennis A. Cain

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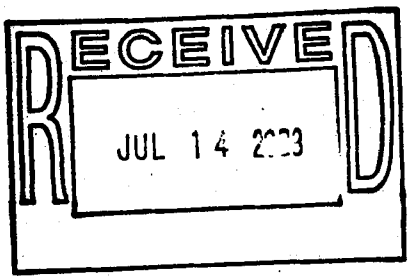

National Reconnaissance Office
Barbara E. Freimann
Information Access and Release Center
14675 Lee Road
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Freedom of Information Act Request with **request for expedited consideration**

Dear FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. s. 552, we request access to, and copies of, all documents or records, for the period from January 20, 2001 to the present, pertaining to the single topic of public access to government information; in particular, your agency's practices in regulating, monitoring, controlling, permitting or otherwise determining public access to any information generated, maintained or controlled by your agency. We mean this request to include, but not be limited to:

1. Since January 20, 2001, any records relating to any decisions, discussions, proposals, analyses, reports, rule-making, agency or departmental directives or orders, Freedom of Information Act instructions or policy memos, or any other matter involving greater public access to any records or information generated, maintained or controlled by your agency.

2. Since January 20, 2001, any records relating to decisions, discussions, proposals, analyses, reports, rule-making, agency or departmental directives or orders, Freedom of Information Act instructions or policy memos, or any other matter involving restricting or altering public access to any records or information generated, maintained or controlled by your agency, or restricting or altering the terms or procedures under which public access is, or will be, granted to any records or information generated, maintained or controlled by your agency. We mean this to include both specific cases or situations, such as

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involving a particular topic or collection of records, as well as matters of policy or procedure that involve records generally.

3. Since January 20, 2001, any records relating to communications of any kind that your agency or department has had with any private or public entity regarding public access to government information of any kind, or the terms or procedures for public access to any government information. We mean this to include both communications originated or received by your agency.

4. Since January 20, 2001, any records relating to briefs, arguments or other legal documents filed by your agency or department in any court case, legal proceeding or administrative action involving access, or terms of access, to any government records or information, regardless of the origin of the records or information.

5. Since January 20, 2001, any records relating to budget proposals or adopted budgets for your agency or department, any portion of which have, or would have, the effect of restricting, limiting or eliminating public access to, or public distribution of, any records or information generated, maintained or controlled by your agency.

6. Since January 20, 2001, any records relating to the ability to classify, or procedures for classifying, as confidential, secret or otherwise non-disclosable any information generated, maintained or controlled by your agency.

7. Since January 20, 2001, any records relating to requirements, or lack of same, to publicly announce any meeting of agency or departmental employees or officials, or advisory groups, or to hold any such meetings in public.

As we mentioned, we do not mean for our request to be limited to these seven items. If your agency generates, maintains or controls any other records relevant to the subject of our request, please also include them in your response.

As representatives of the news media, we are required only to pay for the direct cost of duplication after the first 100 pages. Through this request, we are gathering information of current interest to the public because of the public debate now underway on access to government information. We are seeking this information on behalf of *U.S. News & World Report* for dissemination to the general public. As such, we request a waiver of fees. Release of the information is in the public interest because it will contribute significantly to public understanding of government operations and activities. If, however, you do not grant a fee waiver, we agree to pay reasonable duplication fees for the processing of this request in an amount not to exceed $50. However, please notify us prior to your incurring any expenses in excess of that amount.

If our request is denied in whole or part, we ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the act. We will also expect you to release all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material. We, of course, reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information or to deny a waiver of fees.

Because we make this request as journalists and the information is of timely value, we would appreciate your communicating by phone, rather than by mail, if you have questions regarding this request. Please use Christopher Schmitt as the primary contact, at 202-955-2032. As the secondary contact, please use Edward Pound, at 202-955-2322.

Request for expedited consideration

Please provide expedited review of this request, which concerns a matter of urgency. As journalists, we are primarily engaged in disseminating information.

The public has an urgent need for information about access to government information. This is a vital issue as the nation responds to challenges following the September 11 attacks. But public access -- a mainstay of democratic society -- is also a significant issue generally. Today, on an almost daily basis, lawmakers and public policymakers confront the question of how public access should be provided. Through better understanding of this issue, members of the public would be better informed in communicating with legislators and policymakers as they consider this important matter. There is widespread, exceptional and immediate public interest in this area, which also raises questions about public confidence in their government institutions. Thus, delays in processing this request could prevent the more informed judgments and communications on which a healthy democracy depends.

We certify that our statements concerning the need for expedited review are true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

We look forward to your reply within 20 business days, as the statute requires, and we thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Christopher H. Schmitt
Senior writer

Edward T. Pound
Assistant managing editor

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

21 July 2003

Mr. Christopher H. Schmitt
Mr. Edward T. Pound
U.S. News & World Report
1050 Thomas Jefferson Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20007-3837

Dear Mr. Schmitt:

This is in response to your letter dated 3 July 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 14 July 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "all document or records . . . pertaining to the single topic of public access to government information . . . ".

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended and Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "media" category of requester, which means you are responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction in the processing of this request. If and when any records are found, they will be evaluated and a fee waiver determination will be made.

In your request you expressed a willingness to pay fees up to the amount of $50.00 for reproduction. We will notify you if it appears this threshold will be exceeded in processing this related request.

By asking for expedited processing on the grounds that this request concerns a matter of urgency, you are asking to be moved ahead of all other FOIA requesters. In order for you to qualify for expedited processing, according to the FOIA and DoD Regulation 5400.7-R, you must demonstrate a compelling need for the information. Under the FOIA, compelling need means that the failure to obtain the records on an expedited basis could reasonably be expected to pose an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual, or that the information is urgently needed by an individual primarily engaged in disseminating information in order to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal Government activity.

Your request for expedited processing concerns only the second criterion. Under DoD Regulation 5400.7-R, information that is urgently needed is defined as having "a particular value that will be lost if it is not disseminated quickly". Ordinarily, the requested information should be a breaking news story of general public interest. I have determined that the subject matter of your request is not "breaking news". The records you requested, if they exist, do not have a particular value that will be lost if the information is not disseminated quickly.

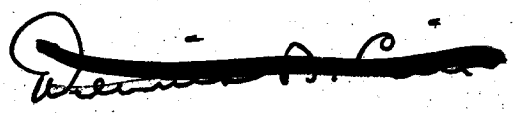
Accordingly, your request for expedited processing does not meet the requirements for compelling need under the FOIA, and therefore placing your request ahead of all other pending requests currently being processed within the NRO is not appropriate.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You may appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, you can reach me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center, on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0068.

Sincerely,



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23 February 2004

Mr. Christopher H. Schmitt
Mr. Edward T. Pound
U.S. News & World Report
1050 Thomas Jefferson Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20007-3837

Dear Mr. Schmitt:

This is in response to your letter dated 3 July 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 14 July 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested "all document or records . . . pertaining to the single topic of public access to government information . . . ."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended and Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003. A thorough search of our records and databases located 7 documents, consisting of twenty-seven pages that are responsive to your request. They are being released to you in part.

Material withheld is denied pursuant to FOIA exemptions:

- (b)(1) as properly classified information under Executive Order 12958, Section 1.4(c);

- (b)(3) which applies to information specifically exempt by statute, the National Security Act of 1947, 50 U.S.C. § 403-3(c)(7) which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure and 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states that "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of (1) The organization or any function . . .(2) . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b)

Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office"; and

- (b)(6) which applies to records which if released would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of individuals.

You were placed in the "media" category of requester, which means you are responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction in the processing of this request. In this case, no fees were incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715, within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Acting Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 227-9128 and reference case number F03-0056.

Sincerely,

Linda S. Hathaway

Attachments:
1. Memo dtd 10 Feb 03
2. Sec 502, IAA for FY03
3. Sec 502 Protection of Op Files
4. E-mail dtd 14 Apr 03
5. E-mail dtd 03 Sep 03
6. E-mail dtd 03 Sep 03
7. NROD 110-4
8. NROD 110-5

DEAR SIR OR MADAM,

PURSUANT TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, I AM ENTITLED TO, AND REQUEST;

- ANY MATERIALS RELATED TO CORONA, A SATELLITE RECONNAISSANCE PROGRAM, INCLUSIVE OF ALL PHOTOS, DATES OF SERVICE AND PLACEMENT, AND ANY OTHER MATERIALS WITH EMPHASES ON CAPABILITIES AND STORAGE.

- ANY MATERIALS RELATED TO MORE RECENT RECONNAISSANCE PROGRAMS UNDER THE SAME PARAMETERS.

- ANY PORTION OF "ECHELON" UNDER YOUR CONTROL OR ANY DOCUMENT RELATED TO ECHELON UNDER YOUR CONTROL.

- ANY DOCUMENT RELATED TO SATELLITE CAPABILITIES ALLOWING FOR ULTRA-VIOLET SIGNALS IMAGING (PASSIVE IMAGING) OF ~~HERE → TERRAHERTZ PROPAGATION~~.

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PLEASE PROCESS THE FREE PORTION OF THIS REQUEST AND FORWARD AN ESTIMATE OF COSTS FOR THE REMAINDER.

JAMES FITCHETT

[redacted]

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

1 October 2003

Mr. James Fatchett
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Fatchett:

This is in response to your undated letter received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 28 September 2003. In your letter you are seeking to clarify your Freedom of Information Request of citing our letter 18 July 2003.

We are sorry but you have not asked for specific records. We can only search for records that have been requested with enough specificity (as to their type, origin, subject matter, or content) to allow us to conduct an organized non-random search of our records systems.

The FOIA does not require federal agencies to perform research or conduct unreasonable searches through a body of information to see if any of it is related to a particular request.

Neither the FOIA nor Department of Defense Regulations require agencies to answer questions, draw conclusions, or respond to investigative attempts by members of the public. If you can identify to us *a specific record* that contains the information you desire, we will be happy to accept your request and search for it.

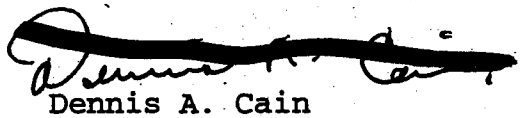
Based upon the information you have provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters. In this category, fees are charged for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 at 15¢ per page.

To assist you in identifying specific records pertaining to your request, we are enclosing an index of CORONA, ARGON, and LANYARD declassified collection.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0069.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure
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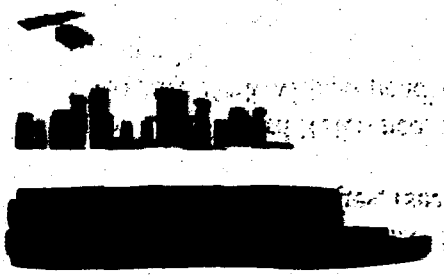

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08 Jul 03

Ms Barbara E. Freimann
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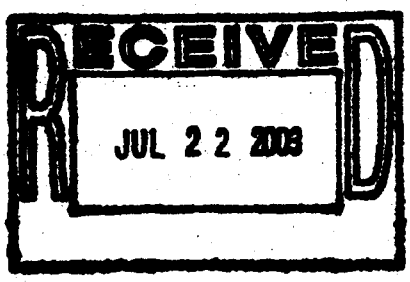

Dear Ms Freimann,

In order to further assist my studies of the archaeological utility of Declassified Intelligence Satellite Photographs, I should be grateful if you would consider the following request.

Under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. Section 552, I request that a copy of the following records from the collection of CORONA, ARGON and LANYARD records ('CAL index') declassified on 26 Nov 97 be provided to me:

a. Record Reference: 5/B/0064 Doc: Performance analysis for the 1101 system (01 Feb 68), 67 pages, (see page 121 of 'CAL index').

b. Record Reference: 5/C/0019 Memo: CORONA area coverage, January 1967 to July 1968 with Appendix A ... (25 Sep 68), 19 pages, (see page 122 of 'CAL index').

c. Record Reference: 5/C/0075 Memo: CORONA area coverage, August 1968 to March 1969 (06 May 69), 17 pages, (see page 124 of CAL index)..

This request is made in continuing support of my privately funded research interest into the application of satellite remote sensing to archaeology. It is therefore made for a scientific and research purpose and is not for a commercial use. All the documents are being requested in order to develop my overall technical understanding of the CORONA products that I have purchased from the USGS in order to evaluate their potential for archaeological prospection.

I am willing to pay fees if my request for a waiver is denied; this is requested not to exceed $20 dollars.

I request a waiver of fees for this request because disclosure of the requested information to me is in the public interest. It will contribute significantly to the public scientific understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO and is not in my commercial interest.

Visit the Satellite Remote Sensing and Archaeology Homepage:
WWW: http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/mjff/homepage.htm

As in my previous requests[1], which I understand from Linda Hathaway[2] have been despatched and are *en route* to me, I intend to submit the findings of my research for publication in a research paper describing the KH-4B camera system and its performance in either the *International Journal of Remote Sensing* of the *Photogrammetric Record* in order to disseminate the information derived from the documents to the wider community.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on [redacted] eekdays 0830-1700 GMT) or by email to [redacted]

Thanking you in advance for your assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Martin J F Fowler

[1] Letters dated 01 Apr 03 and 29 May 03.
[2] Telephone conversation on 03 Jul 03.

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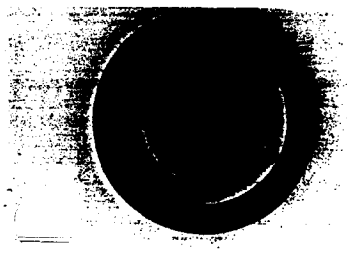


NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

4 August 2003

Dr. Martin J. F. Fowler
[redacted]
United Kingdom

Dear Dr. Fowler:

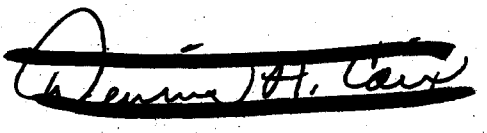
This is in response to your letter dated 8 July 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office on 22 July 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you have requested three specific CORONA, ARGON and LANYARD records.

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended and the records you requested are enclosed.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "scientific and research" category of requesters which means that a requester is responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction costs in the processing of this request. A total of 103 pages are being released. In this instance, all fees are waived.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0070.

Sincerely,



Dennis A. Cain

Attachments:

1. Performance Analysis for the 1101 System (67 pages)
2. Memo for Chief, Design & Analysis Division (19 pages)
3. Memo for Chief, Design & Analysis Division, OSP (17 pages)

Opivotal

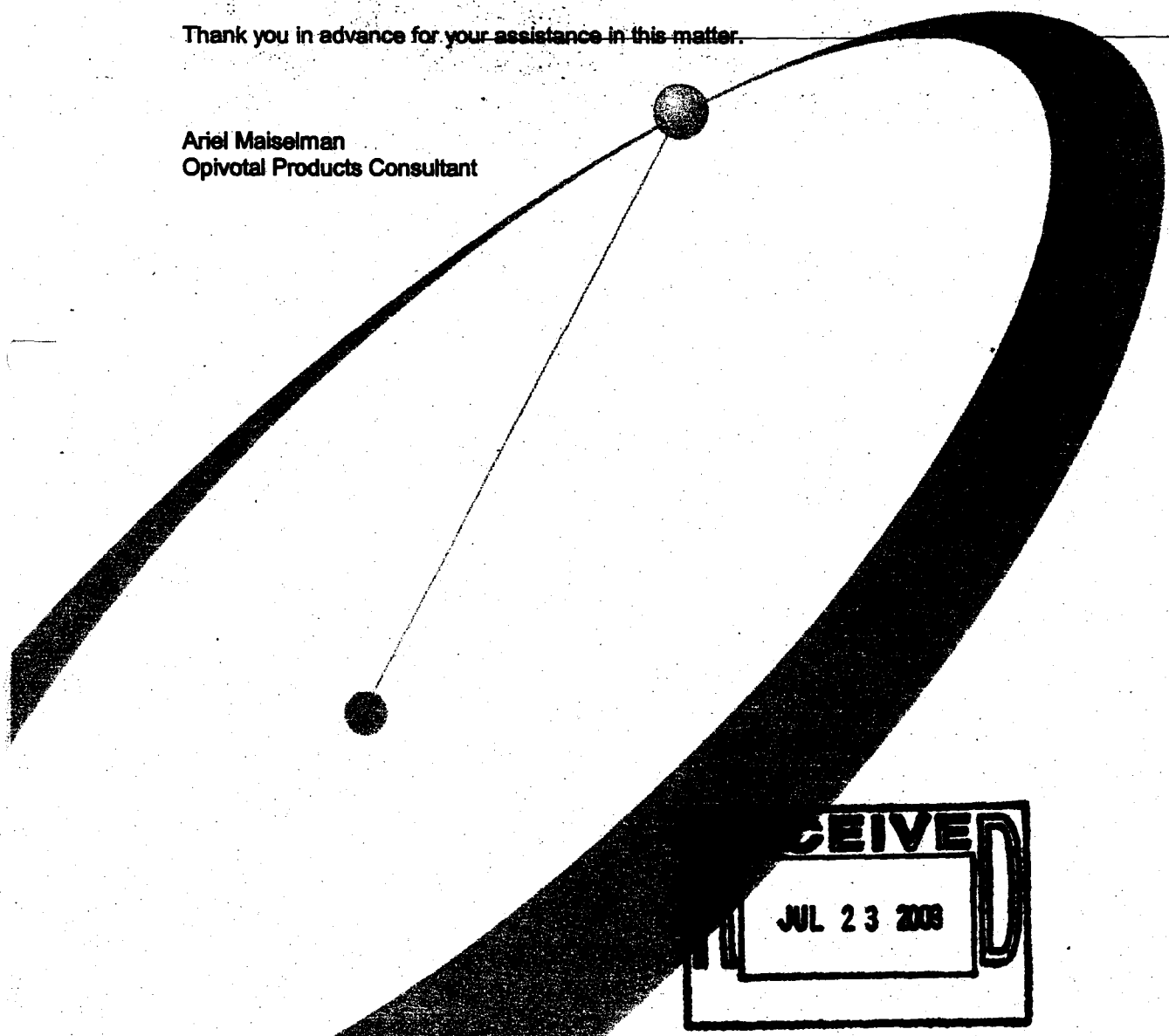
July 15, 2003

To Whom It May Concern:

As a representative of Opivotal Inc., I respectfully request the Visa Credit Card Impact list, through the Freedom of Information Act. This will enable us to verify the user and purchase limitation that the end user may have.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Ariel Maiselman
Opivotal Products Consultant



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25 July 2003

Ms. Ariel Maiselman
Opivotal Products Consultant
Opivotal
7500 Lindbergh Dr.
Gaithersburg, MD 20879

Dear Ms. Maiselman:

Your letter, dated 15 July 2003, was received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 23 July 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) you are requesting; "the Visa Credit Card Impact list".

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. The records you requested are denied pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(3) which allows the withholding of information prohibited from disclosure by statute, 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office."

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The Office of Contracts maintains a register of companies who have expressed an interest in providing a product(s) to the NRO. Any office having an interest in your product will contact you directly.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. You have been placed in the "Commercial" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable search, review, and duplication costs. In this instance no fees have been incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference Case Number F03-0071.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Dennis A. Cain

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July 29, 2003

Barbara E. Freimann
Information Access and Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Re: Request under the FOIA, in reply please refer to Archive # N-20030673NRO001

Dear Mrs. Freimann,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request disclosure of the following National Reconnaissance Office Directives for inspection and possible copying:

NROD 10-2 NRO External Agreement Management Policy
NROD 10-3 NRO External Organizational Directive
NROD 10-4 NRO Sensitive Activities Management Group (Dec 1999)
NROD 10-5 Corporate System Engineering Charter
NROD 16-2
NROD 22-1 Office of Inspector General
NROD 22-2 Employee Reports of Urgent Concerns to Congress
NROD 22-3 Obligations to Report Evidence of Possible Violations of Federal Criminal Law and Illegal Intelligence Activities
NROD 24-1 Congressional Notification Procedures
NROD 40-1
NROD 50-1 Intelligence Activities Affecting U.S. Persons (July 1998)
NROD 50-2
NROD 60-2
NROD 61-1 NRO Internet Policy (Apr 1997)
NROD 82-1a NRO Space Launch Management (July 1998)
NROD 82-6 NRO Space Debris Mitigation Policy
NROD 83-1 NRO Satellite End of Life Policy (July 1997)
NROD 110-2 NRO Records and Information Management Program
NROD 120-1 The NRO Military Uniform Wear Policy
NROD 120-2 The NRO Awards and Recognition Program
NROD 120-3 Executive Secretarial Panel
NROD 120-4 National Reconnaissance Pioneer Recognition Program (Mar 2000)
NROD 120-5 NRO Utilization of the Intergovernmental Personnel Act
NROD 121-1 Training of NRO Personnel
NROI 150-4 Prohibited Items in NRO Headquarters Building and Property

If you regard any of these documents as potentially exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them. As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable nonexempt portions of documents. To permit me to reach an intelligent and informed decision whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denied material, please describe any withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the basis for your exemption claims.

As you know, the National Security Archive qualifies for waiver of search and review fees as a representative of the news media. This request is made as part of a scholarly and news research project

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and not for commercial use. For details on the Archive's research and publication activities, please see our Web site at the address above. Please notify me before incurring photocopying costs over $100.

To expedite the release of the requested documents, please disclose them on an interim basis as they become available to you, without waiting until all the documents have been processed. If you have any questions regarding the identity of this record, its location, the scope of the request or any other matters, please call me by phone at (202) 994-7219 or via e-mail at **belias@gwu.edu**. I look forward to receiving your response within the twenty-day statutory time period.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Barbara Elias
Research Associate

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

11 August 2003

Ms. Barbara Elias
The National Security Archive
The George Washington University
2130 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20037

Dear Ms. Elias:

This is in response to your facsimile dated 29 July 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 31 July 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " . . Directives . . . NROI 150-4 . . . ".

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended and Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "media" category of requester, which means you are responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction in the processing of this request.

In your request you expressed a willingness to pay fees up to the amount of $100.00 for reproduction. We will notify you if it appears this threshold will be exceeded in processing this related request.

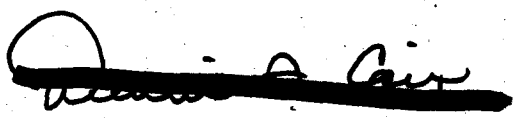
Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You may appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you

otherwise, we will assume that you agree and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, you can reach me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center, on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0072.

Sincerely,



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14 July 2004

Ms. Barbara Elias
The National Security Archive
The George Washington University
2130 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20037

Dear Ms. Elias,

This is in response to your facsimile dated 29 July 2003, received in the Information Management Services Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 31 July 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " . . . NRO Directives: 10-2 . . . 150-4."

Your request was processed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. A thorough search of our records and databases located nineteen records, totaling seventy-eight pages that we believe to be responsive to your request. As an interim release, we are providing seventeen of the nineteen records. Portions of these records are being withheld pursuant to the following FOIA exemptions:

-(b)(1) As properly classified information under Executive Order 12958, Section 1.4(c), (e), and (g);

-(b)(2) High, information which applies solely to the internal rules and practices of an agency, which, if released, would allow circumvention of an organization rule, policy, or statute, thereby impeding the agency in the conduct of its mission; and

-(b)(3) Information specifically exempt by statute, the National Security Act of 1947, 50 U.S.C. § 403-3 (c) (7) which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure.

Please be advised that two records contain the equities of other Agencies and have therefore been forwarded to them for coordination as required by Executive Order 12958. We will forward the records to you as soon as the reviews are returned to us from the coordinating Agencies.

Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the "media" category of requester, which means you are responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction in the processing of this request. In this case, no fees were incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715, within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief, Information Access and Release Team on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0072.

Sincerely,

Linda S. Hathaway

Enclosures:
1. NROD 10-2
2. NROD 10-4
3. NROD 10-5
4. NROD 22-1
5. NROD 22-2
6. NROD 22-3
7. NROD 50-1
8. NROD 61-1
9. NROD 82-1a
10. NROD 110-2
11. NROD 120-1
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15. NROD 120-5
16. NROD 121-1
17. NROI 150-4

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July 30, 2003

Barbara E. Freimann
Information Access and Release Center
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Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Re: Request under the FOIA, in reply please refer to Archive # N-20030674NRO002

Dear Mrs. Freimann,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request disclosure of the following for inspection and possible copying:

> **A list or index of the videotapes and films in the audiovisual collection at National Reconnaissance Office.**

If you regard these records as potentially exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them. As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable nonexempt portions of these documents. To permit me to reach an intelligent and informed decision whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denied material, please describe any withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the basis for your exemption claims.

As you know, the National Security Archive qualifies for waiver of search and review fees as a representative of the news media. This request is made as part of a scholarly and news research project and not for commercial use. For details on the Archive's research and publication activities, please see our Web site at the address above. Please notify me before incurring photocopying costs over $100.

If you have any questions regarding the identity of this record, its location, the scope of the request or any other matters, please call me by phone at (202) 994-7219 or via e-mail at belias@gwu.edu. I look forward to receiving your response.

Sincerely,

Barbara Elias
Research Associate

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24 March 2003

Ms. Barbara Elias
The National Security Archive
The George Washington University
2130 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20037

Dear Ms. Elias:

This is in response to your facsimile dated 30 July 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 31 July 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "a list or index . . . videotapes and films . . . audiovisual collection . . . National Reconnaissance Office."

Your request was processed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552 and Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003. A thorough search of our files and databases located one record, consisting of 53 pages, that is responsive, your request. It is being released to you in part.

Material withheld is denied pursuant to FOIA exemptions:

- (b)(1) as properly classified information under Executive Order 12958, Section 1.4(c);

- (b)(3) which applies to information specifically exempt by statute, the National Security Act of 1947, 50 U.S.C. § 403-3(c)(7) which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure and 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states that "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of (1) The organization or any function . . .(2) . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office"; and

- (b)(6) which applies to records which if released would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of individuals.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the "media" category of requester, which means you are responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction in the processing of this request. In this case, no fees were incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715, within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Acting Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 227-9128 and reference case number F03-0073.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Linda S. Hathaway

Enclosure:
DPC Master Videotapes (53 pgs)

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July 31, 2003

Barbara E. Freimann
Information Access and Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Re: Request under the FOIA, in reply please refer to Archive # N-20030675NRO003

Dear Mrs. Freimann,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request disclosure of the following for inspection and possible copying:

A list or index of the titles of legal opinions in the Office of General Counsel at the National Reconnaissance Office.

If you regard these records as potentially exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them. As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable nonexempt portions of these documents. To permit me to reach an intelligent and informed decision whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denied material, please describe any withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the basis for your exemption claims.

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11 August 2003

Ms. Barbara Elias
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Dear Ms. Elias:

This is in response to your facsimile letter dated 31 July 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 31 July 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting " a list or index of the titles of legal opinions in the Office of General Counsel at the National Reconnaissance Office ".

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended and Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "media" category of requester, which means you are responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction in the processing of this request.

In your request you expressed a willingness to pay fees up to the amount of $100.00 for reproduction. We will notify you if it appears this threshold will be exceeded in processing this related request.

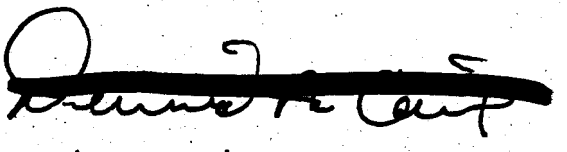
Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You may appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you

otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and will proceed on this basis.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0074.

Sincerely,



Dennis A. Cain

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17 December 2003

Ms. Barbara Elias
The National Security Archive
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2130 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20037

Dear Ms. Elias:

This is in response to your facsimile letter dated 31 July 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 31 July 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested " a list or index of the titles of legal opinions in the Office of General Counsel at the National Reconnaissance Office."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended and Section 502 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003. A thorough search revealed that we have no records responsive to your request. The Office of General Counsel does not maintain a list or index of legal opinions generated by the legal staff.

Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the "media" category of requester, which means you are responsible for charges incurred for duplication in excess of the first 100 pages of document reproduction in the processing of this request. In this case, no fees were incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Acting Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 227-9128 and reference case number F03-0074.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Linda S. Hathaway

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August 4, 2003

Ms. Barbara Freimann,
NRO / FOIA Officer
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Fax: 703-808-5082

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Ms. Freimann:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA), 5 U.S.C. §§ 552, et seq., and implementing regulations, the FOIA Group, Inc. ("FGI") hereby request a copy of the following items identified to a recent "Industry Day" sponsored by the NRO in May 2003.

(1) List of Corporate attendees
(2) All handout and distributions
(3) All Slide presentations, if any
(4) Any other memorandum relevant to the May 2003 NRO Industry Day.

Please note: this request is relevant only to material, documents and information not covered under FOIA Exemption 1. We do not seek any information that is of a classified nature. I agree to pay reasonable foia fees, however, please notify me if these fees exceed $55.00. Thanks!

Very truly yours,

Jeff Stachewicz, Esquire

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

14 August 2003

Jeff Stachewicz, Esquire
FOIA Group, Inc.
101 S. Whiting Street 16th Floor
Alexandria, VA 22304

Dear Mr. Stachewicz:

This is in response to your facsimile letter of 4 August 2003 received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 5 August 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting any materials related to "Industry Day . . . list of corporate attendees . . . handout and distributions . . . slide presentations . . . memorandum . . . ".

We have accepted your request and it will be processed in accordance with the FOIA 5 U.S.C. §552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree and will proceed on this basis.

Based upon the information you have provided, you have been placed in the "commercial" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable search, review, and duplication costs.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

Per your telephone call of 14 August, the NRO Office of Contracts is the focal point for the receipt of inquiries from companies desiring to do business with the NRO. They maintain a register of companies who have expressed an interest in providing a product(s). Any office having an interest in your product will contact you directly. Companies are asked to write to:

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You may also register online at http://arc.westfields.net/register/

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0075.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Dennis A. Cain

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
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7 November 2003

Jeff Stachewicz, Esquire
FOIA Group, Inc.
101 S. Whiting St., 16th Floor
Alexandria, VA 22304

Dear Mr. Stachewicz:

This is in response to your facsimile letter of 4 August 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 5 August 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested any materials related to "Industry Day . . . list of corporate attendees . . . handout and distributions . . . slide presentations . . . memorandum . . . we do not seek information that is of a classified nature."

A search of our files and databases located 92 pages of unclassified information that is responsive to your request. This document is being released to you with portions withheld pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(3) which allows the withholding of information prohibited from disclosure by statute, 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of (1) The organization or any function . . .(2) . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office"; and (b)(6) which applies to records which if released would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of individuals.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you were placed in the "commercial" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay all assessable search and duplication costs. In this case, all fees are waived.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 227-9015 and reference Case Number F03-0075.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Cain

Attachment:
April 2003 Industry Forum
Final Report

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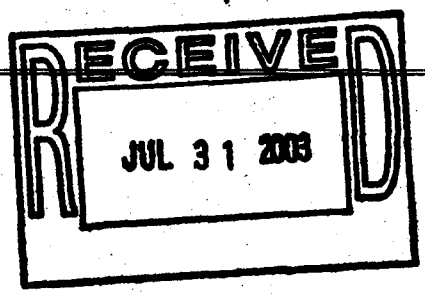

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To: [redacted]
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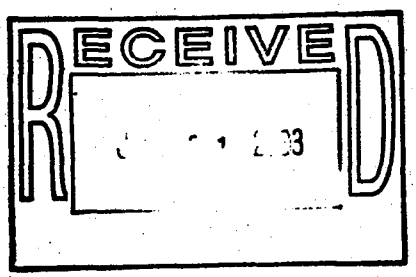

-----Original Message-----
From: Simon Sargent [mailto:ssargent@johnkerry.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2003 11:43 AM
To: freimanb@nro.mil
Subject: FOIA request

July 29, 2003

Ms. Barbara E. Freimann
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14675 Lee Road
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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Ms. Freimann:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552 et seq. ("FOIA"), I am requesting:

1) Copies of any and all FOIA requests received by or responded to by your agency from January 1, 2000 to the present, that specifically seeks data or information about, or copies of correspondence with, **Senator John Kerry**, his office, or his staff.

2) Copies of any and all FOIA requests received by or responded to by your agency from January 1, 2000 to the present, which would include in the scope of its response data or other information about **Senator John Kerry**, his office, or his staff.

3) All records, whether electronically or physically maintained, containing the date of any request, the party or parties making the request, and whether any records were provided in response to the request, of any request encompassed by the description in numbers 1 or 2, above.

To the extent that the above information is available in electronic format, I would be willing to receive that information on computer disk or CD-ROM, particularly if providing the information in this format reduces the time or expense involved.

Congress wrote the Freedom of Information Act so that the American people, who do not have the power of subpoena, are guaranteed a broad right to know about the operations and activities of their government and its officials, consistent with personal privacy. We understand that certain information may be redacted where disclosure would be an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy. [Per the exemption provided by Congress in 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(6)]

I also request that you identify each document that falls with scope of this request but is withheld from release and that you provide the specific legal grounds for withholding documents or portions of documents.

If requested documents are located in, or originated in, another installation, agency or bureau, please refer this request or any relevant portion of this request to the appropriate office.

To help assess my status for copying and mailing fees, please note that I am a representative of a political organization gathering information for research purposes only, disclosure of this information is likely to be in the public interest and is not for commercial activities. I am willing to pay all reasonable costs incurred in locating and duplicating these materials. Please contact me prior to processing to approve any fees or charges incurred in excess of $150.

Thank you for your cooperation with this request. I am willing to discuss ways to make this request more manageable to your office. Please do not hesitate to contact me at the number below or on my direct line at 202/548-6818.

Sincerely,

Simon Sargent
Research Analyst

John Kerry for President, Inc.
519 C Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002
Tel: 202/548-6800
Fax: 202/548-6801

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

11 August 2003

Mr. Simon Sargent
John Kerry for President, Inc.
519 C Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20002

Dear Mr. Sargent:

This is in response to your e-mail dated 29 July 2003 received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 29 July 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "copies of all FOIA requests . . . Senator John Kerry, his office, or his staff . . . ".

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You may appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree and will proceed on this basis.

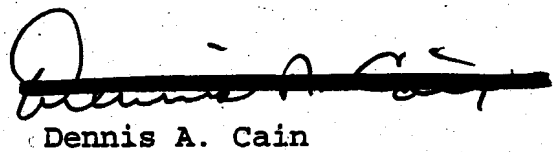
You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have

been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages.

If you have any questions please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0076.

Sincerely,



Dennis A. Cain

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

20 August 2003

Mr. Simon Sargent
John Kerry for President, Inc.
519 C Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Mr. Sargent:

This is in response to your e-mail dated 29 July 2003 received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 29 July 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "copies of all FOIA requests . . . Senator John Kerry, his office, or his staff . . . ".

Your request was processed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. A thorough search of our records and databases located one document totaling four pages that are responsive to your request. These records are being released to you in full.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information you provided, you have been placed into the "other" category, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of the first 100 pages. In this instance, no fees were incurred.

If you have any questions please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0076.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Cain

Attachments:
1. FOIA Request
2. FOIA Response Memo

Residence Inn

Fair Lakes

12815 Fair Lakes Parkway
Fairfax, VA 22033
703/266-4900
703/266-8600 Fax

August 1, 2003

Barbara Freimann
Chief, Information Access and Release Center
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Dear Ms. Freimann:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552). I request a copy of all contracts awarded from January 2002 through July 2003 containing the following specifics: lodging, housing, hotels, and billeting be provided to me.

In order to help you determine my status for the purpose of assessing fees, you should know that I am affiliated with a private business and seeking records for use in the company business.

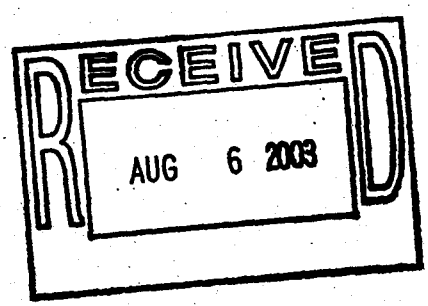
I am willing to pay fees if my request for a waiver is denied not to exceed $25.00.

I include a telephone number at which I can be contacted if necessary to discuss any aspect of my request.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Karen L. Kneib
Director of Hotel Sales
Marriott International
12815 Fair Lakes Parkway
Fairfax, VA 22033
(703) 266-4900 x603



ATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFI
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

23 October 2003

Ms. Karen L. Kneib
Director of Hotel Sales
Marriott International
12815 Fair Lakes Parkway
Fairfax, VA 22033

Dear Ms. Kneib:

This is in response to your letter dated 1 August 2003 received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 6 August 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting copies of "all contracts awarded from January 2002 through July 2003 containing the following specifics: lodging, housing, hotels, and billeting".

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

The NRO Office of Contracts is the focal point for the receipt of inquiries from companies desiring to do business with the NRO. Companies are asked to write to:

National Reconnaissance Office
Office of Contracts
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

The Office of Contracts will maintain a register of companies who have expressed an interest in providing a product(s). Any office having an interest in your product will contact you directly. You may also register online at http://arc.westfields.net/register/.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 227-9015 and reference case number F03-0077.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Dennis A. Cain

James E. Odett
[redacted]

August 08, 2003

Barbara E. Freiman
National Reconnaissance Office
Information Access and Release Center
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Va. 20151-1715

Dear ma'dam:

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552 [and/or the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. 552a,] I hereby request a Copy of the Proper Official Name / Agency to whom i am able to obtain information which is in regards to the confirmed deaths of both of Osama Bin Ladin's Sons. And which is believed to have occured within the 60 days prior to the date of this letter / Request.

Should you have any questions about my requests, please feel free to contact me at the above provided address.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Very Truly Yours,
James E. Odett

C: jeo/file

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

19 August 2003

Mr. James E. Odett
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Odett:

This is in response to your letter dated 8 August 2003 received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 11 August 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you have requested "a copy of the Proper Official Name/Agency . . . in regards to the confirmed deaths of both of Osama bin Ladin's Sons . . . ".

Any information that might be responsive to your request would be under the control of the Department of Defense. We suggest that you contact them at the following address.

Department of Defense
Directorate for Freedom of Information
and Security Review
1155 Defense Pentagon
Washington, DC 20301-1155

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Upon review of this request, you have been placed in the "other" category of requestors, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable duplication fees exceeding 100 pages. In this instance no fees have been incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, you can reach me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center, on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0078.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Cain

F03-0019

P O Box 187
Trussville, AL 35173
August 14, 2003

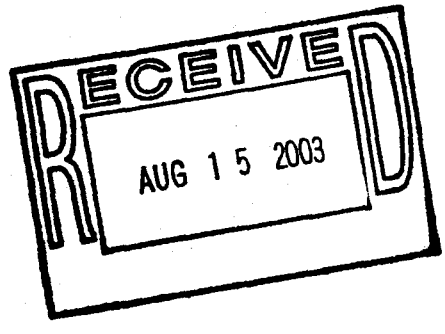
National Reconnaissance Office
Barbara E. Freimann
Information Access and Release Center
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Ms. Freimann,

Metro Office Products is an 8(a) Certified company. We also hold an Army BPA and a GSA Contract. Under the Freedom of Information Act we are requesting that a list of IMPAC cardholders or a list of contract offices for NRO be sent to the above address. We are particularly interested in cardholders/offices in the Southeast and Southwest Regions.

If the list can be sent electronically, please forward to debra@mopinfo.com.

Thank you,
Debra Thomas Jones,
Customer Service Manager
Metro Office Products-Birmingham
8(a) Certified # 108168
Army BPA #DAKF23-02-A-0055
GSA Contract GS-14F-0032K
205 655-4637
800 516-3876
205 655-3335 Fax



NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

19 August 2003

Ms. Debra Thomas Jones
Customer Service Manager
Metro Office Products-Birmingham
P.O. Box 187
Trussville, AL 35173

Dear Ms. Thomas Jones:

Your facsimile dated 14 August 2003 was received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 15 August 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) you are requesting; "a list of . . . current IMPAC card holders".

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. The records you requested are denied pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(3), which allows the withholding of information prohibited from disclosure by statute, 10 U.S.C. § 424 which states: "Except as required by the President or as provided in subsection (c), no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure of . . . number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to any such organization or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary of any such person . . . (b) Covered Organizations . . . the National Reconnaissance Office".

The NRO Office of Contracts is the focal point for the receipt of inquiries from companies desiring to do business with the NRO. Companies are asked to write to:

National Reconnaissance Office
Office of Contracts
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

The Office of Contracts maintains a register of companies who have expressed an interest in providing a product(s) to the NRO. Any office having an interest in your product will contact you directly.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. You have been placed in the "Commercial" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable search, review, and duplication costs. In this instance no fees have been incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

For reference purposes, your request has been assigned case number F03-0079.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Cain

[redacted]

JAMES BRADLEY FATCHETT

[redacted]

National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151

Dear Sir or Madam,

Under the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act, I request any documents submitted by, or relating to myself. I also request an index of every document available to the public under the Freedom of Information Act.

Very Truly Yours,

[redacted]

James Bradley Fatchett

/JF

Affirmation

I certify under penalty of perjury that I am James Bradley Fatchett, Social Security Number [redacted], born [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

James Bradley Fatchett

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

20 August 2003

Mr. James Fatchett
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Fatchett:

This is in response to your undated letter received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 18 August 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting any materials related to "myself . . . index of every document available to the public. . .".

We have accepted your request pertaining to records related to yourself and will process it under both the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the Privacy Act, Title 5 U.S.C § 552(a), which will allow for the maximum release of records.

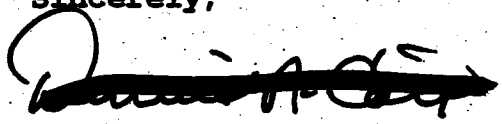
The portion of your request pertaining to "an index of every document available to the public" is being suspended until the issue of payment of fees has been resolved. Your request did not indicate a willingness to pay any charges incurred. Under the procedural requirements of Department of Defense Regulation 5400.7-R published at 32 CFR 286 (Vol. 52, No. 132, September 1998), requesters must indicate a willingness to pay assessable fees. If we do not hear from you within 60 days regarding this issue we will administratively close this portion of your case.

Based upon the information you have provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters. In this category, fees are charged for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages at 15¢ per page.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0081.

Sincerely,



Dennis A. Cain

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

14 November 2003

Mr. James Fatchett
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Fatchett:

This is in response to your 14 October letter received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 4 November 2003, as a follow-up to case number F03-0081.

For information purposes, we have enclosed copies of your previous requests along with our response letters.

As indicated in our 20 August 2003 letter to you, your FOIA request, case number F03-0081, was closed due to failure to indicate a willingness to pay, as required by the Department of Defense Regulation 5400.7-R published at 32 CFR 286 (Vol. 52, No. 132, September 1998).

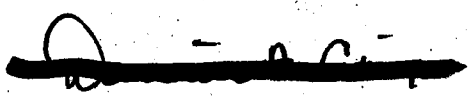
Please be assured that this is not a denial of your request, but merely an explanation as to why no further action can be taken to process your request. Should you decide to submit any further FOIA requests, you must submit a statement of your willingness to be responsible for fees. You have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which incurs an obligation to pay assessable search fees in excess of two hours and duplication exceeding 100 pages. In accordance with the FOIA, search fees are assessable even if no records are found, or if found, we determine that they are not releasable. This means that you will be charged search fees even if our search results are negative or if it is determined that no information is releasable under the FOIA.

We would also like to remind you that neither the FOIA nor the Department of Defense Regulations require agencies to answer questions, draw conclusions, or respond to investigative attempts by members of the public. The FOIA does not require federal agencies to perform research or conduct unreasonable searches. We can only search for records that have been described with enough specificity (as to their type, origin, subject matter, or content) to allow us to conduct an organized non-random search of our records systems.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 227-9015 and reference case number F03-0081.

Sincerely,



Dennis A. Cain

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8/15/95

Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. John H. Wright
Privacy and Information Coordinator
P.O. Box 1925
Washington, D.C. 20505

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RE: Case# F95-0739

Dear Sir,

We would like at this time to ask that our case be reopened concerning the technical manuals (i,e. flight ops, maintenance technical orders manuals) for the A-12 Blackbird-CIA program of the 1960's.

To review what we already have in our possession:
A. 10 pages from your files.
B. 124 pages that we received later, due to a computer error on the CIA's part.

We are enclosing the copies that we discussed from the USAF FOIA office, and the copy of the memo from the AFMC historian. I hope these will aid you in the search.

We understand that this may take some time, but we are willing to wait. It is that important to us and to our exhibit.

Thank you for your time and effort in advance. We look forward to hearing from you.

[redacted]

Glenn T. Hart
Aviation Curator

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE

27 August 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COORDINATOR
ATTENTION: [redacted]

SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Request Coordination
Glen T. Hart

REFERENCE: CIA FOIA/PA No: F-1995-01611

This is in response to your 6 August 2003 memorandum (copy enclosed) regarding Mr. Hart's request.

We have reviewed the records per your request and found no classified NRO equities.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 808-3623 (non-secure) or 91850-3623 (secure) and reference case number F03-0082.

Linda [redacted] Hathaway for
Dennis A. Cain
Chief, Information Access
and Release Center

Enclosure:

This memorandum is unclassified when removed from enclosure.

CL BY: [redacted]
CL REASON: 1.4 (c)
DECL ON: X1
DRV FROM: NCG 5.1
1 May 2000

JEFFREY T. RICHELSON
[redacted]

April 10, 1999

PIRD NO.
F-1999-00851

Information and Privacy Coordinator
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Sirs:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request a copy of:

> Memo, J.A. Cunningham, Dep Ass Dir (Special Activities) to Exec Dir, CIA, subj: "Basic Authorities and Agreements Which CIA Holds With USAF/NRO; Recommended Modifications and Suggestions Regarding the NRO Organization," 24 Jan 63, CIA Files, "CORONA 2, History and Background."

The FOIA provides that if only portions of a record are exempted from release, the remainder must be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all nonexempt portions which are reasonably segregrable. I particularly request that it be kept in mind that there may exist reasonably segregable portions of classified paragraphs. I also request that any present classified material be considered for declassification.

To permit an intelligent, informed decision as to whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, I also request that you describe in detail the withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data v. Department of the Air Force 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir. 1977).

I also request a fee waiver. The fee waiver provisions under section 552 (a) (4) (A) of the FOIA, as amended on April 25, 1987, rewrote section 552 (a) (4) (A) to create categories of requesters entitled to fee waivers. Under those provisions, I qualify for exemption from fees in the "news media" category. In a recent decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit unanimously held that for FOIA fee waiver purposes "representatives of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. (See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217 (D.C. Circuit, July 28,1989).

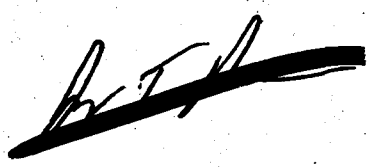
I easily meet this criteria as a result of my books (The U.S. Intelligence Community (Ballinger 1985, 2nd ed. 1988, 3rd. ed. 1995, 4th ed. 1999); Sword and Shield: The Soviet Intelligence and Security Apparatus (Ballinger, 1986); American Espionage and the Soviet Target (Morrow, 1987); Foreign Intelligence Organizations (Ballinger, 1988); America's Secret Eyes in Space (Harper & Row 1990); A Century of Spies: Intelligence in the Twentieth Century (Oxford University Press, 1995), and America's Space Sentinels: DSP Satellites and National Security (University Press of Kansas, 1999) and newspaper and magazine articles. (A vita is available upon request). The information in the documents I request is to be incorporated into similar publications that will further public knowledge and understanding of activities in the area of national security.

I also qualify for favored treatment under the "all other requesters" category because my work has and is highly likely to continue to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of the government. For example, The U.S. Intelligence Community is used in numerous university courses throughout the United States (including at the Air Force Academy) as well as being used by newspaper reporters as a reference guide to the U.S. intelligence community.

My intended use of the material request above, in light of my extensive publication record, clearly meets the criteria established by statute and case law for prefered fee status under the FOIA as a representative of the news media. As such a representative I am entitled to have search and review fees waived. And given the contribution of my work to enhancing public understanding of the government operations I request that you also waive reproduction fees.

I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,



Jeffrey T. Richelson

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

10 September 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COORDINATOR

SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Request Coordination
Jeffrey Richelson

REFERENCE: CIA FOIA/PA Case Number: F-1999-00851

In reference to your 11 August 2003 memorandum regarding Mr. Richelson's request, we have reviewed the record per your request. We have additional redactions on page nine, pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(1), EO 12958 1.4(c), as amended. The redactions are in red.

If you have any questions, please call me on (703) 808-3623 (non-secure) or 91850-3623 (secure) and reference case number F03-0083.

Dennis A. Cain
Chief, Information Access
and Release Center

Attachments:
1. Ltr dtd 10 Apr 99
2. Memo dtd 24 Jan 63

19 August 2003

From:
Joseph Jones
[redacted]

To:
National Reconnaissance Office (NRO)
FOIA Coordinator
14675 Lee Rd.
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

On date, 8 April 2003, I made an FOIA and an Air Force Mandatory Declassification Review request(s) to:

Departmentment of the Air Force
11th Wing - 11 CS/SCS (MDR)
1000 Air Force Pentagon
Washington, DC 20330-1000
Attn: JOANNE MCLEAN, MDR Manager

Said FOIA/MDR requests concerned the Lockheed/Boeing series of un-manned air vehicles, including:

1. Advanced Airborne Reconnaissance System (AARS)
2. Quartz (aka "Q")
3. Tier 3

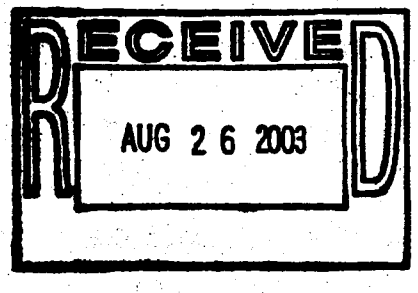
All of the above were cancelled due to their high costs and were replaced by Tier 2-Plus and Tier 3-Minus. The whole system(s) were to be designated "TR-3," but in October 1991, the DoD ended the "TR = Tactical Reconnaissance" series of designators, thus AARS/Quartz was redesignated Tier 3 in 1993. And again lated, the austere version "Darkstar" (Tier 3-Minus) was designated RQ-3A (it too being cancelled). At least ##### the number "3" was kept for the system.

My FOIA request case # 03-0662 and MDR case #03-031 was for the AARS/Quartz/Tier 3 - images (photos, drawings, etc) and fact sheets

The Air Force MDR manager in her response (dated 13 August 2003) did not indicate that anything had been declassified due to my (and possibly others) FOIA/MDR requests. She did, ######### however, suggest that I contact your office.

I look forward to your reply,

Sincerely,
Joseph Jones



NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

4 September 2003

Mr. Joseph Jones
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Jones:

This is in response to your letter dated 19 August 2003 received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 26 August 2003.

The office of record you will need to contact is the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency. The correct address is:

Directorate of Freedom of Information and Security Review
ROOM 2C757
1155 Defense
Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1155

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0084. If we do not hear back from you within 30 days from the date of this letter, we will administratively close this case.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Dennis A. Cain

Simon Cooper
SEED Magazine
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August 14th, 2003

National Reconnaissance Office
Information Access & Release Center
Attn: FOIA officer
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

Dear Sir or Madam

Re: Freedom of Information Request

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C 552).

If possible, I would like to request that information on the following subjects be provided to me, namely:

1. **Information on a British Ministry of Defence (MoD) contracting company called Micro Consultants Limited**
2. **Information on a British MoD contracting company called Quantel Limited**

Both firms worked on MoD projects during the 1980s at:

The Royal Signals and Research Establishment, Malvern
The Royal Aerospace Establishment
The Admiralty Research Establishment
Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ), Cheltenham

I would respectfully ask that this be given expedited attention and that fees be waved in the public interest. However, I am willing to pay fees for this request up to a maximum of US$100. If you estimate that the fees will exceed this limit, please inform me first

I can also be contacted by telephone on 212 905 3160 if you would like to discuss any aspect of my request.

I will look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

[redacted]

Simon Cooper

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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

2 September 2003

Mr. Simon Cooper
SEED Magazine
95 Morton Street
New York, NY 10014

Dear Mr. Cooper:

This is in response to your letter dated 14 August 2003 received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 27 August 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting copies of " . . . Micro Consultants Limited . . . Quantel Limited . . .".

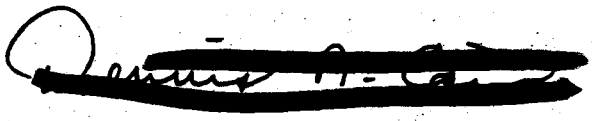
Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

You were placed in the fee category "others" for purposes of this request. This means you would be responsible for the cost of search time exceeding two hours and reproduction costs after the first 100 pages. In this case, no fees were incurred.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0085.

Sincerely,



Dennis A. Cain

Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

September 2, 2003

Mr. Dennis Cain
FOIA Coordinator
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Dear Mr. Cain:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request copies of **any NRO memos concerning either or both of the following articles:**

"Trouble at NRO" (*Aviation Week & Space Technology*, August 18, 2003)
"Lack of Intelligence," (*U.S. News and World Report*, August 11, 2003).

The FOIA provides that if only portions of a record are exempted from release, the remainder must be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all nonexempt portions which are reasonably segregable I particularly request that it be kept in mind that there may exist reasonably segregable portions of classified paragraphs. I also request that any present classified material be considered for declassification.

To permit an intelligent, informed decision as to whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, I also request that you describe in detail the withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data v. Department of the Air Force 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir. 1977).

I also request a fee waiver. The fee waiver provisions under section 552 (a) (4) (A) of the FOIA, as amended on April 25, 1987, rewrote section 552 (a) (4) (A) to create categories of requesters entitled to fee waivers. Under those provisions, I qualify for exemption from fees in the "news media" category. In a recent decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit unanimously held that for FOIA fee waiver purposes "representatives of the news media" includes any individuals who regularly publish or disseminate information to the public. (See National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, No. 88-5217, D.C. Circuit, July 28,1989, as well as Electronic Privacy Information Center v. U.S. Department of Defense No. 02-1233, United States District Court for the District of Columbia, January 16, 2003).

I easily meet this criteria as a result of my books and articles, which have appeared in a wide variety of publications. (A vita is available upon request).

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My intended use of the material requested above, in light of my extensive publication record, clearly meets the criteria established by statute and case law for preferred fee status under the FOIA as a representative of the news media. As such a representative I am entitled to have search and review fees waived. And given the contribution of my work to enhancing public understanding of the government operations I request that you also waive reproduction fees.

I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Jeffrey T. Richelson

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

15 September 2003

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your facsimile, dated 2 September 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 2 September 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "copies of any NRO memos concerning either or . . . August 11, 2003)".

We have accepted your request. It will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

Since we may not respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the NRO Appeal Review Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree and will proceed on this basis.

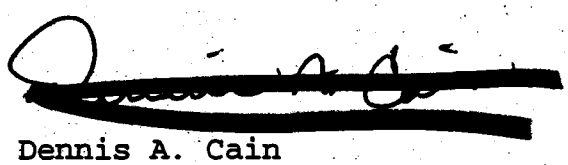
The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requesters, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of 100 pages.

Regarding your request for a fee waiver, please be advised that fee waivers or reductions are granted when there is a public interest in disclosure of information, which will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the operations or activities of the NRO. A decision to waive or reduce fees cannot be made until after any responsive documents to be disclosed have been reviewed for "public interest".

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0086.

Sincerely,



Dennis A. Cain

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

2 October 2003

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
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Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your facsimile dated, 2 September 2003, received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 2 September 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "copies of any NRO memos concerning either or . . . August 11, 2003".

A search of our files and databases located two documents, consisting of one page each, that are responsive to your request. They are being released to you in part. Material redacted is denied pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(1) as properly classified information under Executive Order 12958, Section 1.4(c); and exempt by statute, the National Security Act of 1947, 50 U.S.C. 403-3(c)(7) which protects intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure.

As you are aware, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information you provided, you have been placed into the "other" category, which means that a requester is responsible for search in excess of two hours and reproduction costs in excess of the first 100 pages. In this instance, no fees were incurred.

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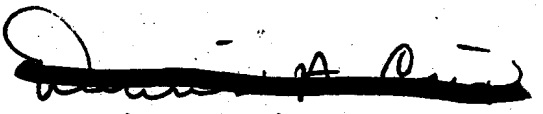

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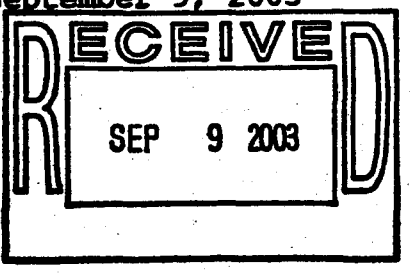
September 9, 2003



Mr. Dennis Cain
FOIA Coordinator
National Reconnaissance Office
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151-1715

Dear Mr. Cain:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 522). I request a copy of:

Aerospace Corporation, *Assessment of NRO Satellite Development Practices*.

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I look forward to your response within the statutory time period. If you have any questions about this request or any other matters, please contact me at [redacted]

Sincerely,

Jeffrey T. Richelson

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

17 September 2003

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your letter dated 9 September 2003 received in the Information Access and Release Center (IARC) of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 9 September 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "a copy of: Aerospace Corporation, Assessment of NRO Satellite Development Practices".

Pursuant to the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, Section 502, operational files of the NRO are exempt from the publication, disclosure, search, and review provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552. As such, the files that would contain responsive records, if any exist, are not subject to search in response to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0087.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Dennis A. Cain

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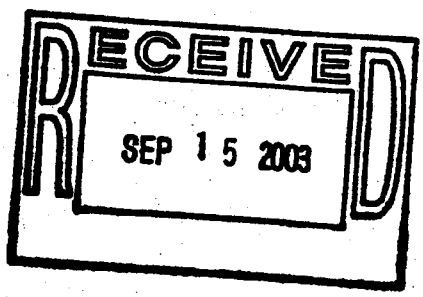

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Inspector General of the Department of Defense
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400 Army Navy Drive, RM 405
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National Reconnaissance Office
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14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

National Security Agency/Central Security Service
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N5P5
9800 Savage Road STE 6248
Ft. George G. Meade, MD 20755-6248

Dear Sir or Madame:

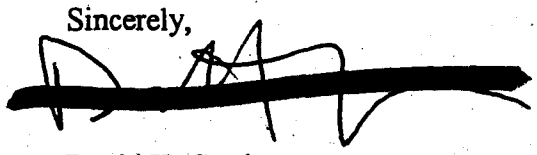
This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (5 USC Section 552). Please provide copies of all documents, including maps, pertaining to the procurement of herbicides and/or defoliants for use in Vietnam from 1960-1970, including, but not limited to, such documents making reference to Lt. Col. Louis Klinker, Dr. Joseph Majorwicz, or Dr. Eugene Sporn.

If any materials are withheld, please provide a detailed description and explanation of any exemptions. If any of this material is not available, please designate where it may be obtained.

I am willing to pay fees for this request up to a maximum of $1,000.00. If you estimate that the fees will exceed this limit, please inform me first.

Please provide this information within five days. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



David H. Carriger

DHC/jls

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

22 September 2003

Mr. David H. Carriger
The Calwell Practice
405 Capitol Street
Suite 607
Charleston, WV 25301

Dear Mr. Carriger:

This is in response to your letter dated 9 September 2003 received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 15 September 2003. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting copies of "all documents, including maps, . . . procurement of herbicides and/or defoliants . . . Vietnam from 1960-1970 . . .Lt Col. Louis Klinker, Dr. Joseph Majorwicz or Dr. Eugene Sporn".

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. A thorough search for records in our files and databases revealed that we have no responsive records pertaining to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "other" category of requester, which means you are responsible for all charges incurred for search and reproduction after the first two hours and 100 pages. In this case, no fees have been incurred.

If you have any questions, you can reach me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center, on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0088.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Cain

Enclosure

National Reconnaissance Office,
Mr. Dennis A. Cain
14675 Lee Road
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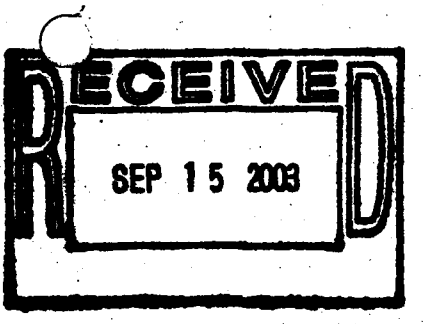

Re: Freedom of Info. Act Request

20030908.

Mr. Cain,

Thank-You for your response to my previous FOIA requests. I mis-understood the FOIA process. Please disregard my previous requests and process this one anew. Thanks!

Under the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. 552, I request a copy of the following documents:

1.) A paper copy of: Catalog/Index of available books, manuals, and popular titles from your dept. under FOIA.

I am an individual making this request and am willing to pay fees in excess of the first (100) one hundread pages, but please notify me of the charges first.

I appreciate your time and concern.

Sincerely,

[redacted]
Robert T. Lee
[redacted]

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
14675 Lee Road
Chantilly, VA 20151-1715

30 September 2003

Mr. Richard T. Reed
[redacted]

Dear Mr. Reed:

This is in response to your letter dated 8 September 2003 received in the Information Access and Release Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 15 September 2003. In your letter you requested that your previous case, number F03-0064 be cancelled. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are now requesting a paper copy of . . . catalogue index of available books, manuals, popular titles . . .".

Your request was processed under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. The index to the "Declassified Collection of CORONA, ARGON, and LANYARD RECORDS" is being released to you in full.

You were placed in the fee category "others" for purposes of this request. This means you would be responsible for the cost of search time exceeding two hours and reproduction costs after the first 100 pages. In this case, all fees have been waived.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the above date. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call me, Chief of the Information Access and Release Center on (703) 808-3623 and reference case number F03-0089.

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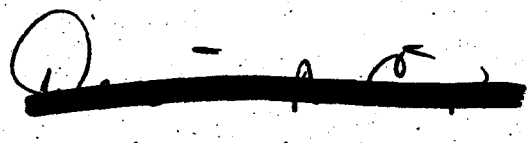

Dennis A. Cain

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