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Dear Mr. Shaw:

This is in response to your letter of 23 April 1979 in which you requested information from Agency files under the Freedom of Information Act. Specifically, you requested access to records on Thomas Eli Davis III, deceased.

As you may know, the heavy volume of Freedom of Information requests received by the Agency has resulted in processing backlogs. Since we will be unable to respond within the 10 working days stipulated by the Act, it is your right to construe this as a denial, subject to appeal to the CIA Information Review Committee. It would seem more reasonable, however, for us to continue processing your request and to respond as soon as feasible. Any denials of records could be appealed at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that this is agreeable to you and proceed on this basis. It is our best estimate at this time that it will take approximately six to nine months to complete the processing of your request.

We wish to thank you for your patience and consideration.

Sincerely,

George W. Owens

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Information and Privacy Coordinator

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