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Dear Mr. Shaw:

This is in response to your letter of 31 August 1979 in which you requested information from the files of this Agency under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Specifically, you asked for a copy of a photograph of Jean Souetre.

As you know, the heavy volume of FOIA 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.

Sincerely,

*George W. Owens*

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Information and Privacy Coordinator

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