

May 22, 1980

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

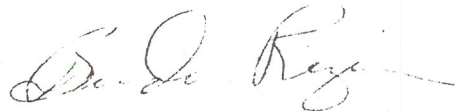
This is in response to your letter to Ms. Dodson dated May 13, 1980, concerning my letter to you of May 6, 1980.

I apologize for the confusion my letter caused but was, of course, unaware of your multiple requests. Attached is a copy of the letter addressed to you from the Department of Defense which referred these documents to the National Security Council.

For your information, since it is not readily apparent from the DoD letter, the seven documents denied in this case are all dated 1961-1962 and involve U.S. government policy on Cuba. Based upon my review of the documents and the uniform recommendations of the Departments of State and Defense, the Central Intelligence Agency, and the National Security Council Staff, the documents were denied.

With the above information, if you wish to appeal the NSC Staff denial, please write to Ms. Dodson within 60 days of receipt of this letter. Again, I apologize for any inconvenience my previous letter may have caused.

Sincerely,



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Director
Freedom of Information

Attachment

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