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Mr. Harold Weisberg Rt. 12 Frederick, MD 21701

Near Mr. Weisberg:

I acknowledge receipt of your letters dated July 15, 16, and 25, 1977, and thank you for your expression of appreciation for the assistance we have been able to render in response to your successive Freedom of Information/Privacy Act requests.

Unfortunately, a thorough review of your file now suggests that, in the absence of additional fresh information relative to the records you seek, further searches of records systems within the Office of the Secretary of Defense would appear to be nonproductive. We have covered the ground exhaustively and repetitively. I have, however, referred your letters of the 15th and 16th to the Departments of the Army and Air Force, and to the National Security Agency, because of the concerns you express relative to the adequacy of their previous responses to you.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Hinkle Director, Freedom of Information

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