

## Army Will Release Records on Mylai To Oklahoma Paper

OKLAHOMA CITY, June 20 (AP)—An Oklahoma City newspaper has won a victory in its fight to gain access to Army records of units involved in the Mylai massacre in Vietnam.

The Army's decision to release previously withheld records on Mylai came in response to an appeal by the Daily Oklahoman.

In a reversal that may have a wide-ranging effect on future Army classification and censorship, the Army ordered the

full morning reports of three infantry companies and an aviation company involved in Mylai released to the Daily Oklahoman.

The Daily Oklahoman had appealed the censorship concerning the 1968 Mylai incident, which involved 401 items ranging from killed in action to A.W.O.L.'s. The May 12 appeal was based on the Freedom of Information Act and the Army's own regulations.

Robert W. Berry, the Army's general counsel, informed the newspaper that the morning reports would be relayed "without deletions."

But Mr. Berry, in a letter dated June 16, denied the second part of The Oklahoman's appeal for release of the Army's

investigation into Mylai, commonly called the Peers Report, after Lieut. Gen. William R. Peers.

The Army said it was justified in withholding the Peers Report on the ground that it is an interoffice memo, an investigative report compiled for law enforcement purposes, and that disclosure would be invasion of personal privacy and would jeopardize a fair and impartial disposition of the appeal of First Lieut. William L. Calley.

Excerpts from the Peers Report have been published in The New York Times.

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