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Mr. Quin Shea, Director
FOIPA Appeals
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

6/23/81

Dear Mr. Shea,

From the records I received from the FBI under date of XX June 18, it is apparent that the FBI intended no compliance at all with regard to George DeMohrenschildt and then provided very little, processed after it was, by agreement, to have complied in full. The records were not processed until after the time of compliance agreed to, and then not until after complaint from my counsel.

The FBI does not explain the claimed reason for withholding most of the records, "O/S/F/W." I assume this means outside scope, which is not true, and that the F and W have to do with the fee waiver.

There is no doubt that DeMohrenschildt was what you call a player. He was a major figure in the investigation. All records on or about him are pertinent and within scope. The FBI's own records, like the enclosed 2/18/64 teletype, reflect the fact that the Commission requested a "full-scale intelligence-type" investigation of him. This is not provided and the records withheld as outside scope are within this definition.

I do not think it is right and proper or visualized by the Act for the FBI to disclose its special interpretation of records going back to 1941 and yet withhold the underlying records which, from much experience, I state can be expected to hold what the FBI does not regard as significant information. The Act does not make it Censor. That the records go back to at least 1941 is reflected ^{ed in} ~~the~~ the heavily censored report of 2/28/64, from which more than the FBI claims was withheld. This one holds the suggestion that he was a spy, yet those records are withheld. Others call him a Nazi, and those records are withheld. (He is dead.) And all those and other pertinent records are withheld.)

The enclosed worksheets for Sections 5 and 7 reflect the June date of processing.

In some instances the claims to exemption are not posted on the record and can't be guessed from the worksheet. The FBI knows better, this is harassment.

I have not received what I was led to believe would be provided. Sincerely,
Harold Weisberg