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Dear Mr. Valentine:

This acknowledges receipt of your 19 November 1993 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for a copy of "all records, memorandum, studies, correspondences, cables, notes, summaries and other documents relating in whole or in part to the CIA project described [in paragraph 1 of your 19 November 1993 letter], titled the Victims Task Force." For identification purposes we have assigned your request the number referenced above.

With respect to your request for a fee waiver, we have reviewed your request and have determined that the information you seek from Agency files would contribute significantly to the public understanding of the operations and activities of the United States Government. Therefore, your request for a fee waiver is granted.

Accordingly, we have accepted your request; it will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and the CIA Information Act, 50 U.S.C. § 431. Our search will be for documents in existence as of and through the date of this acceptance letter.

The heavy volume of FOIA requests received by the Agency has created delays in processing. Since we cannot respond within the 10 working days stipulated by the Act, you have the right to consider this as a denial and may appeal to the CIA Information Review Committee. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and we will proceed on this basis.

Sincerely,

John H. Wright / Information and Privacy Coordinator