

Central Intelligence Agency



Washington, D.C. 20505

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Mr. Douglas Valentine  
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Reference: F-1993-02381

Dear Mr. Valentine:

This is further to our 14 January 2000 response to your 19 November 1993 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for "all records, memorandum, studies, correspondences, cables, notes, summaries, and other documents relating in whole or in part to the CIA project [...] titled the Victims Task Force." With this letter, we are forwarding the balance of the releasable documents responsive to your request.

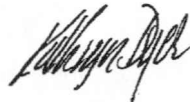
As we explained in our earlier letter, your request has been processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and the CIA Information Act, 50 U.S.C. § 431. Our processing included a search for records as described in our acceptance letter that were in existence as of and through the date of that letter, 18 January 1994. During our search for records responsive to your request, we located material, and have made the following determinations:

When we wrote last, we enclosed 66 documents that had been reviewed and we informed you that the DEA and the U.S. Army had not completed their reviews of CIA material located during our search that appeared to contain their information. Those agencies have now concluded their reviews. Enclosed are 30 documents (numbered 67-96) which can be released in segregable form with deletions made on the basis of FOIA exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), (b)(5), and (b)(6). The applicable exemptions are marked on each document. An explanation of these exemptions is enclosed.

You have the right to appeal our decisions by addressing your appeal to the Agency Release Panel within 45 days from the date of this letter, in my care. Should you choose to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

Thank you again for your continued patience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kathryn I. Dyer', written in a cursive style.

Kathryn I. Dyer  
Acting Information and Privacy Coordinator

Enclosures

## Explanation of Exemptions

### Freedom of Information Act:

- (b)(1) applies to material which is properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of national defense or foreign policy;
- (b)(2) applies to information which pertains solely to the internal rules and practices of the Agency;
- (b)(3) applies to the Director's statutory obligations to protect from disclosure intelligence sources and methods, as well as the organization, functions, names, official titles, salaries or numbers of personnel employed by the Agency, in accord with the National Security Act of 1947 and the CIA Act of 1949, respectively;
- (b)(4) applies to information such as trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person on a privileged or confidential basis;
- (b)(5) applies to inter- and intra-agency memoranda which are predecisional and deliberative in nature;
- (b)(6) applies to information, release of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of other individuals; and
- (b)(7) applies to investigatory records, release of which could (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of others, (D) disclose the identity of a confidential source, (E) disclose investigative techniques and procedures, or (F) endanger the life or physical safety of law enforcement personnel.

### Privacy Act:

- (b) applies to information concerning other individuals which may not be released without their written consent;
- (j)(1) applies to polygraph records; documents or segregable portions of documents, release of which would disclose intelligence sources and methods, including names of certain Agency employees and organizational components; and, documents or information provided by foreign governments;
- (k)(1) applies to information and material properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of national defense or foreign policy;
- (k)(5) applies to investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment, or access to classified information, release of which would disclose a confidential source; and
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service, the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process.