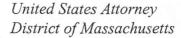
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February 7, 2000

Douglas Valentine 136 Captain Street Longmeadow, MA 01106

Re: Valentine v. Central Intelligence Agency

Dear Doug:

By now you should have received the complete response from the CIA to your Freedom of Information request. Any issues concerning the exemptions claimed by the CIA would be litigated in a separate action after you exhaust your administrative remedies.

I have enclosed a Stipulation of Dismissal for your review and signature. I can take care of filing it with the court if you return it to me after signing. Please call me if you have any questions.

Bv:

Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

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Karen L. Goodwin Assistant U.S. Attorney



IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

| DOUGLAS VALENTINE, | |
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| Plaintiff, | |
| ν. | NO. 99CV30255-MAP |
| CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENC | |
| Defendant. | |

STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL

The plaintiff, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. Pr. 41(a), hereby stipulates to the dismissal of the above-captioned action.

Respectfully submitted

THE PLAINTIFF

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