

HALL, ET AL. V. CIA, 04-00814-HHK

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EXHIBIT A

Central Intelligence Agency



Washington, D.C. 20505

28 September 2007

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Reference: F-2003-00449 (Civil Action#04-814)

Dear Mr. Lesar:

This is a final response concerning item 3 of your 7 February 2003 Freedom of Information request (FOIA) made on behalf of your clients Mr. Roger Hall and Accuracy in Media (AIM) which concerns your litigation for information:

"Prepared by and/or assembled by the CIA between January 1, 1960 and December 31, 2002, relating to the status of any United States POWs or MIAs in Laos, including but not limited to any reports, memoranda, letters, notes or other documents prepared by Mr. Horgan or any other officer, agent or employee of the CIA for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the President, or any federal agency."

We processed your request in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and the CIA Information Act, 50 U.S.C. § 431, as amended.

We completed a thorough search for records responsive to your request, located material, and made the following determinations:

Enclosed at Tab A are four documents that can be released in their entirety.

Ten documents were reviewed and released pursuant to the provisions of the Executive Order 12958 (25-year) declassification program. Marked copies as released by that program are enclosed at Tab B.

Eighty-three documents can be released in segregable form with deletions made on the basis of FOIA exemptions (b)(1), (b)(2), (b)(3), (b)(6), and (NR) for non-responsive. Marked copies of the documents are enclosed at Tab C.

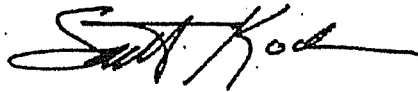
We determined that additional material is currently and properly classified and we must withhold it in its entirety based on FOIA exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), (b)(5), (b)(6).

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During our searches, we identified additional material that requires this Agency to consult with other federal agencies or entities. Once the consultation process is completed, we will provide a supplemental response concerning those documents.

We also located additional United States Government material that was not originated by CIA. This material appears to be relevant to your request, and has been referred to the originating agencies for review and direct response to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Koch", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Scott Koch  
Information and Privacy Coordinator

Enclosures

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