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Segment SWCI0001

Ms. Amrit Singh
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Dear Ms. Singh:

I refer to our letter of February 18, 2005, regarding the release of certain Department of State material requested under the Freedom of Information Act (Title 5 USC Section 552).

As you may recall, further coordination was required before decisions could be made as to the release of four of the documents retrieved in response to your request. That coordination now has been completed and we find that none of the four documents may be released.

Material in all four documents withheld in full is currently and properly classified under Executive Order 12958 in the interest of national defense or foreign relations. As such, it is exempt from release under subsection (b)(1) of the Freedom of Information Act.

Material in two of the documents withheld in full is exempt from release under subsection (b)(5) of the Freedom of Information Act because it protected by the deliberative process privilege, attorney client privilege, attorney work product privilege, and/or another privilege incorporated by subsection (b)(5).

Material in of one of the documents withheld in full is information compiled for law enforcement purposes which, if produced, could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings. As such, it is exempt from release

under subsection (b) (7) (A) of the Freedom of Information Act.

In some cases, two or more exemptions apply to the same document.

We have now completed the processing of Segment SWCI001.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Margaret P. Grafeld". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M" and "G".

Margaret P. Grafeld
Director
Office of Information Programs
and Services