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Washington, D.C. 20520

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Case No. 200303827 Segment L018

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Dear Mr. Singh:

I refer to our previous correspondence regarding the release of certain Department of State material you had requested under the Freedom of Information Act (Title 5 USC Section 552) in your letters of October 7, 2003 and May 25, 2004.

We have retrieved an additional 97 documents from the Office of the Legal Adviser that we have grouped as Segment L018. After reviewing these documents, we have determined that four may be released in full, and 60 may not be released. The released documents are enclosed. The search in the other files has been completed and we will let you know as the review of the various segments has been accomplished.

A decision on five requires intra-agency or interagency coordination. We will inform you when we receive the results of that coordination. Twenty-eight documents originated with another government agency and have been referred to that agency for review and direct reply to you.

The material in 38 of the 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.

The information in 48 of the documents withheld in full is exempt from release under subsection (b)(5) of the Freedom of Information Act because it is protected by the deliberative process privilege, attorney client privilege, attorney work product privilege, and/or another privilege incorporated by subsection (b)(5).



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In some cases, two or more exemptions apply to the same document. In the case of a document released in part, all non-exempt material that is reasonably segregable from the exempt material has been released.

Sincerely, re be ...

Margaret P. Grafeld Director Office of IRM Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.

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