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Mr. Amrit Singh
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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 39 additional documents from the Office of the Legal Adviser that we have grouped as Segment L019. After reviewing these documents, we have determined that one may be released in full, and 13 may not be released. The released document is enclosed. A decision on three documents requires interagency or intra-agency coordination. We will inform you when we receive the results of that coordination. Twenty-two documents originated with other government agencies and have been referred to those agencies for review and direct reply to you.

Material in eight 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.

Information in 11 documents withheld in full is exempt from release under subsection (b)(5) of the Freedom of Information Act because it consists of pre-decisional deliberative process material and/or because it contains information protected by the attorney client privilege and/or attorney work product privilege.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Margaret P. Grafeld", written over a horizontal line.

Margaret P. Grafeld
Director
Office of IRM Programs and Services

Enclosure:
As stated.