United States Department of State



Washington, D.C. 20520

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RE: #20101077DOS305

Dear Mr Burr:

I refer to your letter dated 7 October, 2010, requesting under the provisions of Executive Order 13526 the release of certain records maintained by the Department of State.

The Department of State has a number of record systems. Its Central Foreign Policy Record File is an automated centralized records system, containing substantive foreign policy documents. Additionally, offices within the Department and Foreign Service posts abroad maintain files specific to their operations. Information about the Department and the mission and functions of its individual bureaus and offices, as well as its posts abroad, may be found at our website, www.state.gov or in the U.S. Government Manual published by the Government Printing Office and available at most public libraries.

Based on the subject matter of your request, we searched the record systems most likely to maintain responsive records: the retired records of the Bureau of Intelligence and Research (INR) and the retired records of the Bureau of Politico-Military Affairs (PM). After a thorough search of these systems conducted by professional employees familiar with their contents and organization, no records responsive to your request were located. The requested memo and its attachments appear to have been destroyed following a specialized review by the records management staff.

I regret that the Department's response to your request is not more positive. Should you have any additional information that would assist us in identifying or locating the Department of State records you seek, please let us know within 60 days of the date of this letter, and we will be pleased to resume the processing of your request. Send additional information to: Office of Information Programs and Services, A/GIS/IPS, SA-2, Room 8100, U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C. 20522-8100. You may also direct questions concerning the processing of your request to the same address, or telephone (202)261-8484.

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The D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals, in <u>Oglesby v. Department</u> of the Army, 920 F.2d 57 (D.C. Cir. 1990), ruled that a "no record" response constitutes an adverse determination, thereby requiring an agency to give appeal rights to the requester. Our determination that the Department does not have any records responsive to your request may be appealed within 60 days of the date of this letter. Although I believe that our search effort has been thorough and complete, I want to be sure that you are aware of this court decision.

Appeals should be addressed to: Chairman, Appeals Review Panel, c/o Appeals Officer, A/GIS/IPS/PP/LC, Room 8100, SA-2, U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C. 20522-8100. A copy of the Department's appeal procedures is enclosed. Please refer to the case control number shown above in all correspondence concerning this case.

Sincerely,

Alex Galovich /=2

Co-Director, Acting

Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosure: As stated.