



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
UNITED STATES ARMY INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY COMMAND
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY OFFICE
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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

July 19, 2001

Freedom of Information/
Privacy Office

Mr. John Young
CRYPTOME
251 West 89th
Suite 6E
New York, New York 10024

Dear Mr. Young:

References:

- a. Your Freedom of Information Act request of March 29, 2001, for records concerning various dossiers. Your request was received in this office April 18, 2001.
- b. Our letter of April 20, 2001, informing you that additional time was needed to review the records and we were unable to comply with the 20-day statutory time limit in processing your request.

Utilizing the information you provided in your request, checks were conducted of the Defense Clearance and Investigations Index to determine the existence of Army intelligence records concerning South Vietnam Intelligence Services, ZF400107. No records responsive to your request were located. Fees for processing this request have been waived.

Army regulations provide for screening and destruction of intelligence dossiers, a process that began in August 1979. Screening and destruction takes place daily in the IRR at this headquarters. Many records qualify for destruction under these regulations. It is possible that the file you requested qualified for deletion from our holdings in accordance with current regulations.

This no record response is made on behalf of Brigadier General Keith B. Alexander, the Commanding General, U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command, who is the Initial Denial Authority for Army intelligence investigative and security records under the FOIA. You have the right to appeal this determination to the Secretary of the Army. If you wish to file an appeal, you should forward it to this office. Your appeal must be postmarked no later than 60 calendar days from the date of this letter. After the 60-day period, the case may be considered closed; however, such closure does not preclude you from filing litigation in the courts.

We are continuing to review records regarding other titles you have requested and will respond to you by separate correspondence when our review is complete.

If you have any questions concerning this action, feel free to contact this office at (301) 677-4502. Please refer to case number 670F-01.

Sincerely,



Russell A. Nichols
Chief, Freedom of Information/
Privacy Office