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Reference: F94-1969

Dear Mr. Lemish:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your 14 October 1994 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for "access to documentation and information relative to CIA operations in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam war." Specifically, you are requesting the following:

"Deployment of the 55th Infantry Platoon (Scout Dog) from Fort Benning, GA under the aegis of the CIA. Activated on 11/10/69. Location (pending confirmation) in the Republic of South Vietnam; Quang Tri (I Corps) with possible activity in Laos, Cambodia or North Vietnam.

CIA directed operations involving any of the following Infantry Platoon Combat Tracker teams (IPCT): 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 557th.

Any CIA sponsored K-9 activity and/or operations (scout and/or tracker) within the Republic of South Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, Malaysia or North Vietnam from 1960 to 1973."

We regret that we are unable to assist you with your request as stated as it is unsearchable in our records systems. The FOIA provides for public access to reasonably described records. This means that a document must be described sufficiently to enable a professional employee familiar with the subject to locate the document without an unreasonable amount of effort. This, with few exceptions, means that the documents must be locatable through the indexing to our various records systems. The FOIA does not require us to perform research or create records for a requester. Neither are we required to study a body of material to see if any of it is related to a specific event, activity, or incident.