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DIRECTORATE FOR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND SECURITY REVIEW
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Admiral E. R. Zumwalt, Jr., USN (Ret)
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Arlington, VA 22209-3909

Dear Admiral Zumwalt:

This is another interim response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of August 30, 1999, to Secretary Cohen. As this Directorate is the central point of contact for processing FOIA requests for the Office of the Secretary of Defense and Joint Staff, your request was referred here for administrative processing.

Due to the size and complexity of the Department of Defense (DoD), there is no central repository for all DoD records. This Directorate is responsible for responding to requests for records of the components of the Office of the Secretary of Defense and Joint Staff (OSD/JS). The several components of the DoD, including the military departments and separate defense agencies, operate their own Freedom of Information offices to respond to requests for records for which they are responsible. These procedures are provided in DoD Regulation 5400.7-R, as published in the Federal Register, November 25, 1998 (Volume 63, Number 227), and on the Internet at <http://www.defenselink.mil/pubs/foi/>.

Accordingly, in addition to a search within the OSD, your request has been referred to the military departments with the request that they respond directly to you. For your information their addresses are provided below.

Department of the Army
FOI & Privacy Acts Office
TAPC-PDR-PF
7798 Cissna Road, Suite 205
Springfield, VA 22150-3166

Department of the Navy
Chief of Naval Operations
N09B30
2000 Navy Pentagon
Washington, DC 20350-2000

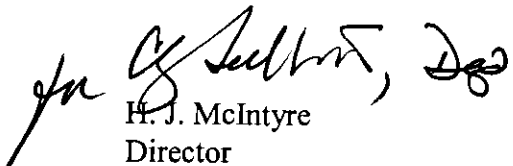


Department of the Air Force
11CS/SCSR(FOIA)
1000 Air Force Pentagon
Washington, DC 20330-1000

Commandant of the Marine Corps (ARAD)
Headquarters U.S. Marine Corps
2 Navy Annex
Washington, DC 20380-1775

You will receive a final response from this Directorate upon completion of processing within the OSD/JS. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me directly at (703) 697-4768, or my action officer, Mrs. Curry at (703) 697-1180.

Sincerely,


H. J. McIntyre
Director