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Scott Koch
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Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505

Re: MDR Request – EO-2007-00983

Dear Mr. Koch:

In your letter dated July 17, 2007, you addressed my request for mandatory declassification review of the records detailed below.

- (1) Pamphlet on Invisible Photography & writing, Synthetic Ink, Project 750041, RG 038, Entry 78, Box 05, Tab 01;
- (2) Report, "Detection of Secret Ink", Project 750041, RG 038, Entry 78, Box 02, Tab 04;
- (3) Report, "German Secret Ink Formula", Project 750041, RG 038, Entry 78, Box 02, Tab 02;
- (4) Report, "German Secret Ink Formula", Project 750041, RG 038, Entry 78, Box 02, Tab 01;
- (5) Report, "Secret Inks", Project 750041, RG 038, Entry 78, Box 02, Tab 03; and
- (6) 1917 memorandum from Heingleman to Marlenck, Project 750041, RG 038, Entry 78, Box 02, Tab 05.

In your letter, you indicated that the CIA completed a review of the records covered by my request on September 12, 2005, including a declassification review which was denied in full. Due to that review, you stated that my request therefore falls outside the

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scope of the mandatory declassification provisions of Executive Order 12958, as amended, namely the two year grace period between declassification reviews.

I am seeking clarification as to the basis of your justification. For what reason were the requested records processed so as to remove them from the scope of mandatory declassification review? Additionally, please clarify if all of the requested records or only some of them were processed on September 12, 2005.

Your cooperation in this matter would be appreciated. If you wish to discuss this request, please do not hesitate to contact me at either (202) 498-0011 or my law office at (202) 454-2809.

Finally, please have all return correspondence addressed specifically to my attention to ensure proper delivery.

Sincerely,

Mark S. Zaid
Executive Director

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