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Mr. Howard P. Lowell
Director, Modern Records Programs
National Archives and Records Administration
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Dear Mr. Lowell:

(U) In your letter of 23 November 2004, you asked that we examine our record holdings to determine the disposition of "classified annexes to the Intelligence Authorization Acts for FYs 1947 through 1970."

(U) In response to your request, our records managers completed extensive research into the development of annexes and related budget documents and for verification of their findings also completed an exhaustive hand search of budget data of the Office of the Comptroller, the Office of Congressional Affairs and predecessor organizations, for fiscal years 1947 through 1970.

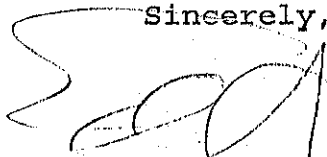
(U//~~FOUO~~) We determined that the "classified annexes" are documents produced in Congress that specifically define how funding appropriated for the Central Intelligence Agency budget shall be spent. The Intelligence Authorization Act that precipitated these documents was first enacted in 1979 and these external documents were not produced until the early 1980's. Hence, the documents are not extant for the fiscal years 1947 through 1970 and no evidence exists that would require a report under 36 CFR 1228.104.

(U//~~FOUO~~) It is our understanding that prior to 1979 CIA budget figures were disclosed to CIA from closely held informal Congressional documentation maintained by Congress and not formally disseminated to the Agency. Unfortunately, this Congressional documentation was anachronistically referred to in the Stockman declaration as "classified annexes" to "intelligence authorization acts."

Mr. Howard P. Lowell

(U) If you have further questions please contact Mr. Christopher Olsen, Chief, Records and Classification Management, Information Management Services, or me, by telephone at 703-613-1716 or 703-613-1252, respectively.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Edmund Cohen', written over a horizontal line.

Edmund Cohen
Chief, Information Management Services