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Dear Ms. Feinstein:

This is in response to your letter dated 31 July 2002 in which you appealed the 14 June 2002 determination of this Agency in response to your 24 October 2001 Freedom of Information Act request for records pertaining to the "Sapito Massacre."

Specifically, you appealed our determination to deny you access to two documents in their entirety on the on the basis of Freedom of Information Act exemptions (b)(1) and (b)(3).

Your appeal has been presented to the appropriate member of the Agency Release Panel, the Information Review Officer for the Directorate of Operations. Pursuant to the authority delegated under paragraph 1900.43 of Chapter XIX, Title 32 of the Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.), the Information Review Officer has reviewed the two documents, the determinations made with respect to them, and the propriety of the application of the Freedom of Information Act exemptions asserted with respect to the two documents. It has been determined that the documents must continue to be withheld in their entirety on the basis of Freedom of Information Act exemptions (b)(1) and (b)(3). Further, in regard to your appeal and in accordance with CIA regulations appearing at 32 C.F.R. paragraph 1900.41(c)(2), the Agency Release Panel has affirmed this determination.

Ms. Tamara Feinstein

In accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, you have the right to seek judicial review of this determination in a United States district court.

We appreciate your patience while your appeal was being considered.

Sincerely,

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Herbert O. Briick
Vice Chairman
Agency Release Panel

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