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Mr. J. William Codinha
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Select Committee on POW/MIA Affairs
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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Dear Mr. Codinha:

Your letter of 20 October 1992 inquired about information relevant to the POW issue which the Committee thought available in the files and archives of the

It will not be appropriate or useful to make the entire files and archives available to the Committee. To assist the work of the Committee, however, the ensured that a thorough review was undertaken to locate any files or reports touching on issues before the Committee. No file specifically devoted to POW/MIA issues exists in current holdings or in archives. Other files were hand-searched, particular attention being paid to those on Vietnam and Korea.

The files contained several documents, both classified intelligence reports and open press articles, which related to the POW/MIA issue. Two classified reports were originated by CIA: a December 1982 assessment of the Lao resistance; and an October 1991 report relating a views on normalizing relations with the United States. We believe both reports have already been made available to the Committee but have appended copies to this letter for ease of reference.

Sincerely,

Deputy Director for Senate Affairs

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