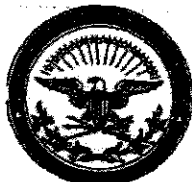


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Dear Mr Howell,

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated Jun 6, 2001. Your request will require an extraordinary expenditure of time, manpower and other resources. As such, we estimate that we will require 60 - 90 days in order to properly assimilate the requested information.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Corporal Burdett at telephone number (910) 451-4455, or fax at (910) 451-0348.

Sincerely,

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