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MEMORANDUM FOR: OIM [redacted]
FROM: DS&T Information Review Office
SUBJECT: Hall litigation

1. (U//~~ATUO~~) DS&T has completed its searches in the matter of Roger Hall v. CIA. All searches were undertaken in accordance with standard FOIA procedures and were reasonably calculated to uncover all records responsive to the request as submitted. Specific results are reviewed below.

- a) "POW/MIAs sent out of S.E. Asia (to China, Russia, N. Korea, Cuba, etc.) whether they be civilian or military even if they are not now in a prisoner status as long as that they at any time were a POW/MIA and have not returned, been returned, or their remains returned (no documents created after January 13, 1994 need be searched)". [redacted] searches of its [redacted] database alone yielded over 700 potentially-responsive hits; because this number exceeds what is normally considered "reasonable" by FOIA standards, processing was suspended. Archived records databases [redacted] were also searched using the search terms POW, prison, prisoner(s), prisoner(s) or war, PW, MIA, missing, and missing in action, with no date restrictions. No responsive records were located.
- b) "All radio and television broadcast intercepts and newspaper articles from 1968 through and including 1973 that are within the possession and control of your agency or any agency components. You may omit from this request those documents which were included in the published Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS) Far East volume for those years." [redacted]
[redacted] this system was searched using the terms articulated above for the referenced time period and and yielded no responsive records.
- c) "Any or all records, reports, memoranda or other documents, in the possession and control of your agency which were prepared by and assembled by the [CIA] between January 1, 1971 and December 31, 1975 relating to the status of any United States prisoners of war (POWs) or those missing in action (MIAs) in Laos, including but not limited to any reports prepared by Mr. Horgan or any other agent or employee of the CIA for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the President or any other agency." Archived records database searched performed under item a would have captured responsive records, if any had existed.

Exhibit 1