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Dear Mr. McClanahan:

This acknowledges receipt of your letter dated 18 February 2009 concerning Mark Zaid's 19 May 2008 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for records concerning the proposed enactment of an anti-leak provision in the 2001 Intelligence Authorization Act. The provision, known informally as the Official Secrets Act, would have criminalized unauthorized disclosure of properly classified information. This request also should include the following:

1. Testimony by CIA officials delivered verbally or submitted in writing to any Congressional Committee or Subcommittee pertaining to the proposed enactment of this anti-leak provision.
2. Any correspondence between CIA and any member of Congress, Senator, or Congressional staffer pertaining to the proposed enactment of this anti-leak provision.
3. Records pertaining to the proposed enactment of this anti-leak provision and the opinions of the CIA as an institution and of individual CIA employees regarding the proposed statutory language.

In our 29 May 2008 acceptance letter we stated that we would limit our search to CIA-originated records unless you object. You are now asking that we not limit the search to CIA-originated records or exclude any external correspondence. We will notify the appropriate components to expand their search to include all records regardless of origin.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Delores M. Nelson".

Delores M. Nelson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator

