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Dear Mr. Hayes:

This is a final response to your letter of November 7, 1984, which appealed the denial by Major General Walter C. Schrupp, Deputy Chief of Staff, United States Pacific Command, of quarterly reports to the Secretary of Defense. Appellate responses for some of the quarterly reports were provided previously (our sixth appellate response of November 27, 1985, refers). Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Reform Act of 1986, as promulgated by DoD 5400.7-R at 32 CFR 286, Vol. 52, No. 132, July 10, 1987, your request on behalf of Pacific Action Research is categorized as "Other."

The withheld material from the enclosed quarterly reports to the Secretary of Defense concerns military plans, weapons or operations; the vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, projects, or plans relating to national security; foreign government information; intelligence activities, or intelligence sources or methods; and foreign relations or foreign activities of the United States (see Executive Order 12356, Section 1.3.(a)(1)(2)(3)(4) and (5)). Internal advice, recommendations and subjective evaluations pertaining to the decision-making process within the Department of Defense are also contained within the above mentioned classified categories. Unauthorized disclosure of the denied material reasonably could be expected to cause serious damage to the national security, as well as chilling the process by which defense officials may freely express their opinions, recommendations and subjective evaluations.

As appellate authority I, therefore, affirm the denied portions of the enclosed material pursuant to Title 5 USC 552(b)(1) and (5).

You are advised that you have the right to judicial review of this decision in a United States District Court in accordance with Title 5 USC 552(a)(4)(B).

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