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Dear Ms. Best:

On 19 July 2017, the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator received your letter dated 13 July 2017 concerning your 25 June 2017 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for **a copy of the guidelines referenced in the attached, declassified CIA document**. Specifically, you are appealing our 29 June 2017 response based on our decision that referred you to the U.S. Government Accountability Office instead of conducting a search.

First, please be advised that our regulations only allow requesters to appeal denials of information, no records located responses, fee waiver denials, and expedited processing. For your information, Agency regulations addressing appeal rights are located in subparts 1900.42(a) of title 32 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Therefore, this determination is not subject to an administrative appeal pursuant to Agency regulations in subparts 1900.42(a) of title 32 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

After further consideration, based on the information enclosed in your request, our officers will review your request and will advise you should they encounter any further problems or if they cannot begin the search without additional information. We have assigned your request the new reference number above. Please use this number when corresponding so that we can identify it easily. In accordance with our regulations, as a matter of administrative discretion, the Agency has waived the fees for this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Allison Fong", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Allison Fong  
Information and Privacy Coordinator