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Ms. Beatriz Collazo  
Records Officer  
American Battle Monuments Commission  
2300 Clarendon Boulevard, Ste 500  
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Dear Ms. Collazo:

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) received your report of unauthorized disposition of American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC) records. The July 6, 2017 letter describes the circumstances and corrective actions needed to prevent further unauthorized disposition and unlawful removal of ABMC records as well as the non-capture of senior agency officials emails.

We appreciate receiving the report from ABMC. However, the report does not sufficiently describe the contents, volume, and dates associated with the lost records. Additionally, the report does not identify whether or not any actions were taken to salvage, retrieve, or reconstruct the lost Federal records.

In accordance with 36 CFR 1230.16(b), NARA is requesting that ABMC provide us with a response within 30 calendar days describing the contents, volume and dates, if known, of (1) the erroneously disposed records, (2) the records taken home by ABMC staff and (3) the emails from the personal email accounts of agency commissioners. This report should also identify any action taken to salvage, retrieve, or reconstruct the lost Federal records.

Finally, the report should also include the specific dates when ABMC completed the actions outlined in sections 1-5 of your letter and follow-up reports should give dates of when each effort in section 6 of your letter is completed or at least a plan that reflects the proposed dates of completion.

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Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact Andrea Noel, Senior Records Analyst, at 301-837-3564 or by email at [andrea.noel@nara.gov](mailto:andrea.noel@nara.gov) .

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Laurence Brewer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Laurence" and the last name "Brewer" clearly legible.

LAURENCE BREWER

Chief Records Officer

for the U.S. Government