1			OB NUMBER	
TO: NATIONAL ARCHIVES and RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (NIR) WASHINGTON, DC 20408			701-1471-02-30 DATE RECEIVED 5-15-02	
1. FROM (Agency or establishment) U.S. Army			NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY	
2. MAJOR SUBDIVISION U.S. Total Army Personnel Command			In accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 3303a the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked "disposition not approved" or "withdrawn" in column 10.	
3. MINOR SUBDIVISION Records Management Division				
	ME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER Johnson	(703) 806-3188	DATE ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES -	
6. AGENCY CERTIFICATION I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached				
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7. ITEM NO.	8. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PRO	POSED DISPOSITION	9. GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10. ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)
Background. Assistant Secretary of Defense Memorandum, 4 Jun 01, subject: Disposition of Unclassified DoD Computer Hard Drives, directed that immediate steps be taken to ensure that all hard drives of unclassified computer equipment being disposed of outside the DoD be sanitized. Attachment 1 to subject memo requires that documentation be maintained for a minimum of 5 years certifying that information on a hard drive has been overwritten with qualified software in such a way that meaningful information cannot be recovered from the hard drive. The prescribing regulation for the following file number is AR 25-1, Army Information Management. The proposed disposition instructions apply to records in all media and format.  1 FN: 25e				
2	Title: Certification of Sanitization/Destruction of DoD Computer Hard Drives Authority: Privacy Act: Description: Documentation certifying that a hard drive being disposed of outside DoD has been purged by overwriting with qualified software in such a way that meaningful information cannot be recovered from the hard drive. Disposition: Code T5. Keep in CFA until no longer needed for conducting business, then retire to RHA. The RHA will destroy the record when the record is 5 years old.			
2	Electronic copies created on electronic mail and word processing systems will be destroyed after the recordkeeping copy has been produced.			

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