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Dear Tommy Lee,

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has received your report on the loss of 1 box of Mortuary Affairs Case Files that were lost at Columbus AFB, Mississippi. The report indicates that the records were most likely lost due to a filing error.

We understand that efforts were made to recover the records but were unsuccessful. We also understand that to prevent future loss of records, all Mortuary Affairs records are now retained in a DoD-wide electronic system of record for eventual transfer to NARA.

Based on this information, NARA is satisfied with the safeguards established and considers this matter closed. I appreciate your attention to this important matter. If you have any questions or wish to discuss further, please contact me at laurence.brewer@nara.gov.

Sincerely,

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