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April 14, 2023

Afeni Farmer
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Dear Afeni Farmer,

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has become aware of the possible unauthorized disposition of records from the Defense Intelligence Agency - Office of Inspector General (DIA-OIG). The allegation claims that during an attempt to upload files to a Sharepoint system, that every project file at DIA OIG prior to about 2014 were inadvertently destroyed. The complainant asserts that this was reported to the Deputy Inspector General, Jeremy Kirkland, and the Counsel to the Inspector General in August 2020.

NARA requests that the DIA investigate this allegation to determine whether DIA-OIG project files were inadvertently deleted. Please provide a comprehensive report within 30 days of this letter in accordance with 36 CFR 1230.16. Your report should include a complete description of the records mentioned in the allegation, including volume and dates of the records, applicable record schedule/disposition authority number, and specific details describing the unauthorized disposition incident. Additionally, please include in your report any recovery or restoration efforts and any safeguards that will be implemented to prevent future unauthorized disposition of such records.

NARA appreciates your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or wish to discuss further, please contact me at laurence.brewer@nara.gov.

Sincerely,

LAURENCE BREWER
Chief Records Officer
for the U.S. Government

cc. Brentin Evitt, Director, Information Management and Compliance Office, Senior Agency
Official for Records Management



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June 1, 2023

Afeni Farmer
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Dear Afeni Farmer,

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) was made aware of the possible unauthorized disposition of records from the Defense Intelligence Agency-Office of Inspector General (DIA-OIG). The allegation claimed that during an attempt to upload files to a Sharepoint system, that some project files at DIA OIG were inadvertently destroyed.

NARA acknowledges DIA's efforts to investigate this allegation to determine whether DIA-OIG project files were inadvertently deleted. Upon completion DIA determined the allegation is unsubstantiated. The points of contact assigned to the OIG during this time period have no recollection of this event, and analysis of the SharePoint and shared drive, and project files from 2000-2014 confirmed that no data loss occurred.

Based on the information provided, DIA has satisfied all reporting requirements and NARA considers this unauthorized disposition allegation resolved. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions or wish to discuss this further, please contact me at laurence.brewer@nara.gov

Sincerely,

LAURENCE BREWER
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