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Tommy W. Lee Department of the Air Force 1800 Air Force Pentagon Washington, DC 20330-1800

Dear Tommy Lee,

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) acknowledges receipt of the Department of the Air Force's report on the loss of 8 boxes of Decorations to Individuals (Military and Civilian) records at Incirlik Air Base, Turkey.

According to the report, the records were identified as missing after a full inventory of the base records staging area. The exact circumstances of how the records became missing are unknown. We understand that efforts were made to locate the records but were unsuccessful. We further understand that to prevent future loss of records, the records are no longer kept in paper and are electronically managed and stored.

Based on this information, NARA is satisfied with the actions Air Force has taken and considers this matter closed. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at laurence.brewer@nara.gov.

Sincerely,

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

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