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Sent: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 4:41 PM

To: Wagner, Michael; Martel, Michael COL USSOCOM USASOC HQ G6

Cc: Farabow, Sara Beiro; Blake, David; Treese David W MR; Peterson, Daniel V CIV

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Subject: RE: Referral of FOIA Request, Case #18-157

Mr. Wagner,

I sent you a copy of AR 25-55 for your review/understanding of the Department of the Army Freedom of Information Act Program. In your initial request, I informed you that the information you requested fell under the purview of the Corps of Engineers (COE); and we had referred your request to that agency for action. You further requested that we (USASOC) search for records related to Watts contract being terminated. Again, I informed you that if records were located it may fall under the purview of the COE. I consulted with you on several occasions relating to your request and the record located. Bottom-line, the information we located originated at the COE and must be approved them for release. We consulted with them on a release determination of the information and their Attorney requested that we refer the material to their office for releasing to you. You case is close at our office and you must direct any further questions/concerns with the COE; or you may discuss our final response with our Attorney, Mr Daniel Peterson (cc'd). Sincerely,

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Dear Col. Martel and Mr. Nesbitt:

Please see attached letter in response to your letter of 23 August 2018.

Sincerely, Michael Wagner

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Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2018 2:52 PM

To: Wagner, Michael <MeWagner@seyfarth.com> Subject: Referral of FOIA Request, Case #18-157

Mr. Wagner.

Attached is a Notice of Referral Letter to your Freedom of Information Act request. You should receive the original copy in the mail soon.

Sincerely.

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