

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION DIVISION 1155 DEFENSE PENTAGON WASHINGTON, DC 20301-1155

> Ref: 21-F-0833 NARA: 2-24915370251 May 24, 2021

Mr. John Eakin 9865 Tower View Helotes, TX 78023

Dear Mr. Eakin:

This is in further response to your April 12, 2021 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, a copy of which is enclosed. We received your request on April 13, 2021, and assigned it FOIA case number 21-F-0833. We ask that you use this number when referring to your request.

We have been made aware of the letter to you from the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), dated May 18, 2021, which contends that your FOIA request was mistakenly referred to that agency. The letter also indicates that NARA has withdrawn from the Memorandum of Agreement for processing IDPFs between their office, the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA), and the Army. As such, we have re-opened your request to ensure that DPAA continues to process your request for a direct response to you.

Please contact the Action Officer assigned to your request Mr. Charles Marye, at <u>charles.c.marye.civ@mail.mil</u> or (571) 372-0407 for any questions you may have. If you would like to discuss further or have concerns about service received by our office, please contact a member of our Leadership Team at 571-372-0498 or Toll Free at 866-574-4970. Our FOIA Public Liaison is also available to assist you and may be reached at 571-372-0464.

Sincerely,

Pamela Andrews

Stephanie L. Carr Chief

Enclosures: As stated

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