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Dear Mr. Blanton:

This is a follow-up to my letter of June 23, 2006, concerning certain Central Intelligence Agency records relating to George Polk. The CIA has reported back to us. I regret to inform you that after conducting an exhaustive search, the agency reports that they are unable to locate either the original documents or information about their disposition. Among the things we did learn, however, is that the reference to destruction in the CIA's letter of December 16, 2005, does not refer to the underlying original documents. It refers to the original FOIA case file, which was properly destroyed under the provisions of GRS 14, Item 11(a)(3)(a).

Please call me (202-357-5900), Paul Wester (301-837-3120) or Laurence Brewer (301-837-1539) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Archivist of the United States