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Serial: MDR: 103886/Appeal: 5277  
May 16, 2019

Mr. John Greenewald, Jr.  
27305 W. Live Oak Rd., Suite 1203  
Castaic, CA 91384-4520

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

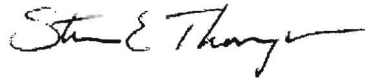
This responds to your 8 October 2018 letter appealing the National Security Agency's (NSA) redaction and withholding decisions made in Mandatory Declassification Review (MDR) case 103886. I have reviewed your request, the Chief of Declassification Services' response, the related documents and your appeal letter. I have determined that the decision provided to you on 25 September 2018 was correct.

The information withheld by NSA in this case has been deemed to be properly classified in accordance with E.O. 13526. The redacted information meets the criteria for classification as set forth in Section 1.4 subparagraphs (c) and (d) and remains classified TOP SECRET and SECRET as provided in Section 1.2 of E.O. 13526 for material less than 25 years old. The material older than 25 years is exempt from automatic declassification per section 3.3 subparagraphs b (1), (3) and (6). In addition, Section 3.5 (c) of E.O. 13526 allows for the protection of information under the provisions of law. Therefore, information that would reveal NSA/CSS functions and activities has been protected in accordance with Section 6, Public Law 86-36 (50 U.S. Code 3605, formerly 50 U.S. Code 402 note). Portions that do not respond to your request are marked as Non-Responsive and, as such, are not subject to appeal.

You may consider this final Agency decision a denial of your appeal. Accordingly, you are hereby advised that under the MDR process, you may appeal a final agency decision in writing, within 60 days from the date of this letter, to the Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP) at the following address:

Executive Secretary, Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel  
ATTN: Classification Challenge Appeals  
c/o Information Security Oversight Office  
National Archives and Records Administration  
7th and Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Room 500  
Washington, DC 20408.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven E. Thompson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

STEVEN E. THOMPSON  
Mandatory Declassification Review Appeal Authority