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Dear Mr. Smith:

In the course of processing your 30 May 2009 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Defense for records on Operation Tipped Kettle, the Department of Defense located CIA material and referred it to us on 23 October 2009 for review and direct response to you.

We reviewed the material and determined that there is CIA information in the documents that must be withheld. Deletions were made on the basis of FOIA exemptions (b)(1) and/or (b)(3). Copies of the documents and an explanation of exemptions are enclosed. As the CIA Information and Privacy Coordinator, I am the CIA official responsible for this determination. You have the right to appeal this response to the Agency Release Panel, in my care, within 45 days from the date of this letter. Please include the basis of your appeal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Delores M. Nelson".

Delores M. Nelson
Information and Privacy Coordinator

Enclosures

Explanation of Exemptions

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- (b)(9) exempts from disclosure geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

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1 November 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Caspar W. Weinberger
The Secretary of DefenseSUBJECT: Need for Man-portable Weapons Captured by
Israeli Forces in Lebanon

1. This Agency has a priority requirement for the man-portable weapons captured by the Israelis during their recent incursion into Lebanon. Most of these weapons are of Soviet or Communist Bloc origin which offer particular application in the conduct of special activities and unconventional warfare where friendly forces are primarily dependent on battlefield recovery for arms resupply.

2. Types of weapons would include, but are not limited to, those listed in the attachment. These weapons are known to be in Israeli possession. In addition, any ammunition that may be acquired to support these weapons or other ordnance items, e.g., mines and hand grenades, would greatly assist in the support of various Agency programs.

3. While we recognize our current bargaining position with the Israelis is very low, we nevertheless request your assistance in seizing upon future opportunities in the area of security assistance and/or intelligence support programs to apply the leverage necessary to acquire these weapons at little or no cost to the U.S. Government.

William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence

Attachment

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2 December 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Caspar W. Weinberger
Secretary of Defense

SUBJECT: Need for Man-portable Weapons Captured
by Israeli Forces in Lebanon

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1. In response to your memorandum of 17 November 1982 regarding captured weapons, we recommend that DOD continue in its efforts to acquire captured weapons directly from the Israeli Government.

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3. Naturally, any new SovMat acquired under this arrangement will be shared with DOD as were the SA-9 and other Soviet missile systems.

W. J. Casey
William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence

- Attachments:
- A. SECDEF Memo of 17 Nov 82
 - B. DCI Memo of 4 Nov 82

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6 April 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, International Activities Division/DDO ←
FROM: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT: Continued Interest in the Man-Portable Weapons
Captured by Israeli Forces in Lebanon

Rather than send the note you prepared to the Secretary of Defense, I raised it with him at breakfast this morning. I told him that we were very grateful for his support in obtaining Israeli-captured weapons before, and that I understood a survey team was going out to Israel this month to take a second look. I indicated that we would be very grateful for whatever additional hand-held weapons the team could garner for our use in our paramilitary programs. The Secretary said that he would be happy to support us and would make sure that the survey team would keep us in mind. Deputy Secretary Taft made a note to follow up.


John N. McMahon 

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