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Attention: Ben Dixon

Dear Mr. Malmborg:

Re: Horman et al. v. Kissinger et al., U.S.D.C.,  
D.C., Civil Action No. 77-1748

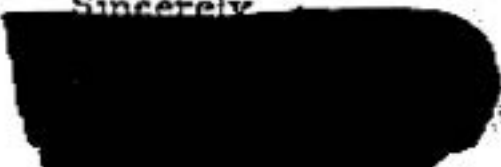
This is in response to your letter to this Office dated 23 December 1977 in which you seek certain information from CIA concerning allegations made by the plaintiffs in the above-referenced lawsuit. Specifically, you have forwarded extracts of 1976 internal State Department memoranda and have asked for input concerning questions and speculation contained therein relating to CIA's possible knowledge of or involvement in the death of Charles Horman during the 1973 coup in Chile.

Your letter was apparently prompted by a desire to assist the Department of Justice, which is representing the defendants in this case, in gathering all relevant information surrounding the occurrences at issue in the lawsuit. As you know, this Office with the approval of senior Justice Department officials has been dealing directly with the Assistant U.S. Attorney assigned to the case; in this connection, we have made available to him all of our files on this matter and will continue to provide him with whatever additional information and assistance which he may require. However, in the interests of addressing the questions raised in the extracts which you have provided us, let me assure you on behalf of this Agency that CIA had no prior knowledge of and played no role in either the death of Mr. Horman or in the events surrounding the subsequent disposition of his remains.

Sincerely,


APPROVED FOR RELEASE

DATE: Jun. 2, 2000

  
Assistant General Counsel

cc: Steven S. Cowen,  
Assistant U.S. Attorney

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