31 August, 2000

Mr. Danny B. Stillman

Dear Mr. Stillman:

In an effort to keep you apprised of the status of the review of your manuscript, “Inside China’s Nuclear Weapons Program,” the following is provided.

As you already know from the August 2nd e-mail to you from DIA had completed its review and was required to staff the review through the Department of Defense Directorate for Freedom of Information and Security Review (DFOISR). Due to the manuscript’s content and the significant extent of Department of Defense (DoD) equities beyond the purview of DIA, DFOISR determined it necessary to take responsibility for the review of the manuscript. The review process is not being delayed, but DFOISR has assumed responsibility for the overall DoD review and final determination of the DoD position regarding publication of your manuscript. DFOISR has advised me that they expect to complete processing of the manuscript by September 15, 2000.

Any questions you may have regarding the status of the review of your manuscript should be addressed to Mr. Henry J. McIntyre, Director, FOISR. The address for DFOISR is: 1155 Defense Pentagon, Room 2C757, Washington, D.C. 20301-1155. Mr. McIntyre may be contacted at

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