

## NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY CENTRAL SECURITY SERVICE FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, MARYLAND 20755-6000

FOIA Case: 70252 2 April 2013

Mr. John Young Cryptome.org 251 West 89th Street New York, NY 10024

Dear Mr. Young:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted to the NSA FOIA Requester Service Center (RSC) via the Internet on 24 March 2013, which was received by this office on 25 March 2013, for copies of all issues of the magazines referenced in Cryptolog Vol 1, Number 1, Aug 1974: *Dragonseeds, Keyword, QRL*, and *Command*. Your request has been assigned Case Number 70252. Your email referred to your request as a "FOIA MDR" request. Since the search for the requested material would take longer than the reasonable search time allowed under the Mandatory Declassification Review process, the request was entered as a FOIA and assigned case number 70252.

For purposes of this request and based on the information you provided in your letter, you are considered an "all other" requester. As such, you are allowed 2 hours of search and the duplication of 100 pages at no cost. There are no assessable fees for this request.

As you are aware from a telephone conversation with Mr. Paul Blaskowski on 1 April 2013, the search for the responsive material would likely be costly. In addition, the material is highly technical, complex, and voluminous, and, if processed as full journals under the FOIA, would result in your request being placed in the complex backlog. As Mr. Blaskowski explained to you, NSA has undertaken efforts under Transparency to review for potential release in a systematic way as many articles as possible from various NSA publications and journals. This allows us to review articles individually, and to process first those articles that contain little classified or exempt information, resulting in more information being made available to the public more quickly. As articles are completed and approved for release, we are able to post them to NSA.gov without waiting for entire publications to be reviewed. After speaking with

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Mr. Blaskowski, you agreed to withdraw this FOIA request and to look for new releases to be made available on NSA.gov as they are completed.

We appreciate your willingness to cooperate with our efforts to streamline the process for reviewing and releasing articles from the various NSA publications. We will add the specific publications that you are interested in to our list of materials requiring review as we move forward with this project.

Sincerely,

PAMELA N. PHILLIPS

Chief

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