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MR JOHN L. YOUNG
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Dear Mr. Young:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of 1 July 2011 for "A copy of the paper "The Hagelin cipher machine (M-209), cryptanalysis from ciphertext alone," by James Reeds, Dennis Ritchie, and Robert Morris, unpublished technical memorandum, circa 1978." A copy of your request is enclosed.

In our earlier correspondence, you were informed that the material responsive to your request was placed in the first-in, first-out processing queue for Non-Personal Easy cases. Upon further review of this document, it has been determined that it is not, in fact, an Agency record, and is therefore not subject to the FOIA. As a copyrighted document it remains the property of the authors, whether or not they choose to publish it, and therefore does not fall under our purview or control with respect to release or publication.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John R. Chapman".

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Records Requested:

I request a copy of the paper "The Hagelin cipher machine (M-209), cryptanalysis from ciphertext alone," by James Reeds, Dennis Ritchie, and Robert Morris, unpublished technical memorandum, circa 1978.

This paper was reportedly submitted to NSA for review and the agency requested that it not be published. It appears to have never been published.

A background story is in this account:

<http://cm.bell-labs.com/cm/cs/who/dmr/crypt.html>

A brief reference is made in a Robert Morris obituary in the New York Times, July 1, 2011.

My intention is to publish the paper on Cryptome.org.

Thanks very much,

John Young
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