

REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY		JOB NUMBER N1-342-01-1	
TO: NATIONAL ARCHIVES & RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (NWML) 8601 ADELPHI ROAD, COLLEGE PARK, MD 20740-6001		Date received 2/20/2001	
1. FROM (Agency or establishment) Department of the Air Force		NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY In accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 3303a, the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked "disposition not approved" or "withdrawn" in column 10.	
2. MAJOR SUBDIVISION			
3. MINOR SUBDIVISION			
4. NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER Cheryle D. Gumaer	5. TELEPHONE NUMBER 703-588-6186	DATE 6-15-01	ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES <i>John W. Cal</i>
6. AGENCY CERTIFICATION I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached <u>6</u> page(s) are not needed now for the business for this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified; and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required <input type="checkbox"/> is attached; or <input type="checkbox"/> has been requested.			
DATE 12 Feb 01	SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE <i>Cheryle D. Gumaer</i>		TITLE AF Records Officer
7. ITEM NO.	8. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION SEE ATTACHED PAGES.	9. GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10. ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)
	<i>Agency, NWMD, NWML, NWCS, NWCT</i>		

**Department of the Air Force
WNRC Project
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(Note: The other records in the box are disposable per AFMAN 37-139, Table 34-4, Rules 1-7 for child care operations records and per AFMAN 37-139, Table 44-2, Rule 3.03 for SF 518 blood transfusion records.)

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Working papers, background data, computer print-outs and progress reports of a radar simulator test conducted by the 1st Combat Evaluation Group at Barksdale Air Force Base, LA.

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11. Electronic Warfare Systems Materiel Management Records, 1970-1973.

Mostly thermofax copies of correspondence with contractors of the Materiel Management Quick Reaction Capability (QRC) Depot, at the Sacramento (CA) Air Logistics Center, Air Force Logistics Command. Routine paperwork primarily shows projected delivery dates of equipment related to electronic warfare.

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Mixed files containing local news releases, duty status change forms, routine correspondence, and a list of key people associated with the consolidated open mess. The 388th Tactical Fighter Wing was located at Korat Royal Air Force Base, Thailand, during the Vietnam War.

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Two inches of miscellaneous records including reports about parking, air traffic volume for one month, and stock levels of laundered linens.

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