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Kim Tart
Department of Veterans Affairs
801 Vermont Avenue, NW
Enterprise Records Service (005R1B)
Washington, DC 20420

Dear Kim Tart,

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has been notified of a potential unauthorized disposition of records. The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Portland Health Care System (P1DIR/648) reported that 1,119 radiology, general records, and clinical images were lost during data migration.

In accordance with 36 CFR 1230.14(a), NARA requests that VA respond within 30 calendar days to this allegation. If it is determined that an unauthorized disposition of records has occurred, the response should include the following information:

- A complete description of the records with volume and dates if known;
- The office maintaining the records;
- A statement of the exact circumstances surrounding the removal, defacing, alteration, or destruction of records;
- A statement of the safeguards established to prevent further loss of documentation; and
- Details of the actions taken to salvage, retrieve, or reconstruct the records.

If it is determined that there has been no unauthorized disposition, please provide us with sufficient documentation to support that finding. I appreciate your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or wish to discuss further, please contact me at laurence.brewer@nara.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Laurence M. Brewer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'L' and 'B'.

LAURENCE BREWER

Chief Records Officer

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