

Steve Weingarten  
432 S. Alhambra Ave.  
Monterey Park, Ca., 91754  
213-288-1109  
August 18, 1981

Director  
Freedom of Information Staff  
Bureau for Public Administration  
Department of State, Room 239  
Washington, D.C., 20520

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 552).

I wish to obtain a copy of all documents retrievable in a search for files listed for Ruben Salazar, the Los Angeles Times journalist who was killed on August 29, 1970. Mr. Salazar's social security account number was 465-34-0679; his passport number was F253220; his Certificate of Naturalization number was 7120672, issued on November 27, 1953 in El Paso, Texas. Mr. Salazar was born on March 3, 1928 in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. As a foreign correspondent for the Los Angeles Times, Mr. Salazar was based in Mexico City for approximately 18 months as bureau chief for the newspaper in that city. He travelled widely across Central America and the Caribbean, including three trips to Cuba authorized by a passport official in the U.S. embassy in Mexico City.

If all or any part of my request is denied, please list the specific exemptions which are being claimed to withhold information.

If you determine that some portions of the requested material are exempt, I will expect, as the Act provides, that you will provide me with the remaining non-exempt portions. I, of course, reserve the right to appeal any decision to withhold information and expect that you will list the address and office where an appeal can be sent.

As you know, the amended FOIA permits you to reduce or waive search and/or copying fees when release of the requested information would be "in the public interest." I believe that this request fits that category since the material will be for a magazine article I am writing, and I therefore ask that you waive such fees.

If you have any question regarding this request, please telephone me at the above number.

As provided in the FOIA, I will expect to receive a reply within ten working days.

Sincerely yours,

Steven Paul Weingarten  
SSA# 552-80-4491  
Born on May 8, 1951 in  
Cleveland, Ohio



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

September 8, 1981

Mr. Steven Weingarten  
432 S. Alhambra Ave.  
Monterey Park, CA 91754

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request #8103098

Dear Mr. Weingarten:

The Department's Information and Privacy Staff has received your request of August 18 for access to information concerning Ruben Salazar.

Based upon the information that you provided with your request, I have initiated searches of those record systems most likely to contain documents about Mr. Salazar. As soon as I receive responses from the offices conducting those searches, I shall notify you of the results.

In order to offset the costs of administering the Act, the Freedom of Information Act provides that agencies may collect search fees and reproduction costs. I have enclosed a copy of our fee schedule for your information. The Department may waive its fees only if you can provide evidence that a waiver of fees would be in the public interest or benefit. If you wish to limit the costs of search and reproduction to a maximum amount, please notify me.

If you have additional questions concerning your request, please contact the Information and Privacy Staff, Room 1239, Department of State, 2201 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20520. If you prefer, you may reach me by telephone on (202) 632-5170. Please refer to the above FOIA request number in your correspondence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeanne Giamporcaro".

Jeanne Giamporcaro  
Information and Privacy Staff

Enclosure:  
As stated

September 25, 1981  
Monterey Park, Ca.

Jeanne Giamporcaro  
Information and Privacy Staff  
Department of State  
Washington, D.C., 20520

Dear Ms. Giamporcaro:

This letter is in response to your answer to my Freedom of Information Act request for files concerning Ruben Salazar, filed by your office as request #8103098. I'm conducting this investigation for use in either an article or book about Mr. Salazar, both of which would make this request fall into the category of the public's benefit and interest.

As proof of this, I'm enclosing an article of mine about Mr. Salazar just published in a local, weekly newspaper on the occasion of the eleventh anniversary of the reporter's death. As I'm sure you are well aware, great controversy has surrounded Mr. Salazar's life and death, and release of any possible government files on the journalist would clear many matters up. Therefore I once again ask you to waive the search and copying fees your search might accrue. Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,



Steven Paul Weingarten  
432 S. Alhambra Ave.  
Monterey Park, Ca., 91754  
(213) 288-1109



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

March 12, 1982

Mr. Steven Weingarten  
432 S. Alhambra Ave.  
Monterey Park, CA 91754

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request #8103098

Dear Mr. Weingarten

This refers to my letter of September 8, 1981 regarding your request for access to information concerning Mr. Ruben Salazar. Based upon the information that you provided with that request, I coordinated searches of the records of the Visa Office, the Passport Office, the Security Office, and the Central Foreign Policy Records for information concerning your subject.

The searches of the Visa and Security records did not locate any information concerning Mr. Salazar. However, the search of the Passport records located 14 documents. I have been authorized by that office to release this material in its entirety. The Passport documents are enclosed.

The search of the Central Foreign Policy Records located four documents that are relevant to your request. These documents are being reviewed for classification. As soon as this review has been completed, I will notify you.

In the meantime, if you have any questions concerning your request, please contact the Information and Privacy Staff, Room 1239, Department of State, 2201 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20520. If you prefer, you may reach me by telephone on (202) 632-5170. Please refer to the above FOIA request number in your correspondence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeanne Giamporcaro".

Jeanne Giamporcaro  
Information and Privacy Staff

Enclosures:  
As stated

June 17, 1982

Jeanne Giamporcaro  
Information and Privacy Staff  
Room 1239  
Department of State  
2201 C Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Ms. Giamporcaro:

I'm writing concerning our telephone call of several months ago, when you informed me that the remaining portion of Ruben Salazar's file--four documents from the Central Foreign Policy Records department--would be declassified soon and disclosed to me.

What news has there been? When we spoke in March, I had the impression that this was a matter of weeks at the most.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Steve Weingarten  
432 S. Alhambra Av.  
Monterey Park, CA., 91754  
213-288-1109



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

July 16, 1982

Mr. Steven Weingarten  
432 S. Alhambra Ave.  
Monterey Park, CA 91754

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request #8103098

Dear Mr. Weingarten:

This refers to my letter of March 12 regarding your request for access to information concerning Mr. Ruben Salazar. The review of the four outstanding documents has been completed. I have been authorized to release this material in its entirety. You will find it enclosed.

This completes the processing of your Freedom of Information Act request. However, if you have any questions concerning this material please feel free to contact me on (202) 632-5170.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeanne Giamporcaro".

Jeanne Giamporcaro  
Information and Privacy Staff

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 AID NEWSSTANDS 6 NOV:

RSR 2. LONGEST AND MOST INTERESTING ARTICLE, ALLEGEDLY EXTRACTED  
 FROM HANH TRINH MAGAZINE NUMBERS 7 AND 8, REVIEWS VIETNAMESE  
 HISTORY FROM 1946 TO PRESENT. AMERICANS PRAISED FOR HELPING  
 OUST FRENCH, BUT CHASTIZED BOTH FOR SUPPORTING DIEM DICTATORSHIP  
 AND FOR CAUSING ITS DOWNFALL THROUGH USURPATION OF VIETNAMESE  
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 OF DIVIDING PEOPLE INTO HOSTILE GROUPS (CATHOLICS-BUDDHISTS,  
 SOUTHERNERS-NORTHERNERS, MILITARY-CIVILIAN, ETC.) IN ORDER TO  
 RULE THEM. AS US POWER AND USURPATION GROWS, VC STRUGGLE  
 APPEARS MORE "RIGHTEOUS" AS FIGHT AGAINST INTERVENTION AND  
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AGAINST CORRUPT, DICTATORIAL  
 REGIME. NOW, INSTEAD OF AMERICANS ADVISING VIETNAMESE IN FIGHT  
 AGAINST VC, VIETNAMESE HAVE BECOME MERE AMERICAN ASSISTANTS  
 IN FIGHT. IN ORDER OVERCOME THIS SORRY STATE OF AFFAIRS,  
 PATRIOTIC NATIONALISTS MUST (1) BECOME ACTIVE IN STRUGGLE  
 AGAINST COMMUNISTS, FRENCH COLONISTS AND "US IMPERIALISTS";  
 (2) RESOLVE "OUTMODED PREJUDICES" SUCH AS "OPPOSITION BETWEEN  
 NATIONALISTS AND COMMUNISTS"; (3) FORM STRONG NON-COMMUNISTS  
 FORCE WHICH CAN MAKE DIRECT CONTACT WITH COMMUNISTS. FINALLY,  
 US WILL NOT TOLERATE "SOCIALISM" AND SEEKS MAKE VIETNAM "NEW  
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# OUTGOING TELEGRAM Department of State

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Los Angeles, Calif.

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- Embassy authorized validate passport Ruben Salazar, correspondent Los Angeles Times, for one-round trip Cuba. ~~XXXX~~ DPOB March 3, 1928, Mexico. PPT no. F253220, issued May 11, 1965.
- Salazar will contact Embassy.

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Tel. Ext. 4108

Telegraphic transmission and classification approved by:

SCA - Barbara M. Watson

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Embassy authorized validate passport Ruben Salazar DPOB March 3, 1928 - Mexico, for one round trip to Cuba. PPT #F253220.

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

FOI No. 8202818

18 OCT 1982

Mr. Steve Weingarten  
432 S. Alhambra Ave.  
Monterey Park, CA 91754

Dear Mr. Weingarten:

I refer to your letter of December 15, 1981 to the Department of Justice requesting certain documents to be released under the Freedom of Information Act. Your letter was passed to us for review and direct reply because two of the documents in the file retrieved on your behalf were originated by the Department of State. After careful review, we have determined that these documents can be released.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. R. Burke".

for John R. Burke  
Deputy Assistant Secretary  
Classification/Declassification  
Center  
Bureau of Administration



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

Red Section 8/19/68  
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AUG 19 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: FBI - Mr. Bernard Bachner *MS*

FROM: INR/DDC/ILS - Mitchell K. Stanley

SUBJECT: U.S. Participants in the Havana Cultural Congress, January 1968

*File*  
*Wanted*  
*J. [unclear]*

The Organization of American States is preparing an unclassified document on the Havana Cultural Congress which was held in January 1968. This Department plans to submit the attached listing of U.S. participants in the Congress for inclusion in the document. Since your Bureau reports were utilized in the preparation of the biographic material included therein, do you have any objection to the release of this information for publication.

An expeditious reply will be appreciated.

Attachment: as stated

*MR STANLEY ADVISED  
FBI HAS NO OBJECTION BUT  
TO USE AS INDICATED  
THAT FBI NOT BE  
WANTED AS SOURCE  
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*NO RESPONSE  
NECESSARY*

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*No objections - Latin American Section - Rom*  
*No objections - Internal Security Sec. - Curt*

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