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March 5, 1992

TERRY E. BRANSTAD  
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Sidney S. Louis  
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Fort Worth, Texas 76107

Dear Mr. Louis:

Governor Branstad has asked me to respond to your letter regarding the case involving your sister Norma Mae Maynard.

I am informed by the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) that it has to in fact been concluded that Norma Mae Maynard was the victim of homicide. All options have been examined carefully, and no possibility has been ruled out. Although an extensive case file has been accumulated, the case remains open and leads are being pursued as they develop. All routine and normal investigative procedures were followed by the DCI, including but not limited to a neighborhood canvass, background investigation, laboratory work, and numerous personal interviews.

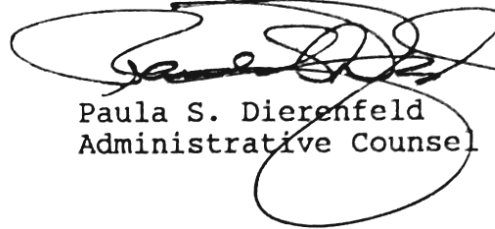
The agents assigned to this investigation have many years experience in law enforcement and particularly in the investigation of serious crimes, many of which they have successfully concluded. They are motivated, competent well-trained professionals who pride themselves in the work they do. Indeed, they would welcome the opportunity to meet with you, as suggested in your correspondence, to review the information and evidence you have, including any documents or other papers you have accumulated. Hopefully a face to face meeting with the agents will help dispel any doubts you have regarding the status of the DCI investigation or the competence of the agents assigned to the case.

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I have provided the Director of the DCI a copy of this correspondence, and asked that representatives of the DCI contact you directly to ascertain when you might be available to meet with them.

Thank you for writing to Governor Brnastad to share your concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Paula S. Dierenfeld", is written over the typed name. The signature is stylized with loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Paula S. Dierenfeld  
Administrative Counsel

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