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Gerry L. Dexter
Short Wave Broadcast
RR4
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Dear Mr. Dexter:

Please excuse and forgive the delay and troubles we have had in responding to your request. I apologize for all the trouble we have caused you. First, let me respond to your request and second explain why we have not responded before this.

We can verify that the program you heard was aired, although we would not know the frequency of Radio Clarin nor the exact time and date of its broadcast. Two radio programs were prepared by the Committee in Support of Solidarity for broadcast; they included information received on the efforts of the Solidarity movement to resist the martial law regime, the names and status of political prisoners, and like information about repression. We do not know how many times these shows were aired, nor are we at liberty to say who arranged their broadcast. However, since we did not receive any confirmation that the broadcast was received in Poland, the broadcasts were discontinued. The language of broadcast was indeed Polish. You mention that there was interference. I would be interested to know if you could possibly have figured out the source of interference as you listened to it. I hope this answers your questions.

As to the explanation for our delay, the fault lies simply in our own oversight and incompetence. As I told you over the phone, I did give the original request to the person in our offices who had been directly dealing with the radio broadcast. She, to her credit, answers approximately 75-100 letters a week, and sometimes letters are lost or misplaced, as was yours. Subsequently, she gave a letter to type on two different occasions to our staff, however, both staff members were new, and did not fulfill the request. Ms. Cates was filling in for three weeks for someone and was mistaken that no one knew of the broadcasts. In any case, I explain this all to you so that you understand there were no other reasons for the delay. I hope that you understand that our

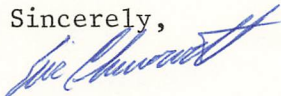
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offices are understaffed for the volume of activity we maintain, and sometimes we do not fulfill all requests for information to our Committee. If inexcusable, I hope it is understandable.

Please let me know if there is anything else I can help you with.

Sincerely,



Eric Chenoweth,
Executive Director

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