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Dear Mr. Balthaser:

This is response to your letter dated June 17, 1999, concerning our previous to response concerning Mr. Robert J. Shirkey service number 0 83 7375.

Mr. Shirkey's records were among those lost in the fire here at this Center on July 12, 1973. Duplicate and triple copies were not maintained of the military records. Alternate records sources exist which often contain information that can be used to reconstruct service record data such as the service entry date and the separation date of records lost in the fire.

However, we regret that these sources do not contain the particular type of information or document you are requesting such as the telegram, twx, or teletype dated on or about July 17, 1947 from the 8th Air Force, Fort Worth, TX.

We regret our response could not be more positive.

Sincerely,

ROBERT ROOTZ
Chief, Records Reconstruction Branch