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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY HEADQUARTERS, 18TH ENGINEER BRIGADE APO 96377

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Honorable John Young House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Young:

This is in reply to your inquiry of 1 July 1969 concerning Specialist Four Jesus Flores, Jr., presently a member of the 73d Engineers Company, APO San Francisco 96492.

Specialist Flores was examined at a United States Army Hospital on 1 October 1968, and the examination revealed a growth on the surface of his eyes. Surgery was performed on 14 October 1968 to remove the growth which extended over the cornea of the left eye. The growth on the right eye was not large enough to permit surgery. The post operative follow up of the surgery revealed a slight progession of the remaining growth; however, examinations since 16 January 1969 have indicated that the growth has been relatively inactive.

Specialist Flores has complained of occasional blurring vision and burning sensations in his left eye after reading. He was examined 16 June 1969 by an opthamologist. This examination did not reveal any disease, but indicated a slight case of near vision.

Specialist Flores saw another opthalomogist 25 July 1969. The result of this visit revealed the growths as being relatively inactive and the healing of the left eye progressing well. Glasses were prescribed and will be provided to ease the irritation and blurring vision.

I trust this information will meet your present needs. Should you desire further information, please do not hesitate to write me.

Sincerely yours,

J. W. MORRIS Brigadier General, USA Commanding