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The Honorable Lawton Chiles United States Senator Vederal Building Lakeland, Florida 33801

Dear Senator Chiles:

Further reference is made to your communication of June 16, 1975, concerning the claim of your constituent Ms.

Cantonment, Florida 32533, for reimbursement for movement of her household effects in September 1973 (\$105.36) and in July 1974 (\$92.25).

Enclosed is a copy of our decision E-184231 of this data, in which her claim is disallowed. Reimbursement for movement of household goods must be in connection with a permanent change of station of a member of the uniformed services or incident to the member's selection of a home upon relief from active duty. In the absence of a change of station by Ms.

husband at the time of her September 1973 household goods shipment, and since at the time of the 1974 shipment she was no longer his dependent, there is no legal basis for the reimbursement claimed.

We trust this will serve the purpose of your inquiry and we regret that we are unable to reach a determination more favorable to your constituent. The enclosure forwarded with your letter is returned as requested.

Sincerely yours,

R.F. KELLER

Deputy Comptroller General of the United States

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