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Memorandum

To: Diane Ward, Investigator
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cc: John Kinsella, Eastern Regional Director.
Date: August 27, 2001
Subject: Additional Information CA00136-AC

Enclosed is Dr. Tom Callahan's affidavit and digital photos of Nichole taken on August 21, 2001 at Ringling's Center for Elephant Conservation, Polk City, FL.

Dr. Callahan visually examined Nichole, and found her to be in good condition. We requested to see Nichole's veterinary care records after the examination. At that point, Gary Jacobson immediately contacted Feld's attorneys. Dr. Callahan and I talked to Julie Strauss and Jeannie Peronne via conference call. Dr. Callahan told them the records did not look complete. We requested that we be able to copy the veterinary care records on hand, and have access to all veterinary care records for Nichole for at least the past two years. They refused to let us copy the records on hand, and said it would take approximately two weeks for them to get back to me on our request. They also said that because this was part of an investigation they would not allow us to question any employees at the facility. I will keep you posted.

If you have any questions or need more information, please don't hesitate to ask.

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