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RE: Your FOIA Request to Treasury, Case Number 2025-FOIA-00899

Dear Mr. Medeiros:

This letter concerns your Freedom of Information Act Request (FOIA) to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, dated 12/27/2024. Your request is outlined as follows:

> "Please See attachment for description. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2013 To 12/27/2024)
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> Subject:
> Freedom of Information Act Request for OSC Cases DI-25-000310, DI-25-000325, DI-25-000379, DI-12192024714, and DI-12112024134; Associated FBI, DOJ, HHS, CMS,
> and Medicaid Oversight Records
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> Scope of Request
> Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552), I request access to all records, communications, and materials under your agency's control related to the following:
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> 1. OSC Case Records
> Complete les, internal and external communications, investigations, and resolutions. regarding:
> DI-25-000310
> DI-25-000325
> DI-25-000379
> DI-12192024714
> DI-12112024134
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> 2. Interagency Correspondence
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> Communications between OSC, FBI, DOJ, CMS, HHS, and relevant state agencies regarding:

Whistleblower disclosures and investigations.
Enforcement of ADA, Medicaid transparency, and constitutional compliance.
Allegations or investigations into fraud, retaliation, and procedural violations.

3. FBI Involvement
Documentation reflecting FBI's role in addressing OSC-related investigations, whistleblower protections, and Medicaid compliance. Include:
Correspondence with OSC, DOJ, CMS and HHS regarding whistleblower allegations.
Investigative records and findings.

4. DOJ and HHS Oversight
DOJ Civil Rights Division and HHS OCR records related to:
ADA compliance investigations.
Complaints and procedural documentation under OCR Transaction Number 01-25-592844.
Federal and state enforcement actions against systemic non-compliance.

5. CMS and Medicaid Audits
All internal and external audits, investigations, and compliance reviews associated with the Medicaid Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) Waiver Program.
Documents relating to whistleblower-reported fraud, misuse of funds, and oversight. decencies.

6. FOIA Compliance Records
Metadata, processing logs, and communications related to this FOIA request, including:
Identifies responsible officers and internal procedural reviews.
Justifications for redactions or denials under FOIA Exemptions (if applicable).
Legal Justifications
FOIA Statutory Mandates:
Under 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(3), agencies are required to conduct comprehensive searches. and produce responsive records unless clear statutory exemptions apply.
Whistleblower Protections:
OSC's obligations under 5 U.S.C. § 1213 mandate thorough investigation and transparent communication regarding whistleblower allegations.
ADA Compliance:
Agencies must provide records in ADA-compliant formats under Title II of the ADA (42 U.S.C. § 12132).
Constitutional Protections:
Denial or delay in producing these records infringes upon my First Amendment right to petition the government for grievances and procedural fairness under the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments."

Upon review of your request, it is unclear what specific records you seek from Department of the Treasury. Records must be described in reasonably sufficient detail to enable government employees who are familiar with the subject area to locate records without placing an unreasonable burden upon the agency. For this reason §1.2(b) of Treasury's FOIA regulations at

31 C.F.R. Part 1, Subpart A require that you describe the records in reasonably sufficient detail to enable employees who are familiar with the subject area of the request to locate the records without placing an unreasonable burden upon the Department. Whenever possible, a request should include specific information about each record sought, such as the date, title or name, author, recipients, timeframe and subject matter of the records.

Please reply to this letter and provide additional information about the specific records that you seek; please identify the Treasury custodians by name or title which you believe maintains these records. It would also be helpful to know why you believe Treasury, Departmental Offices would maintain the records you seek.

Before you respond, I encourage you to visit https://home.treasury.gov/about/general-information to learn more about Treasury's mission and organization. Since Treasury has a decentralized system for processing FOIA requests, you should direct your FOIA request to the Treasury bureau that maintains the records you are seeking.

If I do not receive an amended request from you within 30 days from the date of this letter, I will assume you are no longer interested in this FOIA request and will consider your request withdrawn. Please be advised that this action is not a denial of your request and will not preclude you from filing other requests in the future.

Please send your amended request by email to FOIA@treasury.gov, by fax to (202) 622-3895, or by mail to the address below:

FOIA and Transparency
Privacy, Transparency, and Records
Department of the Treasury
1500 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, DC 20220

You may reach me via telephone at 202-622-0930, extension 2; or via email at FOIA@treasury.gov. Please reference FOIA case number 2025-FOIA-00899 when contacting our office about this request.

Sincerely,

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