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Re: FOIA-2025-01382
FOIA-2025-01383
FOIA-2025-01384
DRH:TAJ

Dear David Medeiros:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act requests dated and received in this Office on December 27, 2024, seeking various compliance records.

Please be advised that the FOIA operation for the Department of Justice and federal government is decentralized and each Department component and federal agency processes its own FOIA requests. Based on the information you have provided, you may want to direct your request to the Office of Special Counsel (OSC), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Civil Rights Division (CRT), and Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as the federal entities most likely to maintain the records you are seeking. Contact information for OSC, FBI, CRT, and HHS can be found on www.foia.gov.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (2018). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison, Valeree Villanueva, for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your requests at: Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, Sixth Floor, 441 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001; telephone at 202-514-3642.

Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448.

If you are not satisfied with this Office's determination in response to these requests, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, Sixth Floor, 441 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account following the instructions on OIP's website: https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically submitted within ninety days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." If possible, please provide a copy of your initial request and this response with any appeal.

Sincerely,

Douglas R. Hibbard
Chief, Initial Request Staff