

U.S. Department of Justice

Civil Division

Washington, DC 20530 June 11, 2021

Via E-mail

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Request No. 145-FOI-17738

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Dear Ms. Weismann:

While processing your July 23, 2020 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the United States Marshals Service (USMS) for records pertaining to the deployment of federal law enforcement personnel, the USMS located three pages which were referred to the Civil Division for review and a direct response to you. The Civil Division received your request and responsive records on May 14, 2021.

The Civil Division reviewed the records responsive to your request and is releasing the records to you in part. The Civil Division withheld certain information because it is protected from disclosure under the FOIA pursuant to:

- 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5), which concerns certain inter- and intra-agency communications protected by the attorney work-product privilege and the attorney-client privilege;
- 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6), which concerns material the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of third parties;
- 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(C), which concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of third parties;
- 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(E), which concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions; and

• 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(F), which concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or personal safety of an individual.

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(c). 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 at 202-514-2319 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. 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, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with the Civil Division's determination in response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, 441 G Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account on the following website: https://foiastar.doj.gov. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 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."

Sincerely,

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