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Re: FOIA-2020-01705  
No. 20-cv-2553 (DDC)  
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Dear Anne Weismann:

This is our fourth interim response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated and received in this Office on July 23, 2020, in which you are seeking records pertaining to (1) deployment of federal law enforcement personnel to the ongoing protests over racial justice in Portland, Oregon; Chicago, Illinois; Albuquerque, New Mexico; Baltimore, Maryland; Detroit, Michigan; Kansas City, Missouri; New York City, New York; Oakland, California; and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and (2) policies to which law enforcement officers under the auspices of the Department of Justice are bound governing the treatment of protesters in the named cities, dating from June 2, 2020.

Please be advised that searches have been conducted in the Offices of the Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Associate Attorney General, and Public Affairs, and records responsive to your request were located. At this time, an additional 242 pages containing records responsive to your request have been reviewed and processed. I have determined that 118 pages originated with the National Guard Bureau (NGB) and nineteen pages originated with the United States Marshals Service (USMS), and OIP has referred that material to the NGB and USMS, respectively, for processing and direct response to you. Ninety-one pages are pending consultation with other Department components and/or Executive Branch agencies, and OIP will provide a response on these pages once the consultation process is completed. Finally, the remaining fourteen pages are entirely duplicative of the material contained within the ninety-one pages pending consultation, and, as such, will not be processed again.

Finally, this Office has released records responsive to requests in *American Oversight v. U.S. Department of Justice*, 20-cv-2153 (D.D.C.) which may be of interest to you. These records can be found online at: [https://www.justice.gov/oip/foia-library/foia-processed/general\\_topics/protests\\_floyd\\_death\\_07\\_08\\_21/download](https://www.justice.gov/oip/foia-library/foia-processed/general_topics/protests_floyd_death_07_08_21/download).

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) (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.

If you have any questions regarding this response, please contact John Truong of the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia at 202-252-2524.

Sincerely,



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