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**SENT VIA E-MAIL TO: aweismann@citizensforethics.org**

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**Re: U.S. Marshals Service (USMS) 2020USMS35485  
2021-HQFO-01174**

Dear Ms. Weismann:

This acknowledges receipt by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Privacy Office of your July 23, 2020 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request that you addressed to the U.S. Marshals Service (USMS), seeking all documents and communications from June 2, 2020 to the present that explain or pertain to:

1. The decision to deploy federal law enforcement agents, officers, or other personnel in response to the ongoing protests over racial justice in Portland, Oregon and Chicago, Illinois;
2. Any decisions or plans to deploy federal law enforcement agents, officers, or other personnel in response to the ongoing protests over racial justice in Albuquerque, New Mexico; Baltimore, Maryland; Detroit, Michigan; Kansas City, Missouri; New York City; Oakland, California; and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania;
3. Any policies to which law enforcement officers under the auspices of the U.S. Marshals Service are bound governing the treatment of protesters in the abovementioned cities.

The foregoing requests include but are not limited to communications with:

- a. President Trump;
- b. White House employees, including anyone with an “\*.eop.gov” email domain;
- c. Attorneys or representatives acting on behalf of President Trump;
- d. Employees of the U.S. Marshals Service;
- e. Employees of the Department of Justice and linked agencies including at the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives;

- f. Employees of the Department of Homeland Security and linked agencies including those within the Federal Protective Services, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

The USMS referred your request and responsive documents to this office for processing under FOIA. This request was received in the DHS Privacy Office on May 14, 2021.

Upon review of your request, I have determined that portions of this is a matter under the purview of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A), another DHS component; therefore, I am transferring your request and the relevant responsive records to the FOIA Officer for I&A, for processing and direct response to you. Contact information is provided below for your convenience.

[Office of Intelligence & Analysis \(I&A\)](#)

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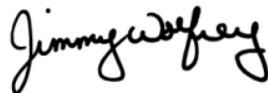
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[I&A Office](#)

While DHS does not consider the transfer of your request to be an adverse action, to the extent that you consider it to be, you have the right to appeal our decision to transfer your request. Should you wish to do so, you must send your appeal and a copy of this letter, within 90 days of the date of this letter, to: Privacy Office, Attn: FOIA Appeals, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, 245 Murray Lane, SW, Mail Stop 0655, Washington, D.C. 20528-0655, following the procedures outlined in the DHS FOIA regulations at 6 C.F.R. Part 5 § 5.8. Your envelope and letter should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Copies of the FOIA and DHS regulations are available at [www.dhs.gov/foia](http://www.dhs.gov/foia)

Your request has been assigned the reference number [2021-HQFO-01174]. Please refer to this identifier in future correspondence. You may contact this office at our toll-free telephone number, 1-866-431-0486, or at 202-343-1743.

Sincerely,



Jimmy Wolfrey

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(Acting)