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November 15, 2021

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

Anne Weismann

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Washington, DC 20005

Re: **DHS FOIA Case # 2021-HQFO-01031**
(ATF) FOIA Case # 2019-0993

Dear Ms. Weismann:

This is amending our acknowledgement letter related to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to Alcohol Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), dated July 23, 2020, and 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 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (“ATF”) are bound governing the treatment of protesters in the above-mentioned cities.

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

1. President Trump;
2. White House employees, including anyone with an “*.eop.gov” email domain;
3. Attorneys or representatives acting on behalf of President Trump;
4. Employees of the ATF;
5. Employees of other Department of Justice-linked agencies including at the U.S. Marshals Service, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration;

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

While processing your request, the Alcohol Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) located records that fall under the purview of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Accordingly, your request and 236 pages of responsive records were referred to this office for processing and direct response to you. Your request was received in this office on June 3, 2021.

Upon further review of the documents referred by ATF regarding your FOIA request, 18 pages were returned to the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) for direct response to you as they did not originate with DHS.

Furthermore, I have determined that some of the documents referred fall under the purview of **the Office of Intelligence & Analysis (I&A)** and **U. S. Customs & Border Protection (CBP)**, other DHS Components; therefore, I am transferring your request and 24 pages of responsive documents to **the Office of Intelligence & Analysis (I&A)**, and 103 pages of responsive documents to **the U. S. Customs & Border Protection (CBP)**, for processing and direct response to you. Please find their contact information below:

Office of Intelligence & Analysis (I&A)

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Provisions of the Act allow us to recover part of the cost of complying with your request. We shall charge you for records in accordance with the DHS Interim FOIA regulations as they apply to non-commercial requestors. As a non-commercial requestor you will be charged 10-cents a page for duplication, although the first 100 pages are free, as are the first two hours of search time, after which you will pay the per quarter-hour rate of the searcher. We will construe the

submission of your request as an agreement to pay up to \$25.00. You will be contacted before any further fees are accrued.

Your request has been assigned reference number **2021-HQFO-01031**. Please refer to this identifier in any future correspondence. Please be assured that one of the processors in our office will respond to your request as expeditiously as possible.

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss this matter, please feel free to contact this office at 1-866-431-0486 or 202-343-1743.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jimmy Wolfrey". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jimmy Wolfrey
Senior Director, FOIA Operations and Management
(Acting)