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Dear Mr. Rocah:

We received your request under the Maryland Public Information Act (MPIA) for various information in the custody and control of the Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention (GOCCP) relating to license plate readers. GOCCP's response appears below:

Records Requested

1. All records regarding all federal funds your office has sought or received if any portion of the funds is for ALPR equipment or systems. ALPR equipment or systems include ALPR units, databases containing ALPR data, and programs used to analyze ALPR data.

GOCCP receives an annual formula grant each year under the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (BJAG) program. A portion of those BJAG funds were used for LPRs.

Documents showing the amounts of GOCCP's BJAG awards are attached.

GOCCP also received a formula grant allocation under the BJAG program as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Documents relating to that award are also attached.

2. All records regarding which police departments or other agencies received or purchased ALPR equipment or systems using funds from grants managed, arranged or assisted by your office.

See attached.

3. All records regarding any requirements imposed by federal granting agencies with respect to ALPR equipment or systems, and any records describing any requirements imposed upon state and local police by your office with respect to ALPR.

See attached.

4. All records regarding any regional databases, data mining programs or other computerized management systems into which ALPR data from two or more police departments or public safety agencies are deposited, including but not limited to any training materials, policies, internal guidelines or procedures that govern access to, use of or auditing of said systems, including any federal guidelines or regulations which may be applicable to any such program.

GOCCP does not have such records.

5. All records regarding the purchase or sale of ALPR data to any entity.

GOCCP does not have such records.

6. All records regarding data sharing agreements that include ALPR data with any agency of the federal government, including but not limited to memoranda of understanding/agreement between your office and any division or department of the U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Department of Transportation, the Federal Aviation Administration and Department of Defense.

GOCCP does not have such records.

7. All records listing the members of the Governor's Advisory Committee on LPRs, and any minutes, agendas, or other documents associated with meetings of the Committee and any sub-committee or other subsidiary of that Committee.

See attached.

8. All records pertaining to any memorandum of understanding, or drafts thereof, which are produced, propagated, or used by your office with respect to ALPR data, including but not limited to the "comprehensive privacy policy" developed by the Governor's Advisory Committee on LPRs.

GOCCP does not have such documents.

9. All records pertaining to any memorandum of understanding, or drafts thereof, between state and local partner agencies regarding the sharing of ALPR data, including but not limited to the agreement call for in "Maryland's Three-Point Plan for License Plate Readers" as listed in the GOCCP Fact Sheet on LPRs.

GOCCP does not have such records.

10. All records pertaining to any and all databases used in conjunction with ALPR technology and/or data to “[s]upport Maryland’s homeland security mission by protecting critical infrastructure from those individuals potentially intending to damage or disrupt the systems and locations that allow for travel and the free flow of commerce,” as called for in the GOCCP Fact Sheet on LPRs, including but not limited to documents which describe:

- a. Which databases are utilized or referenced in conjunction with ALPR technology and data to achieve this objective;
- b. How many names are contained in each of those databases;
- c. Who owns and/or hosts each database; and
- d. Any terms agreed to by your office in exchange for access to said databases.

GOCCP does not have such records.

11. All records pertaining to the development of Maryland’s submission to the National Governors Association’s (NGA) Next Generation Justice Information Sharing policy academy, as well as any records produced in the development of Maryland’s LPR data-sharing expansion project in conjunction with that NGA policy academy.

See attached.

12. All records pertaining to any uniform operating procedures, or drafts thereof, which are produced, propagated, or used by your office with respect to ALPR data.

GOCCP has no such records.

Sincerely,



Edward Parker
Interim Executive Director

Enclosures