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September 4, 2020

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Dear Noor Zafar:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act / Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request received in this office August 24, 2020 regarding DoD's N-426 Memo. Specifically you have requested:

1. All USCIS policies, guidance, procedures, directives, instructions, advisories, bulletins, memoranda, training materials, and/or emails created on or after October 13, 2017 relating to naturalization of service members.
2. All USCIS policies, guidance, procedures, directives, instructions, advisories, bulletins, memoranda, training materials, and/or emails created on or after October 13, 2017 relating to the N-426 Memo.
3. Records sufficient to show service member naturalization applications pending since October 2017.
4. Records sufficient to show service member naturalization applications placed on hold since October 2017 due to an incomplete Form N-426.

Your request is being handled under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552). It has been assigned the following control number: COW2020002226. Please cite this number in all future correspondence about your request.

Consistent with 6 C.F.R. § 5.3(b) of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) FOIA regulations, your request must describe the records sought in sufficient detail to enable our personnel to locate them with a reasonable amount of effort. Upon initial review, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) does not find that you have adequately described the records sought. In accordance with 6 C.F.R. § 5.3(c), USCIS FOIA needs clarification from you regarding the records you are requesting. To the extent possible, please provide specific information that may assist our office with identifying the requested records, such as a list of USCIS employees who you would like to have searched for responsive records. Additionally we require an end date for the search you wish to be conducted. You may respond with the clarification by U.S. mail or electronic mail. Please clearly mark the letter, envelope, and/or email "COW2020002226 Clarification" for our staff to track your correspondence accordingly.

In order to be considered timely, your response must be postmarked or received by electronic mail within 30 working days of the date of this letter. To aid you in adequately describing the records sought, you may contact USCIS's FOIA Public Liaison, Jill Eggleston, for assistance at:

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National Records Center, FOIA/PA Office
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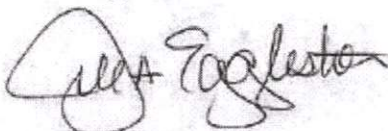
Telephone: (800) 375-5283

Email: FOIASIG.NRC@uscis.dhs.gov

If you do not respond with clarification of the records you are requesting, your request may be administratively closed by our office in accordance with 6 C.F.R. § 5.3(c). This administrative closure does not prejudice your ability to submit a new request for further consideration with additional information.

All FOIA/PA related requests, including address changes, must be submitted in writing. Please include the Control Number listed above on all correspondence with this office. Requests may be mailed to the FOI/PA Officer at the PO Box listed at the top of the letterhead, emailed to FOIASIG.NRC@uscis.dhs.gov, or sent by fax to (802) 860-6908. You may also submit FOIA/PA related questions to our email address at FOIASIG.NRC@uscis.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jill A. Eggleston". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "E".

Jill A. Eggleston
Director, FOIA Operations