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Re: DAG/13-02486 (F) VRB:DRH:GEB

Dear Ms. Choudhury:

While processing your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated March 1, 2010 for records pertaining to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's eGuardian Threat Tracking System, the National Security Division (NSD) referred six pages to this Office for processing and direct response to you on behalf of the Office of the Deputy Attorney General. The NSD tracking number associated with this request is 12-029. For your information, the documents were received by this Office on March 20, 2013.

Please be advised that, upon review by this Office, I have determined that two of the pages referred by NSD are appropriate for release with excisions made pursuant to Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(C) of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5), (b)(6), (b)(7)(C). Exemption 5 pertains to certain inter- and intra-agency communications protected by the deliberative process privilege. Exemption 6 pertains to information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of third parties. Exemption 7(C) pertains to records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, the release of which could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of the purposes. Finally, I have determined that the remaining four pages should be withheld in full pursuant to the deliberative process privilege of Exemption 5 of the FOIA. None of the information being withheld is appropriate for discretionary disclosure.

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) (2006 & Supp. IV 2010). 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. Although I am aware that your request is the subject of ongoing litigation and that appeals are not ordinarily acted on in such situations, I am required by statute and regulation to inform you of your right to file an administrative appeal.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures