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Mr. Bryan Johnson
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1918 Union Blvd.
Bay Shore, NY 11706

Subject: Freedom of Information Act Request No. 2016-127
Third Interim Response

Dear Mr. Johnson:

This is our third interim response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Office of Inspector General (OIG), dated May 27, 2016, seeking specified “documents related to complaints regarding ICE Family Residential Centers.” Your request was received in this office on May 27, 2016.

Our February 22, 2017 letter summarized our work on your request thus far. We informed you that a search for records responsive to Item 3 of your request was conducted and is ongoing at this time. We want to inform you that these records will be forthcoming.

At this time, we have completed processing two spreadsheets pages of records responsive to Items 1, 2, and 4. We have determined that these pages are appropriate for release without excision and have enclosed them for your review. As discussed via email, please use these spreadsheets to narrow item 5 of your request.

Further, with respect to Item 6 of your request, the FOIA does not require DHS to answer questions, render opinions, or provide subjective evaluations. Requesters must ask for existing records.

As stated above, this is an interim response because we are continuing to search for records responsive to your request.¹ We will provide you with the releasable portions of those records on a rolling basis as they become available.

¹ As such, you may receive additional responses pertaining to Item 3 of your request.

Appeal

Because processing is not yet complete for this request, we ask that you defer any appeals until we have completed our production of records. You do, however, have the right to appeal this response.² Your appeal must be in writing and received within 90 days after the date of this response. Please address any appeal to:

FOIA/PA Appeals Unit
DHS-OIG Office of Counsel
Stop 0305
245 Murray Lane, SW
Washington, DC 20528-0305

Both the envelope and letter of appeal must be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Your appeal letter must also clearly identify DHS-OIG's response. Additional information on submitting an appeal is set forth in the DHS regulations at 6 C.F.R. § 5.8. DHS-OIG will provide you with additional responses pertaining to your request.

Assistance and Dispute Resolution Services

Should you need assistance with your request, you may contact DHS-OIG's FOIA Public Liaison. You may also seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison. You may contact DHS-OIG's FOIA Public Liaison in any of the following ways:

FOIA Public Liaison
DHS-OIG Counsel
STOP 0305
245 Murray Lane, SW
Washington, DC 20528-0305
Phone: 202-254-4001
Fax: 202-254-4398
E-mail: foia.oig@oig.dhs.gov

Additionally, the 2007 FOIA amendments created the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. If you are requesting access to your

² For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. 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.

own records (which is considered a Privacy Act request), you should know that OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation. You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road - OGIS
College Park, MD 20740-6001
E-mail: ogis@nara.gov
Web: <https://ogis.archives.gov>
Telephone: 202-741-5770
Fax: 202-741-5769
Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Sincerely,

Glenn Lewis

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Enclosure(s) two excel spreadsheets