before I submit these proposed responses to the front office, I would like to understand

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-----Original Message-----
From: [mailto:](mailto:(b) (6)@uscq.dhs.gov)
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2009 1:49 PM
To: Papoi, Catherine
Cc: V: Lockett, Vania; Taylor, Donald; Coates, Yvonne; Sporn, Karen; LaBrec, Ronald CDR
Subject: FRONT OFFICE REVIEW - Significant Requests
Importance: High

Good afternoon,

The attached documents are the prepared responses to the significant FOIAs originally reported on November 5, 2009.

* On October 30, 2009, Mr. Michael Blood of The Associated Press
in Los Angeles, California, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records regarding copies or transcripts of audio communications between air traffic controllers and the USCG and the flight path of the aircraft involved in the October 29, 2009 midair collision (FOIA 2010-0284).

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Please review the documents and notify me when they have been cleared to be sent to the requesters.

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Thanks! The response will go out this afternoon. Have a great weekend!

Senior Paralegal Specialist  
ICE Freedom of Information Act Office  
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The front office has cleared this case for release. Thanks.
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Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2010 8:44 AM
To: Grossman, Jordan; Fox, Julia
Cc: Papoi, Catherine
Subject: FW: FOIA Notification 10-1438 (AP)

Jordan and Julia,

ICE forwarded the attached incoming request and proposed response for your review. Pursuant to your September 30, 2009 email, your office will review the release and provide a response to my office within three days of receipt. Please let me know as soon as you have finalized your review. Thank you!

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To: Papoi, Catherine
Cc: (b)(6)
Subject: FOIA Notification 10-1438 (AP)

Ms. Papoi:

Per your request, attached to this email is a copy of ICE’s proposed response with regard to FOIA 10-1430 from The Associated Press.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks,

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I think that Catrina may wish to take another look at paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 of this proposed response. I think it could be worded differently. Honestly, I can’t even figure out what the language means in some instances, and I am sure we will encounter the same with the front office. Thanks.

Catherine

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Catherine Papoi, attached is ICE’s proposed response to USA Today.

Supervisory Paralegal Specialist, FOIA/PA
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(b) (6) desk
(b) (6) blackberry
Hi Shari. Please go ahead and deem the below OGC email as approval for response release. Thanks,

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From: SUZUKI, SHARI [mailto:shari.suzuki@dhs.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 15, 2010 9:58 AM
To: Papoi, Catherine
Cc: LANGREICH, ANDREW
Subject: FW: LPOE Appeal letter

Good Morning Catherine,

We received the email below from OGC which appears to approve the FOIA Appeal response that was flagged for front office review. Do we need to wait for official notification from you or may we proceed?

Regards,
shari

Shari Suzuki, Chief
From: Purcell, Noah [mailto:Noah.Purcell@dhs.gov]
Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2010 4:41 PM
To: SUZUKI, SHARI
Cc: Palmer, David; Sandweg, John
Subject: LPOE Appeal letter

Hi Shari,

Our revised version of the letter is attached. The only revisions are on page 3.

Noah

Noah Purcell
Attorney Advisor, Legal Counsel Division
Office of the General Counsel
Department of Homeland Security
Go ahead and send them through me. Thanks.

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Cat – that would apply to a few cases in this office. Should these be sent to you for forwarding to the Front Office, or would we send these through Dorgan?

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To: FOIA Officers  
Cc: Papoi, Catherine; Plofker, Howard TSA OCC; SUZUKI, SHARI; Newhouse, Victoria TSA OCC; Adams, Frances G; Palmer, David; Russell, Michael  
Subject: ***REVIEW NOTIFICATION***January 15, 2010  
Importance: High

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Catherine

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Who did you speak to?
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Office of the General Counsel
Department of Homeland Security

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From: Papoi, Catherine <Catherine.Papoi@dhs.gov>
To: Palmer, David <David.Palmer1@dhs.gov>; Papoi, Catherine <Catherine.Papoi@dhs.gov>
Cc: Anderson, Audrey <Audrey.Anderson@dhs.gov>; Callahan, Mary Ellen <Mary.Ellen.Callahan@dhs.gov>
Sent: Thu Jan 21 12:23:17 2010
Subject: RE: ***REVIEW NOTIFICATION*** January 15, 2010

I just wanted to confirm as the front office called me yesterday to confirm that they
would be made aware of litigation-related released before they are made. I told
them OGC was coordinating this reporting effort. If I am wrong on this, let me know

Thanks!

C

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From: Palmer, David [mailto:David.Palmer1@dhs.gov]
Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2010 11:57 AM
To: Papoi, Catherine
Cc: Anderson, Audrey; Callahan, Mary Ellen
Subject: RE: ***REVIEW NOTIFICATION*** January 15, 2010

Yes, we’ll communicate with counsel separately. There’s no need at this point to
include in your email any of the details about our upcoming communications with
counsel. Once we have all the details worked out we’ll take care of reaching out to counsel.

Thanks

David
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Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2010 9:12 AM
To: Palmer, David
Cc: Anderson, Audrey; Callahan, Mary Ellen; Papoi, Catherine
Subject: RE: ***REVIEW NOTIFICATION*** January 15, 2010

David, will OGC send a different email to counsel to establish the reporting mechanism OGC will use to keep the front office apprised of litigation-related FOIA releases (prior to disclosure)?

C

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Hi Catherine and MEC

Audrey and I suggest that you resend the email of January 19th along with the text below. I’d suggest sending it all together to make it clear to the recipients.

Thanks

David

All

We need to correct the attached emails. The Secretary’s office does not wish to review all releases of FOIA material for matters in litigation, and components do not need to submit such documents for the Secretary’s review prior to their release. Procedures regarding non-litigation related releases remain the same.

We apologize for any confusion.

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From: Papoi, Catherine  
To: Lockett, Vania:  
Subject: FW: ***FRONT OFFICE REVIEW NOTIFICATION***January 19, 2010  
Date: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 2:45:00 PM

Please see below. We are cleared for release but there were some errors in the letter.

C

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From: Grossman, Jordan  
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 2:43 PM  
To: Papoi, Catherine; Fox, Julia; Shlossman, Amy  
Cc: 'Papoi, Catherine'; Lockett, Vania  
Subject: RE: ***FRONT OFFICE REVIEW NOTIFICATION***January 19, 2010

Just two comments on the response letter:

1. It appears this line:
   You are seeking records relating to the documents entitled "Right-wing Extremism: Current Economic and Political Climate Fueling Resurgence in Radicalization and Recruitment," (hereafter referred to as “Rightwing Report”) and "Rightwing Extremism: Current Economic and Political Climate Fueling Resurgence in Radicalization and Recruitment," (hereafter referred to as “Leftwing Report”).
Should read like this:
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2. It appears this line:
   3. Records describing the differences in which the Rightwing Report and Leftwing Report were prepared, vetted, or released;

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Otherwise, good to go.

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From: Lockett, Vania
Sent: Tuesday, January 19, 2010 2:42 PM
To: Papoi, Catherine
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Response to DIIS/OS/PRIV 09-585/Shi

Catherine,

Attached for Front Office clearance is a proposed response to a FOIA request from J.S. Shi, a professor with the University of Georgia, who requested records related to the rightwing extremism product. This response advises Mr. Shi that portions of his request produced no records, while one record is publicly available, and one record is being withheld in its entirety. The portion of the response letter addressing the record withheld in full contains the same language cleared by the Front Office in a previous request, case number 09-517.

The following items are attached for your reference:

1. Proposed response letter for 09-585
2. Initial FOIA request
3. E-mail traffic concerning Front Office clearance of 09-517

Please let me know if there are questions.

Regards,

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From: Borrero, Charles [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2009 6:14 PM
To: Lockett, Vania
Cc: Palmer, David
Subject: FYI--S1's FOIA Procedures

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Cheers,

Charlie

Charles J. Borrero
Attorney-Advisor
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The Privacy Office | T 703.235.0790 | F 703.235.0443
Good morning,

I hope you enjoyed the long weekend! I just wanted to send a quick reminder to submit weekly reports by 12 noon today. Please let me know if there are any questions.

Thank you,

Julia

Julia Fox  
Special Assistant  
Office of the Chief of Staff | Office of the Secretary  
Department of Homeland Security

julia.fox@dhs.gov
From: Papoi, Catherine
To: Lockett, Vania
Subject: RE: ***Front Office Review of Litigation Releases***
Date: Tuesday, January 19, 2010 11:44:30 AM

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From: Lockett, Vania
Sent: Tuesday, January 19, 2010 11:52 AM
To: Papoi, Catherine
Subject: FW: ***Front Office Review of Litigation Releases***

FYI - do you think the Secretary's office would want to review a litigation-related consult? While DHS is also party to the Amnesty Int'l litigation, we will not produce those documents directly to the plaintiff. This is a consult on FDD reseals that DOJ will ultimately produce to the plaintiff if deemed releasable.

Vana

From: Papoi, Catherine
Sent: Tuesday, January 19, 2010 11:46 AM
To: Lockett, Vania
Subject: RE: ***Front Office Review of Litigation Releases***

Vana:

FYI. I also have assigned to me 10-0150 – a consultation request from DoD and coordinated by this office re: Amnesty International v. CIA, et al. The original due-date for review/release determination was December 2, 2009. I have been in contact with the seven affected offices/figurines and have received responses from five: IDE, NRO, NUSA, CTLE, KSRC re: three pages w/redactions. FEMA - has completed its review but waiting concurrence by their FOIA Chief. ICE - response to us by end of week.

(b)(6)

From: Lockett, Vania
Sent: Tuesday, January 19, 2010 11:32 AM
To: FOIAHQ
Cc: Papoi, Catherine
Subject: ***Front Office Review of Litigation Releases***
Importance: High

All,

Effective immediately, the Secretary's Office would like to review ALL releases of FOIA material for matters in litigation. As such, after you have cleared such releases through our internal QC review process (e.g. through Bill or me) and through the equity-holders (e.g. components, outside agencies, submitters, etc.), you will need to forward proposed release packages to Catherine Papoi to be submitted for clearance by the Secretary's Office. Please keep this extra step in mind when determining the amount of time required in clearing records for release. Also, make sure that, when you send these packages through Catherine for review, you notify her of any court-ordered production deadlines.

Currently, the following pending requests are in litigation and being coordinated by our office:

All Party Parity Congressional Group v. Department of Defense, et al., 09-CV-03075-DMU, filed in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. See FOIA case no. 09-79 – Assigned to (b)(6)

American Civil Liberties Union v. Department of Homeland Security, (insert docket no. ), filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. See FOIA case no. 03-710 – Assigned to (b)(6)

Electronic Frontier Foundation v. Central Intelligence Agency, et al., 09-CV-03351-SBA, filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, San Francisco Division. See FOIA case no. 09-440 and 09-868 – Assigned to (b)(6)

Electronic Frontier Foundation v. Department of Defense, et al., (insert docket no.), filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, San Francisco Division, See FOIA case no. 10-0027 – Assigned to (b)(6)

Iraq Refugee Assistance Project v. Department of State, et al., 09-CV-10632 (LTB), filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. See FOIA case no. 04-11 – Assigned to Laura Korney

Judicial Watch, Inc. v. Department of Homeland Security, 09-CV-01709-DCC, filed in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. See FOIA case no. 08-205 – Assigned to (b)(6)

Regards,

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From: Fox, Julia
To: Papoi, Catherine; Grossman, Jordan;
cc: "Papoi, Catherine";
Subject: RE: ICE FOIA 10-475
Date: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 1:57:52 PM

We’ve finalized our review of this one. Thank you!

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From: Papoi, Catherine
Sent: Friday, January 15, 2010 9:39 AM
To: Grossman, Jordan; Fox, Julia
Cc: Papoi, Catherine
Subject: FW: ICE FOIA 10-475

Jordan and Julia,

ICE forwarded the attached incoming request and proposed response for your review. Pursuant to your September 30, 2009 email, your office will review the release and provide a response to my office within three days of receipt. Please let me know as soon as you have finalized your review. Thank you!

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Catherine, attached is our proposed response to USA Today.

Supervisory Paralegal Specialist, FOIA/PA
Freedom of Information Act Office
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
This one is cleared for release. Thanks.

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From: [b] (6) [mailto: (b) (6)]
Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2010 12:56 PM
To: Papoi, Catherine
Cc: Lockett, Vania
Subject: ICE FOIA 10-475

Catherine, attached is our proposed response to USA Today.

(b) (6)
Supervisory Paralegal Specialist, FOIA/PA
Freedom of Information Act Office
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
(b) (6) desk
(b) (6) blackberry
Thanks!

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Why are we issuing two different letters?

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-----Original Message-----
From: Catherine.Papoi@dhs.gov
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 2:20 PM
To: Papoi, Catherine
Cc: Taylor, Donald; Coates, Yvonne; Sporn, Karen; LaBrec, Ronald CAPT; Lawson, Quanice CTR
Subject: RE: Front Office Review - Significant Request (1 of 3)

Ms. Papoi,

Nothing has been sent to the requester.

-----Original Message-----
From: Catherine.Papoi@dhs.gov
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 1:47 PM
To: Papoi, Catherine
Cc: Taylor, Donald; Coates, Yvonne; Sporn, Karen; LaBrec, Ronald CAPT; Lawson, Quanice CTR
Subject: RE: Front Office Review - Significant Request (1 of 3)

Another question: Did the first letter dated 12/16/09 already go out?

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-----Original Message-----
From: [mailto:b(6)@uscq.dhs.gov](mailto:b(6)@uscq.dhs.gov)
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 6:37 AM
To: Papoi, Catherine
Cc: Taylor, Donald; Coates, Yvonne; Sporn, Karen; LaBrec, Ronald CAPT; Lawson, Quanice CTR
Subject: Front Office Review - Significant Request (1 of 3)
Importance: High

Good afternoon,

This is the first of three emails with attachments containing the prepared response to the significant request described below (FOIA 2010-0507). The second and final portion will be sent in another email to follow.

* On November 19, 2009, Mr. Craig Hutchinson of Crocmedia in Hollywood, California, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records regarding the disappearance of Mr. Patrick McDermott from the vessel FREEDOM on July 1, 2005.
Please review the documents and notify me it has been cleared to be sent to the requester.

(b) (6)
Management and Policy Analyst
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2100 Second St, S.W. Stop 7111
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Hey, wasn’t the thing we were going to tell MEC something about USCG trying to go around her to the front office or something of that nature?

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From: Lockett, Vania
To: Lockett, Vania
Subject: FW: Please reply ASAP.
Date: Wednesday, February 17, 2010 2:52:52 PM

From: Lockett, Vania
Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2009 11:29 AM
To: Grossman, Jordan; Lockett, Vania; Callahan, Mary Ellen; Hawkins, Sandra L.; Kaufman, Gail
Cc: Holzerland, William; Kropf, John
Subject: RE: Please reply ASAP.

To our knowledge, the individuals are not associated with media outlets.

From: Grossman, Jordan [mailto:Jordan.Grossman@dhs.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2009 11:23 AM
To: Lockett, Vania; Grossman, Jordan; Callahan, Mary Ellen; Hawkins, Sandra L.; Kaufman, Gail
Cc: Holzerland, William; Kropf, John
Subject: RE: Please reply ASAP.

None of the individuals are associated with media outlets?

From: Lockett, Vania [mailto:Vania.Lockett@dhs.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2009 11:19 AM
To: Grossman, Jordan; Lockett, Vania; Callahan, Mary Ellen; Hawkins, Sandra L.; Kaufman, Gail
Cc: Holzerland, William; Kropf, John
Subject: RE: Please reply ASAP.

Jordan,

There is one request from Fox News.

Vania

From: Grossman, Jordan [mailto:Jordan.Grossman@dhs.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2009 11:11 AM
To: Lockett, Vania; Grossman, Jordan; Callahan, Mary Ellen; Hawkins, Sandra L.; Kaufman, Gail
Cc: Holzerland, William; Kropf, John
Subject: RE: Please reply ASAP.

Which of the requestors on here are associated with media outlets? Thanks!

From: Lockett, Vania [mailto:Vania.Lockett@dhs.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2009 7:47 AM
To: Grossman, Jordan; Callahan, Mary Ellen; Hawkins, Sandra L.; Kaufman, Gail
Cc: Lockett, Vania; Holzerland, William; Kropf, John
Subject: RE: Please reply ASAP.

Jordan,
As requested, attached is a spreadsheet listing the 37 requests received to date, relating to the right wing extremism report. Note that only 12 of these requests are still pending. If you have additional questions regarding any of these requests, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Thank you.

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From: Grossman, Jordan [mailto:Jordan.Grossman@dhs.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2009 9:49 PM
To: Callahan, Mary Ellen; Hawkins, Sandra L.; Kaufman, Gail
Cc: Lockett, Vania; Holzerland, William; Kropf, John
Subject: RE: Please reply ASAP.
Importance: High

Hi all,

Please send the list of all 33 organizations requesting the right-wing extremism report ASAP.

Thanks!

From: Callahan, Mary Ellen [mailto:Mary.Ellen.Callahan@dhs.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 07, 2009 8:46 AM
To: Grossman, Jordan; Hawkins, Sandra L.; Kaufman, Gail
Cc: Callahan, Mary Ellen; Lockett, Vania; Holzerland, William; Kropf, John
Subject: RE: Please reply ASAP.

Today, we plan on turning over the report itself, which will be the first production in response to these waves of FOIA requests. We just got a preliminary response from I&A with regard to the more detailed requests, and are going through those preliminary responses now. Previously, Noah asked that the Front Office and OGC be notified before production is made in response to the other requests, and possibly to review the documents before they go out. We are not yet at that stage for either the Fox News expedited response or for the other more detailed responses.

I am going to the Bldg 5 SCIF in a few minutes, I can stop by on the way there or back if you like, to touch base and explain FOIA a little bit.

Thanks,

From: Grossman, Jordan [mailto:Jordan.Grossman@dhs.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 07, 2009 8:42 AM
To: Hawkins, Sandra L.; Kaufman, Gail
Cc: Callahan, Mary Ellen; Lockett, Vania; Holzerland, William; Kropf, John
Subject: Please reply ASAP.

Have we actually turned over any documents at this point? If so, when and what, and if not,
when do we expect to?

- The Office of Privacy coordinated responses for 33 FOIA requests received, which are directly related to the Office of Intelligence and Analysis product, “Right-wing Extremism: Current Economic and Political Climate Fueling Resurgence in Radicalization and Recruitment.” DHS granted expedited processing to Fox News in a request for documents substantiating eight specific conclusions made in the report. Requests were also received from organizations such as Americans for Limited Government and the Thomas More Law Center, which has filed suit against the Department, a civil rights action brought under the First and Fifth Amendments to the United States Constitution.

Thanks!

From: Hawkins, Sandra L.
Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 6:43 PM
To: Grossman, Jordan; Kaufman, Gail
Cc: Callahan, Mary Ellen; Lockett, Vania; Holzerland, William; Kropf, John
Subject: RE: Please reply by 8am tomorrow.

Jordan,

We also wanted to add that representatives of the media are routinely granted expedited. Please see the following link:

http://www.nextgov.com/nextgov/ng_20090415_8127.php

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Thank you.

Sandy

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Jordan – Here is the response to your question:

Under the Department’s FOIA Regulation, expedited processing is warranted if the request involves “an urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged federal government activity, if made by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information,” 6 C.F.R. § 5.5(d)(I)(ii). Fox News was able to demonstrate an urgent need to inform the public about the conclusions made in I&A’s rightwing extremism product. As such, expedited processing was granted, and the Fox News request will be given priority over other pending requests and will be processed as soon as practicable.

If you have any questions, please contact the Privacy Office at 703-235-0780.

Thank you.

Sandy

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as Americans for Limited Government and the Thomas More Law Center, which has filed suit against the Department, a civil rights action brought under the First and Fifth Amendments to the United States Constitution (2:09-cv-11441-JCO-RSW).

Thanks!

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Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff
Office of the Secretary
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jordan.grossman@dhs.gov
Papoi, Catherine

From: Dorgan, Mark
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 12:11 PM
To: Papoi, Catherine
Subject: RE: checking in

Thanks, will do.

From: Papoi, Catherine
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 12:03 PM
To: Dorgan, Mark
Subject: RE: checking in

Ok. Make sure you let me know, and we will get you backfill.

C

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From: Dorgan, Mark
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 12:00 PM
To: Papoi, Catherine
Subject: RE: checking in

Not yet, I am getting my system down for tracking. I just have to get out a few of these contract requests that all came in at the same time and I will be squared away. I will let you know if I start drowning.

From: Papoi, Catherine
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 11:52 AM
To: Dorgan, Mark
Subject: RE: checking in

Good deal. Are you feeling overwhelmed with all the work?

Catherine Papoi, J.D., CIPP/G
Deputy Chief FOIA Officer

1/29/2010
From: Dorgan, Mark  
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 11:50 AM  
To: Papoi, Catherine  
Subject: RF: checking in  

Yes, they are providing the documents regularly. I am reviewing all the emails for that Apuzzo request.

From: Papoi, Catherine  
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 11:45 AM  
To: Dorgan, Mark  
Cc: ‘Papoi, Catherine’  
Subject: checking in  

How is the front office stuff going? Have they given you any docs to process yet??

C

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Hi Vania,

We’ve been informed of the FOIA request below and just want to make sure items like this are being included in the weekly FOIA report. I think it’s possible that this one just missed the deadline/time frame for last week’s report and will be included in this coming week’s report, but I just wanted to confirm.

Thank you!

On January 14, 2010, Sally Jacobs from The Boston Globe in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), the alien file of Omar Obama (the half-brother of President Obama’s father).

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