



**U.S. Department of Justice**  
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*Office of the General Counsel*

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Jacqueline Stevens  
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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request  
IJ Misconduct Docs

Dear Jacqueline Stevens:

This response acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. Your request has been assigned control number: 2015-26788.

If you have filed a fee waiver request, the fee waiver will be addressed in a separate letter. Otherwise, your request constitutes an agreement to pay fees that may be chargeable up to \$25 without notice. Most requests do not require any fees; however, if fees in excess of \$25.00 are required, we will notify you beforehand. Fees may be charged for searching records at the rate of \$4.75/\$10.00 per quarter hour, and for duplication of copies at the rate of \$.05 per copy. The first 100 copies and two hours of research time are not charged, and charges must exceed \$25.00 before we will charge a fee.

Ordinarily, FOIA requires an agency to respond within 20 working days after receipt of the request. EOIR endeavors to meet this standard, however the FOIA does permit a ten day extension of this time period. Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B)(i)-(iii), we are notifying you that due to 'unusual circumstances' an additional 10 day extension will be added to the standard processing time since your request either requires the collection of records from field offices, or involves a search for numerous documents that will necessitate a thorough and wide-range search of records at headquarters.

For your information, this Office assigns incoming requests to one of three tracks: simple, complex, or expedited. Simple requests usually receive a response in one and a half months, whereas complex requests necessarily take longer. At this time, your request has been assigned to the simple track. You may wish to narrow the scope of your request to limit the number of potentially responsive records or agree to an alternative time frame of the records being requested. Please note that requests for expedite will be addressed in a separate letter. If you have any further questions, please contact the FOIA Service Center at 703-605-1297.

Sincerely,  
**MAI PHUNG**

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