



United States Department of State
and the Broadcasting Board of Governors

Office of Inspector General

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Re: OIG FOIA Case No. 15-00054

Mr. Daniel Z. Epstein
Executive Director
Cause of Action
1919 Pennsylvania Ave, NW
Suite 650
Washington, DC 20006

Dear Mr. Epstein:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, request dated March 9, 2015, to the U.S. Department of State's Office of Inspector General (OIG). You requested the following:

1. "All documents referring or relating to, including but not limited to electronic communications involving, Secretary Clinton.
2. All documents referring or relating to communications with NARA.
3. All documents relating to any review, audit, or investigation, whether merely considered, ongoing, or completed, concerning Secretary Clinton's compliance with electronic recordkeeping requirements and use of personal devices for agency business.
4. All documents, including but not limited to electronic communications, including any person at the White House, the U.S. Department of State, the Clinton Family Foundation, and the Clinton Foundation, referring or relating to any document in Item 3 above."

OIG conducted a search and located 18 documents responsive to your request. Six documents are being released to you in their entirety. Ten documents are being released to you with redactions under FOIA exemption (b)(6). Two documents were sent to or generated by the Department of State. We have forwarded those documents to the Department of State's Office of Information Program and Services (IPS) for processing and direct response to you. We have enclosed a separate sheet explaining the exemptions.

Pursuant to published Department of Justice guidance on referrals and consultations:

When an agency locates records that originated with another agency or component, as a matter of sound administrative practice it should ordinarily refer those records to their originator so that that agency can make a direct response to the requester on those records. The referring agency ordinarily should advise the requester of the referral and of the name of the agency FOIA office to which it was made.

DOJ Guide to the Freedom of Information Act, Procedural Requirements.
(<http://www.justice.gov/sites/default/files/oip/legacy/2014/07/23/procedural-requirements.pdf>).

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.

You may appeal this decision within 60 days to the Chairman of the Appeals Panel of the U.S. Department of State as explained in the enclosed. Appeals should be addressed to: Chairman, Appeals Review Panel, Attention: Appeals Officer, A/ISS/IPS/PP/LC, Room 8100, State Annex 2 (SA-2), U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C. 20522-8100.

Sincerely,



Erich O. Hart
General Counsel

Enclosures: As stated