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Re: FOIA # FC201705158

Dear Mr. Mulvey:

This letter is in response to your letter, dated June 8, 2017, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. You requested "all records concerning the OPM's policy or procedures for handling congressional oversight requests, congressional requests for information, or congressional requests for the disclosure of agency documents, including any records describing or discussing the "order" from Jason Simmons referenced by Janel Fitzhugh". Your letter was received in this office on June 15, 2017.

Because your letter seeks to gain access to records regarding Members of Congress, Congressional committees, State and local government officials, and those seeking elected office in Federal or State government, I am responding to your request as the Correspondence Analyst, Congressional, Legislative, and Intergovernmental Affairs.

Your FOIA request has three parts. The first part of your FOIA request is referenced in this response as point 1, which is listed above in the opening paragraph. After a search of our records, I have included documents that fit within the parameters of point 1 of your FOIA request. Please note that information contained within these documents contains certain personal information, which has been redacted, as permitted by the FOIA 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b) (6).

The second and third portion of your FOIA request is referenced in this response as point 2 and point 3. Point 2 and point 3 of your FOIA request requested records under the following parameters:

"2. All records reflecting memoranda, directives, or guidance from any component of the Executive Office of the President, including the White House Office (e.g., Office of the White House Counsel), concerning (a) White House review of congressional oversight or records requests or (b) any form of pre-production review of draft responses to any congressional

requester (i.e., Congressional committees, chairmen, or individual Members) by White House staff or OPM officials or employees."

and...

"3. All records reflecting memoranda, directives, or guidance from any component of the Executive Office of the President, including the White House Office (e.g., Office of the White House Counsel), concerning (a) White House review of FOIA requests, including White House consultation on agency records containing "White House equities," or (b) any form of pre-production review of draft responses to any FOIA requester by White House staff or OPM officials or employees."

After completing a search of our records, I was not able to locate any records responsive to point 2 or point 3 of your FOIA request.

Additionally, we must inform you that you have the right to appeal this determination. Should you wish to do so, pursuant to 5 CFR 294.110, you must send a copy of your initial request, a copy of the letter denying the request, and a statement as to why you believe the denying official erred within 90 days from the date of this letter to:

U.S. Office of Personnel Management ATTN: Office of General Counsel (OGC) 1900 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20415

NOTE: Both the front of the envelope and the first page of your letter should be clearly marked "FOIA Appeal."

The U.S. National Archives and Records Administration's Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) was created to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

The U.S. National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)
Office of Government Information Services (OGIS)
8601 Adelphi Road
College Park, MD 20740-6001

Telephone: 202-741-5770 or 1-877-684-6448; Fax: 202-741-5769; OGIS Email: ogis@nara.gov

You may also seek additional assistance from OPM's Public Liaison. The OPM FOIA Public Liaison can be reached as follows:

Email: foia@opm.gov

Telephone Hotline: 202-606-1153

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Additionally, copies of the FOIA regulations are available to you at www.opm.gov/efoia.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure