

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION DIVISION 1155 DEFENSE PENTAGON WASHINGTON, DC 20301-1155

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Ref: 18-F-1221

Joanna Naples-Mitchell



Dear Ms. Naples-Mitchell:

This is the final response to your June 20, 2018 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, a copy of which is enclosed for your convenience. Your request was received in this office on the same day it was submitted and assigned FOIA case number 18-F-1221. We ask that you use this number when referring to your request.

The Under Secretary of Defense for Policy (USDP), a component of the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD), assessed their records systems based on the information provided in your request. After a thorough assessment of the electronic records and files of USDP, no records of the kind you described could be identified. The USDP stated that DoD has not made use of fiscal authorities associated with reports requested, and therefore was not required to submit requested reports. Reports were only required if DoD made use of authorities. We believe that these search methods were appropriate and could reasonably be expected to produce the requested records if they existed.

In this instance, fees for processing your request were below the threshold for requiring payment. Please note that fees may be assessed on future requests.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you may contact our OSD FOIA Public Liaison, Jim Hogan, at 571-372-0462 or by email at OSD.FOIALiaison@mail.mil. Also, please note that the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) offers services to requesters who have disputes with Federal agencies. You may contact OGIS if you have concerns about the processing of your request. Their contact information is provided below:

Office of Government Information Services National Archives and Records Administration 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS College Park, MD 20740 E-mail: ogis@nara.gov

Telephone: 202-741-5770

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You have the right to appeal to the appellate authority, Ms. Joo Chung, Director of Oversight and Compliance, Office of the Secretary of Defense, by writing directly to OCMO Office of the Chief Management Officer, 4800 Mark Center Drive, ATTN: DPCLTD, FOIA Appeals, Mailbox# 24, Alexandria, VA 22350-1700. Your appeal must be postmarked within 90 calendar days of the date of this response. Alternatively, you may email your appeal to osd.foia-appeal@mail.mil. If you use email, please include the words "FOIA Appeal" in the subject of the email. Please also reference case number 18-F-1221 in any appeal correspondence.

If you have any questions about the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact the Action Officer assigned to your request, Bethlehem Addis, at bethlehem.addis.civ@mail.mil or (571) 372-0424.

Sincerely,

Stephanie L. Carr

Chief

Enclosures: As stated