



**U.S. Department of Justice**

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**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request No. 2020USMS35573<sup>1</sup> and  
2020USMS35574<sup>2</sup>**

**Subject: US Marshals Expenditures for deployment to Portland, Oregon between  
June 1, 2020 and August 12, 2020.**

Dear Mr. Evers:

The United States Marshals Service (USMS) is responding to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests pertaining to expenditures related to federal officials who deployed to Portland, Oregon between June 1, 2020 and August 12, 2020.

The FOIA and Department of Justice (DOJ) regulations allow the USMS to aggregate requests if they concern clearly related matters. Because of the similarity of your requests, they were aggregated and processed under 2020USMS35573.

Pursuant to your request, the USMS conducted a search of records in its Financial Services Division (FSD). To respond to your request as efficiently as possible, FSD compiled the information you requested in aggregate, as indicated in the table below:

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<sup>1</sup> 2020USMS35573 sought, “All records reflecting costs reimbursed or paid directly by your agency for any reimbursable expenses attributable to any federal officials who deployed to Portland, Oregon between June 1, 2020, and August 12, 2020. Payments or reimbursements include any payments associated with travel, lodging, the cost of government transportation, individual airfare for employees, meals, per diem payments, rental vehicles, overtime payments, payments made via government issued charge cards or travel cards, or other reimbursable expenses. American Oversight has previously received this information in an aggregated form from federal agencies.”

<sup>2</sup> 2020USMS35574 sought, “Records that compile, aggregate, or total the costs of providing lodging from June 20, 2020 to August 12, 2020, in the greater Portland, Oregon area for federal officials employed at your agency. If your office does not have records that compile, aggregate, or total those costs, then American Oversight requests any and all invoices reflecting expenses at any lodging or hotels located in the greater Portland, Oregon, which were incurred from June 20, 2020 to August 12, 2020, by federal officials employed at your agency.”

<b>Portland Paid Expenses</b>	
<b>Description</b>	<b>Total Paid</b>
Payroll Overtime	\$598,429.90
Travel Lodging and taxes	\$353,586.09
Travel Meals and Incidentals	\$180,735.25
Travel Rental Cars	\$62,849.09
Travel Airfare	\$72,847.06
Travel Personally Owned Vehicle Mileage and Parking	\$11,521.49
Travel Other Transportation	\$3,311.45
Travel Miscellaneous	\$25,112.30
Travel Travel Management Center Usage fees	\$6,795.23
Equipment and Supplies	\$77,730.84
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,392,918.70</b>

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.

If you are not satisfied with the United States Marshals Service (USMS) determination in response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, 441 G Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20530, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account on the following website: <https://foiastar.doj.gov>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

You may also contact Charlotte Luckstone or our FOIA Public Liaison at (703) 740-3943 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001; e-mail at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Sincerely,



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