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From: FOIPAQUESTIONS FOIPAQUESTIONS@FBI.GOV
Subject: RE: TIME-SENSITIVE: Status Request for 1415504-000
Date: October 15, 2019 at 6:48 AM
To: Ines Hofmann Kanna ihk@codebreakerfilms.com



Dear Ms. Kanna,

Thank you for your inquiry regarding the status of your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy (FOIPA) request. A review of your request has determined the following:

The request is presently awaiting assignment to a Disclosure analyst who will then review the records to determine if any redactions are required pursuant to subsections of Title 5, U. S. Code, Section 552 and 552a.

You may check the status of your request online at <http://vault.fbi.gov> by clicking on the 'Check Status of Your FOI/PA Request' link. Online status reports are updated weekly.

Requests are processed in the order in which they are received through our multi-track processing system. Requests are divided into two primary tracks--simple (under 50 pages of potentially responsive documents) and complex (over 50 pages of potentially responsive documents). Complex requests are further divided into medium, large, and extra-large sub-tracks based upon request size. Simple track requests typically require the least amount of time to process. Currently, simple track cases average approximately 115 days from the date of receipt for processing. Our complex requests in the medium processing track are currently averaging 653 days, large processing track are currently averaging approximately 1,432 days, and extra-large processing track are currently averaging 2,008 days for processing.

Your request is currently in the complex request medium processing track, and the estimated date of completion for your request is June 2020. If your request is considered a complex track, considering reducing the scope of your request may accelerate the process as it could potentially place your request in a quicker processing track. This may also reduce any search and duplication costs, if applicable, and allow for a more timely receipt of your information. If you wish to discuss reducing the scope of your request, please indicate so and a representative will be in contact.

Respectfully,

Public Information Officer

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From: Ines Hofmann Kanna [mailto:ihk@codebreakerfilms.com]
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Dear FOIA Officer,

I am requesting an **immediate status update** for FOIPA request number 1415504-000.

We originally filed two FOIA requests, both about the same individual but two separate investigations — one CP and the other potential espionage. The first request was filed in May 2018 and the second in August 2018. In February 2019, we received notice from you that you had combined these requests. However, when checking the status online, we have been getting the following message ever since: "The FBI's FOIPA Program has identified potential responsive information to your request(s) and awaits assignment to a Government Information Specialist (GIS) for further processing."

The original requests were not a "rush order" but as members of the media with deadlines approaching, we need to make it an **urgent** request at this point. If necessary, you can release records related to this request in stages, beginning with the CP investigation into the individual. We understand redactions might be necessary.

Thank you very much for your help.
I am looking forward to your prompt response.

Sincerely,
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