

# **Exhibit 1**



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**SENT VIA PAL**

April 18, 2022

Privacy Office, Mail Stop 0655  
Department of Homeland Security  
2707 Martin Luther King Jr. AVE SE  
Washington, DC 20528-065

Dear FOIA Officer,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the implementing FOIA regulations of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), I respectfully request the following records (or records containing the following information):

All documents and communications, to or from any of the individuals below regarding any of these terms:

- Babel,
- Babel X,
- Babel Street, and
- Panamerica

between January 21, 2021, through March 31, 2022.

Any emails to or from individuals below to anyone whose domain ends in @babelstreet.com between January 21, 2021, through March 31, 2022.

All I&A records and communications regarding the procurement, award and implementation of the award to PANAMERICA COMPUTERS, INC. regarding award 70T02021F7554N002, effective date, 07/01/2021, completion date, 06/30/2022 Period of Performance Potential End Date 03/30/2023, with a Potential Value of Award of \$332,365, and the funding office is



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INTELLIGENCE AND ANALYSIS 70T54X. Please limit the search from January 21, 2021, through April 11, 2022.

Any emails from the Office of the Chief Information Officer regarding any of these terms:

- Babel,
- Babel X,
- Babel Street
- Panamerica.

between January 21, 2021, through March 31, 2022.

Individuals:

Immediate Office of the Secretary

- Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas– Secretary of Homeland Security
- Kristie A. Canegallo – Chief of Staff
- Jeffrey Michael Rezmovic - Deputy Chief of Staff
- Alexandra Fox – Scheduler
- Samantha E. Vinograd – Senior Counselor for National Security
- Tim Maurer - Senior Counselor for Cybersecurity and Emerging Technology
- Isabella F. Ulloa - Counselor
- Milton R. Patch III – Special assistant
- Saraswati Shah – Special assistant
- Lt. Mike H. Wu – Military assistant to the secretary
- Cass R. Sunstein - Senior Counselor
- David D. Gersten - Ombudsman for Immigration Detention (Acting)
- Charanya Krishnaswami - Senior Counselor for Immigration
- Steven Feder - Chief of Protocol and Director of Scheduling and Advance
- Phillip M. Thompson – White house Liaison
- Nikhil A. Patel – White house fellow

DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A)



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- John D. Cohen - Under Secretary and Chief Intelligence Officer (Acting)
- Kenneth L. Wainstein - Under Secretary and Chief Intelligence Officer – designate
- Michelle Wright – EA
- Trishia Cathey-Blomquist – EA
- Amy Uislet -EA
- Eric Sanders - Chief Information Security Officer
- Tina W. Gabbrielli- Director, Counterintelligence
- Kevin Saupp, Director, Partner Engagement
- Lara Ballard, Privacy Officer
- Larry Eppenstein, Program Manager
- Robin Taylor, deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence Enterprise Operations
- Robert Hale, Counterintelligence Program Management

Any communications includes all locations likely to contain communications, including correspondence files, appropriate locations on hard drives and shared drives, emails, calendar entries, or invitations, text messages or other direct messaging systems (such as iMessage, Microsoft Teams, WhatsApp, Google Chat, Signal, or Twitter direct messages), voicemail messages, instant messaging systems such as Lync and shared messages systems such as Slack or Microsoft Teams.

This request for records includes any attachments to those records or other materials enclosed with those records when they were previously transmitted. To the extent that an email is responsive to our request, our request includes all prior messages sent or received in that email chain, as well as any attachments to the email.

To the extent that potentially responsive documents contain agency notes or information on internal agency deliberations, I respectfully request that these records be provided with such information redacted. Additionally, if you believe that any potentially responsive records include any personal, commercial, or proprietary information, I respectfully request that these records be provided with such information completely redacted.



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### Fee Waiver Request

This request is primarily and fundamentally for non-commercial purposes. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, Heritage Foundation does not have a commercial purpose and the release of the information requested is not in Heritage Foundation's interest. Heritage Foundation's mission is to formulate and promote public policies based on the principles of free enterprise, limited government, individual freedom, traditional American values, and a strong national defense. Heritage Foundation uses the information requested and analyzes it in order to educate the public through social media,<sup>1</sup> broadcast media<sup>2</sup> (traditional and nontraditional) and press releases.<sup>3</sup> The requested information is in the public interest<sup>4</sup> and as the Washington Post has stated in a recent article, "[s]ocial media monitoring is still controversial on Capitol Hill, where the contract could be scrutinized by lawmakers in both parties. Some Democrats are anxious about creeping government surveillance, while Republicans have focused on the idea that the government could be monitoring political speech."<sup>5</sup>

Because this is a request by a member of the news media for information of public interest, made in my capacity as an author for the *Daily Signal*<sup>6</sup> (a major news outlet<sup>7</sup>), I actively gather information of potential interest to our Daily Signal audience, and I use my editorial skills to turn raw materials into a distinct work, and I distribute that work to our Daily Signal audience through podcasts<sup>8</sup> or articles. I request that you waive all applicable fees associated with this request.

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<sup>1</sup> Heritage Foundation. [@ Heritage] (2022, February 18). 626.8K Followers Twitter. <https://twitter.com/Heritage>

<sup>2</sup> Fox News. (2022, February 18). Heritage Foundation launches Conservative Oversight Project aimed at 'exposing' Biden admin, leftist policies. <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/heritage-conservative-oversight-project-biden-admin-leftist-policies>

<sup>3</sup> Heritage Foundation. (2022, February 18). Press. <https://www.heritage.org/press>.

<sup>4</sup> FedScoop. (2022, April 8, 2022). FBI purchases 5,000 licenses for Babel X social media OSINT tool. <https://www.techrepublic.com/article/fbi-investing-millions-in-software-to-monitor-social-media-platforms/>

<sup>5</sup> Washington Post. (2022, April 8, 2022). The FBI is spending millions on social media tracking software. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2022/04/05/fbi-is-spending-millions-social-media-tracking-software/>

<sup>6</sup>Daily Signal. (2022, February 18). Mike Howell. <https://www.dailysignal.com/author/mike-howell/>

<sup>7</sup>Daily Signal. [@DailySignal] (2022, February 18). 73.7K Followers Twitter. <https://twitter.com/DailySignal>

<sup>8</sup> Apple. (2022, March 4) The Daily Signal Podcast. <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/the-daily-signal-podcast/id1313611947>



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If you deny this request for a fee waiver, please advise me in advance of the estimated charges if they are to exceed \$50. Please send me a detailed and itemized explanation of those charges.

In the interest of expediency and to minimize the research and/or duplication burden on your staff, please send records electronically if possible. If this is not possible, please notify me before sending to the mailing address listed below. In all cases, please communicate with me at the below telephone number or email address.

If any portion of this request is denied for any reason, please provide written notice of the records or portions of records that are being withheld and cite each specific exemption of the Freedom of Information Act on which the agency relies.

Please provide partial responses when they are ready. Thank you in advance for considering my request. If you have any questions please contact me at [oversightproject@heritage.org](mailto:oversightproject@heritage.org).

Sincerely,

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