

EXHIBIT J



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Case Control Number: F-2021-08768
Subject of Request: Francisco Javier
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Dear Ms. Kelly:

This is in response to your request under the Freedom of Information Act (the “FOIA”), 5 U.S.C. § 552, dated July 9, 2021, in which you requested visa records.

Visa records are confidential under section 222(f) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1202(f). Consistent with this authority, the Department may disclose certain visa-related records, such as a visa application, to the person who provided the record to, or has already received the record from, the Department of State. Such records also may be disclosed to a duly authorized representative. Those records are included herewith, with any confidential portions redacted.

Any information about other visa records responsive to your request, including whether other records exist and, if so, the quantity of such records, is confidential under Section 222(f) and therefore exempt from release under Exemption 3 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3). Consequently, the Department is unable to disclose any further information in response to your request.

You may contact our FOIA Requester Service Center or our FOIA Public Liaison for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request via email at Foiastatus@state.gov or telephone at (202) 261-8484. Please be sure to refer to the case control number shown above in all correspondence about this case.

If you are not satisfied with the Department’s determination in response to your FOIA request, you may administratively appeal by writing to: U.S. Department of State, Appeals Officer, HST Room B266, 2201 C Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20520, or faxed to (202) 485-1718. Appeals must be postmarked within 90 calendar days of the date of this initial agency decision letter. Please include a copy of this letter with your written appeal and clearly state why you disagree with the determinations set forth in this response.

Additionally, if you are not satisfied with the Department’s determination in response to your request, 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: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, email address: ogis@nara.gov; telephone: (202) 741-5770; toll free number: 1-877-684-6448; facsimile: (202) 741-5769.

Sincerely,

Laura Stein

Laura Stein, Deputy Director
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Enclosure:
As stated