## Exhibit I

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To: Melissa Chua <mchua@nylag.org>

Subject: Department of Homeland Security FOIA 2021-HQFO-00013 Update

## Good afternoon,

Attached is an update pertaining to your request. If you need to contact this office again concerning your request, please provide the DHS reference number. This will enable us to quickly retrieve the information you are seeking and reduce our response time. This office can be reached at 866-431-0486.

Regards,
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February 11, 2021

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Re: 2021-HQFO-00013

Dear Ms. Chua:

This is in further response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Privacy Office, dated September 29, 2020, and received in this office on September 29, 2020. You requested:

- 1. Records relating to the authorization of ICE, HSI, or any other DHS personnel to respond to, assist in responding to, and/or support other law enforcement efforts related to Protests occurring in New York City between May 25, 2020, and the date of this request. This includes policies, operating procedures, rules, internal policy guidance, training materials, monitoring mechanisms, email messages, legal opinions or memoranda.
- 2. Records relating to any questioning, arrest, or surveillance activities of ICE, HSI, or any other DHS personnel related to Protests occurring in New York City between May 25, 2020, and the date of this request. This includes the presence of ICE HSI agents outside or around New York Police precincts, any limitations placed on ICE info gathered associated with such activities, any information or data sharing between NYPD and DHS/ICE.
- 3. Any and all records relating to the process ICE, HSI, or DHS use or have used to determine targets for Surveillance at Protests occurring in New York City between May 25, 2020, and the date of this request, including any Target Lists. Such records include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - a. Manuals, policies, or other guidance describing the use of CLEAR database in ICE operations;
  - b. Any and all records, including slides or other materials from trainings, on how target lists are built or created, including the keywords "TRSS" or "Thomson Reuters" or "CLEAR";
  - c. Target lists sent from ICE to Thomson Reuters/TRSS and Thomson Reuters/TRSS response to those lists, including information regarding all personal data4 searched and lists of all targets confirmed or rejected as "false positives";

- d. All related communications between ICE and Thomson Reuters/TRSS including responses by ICE to the target lists.
- 4. Any Communications or Agreements with Local Government in New York City, including but not limited to the NYPD, relating to the deployment of ICE, HSI, or DHS personnel, equipment, and/or resources to support law enforcement efforts in New York City. Please also provide a list of all divisions of New York City Local Government (including, but not limited to, any task forces within the NYPD) that have Agreements with ICE, HSI, or DHS.
- 5. Communications or Agreements between ICE, HSI, or DHS, on the one hand, and Local Government in New York City, such as the NYPD, on the other hand, relating to the deployment of ICE, HSI, or DHS personnel, equipment, and/or resources to support law enforcement efforts undertaken in connection with Protests occurring in New York City between May 25, 2020, and the date of this request.
- 6. Presentations or other documents distributed in connection with meetings and/or teleconferences between ICE, HSI, or DHS personnel and Local Government in New York City, such as the NYPD. Such Records include, but are not limited to, meeting agenda, meeting minutes, presentations or other materials distributed either in electronic format or hardcopy to meeting participants, and any other materials used by or shown to meeting participants.
- 7. Any Communications between ICE, HSI, or DHS personnel and private security companies or personnel relating to the deployment of ICE, HSI, or DHS personnel, equipment, and/or resources to support law enforcement efforts undertaken in connection with Protests occurring in New York City between May 25, 2020, and the date of this request.
- 8. Records relating to information that ICE, HSI, or DHS personnel collected or sought to collect from protesters before, during, and after Protests occurring in New York City between May 25, 2020 and the date of this request, including the intended use of such Records.
- 9. Records relating to any arrests conducted by ICE, HSI, or other DHS personnel at Protests occurring in New York City between May 25, 2020, and the date of this request.

Upon further review, we have determined that most requests related to this topic, including yours, should be handled at the Component-level rather than processed at Headquarters. Accordingly, you should expect to receive a final response directly from the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A), in addition to the Privacy Office. Please note that I&A is already in the process of searching for potentially responsive records to your request. Furthermore, the Privacy Office has located some potentially responsive records which fall under its purview, which are queued processing. We do not expect this administrative change to delay your response.

If you need to contact our office again about this matter, please refer to 2021-HQFO-00013. You may contact this office at 1-866-431-0486 or 202-343-1743.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Wolfrey

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