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Date: April 4, 2022 at 10:24:09 AM EDT To: Melissa Chua <mchua@nylag.org>
Subject: 2021-HQAP-00226 (FINAL)

Ms. Chua:

Please find attached the Final FOIA Appeal Decision issued by John C. Johns for the above matter.

Thank you,

Lauren M. Meus Hearing Docket Clerk U.S. Coast Guard



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RE: DHS FOIA APPEAL NUMBER 2021-HQAP-00226; FOIA Request Number 2021-IAFO-00006

Dear Ms. Chua:

On or about February 4, 2022, I **REMANDED** this matter and directed the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) to provide a supplemental response concerning your FOIA Request Number 2021-IAFO-00006. That letter gave I&A 15 days to comply.

To date, I have not received a response from I&A. Therefore, this letter constitutes final agency action and you are now able to appeal this matter to Federal District Court.

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This decision is the final action of DHS concerning DHS FOIA Appeal Number 2021-HQAP-00226; FOIA Request Number 2021-IAFO-00006. You may seek judicial review of this decision, per 5 U.S.C. §552(a)(4)(B) in either the United States District Court: 1) where you reside; 2) the district where the pertinent agency is situated; or 3) in the District of Columbia.

John C. Johns

Attorney Advisor

United States Coast Guard

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