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Sent: Friday, June 10, 2022 12:11 PM
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Cc: Melissa Chua
Subject: NYLAG FOIA Appeal -- 2021-HQAP-00227 (FOIA)
Attachments: Chua 00227 Letter.pdf; Melissa Chua - 2021-HQAP-00226 - Appellant Letter - Final Agency Action.pdf; Melissa Chua - 2021-HQAP-00226 - Appellant Letter.pdf

Dear Tommy,

Thank you for your assistance in March with NYLAG's FOIA request 2021-IAFO-00006. At the time we spoke, your office had issued a February 4, 2022 FOIA Appeal decision as to DHS FOIA APPEAL NUMBER 2021-HQAP-00226, which covered the portion of NYLAG's original September 29, 2020 request that was assigned to I&A as FOIA request 2021-IAFO-00006. That appeal decision, attached for reference, directed I&A to provide within 30 days an explanation as to the sufficiency of its search for records in response to FOIA request 2021-HQFO-00013. I&A provided no such explanation, and on April 4, 2022, your office issued the attached "Final Agency Action" letter as to DHS FOIA APPEAL NUMBER 2021-HQAP-00226.

On April 27, your office issued the attached FOIA Appeal decision, via the email below, as to DHS FOIA APPEAL NUMBER 2021-HQAP-00227, which covered the component of NYLAG's original request that was assigned to the DHS Privacy Office as FOIA Request 2021-HQFO-00013. That appeal decision directed the DHS Privacy Office to provide within 30 days an updated letter advising NYLAG of the status of FOIA Request 2021-HQFO-00013. NYLAG has received no such letter, nor has NYLAG received production of any responsive documents. Accordingly, we respectfully request that your office promptly issue a "Final Agency Action" letter as to DHS FOIA APPEAL NUMBER 2021-HQAP-00227. While we appreciate your attention to this matter, please note that NYLAG currently considers all administrative appeals stemming from our original request to be exhausted, and our claims ripe for judicial review, regardless of the issuance of a "Final Agency Action" letter.

Best regards,
Danielle

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From: Meus, Lauren M CIV USCG (USA) <Lauren.M.Meus@uscg.mil>

Date: Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 10:22 AM

To: Melissa Chua <mchua@nylag.org>

Subject: 2021-HQAP-00227 (FOIA)

Ms. Chua:

Please find attached the FOIA Appeal Decision issued by the Houston/Galveston office for the above matter.

Thank you,

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