

EXHIBIT A

CBP-2022-026376 Request Details



Submitted



Evaluation



Assignment



Processing



Closed

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Request Information

Agency	U.S. Customs and Border Protection
Will Pay Up To	\$100.00
Date Submitted	12/21/2021
Estimated Date of Completion	TBD
Fee Category	
Request Track	Simple
Request Phase	Submitted
Final Disposition	Undetermined

Additional Information

Type of Records Requested	Rules and Regulations
On Behalf Of First	N/A
On Behalf Of Middle	N/A
On Behalf Of Last	N/A
Date of Birth	N/A
Aliases	N/A
Alien Number	N/A

Parents' Names

N/A

Description

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Policies, procedures, guidance, memoranda, and other similar documents regarding the re-implementation of Migrant Protection Protocols (MPP) starting in December 2021, including documents describing exemptions from MPP.

Request Expedited Processing

Made Request?

Yes

Expedited Justification

Expedited processing is necessary because asylum seekers are at great risk of life and physical safety as a result of MPP and are prevented from accessing their legal right to seek asylum. The records sought will assist IRAP and other service providers at the border in providing accurate information to asylum seekers so that they can better assess their options for safety in exercising their right to claim asylum. As an additional basis for expedited processing, IRAP is a "representative of a news media" under the terms of FOIA as it is a non-profit regularly engaged in media advocacy and dissemination of information obtained through FOIA, through publications and know-your-rights materials posted on its website (www.refugeerights.org and <https://support.iraplegalinfo.org/hc/en-us>). IRAP also maintains a blog; publishes an electronic newsletter distributed to subscribers via email; and releases information via social media platforms such as Twitter and Facebook. There is an urgency to inform the public concerning CBP's re-implementation of MPP, a topic on which there has been heightened media interest due to its impact on asylum seekers at the border.

Request a Fee Waiver

Made Request?

Yes

Expedited Justification

The documents requested are not in IRAP's commercial interest. They will contribute significantly to the understanding that IRAP and other stakeholders at the border -- legal services providers, advocates, and asylum seekers -- have about the operation of MPP, particularly when it applies and when it doesn't. IRAP intends to review the documents and to highlight and summarize important points of the guidance through IRAP's website, listserv discussions, and its social media networks.

Supporting Files

Download**Attached File Name****Size (MB)****File Type**

No attachments have been added.

EXHIBIT B



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FOIA Expedited Processing Disposition Reached for CBP-OFO-2022-026376

1 message

admin@foiaonline.gov <admin@foiaonline.gov>
To: mhirose@refugeerights.org

Fri, Jan 20, 2023 at 2:52 PM

Your request for Expedited Processing for the FOIA request CBP-OFO-2022-026376 has been denied. Additional details for this request are as follows:

- Request Created on: 12/21/2021
- Request Description: Policies, procedures, guidance, memoranda, and other similar documents regarding the re-implementation of Migrant Protection Protocols (MPP) starting in December 2021, including documents describing exemptions from MPP.
- Expedited Processing Original Justification: Expedited processing is necessary because asylum seekers are at great risk of life and physical safety as a result of MPP and are prevented from accessing their legal right to seek asylum. The records sought will assist IRAP and other service providers at the border in providing accurate information to asylum seekers so that they can better assess their options for safety in exercising their right to claim asylum.
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- Expedited Processing Disposition Reason: Does not meet requirements per DHS regulations.

EXHIBIT C



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FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for CBP-OFO-2022-026376

1 message

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Fri, Jan 20, 2023 at 2:53 PM

Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request CBP-OFO-2022-026376 has been determined to be not applicable as the request is not billable. Additional details for this request are as follows:

- Request Created on: 12/21/2021
- Request Description: Policies, procedures, guidance, memoranda, and other similar documents regarding the re-implementation of Migrant Protection Protocols (MPP) starting in December 2021, including documents describing exemptions from MPP.
- Fee Waiver Original Justification: The documents requested are not in IRAP's commercial interest. They will contribute significantly to the understanding that IRAP and other stakeholders at the border -- legal services providers, advocates, and asylum seekers -- have about the operation of MPP, particularly when it applies and when it doesn't. IRAP intends to review the documents and to highlight and summarize important points of the guidance through IRAP's website, listserv discussions, and its social media networks.
- Fee Waiver Disposition Reason: N/A