## **EXHIBIT N**



## U.S. Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Prisons

Central Office 320 First St., NW Washington, DC 20534

Request Number: 2023-03621

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Arden Farhi CBS News 2020 M St. NW Washington, DC 20036

Dear Mr. Farhi:

This is in response to the above referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. A copy of your request is attached.

To the extent non-public responsive records exist, without consent, proof of death, or an overriding public interest, disclosure of records would invade another individual's personal privacy. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6). Additionally, to the extent non-public responsive records exist, without consent, proof of death, or an overriding public interest, disclosure of law enforcement records concerning an individual could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(C). Because any non-public records responsive to your request would be categorically exempt from disclosure, this Office is not required to conduct a search for the requested records. Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP) considered the foreseeable harm standard when applying FOIA exemptions.

Additionally, The audio records of the telephone calls you request have been preserved. To receive a copy of the telephone calls, you must have the individual(s) Robert Hanssen conversed with execute a release authorization to this office. Upon receipt of the release authorization, your request will be processed further. Per BOP's retention and disposal schedule, phone conversations are maintained for 180 days.

If you have questions about this response please feel free to contact the undersigned, this office, or the BOP's FOIA Public Liaison, Ms. Kara Christenson, at: 202-616-7750; 320 First Street NW, Room 924, Washington, DC 20534; or bop-ogc-efoia-s@bop.gov.

Additionally, 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, MD 20740-6001; ogis@nara.gov; 202-741-5770 (phone); 1-877-684-6448 (toll free); or 202-741-5769 (fax).

If you are not satisfied with my response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, 441 G Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20530, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account following the instructions on OIP's website: <a href="https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal">https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal</a>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

J. Villa, for

Eugene E. Baime, Supervisory Attorney

## **Explanation of FOIA Exemptions**

- 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(1) protects classified information.
- 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(2) concerns matters related solely to internal agency personnel rules or practices.
- 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3) concerns matters specifically exempted from release by statute.
- **5 U.S.C.** § **552(b)(4)** concerns trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person that is privileged or confidential.
- **5 U.S.C.** § **552(b)(5)** concerns certain inter- and intra-agency communications protected by the deliberative process privilege, the attorney work-product privilege, and/or the attorney-client privilege.
- **5 U.S.C.** § **552(b)(6)** concerns material the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of third parties.
- **5 U.S.C.** § **552(b)(7)(A)** concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings.
- **5 U.S.C.** § **552(b)(7)(B)** concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication.
- **5 U.S.C.** § **552(b)(7)(C)** concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of third parties.
- **5 U.S.C.** § **552(b)(7)(D)** concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which could reasonably be expected to disclose the identities of confidential sources and information furnished by such sources.
- **5 U.S.C.** § **552(b)(7)(E)** concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions.
- **5 U.S.C.** § **552(b)(7)(F)** concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or personal safety of an individual.
- **5 U.S.C.** § **552(b)(8)** concerns matters that are "contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions."
- **5 U.S.C.** § **552(b)(9)** concerns geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.