



**U.S. Department of Justice**

Criminal Division

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*Washington, D.C. 20530*

**VIA Electronic Mail**

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Request No. CRM-301743629  
Subject: Information regarding your clients,  
the victim families (Boeing 737 MAX

Dear Mr. Murphy:

This responds to your status inquiry dated February 2, 2023 concerning your pending Freedom of Information Act request received on August 9, 2022 for records concerning the above-mentioned subject.

Please be advised that your request is being processed on the complex track. On average, it takes the FOIA/PA Unit 853 days to process a complex request. At this time, your request has been pending for 123 business days. A search for responsive records is pending.

You have also requested an estimated date of completion for this request. As stated above, your request has been assigned to the complex track. At this time, we estimate that this request will be completed within twelve to eighteen months. Please be advised that this is a preliminary estimate that will likely be modified as our searching is completed, and the volume and complexity of the material is evaluated. We will be able to provide you with a more specific estimate after we have completed our search for responsive records.

Your continued patience is appreciated, and we apologize for the delays in the processing of your request. Please feel free to follow up with the FOIA/PA Unit in sixty days if you would like another status update on your request.

Sincerely,

FOIA/PA Unit  
Criminal Division  
U.S. Department of Justice