

Exhibit 4



DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY
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December 29, 2023

Aaron Siri
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Dear Aaron Siri:

This letter is in final response to your December 7, 2023, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request received by the Defense Health Agency (DHA) on December 8, 2023. Your request was assigned FOIA tracking number 2024-00193-F. You are seeking the following:

“All communications sent or received by the individuals listed below from January 1, 2014, through December 31, 2015, concerning the study titled, A Prospective Study of the Incidence of Myocarditis/Pericarditis and New Onset Cardiac Symptoms following Smallpox and Influenza Vaccination.”

- *Renata J. M. Engler*
- *Michael R. Nelson*
- *Limone C. Collins Jr.*
- *Christina Spooner*
- *Brian A. Hemann*
- *Barnett T. Gibbs*
- *Bruce M. McClenathan”*

On December 19, 2023, our office sent correspondence to your email address and requested a narrowed scope of your request. To date, at least ten (10) days or more have passed without a response from you. The absence of a response provides a reasonable basis to conclude your interest in the requested records has changed. Therefore, effective December 29, 2023, your request has been administratively closed.

If you are not satisfied with this action, you may appeal this decision in writing to the DHA Appellate Authority. Your appeal must be received and postmarked no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter, include your reason(s) for reconsideration, and attach a copy of this letter by email to DHA.FOIAappeals@health.mil; or mail to: Defense Health Agency, FOIA Requester Service Center, Attention: FOIA Appellate Authority, 7700 Arlington Boulevard, Suite 5101, Falls Church, VA 22042-5101.

For any further assistance concerning the processing of this request, you have the right to contact the Defense Health Agency Public Liaison Officer, Mr. Joseph Davidge at DHA FOIA

Public Liaison Office (J-1/EASI), 7700 Arlington Blvd, Suite 5101, Falls Church, VA 22042-5101, dha.foiapublicliaison@health.mil or (703) 681-3310.

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 as follows: National Archives and Records Administration, Office of Government Information Services, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769. Using the dispute resolution services will not affect your appeal or appeal rights.

Should you have any questions concerning your request, please contact me or the DHA FOIA Requester Service Center at (703) 681-3310 or email: DHA.FOIA@health.mil and refer to FOIA tracking number referenced above.

Sincerely,

Selma Bajramovic

Ms. Selma Bajramovic, CDPSE
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DHA FOIA Requester Service Center