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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION DIVISION
1155 DEFENSE PENTAGON
WASHINGTON, DC 20301-1155**

Ref: 24-F-1514
September 3, 2024

Ms. Anne Marshall-Chalmers
The War Horse News
P.O. Box 399
Richlands, NC 28574

Dear Ms. Marshall-Chalmers:

This is a final response to your July 3, 2024 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, a copy of which is enclosed for your convenience. The Office of the Secretary of Defense/Joint Staff (OSD/JS) FOIA office received your request on July 3, 2024, and assigned it FOIA case number 24-F-1514. We ask that you use this number when referring to your request.

The Department of Defense, Office of General Counsel (OGC), a component of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, conducted a search of their records systems and located 18 pages determined to be responsive to your request. Mr. David Bennett, Director OIC, DoD OGC, in his capacity as an Initial Denial Authority, has determined that 18 pages are withheld in their entirety pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(5), inter- and intra- agency memoranda which are deliberative in nature; this exemption is appropriate for internal documents which are part of the decision making process, and contain subjective evaluations, opinions and recommendations or contain subjective evaluations, opinions and recommendations or the attorney-client privilege when part of confidential communications between attorneys and their clients made for the purposes of obtaining legal advice; (b)(6), information which, if disclosed, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of individuals. Please note that we have considered the foreseeable harm standard when reviewing records and applying exemptions under the FOIA in the processing of this request

Your request has been closed in this office. In this instance, fees for processing your request were below the threshold for requiring payment. Please note that fees may be assessed on future requests.

If you have any questions or concerns about the foregoing or about the processing of your request, please do not hesitate to contact the Action Officer assigned to your request, Amy Steinfadt, at amy.r.steinfadt.civ@mail.mil or 571-372-0433. Additionally, if you have concerns about service received by our office, please contact a member of our Leadership Team at 571-372-0498 or Toll Free at 866-574-4970.

Should you wish to inquire about mediation services, you may contact the OSD/JS FOIA Public Liaison, Toni Fuentes, at 571-372-0462, or by email at OSD.FOIALiaison@mail.mil. You may also 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:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS
College Park, MD 20740
E-mail: ogis@nara.gov
Telephone: 202-741-5770
Fax: 202-741-5769
Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

You have the right to appeal to the appellate authority, Ms. Joo Chung, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency (PCLT), Office of the Secretary of Defense, at the following address: 4800 Mark Center Drive, ATTN: PCLFD, FOIA Appeals, Mailbox #24, Alexandria, VA 22350-1700.

Your appeal must be postmarked within 90 calendar days of the date of this response. Alternatively, you may email your appeal to osd.foia-appeal@mail.mil. If you use email, please include the words "FOIA Appeal" in the subject of the email. Please also reference FOIA case number 24-F-1514 in any appeal correspondence.

We appreciate your patience in the processing of your request. As stated previously, please contact the Action Officer assigned to your request, Amy Steinfadt, and reference FOIA case number 24-F-1514, if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Stephen L. Fisher
For Stephanie L. Carr
Chief

Enclosure:
As stated