

EXHIBIT 5



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Re: FOIA-2024-03041 et al.
DRH

Dear Roman Jankowski:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests dated and received in this Office on August 13, 2024, seeking communications sent by various Department officials containing various terms since January 20, 2021.

On the same business day, you submitted to this Office sixty-four separate, but inter-related and overlapping FOIA request letters seeking the same records from various officials within the Office of the Attorney General, Office of the Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Associate Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Office of Legal Policy, and Office of Public Affairs. For purposes of clarity, these requests have been further detailed in the attached spreadsheet.

As a matter of administrative efficiency and in an effort to facilitate our records searches and the processing and consultation of potentially responsive records, and ultimately to more efficiently respond to your requests, we are aggregating your requests under the tracking number FOIA-2024-03041. We will conduct a comprehensive records search designed to locate records that may be responsive to any or all of your requests. This administrative action will eliminate any redundancies amongst our records searches while also removing the need to process and conduct consultations on duplicative records that would have been responsive to one or more of your individual requests. The remaining tracking numbers will be closed administratively.

The records you seek require a search in and/or consultation with another Office, and so your request falls within "unusual circumstances." See 5 U.S.C. 552 § (a)(6)(B)(i)-(iii) (2018). Because of these unusual circumstances, we need to extend the time limit to respond to your request beyond the ten additional days provided by the statute. For your information, we use multiple tracks to process requests, but within those tracks we work in an agile manner, and the time needed to complete our work on your request will necessarily depend on a variety of factors, including the complexity of our records search, the volume and complexity of any material located, and the order of receipt of your request. At this time, we have assigned your request to the complex track. In an effort to speed up our process, you may wish to narrow the scope of your request to limit the number of potentially responsive records so that it can be

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placed in a different processing track. You can also agree to an alternative time frame for processing, should records be located, or you may wish to await the completion of our records search to discuss either of these options. Any decision with regard to the application of fees will be made only after we determine whether fees will be implicated for this request.

We regret the necessity of this delay, but we assure you that your request will be processed as soon as possible. If you have any questions or wish to discuss reformulation or an alternative time frame for the processing of your request, you may contact this Office by telephone at the above number or you may write to the Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, Sixth Floor, 441 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001. Lastly, you may contact our FOIA Public Liaison, Valeree Villanueva, at the telephone number listed above to discuss any aspect of your request

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: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 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.

If you are not satisfied with this Office's determination in response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, Sixth Floor, 441 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account following the instructions on OIP's website: <https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically submitted within ninety 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." If possible, please provide a copy of your original request letters and this response with any appeal.

Sincerely,



Douglas R. Hibbard
Chief, Initial Request Staff

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