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U.S. Department of Justice



Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D.C. 20535

March 20, 2015

MR. MATTATHIAS SCHWARTZ THE NEW YORKER 1 WORLD TRADE CENTER NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10007-2915

> FOIPA Request No.: 1324446-000 Subject: OFFICE OF MILITARY COMMISSIONS (DOCUMENTS A GUIDANCE)

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

This acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request to the FBI.

- Your request has been received at FBI Headquarters for processing.
- Your request has been received at the [_____ Resident Agency / _____ Field Office] and forwarded to FBI Headquarters for processing.
- We are searching the indices to our Central Records System for the information responsive to this request. We will inform you of the results in future correspondence.
- Your request for a fee waiver is being considered and you will be advised of the decision at a later date.
- The subject of your request is currently being processed for public release. Documents will be released to you upon completion.
- Please check for the status of your FOIPA request at <u>www.fbi.gov/foia</u> by clicking on Check the Status of Your FOIPA Request under Records Available Now located on the right side of the page. Status updates are adjusted weekly. The status of newly assigned requests may not be available until the next weekly update. If the FOIPA has been closed the notice will indicate that appropriate correspondence has been mailed to the address on file.

The FOIPA Request number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request. Your patience is appreciated.

Sincerely,

David M. Hardy Section Chief, Record/Information Dissemination Section Records Management Division

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March 24, 2015

MR. MATTATHIAS SCHWARTZ THE NEW YORKER 1 WORLD TRADE CENTER NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10007-2915

FOIPA Request No.: 1324446-000 Subject: OFFICE OF MILITARY COMMISSIONS

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

This is in reference to your letter to the FBI, in which you requested expedited processing for the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. Under Department of Justice (DOJ) standards, expedited processing can only be granted in the following situations.

You have requested expedited processing according to:

1	28 C.F.R. §16.5 (d)(1)(i): "Circumstances in which the lack of expedited treatment could
	reasonably be expected to pose an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an
	individual."

- **28 C.F.R. §16.5 (d)(1)(ii):** "An urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged federal government activity, if made by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information."
- 28 C.F.R. §16.5 (d)(1)(iii): "The loss of substantial due process of rights."
- 28 C.F.R. §16.5 (d)(1)(iv): "A matter of widespread and exceptional media interest in which there exist possible questions about the government=s integrity which affect public confidence."

You have not provided enough information concerning the statutory requirements for expedition; therefore, your request is denied. Specifically, you have not provided enough information to justify that this information is of urgent need to the public.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), U.S. Department of Justice, 1425 New York Ave., NW, Suite 11050, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's eFOIA portal at <u>http://www.justice.gov/oip/efoia-portal.html</u>. Your appeal must be received by OIP within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number in any correspondence to us for proper identification of your request.

Sincerely,

David M. Hardy Section Chief Record/Information Dissemination Section Records Management Division