

# EXHIBIT Q



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Dear Mr. Manes:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) appeal. We received your appeal in this office on October 16, 2015.

Due to an extremely heavy FOIA workload, we are unable to complete your appeal within the statutory time requirement. In fairness to the general public, we make every effort to treat all requesters equally. Accordingly, responses are made on a first-in, first-out, easy-hard basis, and controlled in response queues. When the appellate review of your case is complete, you will be notified by the appellate authority, the Deputy Director of Administration, Office of the Secretary of Defense, of the final decision. You may direct any questions concerning this appeal to Ms. Danaeka Spear at (571) 372-0423, or [danaeka.l.spear.civ@mail.mil](mailto:danaeka.l.spear.civ@mail.mil).

Sincerely,

  
Danaeka Spear  
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