

EXHIBIT C



DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20340-5100



U-12-4500/DAN-1A (FOIA)

Mr. Raffi Khatchadourian
The New Yorker
4 Time Square
New York, NY 10036

Dear Mr. Khatchadourian:

This is a status update on your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, case number FOIA-0147-2012, received in this office on February 17, 2012. Your request was determined to fall within our Complex Track for FOIA processing. This simply means that your request involved a large amount of records, or that the records requested require significant review within this agency or consultations with other government agencies. Please be assured that our office is committed to processing your request as soon as possible as DIA continues its efforts to eliminate the large backlog of pending FOIA requests.

Because your request falls within the Complex Track and has been pending for a period of time greater than the statutory allowance, this office has determined that it may be helpful for us to provide greater explanation concerning the status of your request. This office sorts backlogged requests into three functional queues for management purposes. These three queues are explained further below:

Awaiting Tasking Queue: includes requests that must be tasked within the agency for subject matter experts (SME) search and/or review of the responsive records.

Awaiting Response Queue: includes requests that have been tasked and are awaiting response or requests which have been referred to other government agencies for review of their equities.

Ready to Work Queue: includes requests, which all responses have been received and awaiting processing of final response to the requester.

Your request is currently in the Awaiting Tasking Queue; #97 of 177. Our current administrative workload is 1,112 open FOIA requests.

We solicit your patience and understanding and assure you, we will process your request as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact the FOIA Requester Service Center, at (301) 394-5587 and reference your case number.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alesia Y. Williams".

Alesia Y. Williams
Chief, Freedom of Information Act Staff