

NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY CENTRAL SECURITY SERVICE FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, MARYLAND 20755-6000

FOIA Case: 76886A 17 August 2016

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Dear Ms. Sandvik:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of 25 February 2014, which was received by this office on 26 February 2014, for "Copies of contracts with Amazon.com, Inc. and any final reports generated and delivered by Amazon.com, Inc. to the agency over the past 10 years. If retrieving the contracts themselves is too burdensome please provide a list of contracts. Please include any processing notes made in completing this request.

As previously provided, your request has been assigned Case Number 76886. There is certain information relating to this processing about which the FOIA and applicable Department of Defense (DoD) and NSA/CSS regulations require we inform you.

There are no assessable fees for this request; therefore, we did not address your fee category or your request for a fee waiver.

Your request has been processed under the provisions of the FOIA. Your request has been reviewed by this Agency as required by the FOIA, and is being fully denied in accordance with Executive Order 13526, as set forth in Subparagraphs (e) and (g) of Section 1.4. This request is denied because disclosure could reasonably be expected to cause damage (at minimum) to the national security, per Executive Order 13526, Section 1.2. Any responsive material that may exist would be deemed currently and properly protected; therefore, exempt from disclosure pursuant to the first exemption of the FOIA (5 U.S.C. Section 552(b)(1)).

In addition, this Agency is authorized by various statutes to protect certain information concerning its activities. Accordingly, your request is also

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denied pursuant to the third exemption of the FOIA, which provides for the withholding of information specifically protected from disclosure by statute. The specific statute applicable in this case is Section 6, Public Law 86-36 (50 U.S. Code 3605). No portion of any responsive material is reasonably segregable.

You may appeal this decision. If you decide to appeal, you should do so in the manner outlined below.

• The appeal must be in writing and addressed to:

NSA/CSS FOIA/PA Appeal Authority (DJ4), National Security Agency 9800 Savage Road STE 6248 Fort George G. Meade, MD 20755-6248

- It must be postmarked no later than 60 calendar days of the date of this letter.
- Please include the case number provided above.
- Please describe with sufficient detail why you believe this denial was unwarranted.
- NSA will endeavor to respond within 20 working days of receiving your appeal, absent any unusual circumstances.

Sincerely,

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JOHN R. CHAPMAN Chief, FOIA/PA Office NSA Initial Denial Authority