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## SENT BY ELECTRONIC MAIL TO: 22195-03661695@requests.muckrock.com

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Re: 2015-HQFO-00701

Dear Mr. Peck

This is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), dated September 19, 2015, and received by this office on September 21, 2015. You are seeking records associated with self-inspection of classified materials handling pursuant to Executive Order (E.O.) 13526 and E.O. 13587 performed by the Department for the last ten (10) years. Please include results of inspection and especially guidance resulting from analysis of reviewed activities and materials. Inspection records associated with effectiveness of original classification, effectiveness of derivative classification, safeguarding material, security training, security violations, and auditing/oversight are specifically requested.

A search of Office of the Chief Security Officer for documents responsive to your request produced a total of 1016 pages. I have determined that the records are withheld in their entirety pursuant to Title 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(2), FOIA Exemption 2.

**FOIA Exemption 2** protects information applicable to internal administrative personnel matters to the extent that the information is of a relatively trivial nature and there is no public interest in the document.

You have a right to appeal the above withholding determination. Should you wish to do so, you must send your appeal and a copy of this letter, within 90 days of the date of this letter, to: Associate General Counsel (General Law), Mailstop 0655, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Washington, D.C. 20528, following the procedures outlined in the DHS regulations at 6 C.F.R. § 5.9. Your envelope and letter should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Copies of the FOIA and DHS regulations are available at <a href="https://www.dhs.gov/foia">www.dhs.gov/foia</a>.

Provisions of FOIA allow DHS to recover part of the cost of complying with your request. In this instance, because the cost is below the \$14 minimum, there is no charge. 6 CFR § 5.11(d)(4).

If you need to contact our office again about this matter, please refer to **2015-HQFO-00701**. This office can be reached at 1-866-431-0486 or 202-343-1743.

Sincerely,

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FOIA Program Specialist