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VIA Electronic Mail

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Mr. Dennis Williams
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Request No. CRM-300585963
Subject: Thomas Pickard

Dear Mr. Williams:

The Criminal Division acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act request dated February 21, 2017. Your request was received in this Office on February 21, 2017. In that request, you asked for access to records concerning the above-mentioned subject. Your request has been assigned file number CRM-300585963. You should refer to this number in any future correspondence with this Office.

With respect to the named individual, lacking his consent, proof of death, an official acknowledgment of an investigation of him, or an overriding public interest, even to acknowledge the existence of such records pertaining to this individual would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy and could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of his personal privacy. 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6), (7)(C). Accordingly, I cannot confirm or deny the existence of records responsive to your request.

As to your request for expedited processing, your request is moot as this response has been issued within ten days of receipt of the request.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison at the (202) 616-0307 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with my response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,



Christina Butler

for

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Chief
FOIA/PA Unit