



INSPECTOR GENERAL
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August 1, 2017
Ref: FOIA-2016-00489

SENT VIA EMAIL TO: 25114-733280972@requests.muckrock.com

Mr. Michael Best
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Dear Mr. Best,

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for a copy of reports of investigations regarding the Eclipse Group or Duane Clarridge. We received your request on April 11, 2016, and assigned it case number FOIA-2016-00489.

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) (2006 & Supp. IV 2010). This response is limited to the records subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

A search of the records systems maintained by Defense Criminal Investigative Service (DCIS) did not locate any records responsive to your request. In view of the above, you may consider this to be an adverse determination that may be appealed to the Department of Defense, Office of Inspector General, ATTN: FOIA Appellate Authority, Suite 10B24, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22350-1500. Your appeal, if any, must be postmarked within 90 days of the date of this letter and should reference the file number above. I recommend that your appeal and its envelope both bear the notation "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

You may seek dispute resolution services and assistance with your request from the DoD OIG FOIA Public Liaison Officer at 703-604-9785, or the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at 877-684-6448, ogis@nara.gov, or <https://ogis.archives.gov/>. Please note that OGIS mediates disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. However, OGIS does not have the authority to mediate requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974 (request to access one's own records.)

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Eric R. Powers at 703-699-7576, or via email at foiarequests@dodig.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Dorgan", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mark Dorgan
Division Chief
FOIA, Privacy and Civil Liberties Office