

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

August 7, 2017

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Dear Mr. Higgins:

This acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests to the FBI. The FOIPA requests numbers below have been assigned.

FOIPA NUMBER	Subject	DEPT MR NUMBER
1381150-000	Sinatra, Barbara	40508
1381151-000	Ratner, Marina	40509
1381152-000	Hinohara, Shigeaki	40511
1381153-000	Lambert, Margaret	40512
1381155-000	Baird, Keith	40514
1381156-000	Yunupingu, G	40515
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1381158-000	Kundla, John	40461
1381159-000	Pilgrim, Bo	40460
1381160-000	Doohan, Peter	40469
1381162-000	Rago, Joseph	40468
1381163-000	Houck, C. Weston	40467
1381164-000	Regula, Ralph	40466
1381165-000	Sigal, Clancy	40465
1381166-000	Holdman, Scharlette	40464
1381432-000	Foray, June	40669
1381441-000	Menard, D. L.	40668
1381143-000	Farmer, Robert	40666
1381444-000	Needleman, Herbert	40665
1381445-000	Collings, Bill	40664
1381446-000	Morris, John	40663
1381447-000	Rose, Mervyn	40662
1381450-000	Jones, David	40660
1381453-000	Moreau, Jeanne	40659
1381454-000	Shepard, Sam	40658
1381455-000	May, Lee	41128

1381457-000	Pezzullo, Lawrence	41127

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	Г	As a commercial use requester, you will be charged applicable search, review and duplication fees in accordance with 5 USC § 552 (a)(4)(A)(ii)(I).		
	Γ	As an educational institution, noncommercial scientific institution or representative of the news media requester, you will be charged applicable duplication fees in accordance with 5 USC § 552 (a)(4)(A)(ii)(II).		
	V	As a general (all others) requester, you will be charged applicable search and duplication fees in accordance with 5 USC § 552 (a)(4)(A)(ii)(III).		

Please be advised that we have determined "unusual circumstances" apply to the processing of your request. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(6)(B)(iii). "Unusual circumstances" include the following scenarios:

There is a need to search for and collect records from field offices and/or other offices that are separate from the FBI Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS).

There is a need to search for, collect, and examine a voluminous amount of separate and distinct records.

There is a need for consultation with another agency or two or more DOJ components.

"Exceptional circumstances" also apply to this the sheer volume, unbounded scope, and size of these requests which may trigger an unpredictable workload for the FBI which cannot reasonably plan for a single requester to consume such a vast quantity of its finite FOIA resources. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(6)(C)(i).

Per 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(4)(C)(iii), as pertinent to "exceptional circumstances," the FBI is providing you an opportunity to reasonably modify the scope of these requests. You have 30 days from the date of this letter to provide any reasonable modification

These "unusual" and "exceptional" circumstances will delay our ability to make a determination on your requests with multiple subparts. Additionally, the payment of pertinent fees may apply to your request. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(4)(A)(viii).

Please check the status of your FOIPA request at www.fbi.gov/foia by clicking on FOIPA Status and entering your FOIPA Request Number. Status updates are adjusted weekly. The status of newly assigned requests may not be available until the next weekly update. If the FOIPA has been closed the notice will indicate that appropriate correspondence has been mailed to the address on file.

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the www.fbi.gov/foia website under "Contact Us."

The FOIPA Request number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request. Your patience is appreciated.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 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 ninety (90) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at 877-684-6448, or by emailing ogis@nara.gov. Alternatively, you may contact the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison by emailing foipaquestions@ic.fbi.gov. If you submit your dispute resolution correspondence by email, the subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

Sincerely,

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Record/Information
Dissemination Section

Records Management Division