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Dear Ms. Gielchinsky:

This acknowledges receipt of your January 3, 2017 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, request to the Department of the Treasury, seeking “all unclassified documents supporting the U.S. Department of the Treasury’s March 31, 2016 designation of (i) James Alexander McLintock, and (ii) Al-Rahmah Welfare Organization, pursuant to E.O. 13224.” Treasury referred your FOIA request to the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) for processing on January 27, 2017.

Treasury received your request via fax and via online submission. Please be advised that we will be working your request under **FOIA No. 2017-01-105**. We will instruct Departmental Offices FOIA and Transparency to close FOIA No. 2017-02-073 as a duplicate.

OFAC is experiencing a substantial backlog of FOIA requests that has adversely affected its response time; we may encounter some delay in processing your request. Per Section 1.5(j) of the Treasury FOIA regulations, 31 C.F.R., Subtitle A, Part 1, Subpart A, the Department processes FOIA requests according to their order of receipt. Although Treasury’s goal is to respond within 20 business days of receipt of your request, the FOIA does permit a 10-day extension of this time period. As the subject matter of your request is of substantial interest to two or more components of this Department or of substantial interest to another agency, we will need to consult with those entities before we issue a final response. Due to these unusual circumstances, Treasury will invoke a 10-day extension for your request, as allowed by Title 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B). If you care to narrow the scope of your request, please contact our office. We will make every effort to comply with your request in a timely manner; however, there are currently 110 open requests ahead of yours.

For fee purposes, we have determined that you are a “commercial” requester. The FOIA, specifically 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A), and Treasury FOIA regulations at 31 C.F.R. § 1.7, allow us to recover part of the cost of addressing your request. As a “commercial” requester, you will be charged the full direct costs of searching for, reviewing, and duplicating the records sought. Duplication will be assessed at 20-cents per page, and search and review time will be assessed at the salary rate(s) (basic pay plus 16 percent) of the employee(s) making the search and review. You stated in your request that you are willing to pay assessable fees up to \$300. You will be contacted before any additional fees are accrued.

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We will query the appropriate OFAC components for responsive records. If responsive records are located, they will be reviewed for determination on release. One of our analysts will respond to your request. We appreciate your patience as we proceed.

Please note that OFAC prefers to communicate with requesters via email, where possible. Should you be interested in receiving communications related to your request electronically, please provide us with your email address.

Your request has been assigned FOIA No.: **2017-01-105**. If you have any questions about this matter or wish to discuss reformulation or an alternative time frame for the processing of your request, you may contact us at OFACFOIAOffice@treasury.gov or our FOIA Requester Service Center at (202) 622-2500, option 3. You may also contact our FOIA Public Liaison, Deryl Richardson, Acting Director, FOIA and Transparency at 202-622-8098 or FOIAPublicLiaisonDepartmentalOffices@treasury.gov.

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, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, 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.

Sincerely,

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