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Subject: RE: Issue re: FOIPA Request No. 1402478-000 (FBI Climate Survey)
Date: Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 8:11:06 AM Eastern Daylight Time
From: FOIPAQUESTIONS
To: Scott Anderson
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Dear Mr. Anderson,

Thank you for contacting foipaquestions@fbi.gov in reference to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. The letter you received citing unusual circumstances apply in that there is a need to search for and collect records from field offices and/or offices that are separate from the FBI Record/Information Dissemination Section. Your request remains in process and was not deemed overly broad. Furthermore, there is no need to reach out to reduce the scope of your request at this time.

Should you have further questions, please feel free to reach out.

Respectfully,

Public Information Officer

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Do you have further questions about the FOI/PA process? Visit us at <http://www.fbi.gov/foia>

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From: Scott Anderson [mailto:SAnderson@brookings.edu]
Sent: Monday, April 16, 2018 4:22 PM
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Hello,

I just received the attached letter finding “unusual circumstances” in regards to our FOIA request relating to the results of the 2018 climate survey, indicating one or more of the following:

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

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

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

I am confused as to how these conditions could apply because we are asking for a single internal FBI document that has been publicly disclosed in response to similar requests in prior years. Here is the substantive portion of our FOIA request:

1. Any documents reflecting the results of Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Field Office and Headquarters Climate Survey for 2018.

We understand the survey was administered between February and March 2018.

You have disclosed the results of Climate Surveys for prior years on

<https://vault.fbi.gov/>. (The full URL where the results of the prior years???)

Climate Surveys are made public is:

<https://vault.fbi.gov/FBI%20Field%20Office%20and%20Headquarters%20Climate%20Survey%20Results/FBI%20Field%20Office%20and%20Headquarters%20Climate%20Survey%20Results%20%282017%29/view.>)

We are requesting the same type of documents for the 2018 survey.

Can you clarify what the issue could possibly be? We specifically drafted the request as narrowly as possible to documents that resemble prior disclosures in order to expedite it.

We're happy to appeal and pursue the other channels mentioned in the letter, but thought we'd start here. Any guidance or clarification would be appreciated.

Many thanks,
Scott

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