From: ED FOIA Manager EDFOIAManager@ed.gov Subject: RE: Status Update re FOIA Request No. 18-01229-F Date: April 5, 2018 at 2:06 PM To: Alex Elson alex@nsldn.org, ED FOIA Manager EDFOIAManager@ed.gov



This e-mail is in response to your request for a status on the subject FOIA request: **REQUEST #18-01229-F.**

Status:

<u>Conducting Search for responsive records</u>. Once the search for responsive records has been completed the status will be updated accordingly. In the interim, you can monitor the status of your request via *email to <u>EDFOIAManager@ed.gov</u>*.

We understand how important your FOIA Request is to you and want to handle it as soon as possible but we must process all FOIA request in their order of receipt. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience.

Thank you for contacting the U.S. Department of Education FOIA Service Center!

ED FOIA Manager U.S. Department of Education FOIA Service Center 400 Maryland Avenue SW Room 218-52 Washington, DC 20202 FSC Hotline: (202) 401-8365

From: Alex Elson [mailto:alex@nsldn.org]
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2018 1:58 PM
To: ED FOIA Manager
Subject: Status Update re FOIA Request No. 18-01229-F

ED FOIA Manager,

I am writing to request an update regarding the status of my FOIA request, submitted on March 5, 2018 (and attached for reference). On March 8, I received the below communication from the Department granting a fee waiver but have not received any further communications.

I checked the Department's FOIA Request Status Log, last updated on March 8, 2018. *See <u>https://ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/foia/request-status-log.pdf</u></u>. This request does not appear on the log.*

Please advise of the status at your earliest convenience.

Thank you,

Alex

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On Thu, Mar 8, 2018 at 3:06 PM, lee, shahanga <<u>EDFOIAManager@ed.gov</u>> wrote: Dear Alex Elson:

This letter is in response to your request dated March 5, 2018, requesting information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552. Your request was received in this office on March 8, 2018. Your request was assigned to the Office of Federal Student Aid within the Department to search for documents that may be responsive to your request.

You have asked for a waiver of all fees, including duplication fees, associated with processing your request based on your requester category as an all other use requester and the information requested will be disseminated to the public. That request is granted.