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Dear Ms. Schmid,

This letter is to acknowledge receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated October 17, 2018, pursuant to FOIA 5 U.S.C. § 552, to the Department of State (DOS), in which you requested information regarding the 2018 Country Reports on Human Rights Practices.

The Department of State, Office of Information Programs and Services (IPS) received your FOIA request on October 17, 2018. Your FOIA request was assigned the tracking number at the top of this letter. Please include the tracking number in all future communications concerning this FOIA request. In addition, we have placed your request in the complex category.

This Office has adopted a first in/first out practice of processing all incoming requests. Your request has been placed in chronological order based on the date of receipt and will be handled as quickly as possible. If you have any questions regarding the status of your request or to discuss any aspect of your request, you may contact our FOIA Requester Service Center or our FOIA Public Liaison via email at [FOIAstatus@state.gov](mailto:FOIAstatus@state.gov) or by telephone at (202) 261-8484.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "E.F. Stein".

Eric F. Stein, Director  
Office of Information Programs and Services