Exhibit 11



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Dear Mr. McMullen:

This is in further response to our letter dated November 15, 2018, regarding your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, 5 U.S.C. § 552, to the Department of State (DOS) for specific cables sent and/or received by officials representing DOS and/or its organizational components.

After carefully reviewing the remaining 17 records, we determined that 10 of the documents are appropriate for release in part pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(1), which protects information that is properly classified in the interest of national security pursuant to Executive Order 13526, and 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6), which concerns material the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of an individual's personal privacy. All released material is enclosed. Seven of the documents originated with or contain information under the purview of another federal agency and have been referred to the appropriate agency for review and direct response to you.

For further assistance or to discuss any aspect of your request, you may contact our FOIA Requester Service Center or our FOIA Public Liaison via email to <u>FOIAstatus@state.gov</u> or by telephone at (202) 261-8484.

If you are not satisfied with DOS's determination in response to your FOIA request, you may administratively appeal by writing to: Appeals Officer, Appeals Review Panel, Office of Information Programs and Services (IPS), U.S. Department of State, State Annex 2 (SA-2), 515 22nd Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20522-8100, or faxed to (202) 261-8571. Appeals must be postmarked within 90 calendar days of the date of this initial agency decision letter. Please include a copy of this letter with your written appeal and clearly state why you disagree with the determinations set forth in this response.

Additionally, if you are not satisfied with DOS's determination in response to your request, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) 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,

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Maryland 20740-6001, email address: ogis@nara.gov; telephone: (202) 741-5770; toll free number: 1-877-684-6448; facsimile: (202) 741-5769.

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

Enclosure(s): As stated