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**RE: 2019-ICAP-00275, 2019-ICFO-24679**

Dear Mr. Valvo:

This is in response to your letter dated March 8, 2019, which was received by this office on March 18, 2019, appealing the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) FOIA Office's response to your client's December 14, 2018, FOIA request. Your client's FOIA request sought information pertaining seized websites.

By letter dated February 19, 2019, the ICE FOIA Office advised you that a search of ICE Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and the Office of Public Affairs (OPA) was conducted and that no responsive records to your client's request were located. Your March 8, 2019, letter appealed the adequacy of the agency's search.

Upon a complete review of the administrative record and the search documentation which led to the determination on your FOIA request, ICE has determined that a new search, or modification to the existing search, could be made. ICE is therefore remanding your appeal back to the ICE FOIA Office for processing and re-tasking to the appropriate agency/office(s) to obtain any responsive documents, should they exist.

Should you have any questions regarding this appeal remand, please contact ICE FOIA at [ice-foia@dhs.gov](mailto:ice-foia@dhs.gov). In the subject line of the e-mail, please include the word "appeal," your appeal number, which is **2019-ICAP-00275**, and the FOIA case number, which is **2019-ICFO-24679**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Shiraz Panthaky".

for Shiraz Panthaky  
Chief  
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ICE Office of the Principal Legal Advisor  
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cc: ICE FOIA Office