

United States Department of the Interior OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO: 7202.4-OS-2020-00043

October 24, 2019

Via email: 81537-21327511@requests.muckrock.com

Jimmy Tobias MuckRock News DEPT MR 81537 411A Highland Ave Somerville, MA 02144

Dear Mr. Tobias:

On October 10, 2019, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

Any and all written or electronic communication, including email attachments, between former DOI official Benjamin Cassidy and any employee, agent, official, lobbyist or representative of Safari Club International, or SCI. This request seeks records during Cassidy's time in office under the Trump administration.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on October 15, 2019, and assigned control number **OS-2020-00043**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

We have classified your request as a "media use request." As a "media use requester" you will not be charged for our search or review costs and are entitled to up to 100 pages of photocopies (or an equivalent volume) for free. See <u>43 C.F.R. § 2.39</u>. As a matter of policy, however, the Department of the Interior does not bill requesters for FOIA fees incurred in processing requests when their fees do not exceed \$50.00 because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. See <u>43 C.F.R. § 2.49(a)(1)</u>.

You have asked for copies of agency records. According to our regulations, you may choose the format of disclosure for such records. Unless you specify otherwise, the Office of the Secretary will provide copies of responsive records electronically via email or CD-ROM as scanned PDF images when the responsive records exceed 50 pages.

We have determined that your request should be placed in the "Normal" processing track. *See* <u>43 C.F.R. § 2.15.</u>

Exhibit S

Mr. Jimmy Tobias

If you have any questions regarding the status of your request, or any of the issues discussed in this letter, you may contact me by phone at (202) 513-0765, by fax at (202) 219-2374, by e-mail at os_foia@ios.doi.gov or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C St NW, MS-7328 MIB, Washington, DC 20240. You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Tony Irish.

Sincerely,

CYNTHIA SWEENEY Date: 2019.10.24 08:05:12 -04'00'

Cynthia Sweeney Office of the Secretary FOIA Office