Exhibit C

National Records Center P.O. Box 648010 Lee's Summit, MO 64064-8010



December 31, 2018

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Natasha Arnpriester Open Society Justice Initiative 224 West 57th St. New York, NY 10019

Dear Natasha Arnpriester:

This letter is in response to your request for expedited treatment regarding the subject: implementation of civil and criminal denaturalization procedures in the United States. Your original Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request was received on December 31, 2018.

Based on the information you provided, we have determined that expedited processing of your request is not warranted. The Departmental regulation at 6 C.F.R. § 5.5(e)(1) requires that you demonstrate that your request warrants expedited treatment because it involves:

- (i) Circumstances in which the lack of expedited processing could reasonably be expected to pose an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual;
- (ii) An urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged federal government activity, if made by a person who is primarily engaged in disseminating information;
 - (iii) The loss of substantial due process rights; or
- (iv) A matter of widespread and exceptional media interest in which there exist possible questions about the government's integrity which affect public confidence.

In the event you can demonstrate any further showing as to the nature and degree of any of the above categories, submit this additional information to this office for reconsideration.

You have the right to file an administrative appeal within 90 days of the date of this letter. By filing an appeal, you preserve your rights under FOIA and give the agency a chance to review and reconsider your request and the agency's decision. You may file an administrative FOIA appeal to USCIS at: USCIS FOIA/PA Appeals Office, 150 Space Center Loop, Suite 500, Lee's Summit, MO 64064-2139. Both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

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If you would like to discuss our response before filing an appeal to attempt to resolve your dispute without going through the appeals process, you may contact our FOIA Public Liaison, Jill Eggleston, for assistance at:

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services National Records Center, FOIA/PA Office P. O. Box 648010 Lee's Summit, MO 64064-8010

Telephone: 1-800-375-5283

E-Mail: USCIS.FOIA@USCIS.DHS.GOV

If you are unable to resolve your FOIA dispute through our FOIA Public Liaison, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), the Federal FOIA Ombudsman's office, offers mediation services to help resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal Agencies. The OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974. The contact information for OGIS is:

Office of Government Information Services National Archives and Records Administration 8601 Adelphi Road – OGIS College Park, MD 20740-6001 Telephone: 202-741-5770 877-684-6448

Email: <u>OGIS@NARA.GOV</u>
Website: OGIS.ARCHIVES.GOV

The National Records Center does not process petitions, applications or any other type of benefit under the Immigration and Nationality Act. If you have questions or wish to submit documentation relating to a matter pending with the bureau, you must address these issues with your nearest District Office.

All FOIA/PA related requests, including address changes, must be submitted in writing and be signed by the requester. Please include the control number listed above on all correspondence with this office. Requests may be mailed to the FOIA/PA Officer at the PO Box listed at the top of the letterhead, or sent by fax to 816-350-5785. You may also submit FOIA/PA related requests to our e-mail address at uscis.foia@uscis.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Jill A. Eggleston

Director, FOIA Operations