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U.S. Department of Justice

Office of Legal Counsel

Washington, D.C. 20530

July 29, 2019

Mandy Smithberger
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Re: FOIA Tracking No. FY19-177

Dear Ms. Smithberger:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your June 11, 2019 Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request to the Office of Information Policy ("OIP"), in which you sought the following Office of Legal Counsel ("OLC") memoranda:

1. Memorandum regarding "The Constitutional Separation of Powers Over Foreign Affairs and National Security" (Treanor/Koffsky) – 01/19/2001[; and]
2. Memorandum regarding "The President's Authority to Provide Military Equipment and Training to Allied Forces and Resistance Forces in Foreign Countries" – 05/06/2003[.]

OIP referred your request to OLC for our direct response to you. We received your request on July 1, 2019, and it has been assigned tracking number **FY19-177**. Based on our preliminary review of your request, and pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 16.5(b), your request has been tentatively assigned to the "simple" processing track.

Because of the considerable number of FOIA requests received by OLC prior to your request, our staff has not yet been able to process your request. Accordingly, we will be unable to comply with the statutory deadline for responding to your request. I regret the necessity of this delay, but I assure you that your request will be processed as soon as possible.

We have not yet made a decision on your request for a fee waiver. We will do so after we determine whether fees will be assessed for this request.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or wish to discuss your request, you may contact Melissa Golden, OLC's FOIA Public Liaison, at usdoj-officeoflegalcounsel@usdoj.gov, (202) 514-2053, or at Office of Legal Counsel, United States Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Room 5511, Washington, DC 20530.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul P. Colborn".

Paul P. Colborn
Special Counsel