## **EXHIBIT C**

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## RE: ICE FOIA Case Number 2019-ICFO-56704

Dear Ms. Hafeez:

This acknowledges receipt of your August 16, 2019, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), for 1. Any documents regarding allocation of funds for the purpose of "mak[ing] and record[ing] prompt and continuous efforts toward family reunification and the release of the minor" from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) custody and/or facilities, as required by Paragraph 18 of the Flores Settlement; 2. All communications, instructions, guidance, directives, training materials issued to U.S. Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) personnel regarding any and all "efforts toward family reunification and the release of the minor" from DHS custody and/or facilities; 3. All records of the steps taken by DHS or CBP officials "to make and record prompt and continuous efforts toward family reunification and the release of the minor" from DHS custody and/or facilities pursuant to Paragraphs 141 and 192 of the Flores Settlement, including: items (i) to (ix); 4. For all Class Members who are placed and remain in custody for longer than 72 hours, statistical information including the following: "(1) redacted minors name to preserve confidentiality, date of birth, and country of birth, (2) date placed in [CBP] custody, (3) each date placed, removed or released [from CBP custody], (4) to whom and where placed, transferred, removed or released [by CBP], (5) immigration status, and (6) hearing dates [if any]." See Settlement Paragraph 28.A. The information should also include the reasons for every placement of a minor in a detention facility. Id. \*\*\*Please see request for items 5 through 19. Your request was received in this office on August 16, 2019.

Due to the increasing number of FOIA requests received by this office, we may encounter some delay in processing your request. Per Section 5.5(a) of the DHS FOIA regulations, 6 C.F.R. Part 5, ICE processes FOIA requests according to their order of receipt. Although ICE's goal is to respond within 20 business days of receipt of your request, the FOIA does permit a 10- day extension of this time period. As your request seeks numerous documents that will necessitate a thorough and wide-ranging search, ICE will invoke a 10-day extension for your request, as allowed by Title 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B). If you care to narrow the scope of your request, please contact our office. We will make every effort to comply with your request in a timely manner.

Provisions of the FOIA allow us to recover part of the cost of complying with your request. We shall charge you for records in accordance with the DHS Interim FOIA regulations as they apply to commercial requesters. As a commercial requester, you will be charged 10 cents per page for duplication, and for search and review time at the per quarter-hour rate (\$4.00 for clerical personnel, \$7.00 for professional personnel, \$10.25 for managerial personnel) of the searcher and reviewer. We will construe the submission of your request as an agreement to pay up to \$25.00. You will be contacted before any further fees are accrued.

We have queried the appropriate program offices within ICE for responsive records. If any responsive records are located, they will be reviewed for determination of releasability. Please be assured that one of the processors in our office will respond to your request as expeditiously as possible. We appreciate your patience as we proceed with your request.

Your request has been assigned reference number **2019-ICFO-56704**. Please refer to this identifier in any future

correspondence. To check the status of an ICE FOIA/PA request, please visit\_http://www.dhs.gov/foia-status. Please note that to check the status of a request, you must enter the 2019-ICFO-56704 tracking number. If you need any further assistance or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, please contact the FOIA office. You may send an e-mail to <u>ice-foia@ice.dhs.gov</u>, call toll free (866) 633-1182, or you may contact our FOIA Public Liaison, Fernando Pineiro, in the same manner. Additionally, you have a right to right to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) which mediates disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. If you are requesting access to your own records (which is considered a Privacy Act request), you should know that OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974. You may contact OGIS as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

## Regards,

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