

# **EXHIBIT I**

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**Subject:** RE: OSD/JS FOIA Request 20-F-1014 (Clarification)

Thank you, in response to your query, for all of the enumerated categories in our FOIA request, we request records created on or after October 1, 2019 until the date a genuine search is commenced, unless a narrower date range is specified for a particular category of records.

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**Subject:** OSD/JS FOIA Request 20-F-1014 (Clarification)

Good Afternoon Ms. Singh,

This is in reference to your FOIA request submitted on April 27, 2020. We were advised by one of the components tasked to search for records responsive to your request that a more efficient search may be accomplished if you are willing to give additional information.

Your request seeks:

I. Notice of SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19

1. Records indicating when the Executive Branch was first informed of what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
2. Records indicating the Executive Branch's response when it was first informed of what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.

3. Records indicating when President Donald Trump was first informed of what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
4. Records indicating President Trump's response when he was first informed of what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
5. Records including and/or discussing communications (before March 1, 2020) to and from the National Center for Medical Intelligence ("NCMI") about what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
6. Records including and/or discussing January 2020 communications to and from a State Department epidemiologist about what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
7. Records including and/or discussing January 2020 communications between Robert Redfield, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Chinese officials about what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
8. Records including and/or discussing communications (from January 1, 2020 to February 29, 2020) between Alex Azar, Secretary, Health and Human Services, and President Donald Trump about what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
9. Records including and/or discussing communications (from January 1, 2020 to February 29, 2020) to and from Dr. Carter Mecher, senior medical advisor, Department of Veterans Affairs, about what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
10. Records including and/or discussing communications (from January 1, 2020 to March 31, 2020) to and from Robert Kadlec, Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, about asymptomatic cases spreading what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
11. Records discussing communications (from January 1, 2020 to February 29, 2020) from Peter Navarro, President Trump's trade advisor, about what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.

## II. The Executive Branch's Efforts to Counter SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19

12. Records discussing requests and need for and availability and allocation (including across states) of resources for testing for what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19 in the U.S.
13. Records discussing requests and need for and availability and allocation (including across states) of medical supplies and equipment (including but not limited to drugs, ventilators, and vaccines), Personal Protective Equipment ("PPE") and/or masks for what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19 in the U.S.
14. Records discussing immunity to what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19 in the U.S.
15. Records discussing the timing and duration of social distancing measures in the U.S.
16. Records concerning extraordinary presidential authority, including but not limited to "presidential emergency actions" relating to what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
17. Records indicating dates and agendas for meetings and decisions of the official White House coronavirus task force during January and February 2020.
18. Records including and/or discussing "Four steps to mitigation," a February/March 2020 plan for addressing what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
19. Records including and/or discussing a February 2020 document titled "U.S. Government Response to the 2019 Novel Coronavirus."
20. Records including and/or discussing communications to or from Dr. Nancy Messonnier, Director of the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, about her February 25, 2020 public warning about what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
21. Records discussing Remdesivir, Chloroquine, Hydroxychloroquine ("Plaquenil"), Azithromycin ("Zithromax") and/or other drugs or substances, such as disinfectants, for treating what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.

22. Records discussing federal officials' questioning of and/or divergence from President Trump's public positions regarding what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19, including but not limited to records concerning Dr. Rick Bright, Director of the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority, and Dr. Anthony Fauci, Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.
23. Records discussing in-person and/or mail-in voting in the context of what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
24. Records including and/or discussing instructions to classify meetings and/or records relating to what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
25. Communications between your agency and the White House regarding what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
26. Communications between the Executive Branch and non-government entities (including but not limited to private-sector companies, academic institutions and/or individuals) capable of developing tests, or assisting in testing, for what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.

### III. Executive Branch SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19 Communications with Congress, State Governors, and the WHO

27. Records including and/or discussing communications (before March 1, 2020) between any member of the Executive Branch and Congress regarding what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19, including but not limited to briefings to Congress, members of Congress, Congressional Committees or Subcommittees, and/or Congressional staff about what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
28. Records including and/or discussing communications between the White House and a state governor or his/her office about the timing and duration of social distancing measures and federal assistance to states for what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19, including but not limited to any direct financial assistance and assistance on medical supplies and equipment (including but not limited to drugs, ventilators, and vaccines), personal protective equipment (PPE), masks and testing for what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.
29. Records including and/or discussing communications between the Executive Branch and the World Health Organization ("WHO") about what is now known as SARS-CoV-2 and/or COVID-19.

At your earliest convenience, can you please clarify the time-frame for this request? While some items have a time-frame or specific dates listed, others do not.

Please respond by close of business **June 1, 2020**.

Thank you for your help.

Thank you,

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