## **EXHIBIT F**

U.S. Department of Homeland Security Washington, DC 20528



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September 3, 2019

## SENT VIA E-MAIL TO: jbussey@cliniclegal.org

Jill Marie Bussey Director of Advocacy Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. 8757 Georgia Avenue, Suite 850 Silver Spring, MD 20910

Re: 2019-HQFO-01186

Dear Ms. Bussey:

This acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), dated August 13, 2019. Your request was received in this office on August 27, 2019.

## You are seeking:

- 1- Records containing BOTH: a. "Temporary Protected Status," "TPS," "Deferred Enforced Departure," or "DED"; and b. "America First";
- 2- Records related to requests and subsequent responses originating from DHS to state or federal agencies regarding history of criminal conduct, including arrests, convictions, or incarceration, for individuals from countries who currently hold or held TPS;
- 3- Records related to DHS's most recent decision to extend, but not re-designate TPS for South Sudan, Syria, Yemen, Somalia, including recommendations from USCIS and the State Department regarding re-designation;
- 4- Records related to DHS's failure to designate Guatemala for TPS in light of the recent volcanic eruption, including recommendations from USCIS and the State Department;
- 5- Records related to DHS's failure to designate Venezuela for TPS in light of recent and ongoing civil unrest and humanitarian crisis including recommendations from USCIS and the State Department;
- 6- Records related to the impact or relation between termination of TPS for all countries and consequences on U.S. citizen children of those TPS holders;

- 7- Records related to communication from the Domestic Policy Council regarding the decision to terminate, extend, and/or re-designate TPS for all countries;
- 8- Records related to communication from the National Security Council regarding the decision to terminate, extend, and/or re-designate TPS for all countries; and
- 9- Records containing BOTH: a. "Temporary Protected Status," "TPS," "Deferred Enforced Departure," or "DED"; and b. "Federation for American Immigration Reform"; c. "FAIR"; d. "Center for Immigration Studies"; e. "Immigration Reform Law Institute", or f. "IRLI".

After careful review of your FOIA request, we determined that your request is too broad in scope or did not specifically identify the records which you are seeking. Records must be described in reasonably sufficient detail to enable government employees who are familiar with the subject area to locate records without placing an unreasonable burden upon the agency. For this reason, 6 C.F.R. Part 5 §5.3(b) of the DHS FOIA regulations require that you describe the records you are seeking with as much information as possible to ensure that our search can locate them with a reasonable amount of effort. Whenever possible, a request should include specific information about each record sought, such as the date, title or name, author, recipients, and subject matter of the records, if known, or the DHS component or office you believe created and/or controls the record. The FOIA does not require an agency to create new records, answer questions posed by requesters, or attempt to interpret a request that does not identify specific records.

Please resubmit your request containing a reasonable description of the records you are seeking. This is not a denial of your request. Upon receipt of a perfected request, you will be advised as to the status of your request. If we do not hear from you within 30 days from the date of this letter, we will assume you are no longer interested in this FOIA request, and the case will be administratively closed.

Your request has been assigned reference number **2019-HQFO-01186**. Please refer to this identifier in any future correspondence. The status of your FOIA request is now available online and can be accessed at: <a href="https://www.dhs.gov/foia-status">https://www.dhs.gov/foia-status</a>, by using this FOIA request number.

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss this matter, please feel free to contact this office at 1-866-431-0486 or at 202-343-1743.

Sincerely,

James Holzer

Deputy Chief FOIA Officer

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