



United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington, DC 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:
7202.4-OS-2020-00632

July 10, 2020

Via email: 94160-45853359@requests.muckrock.com

Jimmy Tobias
411A Highland Ave MR94160
Somerville, MA 02144

Dear Mr. Tobias:

The Office of the Secretary FOIA office received your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated June 10, 2020, on June 10, 2020 and assigned it control number **OS-2020-00632**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

Any written or electronic communications, including email attachments, sent or received by Ben Goldey concerning the deployment of the Park Police to Lafayette Square during any protests or unrest that occurred in Washington D.C. between May 26, 2020 and the date this request is processed. This request also specifically seeks any records or communications concerning the Park Police's decision to clear Lafayette Square of protesters on the late afternoon and evening of June 1, 2020.

Processing Track

Your request falls into the Normal processing track. *See 43 C.F.R. §§ 2.14, .15*

You may narrow the scope of your request to obtain quicker processing in your currently-assigned track or move the request into a different track (which may have the effect of reducing the cost of processing your request and having it processed more quickly).” If you have any questions about this, please contact us.

Response Outside the Time Limits

As yet, we have been unable to make a determination on your request. We apologize for this delay. You may narrow the scope of your request to obtain quicker processing in your currently-assigned track or move the request into a different track (which may have the effect of reducing the cost of processing your request and having it processed more quickly).

You also may agree to an alternative time period for processing by communicating with us, our FOIA Requester Center, or the FOIA Public Liaison. Contact information for the Department’s

Exhibit K

Mr. Jimmy Tobias

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FOIA Requester Centers and FOIA Public Liaison is available at <https://www.doi.gov/foia/foiacenters>. You may also seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). If you choose to contact OGIS, you may do so in any of the following ways:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road - OGIS
College Park, MD 20740-6001
E-mail: ogis@nara.gov
Web: <https://ogis.archives.gov>
Telephone: 202-741-5770
Fax: 202-741-5769
Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

You may also file an appeal with the Department's FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer regarding this delay. If you choose to appeal this delay, you may do so anytime between now and the date we make our determination on the FOIA request. Appeals arriving or delivered after 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, will be deemed received on the next workday.

Your appeal must be made in writing. You may submit your appeal and accompanying materials to the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer by mail, courier service, fax, or email. All communications concerning your appeal should be clearly marked with the words: "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL." You must also include with your appeal copies of all correspondence between you and Office of the Secretary concerning your FOIA request, including your original FOIA request and this response. Failure to include with your appeal all correspondence between you and Office of the Secretary will result in the Department's rejection of your appeal, unless the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer determines (in the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer's sole discretion) that good cause exists to accept the defective appeal.

Please include your name and daytime telephone number (or the name and telephone number of an appropriate contact), email address and fax number (if available) in case the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer needs additional information or clarification of your appeal.

DOI FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Office Contact Information

Department of the Interior
Office of the Solicitor
1849 C Street, N.W.
MS-6556 MIB
Washington, DC 20240

Attn: FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Office

Telephone: (202) 208-5339

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Fax: (202) 208-6677
Email: FOIA.Appeals@sol.doi.gov

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of FOIA. *See* [5 U.S.C. 552\(c\)](#). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

We regret the delay and appreciate your consideration. For more information on FOIA Administrative Appeals, you may review the Department's FOIA regulations at [43 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart H](#). If you have any questions, you may contact us by phone at 202- 513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at os_foia@ios.doi.gov , or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Please note that using OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer.

Contact information for the Department's FOIA Public Liaison, who you may also seek dispute resolution services from, is available at <https://www.doi.gov/foia/foiacenters>.

Sincerely,
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Office of the Secretary
FOIA Office

Jorjani Park Police Protests

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Jimmy Tobias filed this request with the [Department of Interior, Office of the Solicitor of the United States of America.](#)

Tracking #	SOL-2020-00166
Submitted	June 2, 2020
Due	June 30, 2020
Est. Completion	None

STATUS

Awaiting Response

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From: Jimmy Tobias 06/10/2020

Subject: Freedom of Information Act Request: Jorjani Park Police Protests Portal

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

Any written or electronic communications, including email attachments, sent or received by Daniel Jorjani concerning the deployment of the Park Police to Lafayette Square during any protests or unrest that occurred in Washington D.C. between May 26, 2020 and the date this request is processed. This request also specifically seeks any records or communications concerning the Park Police's decision to clear Lafayette Square of protesters on the late afternoon and evening of June 1, 2020.

I am a reporter for the Guardian and other outlets.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Tobias

From: Department of Interior, Office of the Solicitor 06/11/2020

Subject: Acknowledgment Letter for FOIA Request SOL-2020-00166 Email

Good Afternoon Mr. Tobias,

Attached is the Solicitor's acknowledgment letter for your request received on June 10, 2020.

Jatori Harley
Office of the Solicitor
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20240

Acknowledgment Letter SOL-2020-00166 (Tobias)

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From: Muckrock Staff 07/13/2020

Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request #SOL-2020-00166 Email

To Whom It May Concern:

I wanted to follow up on the following Freedom of Information Act request, copied below, and originally submitted on June 2, 2020. Please let me know when I can expect to receive a response. You had assigned it reference number #SOL-2020-00166.

Thanks for your help, and let me know if further clarification is needed.

From: Jimmy Tobias

07/13/2020

Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request #SOL-2020-00166

Email

Hello SOL FOIA Office,

I wanted to check in on this request. What is the estimated completion date for this request?

Please let me know if you get a chance and thank you!

Jimmy Tobias

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:
SOL-2020-00166

June 11, 2020

Via Email: 94158-77164843@requests.muckrock.com

MuckRock News
DEPT MR 79684
Attn: Jimmy Tobias
411A Highland Ave
Somerville, MA 02144-2516

Dear Mr. Tobias,

On June 10, 2020, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of the Solicitor, received your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. In your request, you specifically ask for:

“Any written or electronic communications, including email attachments, sent or received by Daniel Jorjani concerning the deployment of the Park Police to Lafayette Square during any protests or unrest that occurred in Washington D.C. between May 26, 2020 and the date this request is processed. This request also specifically seeks any records or communications concerning the Park Police's decision to clear Lafayette Square of protesters on the late afternoon and evening of June 1, 2020.”

Your request has been assigned FOIA Tracking #SOL-2020-00166. Please cite this number in future communications with the Office of the Solicitor concerning your request. We have classified you as a “News Media” requester. As such, we may charge you for some of our duplication costs, but we will not charge you for our search or review costs. You also are entitled to up to 100 pages of photocopies (or an equivalent volume) for free. If, after taking into consideration your fee category entitlements, our processing costs are less than \$50.00, we will not bill you because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected.

Given the subject of your request, we are searching within the Office of the Solicitor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lance Purvis".

Lance Purvis
Office of the Solicitor, FOIA Officer

Exhibit M

Wallace Park Police Protests

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Jimmy Tobias filed this request with the [Department of Interior, Office of the Secretary of the United States of America.](#)

Tracking #	OS-2020-00631
Submitted	June 2, 2020
Due	June 30, 2020
Est. Completion	None

STATUS

Awaiting Response

EMBARGO

This request is embargoed until 30 days after it is finished.

From: Jimmy Tobias 06/10/2020

Subject: Freedom of Information Act Request: Wallace Park Police Protests Portal

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

Any written or electronic communications, including email attachments, sent or received by Assistant Secretary Robert Wallace concerning the deployment of the Park Police to Lafayette Square during any protests or unrest that occurred in Washington D.C. between May 26, 2020 and the date this request is processed. This request also specifically seeks any records or communications concerning the Park Police's decision to clear Lafayette Square of protesters on the late afternoon and evening of June 1, 2020.

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Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Tobias

From: Department of Interior, Office of the Secretary 06/15/2020

Subject: FOIA Request OS-2020-00631 Email

Dear Mr. Tobias,

Please find attached an acknowledgment letter for FOIA Request OS-2020-00631 .

Thank you,
Danielle Oliver

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Office of the Secretary, FOIA Office
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(202) 219-2374 - fax

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From: Department of Interior, Office of the Secretary 06/29/2020

Subject: FOIA Request OS-2020-00631 Email


Dear Mr. Tobias,


Please find attached an 10 Workday Extension letter for FOIA Request OS-2020-00631.

Thank you,
Michelle McBryde

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 20.06.26_20-00631_10 Workday Extension

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From: Department of Interior, Office of the Secretary 07/09/2020

Subject: FOIA Request - OS-2020-00631 Email


Dear Mr. Tobias,


Please find attached an Outside Time Limit letter for FOIA request Os-2020-00631.

Thanks,
Michelle McBryde

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From: Jimmy Tobias 07/13/2020

Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request #OS-2020-00631 Email

Hello DOI FOIA Office,

I wanted to check in on this request. What is the estimated completion date for this request?

Please let me know if you get a chance and thank you!

Jimmy Tobias

From: Department of Interior, Office of the Secretary 07/17/2020

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] RE: Freedom of Information Act Request #OS-2020-00631 Email

Dear Mr. Tobias,

We are currently waiting on a response from the program office for this request. As such we cannot provide

an estimated completion date. We apologize for the delay and hope to have a preliminary determination to you soon. We just followed up with the office on Monday.

V/r,
Leah

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington, DC 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:
7202.4-OS-2020-00631

June 15, 2020

Via email: 94161-90523639@requests.muckrock.com

Jimmy Tobias
411A Highland Ave MR94161
Somerville, MA 02144

Dear Mr. Tobias:

The Office of the Secretary FOIA office received your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated June 10, 2020, on June 10, 2020 and assigned it control number **OS-2020-00631**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

Any written or electronic communications, including email attachments, sent or received by Assistant Secretary Robert Wallace concerning the deployment of the Park Police to Lafayette Square during any protests or unrest that occurred in Washington D.C. between May 26, 2020 and the date this request is processed. This request also specifically seeks any records or communications concerning the Park Police's decision to clear Lafayette Square of protesters on the late afternoon and evening of June 1, 2020.

Fee Category

We have classified you as a representative of the news media. As such, we may charge you for some of our duplication costs, but we will not charge you for our search or review costs; you also are entitled to up to 100 pages of photocopies (or an equivalent volume) for free. *See* [43 C.F.R. § 2.39](#). If, after taking into consideration your fee category entitlements, our processing costs are less than \$50.00, we will not bill you because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. *See* [43 C.F.R. § 2.37\(g\)](#)

Agreement to Pay

You have agreed to pay up to \$25 for the processing of your request. If we find that this will not cover the cost of processing your request, we will stop processing your request at the point this amount has been reached and will let you know before we incur additional charges. You can then either agree to pay the additional amount needed or narrow the scope of your request

Processing Track

We use Multitrack Processing to process FOIA requests. The Simple track is for requests that would generally take one to five workdays to process. The Normal track is for requests that would generally take six to twenty workdays to process. The Complex track is for requests that would generally take twenty-one to sixty workdays to process. The Extraordinary track is for requests that would generally take more than sixty workdays to process. The Expedited track is for requests that have been granted expedited processing, which are processed as soon as practicable. Within each track, requests are usually processed on a first-in, first-out basis.

Your request falls into the Normal processing track. *See [43 C.F.R. §§ 2.14, .15](#)*

Format of Records

You have asked for copies of agency records. According to our regulations, you may choose the format of disclosure for such records. Unless you specify otherwise, the Office of the Secretary will provide copies of responsive records electronically via email or CD-ROM as scanned PDF images when the responsive records exceed 50 pages.

If you have any questions regarding the status of your request, or any of the issues discussed in this letter, you may contact our office by phone at (202) 513-0765, by fax at (202) 219-2374, by e-mail at os_foia@ios.doi.gov or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C St, N.W., MS-7328 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. Contact information for the Department's FOIA Public Liaison, who you may also seek dispute resolution services from, is available at <https://www.doi.gov/foia/foiacenters>.

Sincerely,

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Cynthia Sweeney
Office of the Secretary
FOIA Office

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