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To: "mosi.secret@gmail.com" <mosi.secret@gmail.com>

Good Morning Mr. Secret,

We're contacting you about the FOIPA request you made for records concerning Darren Seals. The FBI located approximately 6,043 pages potentially responsive to your request. Requests are processed in the order in which they are received through our multi-track processing system, and the FBI receives a voluminous amount of requests on a daily, weekly, monthly, and annual basis. Requests are divided into two primary tracks- simple (under 50 pages of potentially responsive documents) and complex (over 50 pages of potentially responsive documents). Complex requests are further divided into medium (51-950 pages), large (951-8000 pages), and extra-large (over 8000 pages) sub-tracks based upon request size.

Simple track requests typically require the least amount of time to process. The more potentially responsive pages a request has, the more complex it becomes, greatly increasing the time required for processing. Generally, the larger the file, the longer it takes to process. A review of your request determined that it is currently in the complex request large processing track. Given our current workload and staffing levels, it may yet be a long time before you begin to receive material from this request.

Reducing the scope of your request may accelerate the processing and allow for a more timely receipt of the information you seek, as it could potentially place your request into a smaller, faster processing track. Would you be willing to consider reducing the scope of your request? If so, we would be happy to help you to decide the best approach to take. If you are looking for something specific, we could approach the scope reduction process in that way. The current average time to complete a large track request is approximately 47 months.

Below is a list of all tracks and the average time approximately to complete each. Hopefully this breakdown will be helpful to you in reducing the scope of this request.

Simple track request (0- 50 pages) current average time is approximately 4 months to complete

Medium track request (51-950 pages) current average time is approximately 21 months to complete

Large track request (951-8000 pages) current average time is approximately 47 months to complete

X-Large track request (over 8000 pages) current average time is approximately 53 months to complete

Please let us know if you would like to potentially reduce the scope of your request. If you reduce the size, you can request the additional records with a new FOIA request upon completion of this one.

We can be reached via email at fbi.foipa.negotiation@fbi.gov, or you may call 540-868-4894. We appreciate your patience and hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

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