

# EXHIBIT C



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MR. TAREK ISMAIL ESQUIRE  
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FOIPA Request No.: 1433703-000  
 Subject: MOHARAM, FAHMI AHMED

Dear Mr. Ismail:

This acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request to the FBI. Below you will find check boxes and informational paragraphs about your request, as well as specific determinations required by these statutes. Please read each one carefully.

- Your request has been received at FBI Headquarters for processing.
- You submitted your request via the FBI's eFOIPA system.
- We have reviewed your request and determined it is consistent with the FBI eFOIPA terms of service. Future correspondence about your FOIPA request will be provided in an email link unless the record's file type is not supported by the eFOIPA system.
- We have reviewed your request and determined it is not consistent with the FBI eFOIPA terms of service. Future correspondence about your FOIPA request will be sent through standard mail.
- The subject of your request is currently being processed and documents will be released to you upon completion.
- Release of responsive records will be posted to the FBI's electronic FOIA Library (The Vault), <http://vault.fbi.gov>, and you will be contacted when the release is posted.
- Your request for a public interest fee waiver is under consideration and you will be advised of the decision if fees are applicable. If your fee waiver is not granted, you will be responsible for applicable fees per your designated requester fee category below.
- For the purpose of assessing any fees, we have determined:
  - As a commercial use requester, you will be charged applicable search, review, and duplication fees in accordance with 5 USC § 552 (a)(4)(A)(ii)(I).
  - As an educational institution, noncommercial scientific institution or representative of the news media requester, you will be charged applicable duplication fees in accordance with 5 USC § 552 (a)(4)(A)(ii)(II).
  - As a general (all others) requester, you will be charged applicable search and duplication fees in accordance with 5 USC § 552 (a)(4)(A)(ii)(III).

Please check the status of your FOIPA request at [www.fbi.gov/foia](http://www.fbi.gov/foia) by clicking on **FOIPA Status** and entering your FOIPA Request Number. Status updates are adjusted weekly. The status of newly assigned requests may not be available until the next weekly update. If the FOIPA has been closed the notice will indicate that appropriate correspondence has been mailed to the address on file.

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the [www.fbi.gov/foia](http://www.fbi.gov/foia) website under "Contact Us." The FOIPA Request number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA online portal by creating an account on the following web site: <https://www.foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at 877-684-6448, or by emailing [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov). Alternatively, you may contact the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison by emailing [foipaquestions@fbi.gov](mailto:foipaquestions@fbi.gov). If you submit your dispute resolution correspondence by email, the subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

Sincerely,



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**28 C.F.R. §16.5 (e)(1)(i):** "Circumstances in which the lack of expedited treatment could reasonably be expected to pose an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual."

**28 C.F.R. §16.5 (e)(1)(ii):** "An urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged federal government activity, if made by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information."

**28 C.F.R. §16.5 (e)(1)(iii):** "The loss of substantial due process of rights."

**28 C.F.R. §16.5 (e)(1)(iv):** "A matter of widespread and exceptional media interest in which there exists possible questions about the government's integrity which affects public confidence."

You have not provided enough information concerning the statutory requirements permitting expedition; therefore, your request is denied.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hardy", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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