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**Office of the General Counsel
Freedom of Information Act Office**

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RE: Request Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act – FOIA #20-043

Dear Mr. Seel:

This letter is an acknowledgment of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated July 8, 2020 to the U.S. Agency for Global Media (USAGM), which the Agency received on the same date. In your request, you asked for the following --

- 1. All records sent or received by Michael Pack discussing leadership changes at USGAM or any of its subsidiaries, including, without limitation, VOA, MEB, RFA, RFE/RL, OCB, and OTF. Please search for records created between June 4, 2020 and the date on which the search is completed.*
- 2. All records sent between Michael Pack and Jeffrey Shapiro created between June 4, 2020 and the date on which the search is completed.*
- 3. All records sent between Michael Pack and James M. Miles created between June 4, 2020 and the date on which the search is completed.*
- 4. All records sent between Michael Pack and Amanda Bennett created between June 4, 2020 and June 18, 2020.*
- 5. All records sent between Michael Pack and Sandy Sugawara created between June 4, 2020 and June 18, 2020.*
- 6. Copies of a June 17, 2020 memorandum sent by then-RFE/RL director Jamie Fly regarding his departure, as well as any and all communications discussing or responding to that memorandum. Please search for records created between June 4, 2020 and the date on which the search is completed.*
- 7. Copies of a June 15, 2020 memorandum sent by Amanda Bennet or Sandy Sugawara to VOA staff regarding their departure, as well as any and all communications discussing or responding to that*



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memorandum. Please search for records created between June 4, 2020 and the date on which the search is completed.

8. All records sent between Michael Pack and any individuals affiliated with Fox News, Breitbart News Network, or One America News Network or using email addresses with@foxnews.com, @foxbusiness.com, @breitbart.com, or @oann.com website domains. Excluding news stories or press releases from these organizations that do not contain commentary added by Mr. Pack, please search for records created between June 4, 2020 and the date on which the search is completed.

9. All records sent between Michael Pack and Stephon Bannon created between June 4, 2020 and the date on which the search is completed.

10. All records sent between USAGM officials and anyone affiliated with The Public Media Lab or Manifold Productions, including emails sent using the website domain@manifoldproductions.com. Please search for records created between June 1, 2018 and the date on which the search is completed.

For tracking purposes, your request has been assigned Reference Number FOIA20-043. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence with our office regarding your requests. Also, be advised that the Agency generally processes FOIA request on a first in, first out basis.

In accordance with 22 C.F.R. § 503.4(b)(3)(i), the agency will require an additional 10 business days due to unusual circumstances. The Agency is currently processing your request and anticipates making a determination within 30 business days.

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact me at (202) 203-4550 or the Office of the General Counsel at the above address or at foia@usagm.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dana Sade", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Dana Sade
Assistant General Counsel