

EXHIBIT 6

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Subject: FW: Willkie Farr & Gallagher FOIA Cases - USCENTCOM Status Report
Attachments: 6. CCJ6-RD Referral Notice 20-0270.pdf; 7. CCJ6-RD Referral Notice 20-0764.pdf; 8. CCJ6-RD Referral Notice 20-0765.pdf; 9. CCJ6-RD Referral Notice 20-0766.pdf; 1. CCJ6-RD Letter 20-0258.pdf; 2. CCJ6-RD Referral Notice 20-0259.pdf; 3. CCJ6-RD Referral Notice 20-0264.pdf; 4. CCJ6-RD Referral Notice 20-0267.pdf; 5. CCJ6-RD Referral Notice 20-0268.pdf; 10. CCJ6-RD Referral Notice 20-0783.pdf; 12. CCJ6-RD Letter 20-0263.pdf; 11. CCJ6-RD Letter 20-0262.pdf; 13. CCJ6-RD Referral Notice 20-0781.pdf

Mr. Ringger,

U. S. Central Command (USCENTCOM) has worked diligently to provide the most expedient responses to your FOIA requests. A delay was incurred because of our current Command posture regarding COVID-19 (as explained in our acknowledgement letters) and the various research required for each of your requests. Below is the current status of your FOIA Requests with USCENTCOM. If you have any questions after reviewing the below case information, you may contact the FOIA Requester Service Center (contact number in signature block). We are also available next week for teleconference. If you wish to conduct a teleconference, please inform us ahead of time to ensure availability and provide any questions you may have prior to the meeting. In the meanwhile, you may track all your open requests on the queue report on our website at: https://www3.centcom.mil/foialibrary/statusreport/foia_status_report.pdf

1. **FOIA 20-0252** - All documents (memos, emails, meeting transcripts, etc.) authored, created, or sent by Task Force 2010 regarding contracting or reconstruction projects and/or private security companies and terrorist or insurgent finance.

STATUS: Currently #1,729 in the USCENTCOM queue for processing

2. **FOIA 20-0253** - All emails sent or received by Charles Tiefer, whether in his official capacity as a commissioner of the CWC, or in any other capacity. Known e-mail addresses include, but are not limited to: ctiefer@ubalt.edu.

STATUS: Currently #1,730 in the USCENTCOM queue for processing

3. **FOIA 20-0254** - All documents concerning debarment or suspensions including (but not limited to) debarments or suspensions under § 841 of the 2012 National Defense Authorization Act, for any of the following contractors or the subcontractors working for them:

STATUS: Currently #1,731 in the USCENTCOM queue for processing

4. **FOIA 20-0255** – All contracts and related documentation (including RFPs, bids, show cause and cure notices, task orders, subcontracts, and audits) with the "Environmental Chemical Corporation" (CAGE Code OTOF8) or "ECC" for projects in Afghanistan.

STATUS: Reviewing to determine if USCENTCOM is the correct agency to conduct search – Currently #1,732 in the USCENTCOM queue

5. **FOIA 20-0256** - All contracts and related documentation (including RFPs, bids, show cause and cure notices, task orders, subcontracts, and audits) with "EOD Technology, Inc." (CAGE Code SUU78) or "EODT" or "Janus Global Operations LLC" or "Sterling Operations, Inc." for projects in Afghanistan.

STATUS: Reviewing to determine if USCENTCOM is the correct agency to conduct search – Currently #1,733 in the USCENTCOM queue

6. **FOIA 20-0257** - All emails sent from or received by Gert Berthold.

STATUS: Currently #1,734 in the USCENTCOM queue for processing

7. **FOIA 20-0258** - The following documents (each of which is noted at the AREU website cited above)

STATUS: On 11 August 2003, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) assumed leadership of the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF). Because NATO is an international organization, it does not meet the requirements of an Agency as defined by 5 U.S.C. § 551. Therefore, NATO is not subject to the FOIA. Accordingly, **USCENTCOM administratively closed your request.** (USCENTCOM closure letter is attached)

8. **FOIA 20-0259** - All Joint Forces Command (JFCOM) "Audit Reports" of insurgency finance in Afghanistan. Reports were produced province by province, likely starting with Helmand in 2009-10.

STATUS: USCENTCOM provided response to Willkie Farr & Gallagher. **USCENTCOM closed your request.** (USCENTCOM referral letter is attached).

9. **FOIA 20-0260** – All contracts and related documentation (including RFPs, bids, show cause and cure notices, task orders, subcontracts, and audits) with "ArmorGroup North America, Inc." (CAGE Code I W7P6) or "ArmorGroup International pie" or "ArmorGroup International Limited" or "ArmorGroup Services Limited" or "G4S Risk Management Limited" of "Centerra Group, LLC" or "AGNA" or "G4S Holdings International (AG) Limited" or "G4S Government Solutions, Inc." or "Wackenhut Services, Inc." or "G4S pie" or "G4S Risk Management Limited" for projects in Afghanistan.

STATUS: Referral memo for bullet #2 attached; (working with another agency to possibly refer #1, 3-5) Currently #1,735 in the USCENTCOM queue

10. **FOIA 20-0261** - All annual submissions to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff required by Department of Defense Directive No. 5205. 14, Enclosure 2, paragraph 9(e). (Searching for USCENTCOM input only, if provided)

STATUS: Currently #1,736 in the USCENTCOM queue for processing

11. **FOIA 20-0262** – All documents (memos, emails, meetings transcripts, etc.) authored, created, or sent by Joint Intelligence Operations Center regarding contracting or reconstruction projects and/or private security companies and terrorist or insurgent finance. The International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) established the Joint Intelligence Operations Center.

STATUS: USCENTCOM response memo attached. **USCENTCOM closed your request.**

12. **FOIA 20-0263** - All documents (memos, emails, meeting minutes and transcripts, etc.) authored, created, or sent by the Joint Narcotics Analysis Center regarding contracting or reconstruction projects and/or private security companies and terrorist or insurgent finance.

STATUS: USCENTCOM response memo attached. **USCENTCOM closed your request.**

13. **FOIA 20-0264** – All contracts and related documentation (including RFPs, bids, show cause and cure notices, task orders, subcontractors, and audits) with the “Louis Berger Group, Inc.” or “Louis Berger International, Inc.” or “LBG” or “WSP Global Inc.” or “Black & Veatch Holding Company” or “Black & Veatch Special Projects Corporation” or “Louis Berger Group Inc./Black & Veatch Special Projects Corporation Joint Venture” or “LBG/BV Joint Venture” or “ISS-Safenet” or “U.S. Protection and Investigation” or “USPI” or “Servcor” concerning USAID projects in Afghanistan

STATUS: USCENTCOM referral letter is attached. **USCENTCOM closed your request.**

14. **FOIA 20-0265** - All documents (memos, emails, meeting minutes and transcripts, etc .) authored, created, or sent by the CWC regarding any connection between contracting or reconstruction projects and/or private security companies and terrorist or insurgent finance.

STATUS: Reviewing to determine if USCENTCOM is the correct agency to conduct search – **Currently #1,739 in the USCENTCOM queue**

16. **FOIA 20-0266** - The following documents identified in the *Senate Contractors Report*:

STATUS: Reviewing to determine if USCENTCOM is the correct agency to conduct search – **Currently #1,740 in the USCENTCOM queue**

17. **FOIA 20-0267** - All contracts and related documentation (including RFPs, bids, show cause and cure notices, task orders, subcontracts, and audits) with "Development Alternatives, Inc." (CAGE Code 9G43 I) or "DAI Global LLC" or "DAI" for projects in Afghanistan.

STATUS: USCENTCOM referral letter is attached. **USCENTCOM closed your request.**

18. **FOIA 20-0268** - Records Requested - The following documents: (7 bullets)

STATUS: While processing your request, we determined that items #1 and #2 fall under Office of Secretary of Defense/Joint Staff (OSD/JS). Additionally, on 11 August 2003, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) assumed leadership of the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF). Because NATO is an international organization, it does not meet the requirements of an Agency as defined by 5 U.S.C. § 551. Therefore, NATO is not subject to the FOIA. Accordingly, USCENTCOM administratively closed items #3, #4, #7 of your request. USCENTCOM will continue processing information for items #5 and #6, and provide a direct response to you. (USCENTCOM referral letter is attached).

19. **FOIA 20-0269** - All reports or analyses concerning the Taliban's or the Haqqani Network's use of mobile phone networks, including the practice of demanding that towers or transmission masts be shut down, or that service be suspended or deactivated, at night.

STATUS: Currently #1,743 in the USCENTCOM queue for processing

20. **FOIA 20-0270** - All documents (memos, emails, meeting minutes and transcripts, etc.) authored, created, or sent by the Afghanistan Threat Finance Cell ("ATFC") regarding any connect between contracting or reconstruction projects and/or private security companies and terrorist or insurgent finance.

STATUS: USCENTCOM referral letter is attached. **USCENTCOM closed your request.**

21. **FOIA 20-0271** - All emails sent from or received by the email account Thomas.R.Creal@afghan.swa.army.mil.

STATUS: Currently #1,744 in the USCENTCOM queue for processing

22. **FOIA 20-0272** - All documents (memos, emails, meeting minutes and transcripts, etc.) authored, created, or sent by Task Force 2010 regarding contracting or reconstruction projects and/or private security companies and terrorist or insurgent finance.

STATUS: Currently #1,745 in the USCENTCOM queue for processing

23. **FOIA 20-0763** – (1) All documents (PowerPoint presentations, summary documents, audits, emails, etc.) reported or sent to or in the possession of CENTCOM relating to the investigation of suspected protection payments paid by mobile phone operators or providers in Afghanistan, including all Provincial Audits discussing insurgent funding; (2) In addition, we request all DEA-6 and IIR documents (as well as related reports) produced by the DEA/AFTC under country code “XY”, or written by the “Kabul Country Office” or “KCO” that hit upon any of the same search terms: “MTN Group Limited” or “MTN Afghanistan” or “Middle East and North Africa (MENA) Group” or “MTN (Dubai) Limited” or “Areeba” or “Areeba Afghanistan LLC” or “MTN”; tower; cell tower; mobile phone tower; cell phone provider; mobile phone provider; transmission mast; night letter; Khorasan; New Ansari; Operation Reciprocity; Da Afghanistan Bank; Nasir PAK AFG; protection payment.

STATUS: (1) Currently #1,745 in the USCENTCOM queue for processing; (2) Working on Referral to the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA)

24. **FOIA 20-0764** - All documents (memos, emails, meeting minutes, transcripts, etc.) authored, created, or sent by any U.S. Government agency (including but not limited to CENTCOM) in any way condoning or providing any form of direction/directive/instruction/command to the following government contractors regarding or relating to the providing of protection payments, bribes, or any other form of payment or money transfer to the Taliban or any other terrorist or militia group in connection with the contractor’s work in Afghanistan

STATUS: USCENTCOM referral letter is attached. **USCENTCOM closed your request.**

25. **FOIA 20-0765** - All contracts and related documentation (including RFPs, bids, show cause and cure notices, task orders, subcontracts, and audits) with “International Relief and Development Inc.” or “IRD” or “Blumont” for projects in Afghanistan.

STATUS: USCENTCOM referral letter is attached. **USCENTCOM closed your request.**

26. **FOIA 20-0766** – All contracts and related documentation (including RFPs, bids, show cause and cure notices, task orders, subcontracts, and audit files) relating to “Chemonics International Inc.” or “Chemonics Intl” or “Chemonics” or “Pax Mondial” for projects in Afghanistan.

STATUS: USCENTCOM referral letter is attached. **USCENTCOM closed your request.**

27. **FOIA 20-0767** - (1) Any and all information or documentation (correspondence, memoranda, draft agreements, presentations, e-mails, transcripts and summaries from meetings, calendar invitations, etc.) relating to the July 23 cable; (2) • Documents relating to meetings between United States Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan (SRAP) Special Advisor Ashley Bommer, SRAP staffer Jared Cohen, and US Forces-Afghanistan (USFOA-A) officials and mobile service providers (MSPs) from July 8 to July 11, 2009, to discuss placing telecommunications towers on US Military’s Forward Operating Bases or other installations. • Any proposed draft agreements relating to the aforementioned July 2009 meeting that proposed that USFOR-A would erect or host towers for Roshan Telecommunications Company, or any other telecommunications company. • Any communications related to the aforementioned July 2009 meeting, including any emails, correspondence, or calendar invitations to Mobile Telecommunications Network (MTN) or MTN Afghanistan, as well as any responses received from any MTN employee or entity. These communications may have included participants named “Emboff,” “Ambassador Wayne,” and/or “Minister Sangin.” • In addition, any and all information or

documentation (correspondence, memoranda, draft agreements, presentations, e-mails, transcripts and summaries from meetings, calendar invitations, etc.) relating to offers to build, house, host, or assist in the protection of mobile phone towers or other cell or mobile phone related infrastructure on secure locations, forward operating bases (FOBs), coalition forces' installations, other U.S. Government owned or operated property, or Afghan government secured bases in Afghanistan in connection with the mobile telecommunications company, "Mobile Telecommunications Network Afghanistan" or "MTN Afghanistan" or "MTN".

STATUS: Researching Request – Currently #1,733 in the USCENCOM queue. Willkie Farr & Gallagher should request these records directly from Department of State

28. **FOIA 20-0781** - All contracts and related documentation (including RFPs, bids, show cause and cure notices, task orders, subcontracts, audit files, etc.) relating to the following contract/award/task IDs relating to the following contractors:

STATUS – Mailed Referral Memo to U.S. General Services Administration; USCENCOM referral letter is attached. USCENCOM closed your request.

29. **FOIA 20-0783** – All contracts, subcontracts, and related documentation (including RFPs, bids, show cause and cure notices, task orders, subcontracts, audits) involving HKZCC or SKB in relations to USAID projects in Afghanistan.

STATUS – USCENCOM referral letter is attached. **USCENCOM closed your request.**

Very respectfully,

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