



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Case No. F-2014-11262
Segments: S/ES-0007

Ms. Kate Bailey
Judicial Watch
425 Third St. SW, Suite 800
Washington, DC 20024

Dear Ms. Bailey:

I refer to our letter dated June 3, 2015, regarding the release of certain Department of State records under the Freedom of Information Act ("the FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552.

The Department has completed a supplemental search of the Office of the Secretary. We have reviewed seven of the records that were retrieved and have determined that one of these documents may be released in full, and six may be released with excisions.

An enclosure explains Freedom of Information Act exemptions and other grounds for withholding material. Where we have made excisions, the applicable FOIA exemptions are marked on each document.

We will keep you informed as your case progresses. If you have any questions, your attorney may contact Assistant United States Attorney Robert Prince at (202) 305-3654 or robert.prince@usdoj.gov. Please be sure to refer to the case number, shown above, in all communications about this case.

Sincerely,

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John F. Hackett, Director
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.

The Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552)

FOIA Exemptions

- (b)(1) Withholding specifically authorized under an Executive Order in the interest of national defense or foreign policy, and properly classified. E.O. 12958, as amended, includes the following classification categories:
- 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
 - 1.4(b) Foreign government information
 - 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
 - 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
 - 1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
 - 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
 - 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to US national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
 - 1.4(h) Information on weapons of mass destruction
- (b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency
- (b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:
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| ARMEX | Arms Export Control Act, 22 USC 2778(e) |
| CIA | Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g) |
| EXPORT | Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 App. USC 2411(c)(1) |
| FSA | Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4003 & 4004 |
| INA | Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f) |
| IRAN | Iran Claims Settlement Act, Sec 505, 50 USC 1701, note |
- (b)(4) Privileged/confidential trade secrets, commercial or financial information from a person
- (b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney-client privilege, or attorney work product
- (b)(6) Information that would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
- (b)(7) Information compiled for law enforcement purposes that would:
- (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings
 - (B) deprive a person of a fair trial
 - (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
 - (D) disclose confidential sources
 - (E) disclose investigation techniques
 - (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual
- (b)(8) Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions
- (b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

Other Grounds for Withholding

- NR Material not responsive to a FOIA request, excised with the agreement of the requester

RELEASE IN PART B6

From: Diane Reynolds <dreynolds@clintonemail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 8:59 PM
To: H
Subject: Re: I'm in my office



B6

----- Original Message -----

From: H
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 08:51 PM
To: Diane Reynolds
Subject: I'm in my office

Because of attacks on our embassy in Cairo and our office in Benghazi so email when you can talk.

RELEASE IN PART B6

From: Diane Reynolds <dreynolds@clintonemail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 11:07 PM
To: H
Subject: RE: I'm in my office

I am so sorry about the State Department officer killed in Libya and the ongoing precariousness in Egypt and Libya. Such anathema to us as Americans - and a painful reminder of how long it took modernism to take root in the US, after the Enlightenment, the 14th, 15th, 16th 19th amendments, removal of censorship norms and laws, etc. Heading to bed to read. A strange day here. Another bright blue beautiful chilly September 11th. Much to discuss when we can talk, hopefully tomorrow?

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Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 8:51 PM
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From: Diane Reynolds <dreynolds@clintonemail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 11:23 PM
To: H
Subject: Re: I'm in my office

[REDACTED]

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----- Original Message -----

From: H
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 11:11 PM
To: Diane Reynolds
Subject: Re: I'm in my office

[REDACTED]

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Two of our officers were killed in Benghazi by an Al Queda-like group: The Ambassador, whom I handpicked and a young communications officer on temporary duty w a wife and two young children. Very hard day and I fear more of the same tomorrow.

Let's try again later.

[REDACTED]

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RELEASE IN PART B6

From: Diane Reynolds <dreynolds@clintonemail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2012 6:27 PM
To: H

[REDACTED] I am so sorry and sad about all of what has and is happening in Cairo, Benghazi and elsewhere in the ME and beyond. Just called your office to tell you [REDACTED] and heard you're at the WH so emailing [REDACTED]

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RELEASE IN FULL

From: H <hrod17@clintonemail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 8:51 PM
To: Diane Reynolds
Subject: I'm in my office

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RELEASE IN PART B6

From: H <hrod17@clintonemail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 11:12 PM
To: Diane Reynolds
Subject: Re: I'm in my office

[Redacted]

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[Redacted]

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RELEASE IN PART B6

From: H <hrod17@clintonemail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2012 9:12 PM
To: Diane Reynolds
Subject: Re:

I'm home and up for another hour if you can talk now.

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----- Original Message -----

From: Diane Reynolds
Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2012 06:26 PM
To: H
Subject:

I am so sorry and sad about all of what has and is happening in Cairo, Benghazi and elsewhere in the ME and beyond. Just called your office to tell you and heard you're at the WH so emailing.

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