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1000 Air Force Pentagon  
Washington DC 20330-0100

Mr. Justin McCarthy  
Judicial Watch  
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Dear Mr. McCarthy,

This letter is in response to your, July 8, 2016 Freedom of Information Act request for the follow records associated with former First Lady Michelle Obama's October 2016 trip to North Carolina: 1) Any and all records concerning mission tasking, 2) Any and all records concerning transportation costs, and 3) Any and all passenger manifests (DD-2131).

AF/A3 provided the attached email records in connection with the mission tasking, however certain information is being withheld under Title 5, United States Code, Section 552 (b)(6). Exemption (b)(6) applies to the withholding of information that could reasonably be expected to constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

With respect to the transportation costs the attached CVAM Completed Mission Report for the trip to North Carolina is attached. Please note the cost of these flights can be determined by multiplying the number of hours flown by the fiscal year cost per flying hour (CPFH). The FY17 CPFH for the C-40C is \$5,312. CPFH includes fuel, flight consumables, aircraft overhaul, and engine overhaul. This information can be located at:

<http://comptroller.defense.gov/Financial-Management/Reports/rates2017/>

A "no records" response is provided for the manifests (DD Form 2131) you requested. In accordance with Air Mobility Command Instruction (AMCI) 24-101, the Air Force does not maintain copies of passenger manifests for White House directed missions after the active mission leg is complete.

The Initial Denial Authority in this case is Lt Gen Mark C. Nowland, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Force.

Should you decide to appeal this response, you must write to the Secretary of the Air Force, Thru: SAF/AAII (FOIA), 1000 Air Force Pentagon, Washington DC 20330-1000, within

90 calendar days from the date of this letter. Include in the appeal, your reasons for reconsideration, and attach a copy of this letter. You may contact the Air Force FOIA Public Liaison Officer, Ms. Anh Trinh, concerning this final response at Air Force FOIA Public Liaison Office, 1800 Air Force Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330-1800 or [usaf.pentagon.saf-cio-a6.mbx.af-foia@mail.mil](mailto:usaf.pentagon.saf-cio-a6.mbx.af-foia@mail.mil) (703) 614-8500. You may also seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services, and can find information on this Office at <https://ogis.archives.gov/mediation-program/request-assistance.htm>. Using the dispute resolution services, will not affect your appeal or appeal rights.

Please direct your questions to Janet Beasley at (703) 614-3025 or [janet.f.beasley.civ@mail.mil](mailto:janet.f.beasley.civ@mail.mil) and reference case number #2017-00992-F.

Sincerely

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