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Dear Mr. Jaffer:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act request dated March 15, 2011, which was received in this Office on March 17, 2011, in which you requested records concerning the Federal Bureau of Investigation's issuance of national security letters (NSL), including the "reciprocal notice procedure" and records regarding the implementation of the NSL statute. By stipulation dated December 16, 2011, you excluded drafts and e-mail from the scope of your request. This response is made on behalf of the Offices of the Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, and Legislative Affairs.

Re:

We have completed records searches in the Offices of the Attorney General and Deputy Attorney General, as well as of the electronic database of the Departmental Executive Secretariat, which is the official records repository for those Offices and which maintains certain Office of Legislative Affairs records. As a result of these records searches sixty-three pages of material subject to the FOIA and responsive to your request were located. I have determined that eighteen pages are appropriate for release without excision and copies are enclosed. You will note that a portion of this material is not responsive to your request, and has been marked accordingly.

We have referred the remaining forty-five pages to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for processing and direct response to you. Any further status inquiries regarding the processing of this material should be made to the FBI. Contact information for the FBI is as follows:

David M. Hardy, Chief Record/Information Dissemination Section Records Management Division Federal Bureau of Investigation 170 Marcel Drive Winchester, VA 22602 Although I am aware that your request is the subject of ongoing litigation and that appeals are not ordinarily acted on in such situations, I am required by statute and regulation to inform you of your right to file an administrative appeal.

Sincerely,

Carmen L. Mallon Chief of Staff

Enclosures