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Re: Public Record Request – Privacy Working Group

Dear Attorney Rotolo:

As we discussed earlier this week, I have reviewed your public records request as it relates to the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) Privacy Working Group. Your inquiry is incorporated in a letter dated January 15, 2010 which includes 15 requests for records from the Commonwealth Fusion Center (CFC). I will address only items 7-9 which relate to the Privacy Working Group. As we discussed, items 1-8 and 10-15 will be addressed separately.

In the letter you reference the group as the “CFC Privacy Working Group.” You requested minutes of meetings of the CFC Privacy Working Group, any reports created by the CFC Privacy Working Group, and records of communications between the members of the Privacy Working Group and the officers of the CFC, the Massachusetts State Police or any other agency of EOPSS. As I explained, the Privacy Working Group is not a part of the CFC. It is an advisory group to the Secretary of Public Safety and Security. Construing requests 7-9 as relating to the EOPSS Privacy Working Group, there are no documents responsive to your request. However, I have offered to provide you with the following records which may assist in your understanding of the function of the EOPSS Privacy Working Group. Enclosed please find the following reports:


Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security,  
Memorandum, September 8, 2008, re: The establishment of the Privacy Working  
Group (1 page);

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security,  
Memorandum Establishing the Privacy Working Group of the Secretary of Public  
Safety and Security, August 7, 2008 (3 pages);

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security,  
Privacy Working Group Members, 05/13/10 (6 pages).

I hope you find these documents helpful. Please contact me at (617) 274-5521  
if you have any further questions or require additional assistance.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures:

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(No enclosures)