

EXHIBIT A

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U.S. Immigration
and Customs
Enforcement

February 21, 2012

Mr. Michael Tan
American Civil Liberties Union
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New York, NY 10004-2400

RE: ICE FOIA Case Number 2012FOIA5180

Dear Mr. Tan:

This letter is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), dated January 25, 2012. You have requested “the number of individuals in ICE custody subject to “non-mandatory” and “mandatory” detention on the first day of each month of 2011, for each ICE Area of Responsibility.”

Your request has been processed under the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552. A search of the ICE Office of Enforcement and Removal Operations (ICE ERO) for records responsive to your request produced one Microsoft Excel spreadsheet. After review of that spreadsheet, I have determined that it can be released in its entirety.

Please be advised that information for the “first day of each month” was unavailable; however, ICE ERO was able to locate reports containing information generated on dates near the beginning of each month.

Provisions of the FOIA allow us to recover part of the cost of complying with your request. In this instance, because the cost is below the \$14 minimum, there is no charge.¹

If you need to contact our office about this matter, please refer to FOIA case number **2012FOIA05180**. This office can be reached at (202) 732-0600 or (866) 633-1182.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "KMK FOR".

Catrina M. Pavlik-Keenan
FOIA Officer

Enclosure(s): Your January 23, 2012 FOIA Request
One Spreadsheet, on disc

¹ 6 CFR § 5.11(d)(4).