



26 June 2017

FOIA Officer

1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Room 3.3D

Washington, D.C. 20229

Dear FOIA Officer:

This letter constitutes a request (“Request”) pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552, (FOIA). The request is submitted on behalf of Amnesty International USA.

Date range of request: June 26, 2017 through June 29, 2017.

Description of Request:

I am requesting information concerning the guidance provided to Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) agents at international airports regarding the processing of arriving passengers following the lifting of a court imposed injunction of the “Executive Order Protecting The Nation From Foreign Terrorist Entry Into The United States” that was issued on March 6, 2017. Please search the records for the following documents.

- Legal guidance, operational guidance and instructions either developed for or provided to CBP agents conducting screenings of arriving passengers at international airports across the United States regarding the processing of all individuals from Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, and Yemen following the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision to partially lift the injunction related to the entry of individuals from those named countries;
- Legal guidance, operational guidance and instructions either developed for or provided to CBP agents conducting screenings of arriving passengers at international airports across the United States regarding the processing of all individuals from Iraq following the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision to partially lift

the injunction related to the “Executive Order Protecting The Nation From Foreign Terrorist Entry Into The United States”;

- Legal guidance, operational guidance and instructions either developed for or provided to CBP agents conducting screenings of arriving passengers at international airports across the United States regarding the processing and admittance of refugees from all countries.

Amnesty International USA seeks a waiver of fees or any associated charges set below the level of duplication costs on the basis that the information sought is for the public understand and not for the commercial use of the organization pursuant to 22 CFR 171.17. Disclosure of this information is in the public interest because providing a copy of the information primarily benefits the general public.

Amnesty International is an international organization of almost 7 million members and activists throughout the world. Amnesty International USA is one of the many country sections that make up Amnesty International. Amnesty International USA conducts research on human rights issues within the United States of America for the purpose of disseminating that information to a global audience. Amnesty International’s reports, which are available in print and on our website, are the subject of intensive advocacy and publicity campaigns which utilize Amnesty International USA’s extensive membership and contacts in the media. The information disclosed in this Request will be shared appropriately.

Additionally, Amnesty International USA is a non-profit organization, and therefore has no commercial interest. 6 C.F.R. 5.11 (k)(3)(i)(2005). As such, Amnesty International cannot put the disclosed information to “commercial use,” as defined under 6 C.F.R. 5.11 (b)(1)(2005).

I would request your response within ten (10) business days.

If the FOIA Office of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection chooses to deny this request, we request that a written explanation be provided for the denial including a

reference to the specific statutory exemption(s) upon which it relies. Also, please provide all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material.

I am seeking information for use by the organization for its advocacy purposes and not for commercial use.

Thank you for your consideration,

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