

INSPECTOR GENERAL

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE 4800 MARK CENTER DRIVE ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22350-1500

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Ref: FOIA-2014-00416

Mr. Spencer Ackerman The Guardian 536 Broadway 6th Floor New York, NY 10012

Dear Mr. Ackerman:

This is in response to your April 10, 2014, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for a copy of Department of Defense, Office of Inspector General Report DoDIG-2014-055. We received your request on April 11, 2014, and assigned it case number FOIA-2014-00416.

The enclosed report is responsive to your request. Colonel Joseph Davidson, Chief of Staff, an Initial Denial Authority for the Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization, determined that information is exempt from release pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(1), which pertains to information that is currently and properly classified in the interest of national defense or foreign policy in accordance with Executive Order 13526, Section 1.4(c), which pertains to intelligence activities (including covert action), intelligence sources or methods, or cryptology; 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6), which pertains to information, the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy; 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(A), which pertains to records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, the release of which could reasonably be expected to interfere with law enforcement proceedings; and 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(C), which pertains to records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, the release of which could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. In addition, I determined that information is exempt from release pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) and 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(C).

If you are not satisfied with this action, you may submit an administrative appeal to the Department of Defense, Office of Inspector General, ATTN: FOIA Appellate Authority, Suite 17F18, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22350-1500. Your appeal should be postmarked within 30 days of the date of this letter, should cite to case number FOIA-2014-00416, and should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

Jeanne Miller

Chief, Freedom of Information and

Privacy Office

Enclosure(s): As stated