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Central Intelligence Agency



Washington, D.C. 20505

31 December 2018

Mr. John Greenewald, Jr.
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Reference: F-2016-01391

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

This is a final response to your 1 April 2016 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, clarified in your 6 July 2018 letter, for a **“final CIA, or CIA/IG report” pertaining to “the investigation on what happened during the event wherein explosive material was inadvertently left by the CIA K-9 unit in one of the buses used in the CIA training exercise.”** We processed your request in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and the CIA Information Act, 50 U.S.C. § 3141, as amended.

We completed a thorough search for records responsive to your request and located one document, consisting of three pages, which we can release in segregable form with deletions made on the basis of FOIA exemptions (b)(3) and (b)(6). A copy of the document and an explanation of exemptions are enclosed. Exemption (b)(3) pertains to information exempt from disclosure by statute. The relevant statutes are Section 6 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, as amended, and Section 102A(i)(I) of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended. As the CIA Information and Privacy Coordinator, I am the CIA official responsible for this determination. You have the right to appeal this response to the Agency Release Panel, in my care, within 90 days from the date of this letter. Please include the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions regarding our response, you may contact us at:

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Washington, DC 20505
Information and Privacy Coordinator
703-613-3007 (Fax)

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Contacting the CIA's FOIA Public Liaison or OGIS does not affect your right to pursue an administrative appeal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Allison Fong', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Allison Fong
Information and Privacy Coordinator

Enclosures

Explanation of Exemptions

Freedom of Information Act:

- (b)(1) exempts from disclosure information currently and properly classified, pursuant to an Executive Order;
- (b)(2) exempts from disclosure information, which pertains solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of the Agency;
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- (b)(8) exempts from disclosure information contained in reports or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, or on behalf of, or for use of an agency responsible for regulating or supervising financial institutions; and
- (b)(9) exempts from disclosure geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

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19 April 2016

Congressional NotificationSUBJECT: ~~(U//FOUO)~~ K-9 Training Incident

1. ~~(U//FOUO)~~ The purpose of this notification is to keep the Committee fully and currently informed that on 30 March 2016 it was determined that CIA's Security Protective Service (SPS) K-9 Unit, which had conducted authorized joint training with Loudoun County Sherriff's Office K-9 Units, inadvertently left explosive training material in the engine compartment of a Loudoun County school bus.

2. ~~(U//FOUO)~~ Loudoun County automotive maintenance personnel discovered the explosive training material in a bus used to transport as many as 26 students. Upon discovery, the Loudoun County Public School (LCPS) system disseminated an email to parents informing them of the incident and the involvement of a Federal Government Agency. CIA has since disclosed that it is the Federal Government Agency.

3. ~~(U//FOUO)~~ The training occurred on 22 and 23 March, during LCPS's spring break. The bus was returned to service when schools reopened on 28 March and remained in service until 30 March, when the bus was taken in for routine maintenance.

4. ~~(U//FOUO)~~ The explosive training material [redacted] which [redacted] inadvertently fell out of a container, did not have a detonator, and posed no risk under these conditions. CIA has taken a number of steps as a result.

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5. ~~(U//FOUO)~~ The SPS K-9 Unit has suspended all outside training activities. Upon learning of the discovery of the material by Loudoun County, SPS initiated an inventory of all explosive training material and determined that all such material was accounted for and stored appropriately. Additional steps are being taken to strengthen inventory processes and controls. At CIA's request, The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms is conducting a thorough and independent review of CIA's K-9 training program. Additionally, proactive

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collaboration with the local government and partners will be emphasized to maintain and strengthen these relationships.

6. ~~(U)~~ Please contact [redacted] of the OCA staff at [redacted] to request additional information or a briefing.

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Approved for Release:

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Neal L. Higgins
Director of Congressional Affairs

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