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Dear Mr. Greenewald,

This letter is in reference to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated 23 June 2009 for "all Memorandums of Understanding and Comity Agreements at the NRO since the date of your FOIA case in 2003." We received your request from the National Reconnaissance Office for review with direct response to you. We assigned case number 2012-00064-C to your request.

A classification review was conducted with the utmost diligence to determine if the record you requested may be released in whole or in part. After reviewing the document it has been determined that some information can be released, but the FOIA requires that other portions be withheld because of classification, intelligence sources and methods, and personal privacy interests. Listed below are the exemptions that apply to the requested document:

United States Code, Title 5, Section 552(b)(1) and Executive Order 13526, Section 1.4(c). The information is properly and currently classified, as specifically authorized under the criteria established by Executive Order 13526, and its unauthorized disclosure could reasonably be expected to cause damage to national security.

United States Code, Title 5, Section 552(b)(3), 50 U.S.C. 403(i)(1). This information is specifically exempted by a federal statute 50 U.S.C. 403, the unauthorized disclosure would reveal intelligence sources and methods.

United States Code, Title 5, Section 552(b)(6). The unauthorized disclosure of such information would result in a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, by revealing the identity of personnel assigned to sensitive units.

Should you decide that an appeal to this decision is necessary, you must write to the Secretary of the Air Force within 60 calendar days from the date of this letter. Include in your appeal any reasons for reconsideration you wish to present and attach a copy of this letter. The appeal should be forwarded to:

Secretary of the Air Force
Thru: NASIC/SCOK (FOIA)
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Sincerely,



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(U) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR MISSION SUPPORT,
NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
AND
COMMANDER, NATIONAL AIR AND SPACE INTELLIGENCE CENTER
FOR
ANOMALY RESOLUTION SUPPORT

A. (U/~~FOUO~~) PURPOSE. This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) formalizes the relationship between the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO), Deputy Director for Mission Support (DDMS) and the Commander of the National Air and Space Intelligence Center (NASIC) for Exp (b)(3) anomaly resolution support and establishes responsibilities for both parties.

B. (U) BACKGROUND.

1. ~~(S)~~ NRO space systems are subject to anomalies whose causes range from Exp (b)(1) When these anomalies impact space operations, their quick resolution is critical to restoring service to the Intelligence Community and supporting space event assessments.
2. ~~(S)~~ The National Reconnaissance Operations Center (NROC) provides the NRO a centralized operations support capability, enhances NRO mission assurance, and supports directed special activities. The NROC's Mission Support Division (MSD) has responsibility for assisting NRO mission ground stations (MGS), IMINT, SIGINT, Exp (b)(1) Communications, and Advanced Systems and Technology Directorates with assessments of certain NRO system anomalies. Anomaly resolution support from NASIC and others in the Intelligence Community is vital in assisting the NROC/MSD fulfill its responsibilities.
3. ~~(S)~~ NASIC's Counterspace Division (NASIC/SMD) is responsible for providing all-source assessments of Exp (b)(1) NASIC/SMD has a long history of supporting the NROC with tailored threat assessments and inputs on anomaly resolution issues

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- C. (U//~~FOUO~~) SECURITY. Due to the sensitive nature of NRO anomalies, all parties will exercise "need-to-know" criteria. Participants in this effort and their management, as required, will be cleared to levels consistent with the level of the data.
- D. (U//~~FOUO~~) RELEASE OF INFORMATION. NRO event data is the property of the NRO. The Director of the NRO, or his designee, must approve any reporting of this data to outside parties.
- E. (U) RESPONSIBILITIES.
1. (U//~~FOUO~~) NROC/MSD will:
 - a. (U//~~FOUO~~) Formally request support from NASIC/SMD for each non-time-sensitive anomalous event or series of events via email between mutually agreed upon points of contact. At a minimum the request will include a brief synopsis of the event, the desired support, and a required timeline for a response.
 - b. (U//~~FOUO~~) Contact the NASIC Operations Analysis Center to request support for time-sensitive events outside of NASIC duty hours.
 - c. (U//~~FOUO~~) Provide NASIC with all relevant information regarding the event.
 - d. (U//~~FOUO~~) Facilitate and coordinate analytic discussions between the NRO and NASIC as required.
 - e. (U//~~FOUO~~) Coordinate with NASIC on all anomaly reports supported by NASIC prior to dissemination.
 - f. (U//~~FOUO~~) Provide feedback to NASIC management on its support for each event.
 2. (U//~~FOUO~~) NASIC/SMD will:
 - a. ~~(U//~~FOUO~~)~~ Reply to formal requests for support within one hour with an ability to respond assessment.
 - b. (U//~~FOUO~~) Provide NROC/MSD with a list of people within NASIC who will need access to the

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information, including a lead analyst for each event.

- c. (U//~~FOUO~~) Ensure NROC/MSD has access to all pertinent intelligence information relevant to the event. This includes working with the owners of the information to provide access to extremely sensitive intelligence data to appropriate NRO personnel.
- d. (U//~~FOUO~~) Work interactively with NRO personnel to provide intelligence support to the event's resolution and the development of options if Exp (b)(3) necessary.
- e. (U//~~FOUO~~) Coordinate all NRO interactions in support of the anomaly with NROC/MSD
- f. (U//~~FOUO~~) Provide a final report to NROC/MSD.

F. (U) IMPLEMENTATION. This MOU shall take effect upon signature of the authorized representatives from the NRO and NASIC. As agreed to by all parties, or their designees, the MOU shall be reviewed annually to determine its continued applicability. Either party may terminate the MOU by written notification to the other party. The MOU will terminate 30 days after such written notification. Nothing in this MOU will prohibit National Air and Space Intelligence Center elements from reporting intelligence.

Exp (b)(6)

Floyd L. Carpenter
Brigadier General, USAF
Director DDMS/NRO

19 Jan 07
Date

Exp (b)(6)

Karen A. Cleary
Colonel, USAF
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