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Washington, D.C. 20535

January 16, 2018

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> FOIPA Request No.: 1373739-000 Subject: Emails, Memos, or Announcements Sent to an FBI All-Staff Listing (May 9, 2017 – May 10, 2017)

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

The enclosed documents were reviewed under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), Title 5, United States Code, Section 552. Deletions have been made to protect information which is exempt from disclosure, with the appropriate exemptions noted on the page next to the excision. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted in the file to indicate where pages were withheld entirely. The exemptions used to withhold information are marked below and explained on the enclosed Explanation of Exemptions:

	Section 552		Section 552a
🔲 (b)(1)		🔲 (b)(7)(A)	🗌 (d)(5)
🔲 (b)(2)		🔲 (b)(7)(B)	🔲 (j)(2)
🔲 (b)(3)		🔽 (b)(7)(C)	🗌 (k)(1)
		🔲 (b)(7)(D)	🗌 (k)(2)
		🔲 (b)(7)(E)	🗌 (k)(3)
		🗌 (b)(7)(F)	🗌 (k)(4)
(b)(4)		(b)(8)	🗌 (k)(5)
🔲 (b)(5)		(b)(9)	🗖 (k)(6)
🔽 (b)(6)			🔲 (k)(7)

5 preprocessed pages are enclosed. To expedite requests, preprocessed packages are released the same way they were originally processed. Documents or information originating with other Government agencies that were originally referred to that agency were not referred as part of this release. This material is being provided to you at no charge.

In accordance with standard FBI practice and pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and Privacy Act exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. § 552/552a (b)(7)(E)/(j)(2)], this response neither confirms nor denies the existence of your subject's name on any watch lists.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S. C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist. Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Explanation of Exemptions.



For questions regarding our determinations, visit the <u>www.fbi.gov/foia</u> website under "Contact Us." The FOIPA Request Number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request. Your patience is appreciated.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: <u>https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home</u>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at 877-684-6448, or by emailing <u>ogis@nara.gov</u>. Alternatively, you may contact the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison by emailing <u>foipaquestions@fbi.gov</u>. If you submit your dispute resolution correspondence by email, the subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

Sincerely,

David M. Hardy Section Chief Record/Information Dissemination Section Records Management Division

Enclosure(s)

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service he release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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 From:
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 Sent:
 Tuesday, May 09, 2017 8:39 AM

 To:
 FBI_ALL

 Subject:
 REMINDER: Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Program is May 9 ---

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TRANSITORY RECORD



Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Program is May 9

On Tuesday, May 9, the FBI welcomes U.S. Rep. Mark Takano (D-CA) for the FBI's Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Program at 11 a.m. (EDT) in the FBIHQ Bonaparte Auditorium. The program, hosted by HRD's <u>Diversity and Inclusion Section</u>, will be <u>webcast</u> and recorded.

A native of Riverside, California, Rep. Takano is the grandson of Japanese immigrants. Both his grandparents and parents were moved to Japanese-American internment camps during World War II. He was a high school valedictorian and graduated from Harvard University with a bachelor's degree in government. Following his passion for education, Rep. Takano taught at Rialto High School for more than 20 years. He was elected to Congress in 2012, becoming the first minority openly gay member of Congress.

Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month originated through an Act of Congress signed by President Jimmy Carter in 1978 proclaiming Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week in early May. In 1992, Congress designated May as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. May was chosen to commemorate the anniversary of the first Japanese immigrants entering the U.S. on May 7, 1843, and to recognize the contributions of Chinese workers building the Transcontinental Railroad, which was completed on May 10, 1869.

Today, there are more than 21 million Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the U.S., who contribute proudly to every aspect of our society. This is a diverse group of Americans that includes more than 50 ethnic or language groups. California has the largest Asian American and Pacific Islander population and Hawaii is the only state with a majority population.

Employees who attend or view this program can receive training credit via <u>Virtual Academy</u>. Also, supervisors who attend can earn their mandatory diversity training credit. Anyone

needing an accommodation can contact	a	it	

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From:FBI_COMMUNICATIONS_MBXSent:Tuesday, May 09, 2017 4:56 PMTo:FBI_ALLSubject:Message from Attorney General Sessions --- UNCLASSIFIEDAttachments:AG_Message_-_Public_Service_Recognition_Week_2017.pdf

Please read the attached message from Attorney General Sessions regarding Public Service Recognition Week.

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Office of the Attorney General Washington, D. C. 20530

May 5, 2017

Public Service Recognition Week 2017 May 7-13, 2017

This week is designated by Congress as Public Service Recognition Week, and I am grateful for the opportunity to thank you for all you do on behalf of the U.S. Department of Justice and our nation.

Each and every day, I have the pleasure of witnessing firsthand your remarkable contributions and achievements. Your dedicated efforts have allowed this Department to focus on its key priorities, which include combatting illegal immigration, deterring violent crime, reducing human trafficking and opioid abuse, and strengthening our national security protections and counterterrorism efforts. Furthermore, we all play a critical role in maintaining and strengthening the rule of law which forms the foundation for our liberty, our safety, and our prosperity. In this rule of law, we are blessed beyond all nations. We must continue to do all we can to ensure that it is preserved and advanced.

I extend my appreciation to each of you for your service on behalf of Justice, and for your ability to face challenges with integrity, impartiality, and unwavering dedication to duty. Your hard work does not go unnoticed, and I am proud to serve with you.

Sincerely,

Autoro

Jefferson B. Sessions III Attorney General

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Message from the Attorney General

The President of the United States has exercised his lawful authority to remove James B. Comey, Jr., as the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. By operation of law and effective immediately, Deputy Director Andrew McCabe assumed the position of Acting Director of the FBI. As you well know, the FBI is an exceptional law enforcement and intelligence agency. It is made so by you, the devoted men and women who work tirelessly to keep our country safe. Thank you for your steadfast dedication and commitment during this time of transition.

Jeff Sessions

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