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FOIA Case: 104534A
17 August 2018

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Dear Mr. Greenewald:

This is our final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of 6 June 2018 for Intellipedia records on XKEYSCORE. As stated in our initial response to you, dated 25 June 2018, your request has been assigned Case Number 104534. For purposes of this request and based on the information you provided in your letter, you are considered an "all other" requester. As such, you are allowed 2 hours of search time and the duplication of 100 pages at no cost. There are no assessable fees for this request. Your request has been processed under the provisions of the FOIA.

For your information, NSA provides a service of common concern for the Intelligence Community (IC) by serving as the executive agent for Intelink. As such, NSA provides technical services that enable users to access and share information with peers and stakeholders across the IC and DoD. Intellipedia pages are living documents that may be originated by any user organization, and any user organization may contribute to or edit pages after their origination. Intellipedia pages should not be considered the final, coordinated position of the IC on any particular subject. The views and opinions of authors do not necessarily state or reflect those of the U.S. Government.

We conducted a search across all three levels of Intellipedia and located documents that are responsive to your request. One document is enclosed. Certain information, however, has been deleted from the document.

Some of the withheld information has been found to be currently and properly classified in accordance with Executive Order 13526. The information meets the criteria for classification as set forth in Subparagraph (c) of Section 1.4 and remains classified TOP SECRET as provided in Section 1.2 of Executive Order 13526. The information is classified because its disclosure could reasonably be expected to cause exceptionally grave damage to the national

security. Because the information is currently and properly classified, it is exempt from disclosure pursuant to the first exemption of the FOIA (5 U.S.C. Section 552(b)(1)).

Also, this agency is authorized by statute to protect certain information concerning its activities (in this case, internal URLs), as well as the names of its employees. Such information is exempt from disclosure pursuant to the third exemption of the FOIA, which provides for the withholding of information specifically protected from disclosure by statute. The specific statutes applicable in this case are Title 18 U.S. Code 798; Title 50 U.S. Code 3024(i); and Section 6, Public Law 86-36 (50 U.S. Code 3605). We have determined that such information exists in this record and we have excised it accordingly.

In addition, personal information regarding individuals has been deleted from the enclosure in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552 (b)(6). This exemption protects from disclosure information that would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. In balancing the public interest for the information you request against the privacy interests involved, we have determined that the privacy interests sufficiently satisfy the requirements for the application of the (b)(6) exemption.

Since these deletions may be construed as a partial denial of your request, you are hereby advised of this Agency's appeal procedures.

You may appeal this decision. If you decide to appeal, you should do so in the manner outlined below.

- The appeal must be in sent via U.S. postal mail, fax, or electronic delivery (e-mail) and addressed to:

NSA FOIA/PA Appeal Authority (P132)
National Security Agency
9800 Savage Road STE 6932
Fort George G. Meade, MD 20755-6932

The facsimile number is (443)479-3612.

The appropriate email address to submit an appeal is FOIARSC@nsa.gov.

- It must be postmarked or delivered electronically no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. Decisions appealed after 90 days will not be addressed.
- Please include the case number provided above.
- Please describe with sufficient detail why you believe the denial of requested information was unwarranted.

- NSA will endeavor to respond within 20 working days of receiving your appeal, absent any unusual circumstances.

For further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request, you may contact our FOIA Public Liaison at foialo@nsa.gov. You may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. OGIS contact information is: Office of Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, MD 20740-6001; e-mail: ogis@nara.gov; main: 202-741-5770; toll free: 1-877-684-6448; or fax: 202-741-5769.

Please be advised that records responsive to your request include material originating with another government agency. Because we are unable to make determinations as to the releasability of the other agency's information, the subject material has been referred to the appropriate agency for review and direct response to you.

Sincerely,

Paul H
for

JOHN R. CHAPMAN
Chief, FOIA/PA Office
NSA Initial Denial Authority

Encl:
a/s



(U) XKEYSCORE

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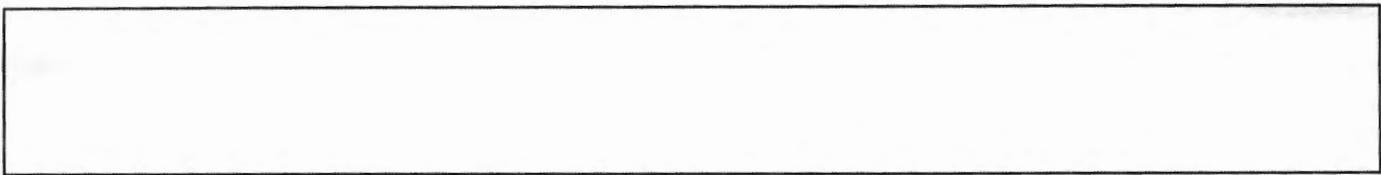
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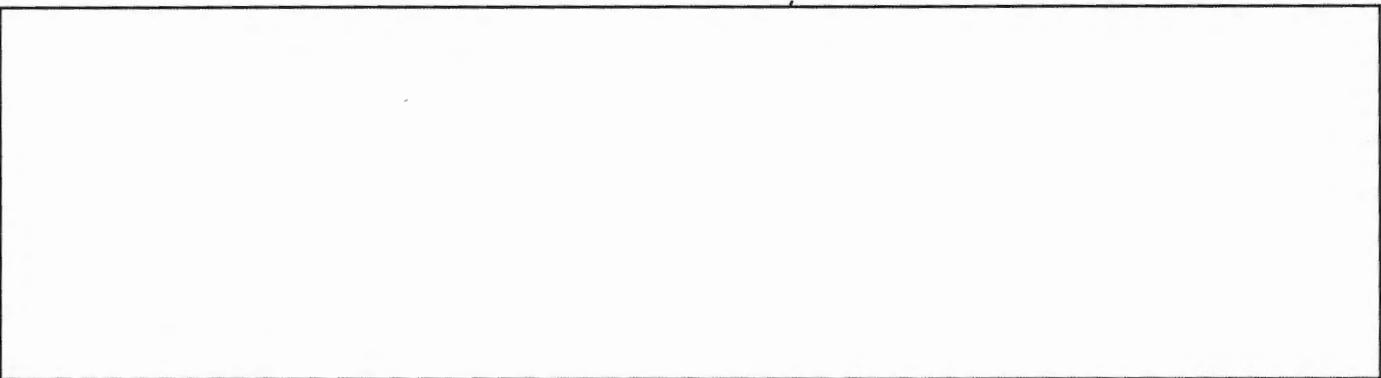


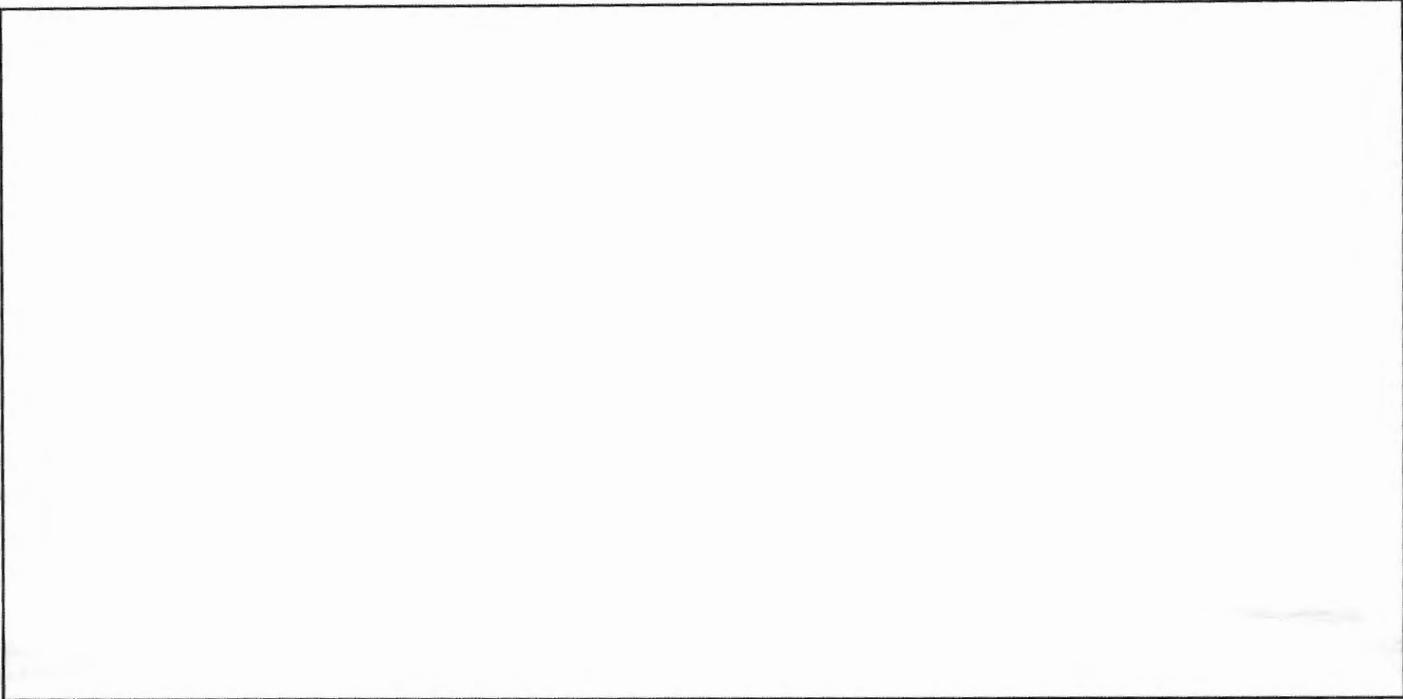
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(U) Overview



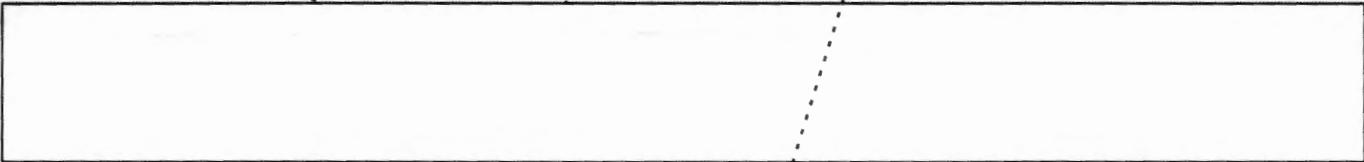


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(U) Account Requirements

~~(C//REL)~~ XKEYSCORE users must be a part of the SIGINT production chain and have had a valid SP0018 briefing within the past two years. Accounts will only be granted after Oversight and Compliance have verified the requester's briefing status.

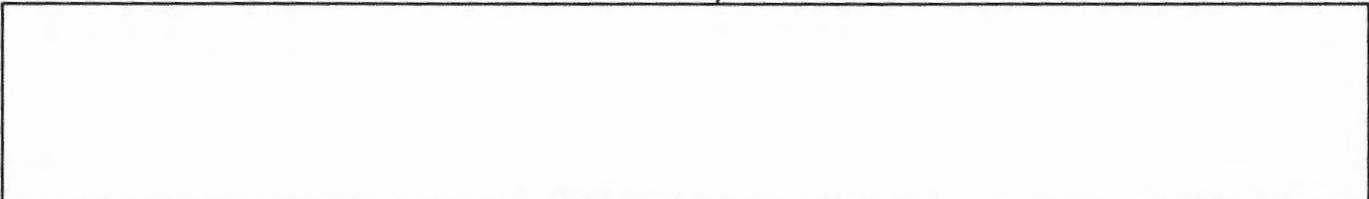
(U//~~FOUO~~) Account requests for access to all XKEYSCOREs visible by NSA analysts may be made by visiting the XKEYSCORE user wiki and clicking the "Request an account" link in the "Log In / Request an Account" section. You will need to provide your database auditors as part of the account request — if you have a account, these are typically the same as your auditors. Several data sources require additional accesses. For example, to access data, the user must fill out a form and submit it to SID Oversight and Compliance.



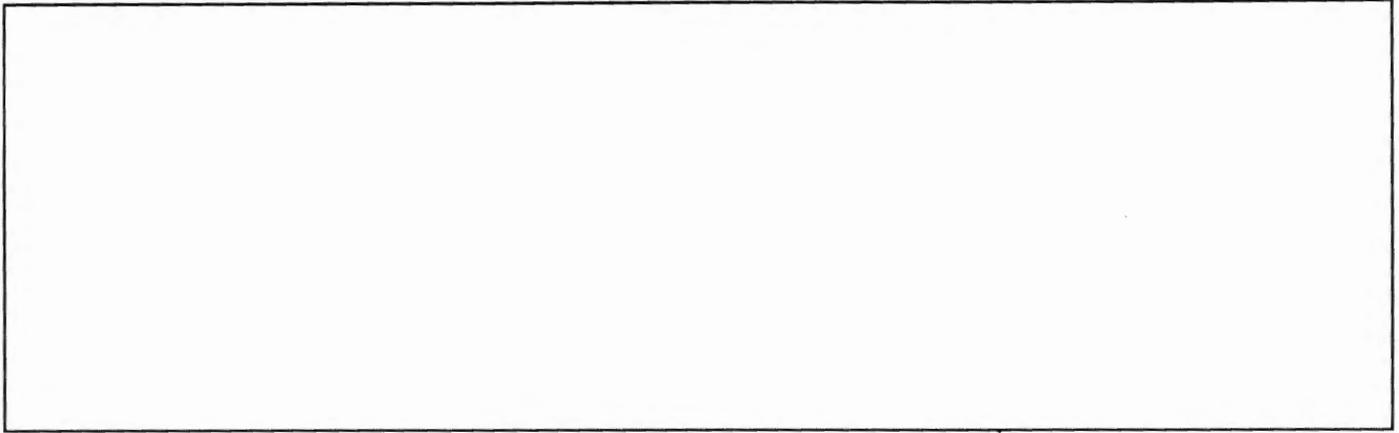
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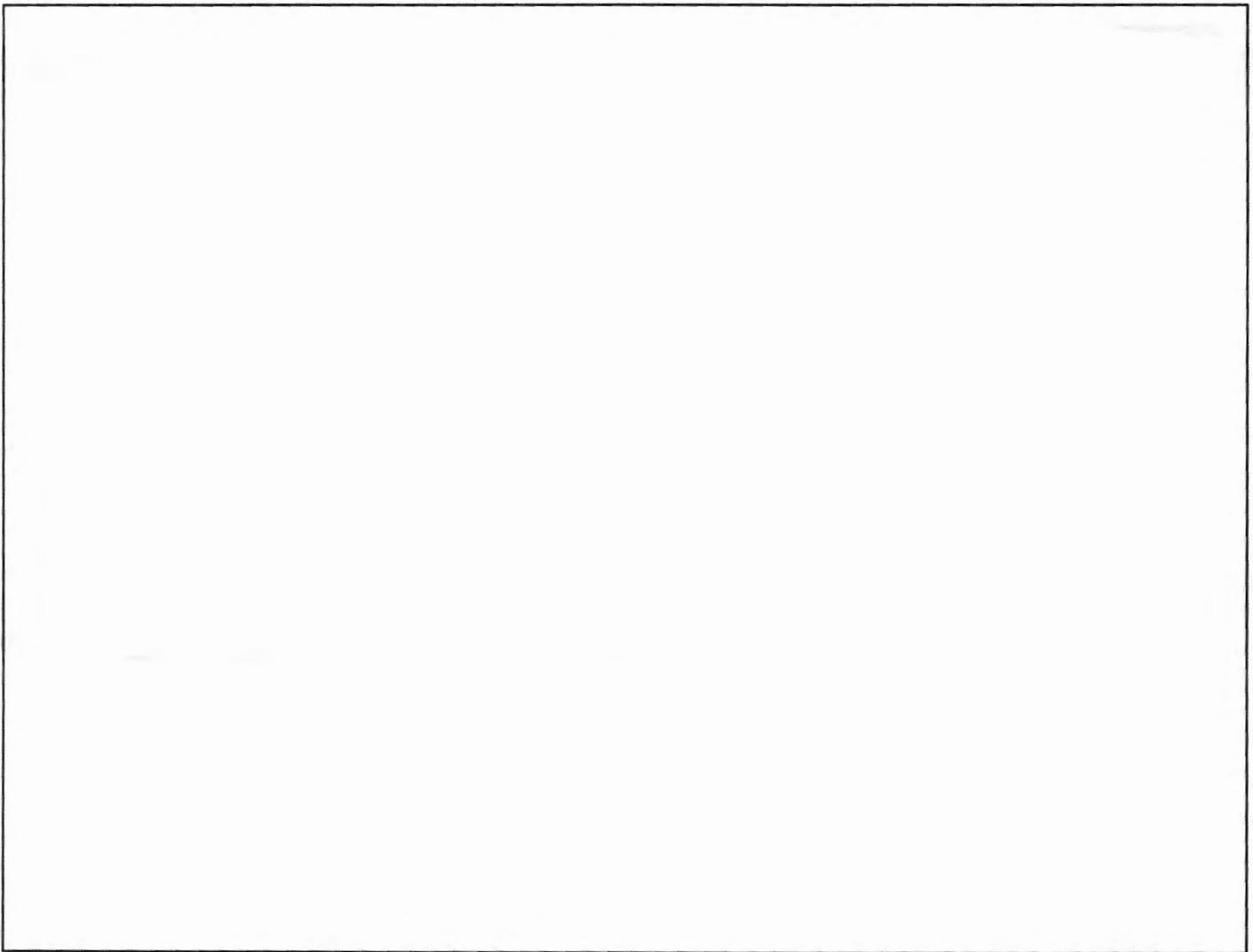


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(U//~~FOUO~~) Applications and Successes for XKEYSCORE

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[Redacted] Reports that would not have been possible without this data have led to over 300 [Redacted] arrests supporting counterterrorism [Redacted]

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(U//~~FOUO~~) The XKEYSCORE team was awarded the National Intelligence Meritorious Unit Citation in 2006 for its contributions to SIGINT and the 2006 Deckert/Foster Award for excellence in SIGINT engineering. The XKEYSCORE team [Redacted] was awarded the 2007 Dr. Louis W. Tordella Award for teamwork, collaboration, and success in the mission of world-class cryptology.

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