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Via E-Mail:

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RE: NOTICE OF RESPONSE TO FOIA REQUEST

FOIA FILE NO.: P504119

Dear Emma Best:

The Chicago Police Department (CPD) is in receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received for the following:

"Copies of any Memoranda of Agreement (MOAs), Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs), memoranda of agreement or other liaison, information sharing or prisoner/detainee transfer agreements or delegations of authority with or involving Immigration and Customs Enforcement signed or otherwise put into effect between March 1, 2003 and the present. This includes but is not limited to any agreements entered into under or a result of Section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act.I am a member of the news media and request classification as such. I have previously written about the government and its activities, with some reaching over 100,000 readers. As such, as I have a reasonable expectation of publication and my editorial and writing skills are well established. In addition, I discuss and comment on the files online and make them available through non-profits such as the Internet Archive and MuckRock, disseminating them to a large audience. While my research is not limited to this, a great deal of it, including this, focuses on the activities and attitudes of the government itself. As such, it is not necessary for me to demonstrate the relevance of this particular subject in advance.

Your request has been reviewed by the undersigned. The request is being *granted* pursuant to the below provision and including the attached as the responsive record.

Redactions and Exemptions:

Regarding the granted records, certain information is exempt from disclosure, and has been redacted accordingly. FOIA exempts the release of "[p]rivate information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order." 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(b). Private information is defined as:

[U]nique identifiers, including a person's social security number, driver's license number, employee identification number, biometric identifiers, personal financial information, passwords or other access codes, medical records, home or personal telephone numbers, and personal email addresses. Private information also includes home address and personal license plates, except as otherwise provided by law or when compiled without possibility of attribution to any person. 5 ILCS 140/2(c-5).

Any CPD personnel unique identification numbers like employee user code numbers, unique handwritten signatures (if applicable) and employee numbers contained in these records, are private information and have been properly redacted pursuant to Section 7(1)(b).

If I can be of further assistance, please contact me at the following address:

Chicago Police Department Attention: Freedom of Information Office of Legal Affairs, Unit 114 3510 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60653 foia@chicagopolice.org

You have a right of review by the Illinois Attorney General's Public Access Counselor, who can be contacted at 500 S. Second St., Springfield, IL 62706 or by telephone at 877-299-3642. You may also seek judicial review in the Circuit Court of Cook County under 5 ILCS 140/11.

Sincerely, M. Baig Freedom of Information Act Officer Chicago Police Department Office of Legal Affairs, Unit 114 3510 S. Michigan Ave. Chicago, IL 60653