



Washington, D.C. 20505

14 June 2012

Mr. Mattathias Schwartz
[REDACTED]

Reference: F-2012-01323 / State 201106318

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

In the course of processing your 25 July 2011 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of State (DoS) for records pertaining to extrajudicial killings that took place in Kingston, Jamaica in May, 2010, the DoS located CIA material and referred it to us on 4 May 2012 for review and direct response to you.

We reviewed the material and determined it is currently and properly classified and must be denied in its entirety on the basis of FOIA exemptions (b)(1) and (b)(3). Exemption (b)(3) pertains to information exempt from disclosure by statute. The relevant statute is the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 U.S.C. § 403, as amended, e.g., Section 6, which exempts from the disclosure requirement information pertaining to the organization, functions, including those related to the protection of intelligence sources and methods, names, official titles, salaries, and numbers of personnel employed by the Agency. An explanation of exemptions is enclosed. 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 45 days from the date of this letter. Please include the basis of your appeal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Michele Meeks".

Michele Meeks
Information and Privacy Coordinator

Enclosure



DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20340-5100



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U-14-4772/FAC2 (FOIA)

Mr. Mattathias Schwartz



Dear Mr. Schwartz:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) appeal dated April 4, 2014, identified as case number APP-0038-2014. I apologize for the amount of time it has taken to process your appeal. In your letter, you are appealing the Defense Intelligence Agency's (DIA) decision to withhold 15 documents in their entirety pursuant to Exemptions 1 and 3 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. §§ 552 (b)(1) and (b)(3) in response to your FOIA request, identified as case number FOIA-0254-2012.

Based on a careful review of the documents in question and the governing law, I have determined that your appeal must be denied because the withheld information remains currently and properly classified and therefore, exempt from release pursuant to Exemptions 1 and 3. Exemption 1 protects information currently and properly classified under the criteria provided by Executive Order 13526. Exemption 3 protects information specifically exempted by a statute establishing particular criteria for withholding. The applicable statutes, in this instance, are 10 U.S.C. § 424, which protects the identity of DIA employees, the organizational structure of the agency, and any function of DIA and 50 U.S.C. § 3024(i), which protects intelligence sources and methods.

If you are dissatisfied with my response to your appeal, you may seek judicial review in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(4)(B) before a United States District Court.

Sincerely,

Don Washington
Deputy Director, Office of Facilities
and Services




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U-14-8414/FAC2A1 (FOIA)

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Mr. Mattathias Schwartz


Dear Mr. Schwartz:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated July 25, 2011, that you submitted to the Department of the State (DOS) for documents relating in whole or part to the operation to arrest Christopher "Dudus" Coke in Kingston, Jamaica, that took place in May and June of 2010. The DOS located 15 documents (70 pages) and referred them to the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) for our review and direct response to you. I apologize for the delay in responding to your request. DIA continues its efforts to eliminate the large backlog of pending FOIA requests. In order to properly respond, it was necessary to consult with another office within the agency.

Upon review, it has been determined that all substantive portions of 15 documents (70 pages) must be withheld in full from disclosure pursuant to the FOIA. The withheld portions are exempt from release pursuant to Exemption 1 and 3 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(1) and (b)(3). Exemption 1 applies to information properly classified under the criteria of Executive Order 13526. Exemption 3 applies to information specifically exempted by a statute establishing particular criteria for withholding. The applicable statutes are 10 U.S.C. § 424 and 50 U.S.C. § 3024(i). Statute 10 U.S.C. § 424 protects the identity of DIA employees, the organizational structure of the agency, and any function of DIA. Statute 50 U.S.C. § 3024(i) protects intelligence sources and methods.

If you are not satisfied with my response to your request, you may exercise your right to file an administrative appeal by writing to the address below and referring to case number 0254-2012. Your appeal must be postmarked no later than 60 days after the date of this letter.

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Sincerely,



Alesia Y. Williams
Chief, Freedom of Information Act Staff