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BY E-MAIL

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Re: ACLU et al. v. FBI et al., 11 Civ. 07562 (WHP)

Dear Alex:

Pursuant the Court's Order of December 17, 2013, the United States Department of Justice ("DOJ") is releasing today 24 FISC Orders in partial response to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request that is the subject of the above-referenced case. Information has been redacted from these documents pursuant to 5 U.S.C. §§ 552(b)(1) and (b)(3). These documents are also being made available to the public on the Director of National Intelligence's ("DNI") website, "IC on the Record," at http://icontherecord.tumblr.com/, as well as at www.dni.gov.

As set forth in the parties' letter of November 25, 2013, the parties agreed that, of the remaining unprocessed records at issue in this case, all of which were FISC Orders, the Government would process only the subset of FISC orders that a) relate to bulk collection, and b) contain any additions and/or adjustments to the implementation procedures, minimization procedures, and/or reporting requirements set out in other FISC orders. As discussed by telephone this morning, the Government in fact has processed all of the remaining FISC Orders responsive to the FOIA request in this case that relate to bulk collection, regardless of whether the order contains any additions and/or adjustments to the implementation procedures, minimization procedures, and/or reporting requirements set out in other FISC orders.

In addition to the records being released today, certain other FISC Orders are being withheld in full pursuant to 5 U.S.C. §§ 552(b)(1) and (b)(3). The Government cannot specify the total number of documents withheld in full from this final set of responsive documents because the number itself is classified.

The Government has now completed FOIA processing of all responsive documents in this case, as narrowed by the various agreements of the parties.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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