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Re: FOIA Tracking No. FY17-084

Dear Mr. Thompson:

This letter responds to your January 31, 2017 Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request to the Office of Legal Counsel ("OLC"), seeking "the memos and any other analysis that [OLC] has produced regarding the form and/or legality of" an Executive Order "named 'Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry Into the United States.'" Your request was assigned tracking number **FY17-084** and pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 16.5(b), your request was processed in the simple track.

A search of OLC's records has located one record responsive to your request. The record is protected by the attorney-client and presidential communications privileges and exempt from mandatory disclosure pursuant to FOIA Exemption Five, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5), but we are releasing it to you as a matter of discretion. A copy of the record is enclosed.

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison, Melissa Golden, at 202-514-2053 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services ("OGIS") at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

You have the right to an administrative appeal. You may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy ("OIP"), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul P. Colborn".

Paul P. Colborn
Special Counsel

Enclosure