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Re: FOIA Request F-2017-17811
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Caitlin Vogus <cvogus@rcfp.org> Mon, Mar 19, 2018 at 12:11 PM
To: "Segesvary, Louis S" <SegesvaryLS@state.gov>
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Louis,

Thanks for your email. I've had a chance to consult with my clients again about narrowing their FOIA request. They are willing to narrow their request to records from the INVEST system from January 1, 2017 to present that are responsive to their original FOIA request for the following countries: Iraq, Afghanistan, Egypt, Mexico, Colombia, Philippines, Cambodia, and Bangladesh.

My clients feel strongly that this is the most they can narrow their request consistent with their reporting goals, and that narrowing the request to these eight countries should significantly cut down on the number of responsive records that the State Department will need to locate and provide.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,
Caitlin

On Tue, Mar 6, 2018 at 11:36 AM, Segesvary, Louis S <SegesvaryLS@state.gov> wrote:

Caitlin: Thank you for this response. Narrowing the request to only the information that is entered into the INVEST system helps somewhat. But what is still very much needed is narrowing it to a geographical region and time frame. With so many countries involved, we are talking about a huge amount of data that would take a very long time to review. Please see if we can begin this process with a specific geographical region and time frame. Thanks, Louis

From: Caitlin Vogus [mailto:cvogus@rcfp.org]
Sent: Tuesday, March 6, 2018 10:03 AM
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Subject: Re: FOIA Request F-2017-17811

Louis,

I've spoken with my clients, and I have a follow up question regarding your request to narrow. You mentioned when we spoke on the phone that the INVEST database includes not only the basic information about Leahy vetting candidates that is input into the system (such as name, DOB, unit name, etc.) but also documents related to the vetting process. If my clients were to narrow their request to only the information input into the INVEST system, excluding any additional documents that are contained in INVEST, would that narrow the request sufficiently? This should result in a basic chart of information, with the same categories of information for every vetting candidate input into INVEST, which should not be burdensome to review or redact.
On Thu, Mar 1, 2018 at 12:58 PM, Segesvary, Louis S <SegesvaryLS@state.gov> wrote:

Caitlin: As I have noted in our discussions, we want to help. It is just a matter of narrowing this massive scope. Regards, Louis

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Louis,

Thank you for your phone call this afternoon. I've reached out to my clients to ask if they would be willing to narrow their request to responsive records from INVEST for a single geographic region and from the last year. I will let you know as soon as I have their response.

Regards,
Caitlin