

## **DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY**

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Dear Accuracy in Media:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request as amended, dated May 5, 2014 and August 5, 2014, that you submitted to the Department of State (DoS) for all records of whatsoever nature regarding the Benghazi Consulate's CIA Annex, for the time period January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 – September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012. DoS referred 13 documents (51 pages) to the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) for review and response to you. As you are aware, this case is currently the subject of litigation in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in case number 14-01589.

Upon review, I have determined that all substantive portions of the 13 documents (51 pages) must be withheld in full from disclosure pursuant to the FOIA. The withheld portions are exempt from release pursuant to Exemption 1, 3, and 6 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(1), (b)(3), and (b)(6). 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). 10 U.S.C. § 424 protects the identity of DIA employees, the organizational structure of the agency, and any function of DIA. 50 U.S.C. § 3024(i) protects intelligence sources and methods. Exemption 6 applies to information which is released would constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of other individuals.

DIA has reviewed all of the information to ensure that no reasonably segregable portions of the records have been withheld from you.

Sincerely,

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