

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

ACCURACY IN MEDIA, <i>et al.</i>)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
)	
v.)	Civil Action No. 14-1589 (EGS)
)	
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF)	
DEFENSE, <i>et al.</i>)	
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Defendants.)	
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JOINT STATUS REPORT

On July 25, 2016, this Court entered an order lifting a partial stay of this Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) suit against defendant, the Central Intelligence Agency (“CIA”)¹ in light of the June 28, 2016 issuance of the U.S. House of Representatives Select Committee’s “Investigation and Report on the Terrorist Attack in Benghazi.” *See* Minute Order (July 25, 2016). On September 22, 2016, this Court directed the parties to submit a joint status report setting forth recommendations for further proceedings. *See* Minute Order (Sept. 22, 2016). Pursuant to the Court’s September 22, 2016 Order, counsel for the parties have conferred and respectfully propose the following:

1. The CIA has been conducting a search for documents potentially responsive to Plaintiffs’ recently narrowed FOIA request² and expects to complete that

¹ In addition to Defendant, the CIA, Plaintiffs brought this FOIA action against Defendants, the United States Department of Defense, the Department of State, and the United States Department of Justice and its component, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (collectively, “Defendants”). *See generally* Compl., ECF No. 1 (Sept. 19, 2014).

² In Plaintiff’s July 22, Unopposed Motion to Lift Partial Stay of Discovery Against the CIA, *see* ECF No. 55, Plaintiff informed the Court and Defendants that it had narrowed

search on or before October 31, 2016. The CIA will then begin a review of the materials for responsiveness and classification purposes.

2. The parties will confer again and submit a joint status report that proposes both a production schedule for the CIA and a briefing schedule regarding any remaining issues, including any pending claims against Defendants, on or before November 18, 2016.
3. Given the parties' proposal to submit a November 18, 2016 joint status report that will include both a proposed production schedule for the CIA and a briefing schedule, the parties respectfully withdraw their respective proposed briefing schedules as set forth in the parties' Joint Status Report and Proposed Briefing Schedule, ECF No. 51.

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Respectfully submitted,

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its FOIA request with respect to four items —Items 3, 5, 6, and 16, and withdrew all other items that were the subject of the stay. *See id.* at 2-3 (delineating both the terms of Plaintiff's narrowed FOIA request and the FOIA requests that it withdrew).

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