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Please review the below list and determine if your component will be responding to any of the requests. Be aware that a request may not have been sent to you directly, but instead come to you as a referral from my office or another component. **Prior to final release, the DHS HQ Front Office will review the responses to the below FOIA requests. I will coordinate the process.** When your component finalizes the release, please forward the response letter and documents for release in a single .pdf file to (b)(6). Again, **it is very important that your office not send the response to the requester until I notify you that the response has been reviewed and is cleared to be sent to the requester.** If your office has already responded to one of the below requests, please forward the entire release package (letter and records) to me via email immediately. Thank you for your continued work on this "One DHS" coordination effort.

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- On December 3, 2009, **Susan Carroll**, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle*, in Houston, Texas, requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a list of all companies targeted in Fiscal Years 2008 and 2009 for I-9 audits, including name, county, state, and disposition of case any fine or charge assessed.
- On December 3, 2009, **David Shapiro**, a staff attorney for the **American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) National Prison Project**, in Washington, D.C., requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and its components, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), the Office of Inspector General (OIG) and Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL), documents related to deaths of immigration detainees.
- On December 7, 2009, **Suzanne Gamboa**, a reporter with *The Associated Press (AP)*, in Washington, D.C., requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records showing the number of Fugitive Operations teams and the number of people on each team.
- On December 10, 2009, **Charles McLavy**, a journalist with *Inside Edition*, in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) copies of the ten most expensive international travel airline tickets purchased by or for agency leadership and/or staff during the past three years and copies of the ten largest travel expense reports submitted by agency leadership during the past three years.
- On December 7, 2009, **Patrick McMurty**, a reporter with *WCHS-TV*, in Charleston, West Virginia, requested from the Office of Inspector General (OIG) copies of all OIG audits/reports involving West Virginia for the 2009 calendar year.
- On December 8, 2009, **Sara Mehta**, an Aryeh Neier Fellow with **Human Rights Watch**, in New York, New York, requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records concerning noncitizens with mental disabilities or mental illness in immigration removal and asylum proceedings that are, or have been, held in detention facilities at any time from September 1, 2004, until the



present.

- On December 9, 2009, **Yvette Chin**, the FOIA coordinator for the **National Security Archive**, in Washington, D.C., requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and all of its components, copies of the ten (10) oldest pending perfected FOIA requests for Fiscal Year 2009.
- On December 9, 2009, **Joan Lowy**, a reporter with **The Associated Press (AP)**, in Washington, D.C., requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) copies of any memos, reports, e-mails, power points, videos, recordings or other information generated by regarding a TSA site visit to Evergreen Maintenance Center Incorporated.
- On December 9, 2009, **Erica Jorgensen**, a reporter with **WSB-TV Special Projects**, in Atlanta, Georgia, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) copies of any and all investigative documents, reports, incident reports and records of enforcement action relating to an incident that occurred on November 17, 2009, aboard an Air Tran Flight 297 scheduled to fly from Atlanta Hartsfield Airport to Houston.
- On December 9, 2009, **Peter Wallsten**, a reporter with **The Wall Street Journal**, in Washington, D.C., requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) copies of weekly reports submitted from the Secretary to the White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel between January 20, 2009, and December 9, 2009, including all correspondence to and/or from the Secretary and Mr. Emanuel.
- On December 10, 2009, **Edward Hasbrouck**, a consultant for **The Identity Project**, in Oakland, California, requested the following from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA): 1) Screening Checkpoint Standard Operating Procedures (SOP), 2) Checked Baggage Screening Standard Operating Procedures (SOP), 3) Notices of Inspection (NOI), 4) The TSA's "Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)", 5) TSA Operations Directive 400-50-I-8, Travel Document Checker Implementation Procedures" and any other TSA Operations Directives or Management Directives related to "travel documents", travel document checking, ID checking, or identity verification, 6) The list and index of TSA Operations Directives, and 7) The list and index of TSA Management Directives.
- On December 14<sup>th</sup>, **Steven Emerson** of **SAE Productions** in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services all copies of information regarding the Muslim American Homeland Security Congress monthly roundtable meetings, including the one scheduled for December 15, 2009.
- On December 16<sup>th</sup>, **Ashley Huebner** with **National Immigrant Justice Center** in Chicago, IL, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services records pertaining to Tier III Terrorist Groups as defined in INA § 212(a)(3)(B)(vi)(III).
- On December 16<sup>th</sup>, **Bill Langlois** with **KHOU-TV** in Houston, TX, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records regarding the search and rescue off the coast of the Sabine Pass on December 15, 2009.
- On December 17<sup>th</sup>, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) referred to DHS a request from **Jennifer Miller** with the **Boston Herald** in Boston, MA, who seeks records regarding Travel Redress Inquiry Program complaints alleging a passenger was misidentified on a watch list and denied or delayed airline boarding or denied or delayed entry into or exit from Logan International Airport between March 1, 2007, and October 1, 2009.
- On December 17<sup>th</sup>, the Federal Bureau of Investigation referred to DHS three documents responsive to a May 7, 2008, request from **J. Scott Tarbutton**, a representative of **Cozen**

O'Connor, in Philadelphia, PA, seeking records related to Mohammed Jamal Khalifa, a senior member of Al Qaida.

#### **FOIA Appeals**

- On December 11<sup>th</sup>, Thomas Burke, Counsel for the **Lawyer's Committee for Civil Rights (LCCR) of the San Francisco Bay Area** in San Francisco, CA, appealed the response by Customs and Border Protection to LCCR's initial FOIA request for records related to the use, attempted use or threatened use of U.S. immigration laws or regulations to enlist the cooperation, assistance or participation of individuals to provide information to government officials or to participate in intelligence gathering activities.