

April 9, 2009

TSA09-0435

Mr. Robert MacLean  
20 Waltham Road  
Belmont, MA 02478



Transportation  
Security  
Administration

Dear Mr. MacLean:

This is to inform you that on April 9, 2009, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Office received your FOIA request dated April 6, 2009. Your request has been given identification number TSA09-0435. Please cite this number in any further inquiry about this request.

I must advise you that depending upon the category of requester you fall in, fees may be charged for searching for records sought at the respective clerical, professional, and/or managerial rates of \$4.00/\$7.00/\$10.25 per quarter hour, and for duplication costs of \$.10 per page. In accordance with 6 C.F.R. §5.3(c), if you make a FOIA request, it shall be a firm commitment by you to pay all applicable fees charged under § 5.11 up to \$25.00. The combined charges for search and duplication must exceed \$14.00 before we will charge you any fees. Many requests do not require fees; however, if fees exceed \$25.00, we will notify you beforehand.

TSA uses a multi-track system to process requests on a first-in, first-out basis. Simple requests are able to be answered more quickly and will be placed on the fast track of our multi-track processing. More complex requests generally require significant processing time. Although TSA's goal is to respond within 20 business days of receipt of your request, the FOIA does permit a 10-day extension of this time period. If your request involves a voluminous amount of records, requires that we collect records from separate offices, or requires that we consult with another agency, TSA will invoke the 10-day extension for your request.

If you would like to narrow the scope of your request, we may be able to respond more quickly. Please contact us if you wish to narrow your request or arrange for an alternative time period to complete the processing. We can be reached at the following toll free number (866) 364-2872.

Sincerely,

*for Deborah Snowden*

Kevin J. Janet  
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TSA Headquarters, TSA-20