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Ms. Emma Best
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Reference: F-2018-01938

Dear Ms. Best:

On 25 June 2018, the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator received your 25 June 2018 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for **copies of all emails containing the non-sensitive terms WikiLeaks, Wiki Leaks or WikiLeaks.org. Please include the complete email exchange for each email, including any emails that are being replied to as well as any subsequent replies.** We have assigned your request the reference number above. Please use this number when corresponding so that we can identify it easily.

As you are aware, the FOIA permits an agency to assess fees even in situations where it fails to comply with the 20-working day FOIA response deadline in cases where there are "unusual circumstances." A member of my staff in consultation with senior members of this office assessed the overall complexity of your request, and we determined that at least one of the factors associated with "unusual circumstances" apply in this case.

Based on the information provided in your letter, we determined that your request falls into the "representative of the news media" fee category, which means you are responsible to pay for the cost of reproducing released records, assessed at a rate of ten cents per page beyond the first 100 pages, which you receive free of charge.

We have determined that a search for records responsive to your request as written, is likely to yield a considerable amount of potentially responsive documents, encompassing over 5,000 pages. Our preliminary estimate for the duplication fees alone may exceed \$500.00. However, we cannot provide you with an exact fee estimate until we have completed the actual search, identified the responsive documents, and determined how many pages of nonexempt, responsive material will be released.

Accordingly, based on our initial review of your request, we will require an advance payment of \$250 toward the applicable fees and your written agreement to pay applicable fees prior to the processing of your request. Please forward a check or money order in the amount of \$250, made payable to the Treasurer of the United States, as well as your written commitment to pay any applicable fees incurred. Please cite your case number F-2018-01938 on any correspondence regarding this request.

Alternatively, if you wish to limit the fees that will be incurred during the processing of this request, you could narrow or revise your request by limiting it to a narrowed date range of one-to-three months and/or limit the subject matter of the request. For example, in addition to narrowing your request to a specific date range, you may consider limiting the request to a specific Agency office or offices such as the Office of Public Affairs or the director level such as the Director of the Central Intelligence.

We will hold your request in abeyance for 45 days from the date of this letter pending your response. If we do not receive the fee agreement in writing and the advance payment within 45 days, we will administratively close this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Allison Fong", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Allison Fong
Information and Privacy Coordinator