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RE: EPIC v. DHS, 1:17-cv-02047 (D.D.C.)
NPPD FOIA Case Number 2017-NPFO-00430
First Interim Response

This is the National Protection and Programs Directorate's (NPPD) first interim response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated March 31, 2017, to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Privacy Office. Your FOIA request sought information pertaining to the interference with the elections for Federal office held in 2016 by or at the direction of the Russian Government and is currently the subject of litigation in EPIC v. DHS, 1:17-cv-02047 (D.D.C.).

A total of 670 pages of records were reviewed for this interim production. The 670 pages of records were derived from a search of records from the NPPD, Office of Infrastructure Protection. Following review, NPPD has determined that 173 pages of records are releasable in their entirety and 21 pages of records are partially releasable pursuant to Exemption 6 of the FOIA. In addition, 455 pages are being withheld in their entirety pursuant to Exemptions 5, 6, 7A, and 7E of the FOIA, inasmuch as the limited segregable information would be of minimal value to the requester. The remaining 21 pages of the records processed require consultation with another federal agency.

If you have any questions regarding this release, please contact Lynn Lee, U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division, Federal Programs Branch at lynn.lee@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "T. Fuentes".

T. Fuentes
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Enclosure