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RE: EPIC v. DHS, 18-cv-00545 (D.D.C.)
NPPD FOIA Case Number 2018-HQLI-00022
Final Response

This is the National Protection and Programs Directorate's (NPPD) fourth and final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated September 9, 2016, to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Privacy Office. Your FOIA request sought information pertaining to the use of drones or unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) by DHS and is currently the subject of litigation in EPIC v. DHS, 18-cv-00545 (D.D.C.).

A total of 1,034 pages of records were reviewed for this interim production. The 1,034 pages of records were derived from a search of records from the NPPD, Office of the Under Secretary. Following review, NPPD has determined that 2 pages of records are partially releasable pursuant to Exemption 5, 6 and 7E of the FOIA. In addition, 18 pages are being withheld in their entirety pursuant to Exemption 5 of the FOIA, inasmuch as the limited segregable information would be of minimal value to the requester. Also, NPPD has determined that of the remaining pages, 532 pages are non-responsive, 455 pages are duplicative and 27 pages are under the purview of other federal agencies and have been referred for processing and direct response to you.

If you have any questions regarding this release, please contact Assistant United States Attorney, Johnny H. Walker, at johnny.walker@usdoj.gov or 202-252-2575.

Sincerely,

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

T. Fuentes
Director, FOIA

Enclosure