UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ELECTRONIC PRIVACY INFORMATION CENTER,)))
Plaintiff,)
v.) Civil No. 15-cv-00289 CKK
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY,)
Defendant.)))

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to this Court's order dated June 30, 2015, Plaintiff, Electronic Privacy Information Center ("Plaintiff" or "EPIC"), and Defendant, the Department of Homeland Security ("DHS" or "the Department"), by and through their undersigned counsel, report as follows the status of this Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") case:

- (1) As explained in the Joint Status Report filed June 29, 2015, DHS produced to EPIC a *Vaughn* Index on June 22, 2015, and EPIC reviewed the *Vaughn* Index and requested additional information from the agency regarding the document entitled "Passive Methods Quad Chart.
- (2) DHS had agreed to review EPIC's request and, to the extent that DHS agrees that additional information is needed, to produce a revised *Vaughn* declaration to EPIC that accounts for the above referenced document on or before July 13, 2015.
- (3) Following submission of the Joint Status Report on June 29, 2015, EPIC requested DHS to provide additional information in a supplemental *Vaughn* index concerning additional information withheld from plaintiff that EPIC had not previously requested be included in a <u>Vaughn</u> index.

- (4) DHS agreed and has informed EPIC it can produce the supplemental <u>Vaughn</u> index of additional information by July 27, 2015.
 - (5) EPIC will determine by August 3, 2015 whether it wishes to pursue the litigation.

Accordingly, the parties recommend that they file another joint status report on August 5, 2015, in which to suggest a proposed schedule for further proceedings in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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