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

This is the National Protection and Programs Directorate’s (NPPD) third 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 1,573 pages of records were reviewed for this interim production. The 1,573 pages of records were derived from a search of records from the NPPD, Office of Infrastructure Protection and the NPPD, Office of the Undersecretary. Following review, NPPD has determined that 387 pages of records are releasable in their entirety and 8 pages of records are partially releasable pursuant to Exemption 5 and 6 of the FOIA. In addition, 121 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. Also, NPPD has determined that of the remaining pages 457 pages are duplicative and 600 pages are non-responsive.

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,

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Enclosure