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Mr. Alan J. Butler Mr. Marc Rotenberg Electronic Privacy Information Center 1718 Connecticut Ave, N.W. Suite 200 Washington, D.C. 20009

Re: EPIC v. DHS, 1:17-cv-02047 (D.D.C.), NPPD FOIA Case Number 2017-NPF0-00430, ODNI Case No. DF-2018-00236

Dear Mr. Butler and Mr. Rotenberg,

This is in response to your request dated 31 March 2017 to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), wherein you requested "Information pertaining to the interference with the elections for Federal office held in 2016 by or at the direction of the Russian Government" among other things (Enclosure 1).

DHS referred one document responsive to your request to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) for review and direct response to you.

Upon review, ODNI has determined portions of the document (Enclosure 2) must be withheld pursuant to the following exemptions:

- (b)(3), which applies to information exempt by statute, specifically 50 U.S.C. § 3024(m)(1), which protects, among other things, the names and identifying information of ODNI personnel;
- (b)(6), which applies to information, the release of which, would constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of other individuals.

In addition, DHS has determined that material must be withheld pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(5) and (b)(6).

If you have any questions, feel free to email our Requester Service Center at <u>DNI-FOIA@dni.gov</u> or call us at (301) 243-1499. You can also contact ODNI's FOIA Liaison by email at, <u>DNI-FOIA-Liaison@dni.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures cc: DHS