

## **DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY**

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FOIA-00368-2021 February 20, 2024

Mr. John Greenewald 27305 W. Live Oak Rd., Suite #1203 Castaic, CA 91384

Dear Mr. Greenewald,

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated August 25, 2021, that you submitted to the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) for: *Copies of records (which includes videos/photos)*, electronic or otherwise, of all reports, memos, assessments, intelligence records, etc., that pertain to the "HAVANA SYNDROME." I agree to limit the scope of my request to records dated 2016 through to the date of processing this request. I apologize for the delay in responding to your request as DIA continues its efforts to eliminate the large backlog of pending requests.

A search of DIA's systems of records located one document (6 pages) responsive to your request.

Upon review, while considering the foreseeable harm standard, I have determined that some portions of the document must be withheld in part from disclosure pursuant to the FOIA. The withheld portions are exempt from release pursuant to Exemptions 1, 3, and 6 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(1), (b)(3), and (b)(6). Exemption 1 applies to information properly classified under the criteria of Executive Order 13526. Exemption 3 applies to information specifically exempted by a statute establishing particular criteria for withholding. The applicable statutes are 10 U.S.C. § 424 and 50 U.S.C. § 3024(i). Statute 10 U.S.C. § 424 protects the identity of DIA employees, the organizational structure of the agency, and any function of DIA. Statute 50 U.S.C. § 3024(i) protects intelligence sources and methods. Exemption 6 applies to information which if released would constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of other individuals. DIA has not withheld any reasonably segregable non-exempt portions of the records.

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Sincerely,

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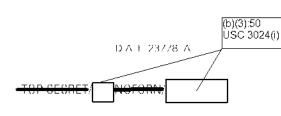
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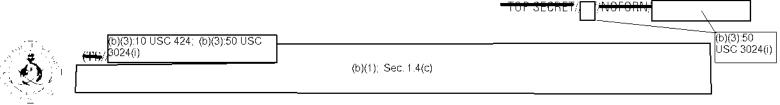


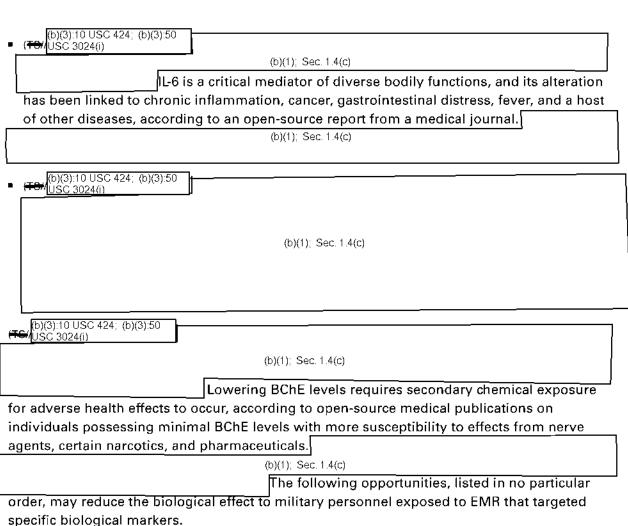
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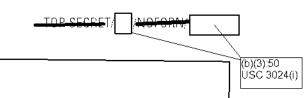


(S/PLE) Medical Countermeasures. Medical countermeasures, such as BChE, atropine, scopolamine, and oximes, which are used to mitigate the adverse health effects of nerve

agents, (b)(1); Sec. 1.4(c) judging from an open-source report.

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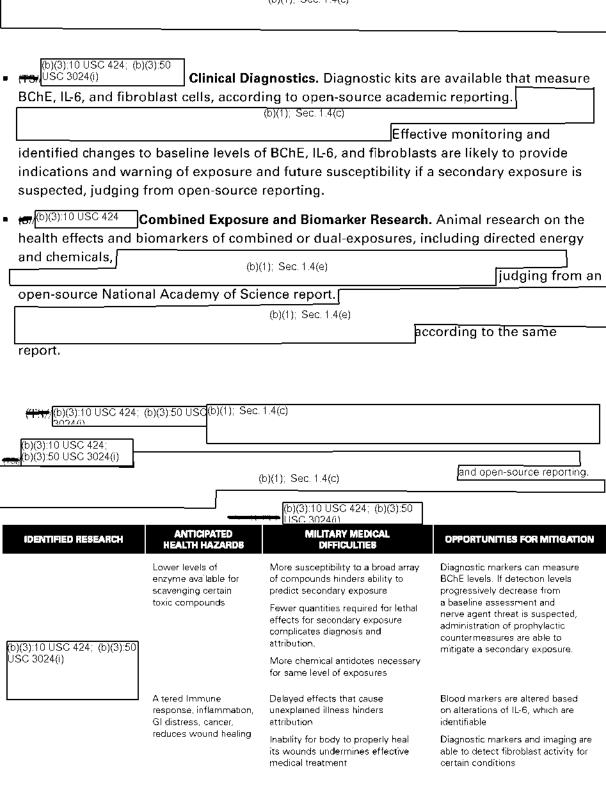
The drug pyridostigmine was issued as a pre-treatment to protect soldiers in the Persian Gulf War from a future nerve agent exposure and is likely to provide similar protection before nerve agent exposure after EMR, judging from the same open-source report.





(b)(3):10 USC 424; (b)(3):50 USC (TS)/3024(i)

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