U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D.C. 20535

January 14, 2020

MR. JOHN GREENEWALD, JR. SUITE 1203 27305 WEST LIVE OAK ROAD CASTAIC, CA 91384

> Request No.: 1453035-000 Subject: Fusion GPS (2011-Present)

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. Please see the selected paragraphs below for relevant information specific to your request as well as the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for standard responses applicable to all requests.

Records responsive to your request have been processed. We made these records available in the FBI's electronic FOIA Library (The Vault) on the FBI's public website, <u>http://vault.fbi.gov</u>. On the right-hand side of the home page, under the heading "Vault Links" you can search for your subject alphabetically (click on "A-Z Index"), by category (click on "Categories"), or by entering text into our search engine (click on "Search Vault"). For records responsive to this request, please enter Fusion GPS as the search term.

The available documents represent a final Vault posting of information responsive to your FOIPA request.

Please see the selected paragraphs below for relevant information specific to your request.

- Additional records potentially responsive to your subject may exist. Please inform us by emailing <u>foipaquestions@fbi.gov</u>, faxing 540-868-4391, or standard mail if you would like the FBI to conduct a search of the indices to our Central Records System.
- Additional records responsive to your request were processed but are not currently available on The Vault. Please inform us if you would like to receive these records.

Please refer to the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for additional standard responses applicable to your request. **"Part 1"** of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. **"Part 2"** includes additional standard responses that apply to all requests for records about yourself or any third party individuals. **"Part 3"** includes general information about FBI records that you may find useful. Also enclosed is our Explanation of Exemptions.

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the <u>www.fbi.gov/foia</u> website under "Contact Us." The FOIPA Request number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Sixth Floor, 441 G Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA online portal by creating an account on the following website: <u>https://www.foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home</u>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.



You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at <u>ogis@nara.gov</u>; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769. Alternatively, you may contact the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison by emailing <u>foipaquestions@fbi.gov</u>. If you submit your dispute resolution correspondence by email, the subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

Sincerely,

David M. Hardy Section Chief, Record/Information Dissemination Section Information Management Division

Enclosure(s)

FBI FOIPA Addendum

As referenced in our letter responding to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, the FBI FOIPA Addendum provides information applicable to your request. Part 1 of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. Part 2 includes standard responses that apply to requests for records about individuals to the extent your request seeks the listed information. Part 3 includes general information about FBI records, searches, and programs.

Part 1: The standard responses below apply to all requests:

- (i) 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). Congress excluded three categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIPA [5 U.S.C. § 552(c)]. FBI responses are limited to those records subject to the requirements of the FOIPA. Additional information about the FBI and the FOIPA can be found on the <u>www.fbi.gov/foia</u> website.
- (ii) Intelligence Records. To the extent your request seeks records of intelligence sources, methods, or activities, the FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), and as applicable to requests for records about individuals, PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(1), (b)(3), and (j)(2)]. The mere acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of such records is itself a classified fact protected by FOIA exemption (b)(1) and/or would reveal intelligence sources, methods, or activities protected by exemption (b)(3) [50 USC § 3024(i)(1)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that any such records do or do not exist.

Part 2: The standard responses below apply to all requests for records on individuals:

- (i) Requests for Records about any Individual—Watch Lists. The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of any individual's name on a watch list pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that watch list records do or do not exist.
- (ii) Requests for Records about any Individual—Witness Security Program Records. The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records which could identify any participant in the Witness Security Program pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(3) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(3), 18 U.S.C. 3521, and (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.
- (iii) Requests for Records for Incarcerated Individuals. The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records which could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any incarcerated individual pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(7)(E), (b)(7)(F), and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (b)(7)(F), and (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.

Part 3: General Information:

- (i) Record Searches. The Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS) searches for reasonably described records by searching systems or locations where responsive records would reasonably be found. A standard search normally consists of a search for main files in the Central Records System (CRS), an extensive system of records consisting of applicant, investigative, intelligence, personnel, administrative, and general files compiled by the FBI per its law enforcement, intelligence, and administrative functions. The CRS spans the entire FBI organization, comprising records of FBI Headquarters, FBI Field Offices, and FBI Legal Attaché Offices (Legats) worldwide; Electronic Surveillance (ELSUR) records are included in the CRS. Unless specifically requested, a standard search does not include references, administrative records of previous FOIPA requests, or civil litigation files. For additional information about our record searches, visit www.fbi.gov/services/information-management/foipa/requesting-fbi-records.
- (ii) FBI Records. Founded in 1908, the FBI carries out a dual law enforcement and national security mission. As part of this dual mission, the FBI creates and maintains records on various subjects; however, the FBI does not maintain records on every person, subject, or entity.
- (iii) Requests for Criminal History Records or Rap Sheets. The Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division provides Identity History Summary Checks – often referred to as a criminal history record or rap sheet. These criminal history records are not the same as material in an investigative "FBI file." An Identity History Summary Check is a listing of information taken from fingerprint cards and documents submitted to the FBI in connection with arrests, federal employment, naturalization, or military service. For a fee, individuals can request a copy of their Identity History Summary Check. Forms and directions can be accessed at <u>www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summarychecks</u>. Additionally, requests can be submitted electronically at <u>www.edo.cjis.gov</u>. For additional information, please contact CJIS directly at (304) 625-5590.
- (iii) National Name Check Program (NNCP). The mission of NNCP is to analyze and report information in response to name check requests received from federal agencies, for the purpose of protecting the United States from foreign and domestic threats to national security. Please be advised that this is a service provided to other federal agencies. Private Citizens cannot request a name check.

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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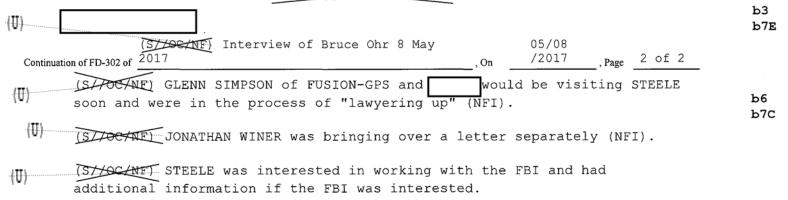
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U.S. Department of Justice

The Special Counsel's Office

Washington, D.C. 20530

October 30, 2017

Re: Grand Jury Subpoena

Attached is a federal grand jury subpoena, which requires you to appear before a federal grand jury in Washington, D.C., on ______ with documents identified in the attachment to the grand jury subpoena.

The grand jury is conducting an investigation of possible violations of federal criminal laws. You may refuse to answer any question if a truthful answer to the question would tend to incriminate you. Anything that you do say may be used against you by the grand jury or in a subsequent legal proceeding. If you have retained counsel, the grand jury will permit you a reasonable opportunity to step outside the grand jury room to consult with counsel if you so desire.

Please be advised that you must take all reasonable steps to preserve any and all materials that are responsive to the subpoena. These steps include immediately discontinuing all data destruction or deletion and instructing anyone who has access to any responsive materials to do the same. The destruction, deletion, or alteration of electronic data, storage media, or other devices, documents, records, or any other materials responsive to the subpoena may violate federal criminal law.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

ROBERT S. MUELLER III Special Counsel

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

District of Columbia

SUBPOENA TO TESTIFY BEFORE A GRAND JURY

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YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear in this United States district court at the time, date, and place shown below to testify before the court's grand jury. When you arrive, you must remain at the court until the judge or a court officer allows you to leave.

| Place: U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | Date and Time: |
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| U.S. Courthouse, 3 rd Floor | |
| 333 Constitution Avenue, N.W. | |
| Washington, D.C. 20001 | |

You must also bring with you the following documents, electronically stored information, or objects specified in the attachment.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT

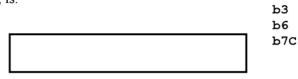
Personal appearance is not required if the requested records are (1) produced by on or before the return date to U.S. Department of Justice, Special Counsel's Office, Attn: Special Counsel's Office, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20530; and (2) accompanied by an executed copy of the attached Declaration of Custodian of Records. PLEASE PRODUCE THE RECORDS IN ELECTRONIC FORMAT IF POSSIBLE.

Date: October 30, 2017

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The name of the attorney of the United States who requests this subpoena, is:

Assistant Special Counsel Department of Justice – Special Counsel's Office 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20530



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INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. In complying with this subpoena, you are required to produce all responsive documents that are in your possession, custody, or control, whether held by you or your past or present agent, employee or representative acting on your behalf. You are also required to produce documents that you have a legal right to obtain, that you have a right to copy, or to which you have access, as well as documents that you have placed in the temporary possession, custody or control of any third party.
- 2. No documents called for by this request shall be destroyed, modified, removed, transferred, or otherwise made inaccessible to the grand jury. If you have knowledge that any subpoenaed document has been destroyed, discarded or lost, identify the subpoenaed document and provide an explanation of the destruction, discarding, loss, or disposal, and the date at which the document was destroyed, discarded, or lost.
- 3. This subpoena is continuing in nature. Any document not produced because it has not been located or discovered by the return date shall be provided immediately upon location or discovery subsequent thereto with an explanation of why it was not located or discovered until the return date.
- 4. If you believe any responsive documents are protected by a privilege, please provide a privilege log which (1) identifies any and all responsive documents to which the privilege is asserted, (2) sets forth the date, type, addressee(s), author(s), general subject matter, and indicated or known circulation of the document, and (3) states the privilege asserted in sufficient detail to ascertain the validity of the claim of privilege.
- 5. Production with respect to each document shall include all electronic versions and data files from email applications, as well as from word processing, spreadsheet, database, or other electronic data repositories applicable to any attachments, and shall be provided to the grand jury where possible in its native file format and shall include all original metadata for each electronic documents or data file.

DEFINITIONS:

1. The term "document" means all materials, whether drafts or unfinished versions, originals or nonconforming copies thereof, however created, produced or stored (manually, mechanically, electronically or otherwise), and by whomever prepared, produced, sent, dated or received,

including but not limited to books, papers, files, notes, minutes, summaries, analyses, electronic mail ("email), correspondence, memoranda, written communications, work papers, ledger sheets, confirmations, invoices, account statements, reports, wires, telegrams, telexes, telephone logs, notes or records of conversations or meetings, contracts, agreements, calendars, date books, work sheets, invoices, bills, records of payment, magnetic tape, video recordings, audio recordings, disks, diskettes, and other electronic media, microfilm, microfiche, storage devices, appointment books, diaries, notices and message slips, and records of any kind.

- 2. The terms "related" and "relating" with respect to any given subject mean anything that constitutes, contains, embodies, reflects, identifies, concerns, states, refers to, deals with, or is in any manner whatsoever pertinent to the subject.
- 3. The terms "including" and "includes" are not intended to exclude other types of documents that are nevertheless responsive but not specifically identified.

ЪЗ Ъ6 Ъ7С In lieu of appearance, all records produced and any questions can be directed to:

U.S. Department of Justice Special Counsel's Office, Room B-103 Attn: _______ 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20530 Ь3 Ь6 Ь7С