



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
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FOIA Nos.: 2018-06-192, 2018-08-115, 2018-08-116
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Tim Mak
National Public Radio, Inc.
1111 North Capitol St., N.E.
Washington, DC 20002

Dear Mr. Mak:

Re: *National Public Radio, Inc. et al v. United States Department of the Treasury*, Civil
Action No. 1:19-CV-0017 (JDB)

This letter is the Office of Foreign Assets Control's (OFAC) twenty-second interim response to your three Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, requests to the Department of the Treasury as outlined below.

FOIA No.	Date of Request	Subject of Request
2018-06-192	May 14, 2018	Alexander Torshin, Oleg Deripaska
2018-08-115	August 14, 2018	Maria Butina
2018-08-116	August 14, 2018	Kalashnikov Concern, Mark Barnes, National Rifle Association

On August 22, 2019, the Court ordered Treasury to review documents at a rate of 3,000 pages per month, regardless of how many documents are identified as being responsive.

In accordance with this court order, for this twenty-second interim release OFAC has reviewed at least 3,000 pages of records. Of the pages reviewed for this release, OFAC determined that 215 pages were responsive to your FOIA requests. The remaining pages were duplicates, non-responsive, or fall within the categories of records that we have agreed not to process at this time. Of the 215 responsive pages, four pages are pending processing through the submitter notice process (see 31 C.F.R § 1.5); 167 pages are pending processing as consultations to other governmental agencies and/or within Treasury as specified in the filler pages (*see* 31 C.F.R. § 1.3(d)(1)); 31 pages are being released in full; one page is being withheld in full pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(5); and 12 pages are being released in part with redactions made pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(5) and (b)(6).

FOIA exemption (b)(5) protects from disclosure "inter-agency" or "intra-agency" records and information which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with that agency. OFAC used exemption (b)(5) to withhold information under the deliberative process and attorney-client privileges.

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FOIA exemption (b)(6) protects from disclosure personal privacy information, the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. OFAC used a balancing test to determine that the individuals' right to personal privacy outweighs the public's right to release of the information. Treasury used exemption (b)(6) to withhold information such as the names of individuals, email addresses, and phone numbers.

OFAC will continue to process its records until all responsive records have been processed.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter, please feel free to contact Trial Attorney Joshua Kolsky at (202) 305-7664.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Twenty-second Interim Release (50 pages, including seven filler pages)

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