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Re: AG/11-00607 (F) DAG/11-00822 (F)
DAG/11-00387(F) OLP/11-00606 (F)
OLP/11-00608 (F) OLA/11-01068 (F)
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Dear Ms. Lynch:

While processing your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests dated September 28, 2010 for records created on or after January 1, 2006 pertaining to certain surveillance capabilities of the Department of Justice, the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) and Criminal Division referred documents, to this Office for processing and direct response to you on behalf of the Offices of the Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Legal Policy and Legislative Affairs. The DEA administrative tracking number is #10-00892-F and the Criminal Division administrative tracking number is #201000724F. For your information, the documents were received in this Office through a series of referrals between February and June 2011.

Please be advised that the Criminal Division referral, consisting of 362 pages, has been assigned file numbers DAG/11-00822 (F), OLP/11-00606 (F), and OLA/11-01068 (F). Additionally, the DEA referral, consisting of 278 pages, has been assigned file numbers AG/11-00607 (F), DAG/11-00387 (F), and OLP/11-00608 (F).

Upon review of the referred records, we determined that the documents contain information of interest to other Department components. Although we have completed initial consultations on the referred material, it is necessary for us to conduct additional consultations with Department components before final determinations can be made. I estimate that this process will be completed by May 29, 2012. Lastly, please be advised that much of this material is likely to be determined to be duplicative or not responsive to the subject of your requests.

I regret the necessity of this delay, but I assure you that your request will be processed as soon as possible. I understand that you have filed suit in the Northern District of California, Case No. 10-cv-04892.

Sincerely,

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FOIA Specialist

cc: Nicholas Cartier