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To: FOIA <foia@americanoversight.org>
Subject: NSD FOIA #20-257

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Re: FOIA/PA #20-257

Dear Mr. Rasheed:

This is in reference to your letter for information pertaining to any memoranda, guidance, or directives regarding the restriction or elimination of collective bargaining rights for federal employees, including but not limited to the use or delegation of authority under the Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute. American Oversight believes your agency is best positioned to determine where responsive records may reside. At a minimum, a search for responsive records should include the office of the head of your agency and the office of your agency's chief counsel. Our FOIA office received your Freedom of Information Act request on March 23, 2020.

In response to the COVID-19 public health emergency, the NSD FOIA staff is teleworking full time. Our FOIA operations have been diminished while we are teleworking and our FOIA intake and FOIA processing will be slower than normal.

This office conducted a file search of the National Security Division Assistant Attorney General office and the Human Resources office. We did not locate any responsive records subject to FOIA.

If you are not satisfied with the National Security Division's determination in response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, 441 G Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20530, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account on the following website: <https://foiastar.doj.gov>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. 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 ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Sincerely,

Arnetta Mallory

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