



August 24, 2021

Mr. Austin Evers
Executive Director
American Oversight
1030 15th Street, NW
Suite B255
Washington, DC 20005

RE: FOIA Request No. F-00168-20/2020-LIT-00009
Fifth Interim Response

Dear Mr. Evers:

Enclosed with this letter is the U.S. Agency for International Development's (USAID) fifth interim response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request.

This response includes documents that were sent out on consultation to the Department of Treasury, the Department of Homeland Security, and the White House liaison. Out of seven (7) pages reviewed, seven pages (7) are released in part pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5), (b)(6), and (b)(7)(C).

A total of five (5) pages are in consultation with the Department of State. USAID will continue to follow up with the department that has a consultation because of processing records responsive to your request.

If you have any questions about the FOIA request, please contact Kathleene A. Molen at Kathleene.Molen@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

Sylvia P Lankford
(affiliate)

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P Lankford (affiliate)
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Christopher Colbow, Chief
FOIA Public Liaison
FOIA Officer/Agency Records Officer
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Enclosures: Seven pages

July 30, 2019 Continued

Tuesday

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

AA/LAC Trip Planning Meeting - Ecuador -- LAC/SPO Conference Room

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Briefing on LAC Staffing levels -- AA/LAC Conference Room; Dial in: (b)(5); (b)(5) - Access (b)(5); (b)(5)

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Touch base on ZemiTek, pt II -- AA/LAC Conference Room

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

Briefing on LAC Operating Expenses -- AA/LAC Conference Room

July 31, 2019

Wednesday

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

(b)(6)

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Meeting with Colonel Chadwick Igl (ONDCP) -- 1800 G St NW, Washington, DC 20006
POC:

CDR Michael Henderson, U.S. Navy
Central America
& Caribbean Analyst
White House Office of National Drug
Control Policy
(b)(6)
(b)(6)
href="mailto:(b)(6)
(b)(6) Desk (202) 395-7262

Someone will meet you in the lobby for escort to the 9th floor.

1:00 PM - 1:45 PM

Briefing on Ecuador programs

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Meeting w/ Assistant Administrator John Barsa -- RRB, 4.4A Commissioner's Small Conference Room
Please do not forward, if you have any questions please let us know.

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

OC Lead: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
BM: Yes

Topic: The impetus for the meeting is that USAID's programs and funding have been largely defunded and as a result temporarily halted until the administration deems that aid to the Northern Triangle is appropriate and they are looking to revamp their programs as a result. DHS/CBP believes that by incorporating migration as a metric of success, the programs would be more viable.

Attendees:

A Commissioner

Assistant Administrator for the Latin American and Caribbean Bureau

John Barsa +2

Bill Steiger, USAID's Chief of Staff

COS (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

September 13, 2019 Continued

Friday

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

HOLD for 2nd Meeting of LAC Vision Working Group -- LAC Large Conference Room
Agenda to follow!

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

LAC: SFRC Hearing Pre-Brief for John Barsa -- LAC SPO Conference Room

John will appear at a 9.18 hearing (2:30pm) before the SFRC Western Hemisphere subcommittee titled "US-Colombia Relations: New Opportunities to reinforce and strengthen our bilateral relationship."

The purpose of the hearing will be to reaffirm the United States commitment to Colombia and unwavering support for the Colombian people, and to uphold the strategic framework for the United States to support the Duque administration by expanding our cooperation on shared diplomatic, security, counternarcotics, rule of law, human rights, and economic development priorities.

The hearing will also examine the impact of Venezuela in destabilizing Colombia with the migration crisis in the border and allowing FARC and ELN to hide in country. It would also be an opportunity for an update on the implementation of the Peace Deal, on new government/political dynamics, and on strengthening U.S.-Colombia cooperation on the issues outlined.

September 16, 2019

Monday

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM

(b)(6)

SA-1 Columbia Plaza, Rm L-201, 2401 E. Street, NW Washington, DC 20520 (202) 663-3974

Metro: Foggy Bottom ----> Travel right down 23rd Street passing the green Columbia Plaza banner until you reach the corner.

Turn right at the corner down E. Street. Turn right under the overlay into the black doors on the left.

L-201 located on the Second level straight ahead from the Security check point.

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Reminder: Send out Weekly Report

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Meeting with Chilean Charge -- AA/LAC Conference Room

12:30 PM - 1:00 PM

LAC FO weekly huddle -- John's office (5.9-12)

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

SFRC Murderboard for John Barsa (Internal USAID) -- AA/LAC Conference Room; Dial in: (b)(5); (b)(5) - Access: (b)(5);

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3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Marine One Departure -- NE gate is located on Pennsylvania Avenue and East Executive Avenue NW between the White House and Treasury Department

Diana Leo
5:45 PM (2 minutes ago)
to me

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

All guests attending the HMX viewing must register using the below RSVP link by Sunday, September 15th at 11:00 AM. All information registered must exactly match their photo ID that is presented upon arrival. The guest list link below will show you who has registered. All guests attending must be registered, including badge holders.

RSVP Link: <https://events.whitehouse.gov/?rid=DQ28RQTF4M>

ARRIVAL INFORMATION

Guests must check-in at the NE Appointment Gate between 3:20 PM – 3:40 PM; no guests will be permitted entry after this time. The NE gate is located on Pennsylvania Avenue and East Executive Avenue NW between the White House and Treasury Department. If the individuals attending are badge holders, they must meet in the EW lobby by 3:50 PM to be checked-in and gain access to the viewing pen.

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

All US citizens ages 18 and older must present a valid government-issued photo ID (passport or driver's license). Foreign Nationals of all ages must present a valid passport or green card.

July 12, 2019

Friday

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Meeting

11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

USAID/Treasury OTA Call re: VZ Funding -- Call In: (b)(5)

1. Dial (b)(5)
2. At the voice prompt, press the Conference Code (b)(5) and the # key.

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Sent: Wednesday, July 10, 2019 12:26 PM
To: Orlando, Jason R.
<jorlando@ota.treas.gov<mailto:jorlando@ota.treas.gov>>
Cc: Larry.McDonald@treasury.gov<mailto:Larry.McDonald@treasury.gov>;
Michael.Kaplan@treasury.gov<mailto:Michael.Kaplan@treasury.gov>;
rgarner@usaid.gov<mailto:rgarner@usaid.gov>;
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Subject: Re: Funding Package

That would be great. Thanks Jason.
Best,
Bernardo

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On Jul 10, 2019, at 12:16 PM, Orlando, Jason R.
<jorlando@ota.treas.gov<mailto:jorlando@ota.treas.gov>> wrote:
That works for me too. If you like, I can provide a call in
number/line. Just let me know. Thanks.

From: Larry.McDonald@treasury.gov<mailto:Larry.McDonald@treasury.gov>
<Larry.McDonald@treasury.gov<mailto:Larry.McDonald@treasury.gov>>
Sent: Wednesday, July 10, 2019 11:27 AM
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Cc: Michael.Kaplan@treasury.gov<mailto:Michael.Kaplan@treasury.gov>;
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Subject: Re: Funding Package

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4:45 pm works for me.

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From: Bernardo Rico <brico@usaid.gov<mailto:brico@usaid.gov>>
Date: July 10, 2019 at 11:24:20 AM EDT
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On second thought, could we do 4:45pm?

On Wed, Jul 10, 2019 at 11:22 AM Bernardo Rico
<brico@usaid.gov<mailto:brico@usaid.gov>> wrote:
4:30pm by phone is fine.

On Wed, Jul 10, 2019 at 11:19 AM Orlando, Jason R.
<jorlando@ota.treas.gov<mailto:jorlando@ota.treas.gov>> wrote:
Thanks, Larry and Bernardo. I am available at 4:30 on Thursday. My
preference would be to do this by phone, if possible. I am also
looping in (b)(6) OTA's Budget Manager.

Bernardo, I had spoken with Doug Pulse several month ago on the
subject of (b)(5); (b)(5) - Deliberative Process Privilege, so I
appreciate this follow up. In addition to (b)(5); (b)(5) - Deliberative
being considered, another issue we should discuss on Thursday is (b)(5); (b)(5) -
(b)(5); (b)(5) - Deliberative Process Privilege
(b)(5); (b)(5) - Deliberative Process Privilege My team has experience with
Congressional Notifications -- both for our own directly appropriated
funds and contributing to State and USAID CNs where funding will be
transferred to OTA. These notifications have been in circumstances
where OTA had a relatively clear path to engage (or were already
engaged) in a Finance Ministry or Central Bank to deliver TA, (b)(5); (b)(5) -
(b)(5); (b)(5) - Deliberative Process Privilege Not sure of the best way to
approach this, particularly with Hill, so looking forward to
discussing.

From: Larry.McDonald@treasury.gov<mailto:Larry.McDonald@treasury.gov>
<Larry.McDonald@treasury.gov<mailto:Larry.McDonald@treasury.gov>>
Sent: Tuesday, July 9, 2019 5:42 PM
To: brico@usaid.gov<mailto:brico@usaid.gov>;
Michael.Kaplan@treasury.gov<mailto:Michael.Kaplan@treasury.gov>
Cc: rgarner@usaid.gov<mailto:rgarner@usaid.gov>;
nlopez@usaid.gov<mailto:nlopez@usaid.gov>;

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Hi Bernardo. Jason Orlando, Director of Treasury's Office of
Technical Assistance (OTA) and I would be happy to discuss this with
you. The time you propose works for me, but I will let Jason speak
for his availability.

Best,
Larry

From: Bernardo Rico <brico@usaid.gov<mailto:brico@usaid.gov>>
Date: July 9, 2019 at 11:38:21 AM EDT
To: Kaplan, Michael
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Cc: Rodger Garner <rgarner@usaid.gov<mailto:rgarner@usaid.gov>>,
Narantuya Lopez <nlopez@usaid.gov<mailto:nlopez@usaid.gov>>, Amelia
Hill <amhill@usaid.gov<mailto:amhill@usaid.gov>>
Subject: (No subject)

Michael and Larry,
Are you available to discuss the Treasury TA portion of our \$42 mm
funding package with Rodger and me this Thursday at 4:30pm? Thanks.

Best,
Bernardo

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Bernardo J. Rico
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Bernardo J. Rico
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12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Lunch w/ Amelia
Looking forward to it!

1:15 PM - 2:15 PM

Tentative: Lunch w/ Amelia
Location TBD. Tentative hold in case a conflict arises. Thank you again.

July 16, 2019

Tuesday

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Mission Director @ Lunch -- LPA Conference Room (RRB 6.10-102)
Please join us for a brown bag lunch and discussion with Erin McKee, Mission Director to Indonesia.

The Mission Directors @ Lunch series of events encourages Washington staff to interact with Mission Directors in an informal setting, hear best practices, and get a "view from the ground."

Please arrive early to get a seat. We have a space limitation of 40 seats.

-----***PHONE DIAL-IN***-----
For those who cannot join us in person, please call in:

Dial-in (U.S. and Canada): (b)(5)
(b)(5) -----***PHONE DIAL-IN***-----

We look forward to seeing you!

Please contact Katherine Magalif (kmagalif@usaid.gov) with any questions.

BIOGRAPHY:

Erin McKee is the Mission Director for USAID/Indonesia. She previously served as the Senior Deputy Assistant to the Administrator for the Human Capital and Talent Management Office (HCTM).

McKee is a member of USAID's Senior Foreign Service and brings a wealth of Agency experience to HCTM. She served as the Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Bureau of Policy, Planning and Learning (PPL). Prior to her return to Washington, DC in late 2012, McKee was the USAID Regional Mission Director for Central Asia. There she was responsible for direct management of USAID's programs in Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, and for support to the Kyrgyzstan representative office.

Before her assignment in Central Asia,