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Reference: FOIA #124390

Dear Mr. Evers:

I am responding on behalf of the Justice Management Division (JMD) to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated October 9, 2020, for records reflecting costs reimbursed or paid directly by DOJ for any expenses incurred by or on behalf of Assistant Attorney General (AAG) Eric Dreiband. Your request stated that this includes payments associated with travel by AAG Dreiband or any staff or security detail assigned to him.

We have conducted a search of the Department's travel system, as well as its travel and charge card databases, between August 15, 2020 through the date of the search (October 21, 2020). We found no records responsive to your request for records associated with AAG Dreiband. With respect to AAG Dreiband's staff or security detail, our systems are not designed to search for individuals who are traveling with a particular traveler without having specific names to search. In any case, as we found no records of travel for Mr. Dreiband in our systems, there would be no records of individuals traveling with him.

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison, Karen McFadden at (202) 514-3101 or JMDFOIA@usdoj.gov, for further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. 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.

If you are not satisfied with my response to your request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, Sixth Floor, 441 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through

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OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account following the instructions on OIP's website: <https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal>. Your appeal must be postmarked or transmitted electronically within 90 days of the date of the 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."

Sincerely,

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