

Subject: CBP FOIA - CBP-OIT-2019-056077

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From: CBPFOIA@cbp.dhs.gov

To: FOIA

EXTERNAL SENDER

American
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1030 15th Street NW
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Dear American Oversight,

This is a final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) requesting CBP maintained records. Specifically, you requested records regarding whether carbon copies were carbon copied or blind carbon copied. This request includes all prior messages (whether incoming or outgoing).

- i. Kevin McAleenan
- ii. Ronald Vitiello
- iii. Carla Provost
 - a. Federation for American Immigration Reform (including any emails sent to or received from an address ending in @fairus.org)
 - b. Immigration Reform Law Institute (including any emails sent to or received from an address ending in @irli.org)
 - c. Center for Immigration Studies (including any emails sent to or received from an address ending in @cis.org)
 - d. NumbersUSA (including any emails sent to or received from an address ending in @numbersusa.com)

- e. The Remembrance Project (including any emails sent to or received from an address ending in @theremembranceproject.org)
- f. Heritage Foundation (including any emails sent to or received from an address ending in @heritage.org)
- g. Kris Kobach (including but not limited to emails sent to or received from kkobach@gmail.com, kris@kriskobach.com, or any emails he sent from an address ending in @ks.gov)

We conducted a comprehensive search of files within the CBP databases for records that would be responsive to your request.

Unfortunately, we were unable to locate or identify any responsive records, based upon the information you provided.

This completes the CBP response to your request. You may contact CBP's FOIA Public Liaison, Charlyse Hoskins, by sending an email via your SecureRelease account, mailing a letter to 90 K St, NE MS 1181, Washington DC, 20229 or by calling 1-800-368-7684. If you are in the United States, please dial 711 to obtain TRS assistance and notify the Communications Assistant that you want to contact the Public Liaison. If you are outside the United States, please dial 1-800-368-7684. If you are unable to reach the Public Liaison, please contact the FOIA Office at 202-681-1000. If you have a request, assist with narrowing the scope of a request, assist in reducing delays by advising the requester on the FOIA process. Please note file number CBP-OIT-2019-056077 on any future correspondence to CBP related to this request.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA, whether they do, or do not, exist.

If you are not satisfied with the response to this request, you have a right to appeal the final disposition. Should you wish to do so, you must file your appeal within 90 days of the date of this letter following the procedures outlined in the DHS regulations at Title 6 C.F.R. §5.8. Please include as much information as possible to help us process your appeal and a copy of this letter to: FOIA Appeals, Policy and Litigation Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1600 M Street, NW, Washington, DC 20543. Regulations are available at www.dhs.gov/foia. Additional information can be found at the following link <https://www.dhs.gov/foia>.

Additionally, you have a right to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) which mediates disputes between a Privacy Act request, you should know that OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Freedom of Information Act. OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770;

Please note that this message has been sent from an unmonitored e-mail account. Any messages sent to this account will not be read.

Sincerely,