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JB PRITZKER
GOVERNOR

October 19, 2020

VIA EMAIL
records@americanoversight.org

Re: FOIA Request # 2020-441

Dear Mr. Evers

This letter is in response to your Illinois Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request received on October 2, 2020 seeking:

> All email communications (including emails and email attachments) sent by 1) Governor Jay Robert ("J.B") Pritzker, Chief of Staff Anne Caprara, or Deputy Chief of Staff for Federal Affairs Pat Collier, to 2) anyone communicating from an email address ending in usdoj.gov, fbi.gov, or dhs.gov. Please provide all responsive records from July 15, 2020, through the date the search is conducted. In an effort to accommodate your office and reduce the number of potentially responsive records to be processed and produced, American Oversight has limited its request to emails sent by the above officials. To be clear, however, American Oversight still requests that complete email chains be produced, displaying both sent and received messages. This means, for example, that both Governor Pritzker's response to an email from an usdoj.gov email address and the initial received message are responsive to this request and should be produced.

Please see the attached records responsive to your request.

To the extent you consider this response to be a denial of your FOIA request, you have the right to a denial reviewed by the Office of the Illinois Attorney General, 500 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706, (877) 299-3642, publicaccess@atg.state.il.us.

If you choose to submit a request for review, you must do so within 60 days after the date of this response letter. The request for review must be in writing, signed by you, and include a copy of your FOIA request and this office's response. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). In addition, you have the right to seek judicial review of this response. 5 ILCS 140/11(a), (b).

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me.

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Sincerely,



Shannon I. Leonard, FOIA Officer
Office of Illinois Governor JB Pritzker

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From: Collier, Pat
To: FEMA-IGA
Subject: Automatic reply: FEMA Advisory: Coronavirus Pandemic: Weekly By The Numbers (July 20, 2020)
Date: Monday, July 20, 2020 5:11:41 PM

I will be out of the office Friday, July 17th through Sunday, July 26th with limited access to email. If this is a timely matter, please contact Sam LaPaille at sam.lapaille@illinois.gov. Otherwise, I will reply to your message upon my return.
If this is an emergency, please contact the Governor's office at 312-814-2121.
Best,
-Pat Collier
Deputy Chief of Staff for Federal Affairs
Office of Gov. JB Pritzker (IL)
pat.collier@illinois.gov

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From: Collier, Pat
To: SHORT, CHERIE
Subject: Automatic reply: DHS Call
Date: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 10:08:48 AM

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From: Caprara, Anne
To: Lindberg, Claire; SHORT, CHERIE; Collier, Pat; King, Raven
Cc: LaPaille, Sam
Subject: Re: DHS Call
Date: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 10:26:15 AM

Hi Cherie,

The Governor needs to talk to the Secretary today. He will be in front of the press later today and he will certainly be asked about the deployment of secret federal police forces in Chicago as it's been all over the media here without any pushback from the administration. I would hate to have to advise him to say that unfortunately he was told it would be two days before the Secretary of DHS could get back to him.
Thanks!

Anne

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From: Lindberg, Claire
Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 10:16:59 AM
To: SHORT, CHERIE ; Collier, Pat ; King, Raven ; Caprara, Anne
Cc: LaPaille, Sam
Subject: Re: DHS Call
adding our Chief of Staff Anne Caprara to this email.

Claire Lindberg
First Assistant to Governor JB Pritzker
Claire.Lindberg@illinois.gov
Cell: 312-519-0128

From: SHORT, CHERIE
Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 10:04:27 AM
To: Lindberg, Claire ; Collier, Pat ; King, Raven
Cc: LaPaille, Sam
Subject: [External] Re: DHS Call
Hello,

Understood. I'm so sorry, the schedule does not allow today.

There is no surge underway in Chicago right now and the media stories have been inaccurate.

Please let us know availabilities for TH/F.

Sincerely,
Cherie
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Cherie N. Short

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Deputy Assistant Secretary
Office of Intergovernmental Affairs
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
C: (202) 893 2941

From: Lindberg, Claire
Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 10:44:17 AM
To: Collier, Pat ; SHORT, CHERIE ; King, Raven
Cc: LaPaille, Sam
Subject: Re: DHS Call

Hi Cherie - I understand that the Secretary is not available today or tomorrow but we are really hoping to get just a few minutes with the Secretary today. Can you please let me know if that is possible?

Claire Lindberg
First Assistant to Governor JB Pritzker
Claire.Lindberg@illinois.gov
Cell: 312-519-0128

From: Collier, Pat
Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 9:23:47 AM
To: Cherie.short@hq.dhs.gov ; King, Raven ; Lindberg, Claire
Cc: LaPaille, Sam
Subject: DHS Call

Cherie,

Great speaking with you earlier. Connecting you with our Director of Scheduling, Raven King, and the Gov.'s First, Deputy Claire Lindberg, to find a time for the Governor and Secretary to speak later this week.

Best,

-Pat

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From: Caprara, Anne
To: SHORT, CHERIE; Lindberg, Claire; Collier, Pat; King, Raven; Danielle Douglas
Cc: LaPaille, Sam
Subject: Re: [External] Re: DHS / DOJ Call
Date: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 12:29:07 PM

Cherie,
As Claire noted – we only had one 30 minute block today when the Governor could not speak. We are happy to talk to DOJ – and our office and others have had conversations with the US Attorney. But given that the US Attorney in Oregon had no heads up about what went down in Portland – we're going to need to hear from the Administration directly.
If Thursday is truly the earliest that your boss can speak, Claire will follow up with a time.
Anne

From: "SHORT, CHERIE"
Date: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 11:59 AM
To: "Lindberg, Claire" , "Caprara, Anne" , "Collier, Pat" , "King, Raven" , Danielle Douglas
Cc: "LaPaille, Sam"
Subject: [External] Re: DHS / DOJ Call
Team Illinois,
I'm sorry the time the Secretary had today did not work for the Governor's schedule.
To assist, +Danielle Douglas, Intergovernmental Affairs for DOJ. Danielle is able to schedule a call today for the Governor with the U.S. Chicago Attorney. DOJ is a lead in these efforts, the Governor will be well served speaking with them.
Sincerely,
Cherie
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Cherie N. Short
Deputy Assistant Secretary
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From: Collier, Pat
To: Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (IGA)
Subject: Automatic reply: [External] [BULK] Weekly Update: DHS Response to COVID-19
Date: Wednesday, July 22, 2020 10:06:47 AM

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From: Collier, Pat
To: James.k.Joseph@fema.dhs.gov
Subject: Can we touch base?
Date: Thursday, September 10, 2020 11:56:45 AM
Attachments: image001.png

James, hope all is well. Can we touch base briefly?(m) 312-859-8286. Thanks. – Pat

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