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Privacy Office, Mail Stop 0655

December 1, 2022

SENT BY ELECTRONIC MAIL TO: foia@americanoversight.org

Mehreen Rasheed
1030 15th Street, NW
Suite B255
Washington, DC 20005

Re: 2022-HQFO-00877

Dear Ms. Rasheed

This is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), dated April 12, 2022, and received by this office on April 12, 2022. Specifically, you are seeking:

1. All email communications (including emails, email attachments, complete email chains, calendar invitations, and calendar invitation attachments) sent or received by any of the agency officials listed below containing any of the following key terms:

Key Terms:

- a. "Thomas Clerk"
- b. "Clerk World"
- c. "Ginni Thomas"
- d. "Justice Thomas"
- e. "Clarence Thomas"
- f. Clanton
- g. Groundswell
- h. "Liberty Consulting"
- i. "CNP Action"
- j. "Council for National Policy"
- k. "Conservative Action Project"
- l. "United in Purpose"
- m. UIP
- n. Ziklag
- o. "Third Century Group"

2. All email communications (including emails, email attachments, complete email chains, calendar invitations, and calendar invitation attachments) and text messages or messages on

messaging platforms (such as Slack, GChat or Google Hangouts, Lync, Skype, Twitter direct messages, Facebook messages, WhatsApp, Signal, Telegram, or Parler) between (a) the agency officials listed below or any person communicating on their behalf, such as schedulers or assistants, and (b) Virginia “Ginni” Thomas or any person communicating on her behalf, including but not limited to Crystal Clanton, communications from an email address ending in @libertyinc.co, or a phone number with the last four digits 8983.

Agency Official(s)

- a) John Kelly
- b) Kirstjen Nielsen
- c) Chad Wolf
- d) Ken Cuccinelli
- e) Christina Bobb
- f) Katharine Gorka
- g) Julie Kirchner
- h) Chad Mizelle
- i) Gene Hamilton
- j) Frank Wuco

A search of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO), for documents responsive to your request produced a total of 10 pages. I have determined that those 7 pages of the records are partially releasable, pursuant to Title 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(6), FOIA Exemptions 6.

Additionally, 3 pages of records that are under the purview of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). Therefore, I am transferring your request, along with those responsive documents, to the USCIS FOIA Officer for processing and direct response to you. Please see their contact information below:

National Records Center, FOIA/PA Office
P. O. Box 648010
Lee's Summit, MO. 64064-8010
Phone: 1-800-375-5283 (USCIS Contact Center) | Fax: 816-350-5785 |
E-mail: FOIAPAQuestions@uscis.dhs.gov

Enclosed are 7 pages with certain information withheld as described below:

FOIA Exemption 6 exempts from disclosure personnel or medical files and similar files the release of which would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. This requires a balancing of the public’s right to disclosure against the individual’s right privacy. The privacy interests of the individuals in the records you have requested outweigh any minimal public interest in disclosure of the information. Any private interest you may have in that information does not factor into the aforementioned balancing test.

Pursuant to DHS Instruction 262-11-004, FOIA Officers at DHS have been instructed to withhold personally identifiable information (PII) and sensitive personally identifiable information (SPII) of DHS personnel unless a determination is made that the disclosure does not

raise security or privacy concerns, or if those concerns are outweighed by any public interest in that information. [This policy is available online](#). Under this policy, the names of senior leaders, spokespersons, and political appointees are generally releasable. With respect to this FOIA request, DHS may have applied FOIA Exemption 6 to protect PII of DHS employees, including names and contact information. To the extent that has DHS withheld employee PII within these records, it has been determined that the employee(s) has/have substantial and legitimate privacy interests and that these interests are not outweighed by any public interest in the operations of the Department.

You have a right to appeal the above withholding determination. Should you wish to do so, you must send your appeal and a copy of this letter, within 90 days of the date of this letter, to: Privacy Office, Attn: FOIA Appeals, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, 2707 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, SE, Mail Stop 0655, Washington, D.C. 20528-0655, following the procedures outlined in the DHS FOIA regulations at 6 C.F.R. Part 5 § 5.5(e)(2). Your envelope and letter should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Copies of the FOIA and DHS FOIA regulations are available at www.dhs.gov/foia.

Provisions of FOIA allow DHS to charge for processing fees, up to \$25, unless you seek a waiver of fees. In this instance, because the cost is below the \$25 minimum, there is no charge.

You may contact the DHS FOIA Public Liaison at 202-343-1743 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. You may also contact 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 need to contact our office again about this matter, please refer to 2022-HQFO-00877. This office can be reached at FOIA@HQ.DHS.GOV or call 202-343-1743 or toll free 1-866-431-0486.

Sincerely,



Jimmy Wolfrey
Senior Director, FOIA Operations and Management

Enclosure(s): Responsive Documents, 7 pages

From: (b)(6)
(b)(6)
To: Tomney, Christopher (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Subject: FW: [20024] Links about organized (not random) INSURRECTION by the Hard Left
Date: 2020/10/30 17:15:00
Priority: Normal
Type: Note

Outside internet media effort gathering info and putting it in articles

From: Ken C (b)(6)
Sent: Thursday, October 29, 2020 6:59 PM
To: (b)(6)
Subject: Fwd: [20024] Links about organized (not random) INSURRECTION by the Hard Left

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of DHS. DO NOT click links or open attachments unless you recognize and/or trust the sender. Contact your component SOC with questions or concerns.

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From: (b)(6)
Date: Wed, Oct 28, 2020 at 1:41 PM
Subject: Fwd: [20024] Links about organized (not random) INSURRECTION by the Hard Left
To: Ken Cuccinelli (b)(6)

More insurrection articles linked below.

(b)(6)
Foley & Lardner, LLP
(b)(6)
(b)(6) (cell)
(b)(6) (office)
Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

. lots of good internal links to other info too. (b)(6)

<http://www.conservativehq.com/article/32638-it%E2%80%99s-not-protest-it%E2%80%99s-not-riot-it%E2%80%99s-revolution-part-4>

<https://www.conservativehq.org/post/the-democrats-plan-a-november-coup-not-an-election-1>

<https://www.conservativehq.org/post/unconventional-warfare-the-democrat-plan-to-oust-trump>

<https://www.conservativehq.org/post/insurrection-and-violence-a-citizen-s-guide>

<https://www.conservativehq.org/post/a-serious-question-for-armed-patriots>

<https://www.conservativehq.org/post/why-there-will-be-no-peaceful-transition-of-power>

<https://www.conservativehq.org/post/who-will-rally-the-pro-constitution-forces>

<https://www.conservativehq.org/post/antifa-goes-kinetic-in-denver>

<https://www.conservativehq.org/post/democrats-are-antifa>

<https://www.conservativehq.org/post/antifa-confirms-the-coup-we-warned-you-about-in-september>

<https://www.conservativehq.org/post/beware-the-mostly-peaceful-post-election-revolution>

On Wed, Oct 28, 2020 at 12:24 PM Ginni (b)(6) wrote:
YOU IMPROVED this so much! THANK YOU!

Can people add links to it, too (b)(6)

Ginni Thomas

(b)(6)

Liberty Consulting (b)(6)

“Speaking the Truth in times of Universal Deceit is a revolutionary act.” Orwell



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On Wed, Oct 28, 2020 at 11:53 AM (b)(6) wrote:
In one convenient document.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/17ptzAr-qXxEM4eQx1WifCErcbZBSSVI1fLQrUfQbSDY/edit>

Regards,

(b)(6)

On Oct 28, 2020, at 8:24 AM, Ginni (b)(6) wrote:

(b)(6) asked me for links we have all been sharing about the coming insurrection, chaos and violence. It is not random. It appears very organized if you have the eyes to see and read and hear.

ADD others you have from your world? Crowdsourc, Groundswellers. Could someone improve the look, organization with subcategories etc???? *I have no staff.*

LINKS:

Stop the Coup guidebook from the Left: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1WtDZYQ7Q-PUhxhv8VuRVfeD7q3DSpthktLYD-nx4pSc/preview?link_id=9&can_id=17b52cd56b5ae77d0dcb874341a662b8&source=email-resources-for-folks-outside-the-dc-area-but-also-useful-for-dc-people&email_referrer=email_950567&email_subject=resources-for-folks-outside-the-dc-area-but-also-useful-for-dc-people&pru=AAABdUexGJU*W09oGkzNIIm5DEndi9faXnw

<https://twitter.com/FreedomChoosers/status/1318649237400420352?s=20>

<https://thefederalist.com/2020/10/26/7-open-leftist-threats-that-political-terror-is-coming-to-america-whether-trump-wins-or-not/>

Form letters are going out to local civic leaders to stand back from seemingly random protests and violence.... form letter straight off the Amnesty International Website: <https://act.amnestyusa.org/page/69775/action/1>

www.amnestyusa.org/good-practice-for-law-enforcement-officials-policing-demonstrations

<https://www.shutdowndc.org/election2020>

<https://www.conservativehq.org/post/beware-the-mostly-peaceful-post-election-revolution>

Joy Pullmann: <https://thefederalist.com/2020/10/20/trump-resistance-plans-mass-mobilization-after-election-to-shut-down-the-country-if-biden-doesnt-win/>

ProtectTheResults: Left's coalition to find your protests We are building a coalition of voters ready to mobilize if Donald Trump refuses to accept the results of the 2020 presidential election.: <https://protecttheresults.com/>

Guide for grassroots: **Hold the Line: a guide to defending democracy** (by left): <https://holdthelineguide.com/>

<https://www.centerforsecuritypolicy.org/2020/09/15/bidens-private-army-and-the-militarization-of-american-politics/>

Podcast with **Jack Murphy Live** and **John Robb**. He is a former special forces officer, a network systems specialist, he wrote a book based on his time in Iraq called *Brave New War*. They describe the network warfare happening today: <https://youtu.be/wBn8NmQ9Os0>

Podcast with Jack Murphy Live with **Kyle Shideler** - he is a national security specialist and they describe in detail what Antifa is, how they operate, and what to expect from them moving forward: <https://youtu.be/J6pe4tly1P4>

Project Veritas (Democrats & Antifa) - <https://www.projectveritas.com/news/colorado-dem-operative-kris-jacks-2020-is-a-political-revolution-want-to/>

Network-enabled Anarchy report from Rutgers (Sept 2020) - <https://ncri.io/wp-content/uploads/NCRI-White-Paper-Network-Enabled-Anarchy-14-Sept-1049am.pdf>

Left Preps for MAGA Violence: <https://www.thedailybeast.com/the-left-secretly-preps-for-violence-after-election-day>

Angelo Codevilla: Revolution 2020 How did we get here and how will it end? <https://americanmind.org/essays/revolution-2020/>

Abe Greewald, Commentary – Yes, This is a Revolution: <https://www.commentarymagazine.com/articles/abe-greenwald/yes-this-is-a-revolution/>

Victor Davis Hanson, Will 2021 be 1984? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VGdAXWACp8Q>

David Reaboi and Kyle Shideler <https://amgreatness.com/2020/10/20/the-antifa-industry-at-work/>

NYT, The Truth about Today's Anarchists: <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/09/30/opinion/anarchists-protests-black-lives-matter.html>

Julie Kelly, the Billionaire Backers of the "Insurrection" : <https://amgreatness.com/2020/09/14/the-billionaire-backers-of-the-insurrection/>

Ginni Thomas

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Sender:	(b)(6)
	(b)(6)
Recipient:	Tomney, Christopher (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
Sent Date:	2020/10/30 17:15:22
Delivered Date:	2020/10/30 17:15:00

From: Ken C (b)(6)
(b)(6)
To: (b)(6)
Subject: Fwd: Putting You Two Together again - Ken, bring in Phil Haney asap to help your efforts!
Date: 2019/12/03 17:12:13
Priority: Normal
Type: Note

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From: Philip Haney (b)(6)
Date: Mon, Dec 2, 2019, 4:06 PM
Subject: Re: Putting You Two Together again - Ken, bring in Phil Haney asap to help your efforts!
To: Ginni (b)(6), Ken C (b)(6)

Hello, Friend
Here is a copy of my current Bio.
I understand completely, that in your current position, you don't get to make the final decisions.
Nonetheless, despite the obstacles, thank you very much for all that you are doing (and attempting to do).

Please let me know if you have any questions, or need any additional supporting information &etc.
Very Sincerely,
Philip B. Haney

On Saturday, November 30, 2019, 7:13:03 PM EST, Ken C (b)(6) wrote:

Glad to keep trying. Phil, can you send a resume.

And for both of you, please keep in mind that I don't get to make final decisions in my current position.

Ken

On Sat, Nov 30, 2019 at 7:30 AM Ginni (b)(6) wrote:
Ken -

I am cc'ing **Phil Haney** for you to pull close and in asap, if you can, to remedy a huge injustice **and, importantly,** to help you with awesome insights and capacity in that bureaucracy!

His cell is: (b)(6)

Cheers, Ginni

Ginni Thomas

(b)(6)
Liberty Consulting / (b)(6)

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Sender:	Ken C (b)(6)
Recipient:	(b)(6) (b)(6)
Sent Date:	2019/12/03 07:55:58
Delivered Date:	2019/12/03 17:12:13