

Central Intelligence Agency

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Mr. Jason Smathers



Reference: F-2011-00029

Dear Mr. Smathers:

This is a final response to your 4 October 2010 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on 4 October 2010, for copies of all records on, about, or concerning **the US Freeport gold mine in the Indonesian province of Papua. Limit responsive records to those created between January 1, 1990 and the date this request is processed.** We have assigned your request the reference number above. Please use this number when corresponding so that we can identify it easily.

In accordance with section 3.6(a) of Executive Order 13526, the CIA can neither confirm nor deny the existence or nonexistence of records responsive to your request. The fact of the existence or nonexistence of requested records is currently and properly classified and is intelligence sources and methods information that is protected from disclosure by section 6 of the CIA Act of 1949, as amended, and section 102A(i)(1) of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended. Therefore, your request is denied pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(1) and (b)(3). I have enclosed an explanation of these exemptions for your reference and retention. As the Acting CIA Information and Privacy Coordinator, I am the CIA official responsible for this determination. You have the right to appeal this response to the Agency Release Panel, in my care, within 45 days from the date of this letter. Please include the basis of your appeal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Koch".

Scott Koch  
Acting Information and Privacy Coordinator

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