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Mr. Jason Smathers



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Dear Mr. Smathers:

This is a final response to your 29 November 2010 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on 29 November 2010, for all records responsive to a keyword search of the records system that contains data formerly in the ARCINS system for "Sharia."

We cannot accept your FOIA request in its current form because it would require the Agency to perform an unreasonably burdensome search. The FOIA requires requesters to "reasonably describe" the information they seek so that professional employees familiar with the subject matter can locate responsive information with a reasonable amount of effort. Because of the breadth and lack of specificity of your request, and the way in which our records systems are configured, the Agency cannot conduct a reasonable search for information responsive to your request. We encourage you to refine the scope of your request (such as including a time frame for, and narrower, more specific descriptions of, the information you seek) to enable us to conduct a reasonable search for responsive information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susan Viscuso".

Susan Viscuso
Acting Information and Privacy Coordinator

