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Kel McClanahan, Esq. Executive Director National Security Counselors 1200 South Courthouse Road Suite 124 Arlington, VA 22204

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Dear Mr. McClanahan:

This is a final response to your 30 January 2013 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, submitted on behalf of National Security Counselors, for "a copy of the Classification Management Tools User's Manual." We processed your request in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and the CIA Information Act, 50 U.S.C. § 431, as amended. Our processing included a search for records as described in our 28 Match 2013 acceptance letter.

We completed a thorough search for records responsive to your request and located material which we determined must be denied in its entirety on the basis of FOIA exemption (b)(3). An explanation of exemptions is enclosed. Exemption (b)(3) pertains to information exempt from disclosure by statute. The relevant statute is the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 U.S.C. § 403g, as amended, Section 6, which exempts from the disclosure requirement information pertaining to the organization and functions, including those related to the protection of intelligence sources and methods. As the 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,

Michele Meeks

Information and Privacy Coordinator

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