



Office of the Director of National Intelligence

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16 April 2026

Mr. Jason Leopold



Reference: Litigation 25-cv-04391 | ODNI Case No. DF-2025-00495

Dear Mr. Leopold:

This letter responds to your 20 May 2025 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI), requesting the following information:

*“Emails (including attachments), memos, letters, directives, orders, reports, referencing final decisions by ODNI to remove publicly posted data and previously released records from ODNI’s FOIA reading room and FOIA portal.”*

This request was processed under the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. ODNI located five (5) documents responsive to this request, Bates Pages 25-cv-04391 (DF-2025-00495) 000001 – 000018. During the review process, we considered the foreseeable harm standard and determined that certain information must be withheld pursuant to the following FOIA exemptions:

- (b)(1), which applies to information that is currently and properly classified pursuant to Executive Order 13526, Section 1.4 (c).
- (b)(3), which applies to information exempt from disclosure by statute. The relevant statute includes the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, specifically:
  - Section 102A(h)(1) (codified at 50 U.S.C. § 3024(h)(1)), which mandates the protection of intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure, and
  - Section 102A(l) (codified at 50 U.S.C. § 3024 (l)), which protects the names and identifying information of ODNI personnel.
- (b)(5), which applies to information that concerns communications within or between agencies that are protected by legal privileges.
- (b)(6), which applies to information that, if released, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

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Mr. Jason Leopold

If you have any questions, your attorney may contact Attorney Zachariah Lindsey of the Department of Justice at Zachariah.Lindsey@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

*Louis P. DiNatale III*

Louis P. DiNatale III  
Chief, Information Management Office

Enclosure

Bates Pages 25-cv-04391 (DF-2025-000495) 000001 - 000018

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(b)(3),(b)(6)

**From:** (b)(3),(b)(6)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 13, 2025 12:24 PM  
**To:** (b)(3),(b)(6)  
**Cc:**  
**Subject:** FW: DNI.gov FOIA page  
**Signed By:** (b)(3),(b)(6)

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Hi, (b)(3),(b)(6) – do you have time to help with the below?

SC needs to work with IMO to identify which FOIA records on DNI.GOV have been requested more than 3 times.

(b)(3),(b)(6) appears to be offline, so I am not sure who the best POC will be in IMO.

(b)(3),(b)(6) has a link to (b)(1),(b)(3), which might be a good place to start.

We need someone to (1) connect with IMO and (2) Make a plan for how to review and (3) Review.

The DNI FO wants a list of all the records that have been requested 3x and need to go back up for their awareness.

Thank you!

**From:** (b)(3),(b)(6) (b)(3)  
**Sent:** Monday, May 12, 2025 6:56 PM  
**To:** (b)(3),(b)(6)  
**Subject:** [UVIEW] FW: DNI.gov FOIA page

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(b)(3)

From: Madeline E. Meeker  
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2025 6:56:27 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)  
To: (b)(3),(b)(6)  
Cc: Olivia C. Coleman  
Subject: FW: DNI.gov FOIA page

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(b)(3),(b)(6) can you be sure (b)(3),(b)(6) only includes the below contact on the FOIA page and the Annual Reports from only the last seven years to date? Also could you circle up with IMO tomorrow about going through the reports which were requested three of more times? Before republishing those reports, I think we should list them all for the DNI FO so they are aware of what needs to go back up.

FOIA contact: [ODNI\\_FOIA@odni.gov](mailto:ODNI_FOIA@odni.gov)

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From: Charles L. Newman  
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2025 5:50 PM  
To: Madeline E. Meeker  
Cc: Olivia C. Coleman ; (b)(3),(b)(6)

Subject: RE: DNI.gov FOIA page

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Thanks, Madeline - and thanks to Olivia for the additional clarification.

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From: Madeline E. Meeker >  
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2025 5:43 PM  
To: Charles L. Newman >  
Cc: Olivia C. Coleman >; (b)(3),(b)(6)  
Subject: DNI.gov FOIA page

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Charles - Wanted to give you an update. We are moving to put DNI.gov back online with everything except the FOIA page, on that page we only want to include what is statutorily required. The website should be back up by morning. (b)(3),(b)(6) (cc'd), Chief of Staff for Strat Comms, looked through some emails and is tracking that the only requirement is for us to post the Annual FOIA Reports from the last 7 years. I wanted to circle up with you to see if you are tracking the same and if there's any other requirements we should keep up.

Madeline Meeker

Acting Assistant DNI for Strategic Communications

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**From:** [Olivia C. Coleman-DNI-](#)  
**To:** [Katherine A. Henning-DNI-](#); [Olivia C. Coleman-DNI-](#); [Madeline E. Meeker-DNI-](#)  
**Subject:** Conversation with Katherine A. Henning-DNI-, Olivia C. Coleman-DNI-  
**Date:** Monday, May 12, 2025 5:21:55 PM

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Olivia C. Coleman-DNI- 12:26 PM:

Just talked to (b)(3). It was the (b)(3) that caused the fuss. The document was sent out via a FOIA. (b)(3) ...meaning the doc on the backend should be under the FOIA release portion of our website. He is trying to find a copy of it to send me as well.

Madeline E. Meeker-DNI- 4:28 PM:

(b)(6) has started working to restore DNI.gov, it takes some time, so we are looking at early tomorrow morning. FOIA pages will not be included with the exception of statutory requirements. I will work with Charles to be sure what his team told us for statutory requirements is actually required by law.

**From:** (b)(3), (b)(6)  
**To:** [Madeline E. Meeker](#); (b)(3), (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: ready to go live -- dni.gov  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 13, 2025 9:56:00 AM

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Yeah this will be easier – I will wipe the rest of the pages

**From:** Madeline E. Meeker  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 13, 2025 9:51 AM  
**To:** (b)(3), (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: ready to go live -- dni.gov

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Office of the Director of National Intelligence  
Washington, D.C. 20511

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(b)(3), (b)(6)

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**Subject:** RE: ready to go live -- dni.gov  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 13, 2025 10:23:07 AM

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Perfect, thank you! This is good to go live.

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**From:** (b)(3), (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 13, 2025 10:14 AM  
**To:** Madeline E. Meeker; (b)(3), (b)(6)  
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Okay – FOIA scrubbed even more – (b)(3)

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**From:** (b)(3), (b)(6)  
**To:** Christopher R. Fox-DNI-(b)(3), (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: (b)(3)  
**Date:** Thursday, June 5, 2025 9:23:27 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Copy that. We will make sure it's not posted to the reading room.

v/r,

 (b)(3), (b)(6)  
Information Sharing & Safeguarding Officer  
Information Mangement Office  
[Office of the Director of National Intelligence](#)  
(b)(3), (b)(6)

**From:** Christopher R. Fox-DNI-(b)(3)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 4, 2025 8:14 PM  
**To:** (b)(3), (b)(6)  
(b)(3), (b)(6)  
**Subject:** FW: (b)(3)

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IRRG Team,

This is one of several pings I've received from various offices regarding the importance of making sure (b)(3) will not be available on our reading room. Please make sure of it once the room is back online. Thanks

Chris

**From:** (b)(3), (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 4, 2025 4:18 PM  
**To:** Christopher R. Fox-DNI-(b)(3)  
**Cc:** (b)(3), (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: (b)(3)

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Chris.

Thank you. I will let them know.

Best.

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(b)(3), (b)(6)

Associate General Counsel, ODNI

(b)(3), (b)(6)

**From:** Christopher R. Fox-DNI- (b)(3)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 4, 2025 2:41 PM  
**To:** (b)(3), (b)(6)  
**Cc:** (b)(3), (b)(6)  
**Subject:** (b)(3)

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Hi (b)(3), (b)(6)

On behalf of IMO I confirm that, as of circa 2 weeks ago, the document was removed from the ODNI FOIA Reading Room.

And once the reading room is back online (b)(3) will NOT be publicly available.

Chris

**From:** (b)(3), (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 4, 2025 10:24 AM  
**To:** Christopher R. Fox-DNI- (b)(3)  
**Cc:** (b)(3), (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: (b)(3)

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Chris,

I am reaching out from the OGC litigation team while (b)(3) is on leave. (b)(3) thanked us for providing the FOIA request and the responses to the questions that (b)(3) sent you below. They have a process question that I am going to let (b)(3) address when he is back but I wanted to respond to them in the meantime regarding (b)(3), (b)(5)

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(b)(3), (b)(5)

(b)(3), (b)(5)

Best,

(b)(3), (b)(6)

(b)(3), (b)(6)

Associate General Counsel, ODNI

(b)(3), (b)(6)

**From:** Christopher R. Fox-DNI- (b)(3)

**Sent:** Friday, May 30, 2025 6:22 PM

**To:** (b)(3), (b)(6)

**Cc:** (b)(3), (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: (b)(3)

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Hi (b)(3), (b)(6)

I have no objection to your provision of the below information (b)(3), (b)(6). It might be beneficial for us to have a conversation about this next week, because I met with Rebecca Richards from CLPT this week and providing responses to similar questions on behalf of IMO. According to Becky, (b)(3) met with her on 29 May (yesterday) to talk about the release of this document.

In the event it may be helpful, I sent the following note to Becky to pass along as needed (b)(3)  
(b)(3)

"I'd like to reiterate that the decision to release that document occurred during the previous Administration by individuals who are no longer present. IMO is committed to ensuring all relevant stakeholders are included in future production decisions. We will also make sure the document is NOT available for public viewing in the FOIA reading room once the website is back online."

Best,  
Chris

**From:** (b)(3), (b)(6)

**Sent:** Friday, May 30, 2025 8:46 AM

**To:** Christopher R. Fox-DNI- (b)(3)

**Cc:** (b)(3), (b)(6)

**Subject:** (b)(3)

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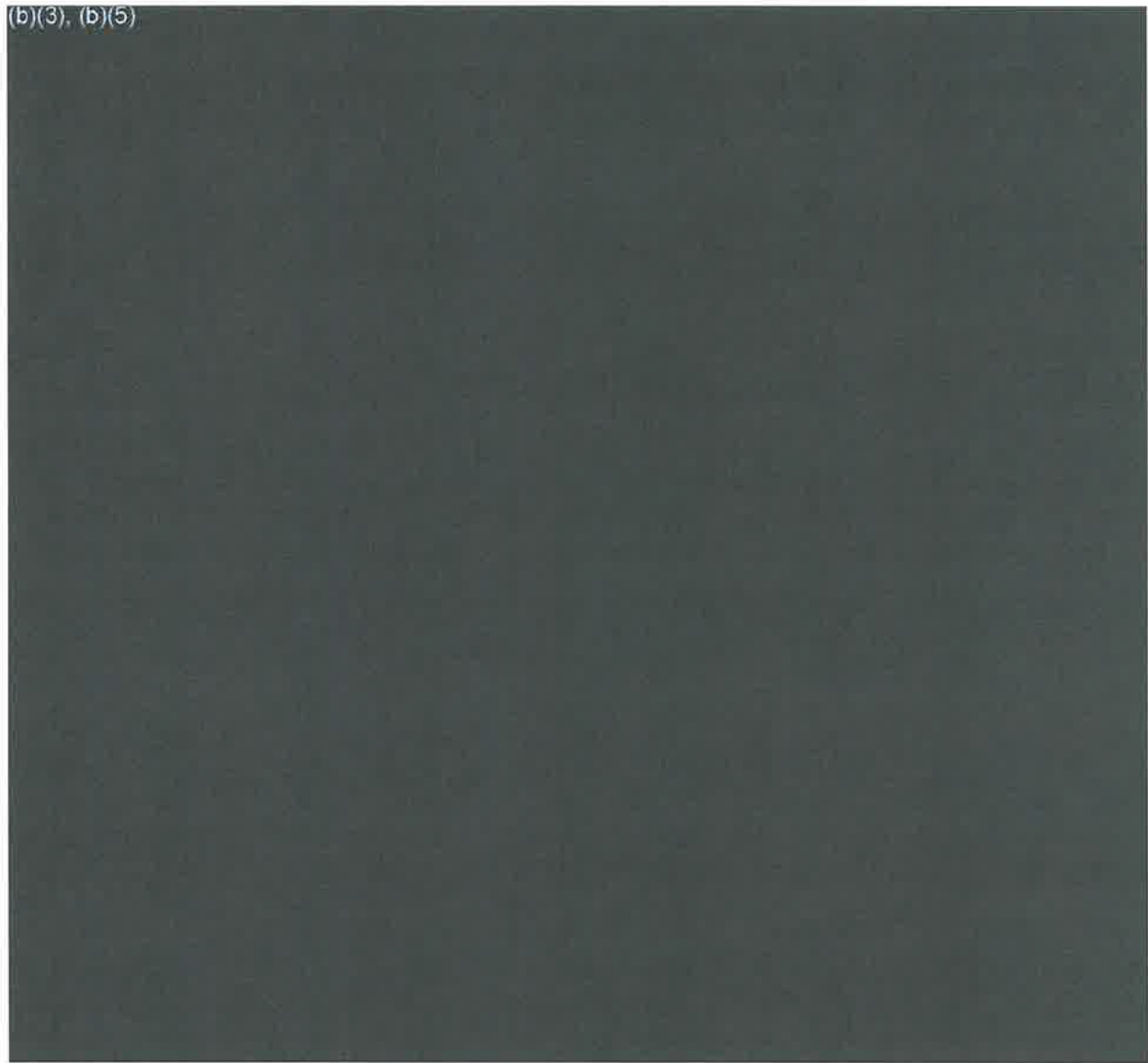
Hi Chris –

I'm writing in relation to the recent issues around ODNI's (b)(3) FOIA release of (b)(3)

(b)(3) We have received some questions from (b)(3), (b)(5) (b)(3), (b)(5) who are seeking to better understand what happened. Please see below (b)(3) questions and the answers we have been able to pull together in OGC by reviewing the FOIA case file (b)(3), (b)(5)

(b)(3) Please let me know if you have any concerns with us providing the below information (b)(3)

(b)(3), (b)(5)



(b)(3), (b)(6)

Chief, Litigation  
ODNI Office of General Counsel

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