



September 16, 2026

Re: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. §552
Request No. 2026120

Dear Mr. :

This is a final response to your August 27, 2026, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, a copy of which is enclosed for your convenience. Your request was received in this office on August 27, 2026, and assigned FOIA request number 2026120. We ask that you use this number when referencing your request.

The policy of the Inspector General is to make, to the extent possible, full disclosure of our identifiable records in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. I am responding on behalf of the Office of Inspector General (OIG).

A thorough search was conducted for records responsive to your request and 36 pages were located. Upon further review, it has been determined that 34 pages are exempt from release in their entirety pursuant to Exemption (b)(7)(E) of the FOIA, which pertains to the release of information that would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of law.

Portions of the remaining two pages have been withheld pursuant to the above referenced FOIA exemption.

Please note, we have considered the foreseeable harm standard when reviewing records and applying exemptions under the FOIA in the processing of this request.

Should you wish to discuss this response to your request, feel free to contact this office at FOIA.PrivacyAct@oig.dol.gov or the DOL FOIA Public Liaison at dolpublicliaison@dol.gov. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (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 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with the response to this request, you have the right to administratively appeal this decision within 90 days from the date of this letter. Should you decide to do this, your appeal must state, in writing, the grounds for appeal, together with any statement or arguments. Such an appeal should be addressed and directed to the Solicitor of Labor, citing OIG FOIA No. 2026120, Room N-2428, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210 or emailed to foiaappeals@dol.gov. Please refer to the Department of Labor regulations at 29 CFR 70.22 for further details on your appeal rights.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. *See* 5 U.S.C. 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, feel free to contact this office at FOIA.PrivacyAct@oig.dol.gov. Please refer to FOIA request number 2026120, on future correspondence. We look forward to assisting you.

Sincerely,

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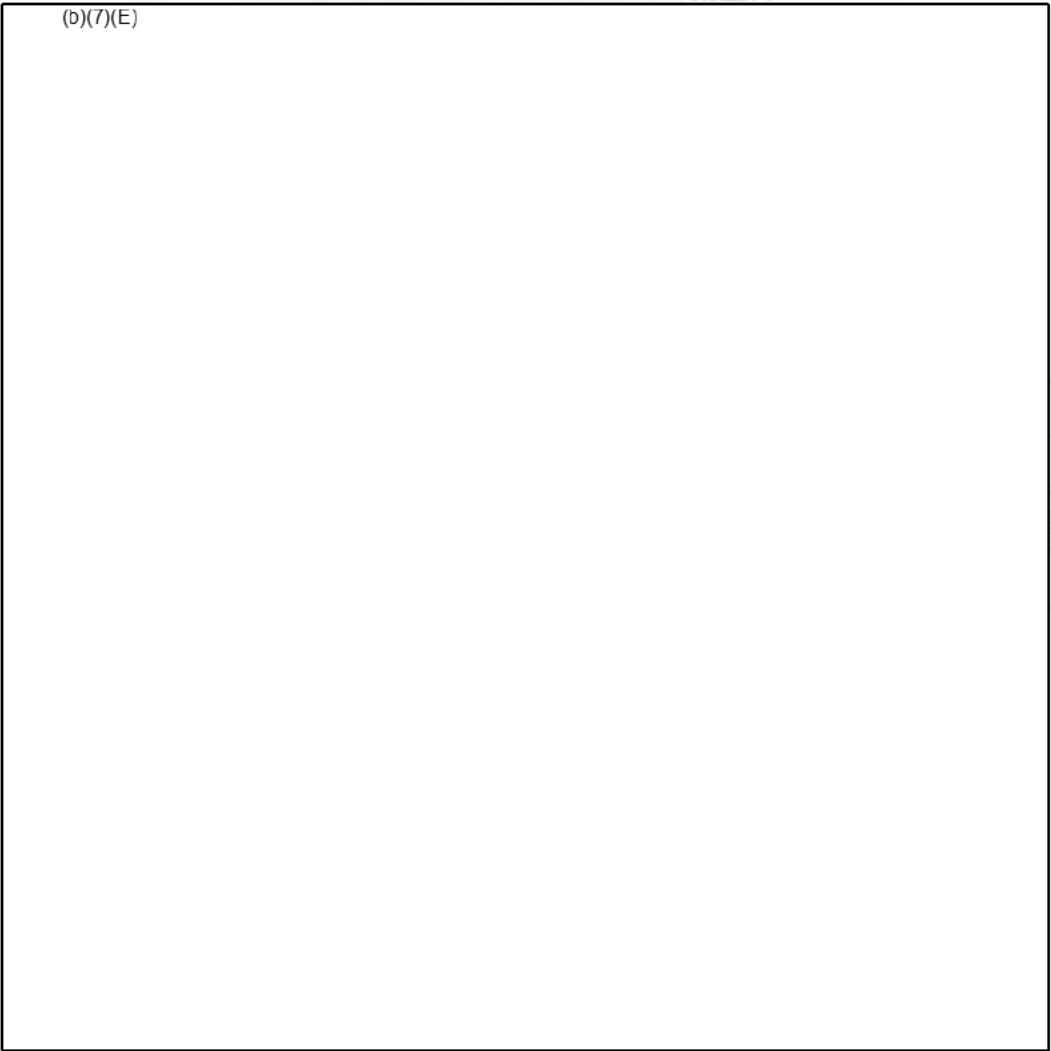
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Homeland Security Task Force Guidelines

Memorandum of Understanding

HOMELAND SECURITY TASK FORCE (HSTF)
REGIONAL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE HOMELAND SECURITY TASK FORCE
NATIONAL COORDINATION CENTER
AND
THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
REGARDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO
THE NATIONAL COORDINATION CENTER**

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From:
To: [FOIA/PA - OIG](#)
Subject: [External] FOIA Request: DOL-OIG participation agreements with DHS task forces and FBI Joint Terrorism Task Forces
Date: Thursday, August 27, 2026 8:15:52 PM

August 27, 2026

FOIA Officer
U.S. Department of Labor — Office of Inspector General

FOIA Request: DOL-OIG participation agreements with DHS task forces and FBI Joint Terrorism Task Forces

Dear FOIA Officer,

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552.

I request a copy of any memorandum of understanding, participation agreement, or delegation authorizing the Department of Labor Office of Inspector General to participate in a Department of Homeland Security task force, an FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force, or any interagency intelligence-sharing task force, in effect between January 1, 2025 and the date this request is processed. These are discrete named instruments, not a broad search. To keep this request narrow and minimize processing burden, I am not seeking general email correspondence, case files, or records identifying investigative subjects.

If no responsive records exist, I request written confirmation of that fact, including a description of the search conducted.

To minimize processing burden, I am not requesting classified information, sensitive security or law-enforcement methodologies, or private personal information unrelated to official government business. This request seeks records of official government activity only.

Fee waiver: I request a waiver of all fees under 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(iii). Disclosure meets each factor of the public-interest standard: (1) the subject specifically concerns the identifiable government operations, programs, or investigations described in this request; (2) disclosure is meaningfully informative about those operations and how they are conducted; (3) it will contribute to public understanding at large, not merely my own, because I will make the records available to the general public; and (4) it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of how federal authority is exercised and how government programs and investigations are authorized and conducted. This request is not in my commercial interest and is not made for a commercial purpose. If a fee waiver is denied, please notify me before incurring any costs over \$25.

Expedited processing: I request expedited processing under 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(E) on two grounds. (1) There is an urgency to inform the public about actual or alleged federal government activity, and I am a person primarily engaged in disseminating information: I publish the government records I obtain through a public records docket available to the

general public. (2) This request concerns a matter of widespread and exceptional media interest in which there exist possible questions about the government's integrity that affect public confidence. I certify that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

If any portion of a responsive record is withheld, please cite the specific FOIA exemption claimed and release all reasonably segregable non-exempt portions, as required by 5 U.S.C. § 552(b).

Please provide responsive records in electronic format (searchable PDF or native file) by email where possible.

I look forward to your determination on this request within the 20 business days provided by 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(A)(i).

Please confirm receipt and provide a tracking number. I am happy to clarify or reasonably narrow this request if that would speed processing.

Sincerely,
