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UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE

Washington, D.C. 20223

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Freedom of Information Act & Privacy Act Program
245 Murray Lane, S.W.
Building T-5, Mail Stop 8205
Washington, D.C. 20223

[REDACTED]
E-Mail: [REDACTED]

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – 2026-USSSFOIA-01703
Misdirected Request Letter

Dear [REDACTED]

This letter concerns the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received by the United States Secret Service (Secret Service) on August 4, in which you are seeking, records sufficient to show whether the memorial service for Charlie Kirk held on or about September 21, 2025 at State Farm Stadium in Glendale, Arizona was designated a National Special Security Event (NSSE) or assigned a Special Event Assessment Rating (SEAR) level, including the designation determination, request, or notification, and any record identifying the federal agency assigned operational security lead for the event.

Upon initial review of your request, it has been determined that the information you are seeking is under the purview of the Department of Homeland Security - HQ. Accordingly, your request is being forwarded to that office for processing and a direct response to you. You may contact that office here, Email: DHSFOIAPublicLiaison@hq.dhs.gov Phone: 202-343-1743 or 866-431-0486

If you deem our decision an adverse determination, you may exercise your appeal rights. Should you wish to file an administrative appeal, your appeal should be made in writing and received within ninety (90) days of the date of this letter, by writing to: Freedom of Information Appeal, Deputy Director, U.S. Secret Service, Communications Center, 245 Murray Lane, S.W., Building T-5, Washington, D.C. 20223. If you choose to file an administrative appeal, please explain the basis of your appeal and reference the case number listed above.

Additionally, you have the right to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) which mediates disputes between FOIA requesters

and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Please note that contacting the Secret Service's FOIA Program and/or OGIS is not an alternative to filing an administrative appeal and does not stop the 90-day appeal clock. You may contact OGIS at: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001. You may also reach OGIS via e-mail at ogis@nara.gov, telephone at 202-741-5770/toll free at (877) 684-6448, or facsimile at (202) 741-5769.

If you need any further assistance or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, please contact our FOIA Public Liaison Kevin Tyrrell, at (202) 220-1819. Alternatively, you may send an e-mail to foia@usss.dhs.gov.

FOIA File No. 2026-USSSFOIA-01703 is assigned to your request. Please refer to this file number in all future communication with this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kevin L. Tyrrell".

Kevin L. Tyrrell
Freedom of Information Act Officer
Office of Intergovernmental and Legislative Affairs