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Dear 

This is a final response to your 18 May 2009 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on 19 May 2009, for information regarding “the increased presence of Mexican drug cartels in Guatemala from October 2008 to the present.”

The Agency 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 the Agency configures its records systems, 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 a narrower and more specific descriptions of, the information you seek) to enable the Agency to conduct a reasonable search for responsive information.

Sincerely,

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Information and Privacy Coordinator

