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Dear [Redacted]

This is a final response to your 2 June 2009 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on 3 June 2009, for information regarding “abuses committed against Central American migrants traveling through Mexico en route to the United States.”

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 narrower, more specific descriptions of, the information you seek) to enable the Agency to conduct a reasonable search for responsive information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Delores M. Nelson".

Delores M. Nelson
Information and Privacy Coordinator

