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March 10, 2010

Delores Nelson
Information and Privacy Coordinator
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request/Privacy Act

Dear Ms. Nelson:

This is a Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act request for copies of the following documents or data. This request includes any unclassified sections of classified documents or other data that can be segregated from the classified original.

Any and all information including, but not limited to, reports, notes, communications, the results of any intelligence collected, written or otherwise, regarding or related to [REDACTED] please find Privacy Act authorization enclosed).

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Any and all information including, but not limited to, reports, notes, communications, written or otherwise, regarding or related to the Islamic charity, Al Haramain, both international and domestic.

Any and all information including, but not limited to, reports, notes, communications, written or otherwise, regarding the United States' involvement, direct or indirect, in funding Chechen separatists involved in combat against Russian forces from 1990 to the present.

Any and all information including, but not limited to, reports, notes, communications, written or otherwise, regarding or related to the Saudi government's use of Islamic charities, specifically Al Haramain, to fund Chechen separatists.

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Any and all information including, but not limited to, reports, notes, communications, written or otherwise, regarding or related to the interrogations of Sami Al Sanad, Soliman al-Buthe, Aqueel al Aqueel, and Mansour al Kadi or any other Al Haramain official by the Saudi government.

Any and all information including, but not limited to, Saudi government documents, reports, notes, communications, written or otherwise, regarding or related to the Saudi Joint Relief Committee (SJRC), and the formation of the SJRC by order of King Fahd, specifically between the time period 1999 and 2005. This request includes, but is not limited to the following SJRC officials: Dr. Al-Suwailem, HRH Prince Naif, HRH Prince Turki Bin Fahd. To assist you in your search for information, I am including a declaration of Dr. Al-Suwailem, a former official of the SJRC, regarding the formation and function of the SJRC.

Any and all information including reports, notes, communications, intelligence collected, written or otherwise, regarding any investigation of the disbursement of the funds collected by Al Haramain USA in 2000, specifically \$150,000 donated by Egyptian citizen Mr. Mahmoud Talaat El Fiki.

Any and all communications, written or otherwise, between the United States government and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia regarding the designation of any Al Haramain office or individuals, including Aqueel al Aqueel, Soliman al Buthe, Mansour al Kadi, designated organization or individual.

Any and all reports, testimony, briefings, etc., provided to the United States Congress regarding the United States policy with regard to Chechnya, particularly between 1993 and the present.

In order to help to determine my status to assess fees, you should know that I am the Chief Investigator for the Federal Public Defender Office in the District of Oregon. I hold a secret level security clearance. Our client is an indigent defendant in a criminal matter in this district and the documents requested are necessary for the defense of our client. I request a waiver of all fees for this request. Disclosure of the requested information to me is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government and is not primarily in my commercial interest.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

William Teesdale
Chief Investigator
Federal Public Defender's Office

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PRIVACY ACT CONSENT FORM

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I hereby authorize the Federal Public Defender and its staff to request and receive, pursuant to the provisions of the Privacy Act, for the purpose of legal representation on my behalf, documents or information relating in any manner to me in the possession of the United States government. I expressly further consent to the release of such information by custodians and possessors of such information to my representative, the Federal Public Defender.

This authority includes, but is not limited to, the inspection, copying, and receipt of documents, photographs, and all other written, recorded, or digitally-stored information and the receipt of oral information. I hereby request that all persons cooperate fully in providing the requested information.



Dated: _____

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