UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

GRANT F. SMITH, PRO SE)
Plaintiff, v.)) Civil No. 1:15-cv-00224 (TSC)
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY,)
Defendant.)))

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Plaintiff Grant F. Smith and Defendant Central Intelligence Agency hereby submit this Joint Status Report. On May 13, 2010, Plaintiff issued a Freedom of Information Act request to the CIA for documents relating to "uranium diversion from the Nuclear Materials and Equipment Corporation (NUMEC) to Israel." On August 28, 2013, Defendant issued a "final response to your 13 May 2010 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request," and released four previously released documents, totaling 11 pages, stating, "We completed a thorough search for records responsive to your request and located material that we determined is currently and properly classified and must be denied in its entirety on the basis of FOIA exemption (b)(1) and (b)(3)." On September 19, 2013, Plaintiff administratively appealed. On March 28, 2014, Defendant denied the Plaintiff's administrative appeal.

On February 13, 2015, Plaintiff filed its complaint against the CIA relating to this FOIA request. (Dkt. 1). Defendant filed its Answer on April 29, 2015. (Dkt. 8). As directed by the Court in its March 24, 2015, Minute Order, the parties have met and conferred on how to proceed in this case.

Defendant is conducting a litigation review of documents related to Plaintiff's request and confirming that the documents that were previously denied release in their entirety should remain classified. Defendant is conducting its litigation review to ensure that all documents responsive to Plaintiff's request have been identified and properly classified. Once Defendant completes its litigation review, Defendant will be able to accurately identify the number of potentially responsive documents and the parties will propose a schedule for releasing documents and/or producing a Vaughn index. If necessary, the parties will then propose a schedule for filing dispositive motions.

Defendant does not intend to file an *Open America* stay at this time. Accordingly, the parties propose that they file a second Joint Status Report in 90 days that updates the Court on the status of Defendant's litigation review, or if that is complete, proposes a schedule for releasing documents and/or producing a Vaughn index.

Dated: May 18, 2015 Respectfully submitted,

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