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September 10, 2008

RE: Freedom of Information Act Request (Ref. # FO-08-2985)

I am writing in response to your letter, dated August 27, 2008. In that letter, you asked the Office of Special Counsel (OSC) to provide you with "a copy of list(s) of periodic employee colloquia, brown bag lunch talks, and employee seminar discussions held at the OSC in 2006, 2007 and 2008 to date, preferably including at minimum their title/subject, the speaker and the date."

Your request has been processed under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).<sup>1</sup> After reviewing the request on that basis, I have enclosed a copy of the only OSC record responsive to your request: the agenda from OSC's June 25, 2008 retreat, attended by all agency staff. Please note that "R. Martin (HHS)" did not make a presentation.

In closing, you have the right to appeal this decision under the FOIA. Any such appeal must be in writing, and be received within 45 days of the date of this letter. The appeal should be sent to Ms. Erin M. McDonnell, Associate Special Counsel for Legal Counsel and Policy, Office of Special Counsel, at the address shown at the top of this letter.

Sincerely,

*Chris Kurt*

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Enclosure

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<sup>1</sup> The FOIA appears in title 5 of the U.S. Code, at section 552 (5 U.S.C. § 552).

**OSC RETREAT – JUNE 25, 2008**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Staff</b>	<b>Notes</b>
8:30-8:35	Welcome/Scheduling/Coordination Remarks	Byrne	Business Casual
8:35-9:30	Presentation by the Special Counsel: Training on Accountability, Efficiency, OSC's Independence, and "What a Whistleblower is."	Special Counsel	
9:30-10:00	Section Updates	Dribinsky, McDonnell, Reukauf (USERRA), Galindo-Marrone, McMullen, Field-Williams	
10:00-10:15	Break		
10:15-10:30	Field Office Updates	Reukauf; Moazed, Whitebook, Cardillo, Tall	
10:30-11:15	Training on how to build and present a case before the MSPB	Bruce Fong, et al	
11:15-12:15	FAA Whistleblower Ann Whiteman - Training on Hostile Work Environment: A Personal Perspective on what a Whistleblower goes through	Introduction by Special Counsel; Mitchell moderate with questions	
12:15-1:15	Lunch - Old Town Alexandria		
1:15-1:25	OSC Procurement/Purchase Cards Training/Update	Fletcher	
1:25-1:35	OSC Information Technology Training/Update	Leung	
1:35-2:15	HSPD-12 Training	R. Martin (HHS)	
2:15-3:15	Ethics Training: Federal Travel	Lennard Loewentritt (Deputy General Counsel – GSA)	
3:15-3:30	Break		
3:30-4:00	Ethics Training – Pro Bono Activities	Daniel F. Collopy (Deputy Assistant General Counsel and Pro Bono Program Manager – NLRB)	
4:00-4:10	Budget and External Reports Training/Update	Anderson	
4:10-4:20	Records Management Training/Update	Weiss (TJ)	
4:20-4:30	OSC Public Affairs, Legislative Affairs, and Outreach Training/Update	Mitchell	
4:30-	Reception	Monaco Hotel - Cash Bar	Optional