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December 21, 2011

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) email inquiry, received December 12, 2011, for (1) an electronic copy of the records provided to the Honorable Chairman Darrell Issa, whose office had in January 2011 asked the Inter-American Foundation (IAF) for various data concerning the administration of the agency's FOIA program and (2) a copy of any correspondence whatsoever sent to Chairman Issa's office on the subject of the January 2011 inquiry, and any correspondence sent during calendar year 2011 to Chairman Issa's office on the subject of FOIA.

Please find attached a copy of the records provided to the Honorable Chairman Darrell Issa in responses to his request for information regarding the agency's FOIA program in January 2011. The IAF did not send any further correspondence to Mr. Issa's office on the subject of the January 2011 inquiry, or have any subsequent correspondence with Mr. Issa's office on the subject of FOIA during calendar year 2011.

I hope this information is helpful to you.

Regards,

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February 15, 2011

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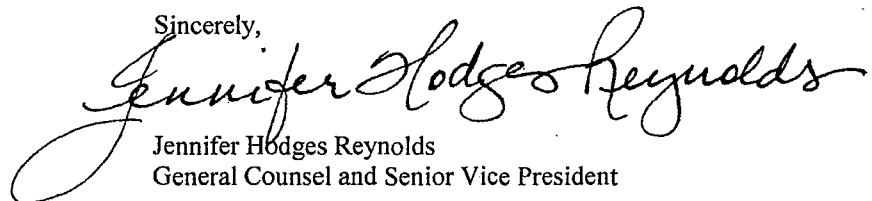
Dear Chairman Issa:

I am writing in response to your request for information regarding the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) program of the Inter-American Foundation (IAF). Consistent with the FOIA as well as President Obama's Executive Order regarding FOIA, the IAF places the highest priority on promoting open government and strives to provide citizen-centered access to government information.

With respect to the specific components of your request, I am glad to provide the following responses, information and/or records:

1. Please find attached a copy of the IAF's FOIA log for the current Fiscal Year as well as the five preceding Fiscal Years, which provides the information you requested for the relevant timeframe. Please note that, due to the very small number of FOIA requests received annually by the IAF, requests are generally referenced and tracked by requestor's last name rather than a tracking number. In case of multiple requests from a requestor, or requestors, with the same last name, requests are referenced or tracked by the requestor's last name paired with a number assigned based on the order in which the request was received.
2. Currently, the IAF has no pending FOIA requests that were submitted more than 45 days prior to January 25, 2011 and to which the IAF has not yet issued a complete and final response.
3. In light of the IAF's response to Request No. 2, Request No. 3 is not applicable.
4. Currently, there is no federal judicial action in which the IAF, within five years preceding January 25, 2011, has been ordered by the court to pay any attorneys' fees or other litigation costs incurred by a FOIA requestor under 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(E) or under any similar law or regulation.
5. In light of the IAF's response to Request No. 4, Request No. 5 is not applicable.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Hodges Reynolds
General Counsel and Senior Vice President

Fiscal Year	Requester	Initial Request Date	Records Requested	Response Date	Number of Days to Respond	Outcome	Comments
2006	D. Glasgal	10/30/2005	records re: Danial Keith Ludwig	10/31/2005	1	No records responsive	
2006	A. Randle	11/18/2005	grant applications and list of IAF pubs	12/13/2005	17	Granted	
2006	K. Yearman	11/12/2005	records re: zapatistas or the EZLN	11/15/2005	3	Granted (12/5/05)	
2006	J. Standfield	5/31/2006	list of purchase card holders	6/12/2006	8	Granted	
2006	A. Wesley	6/23/2006	reports re: undeliverable checks	7/13/2006	13	No records responsive	

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2007	M. Ravnitzky #1	11/6/2006	inter-agency agreements b/t IAF & Lib of Cong/ Fed Res Div - Jan 00 to Nov 06	11/8/2006	2	No records responsive	Rec'd appeal (below) - 11/15/06
2007	M. Person	11/16/2006	records re: IAF audit services contract for Nicaragua grant recipients	12/12/2006	17	Partial grant	Exemption (3): 41 U.S.C. 253b(m); Exemption (4)
2007	K. Miller	11/17/2006	section A of IAF audit services contract for Nicaragua grant recipients	12/12/2006	16	Granted	
2007	W. Williams	11/21/2006	EEO services provided to IAF - Jan 05 to Oct 06	12/15/2006	17	Granted	
2007	E. Kiselman	12/5/2006	Impac card holders	12/5/2006	0	Granted	
2007	M. Ravnitzky #2	12/5/2006	inter-agency agreements b/t IAF & Lib of Cong/ Fed Res Div - Jan 96 to Nov 06	1/4/2007	19	No records responsive	
2007	A. Narayanswamy #1	4/13/2007	logs of correspondence b/t Congress & IAF -	5/8/2007	17	Granted	
2007	A. Narayanswamy #2	4/25/2007	logs of correspondence b/t Congress & IAF -	5/8/2007	9	Granted	
2007	B. Atkins	6/8/2007	task orders & statements of work for contracts &/or solicitations by IAF to Dun & Bradstreet for FY 05-07	6/22/2007	10	No records responsive	
2007	A. Narayanswamy #3	7/3/2007	logs of correspondence b/t Congress & IAF - Apr to Jun.07	7/20/2007	12	Granted	
2007	A. Narayanswamy #4	9/6/2007	logs of correspondence b/t Congress & IAF - Jul to Aug 07	9/26/2007	14	Granted	
2007	C. Nielsen	9/20/2007	records re: implementation of EO 13392 & FOIA improvement plan	10/19/2007	20	Granted	

	Appeals						
2007	Ravnitzky appeal #1	11/15/2006	Response to Ravnitzky #1	12/1/2006	11	No records responsive	
2007	Ravnitzky appeal #2	12/5/2006	Response to Ravnitzky appeal #1	1/4/2006	19	No records responsive	

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2008	Min Wah Voon #1	2/4/2008	info about grant proposal to ACIW in Brazil	3/4/2008	17	records not reasonably described	
2008	Min Wah Voon #2	2/7/2008	info on total number of IAF grants/yr. & total annual giving	3/4/2008	17	publicly available information/records not reasonably described	
2008	A. Narayanswamy	3/21/2008	logs of correspondence b/t Congress & IAF - Jan 08 to Feb 08	4/1/2008	7	no records responsive	
2008	K. Keane	5/1/2008	records re: Gov. Mark Warner	5/12/2008	7	no records responsive	
2008	A. Dick	8/27/2008	contact info for IAF personnel in specific positions	9/4/2008	5	publicly available information/no records responsive	
2007	C. Nielsen	9/20/2007	(see FY07 log entry)	10/19/2007	20	Granted	

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2009	J. Goldberg	3/25/2009	list of IAF employees designated as FLSA exempt & related records	4/14/2009	14	No records responsive	
2009	N. Howie	6/1/2009	records of communication b/t IAF & Robert F. McDonnell during certain time periods	6/15/2009	10	No records responsive	
2009	C. Bruce	6/1/2009	names & addresses of companies paid by IAF via GSA SmartPay Program purchase cards in certain time period	6/22/2009	15	Granted	
2009	S. Casey	6/2/2009	contracts b/t IAF & security contractors in DC, MD and VA	6/15/2009	9	Granted	
2009	J. Upchurch	6/22/2009	info re: Impac/GPC/purchase card holders	7/13/2009	14	No records responsive	
2009	R. Waterman	8/10/2009	resumes of persons considered for or appointed to Schedule C positions at IAF - Jan 01 to Sept 09	9/8/2009	20	No records responsive	
2009	C. Buffalo	8/21/2009	vendor & contract info for any IAF contractors from Australia	9/18/2009	19	No records responsive	
2009	Y. Chin	9/15/2009	records re: implementation of Pres. Obama's and Attorney General Holder's FOIA memoranda	10/6/2009	15	No records responsive	

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2010	H. Schuck	11/9/2009	organizational chart for IT/CIO division	12/7/2009	18	No records responsive	
2009	Y. Chin	9/15/2009	(see FY09 log entry)	10/6/2009	15	No records responsive	
2010	L. Hall	1/26/2010	documents re: Benjaman Scott Sands	2/24/2010	17	No records responsive	Note: snow st
2010	G. Madoff	3/2/2010	records re: SES employees at the IAF	16-Mar	11	No records responsive	
2010	A. Schultz	5/18/2010	records re: FECA wage loss payments paid by OWCP	6/8/2010	14	Referral to Nat'l Bus Ctr @ Interior due to inter-agency agreement for payroll services	referred to NE
2010	C. Johnson	6/29/2010	contract awarded to IIE under Contract #TPDIAFC0001	7/27/2011	20	Initial response informed requestor of mandatory predisclosure notification of confidential business submitter process	referral from I
2010	J. Cohen	7/6/2010	list of credit card holders	7/23/2010	14	Granted	
2010	M. Ravnitzky	8/11/2010	ethics waivers provided by IAF since Jan 01; OGE Form 201 subsequently provided to perfect request	9/3/2010	18	Round 1: additional info required to respond - OGE Form 201 req'd under law; Round 2: Granted	Original respo
2010	J. Smathers	9/1/2010	FOIA requests log for Aug 10	9/28/2010	19	Granted	
2010	J. Smathers	9/9/2010	records related to any FOIA requests that were considered for referral to investigator or investigative agency re: possible criminal purposes	9/28/2010	14	No records responsive	

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2010	C. Johnson	6/29/2010	(see entry in FY10 log)	7/27/2010	20	Initial response informed requestor of mandatory predisclosure notification of confidential business submitter process
2011	N. Jones	10/1/2010	records related to 2010 Emanuel/Bauer memo on updating FOIA guidance and materials	10/20/2010	14	No records responsive
2011	D. Barr	10/14/2010	records of communications b/t IAF and: Mitchell Daniels, Jr., Piyush "Bobby" Jindal, Sarah Palin, Timothy Pawlenty, John Thune, Michael Huckabee, and Willard Mitt Romney during certain time periods; any FOIA requests submitted that mention those individuals	11/9/2010	19	Granted
2011	M. Johns	12/6/2010	winning bids/proposals for audit services for South and Central America in 2009	1/4/2011	20	No records responsive
2011	J. Schloss	12/14/2010	contract pricing for grant services under Solicitation BPD-IAF-10-R-0018 and contract awardee information	12/17/2010	4	Partial grant in timeframe established by requestor (2 days) & notice of longer review process necessary if more detailed contract information is requested

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