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Re: FOIA/PA # 12-140

Dear Mr. Aftergood:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email dated April 26, 2012, requesting, "a copy of opinions and orders issued by the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court that have been declassified since January 1, 2010." Your Freedom of Information Act request was received in the FOIA office on April 27, 2012.

The Office of Intelligence Policy and Review (now the Office of Intelligence) and the Counterterrorism and Counterespionage Sections of the Criminal Division were consolidated to form the National Security Division (NSD) whose core mission is to coordinate the Department's efforts to combat terrorism and protect national security. The NSD is responsible for assisting the Attorney General and other senior Department and Executive Branch officials in ensuring that the national security related activities of the U.S. are consistent with relevant law; overseeing terrorism investigations and prosecutions; handling counterespionage cases and matters; obtaining court authorization for the collection of foreign intelligence under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA); and conducting oversight of intelligence agency compliance with certain national security legal requirements.

In response to your request, this office conducted a search of the files of the Office of the Assistant Attorney General for National Security and the policy and correspondence files of the Office of Intelligence. We did not locate any responsive records subject to FOIA.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Suite 11050, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001. Your appeal must be received within sixty days of the date of this letter. Both the letter and envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal".

Sincerely,

Arnetta Mallory
FOIA Coordinator