

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

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DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION,)	
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Plaintiff,)	Civil Action No. 18-0375 (RC)
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v.)	
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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY,)	
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Defendant.)	
_____)	

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the Court’s Minute Order of July 15, 2019, Plaintiff Democracy Forward Foundation and Defendant Department of Homeland Security, by and through the undersigned counsel, respectfully submit this Joint Status Report in this Freedom of Information Act case.

As previously reported, Defendant completed its response to Plaintiff’s request. After completing a supplemental search, which resulted in 10,217 pages, Defendant U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (“ICE”) has been producing non-exempt responsive records on a monthly basis, at a rate of at least 500 pages per month.

On January 14, 2020, ICE advised Plaintiff that it reviewed 1,701 pages, determined that 1,683 pages were non-responsive, and released 18 pages with portions redacted. On February 13, 2020, ICE advised Plaintiff that it reviewed an additional 2,084 pages, determined that 2,074 pages were nonresponsive, and released 10 pages with portions redacted. ICE’s redactions are based on FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E). 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5), (6), (7)(C), (7)(E). ICE’s next release is scheduled for March 18, 2020.

The parties are scheduled to file a further Joint Status Report on May 15, 2020.

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