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TO ARCHIVE FILE NO. 20090082CIA008

Delores M. Nelson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, DC 20505

APPROVED FOR RELEASE   
DATE: 12-May-2010

Re: Request under the Freedom of Information Act

Dear M. Nelson:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request disclosure of the following:

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Delores M. Nelson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, DC 20505

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Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request disclosure of the following:

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Reference: F-2009-00475 // Archive 20090085CIA009

Dear

This is a final response to your 4 February 2009 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on the same date, for **all records from January 1, 1981 through December 31, 1985 that refer in whole or in part to the cases of young children and babies that were kidnapped from their parents who were either disappeared, killed, or political prisoners during the military dictatorship in Argentina.**

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Sincerely,

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Central Intelligence Agency  
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Re: Request under the Freedom of Information Act

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Delores M. Nelson".

Delores M. Nelson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator

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Information and Privacy Coordinator  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, DC 20505

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Re: Request under the Freedom of Information Act

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Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request disclosure of the following:

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Reference: F-2009-00494 // Archive 20090107CIA011

Dear 

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Sincerely,

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Information and Privacy Coordinator

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Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, DC 20505

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Re: Request under the Freedom of Information Act

Dear M. Nelson:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request disclosure of the following:

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Reference: F-2009-00495 // Archive 20090111CIA012

Dear [Redacted]

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Sincerely,

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Delores M. Nelson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator

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IN ALL CORRESPONDENCE PLEASE REFER  
TO ARCHIVE FILE NO. 20090519CIA059

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DATE: 12-May-2010

Delores M. Nelson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, DC 20505

Re: Request under the FOIA, in reply refer to Archive# 20090519CIA059

Dear Ms. Delores Nelson,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request disclosure of the following:

*All records related in whole or in part to the meetings and/or conferences organized by Latin America's leftist political leaders during the 1990's, such as Vicente Fox and Jorge Castañeda Gutman from Mexico, Luis Inacio Lula da Silva from Brazil, Ricardo Lagos from Chile, various leaders from Central America, as well as member's from the organization "Grupo San Angel" in Mexico.*

If you regard any of these documents as potentially exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them. As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable non exempt portions of documents. To permit me to reach an intelligent and informed decision whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denied material, please describe any withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the basis for your exemption claims.

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Sincerely,

A [REDACTED]

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15 June 2009

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Reference: F-2009-01067/ Archive #20090519CIA059

Dear [Redacted]

This is a final response to your 11 May 2009 letter, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on the same date, requesting records under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) pertaining to **“the meetings and/or conferences organized by Latin America’s leftist political leaders during the 1990’s, such as Vicente Fox and Jorge Castaneda Gutman from Mexico, Luis Inacio Lula da Silva from Brizil, Ricardo Lagos from Chile, various leaders from Central America, as well as member’s [sic] from organizations ‘Grupo San Angel’ in Mexico.”**

The Agency cannot accept your FOIA request, in its current form, because it would require the Agency to perform an unreasonably burdensome search. The FOIA requires requesters to “reasonably describe” the information they seek so that professional employees familiar with the subject matter can locate responsive information with a reasonable amount of effort. Because of the breadth and lack of specificity of your request, and the way in which the Agency configures its records systems, the Agency cannot conduct a reasonable search for information responsive to your request. We encourage you to refine the scope of your request (such as including a time frame for, and narrower, more specific descriptions of, the information you seek) to enable the Agency to conduct a reasonable search for responsive information.

Sincerely,

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Information and Privacy Coordinator

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DATE: 12-May-2010

Monday, May 18, 2009

Scott A. Koch  
Information and Privacy Coordinator  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, DC 20505

Re: Request under the FOIA, in reply refer to Archive # 20090536CIA062

Dear Mr. Koch:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request copies of the following:

All documents related in whole or in part to the increased presence of Mexican drug cartels in Guatemala, from October 2008 to the present. In November 2008, Guatemalan president Álvaro Colom publicly announced the presence of Mexican drug traffickers in the border region between the two countries, and reports state that at least 300 members of Los Zetas are operating in eight of Guatemala's twenty-two departments.

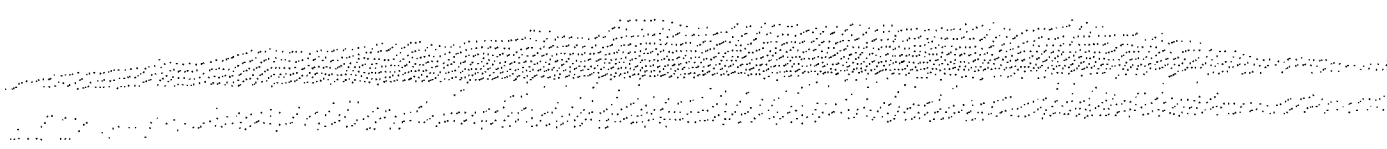
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Sincerely yours,

[Redacted signature box]



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Dear 

This is a final response to your 18 May 2009 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on 19 May 2009, for information regarding "the increased presence of Mexican drug cartels in Guatemala from October 2008 to the present."

The Agency cannot accept your FOIA request, in its current form, because it would require the Agency to perform an unreasonably burdensome search. The FOIA requires requesters to "reasonably describe" the information they seek so that professional employees familiar with the subject matter can locate responsive information with a reasonable amount of effort. Because of the breadth and lack of specificity of your request, and the way in which the Agency configures its records systems, the Agency cannot conduct a reasonable search for information responsive to your request. We encourage you to refine the scope of your request (such as a narrower and more specific descriptions of, the information you seek) to enable the Agency to conduct a reasonable search for responsive information.

Sincerely,

Delores M. Nelson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator

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DATE: 12-May-2010

Tuesday, June 02, 2009

Scott A. Koch  
Information and Privacy Coordinator  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, DC 20505

Re: Request under the FOIA, in reply refer to Archive # 20090577CIA071

Dear Mr. Koch:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request copies of the following:

**All documents related to reports of abuses committed against Central American migrants traveling through Mexico en route to the United States. This request includes but is not limited to records pertaining to Salvadoran citizens reportedly abducted or abused by gang members or security forces. According to the human rights groups (such as the Salvadoran Committee of Families of the Dead and Disappeared) over 200 Salvadoran citizens have gone missing since 1997.**

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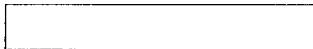
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Dear 

This is a final response to your 2 June 2009 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on 3 June 2009, for information regarding "abuses committed against Central American migrants traveling through Mexico en route to the United States."

The Agency cannot accept your FOIA request, in its current form, because it would require the Agency to perform an unreasonably burdensome search. The FOIA requires requesters to "reasonably describe" the information they seek so that professional employees familiar with the subject matter can locate responsive information with a reasonable amount of effort. Because of the breadth and lack of specificity of your request, and the way in which the Agency configures its records systems, the Agency cannot conduct a reasonable search for information responsive to your request. We encourage you to refine the scope of your request (such as narrower, more specific descriptions of, the information you seek) to enable the Agency to conduct a reasonable search for responsive information.

Sincerely,

Delores M. Nelson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator

F-2009-01217

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Delores M. Nelson  
 Information and Privacy Coordinator  
 Central Intelligence Agency  
 Washington, DC 20505

**Re: Request under the FOIA, in reply refer to Archive# 20090597CIA076**

Dear Ms. Nelson:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request the following:

*All records – including but not limited to cables, intelligence reports, memoranda, letters, talking points, briefing papers, summaries, biographical sketches, transcripts, memoranda of conversation and electronic mail messages – pertaining in whole or in part to Ali Osman Taha (alternate spellings: Ali Uthman Taha or Ali Othman Taha), Vice President of Sudan.*

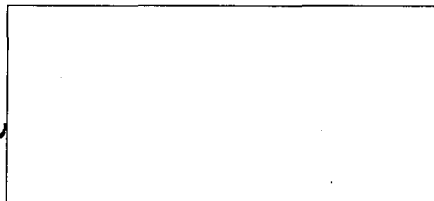
If you regard any of these documents as potentially exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them. As you may know, President Barack Obama has called upon all agencies to "adopt a presumption in favor of disclosure, in order to renew their commitment to the principles embodied in FOIA, and to usher in a new era of open Government." As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable, nonexempt portions of documents. To permit me to reach an intelligent and informed decision whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denied material, please describe any withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the basis for your exemption claims.

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Sincerely yours,

*for*

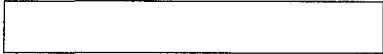


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Dear 

This is a final response to your 11 June 2009 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received on 11 June 2009 in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator, for records "~~pertaining in whole or in part to Ali Osman Taha (alternate spellings: Ali Uthman Taha or Ali Othman Taha), Vice President of Sudan.~~"

Your FOIA request cannot be accepted in its current form, because it would require the Agency to perform an unreasonably burdensome search. The FOIA requires requesters to "reasonably describe" the information they seek so that professional employees familiar with the subject matter can locate responsive information with a reasonable amount of effort. Because of the breadth and lack of specificity of your request, and the way in which our records systems are configured, the Agency cannot conduct a reasonable search for information responsive to your request. We encourage you to refine the scope of your request (such as a narrower, more specific event or description of the information you seek on the individual) to enable us to conduct a reasonable search for responsive information.

Sincerely,

Delores M. Nelson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator

F-2009-01218

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June 12, 2009

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Washington, DC 20505

**Re: Request under the FOIA, in reply refer to Archive# 20090598CIA077**

Dear Ms. Nelson:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request the following:

*All records – including but not limited to cables, intelligence reports, memoranda, letters, talking points, briefing papers, summaries, biographical sketches, transcripts, memoranda of conversation and electronic mail messages – pertaining in whole or in part to Nafie Al-Nafie, Advisor to the President of Sudan.*

If you regard any of these documents as potentially exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them. As you may know, President Barack Obama has called upon all agencies to "adopt a presumption in favor of disclosure, in order to renew their commitment to the principles embodied in FOIA, and to usher in a new era of open Government." As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable, nonexempt portions of documents. To permit me to reach an intelligent and informed decision whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denied material, please describe any withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the basis for your exemption claims.

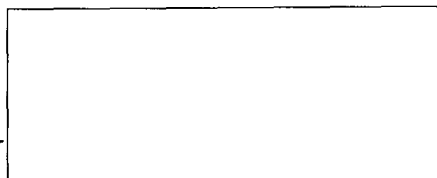
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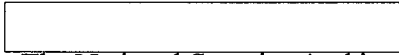
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Dear 

This is a final response to your 12 June 2009 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received on 12 June 2009 in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator, for records "pertaining in whole or in part to Nafie Al-Nafie, Advisor to the President of Sudan."

Your FOIA request cannot be accepted in its current form, because it would require the Agency to perform an unreasonably burdensome search. The FOIA requires requesters to "reasonably describe" the information they seek so that professional employees familiar with the subject matter can locate responsive information with a reasonable amount of effort. Because of the breadth and lack of specificity of your request, and the way in which our records systems are configured, the Agency cannot conduct a reasonable search for information responsive to your request. We encourage you to refine the scope of your request (such as a narrower, more specific event or description of the information you seek on the individual) to enable us to conduct a reasonable search for responsive information.

Sincerely,

Delores M. Nelson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator

F-2009-01242

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June 15, 2009

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Central Intelligence Agency  
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**Re: Request under the FOIA, in reply refer to Archive# 20090614CIA078**

Dear Ms. Nelson:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request the following:

*All records – including but not limited to cables, intelligence reports, memoranda, letters, talking points, briefing papers, summaries, biographical sketches, transcripts, memoranda of conversation and electronic mail messages – pertaining in whole or in part to Salva Kiir Mayardit, President of the autonomous Government of Southern Sudan and also First Vice President of Sudan.*

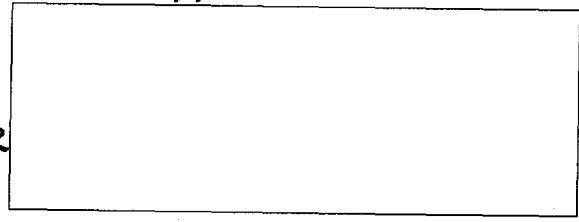
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Sincerely yours,

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Reference: F-2009-01242 / Archive #20090614CIA078

Dear [Redacted]

This is a final response to your 15 June 2009 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received on 16 June 2009 in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator, for records pertaining to "Salva Kiir Mayardit, President of the autonomous Government of Southern Sudan and also First Vice President of Sudan."

Your FOIA request cannot be accepted in its current form, because it would require the Agency to perform an unreasonably burdensome search. The FOIA requires requesters to "reasonably describe" the information they seek so that professional employees familiar with the subject matter can locate responsive information with a reasonable amount of effort. Because of the breadth and lack of specificity of your request, and the way in which our records systems are configured, the Agency cannot conduct a reasonable search for information responsive to your request. We encourage you to refine the scope of your request (such as a narrower, more specific event or description of the information you seek on the individual) to enable us to conduct a reasonable search for responsive information.

Sincerely,

Delores M. Nelson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator

F-2009-01443

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IN ALL CORRESPONDENCE PLEASE REFER  
TO ARCHIVE FILE NO. 20090749CIA092

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DATE: 12-May-2010

Delores M. Nelson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, DC 20505

**Re: Request under the Freedom of Information Act, in reply refer to Archive # 20090749CIA092**

Dear Ms. Nelson:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request disclosure of the following:

*All documents from 1948-2000 in any medium related in whole or in part but not limited to the biography, professional career, activities and operations of Mexican security official Fernando Gutiérrez Barrios. After graduating from the Heroico Colegio Militar military academy, he joined the Federal Security Directorate (Dirección Federal de Seguridad or DFS) in 1948. He came into the DFS with a group of agents who would control the institution for many years to come and exercise a great deal of authority over the institution. By 1955, Gutiérrez Barrios was Chief of Operations and by 1959 he was Deputy Director of the DFS. When Manuel Rangel Escamilla was deposed, Gustavo Díaz Ordaz appointed Gutiérrez Barrios to the position of Director of the DFS, a position he held from 1964-1970, during the height of the organization's power. In 1970, he was promoted to Deputy Government Secretary, the country's highest intelligence post. In this position, he played a large role in the crackdown on guerrilla organizations such as the Liga Comunista 23 de Septiembre. Under his leadership, the DFS and secret paramilitary organizations worked to eliminate enemies of the regime; hundreds of victims were tortured, murdered, or "disappeared." When Carlos Salinas de Gortari came to the presidency in 1988, he chose Gutiérrez Barrios to be his second-in-command, appointing him Government Secretary. Salinas replaced him in January 1993 because of his resistance to democratic reforms.*

If you regard any of these documents as potentially exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them. As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable non exempt portions of documents. To permit me to reach an intelligent and informed decision whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denied material, please describe any withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the basis for your exemption claims.

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Dear

This is a final response to your 21 July 2009 Freedom of Information Act request, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on 24 July 2009, for all documents from 1948-2000 related to Mexican security official Fernando Gutiérrez Barrios. Per a phone conversation on 31 August 2009 with a member of my staff, you were advised that your request was too broad and therefore, you proposed that you would submit an amended request. Based on this, we have cancelled this request.

Sincerely,

Delores M. Nelson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator