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Freedom of Information Act Request

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Washington, DC 20340-5100

Re: Request under the FOIA, in reply refer to [REDACTED]

Dear Ms. Williams:

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

All documents from December 12, 2010 to the present regarding the two following references of Mexican

Zetas in the Zetas' Power: Police confiscated 84 kilograms of cocaine, US$115,239, and various communication devices. Among the eight detained was Felipe Ramos Cárdenas, coordinator of the Zetas' finances and administrative resources and the assistant to an important lieutenant for the cartel, Jesús Enrique Rejón Aguilar; and

The Federal Parliament of Mexico has yet to approve a new electoral law, which would help bring to justice senior members of the Mexican policeworkers in the case of the arrest of Leonardo Mancha Capetillo "Leo", William David Castillo Francisco Castillo Gramajo, Jesús Guadalupe de la Cruz de León "El Ojitos", Abiel Lucio Carlos Hernández, and Pedro Martínez Quiroga "Polaris."

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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To expedite the release of the requested documents, please disclose them on an interim basis as they become available to you, without waiting until all the documents have been processed. Please notify me before incurring any photocopying costs over $100. If you have any questions regarding the identity of the records,
their location, the scope of the request or any other matters, please call me at (202) 994-7000 or email me at foiamail@gwu.edu. I look forward to receiving your response within the twenty day statutory time period.

Sincerely yours,
Dear Mr. Wiegman,

Please find a FOIA request attached. I attempted to fax it to your office, per our normal protocol, however it did not go through upon several attempts. Could you please process this request? And I also ask that you please confirm that you received this request/message. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Emily Willard
Research Associate
The National Security Archive

"In these days of difficulty, we Americans everywhere must and shall choose the path of social justice...the path of faith, the path of hope, and the path of love toward our fellow man."

- Franklin D. Roosevelt