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Re: DOJ-2017-004300 / ERH

Dear Dr. Taitz:

This responds to your request received in this Office on May 24, 2017 in which you requested records of expenditures made by the FBI in its investigation into interference by Russia in the 2016 presidential campaign. This response is made on behalf of the Office of Information Policy.

Please be advised that the Office of Information Policy of the United States Department of Justice processes Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) requests for records it maintains as well as records maintained by the Offices of the Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Associate Attorney General, Public Affairs, Legislative Affairs, and Legal Policy and adjudicates administrative appeals of denials of FOIA/PA requests made to the Department. This Office maintains the case files for the initial requests and administrative appeals it processes.

Additionally, for your information, the Department has a decentralized system for processing FOIA requests and each component of the Department maintains its own records. Accordingly, FOIA requesters need to direct their requests to the Department component(s) they believe have records pertaining to the subjects of their requests. In this instance, as you are clearly seeking records maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), we have forwarded your request to the FBI for processing and direct response to you. Contact information for the FBI may be found in the [Department of Justice Freedom of Information Act Reference Guide](#).

Lastly, please be advised that because we have routed your request to the FBI, your request to OIP will no longer be tracked in our system and your case number will be closed. You will need to contact the FBI to obtain information regarding the processing status of your request.

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