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Re: Public Information Act Request

Dear Mr. Rinkema:

I apologize for the delay in responding to your letter of September 7, 2007 but, as you know, it did not reach me until recently.

Your letter responds to the Maryland State Police's response to a Public Information Act request made on behalf of your clients over a year ago, which sought records pertaining to the Baltimore Pledge of Resistance and others. As noted in the response, the MSP located one record which it did not produce because of provisions of the Public Information Act which permit the custodian to deny the record. My response to you noted that the MSP has a record and the reasons why the MSP chose not to produce the record to you. The statute does not require additional information to be provided to you and I decline to do so at this time. When the original request was made, I determined that the record could not be redacted in a manner that would avoid disclosure of the source or techniques or procedures of the Maryland State Police and therefore, I cannot produce the record in a redacted form.

If you have any further questions, please feel to contact me or Sharon Benzil, Deputy Counsel, at 410-653-4293, with whom you have communicated about this matter. Thank you.

Yours truly,

Lt. John J. Meakin

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