

May 25, 2011

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Office of the United States Trade Representative
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Washington, D.C. 20508

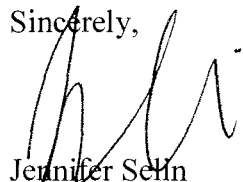
To Whom It May Concern:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I am requesting copies of the below-listed records from the Office of the United States Trade Representative. If there are any fees for searching or copying the records, please let me know before you fill my request. Or, please supply the records without informing me of the cost if the fees do not exceed \$100, which I agree to pay. This request is for educational purposes. The information I receive will be used in an academic research project at Vanderbilt University.

If you deny all or any part of this request, please cite each specific exemption you think justifies your withholding of information. Notify me of appeal procedures available under the law.

If you have any questions about handling this request, you may email me at jennifer.selin@gmail.com.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Selin
803 Bracken Trail
Nashville, TN 37214

Requested records: A copy of all written communications from the agency to the Speaker of the House, John Boehner (R-OH), or Chair of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Darrell Issa (R-CA), between January 3, 2011 and May 15, 2011.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508

June 15, 2011

Ms. Jennifer Selin
803 Bracken Trail
Nashville, TN 37214
Jennifer.selin@gmail.com

Dear Ms. Selin:

This letter acknowledges and responds to your request, which was received at the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative's FOIA Office on June 9, 2011, requesting **"A copy of all written communications from the agency to the Speaker of the House, John Boehner (R-OH), or Chair of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Darrell Issa (R-CA), BETWEEN January 3, 2011 and May 15, 2011"**, under the Freedom of Information Act.

Please be advised that we are releasing one (1) document within the scope of your request.

Inasmuch as this constitutes a complete response to your request, I am closing your file in this office. In the event that you are dissatisfied with USTR's determination, you may appeal such a denial, within thirty (30) days, in writing to:

FOIA Appeals Committee
Office of the United States Trade Representative
1724 F Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20508

Both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked: "Freedom of Information Act Appeal". In the event you are dissatisfied with the results of any such appeal, judicial review will thereafter be available to you in the United States District Court for the judicial district in which you reside or have your principal place of business, or in the District of Columbia, where we searched for the records you seek.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the FOIA office at (202) 395-3419.

Sincerely yours,



Jonathan R. Weinberger
Associate General Counsel

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February 15, 2011

The Honorable Darrell E. Issa
Chairman
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-6143

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for your letter of January 25, 2011, requesting information regarding USTR's Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) program. We are pleased to respond to your request.

1. Paragraph 1

We are forwarding with this reply FOIA logs setting out the information called for in subparagraphs 1 (a) through (f) of your letter. We have produced the logs in Microsoft Excel to allow sorting by column or information category.

USTR assigns a tracking number to each FOIA it receives, pursuant to Section 7 of the Open Government Act of 2007. The tracking number for each FOIA USTR received during the five-year period referred to in your letter is shown in the far left hand column of each of the logs we have provided to you. For example, the first entry on our 2006 FOIA log is number 6122040. The number can be understood as follows: 6 reflects the year (2006), 12 indicates the month (December), and 20 indicates the day USTR received the FOIA request. The number 40 is the specific number we assigned to that particular FOIA.

In reference to 1 (g), USTR does not assign additional identification numbers or codes for internal use.

2. Paragraphs 2 and 3

To provide the information called for in paragraph 2 of your letter, we have placed an asterisk in the "Date Closed" column of each log entry reflecting a FOIA request submitted more than 45 days before the date of your letter to which USTR has not issued a complete and final response. In response to paragraph 3 of your letter, for each such case we have provided copies of all electronic and other documents reflecting communications between USTR and the requestor regarding the pertinent FOIA request.

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3. Paragraphs 4 and 5

USTR has not been subject to a federal court order for payment of attorneys' fees or other litigation costs incurred by a FOIA requestor during the five-year period covered by your request.

Thank you for your interest in USTR's FOIA program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carmen Suro-Bredie".

Carmen Suro-Bredie
Chief FOIA Officer