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Request

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Request description

Dear FOIA Officer, Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the implementing FOIA regulations of the agency, I respectfully request the following records from GARY ARNOLD, ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE (TECHNICAL): All sent communications [via the Custodian's outbox; not received communications] mentioning 'Trump' AND 'Reduction in Force' OR 'RIF'. Please comply fully with 5 U.S.C. § 552(b). Search Instructions: Please search all email inboxes assigned/issued/used by the custodian. For any potentially responsive documents please include all file attachments regardless of type and the entire email chain for completeness. I am amicable to a rolling production as records are available. I request all responsive documents be delivered electronically, via email. To further narrow down the scope of the request, requester does not seek correspondence that merely forwards press clippings, such as news accounts or opinion pieces, newsletters, and published or docketed materials, if that correspondence has no comment or no substantive comment added by any party in the thread. Records Definitions: The terms “pertaining to”, “referring”, “relating”, or “concerning” with respect to any given subject means anything that constitutes, contains, embodies, reflects, identifies, states, refers to, deals with, or is in any manner whatsoever pertinent to that subject. The term “record” means any written, recorded, or graphic matter of any nature whatsoever, regardless of how recorded, and whether original or copy, including, but not limited to, the following: memoranda, reports, expense reports, books, manuals, instructions, financial reports, working papers, records, notes, letters, notices, confirmations, telegrams, receipts, appraisals, pamphlets, magazines, newspapers, prospectuses, inter-office and intra-office communications, electronic mail (emails), MMS or SMS text messages, instant messages, messaging systems (such as IRC, WebIRC, Rocketchat, Signal, iMessage, Microsoft Teams, WhatsApp, Telegram, Signal, Google Chat, Twitter direct messages, Lync, Slack, and Facebook Messenger), contracts, cables, telexes, notations of any type of conversation, telephone call, voicemail, meeting or other communication. Please limit all searches to the the timeframe of 20 January, 2021 to the present; starting from 00:01 on 20 January, 2021 to the present.

Supporting documentation

Fees

Request category ID	media
Fee waiver	yes

Explanation

This request is primarily and fundamentally for non-commercial purposes. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, Heritage Foundation does not have a commercial purpose and the release of the information requested is not in Heritage Foundation's commercial interest. Heritage Foundation's mission is to formulate and promote public policies based on the principles of free enterprise, limited government, individual freedom, traditional American values, and a strong national defense. Heritage Foundation uses the information requested and analyzes it in order to educate the public through social media, broadcast media (traditional and nontraditional) and press releases. The requested information is in the public interest due to ongoing controversy surrounding the Administration and Campaign's messaging regarding expansion of the federal bureaucracy, further highlighted by the entrenched presence of GS-15, SES, and appointee holdovers with a predominantly Democratic lean as evidenced by voting records and FEC donation history. Because this is a request by a member of the news media for information of public interest, made in my capacity as an author for the Daily Signal (a major news outlet) ([Daily Signal, https://www.dailysignal.com/author/mike-howell/](https://www.dailysignal.com/author/mike-howell/)). I actively gather information of potential interest to our Daily Signal audience, and I use my editorial skills to turn raw materials into a distinct work, and I distribute that work to our Daily Signal audience through podcasts or articles. I also post our distinct work on our Oversight Project social media page (Oversight Project on X. [[@OversightPR](https://twitter.com/OversightPR)] 92.6k Followers on X. <https://twitter.com/oversightpr>). By function, the Oversight Project is primarily engaged in disseminating information to the public. Staff members for the Oversight Project regularly appear on television, radio, print, and other forms of media to provide expert commentary on salient issues in the national debate. I request that you waive all applicable fees associated with this request. If you deny this request for a fee waiver, please advise me in advance of the estimated charges if they are to exceed \$50. Please send me a detailed and itemized explanation of those charges. Thank you in advance for considering my request. If you have any questions, or feel you need clarification of this request please contact me at oversightproject@heritage.org.

Willing to pay

Expedited processing

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