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VIA Electronic Mail

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Request No. CRM-300569941

Dear Mr. Tran:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act request dated November 18, 2016, for records pertaining to the data transfer agreement between the United States and the United Kingdom. Your request specifically sought the final text of the Agreement and other records discussing or evaluating the Agreement.

Please be advised that a search has been conducted in the appropriate section and twenty-one pages were located that are responsive to your request. Because these records originated with the Department of State, this Office has referred the material for processing and direct response to you. See 28 C.F.R. § 16.4(d) (2017). If you have any questions regarding this referral, you may contact the Department of State at the following:

Eric F. Stein
Acting Co-Director
Office of Information Programs and Services
Department of State
Building SA-2
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For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison at the (202) 616-0307 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records

Administration, Room 2510, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with my response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

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