

EXHIBIT A

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FOIPA Request No.: 1391365-000
Civil Action No.: 18-cv-154
Subject: Communications between Peter Strzok and
Lisa Page (February 1, 2015 – Present)

Dear Mr. Marshall:

The enclosed documents were reviewed under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), Title 5, United States Code, Section 552. Below you will find check boxes under the appropriate statute headings with indicate the types of exemptions asserted to protect information which is exempt from disclosure. The appropriate exemptions are noted on the enclosed pages next to redacted information. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted to indicate where pages were withheld entirely and identify which exemptions were applied. The checked exemption boxes used to withhold information are further explained in the enclosed Explanation of Exemptions.

Section 552

☐ (b)(1)☐ (b)(2)☒ (b)(3)50 U.S.C., Section 3024 (j)(1)☐ (b)(4)☒ (b)(5)☒ (b)(6)☐ (b)(7)(A)☐ (b)(7)(B)☒ (b)(7)(C)☐ (b)(7)(D)☒ (b)(7)(E)☐ (b)(7)(F)☐ (b)(8)☐ (b)(9)

Section 552a

☐ (d)(5)☐ (j)(2)☐ (k)(1)☐ (k)(2)☐ (k)(3)☐ (k)(4)☐ (k)(5)☐ (k)(6)☐ (k)(7)

500 pages of potentially responsive records were reviewed.

144 pages are being released in whole or in part.

31 pages are being withheld in full per exemptions.

174 pages are being withheld duplicate.

67 pages are being withheld referral/consult.

84 pages were determined to be non-records/non-responsive to the FOIA request.

Below you will also find additional informational paragraphs about your request. Where applicable, check boxes are used to provide you with more information about the processing of your request. Please read each item carefully.

☒ Document(s) were located which originated with, or contained information concerning, other Government Agency (ies) [OGA].

☐ This information has been referred to the OGA(s) for review and direct response to you.

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☒ We are consulting with another agency. The FBI will correspond with you regarding this information when the consultation is completed.

☐ In accordance with standard FBI practice and pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and Privacy Act exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. § 552/552a (b)(7)(E)/(j)(2)], this response neither confirms nor denies the existence of your subject's name on any watch lists.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010)). This response is limited to those records 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. Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Explanation of Exemptions.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Sixth Floor, 441 G Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA online portal by creating an account on the following website: <https://www.foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, 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. Alternatively, you may contact the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison by emailing foipaquestions@fbi.gov. If you submit your dispute resolution correspondence by email, the subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

Please direct any further inquiries about this case to the Assistant United States Attorney representing the Government in this matter. Please use the FOIPA Request Number and/or Civil Action Number in all correspondence or inquiries concerning your request.

You may direct any further inquiries to the attorney representing the Government in this matter.

☒ See additional information which follows.

Sincerely,



David M. Hardy
Section Chief
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Information Management Division

Enclosure(s)

In response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, enclosed is a processed copy of Bates Stamped documents, FBI(18-cv-154)-7036 through FBI(18-cv-154)-7535. The enclosed documents represent the sixteenth interim release of information responsive to your request.

The FBI conducted email searches for any email communication between Peter Strzok and Lisa Page. This search located both official government records and non-record personal communications between these two individuals.

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The FBI reviewed 500 pages of these emails. While conducting this review, the FBI individually analyzed the emails to determine whether they pertained to official government business constituting records under the FOIA or whether they consisted of purely personal communications between the two individuals. As a result of the FBI's review, it determined 84 pages were non-record, personal communications not subject to the FOIA; and 416 pages consisted of responsive FBI records.

As previously indicated, document(s) were located which originated with, or contained information concerning another agency (ies). We are consulting with the other agency (ies) and are awaiting their response. Our office has processed all other information currently in our possession. The FBI will correspond with you regarding those documents when the consultation is completed.

To minimize costs to both you and the FBI, duplicate copies of the same document were not processed.

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EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS**SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552**

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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Strzok, Peter P. (CD) (FBI)

From: Strzok, Peter P. (CD) (FBI)
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2016 7:49 PM
To: Page, Lisa C. (OGC) (FBI)
Subject: Fwd: Seth Rich

----- Original message -----

From: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED]
Date: 08/10/2016 7:09 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Moffa, Jonathan C. (CD) (FBI)" [REDACTED] "Strzok, Peter P. (CD) (FBI)"
Subject: Fwd: Seth Rich

b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -6

Just FYSA, I squashed this with [REDACTED]

b6 -1
b7C -1

----- Original message -----

From: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED]
Date: 08/10/2016 1:25 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI)"
Cc: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI)"
Subject: RE: Seth Rich

b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -6

Thanks [REDACTED] will do.

From: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI)
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2016 1:00 PM
To: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI); [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI); [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI); [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI)
Subject: RE: Seth Rich

b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -6

Hi [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

b5 -1
b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -9

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----- Original message -----

From: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED]
 Date: 08/10/2016 12:54 PM (GMT-05:00)
 To: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED]
 Cc: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI)"
 [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED]

b6 -1
 b7C -1
 b7E -6

Subject: RE: Seth Rich

Adding [REDACTED] for real. Stupid Samsung.

----- Original message -----

From: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED]
 Date: 08/10/2016 12:53 PM (GMT-05:00)
 To: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED]
 Cc: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI)"
 [REDACTED]

b5 -1
 b6 -1
 b7C -1
 b7E -6

Subject: RE: Seth Rich

Adding [REDACTED] I'm aware of this reporting from earlier this week but not any specific involvement in any related case. [REDACTED]

----- Original message -----

From: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED]
 Date: 08/10/2016 10:32 AM (GMT-05:00)
 To: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED]
 Cc: [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI) [REDACTED] (WF) (FBI)"
 [REDACTED]

b6 -1
 b7C -1
 b7E -6

Subject: Seth Rich

[REDACTED]

b6 -1
 b7C -1

I hope you are well. I heard from the front office that you are covering for [REDACTED] this week. Various news outlets are reporting today that Julian Assange suggested during a recent overseas interview that DNC Staffer, Seth Rich was a Wikileaks source, and may have been killed because he leaked the DNC e-mails to his organization, and that Wikileaks was offering \$20,000 for information regarding Rich's death last month. Based on this news, we anticipate additional press coverage on this matter. I hear that you are in a class today; however, when you have a moment, can you please give me a call to discuss what involvement the Bureau has in the investigation.

Thanks,

b6 -1
 b7C -1
 b7E -6

[REDACTED]
 FBI Washington Field Office
 Public Affairs

Des [REDACTED]
 Cell [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]