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U.S. Department of Justice
Executive Office for United States Attorneys
Freedom of Information Act & Privacy Act Staff
600 E Street, NW, Suite 7300
Washington, DC 20530

Re Request Number: FOIA-2014-03774

Dear FOIA Officer,

In response to your emailed letter of 19 September 2014 (copy attached), I request all public records concerning the US government accusation of espionage by Edward Snowden for reportedly taking documents from the National Security Agency. In particular:

1. Terms and provisions supporting the accusation of espionage and other charges not yet public.

2. What documents were allegedly taken, by type -- digital or paper -- number of files and/or pages.

3. State of the investigation of accusation of espionage by investigative method:

3.1 Prosecuting office.

3.2 District magistrate.

3.3 District judge.

3.4 Grand jury.

3.5 Search warrants.

3.6 Subpoenas.

3.7 National Security Letters.

3.8 Confidential informants.

3.9 Cooperating witnesses.
3.10 Proffers to witnesses and co-conspirators.

3.11 Assistance by US intelligence agencies.

3.12 Assistance by US commercial firms.

3.13 Assistance by foreign judicial, investigative, prosecuting and intelligence agencies and commercial firms.

4. Schedule of prosecution, indictment, arrest, detention, trial, release and/or sentencing.

This material will be published on the free public education website, Cryptome.org, to inform the public on the accusation of espionage against Edward Snowden.

I agree to pay for $500 of the cost of this request. A waiver of the cost is requested for providing this material to the public without cost.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Att Letter from DoJ EOUSA, 2 pages.
September 19, 2014

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Re: Request Number: FOIA-2014-03774    Date of Receipt: August 18, 2014
Subject of Request: Snowden (Third Party) Records

Dear Requester:

The Executive Office for United States Attorneys has received your Freedom of Information Act request and assigned the above number to the request.

You have requested records concerning a third party (or third parties). Records pertaining to a third party generally cannot be released absent express authorization and consent of the third party, proof that the subject of your request is deceased, or a clear demonstration that the public interest in disclosure outweighs the personal privacy interest and that significant public benefit would result from the disclosure of the requested records. Since you have not furnished a release, death certificate, or public justification for release, the release of records concerning a third party would result in an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy and would be in violation of the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552a. These records are also generally exempt from disclosure pursuant to sections (b)(6) and (b)(7)(C) of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552.

We will release, if requested, any public records maintained in our files, such as court records and news clippings, without the express authorization of the third party, a death certificate, or public justification for release. If you desire to obtain public records, if public records exist in our files, please reply with a letter asking for the public documents. Please send your letter to the address above.

Should you obtain the written authorization and consent of the third party for release of the records to you, please submit a new request for the documents accompanied by the written authorization. A form is enclosed to assist you in providing us the authorization and consent of the subject of your request. Your name should appear in the section titled “Optional.” The authorization must be notarized or signed under penalty of perjury pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Please send your new request to the address above.
This is our final action on this above-numbered request. You may appeal this decision in this matter by writing to the **Office of Information Policy, Department of Justice, 1425 New York Avenue, Suite 11050, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001**. Both the envelope and the letter of appeal should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Your appeal must be received by OIP within 60 days from the date of this letter. If you are dissatisfied with the results of any such administrative appeal, judicial review may thereafter be available in U.S. District Court. 28 C.F.R. § 16.9.

Sincerely,

Susan B. Gerson  
Assistant Director

Enclosure