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Dear Ms. Dharmaraj

This is in response to your June 16, 2024 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for: "In light of the Freedom of Information Act, please provide the following records: Please provide 1) The full past, renewed, current, and/or ongoing USAF contract and/or subcontract, with all Task Order and Statement of Work documents, contract award documents, executive summaries, final technical and scientific reports, commercial and financial forms and reports, with General Dynamics Information Technology (GDIT) Corporation, in relation to the USAF contract awarded in 2013 to GDIT, FA8650-13-D-6368, in response to the broad agency solicitation BAA-HPW-RHDR-2013-0002; 2) All information on human use and animal use on this contract, all documentation of informed consent from human subjects used in this contract's Directed Energy Bioeffects Research /Biobehavioral Research/Non Lethal Weapons testing program such as the Federal Wide Assurance signed off by the Institutional Review Board involved, all affirmations of Compliance Oversight from the Office of Human Subject Research Protections and all Waivers of Consent from the Office of the Secretary of Defense if and as applicable, and reasons for these waivers, as well as precise area and location, region, state/s, cities and towns, base and field of operation where these Directed Energy Weapons are being trained in any category of program whether categorized as Public Safety, Public Health, Behavioral Health, Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance, Counter Terrorism, Countering Violent Extremism or any other, on all categories of human and animal subjects, whether categorized as involuntary or volunteers, "patients," "unable to consent," "mentally ill," "mentally incompetent," "disabled," "veterans," "civilians," or any other, along with all naming lists of these "human subjects"; 3) The RFP if available on this contract. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/1993 To 06/16/2024)." The FOIA control number assigned to this request is 2024-04791-F.

A thorough search for any segregable, releasable information in existence and relevant to your request was conducted. Following a document-by-document review, no additional, meaningful, non-exempt information that could be reasonably segregated and released was located beyond what you are receiving. The records you have requested, therefore, are partially exempt from disclosure under FOIA Exemption(s) (b)(1), (b)(4), and (b)(6).

Exemption 1 of the Freedom of Information Act, found at 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(1), prohibits release of information concerning national defense or foreign policy, provided the information is properly classified in accordance with Executive Order 13526 prior to release. In this instance, Section(s) 1.4, subsections (a), (c), (e), (g), and (h) of the Executive Order apply. The authority for this exemption is found at 5 U.S.C., Section 552 (b)(1).

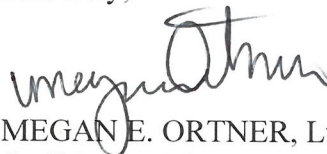
Exemption 4 prohibits release of trade secrets and commercial and financial information the government received with the understanding the information will be retained on a privileged or confidential basis, in accordance with the customary handling of such records. This information is normally closely held by the Submitter and was received by the United States Air Force with the express or implied understanding that it would not be publicly disclosed. Specific to your request, locations and handling of classified information spelled out in the DD254(s) (and other proprietary information) has been redacted from the responsive records. The authority for this exemption is found at 5 U.S.C., Section 552(b)(4).

Exemption 6 of FOIA permits the government to withhold personal information when the disclosure of such information “would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.” Information such as names, signatures, and contact information not ordinarily available to the public have therefore been removed under Exemption 6. The authority for this exemption is found at 5 U.S.C., Section 552(b)(6).

If you disagree and interpret this response as an adverse action, you may write to the Secretary of the Air Force, Thru: 88 CS/SCSIF, 3810 Communications Blvd, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH 45433-7802, within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. Include in the appeal your reasons for reconsideration and attach a copy of this letter in the appeal. You may also submit your appeal on-line at the Air Force’s Public Access Link: <https://efoia.cce.af.mil/>.

You may contact the Air Force FOIA Public Liaison Officer, Mr. Robert E. Bivins, concerning this final response at Air Force FOIA Public Liaison Office (SAF/CN) , 1800 Air Force Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330-1800 or DAF.FOIA@us.af.mil or (703) 614-8500. You may also seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services, and can find information on this Office at <https://ogis.archives.gov/mediation-program/request-assistance.htm>. Using the dispute resolution services, will not affect your appeal rights.

Sincerely,



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Staff Judge Advocate

Attachment(s):
Your Request
Responsive Records