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Re:

Mr. Steven Aftergood Federation of American Scientists 1112 16th Street NW, Ste. 400 Washington, DC 20036 saftergood@fas.org

Dear Mr. Aftergood:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated and received in this Office on May 18, 2018, for any subsequent reports from to Congress regarding the use of the state secrets privilege, after the initial 2011 report. This response is made on behalf of the Office of Legislative Affairs.

Please be advised that a search has been conducted in the Office of Legislative Affairs and no records responsive to your request were located.

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) (2012 & Supp. IV 2016). 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, Douglas Hibbard, for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request at: Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001; telephone at 202-514-3642; or facsimile at 202-514-1009.

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, 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 at https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically submitted within ninety

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,

Vanessa R. Brinkmann

Senior Counsel