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Mr. Steven Aftergood Federation of American Scientists 1725 DeSales Street, NW Suite 600 Washington, DC 20036

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Dear Mr. Aftergood:

This is a final response to your 22 June 2012 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, submitted on behalf of the Federation of American Scientists, for "a copy of a letter prepared by the JASON scientific advisory panel in 2010 entitled 'Metamaterials." We processed your request in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and the CIA Information Act, 50 U.S.C. § 431, as amended. Our processing included a search for records as described in our 24 August 2012 acceptance letter.

We completed a thorough search for records responsive to your request and located material which we determined must be denied in its entirety on the basis of FOIA exemption (b)(3). Exemption (b)(3) pertains to information exempt from disclosure by statute. The relevant statute is the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 U.S.C. § 403, as amended, e.g., Section 6, which exempts from the disclosure requirement information pertaining to the organization, functions, including those related to the protection of intelligence sources and methods, names, official titles, salaries, and numbers of personnel employed by the Agency. An explanation of exemptions is enclosed. As the CIA Information and Privacy Coordinator, I am the CIA official responsible for this determination. You have the right to appeal this response to the Agency Release Panel, in my care, within 45 days from the date of this letter. Please include the basis of your appeal.

Sincerely,

Michele Meeks Information and Privacy Coordinator

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