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Message: NEW FOIA REQUEST: Archive # 20091179DOD116

Thank you for all your assistance.

Regards,
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Re: Request under the FOIA, in reply refer to Archive# 20091179DOD116

Dear Mr. Kammer:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request the following:

All documents, including but not limited to intelligence reports, briefings, transcripts, talking points, meeting minutes, memoranda, cables, audio/visual recordings and emails concerning the use of loud music during detention and/or as a technique to interrogate detainees at U.S.-operated prison facilities used in its War on Terror at Guantanamo, Iraq and Afghanistan during 2002-the present.

The documents we seek include but are not limited to records that contain explicit references to the following bands or songs, among any other bands or songs mentioned:

AC/DC
Aerosmith
Barney theme song (By Bob Singleton)
The Bee Gees
Britney Spears
Bruce Springsteen
Christina Aguilera
David Gray
Deicide
Don McClean
Dope
Dr. Dre
Drowning Pool
Eminem
Hed P.E.
James Taylor
Limp Bizkit
Marilyn Manson
Matchbox Twenty
Meatloaf
Meow mix jingle
Metallica
Neil Diamond
Nine Inch Nails
Pink
Prince
Queen

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Rage against the Machine
Red Hot Chili Peppers
Redman
Saliva
Sesame street theme music (By Christopher Cerf)
Stanley Brothers
The Star Spangled Banner
Tupac Shakur

Please note that similar requests were sent to the Department of the Army, US Southern Command, US Central Command, US Joint Forces Command, US Army Special Forces Command, DOD Criminal Investigation Task Force, Defense Intelligence Agency, FBI, CIA, FCC, and Office of Legal Counsel.

If you regard any of this material as potentially exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them. As you know, President Barack Obama has called upon all agencies to "adopt a presumption in favor of disclosure, in order to renew their commitment to the principles embodied in FOIA, and to usher in a new era of open Government." As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable, nonexempt portions of documents. To permit me to reach an intelligent and informed decision whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denied material, please describe any withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the basis for your exemption claims.

As a representative of the news media, the National Security Archive qualifies for "representative of the news media" status under 5 U.S.C. Sec. 552(a)(4)(A)(ii)(II) and, therefore, may not be charged search and review fees (See *National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense*, 880 F.2d 1381 (D.C.Cir. 1989), *cert denied*, 110 S Ct. 1478 (1990)). This request is made as part of a scholarly and news research project that is intended for publication and is not for commercial use. For details on the Archive's research and extensive publication activities please see our website at www.nsarchive.org.

To expedite the release of the requested material, please disclose them on an interim basis as they become available to you, without waiting until all the documents have been processed.

Please notify me before incurring any duplication costs over \$100. If you have any questions regarding the identity of the records, their location, the scope of the request or any other matters, please call me at (202) 994-7000 or email me at foiamail@gwu.edu. I look forward to receiving your response within the twenty-day statutory time period.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas S. Blanton
Executive Director