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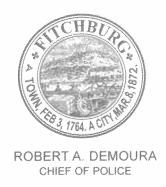
March 29, 2013

Laura Rotolo ACLU of Massachusetts 211 Congress St. Boston, MA 02110

Dear Atty. Rotolo,

I have received your request (attached) via email on 3/28/2013. Concerning request listed as:

- 1. You are referring to case # 1996-28853. That particular case number has been requested in the past. Per the past request determination, the attorney for the City of Fitchburg at the time of the request (Atty. Ciota) and the Deputy Counsel for the Massachusetts Criminal History Systems Board, the request was determined to be C.O.R.I. information and would not be released.
 - M.P.R.I. Exemption (a) (C.O.R.I. information)
- 2. I am not aware of information relating to the SWAT team during 1999.
- 3. "Operation Red Wolf" was a federal operation and as such a request for information would have to be made through them.



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All above responses have been concurred with and approved by Deputy Chief Kearns.

If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by contacting:

Supervisor of Records Office of the State Secretary One Ashburton Place, Room 1719 Boston, Massachusetts 02108

Respectfully,

Officer Brian Rouleau

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From: Laura Rotolo <LRotolo@aclum.org>

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Date: 03/28/2013 02:19 PM

Subject: Update records request - SWAT teams

Dear Officer Rouleau:

Thank you for speaking with us this week and explaining the difficulty of carrying out the public records request we made on March 14, 2013 relating to SWAT teams.

Further to that discussion, we would like to limit our request to the following:

- 1. All reports, communications, or other records relating to the SWAT team incident of December 6, 1996 which led to a house being burned down.
- 2. All notes, communications, memoranda, or other records relating to the SWAT team during 1999.
- 3. All records concerning the January 31, 2012 FBI SWAT operation termed 'Operation Red Wolf."

Thank you for your attention.

Best.

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