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Re: Appeal No. 2010-1356

Request No. 10-75

JGM:KWC

Dear Ms. Rotolo:

This responds to your letter dated March 1, 2010, received in this Office on March 10, 2010, in which you appealed from the decision of the Executive Office of United States Attorneys (EOUSA) denying expedited processing of your request for access to records pertaining the Joint Terrorism Task Force and the Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council in Massachusetts.

After carefully considering your appeal, and based on the information presented, that expedited processing of your request is warranted. The Director of Public Affairs considered your request for expedited processing under the fourth standard and determined that your request should be granted because it is a "matter of widespread and exceptional media interest in which there exist possible questions about the government's integrity which affect public confidence." 28 C.F.R. § 16.5(d)(1)(iv) (2009). I concur in that determination. Accordingly, your request will be processed as quickly as practicable.

Sincerely,

Janice Galli McLeod Associate Director