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ACLU OF MASSACHUSETTS
211 CONGRESS STREET
BOSTON, MA 02110

Request No.: 1141763- 000
Subject: ATAC/MASSACHUSETTS
ANTI-TERRORISM ADVISORY COUNCIL

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Sincerely yours,

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Request No.: 1141764- 000
Subject: ATAC/MASSACHUSETTS ATAC AGENDA,
ATTENDEES, MINUTES JAN. 1, 2005-PRESENT

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Request No.: 1141766-000
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ATTORNEY AND MASSACHUSETTS ATAC

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Request No.: 1141767- 000
Subject: ATAC/COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN
MASSACHUSETTS JTTF AND MEMBERS OF
MASSCHUSETTS ATAC

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Request No.: 1141768- 000
Subject: ATAC/COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN FBI BOSTON
FIELD OFFICE AND MEMBERS ET AL.

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Request No.: 1141769- 000
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ATAC AND MASSACHUSETTS JTTF ET AL.

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Request No.: 1141770- 000
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS ET AL.

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Request No.: 1141771- 000
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AND FUNDING FROM 2005-PRESENT

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- The primary function of the FBI is law enforcement.
The FBI does not keep a file on every citizen of the United States.
- **The FBI was not established until 1908 and we have very few records prior to the 1920's.**
- **FBI files generally contain reports** of FBI investigations of a wide range of matters, including counterterrorism, foreign counter-intelligence, organized crime/drugs, violent crime, white-collar crime, applicants, and civil rights.
- **The FBI does not issue clearances or nonclearances for anyone other than its own personnel or persons having access to FBI facilities.** Background investigations for security clearances are conducted by many different Government agencies. Persons who received a clearance while in the military or employed with some other government agency should write directly to that entity.
- **An FBI identification record or "rap sheet" is NOT the same as an FBI "file"** - it is simply a listing of information taken from fingerprint cards submitted to the FBI in connection with arrests, federal employment, naturalization, or military service. The subject of a "rap sheet" may obtain a copy by submitting a written request to FBI, CJIS Division, Attn: SCU, Mod. D-2, 1000 Custer Hollow Road, Clarksburg, West Virginia 26306. Each request must have proof of identity which shall consist of **name, date and place of birth and a set of rolled-ink fingerprint impressions** placed upon fingerprint cards or forms commonly utilized for applicant or law enforcement purposes by law enforcement agencies, plus **payment of \$18.00** in the form of a certified check or money order, payable to the Treasury of the United States.
- **The National Name Check Program (NNCP)** conducts a search of the FBI's Universal Index to identify **any** information contained in FBI records that may be associated with an individual and provides the results of that search to the requesting Federal, State or local agency. For the NNCP, a name is searched in a multitude of combinations and phonetic spellings to ensure all records are located. The NNCP also searches for both "main" and "cross reference" files. A main file is an entry that carries the name corresponding to the subject of a file while a cross reference is merely a mention of an individual contained in a file. The results from a search of this magnitude can result in several "hits" and "idents" on an individual. In each instance where UNI has identified a name variation or reference, information must be reviewed to determine whether it is applicable to the individual in question.
- **The Record/Information Dissemination Section/Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts (FOIPA)** search for records provides copies of FBI files relevant to a FOIPA request for information. FOIPA provides responsive documents to requesters seeking "reasonably described information." For a FOIPA search, the subject name, event, activity, business, or event is searched to determine whether there is an investigative file associated with the subject. This is called a "main file search" and differs from The NNCP search.

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