

RE: ACLU Public Records Request - 2021-MSP-4642

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Good morning Emiliano and Kade,

Thank you Kade for discussing your request with us today.

Pursuant to our conversation, the Department is providing you with information demonstrating why the requests would be unduly burdensome to the Department of State Police ("Department"). We appreciate you agreeing to narrow down the request back in December to a two-week time period and was hoping you would do the same for this request, or even narrow the request down to a three-week time period of your choosing (please note the further out in time your request is, the more likely the investigations would be completed and available for release subject to the public records law). Please be advised as discussed in our conversation today, we would be required by law to file a fee assessment or petition by tomorrow June 8, 2022. If you would agree to hold off on this time period during your consideration of determining whether to narrow down your request, we can hold off on filing any fee assessments or petition until I hear back from you.

The following is a breakdown of the search results at this time:

- The Executive Office of Technology Services and Security (search our emails and provide the results):
 - Searched Department emails from January 20, 2020 to May 24, 2022 utilizing the search terms "drone", "unmanned aerial vehicle", or "UAV." The search resulted in 35,397 items.
 - Searched Department emails from January 1, 2016 (drones were utilized by the Dept. in 2016) to May 24, 2022 utilizing the search terms "drone" or "unmanned aerial vehicle" or "UAV"; AND "search and rescue" or "tactical mission" or "crash" or "accident" or "crime scene" or "fire" or "hazmat" or "natural disaster" (this is based upon the exigent circumstances definition in the policy the requestor referenced). The search resulted in 196,839 items.
- The Department has two primary electronic record keeping systems for reports and/or logs. One system, ACISS maintains records generally relating to death investigations, and investigations conducted by specialty units within the Department. The other system, RAMS maintains records relating to the various responses by the individual State Police Barracks throughout the Commonwealth.
 - The Department searched the ACISS system from January 20, 2020 to May 24, 2022 utilizing the search terms described above for emails that resulted in 92 reports and 84 tips/logs.
 - The Department searched the RAMS system from January 20, 2020 to May 24, 2022 utilizing the search terms described above for emails that resulted in 83 reports (not including logs).
 - The Department searched the ACISS system from January 1, 2016 to May 24, 2022 utilizing the search terms described above for emails that resulted in 862 reports.
 - The Department searched the RAMS system from January 1, 2016 to May 24, 2022 utilizing the search terms described above for emails that resulted in 74 reports (not

including logs).

- The Incident Management Assistance Team (IMAT) in the Unmanned Aerial Section of the Department possesses flight data logs relating to drones.
 - The flights were searched from January 20, 2020 to May 24, 2022 that resulted in 129 flights (expected to be 43 IMAT cases, 2 Special Tactics and Operations Team (STOP) team cases, and 38 Collision Analysis & Reconstruction Section (CARS) cases.

Please be advised that the information was derived from record searches within the Department at this time. The Department is still in the process of searching for records within the Department to determine if there would be any additional responsive records not highlighted below in this email.

Please let me know if you would be agreeable to narrow down your request to a two-three-week period of time of your choosing (can be staggered weeks).

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

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Thanks, Keith!

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Thank you both for taking the time to meet with me. I will send the invite to you both shortly.

Thank you.