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Dear [REDACTED]

This responds to your November 17, 2014 request for assistance from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), which we received the same day by email. Your request for assistance pertains to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, Nos. CBP-2013-[REDACTED] and CBP-2013-[REDACTED], to U.S. Customs and Border Patrol (CBP). You sought information pertaining to your clients, [REDACTED]. Thank you for notifying us that you did receive a response to your request for information regarding [REDACTED].

As you are aware, Congress created OGIS to complement existing FOIA practice and procedure; we strive to work in conjunction with the existing request and appeal process. The goal is for OGIS to allow, whenever practical, the requester to exhaust his or her remedies within the agency, including the appeal process. OGIS has no investigatory or enforcement power, nor can we compel an agency to release documents. OGIS serves as the Federal FOIA Ombudsman and our jurisdiction is limited to assisting with the FOIA process.

We carefully reviewed your case and discussed the status of your remaining outstanding FOIA request regarding [REDACTED] with Stephanie Tell of CBP's FOIA Division. Ms. Tell advised OGIS that CBP's FOIA Division completed review of that case and ensured it was available via your account on foiaonline.gov. They also informed us that they mailed you a response as well.

I hope that this information is useful to you. Thank you for bringing this matter to OGIS; at this time there is no further action for us to take and we will consider this matter closed.

Sincerely,

/s/

Nikki Gramian, Acting Director
Office of Government Information Services (OGIS)

cc: Stephanie Tell, CBP FOIA Office, via email

