

Request for Records Disposition Authority (See Instructions on reverse)		Leave Blank (NARA use only)	
To National Archives and Records Administration (NIR) 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001		Job Number	NI-567-10-16
1 From (Agency or establishment) U S Immigration and Customs Enforcement (USICE)		Date Received	8/19/10
2 Major Subdivision Homeland Security Investigations (HSI)		<b>Notification to Agency</b> In accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 3303a, the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked "disposition not approved" or "withdrawn" in column 10	
3 Minor Subdivision Cyber Crimes Center/Computer Forensics Section			
4 Name of Person with whom to confer Joseph M Gerhart	5 Telephone (include area code) (202) 732-6337	Date 22 Nov 10	Archivist of the United States <i>[Signature]</i>
<b>6 Agency Certification</b> I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in the matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached <u>2</u> page(s) are not needed for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified, and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required, <input type="checkbox"/> is attached, or <input type="checkbox"/> has been requested			
Signature of Agency Representative <i>Joseph M Gerhart</i>		Title Chief, Records Management Branch	Date (mm/dd/yyyy) 07/30/2010
7 Item Number	8 Description of Item and Proposed disposition	9 GRS OR Superseded Job Citation	10 Action taken (NARA Use Only)
1	See attached sheet(s) for <b>Pathfinder</b>		

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**Pathfinder**

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The U S Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Pathfinder System is operated by the Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Cyber Crimes Center Computer Forensics Section. The system supports the collection, organization, and analysis of electronic data for law enforcement purposes. Information is collected during the course of an investigation or law enforcement activity. Any digital medium can have an image created within Pathfinder. Flash drives, CDs, hard drives, and any other digital media that can store and hold digital information. All media identified for Pathfinder imaging has been obtained from the execution of search warrants, subpoenas, summons, or by voluntary production.

Note: Records maintained and/or created by this Information Technology system may contain Personally Identifiable Information (PII) (e.g., name, date of birth, Social Security Number, Alien Registration Number (A-number), email address, phone number, financial information). These records should only be accessed when required for agency business and should be handled with diligence in order to avoid compromise.

**1. Pathfinder**

**A. Master File/Data**

**(1) Digital Images**

Digital images composed of electronic documents and files collected by Computer Forensic Agents (CFA) from various types of media including flash drives, CDs, hard drives, and any other digital media that can store and hold digital information that are obtained during an investigation or law enforcement action. These files may contain Personally Identifiable Information (PII) of individuals who are the subject of a customs and immigration investigation or law enforcement activity.

**Disposition:**

a. Images from investigations that result in court proceedings  
TEMPORARY Destroy/delete two (2) years after expiration of final adjudication appeal period

b. Images from investigations that DO NOT result in court proceedings  
TEMPORARY Destroy/delete immediately at close of investigation

**C. Output**

**(1) Textual Based Search Results**

Text information extracted from the digital images during Pathfinder's textual data mining process. These files may contain Personally Identifiable Information (PII) of individuals.

**Disposition (Media Neutral):**

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