DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES



Public Health Service

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Atlanta GA 30333 September 1, 2023

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Via email: foia@aflegal.org

Dear Mr. Ding:

This letter is in response to your Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (CDC/ATSDR) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of July 20, 2023, for:

All records of communications between the custodians listed below with Imran Ahmed or with any e-mail account ending in the domain name "@counterhate.com." The time frame for this request is January 20, 2021 to the date this request is processed.

Custodians: Office of the Secretary 1. Xavier Becerra, Secretary of HHS 2. Vivek H. Murthy, Surgeon General 3. Katharine Dealy, Chief Engagement Officer for the Surgeon General 4. Yolanda Byrd, HHS Digital Engagement Team 5. Christy Choi, HHS Office of Communications 6. Ashley Morse, HHS Director of Digital Engagement 7. Joshua Peck, HHS Deputy Assistant Secretary 8. Janell Muhammed, HHS Deputy Digital Director National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) 9. Dr. Hugh Auchincloss, Director of NIAID Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) 10.Carol Y. Crawford, Chief of the Digital Media Branch 11.Jay Dempsey, Social-media Team Leader, Digital Media Branch 12.Kate Galatas, CDC Deputy Communications Director (Date Range for Record Search: From 1/21/2021 To 1/21/2027) Would you have e-mail addresses for Imran Ahmed? Without specific e-mail addresses for that individual, we would not be able to search for e-mail communications with that individual that are sent to or received from domains other than those ending with "@counterhate.com."

At this time, your request has been placed on hold until we receive the information requested. If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Gilan Shamir at (404) 498-2436.

If we do not receive a response from you by October 2, 2023, we will consider your request withdrawn and it will be closed.

Sincerely,

Gilan Shamir

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