



April 25, 2025

Attn: FOIA/PA
Information Management Office
Office of the DNI
Washington, DC 20511

Dear FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request disclosure of the following:

A copy of the April 2025 National Intelligence Council assessment that found that the Venezuelan government is not directing an invasion of the United States by the prison gang Tren de Aragu.

When processing this request please note that the existence of the assessment, which has critical implications for the invocation of the Alien Enemies Act and whose release would be in the public interest, was publicly disclosed in the April 17, 2025, Washington Post article, "U.S. intelligence contradicts Trump's justification for mass deportations."

If you regard any of these documents as potentially exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them.

As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable nonexempt portions of documents.

To permit me to reach an informed decision whether to file an administrative appeal of any denied material, please describe any withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the basis for your exemption claims.

Freedom of the Press Foundation qualifies for "representative of the news media" status under 5 U.S.C. Sec. 552(a)(4)(A)(ii)(II) and, therefore, may not be charged search and review fees. This request is made as part of a news research project that is not for

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I request expedited processing for this request according to subsection 552(a)(6)(E) of the FOIA, which states that expedited processing must be granted to requests with a "compelling need...made by a person primarily engaged in dissemination information [with] urgency to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal Government activity."

Please note that, as a representative of the news media, FPF has an "urgency to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal Government activity" at issue in this request. Please also note that courts have interpreted "concerning" broadly to extend beyond materials generated by the federal government and to include information provided to an agency by private entities.

To further expedite the release of the requested documents, please disclose them on an interim basis as they become available to you, without waiting until all the documents have been processed.

Please notify me before incurring any photocopying costs over \$25.

If you have any questions regarding the identity of these records, their location, the scope of the request or any other matters, send an email to lauren@freedom.press.

I look forward to receiving your response within the twenty-day statutory period.

Sincerely,

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