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FOIA Case: 57116  
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Mr. Jonah S. Bossewitch  
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Dear Mr. Bossewitch:

This responds to your 13 September 2008 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) request, which was received by this office on 15 September 2008, for a copy of all records this Agency maintains on you. Your letter has been assigned Case Number 57116. Please refer to this case number when contacting us about your request. Your request has been processed under the provisions of the FOIA and PA. There are no assessable fees for this request.

Personnel management files are maintained on NSA/CSS affiliates. Therefore, a search of our most comprehensive filing systems which include applicant, personnel, security, medical, and training was conducted pursuant to the Privacy Act. Our records reflect that you have never been affiliated with this Agency; thus, no records were located in a search of those filing systems.

You may be aware that NSA/CSS targets unspecified persons or entities involved in terrorism as part of the nation's efforts to prevent and protect against terrorist attacks. However, because of the classified nature of the National Security Agency's efforts, we can neither confirm nor deny whether intelligence records relating to you exist, or whether any specific technique or method or activity is employed in those efforts. The fact of the existence or non-existence of responsive records is a currently and properly classified matter in accordance with Executive Order 12958, as amended. Thus, your request is denied pursuant to the first exemption of the FOIA, which provides that the FOIA does not apply to matters that are specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive Order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign relations and are properly classified pursuant to such Executive Order.