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Request ID	Requested Date	Received Date	Organization	Request Description	Request Status
DOI-ASIA-2024-000026	10/30/2023	11/17/2023	Self	<p>I am seeking information as to the balance of the IIM account of my (b) (6), Jerry Allin McLean (DOB: (b) (6)). This case is currently in queue for a hearing with BIA to determine distribution of any potential assets.</p> <p>Dear FOIA Officer, Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the implementing FOIA regulations of the agency, I respectfully request the following: Documents sufficient to account for all sole sourced contracts issued by the agency under 5 million dollars (USD), and the relied upon documentation and supplemental materials in awarding the sole source contracts - including, but not limited to: sole source justifications, approval paperwork and designated approving authority, any supplemental documentation in support of a sole source determination. To further narrow down the scope of the request, requester does not seek correspondence that merely forwards press clippings, such as news accounts or opinion pieces, newsletters, and published or docketed materials, if that correspondence has no comment or no substantive comment added by any party in the thread. The terms "pertaining to," "referring," "relating," or "concerning" with respect to any given subject means anything that constitutes, contains, embodies, reflects, identifies, states, refers to, deals with, or is in any manner whatsoever pertinent to that subject. The term "record" means any written, recorded, or graphic matter of any nature whatsoever, regardless of how recorded, and whether original or copy, including, but not limited to, the following: memoranda, reports, expense reports, books, manuals, instructions, financial reports, working papers, records, notes, letters, notices, confirmations, telegrams, receipts, appraisals, pamphlets, magazines, newspapers, prospectuses, inter-office and intra-office communications, electronic mail (emails), MMS or SMS text messages, instant messages, messaging systems (such as iMessage, Microsoft Teams, WhatsApp, Telegram, Signal, Google Chat, Twitter direct messages, Lync, Slack, and Facebook Messenger), contracts, cables, telexes, notations of any type of conversation, telephone call, voicemail, meeting or other communication. Please comply fully with 5 U.S.C. § 552(b). Accordingly, without limitation to the foregoing, if any portion of this request is denied for any reason, please provide written notice of the records or portions of records that are being withheld and cite each specific exemption of the Freedom of Information Act on which the agency relies. Moreover, to the extent that responsive records may be withheld in part produce all reasonably segregable portions of those records. Additionally, please provide all responsive documents even if they are redacted in full. This request is primarily and fundamentally for non-commercial purposes. As an investigative columnist and author, my request is in the public interest to inform the public regarding the agency's operations pertaining to sole source contracts.</p>	Assigned
DOI-ASIA-2024-000022	11/04/2023	11/06/2023 -	-	<p>Dear FOIA Officer, Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the implementing FOIA regulations of the agency, I respectfully request the following: Documents sufficient to account for all contracts, agreements, policies, procedures, manuals, memorandums, memorandums of understanding (MOU's) or directives pertaining to unions or labor unions. Documents sufficient to account for the number of employees included in any labor contracts, agreements, or memorandums of understanding (MOU's). To further narrow down the scope of the request, requester does not seek correspondence that merely forwards press clippings, such as news accounts or opinion pieces, newsletters, and published or docketed materials, if that correspondence has no comment or no substantive comment added by any party in the thread. The terms "pertaining to," "referring," "relating," or "concerning" with respect to any given subject means anything that constitutes, contains, embodies, reflects, identifies, states, refers to, deals with, or is in any manner whatsoever pertinent to that subject. The term "record" means any written, recorded, or graphic matter of any nature whatsoever, regardless of how recorded, and whether original or copy, including, but not limited to, the following: memoranda, reports, expense reports, books, manuals, instructions, financial reports, working papers, records, notes, letters, notices, confirmations, telegrams, receipts, appraisals, pamphlets, magazines, newspapers, prospectuses, inter-office and intra-office communications, electronic mail (emails), MMS or SMS text messages, instant messages, messaging systems (such as iMessage, Microsoft Teams, WhatsApp, Telegram, Signal, Google Chat, Twitter direct messages, Lync, Slack, and Facebook Messenger), contracts, cables, telexes, notations of any type of conversation, telephone call, voicemail, meeting or other communication. Please comply fully with 5 U.S.C. § 552(b). Accordingly, without limitation to the foregoing, if any portion of this request is denied for any reason, please provide written notice of the records or portions of records that are being withheld and cite each specific exemption of the Freedom of Information Act on which the agency relies. Moreover, to the extent that responsive records may be withheld in part produce all reasonably segregable portions of those records. Additionally, please provide all responsive documents even if they are redacted in full. This request is primarily and fundamentally for non-commercial purposes. As an investigative columnist and author, my request is in the public interest to inform the public regarding the agency's operations pertaining to unions, labor unions, and collective bargaining.</p>	Closed
DOI-ASIA-2024-000023	11/04/2023	11/06/2023 -	-	<p>Dear FOIA Officer, Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the implementing FOIA regulations of the agency, I respectfully request the following: Documents sufficient to account for all contracts, agreements, policies, procedures, manuals, memorandums, memorandums of understanding (MOU's) or directives pertaining to unions or labor unions. Documents sufficient to account for the number of employees included in any labor contracts, agreements, or memorandums of understanding (MOU's). To further narrow down the scope of the request, requester does not seek correspondence that merely forwards press clippings, such as news accounts or opinion pieces, newsletters, and published or docketed materials, if that correspondence has no comment or no substantive comment added by any party in the thread. The terms "pertaining to," "referring," "relating," or "concerning" with respect to any given subject means anything that constitutes, contains, embodies, reflects, identifies, states, refers to, deals with, or is in any manner whatsoever pertinent to that subject. The term "record" means any written, recorded, or graphic matter of any nature whatsoever, regardless of how recorded, and whether original or copy, including, but not limited to, the following: memoranda, reports, expense reports, books, manuals, instructions, financial reports, working papers, records, notes, letters, notices, confirmations, telegrams, receipts, appraisals, pamphlets, magazines, newspapers, prospectuses, inter-office and intra-office communications, electronic mail (emails), MMS or SMS text messages, instant messages, messaging systems (such as iMessage, Microsoft Teams, WhatsApp, Telegram, Signal, Google Chat, Twitter direct messages, Lync, Slack, and Facebook Messenger), contracts, cables, telexes, notations of any type of conversation, telephone call, voicemail, meeting or other communication. Please comply fully with 5 U.S.C. § 552(b). Accordingly, without limitation to the foregoing, if any portion of this request is denied for any reason, please provide written notice of the records or portions of records that are being withheld and cite each specific exemption of the Freedom of Information Act on which the agency relies. Moreover, to the extent that responsive records may be withheld in part produce all reasonably segregable portions of those records. Additionally, please provide all responsive documents even if they are redacted in full. This request is primarily and fundamentally for non-commercial purposes. As an investigative columnist and author, my request is in the public interest to inform the public regarding the agency's operations pertaining to unions, labor unions, and collective bargaining.</p>	Assigned

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As an investigative columnist and author, my request is in the public interest to inform the public regarding the agency's operations pertaining to unions, labor unions, and collective bargaining.</p> <p>In this FOIA request—<input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>"Document" means any records, letters, emails, correspondence, notices, reports, papers, documents, or other written materials of any kind and in any format (hard copy, electronic, or otherwise); <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>"UKB" means the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma; the UKB Corporate Board; the United Keetoowah Band Gaming Commission or any other United Keetoowah gaming-related entity; and/or any agent, attorney, employee, or other person or entity acting on behalf of either the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma or the United Keetoowah Corporate Board or the United Keetoowah Band Gaming Commission or any other United Keetoowah Band-related entity, or acting on behalf of all or any of them; and <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>"ASIA" means the Office of the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs, United States Department of the Interior. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Requested Documents: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Request No. 1: I request copies of all Documents received by the ASIA from the UKB at any time on or after June 8, 2023. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Request No. 2: I also request copies of all Documents sent by the ASIA to the UKB I request the following records from Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 2023:<input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>1. I request all records concerning all logs of correspondence that record letters from members of Congress to your bureau/office. The logs should detail the correspondence's control number, the date it was received, what congressional office sent it and its subject. Please redact constituents' names and other personal information detailed in these logs in order to expedite this request. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please consider each numbered bullet point a separate FOIA request, with each requiring its own control number and response. I request the following records from Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 2023:<input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>3. I request all records concerning Freedom of Information Act request logs maintained by your bureau/office. 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DOI-ASIA-2024-000024	11/05/2023	11/06/2023 Cherokee Nation, Office of the Attorney General	<p>"UKB" means the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma; the UKB Corporate Board; the United Keetoowah Band Gaming Commission or any other United Keetoowah gaming-related entity; and/or any agent, attorney, employee, or other person or entity acting on behalf of either the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma or the United Keetoowah Corporate Board or the United Keetoowah Band Gaming Commission or any other United Keetoowah Band-related entity, or acting on behalf of all or any of them; and <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>"ASIA" means the Office of the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs, United States Department of the Interior. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Requested Documents: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Request No. 1: I request copies of all Documents received by the ASIA from the UKB at any time on or after June 8, 2023. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Request No. 2: I also request copies of all Documents sent by the ASIA to the UKB I request the following records from Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 2023:<input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>1. I request all records concerning all logs of correspondence that record letters from members of Congress to your bureau/office. The logs should detail the correspondence's control number, the date it was received, what congressional office sent it and its subject. Please redact constituents' names and other personal information detailed in these logs in order to expedite this request. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please consider each numbered bullet point a separate FOIA request, with each requiring its own control number and response. I request the following records from Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 2023:<input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>3. I request all records concerning Freedom of Information Act request logs maintained by your bureau/office. The FOIA logs should detail the request's control number, the date it was received, who made the request, what company or organization they were from and the request's subject. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please consider each numbered bullet point a separate FOIA request, with each requiring its own control number and response. (Date Range for Record Search: From 10/1/2023 To 11/1/2023) I request the following records from Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 2023:<input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>4. I request a list of "special government employees" (SGEs) employed by your bureau/office. A SGE is an agency employee that performs temporary duties, with or without compensation, for not more than 130 days during any period of 365 consecutive days, as defined in 18 U.S.C § 202. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please consider each numbered bullet point a separate FOIA request, with each requiring its own control number and response</p>	Closed
DOI-ASIA-2024-000028	11/05/2023	11/06/2023 E&E News	<p>1. I request all records concerning all logs of correspondence that record letters from members of Congress to your bureau/office. The logs should detail the correspondence's control number, the date it was received, what congressional office sent it and its subject. Please redact constituents' names and other personal information detailed in these logs in order to expedite this request. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please consider each numbered bullet point a separate FOIA request, with each requiring its own control number and response. I request the following records from Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 2023:<input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>3. I request all records concerning Freedom of Information Act request logs maintained by your bureau/office. The FOIA logs should detail the request's control number, the date it was received, who made the request, what company or organization they were from and the request's subject. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please consider each numbered bullet point a separate FOIA request, with each requiring its own control number and response. (Date Range for Record Search: From 10/1/2023 To 11/1/2023) I request the following records from Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 2023:<input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>4. I request a list of "special government employees" (SGEs) employed by your bureau/office. A SGE is an agency employee that performs temporary duties, with or without compensation, for not more than 130 days during any period of 365 consecutive days, as defined in 18 U.S.C § 202. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please consider each numbered bullet point a separate FOIA request, with each requiring its own control number and response</p>	Closed
DOI-ASIA-2024-000030	11/05/2023	11/06/2023 E&E News	<p>1. I request all records concerning all logs of correspondence that record letters from members of Congress to your bureau/office. The logs should detail the correspondence's control number, the date it was received, what congressional office sent it and its subject. Please redact constituents' names and other personal information detailed in these logs in order to expedite this request. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please consider each numbered bullet point a separate FOIA request, with each requiring its own control number and response. I request the following records from Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 2023:<input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>3. I request all records concerning Freedom of Information Act request logs maintained by your bureau/office. The FOIA logs should detail the request's control number, the date it was received, who made the request, what company or organization they were from and the request's subject. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please consider each numbered bullet point a separate FOIA request, with each requiring its own control number and response. (Date Range for Record Search: From 10/1/2023 To 11/1/2023) I request the following records from Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 2023:<input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>4. I request a list of "special government employees" (SGEs) employed by your bureau/office. A SGE is an agency employee that performs temporary duties, with or without compensation, for not more than 130 days during any period of 365 consecutive days, as defined in 18 U.S.C § 202. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please consider each numbered bullet point a separate FOIA request, with each requiring its own control number and response</p>	Closed
DOI-ASIA-2024-000031	11/05/2023	11/06/2023 E&E News	<p>1. I request all records concerning all logs of correspondence that record letters from members of Congress to your bureau/office. The logs should detail the correspondence's control number, the date it was received, what congressional office sent it and its subject. Please redact constituents' names and other personal information detailed in these logs in order to expedite this request. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please consider each numbered bullet point a separate FOIA request, with each requiring its own control number and response. I request the following records from Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 2023:<input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>3. I request all records concerning Freedom of Information Act request logs maintained by your bureau/office. The FOIA logs should detail the request's control number, the date it was received, who made the request, what company or organization they were from and the request's subject. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please consider each numbered bullet point a separate FOIA request, with each requiring its own control number and response. (Date Range for Record Search: From 10/1/2023 To 11/1/2023) I request the following records from Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 2023:<input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>4. I request a list of "special government employees" (SGEs) employed by your bureau/office. A SGE is an agency employee that performs temporary duties, with or without compensation, for not more than 130 days during any period of 365 consecutive days, as defined in 18 U.S.C § 202. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please consider each numbered bullet point a separate FOIA request, with each requiring its own control number and response</p>	Closed

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Related

All records from the Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs Office, including the Office of Indian Gaming, the Bureau of Indian Affairs Central Office, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs Midwest Regional Office between the dates of May 4, 2023 and the date of this request of or relating to: ☐

1. ~~C~~ommunications with the Menominee Tribe or its representatives, including outside counsel, advocates, or other individuals on behalf of the Tribe related to placing land into trust or an Indian Lands Opinion in Kenosha, Wisconsin; ☐
2. ~~C~~ommunications with the Seminole Tribe of Florida or its representatives, including representatives of Hard Rock International, Hard Rock Digital, or other affiliated entities, and including outside counsel, advocates, or other individuals on behalf of the Seminole Tribe or its affiliates related to placing land into trust for the Menominee Tribe or an Indian Lands Opinion in Kenosha, Wisconsin; ☐
3. ~~R~~ecords of meetings, in person, or by phone or other device, with any representative of AS-IA with the Menominee Tribe or its representatives, including outside counsel, advocates, or other individuals on behalf of the Tribe related to placing land into trust or an Indian Lands Opinion in Kenosha, Wisconsin; ☐
4. ~~R~~ecords of meetings, in person, or by phone or other device, with the Seminole Tribe of Florida or its representatives, including representatives of Hard Rock International, Hard Rock Digital, or other affiliated entities, and including outside counsel, advocates, or other individuals on behalf of the Seminole Tribe related to placing land into trust for the Menominee Tribe or an Indian Lands Opinion in Kenosha, Wisconsin; ☐
5. ~~A~~ny applications or draft applications, or supplemental materials to existing applications, or related documents submitted by the Menominee Tribe or its representatives to place land into trust or request for an Indian Lands Opinion for land in Kenosha, Wisconsin; ☐
6. ~~A~~ll Bi-Weekly Indian Gaming Reports from the Office of Indian Gaming; ☐
7. ~~A~~ny documents or records received or generated by the AS-IA Office related to a fee-to-trust application or Indian Lands Opinion in Kenosha, Wisconsin. ☐
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All communications with Elizabeth Appel from the Office of Regulatory Affairs & Regulatory Action in regard to the CDIB policy, form OMB Control # ☐
1076- 0153.

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