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VIA EMAIL

Mr. Steven Aftergood
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Re: *Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request No. F-18-00003*

Dear Mr. Aftergood:

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) FOIA Office has received your e-mail dated, October 03, 2017, requesting a copy of the following documents pursuant to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552:

1. Request a copy of the latest Secrecy Review Activity Report (or equivalent documentation) reflecting current activity under the Invention Secrecy Act at the end of Fiscal Year 2017.
2. Request and a copy of records that would identify the patents granted to applications which were subject to secrecy orders that were rescinded in FY2017.

The USPTO identified 1 document that is responsive to part one of your request. A copy of this material is enclosed. However, the USPTO identified no records responsive to part two of your request.

You may contact the FOIA Public Liaison at 571-270-7420 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Your request is considered complete with full disclosure. However, you have the right to appeal this initial decision to the Deputy General Counsel, United States Patent and

Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. An appeal must be received within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. See 37 C.F.R. § 102.10(a). The appeal must be in writing. You must include a copy of your original request, this letter, and a statement of the reasons why the information should be made available and why this initial denial is in error. Both the letter and the envelope must be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Louis J. Boston Jr.".

Louis J. Boston Jr.
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