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Ali Abunimah
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Re: FOIA 15-659

Dear Mr. Abunimah:

I write to respond to your Freedom of Information request of August 10, in which you requested:

“all documents (whether emails from any private or public account, hard copy documents or documents in any other form such as text messages) sent to or from Provost Ilesanmi Adesida which contain the word "iPhone."

You may exclude documents where the only use of the word "iPhone" is as part of the common boilerplate signature phrase "Sent from my iPhone."

The dates covered by my request are for documents sent or received on 1 November 2014 to 30 November 2014.”

Information responsive to your request is available and attached. These are public documents numbering 3 pages.

Portions of these documents have been redacted or withheld pursuant to the following section(s) of the Act:

- 140/7(1)(b) that exempts from disclosure “Private information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order.” This includes personal email addresses.

- 140/7(1)(c) that exempts from disclosure “Personal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which, if disclosed, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, unless the disclosure is consented to in writing by the individual subjects of the information.” This includes the names and personal information of donors or private citizens.

- 140/7(1)(f) that exempts from disclosure “Preliminary drafts, notes, recommendations, memoranda and other records in which opinions are expressed, or policies or actions are formulated, except that a specific record or relevant portion of a record shall not be
exempt when the record is publicly cited and identified by the head of the public body."

The responsive documents containing the drafter’s opinions, preliminary discussions and communications regarding the formulation of an action or policy.

Should you wish to inspect or receive a physical copy of these documents, please call Melanie Kuehn at the phone number below and she will provide you with all necessary details.

You have a right, under the law, to seek a review of this response by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) in the Office of the Attorney General. The PAC may be reached by phone at 217-782-1396, by email to publicaccess@atg.state.il.us, or by postal mail at the Public Access Bureau, 500 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706. You also have the right to seek judicial review under section 11 of this Act.

If you have questions for our office, please contact 217-333-6400.

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Hardy
Executive Director
and Chief Records Officer