

## United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Case Control Number: F-2017-00671

Dear Mr. Smith:

I refer to your request under the Freedom of Information Act dated January 8, 2017 in which you are asking for:

- All cross-referenced information since 2010 between the Secretary of State and Prime Minister of Israel regarding a visa for Arnon Milchan.
- Internal reports, reviews and evaluation information concerning Milchan's criminal/espionage
  past that were taken into consideration by the Secretary of State or US Department of State.
- Final decision documents stating the reasons normal procedures and protocols were set aside in order to grant a U.S. long term residency visa to Arnon Milchan.

All visa records, including whether any visa records exist relative to a particular individual, are exempt from disclosure under exemption (b)(3) of the Freedom of Information Act and the visa record confidentiality provisions of section 222(f) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. Accordingly, we are unable to provide any information in response to your request.

This decision may be appealed to the Appeals Officer of the Appeals Review Panel of the Department pursuant to Section 171.13 Title 22 of the Code of Federal Regulations. For your information, a copy of this regulation is enclosed.

If you have any questions you may write to the Office of Information Programs and Services, SA-2, Department of State, Washington DC 20522-8100, or contact the Office of Information Programs and Services by telephone at (202) 261-8484. Please be sure to refer to the case control number shown above in all correspondence about this case. Also, you may contact our FOIA Public Liaison via email at FOIAProgram-DL@state.gov or telephone at 202 663-2222 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 <a href="mailto:ogis@nara.gov">ogis@nara.gov</a>; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Sincerely, MICHELLE L SMITH

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for Chloe Dybdahl, Chief Advisory Opinions Division Directorate for Visa Services

Enclosure. As stated