## **Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel**

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Reference: NLJ / RAC 10-353, documents 1 and 1b

Mr. Grant F. Smith Director of Research Institute for Research: Middle Eastern Policy, Inc. P.O. Box 34041 Washington, DC 20007

Dear Mr. Smith:

Please be advised that on July 18, 2012, the Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP) received your email lodging an appeal under section 5.3(b)(3) of Executive Order 13526, "Classified National Security Information." As Executive Secretary, I have requested a copy of the pertinent documents and related correspondence from the Lyndon Baines Johnson Presidential Library. Following receipt of these materials and pending our determination that the appeal meets the requirements of the Order and the ISCAP bylaws, your appeal will be placed on the ISCAP docket.

Copies of the Order, its Implementing Directive, and the ISCAP Bylaws 32 C.F.R. Part 2001 and 2003 respectively, are available to you on the Information Security Oversight Office (ISOO) website www.archives.gov/isoo/policy-documents. If you have any questions regarding your appeal, please contact Neena Sachdeva, Rachel L. Bassford, or me at (202) 357-5250 and reference ISCAP No. 2012-135.

Sincerely,

**Executive Secretary**