



**Transportation  
Security  
Administration**

October 13, 2011

Mr. Lawrence C. chin  
3732 Monterey Avenue  
Baldwin Park, CA 91706

Re: TSA12-0018

Dear Mr. Chin:

This acknowledges receipt of your October 5, 2011, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), requesting copies of all the documents and records about you, pertaining to your impression that you have been subject of warning during 2007 events. Your request was received in this office on October 5, 2011.

Due to the increasing number of FOIA requests received by this office, we may encounter some delay in processing your request. Per Section 5.5(a) of the TSA FOIA regulations, 6 C.F.R. Part 5, the Department processes FOIA requests according to their order of receipt. Although TSA's goal is to respond within 20 business days of receipt of your request, the FOIA does permit a 10-day extension of this time period. As your request seeks numerous documents that will necessitate a thorough and wide-ranging search, TSA will invoke a 10-day extension for your request, as allowed by Title 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B). If you care to narrow the scope of your request, please contact our office. We will make every effort to comply with your request in a timely manner.

Provisions of the Act allow us to recover part of the cost of complying with your request. We shall charge you for records in accordance with the DHS Interim FOIA regulations as they apply to non-commercial requestors. As a non-commercial requestor you will be charged 10-cents a page for duplication, although the first 100 pages are free, as are the first two hours of search time, after which you will pay the per quarter-hour rate (\$4.00, \$7.00, \$10.25) of the searcher. You stated in your request that you are willing to pay assessable fees up to \$25. You will be contacted before any additional fees are accrued.

We have queried the appropriate program offices of TSA for responsive records. If any responsive records are located, they will be reviewed for determination of releasability. Please be assured that one of the processors in our office will respond to your request as expeditiously as possible. We appreciate your patience as we proceed with your request.

Please be advised that DHS regulations require, in the case of third party information requests, a statement from the individual verifying his or her identity and certifying that individual's agreement that records concerning him or her may be accessed, analyzed and released to a third

party. See 6 C.F.R. § 5.21(f). Because you have not provided this documentation with your request, we are unable to initiate a search for responsive records.

For your convenience, I have attached an affirmation/declaration form that can be used to satisfy the requirements of a perfected FOIA/PA request, as stated in the second paragraph of this letter. You must complete this form and return it to our office before we can initiate a search for records. If we do not receive the completed form within 30 days from the date of this letter, we will assume that you no longer require the information requested, and your request will be administratively closed.

Your request has been assigned reference number **TSA12-0018**. Please refer to this identifier in any future correspondence. You may contact this office at 866.364.2872.

Sincerely,

TSA FOIA Office  
Freedom of Information Act Office

Re: TSA 12-0018



Transportation Security Administration

AFFIRMATION/DECLARATION

This is to affirm that

I, Lawrence Chang-Lung Chin  
(PRINT FULL NAME)

request access to records maintained by the Transportation Security Administration which pertain to me.

My present address is: 3732 Monterey Avenue Baldwin Park CA 91706

my date of birth is: May 6 1968 (US passport) Nov 16 1969 (California ID), and

my place of birth was: Taipei, Taiwan, and

my citizenship status<sup>1</sup> is US citizen

I understand that any knowingly or willfully seeking or obtaining access to records about another person under false pretenses is punishable by a fine of up to \$5,000. I also understand that any applicable fees must be paid by me.

I hereby authorize Lawrence Chang-Lung Chin access to my records.  
(PRINT FULL NAME)

I request that any located and disclosable records be forwarded to the following individual:

Lawrence Chang-Lung Chin at the following address:  
(PRINT FULL NAME)  
3732 Monterey Ave Baldwin Park CA 91706

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct, and that I am the person named above, and I understand that any falsification of this statement is punishable under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or by imprisonment of not more than five years or both, and that requesting or obtaining any record(s) under false pretenses is punishable under the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552a(i)(3) by a fine of not more than \$5,000.

Executed on Oct 18 2011  
(DATE)

[Signature]  
(SIGNATURE OF AFFIRMAN/DECLARANT)

<sup>1</sup> Individual submitting a request under the Privacy Act of 1974 must be either "a citizen of the United States or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence," pursuant to 5 U.S.C. Section 552a(a)(2). Requests will be processed as Freedom of Information Act requests pursuant to 5 U.S.C. Section 552, rather than Privacy Act requests, for individuals who are not United States citizens or aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence.

**PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT: AUTHORITY:** 49 U.S.C. § 114; 5 U.S.C. 552a. **PRINCIPAL PURPOSE(S):** This information will be used to verify your identify for purposes of processing your request under the Privacy Act, or for records requested during litigation or enforcement action involving TSA. **ROUTINE USE(S):** This information may be shared pursuant to routine uses identified in the following DHS and TSA system of records, DHS/ALL 001 Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act Record System, DHS/TSA 001, Transportation Security Enforcement Records System, DHS/TSA 002 Transportation Security Threat Assessment System, and DHS/TSA 009 General Legal Records. **DISCLOSURE:** Voluntary; failure to furnish the requested information may result in no action being taken on your request.

**PLEASE RETURN TO: U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration, FOIA Office, TSA-20, 601 S. 12<sup>th</sup> Street, East Building, Arlington, VA 20598-6020 or Via Facsimile: 571-227-1406.**

Mr. Lawrence U. Chan  
3702 Montross Avenue  
Arlington, VA 22204

This is a receipt of your October 3, 2011, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), requesting copies of all the documents and records that you, pertaining to your impression that you have been subject of warning during 2007 events. Your request was received in this office on October 3, 2011.

Due to the increasing number of FOIA requests received by this office, we may sometimes have difficulty processing your request. By Section 5.5(a) of the TSA FOIA regulations, 49 C.F.R. Part 1.5, the Department processes FOIA requests according to their order of receipt. Although TSA's goal is to respond within 20 business days of receipt of your request, the FOIA does permit a 10-day extension of this time period. As your request is a business document, we will accelerate a thorough and wide-ranging search. TSA will make a 10-day extension for your request, as allowed by Title 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B). If you wish to ensure the speed of your request, please contact our office. We will make every effort to comply with your request in a timely manner.

Thank you for your interest in the work of this office in complying with your request. We will contact you if we need any additional information.

You stated in your request that you are a former TSA employee. We will make every effort to ensure that your request is processed in a timely manner.

We have queried the appropriate program offices of TSA for responsive records. If any responsive records are located, they will be reviewed for declassification of releasability. Please be assured that one of the program offices in our office will respond to your request as expeditiously as possible. We appreciate your patience as we process your request.

Please be advised that DHS regulations regarding the release of third party information requests, in accordance with the individual providing his or her identity and contact information, will be used to ensure that records pertaining to him or her are not released to a third party.