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# **EXHIBIT “R”**

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**Memo: to Yassin Aref File**

**5/6/13**

**Kathy Manley**

**Request No. 1129551-000 (and related appeal) to the FBI:**

- 1) Yassin's original request - sometime in 2009.
- 2) 4/23/09 form letter from David Hardy (Section Chief, FBI Records Management Division) - saying they were searching and he could provide more info if it seemed helpful.
- 3) 8/24/09 letter from David Hardy - saying Yassin needed to pay \$87.80 for the 978 pages they found.
- 4) 9/8/09 letter from Yassin to Mr. Hardy, saying he wanted info from his criminal case, including info re wiretapping, FBI communications with other countries, FBI req to open new case, etc.
- 5) 10/21/09 letter from Hardy saying they were reviewing his request.
- 6) 12/30/09 letter from Hardy with 234 pages which were released out of 383 pages (this was mainly newspaper articles about the case and previously-provided FBI 302 reports, *not* the FBI material received later) and an explanation of exemptions.
- 7) 1/25/10 letter from Yassin to DOJ Office of Information Policy appealing to try to get the remaining pages because he had only received 302 rpts and newspaper articles (he then repeated the other 6 requests in his 9/8/09 ltr.)
- 8) 2/25/10 letter from Priscilla Jones, Supervisory Admin. Spec. at DOJ Office of Info Policy, saying his appeal had been assigned the No. 2010-1121.
- 9) 9/27/10 letter from Janice Galli McLeod, Assoc. Dir. of DOJ Office of Info Polic saying that they were taking a long time to decide his appeal (which they said happens in a "very small number of the thousands of appeals") and wondered if he was still interested - and that if he didn't respond in 30 days they'd close it.
- 10) 10/6/10 Cert. letter from Yassin to Ms. McLeod saying he was still interested.
- 11) 11/23/10 letter from Janice Galli McLeod, Assoc. Dir. of DOJ Office of Info Polic saying they were remanding his request for further processing.
- 12) 3/4/11 letter from Hardy saying they were looking for more documents.
- 13) 4/11/11 letter from Hardy saying they had located 2,287 pages potentially responsive and that if they were all released he would owe \$218.70 for paper copies, or \$65 for 5 cds, but didn't need

to send payment yet except had to let them know if he wanted paper or cds.

14) 4/21/11 letter from Yassin to Hardy saying he was committed to paying the \$65 for the 5 cds.

15) 6/6/11 letter from Hardy saying the request was still being reviewed.

16) **11/18/11 letter from Hardy sending 244 pages** [this was the newly discovered evidence] charging \$14.40 and saying there was 60 days to appeal to get more material unredacted.

17) 12/22/11 letter from Yassin to Hardy saying he could pay the \$218.70 referenced in the 4/11 ltr, and adding a request for all info on Mohammed Yassin.

16) 6/10/12 letter from Yassin to Hardy repeating the above info.

17) 6/27/12 letter from Priscilla Jones (Sup. Admin Spec. at DOJ Office of Info Policy) saying Yassin's appeal was received on June 22, 2012, and was assigned the number AP-2012-02694, and they would notify him of the decision.

18) 7/12/12 letter from Janice Galli McLeod saying the case was closed because the appeal wasn't received within the 60 days. [Also there was another letter from Anne D. Work, Senior Counsel of Admin Appeals Staff at DOJ saying the same thing.]

19) 7/24/12 letter from Yassin to Hardy asking about the material that he had referred to for which Y could pay \$218.70. [Subsequently Yassin did pay the \$218.70 but did not receive any more material.]