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Sent by E-mail -

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Dear

This is in response to your July 22, 2011, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request in which you requested all records related to the Zoological Wildlife Foundation, license number 58-B-0306, Mario Tabraue dated December 13, 2001, through the date of fulfillment of this request. Your request was received in this office on July 22, 2011 and assigned case number FOIA 11-668.

Please be advised, inspection reports and related documents are only maintained for three years in accordance with the Agency's records retention schedule. Animal Care employees conducted a thorough search of their files and located the 24 pages of responsive records that are attached to the email along with this letter. However, information has been withheld under FOIA Exemption 4, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4). This exemption protects confidential business information from disclosure when release would cause substantial harm to the competitive position of an individual, a partnership or a corporation from whom the information was obtained.

Additionally, information has been withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(6), where the release of information would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. This same information has been withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(C), 5 U.S.C. 552 (b)(7)(C). This exemption protects from disclosure records or information collected for law enforcement purposes when its release could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

You may appeal our partial denial of the information. If you choose to appeal, your appeal must be in writing and must be received within 45 days of the date of this letter to:

> Administrator Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Ag Box 3401 Washington, DC 20250-3401

FOIA 11-668

Please refer to FOIA 11-668 in your appeal letter and add the words "FOIA Appeal" to the front of the envelope. To assist the Administrator in reviewing your appeal, provide specific reasons why you believe modification of the determination is warranted.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kacie Edwards of my staff at 301-734-5385.

Sincerely,

Tonya G. Woods

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Director

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Enclosures