



**NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE**

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3 November 2015

Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson



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Dear Mr. Richelson:

This is in response to your letter dated 16 October 2015, received in the Information Management Services Center of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 29 October 2015.

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are appealing the NRO's response with regard to one of the items included in your 3 May 2012 request; specifically, you are appealing denial of information in the article entitled, "NASA's LANDSAT Satellites as Reconnaissance Assets."

Your appeal has been accepted. We will advise you when the NRO Appellate Authority has made a determination regarding your appeal.

We may be unable to meet the statutory time limit for a final response to your appeal. In that case, you may consider this to be a denial of your appeal, and you have the right to seek judicial review on this basis in a United States District Court in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 522, as amended. It would seem more reasonable, however, to allow us sufficient time to continue processing your request and respond as soon as we can. Unless you notify us to the contrary, we will continue processing your request on this basis to provide a response to your appeal at the earliest possible date. Please be aware that an appellate authority determination in this case will likely require consultations with other agencies for new reviews of their equities.

For tracking purposes, your appeal has been assigned case #F16-0008. If you have any questions, please call the Requester Service Center at (703) 227-9326 and reference this case number.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Patricia B. Cameresi".

Patricia B. Cameresi  
Chief, Information Review  
and Release Group