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To the Agency Release Panel of the Central Intelligence Agency,

This letter constitutes an administrative appeal under the Freedom of Information Act (referred to as "FOIA") regarding F-2017-01877. This appeal is timely submitted within the 90-day period established by your denial letter of 29 September 2020.

At page 160 (189 of the PDF) of the 9 December 2014 SSCI report titled *Committee Study of the Central Intelligence Agency's Detention and Interrogation Program* (referred to as the "SSCI Report") the Agency

officially released the following information: "After the 14 CIA detainees arrived at the U.S. military base at Guantanamo Bay, they were housed in a separate building from other U.S. military detainees and remained under the operational control of the CIA."<sup>977</sup> Footnote 977 referenced a "CIA Background Memo for CIA Director visit to Guantanamo, December [2014], 2005, entitled Guantanamo Bay, Cuba."

In regards to the seven subjects requested in my 8 March 2018 letter, you have claimed that this material is exempt under FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552 and the CIA Information Act, 50 U.S.C. § 3141. The material that I am requesting is the specific subject matter under the SSCI Report, which has been provided by the CIA in such cases this year like *Porup v. CIA*, 2020 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 44963 (D.D. Cir. 2020). The SSCI Report states that the "Committee Study documents the abuses and countless mistakes made between late 2001 and early 2009" and "describes the history of the CIA's Detention and Interrogation program" to include "a review of each of the 119 known individuals who were held in CIA custody." SSCI

Report at pages 6-7 of the PDF. Clearly this expansive investigation "require that the CIA search and review its information produced or gathered "concerning... the specific subject matter" of the

