

# Freedom of Information Act Request Number: 2016-124 (Intranet Quorum IMA00737125)

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Mrs. Maria Lia Fowler  
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**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request Number: 2016-124**

Dear Mrs. Fowler:

This correspondence is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated and received in the Office of the Pardon Attorney (OPA) on 04/20/2016. I apologize for the delay in responding to your correspondence, but our office is dealing with a backlog of requests as we continue to manage the Department's Clemency Initiative. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552 *et seq.*, you requested any and all documents related to a petition for any form of executive clemency for Juvenal Ovidio Ricardo Palmera Pineda, also known as "Simon Trinidad".

In response to your request, I searched the official files of this office and determined that we do not have any documents pursuant to your request. As a result, we have no documents to produce, there has been no fee assessed for the search of our records, and this will be our final correspondence in relation to your request.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

If you are not satisfied with my response to this request, you may administratively appeal it by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, [Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001](#), or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 60 days of this response. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

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Office of the Pardon Attorney