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February 15, 2017

[sent via email]

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Ms. Kuang:

Please consider this our response to your attached Freedom of Information Act request, received via postal mail by Union County Chief Information Officer Rollie Hawk on February 7, 2017 and summarized below:

I am requesting records sufficient to show the Union County Sheriff's Office's policy on immigration detainees, including but not limited to any written policy or Sheriff's Office memos describing the office's practice upon receiving detainer requests (U.S. Department of Homeland Security form 1-247). The policy should show whether or not the Union County Sheriff's Office complies with Immigration and Customs Enforcement requests to detain inmates (who have been arrested on local charges) in the Union County jail on behalf of the federal agency, and whether or not the Union County Sheriff's Office complies with ICE requests to notify the federal agency of an inmate's release date.

Per Union County Sheriff Scott Harvel, his office has no policies or memos of the type requested. As such, we are in neither the custody nor the possession of records responsive to your request.

We consider your request completed. If I may be of further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Rollie Hawk, Chief Information Office

Enclosure

Cc: Tyler Edmonds, State's Attorney
Scott Harvel, Sheriff

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Dear Rollie Hawk,

Thank you in advance to your office for handling this request. This is a public records request pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140, on behalf of *Injustice Watch*, a non-partisan, not-for-profit journalism organization based in Chicago.

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Furthermore, while I do not anticipate my request will incur significant fees, I am also requesting a fee waiver. *Injustice Watch* is a donor-funded journalism organization dedicated to studying and disseminating data in the public interest. The records sought will contribute to the public understanding of immigration law and procedures. Please advise us in the event a fee waiver is denied.

I look forward to hearing from you in writing within 5 business days, pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/3.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at 626 782 9723 or jeannekuang@injusticewatch.org.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Kuang
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