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**VIA EMAIL**

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**Re: Fourth Interim Response to Freedom of Information Act Request No. 2025-USMS-000897**

Dear Requester,

The United States Marshals Service (USMS) is responding to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated February 12, 2025, with this fourth interim response. As agreed to by the parties, four of your FOIA requests have been aggregated and are being processed as a single request under request number 2025-USMS-000897. The description of the records sought have been memorialized in your emails dated February 18, 2025; March 14, 2025; and May 6, 2025.

Pursuant to your request, the USMS conducted a search for records responsive to your request and located potentially responsive documentation within the following offices/divisions:

District Court for the District of Columbia  
Superior Court for the District of Columbia  
Information Technology Division (ITD) to perform a search of electronic communications for the identified custodians.

To date, the USMS has processed 1494 pages. In this fourth interim response, a total of 120 pages are being released to you in part. The USMS has completed processing all records. Out of the 1494 pages processed: 40 pages have been referred to the Executive Office for the United States Attorneys (EOUSA) for further processing and direct response to you; 6 blank pages and 914 pages which were either duplicates or nonresponsive. Please note that 37 pages remain on consult with another DOJ component.

To withhold a responsive record in whole or part, an agency must show both that the record falls within a FOIA exemption, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b), and that the agency “reasonably foresees that disclosure would harm an interest protected by exemption.” See § 552(a)(8)(A)(i)(I); *Machado Amadis v. U.S. Dep’t of State*, 971 F.3d 364 (D.C. Cir. 2020). As described in this correspondence, the USMS reviewed responsive records to your request and asserted FOIA exemptions as appropriate. Further, the USMS has determined it is reasonably

foreseeable that disclosure of the withheld information would harm an agency interest protected by the exemption. These 120 pages are released to you with portions withheld in part pursuant to the following Exemptions of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b):

FOIA Exemption (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege, (Deliberative Process Privilege) protects "inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency." 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5) (2006 & Supp. IV 2010). The three primary, most frequently invoked privileges that are incorporated into Exemption 5 are the deliberative process privilege, the attorney work-product privilege, and the attorney-client privilege. The deliberative process privilege protects the integrity of decision-making practices within an agency by exempting from mandatory disclosure opinions, conclusions, and recommendations included within non-final inter-agency or intra-agency memoranda or letters. Public release of internal, pre-decisional communications could discourage the expression of candid opinions among agency personnel. Employee trepidation regarding public release of internal agency communications and draft documents could inhibit the free and frank exchange of information among agency personnel. The purpose of the deliberative process privilege is to prevent injury to the quality of agency decisions. *NLRB v. Sears, Roebuck & Co.*, 421 U.S. 132, 151 (1975).

FOIA Exemption (b)(6) allows an agency to withhold personnel, medical, and similar files, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Records that apply to or describe a particular individual, including investigative records, qualify as "personnel," "medical," or "similar files" under Exemption 6. A discretionary release of such records is not appropriate. *See United States Department of Justice (DOJ) v. Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press*, 489 U.S. 749 (1989).

FOIA Exemption (b)(7)(C) protects records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes to the extent that the production of such records or information could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. A discretionary release of such records is not appropriate. *See United States Department of Justice (DOJ) v. Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press*, 489 U.S. 749 (1989). Accordingly, the personally identifiable information of law enforcement officers and government employees was withheld from the responsive documentation. The disclosure of such sensitive information contained in records compiled for law enforcement purposes to the public could subject law enforcement officers and other government personnel to harassment and unwelcome contact. This could disrupt and impede official agency activity, as well as endanger the safety of law enforcement officials. Additionally, the personally identifiable information of third parties named in the records was withheld. The disclosure of third-party information could constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy and subject the individuals to embarrassment, harassment, and undue public attention. Individuals have a recognized privacy interest in not being publicly associated with law enforcement investigations, not being associated unwarrantedly with

alleged criminal activity, and controlling how communications about them are disseminated.

FOIA Exemption (b)(7)(E) exempts from release information that would disclose law enforcement techniques or procedures, the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law. Public disclosure of law enforcement techniques and procedures could allow people seeking to violate the law to take preemptive steps to counter actions taken by USMS during investigatory operations. Information pertaining to case selection, case development, and investigatory methods are law enforcement techniques and procedures that are not commonly known. The disclosure of this information serves no public benefit and would have an adverse impact on agency operations. Furthermore, public disclosure of information such as internal URLs, codes, and internal identifying numbers could assist unauthorized parties in deciphering the meaning of the codes and numbers, aid in gaining improper access to law enforcement databases, and assist in the unauthorized party's navigation of these databases. This disclosure of techniques for navigating the databases could permit people seeking to violate the law to gain sensitive knowledge and take preemptive steps to counter actions taken by USMS during investigatory operations. The disclosure of this information serves no public benefit and would not assist the public in understanding how the agency is carrying out its statutory responsibilities.

FOIA Exemption (b)(7)(F) protects law enforcement information that "could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual." Courts have routinely upheld the use of Exemption (b)(7)(F) to protect the identities of law enforcement agents, as well as protect the names and identifying information of non-law enforcement federal employees, local law enforcement personnel, and other third persons in connection with particular law enforcement matters. *See Garza v. U.S. Marshals Serv., et al.*, Civ. A. No. 16-0976, 2018 WL 4680205, \* 17 (D.D.C. Sept. 28, 2018); *Hammouda v. Dep't of Justice*, 920 F. Supp. 2d 16, 26 (D.D.C. 2013); *Fischer v. Dep't of Justice*, 723 F. Supp. 2d 104, 111 (D.D.C. 2010); *Blanton v. Dep't of Justice*, 182 F. Supp. 2d 81, 87 (D.D.C. 2002).

Please note that in this release you will see portions of documents labeled "Duplicate of other pages in this request". This notation was made as this release involves large amounts of duplicate documents, usually in the context of email chains. In order to expedite the release of documents to you, the USMS FOIA Office marked certain emails as "Duplicate of other pages in this request"; these documents have been fully processed in the preceding pages.

As noted in our release of December 15, 2025, 40 pages were sent as a referral to EOUSA for processing and direct response to you. Should you wish to contact EOUSA for additional information as to the status of this referral, please contact:

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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) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010)). 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.

For any questions relating to this fourth interim release, please contact Assistant United States Attorney John Bardo who represents the USMS in this FOIA lawsuit.

Sincerely,

*/s/ AA for*

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Enclosure

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**Subject:** Re: Pardons

Hopefully we'll begin to get information directly from the department tomorrow instead of the press.

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On Jan 20, 2025, at 9:01 PM, [REDACTED] (USMS) <[REDACTED]@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Trump pardons almost all involved in Jan. 6 riot, commutes remaining 14 sentences - The Washington Post

About 15 people remain held at the D.C. jail. Some are pending trial or sentencing, others are waiting to be sent to prison after being sentenced, and some have been returned for resentencing or probation violations, officials said. The jail requires "a releasing document" from the U.S. Marshals Service or federal court, and checks if an inmate has any pending cases or detainers that would keep them behind bars, jail spokeswoman Setareh Yelle said.

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The white house.gov release has the full language and names of the commuted as well.

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**Subject:** Pardons

<https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/justice-department/trump-sol-pardon-defendants-stormed-capitol-jan-6-2021-rcna187735>

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**Subject:** AWARENESS ITEM: Musk tweets about J6 releases

All, please see the tweet below amplified by a prominent citizen. Please keep OCPA in the loop as these defendants are being processed out of our custody as we are getting media inquiries, and I suspect congressional inquiries soon. OPA is working on some messaging now. Bill



**Elon Musk** @elonmusk · 12h



Please let us know if you encounter any difficulties with release of your loved ones

**Charlie Kirk** @charliekirk11 · 14h

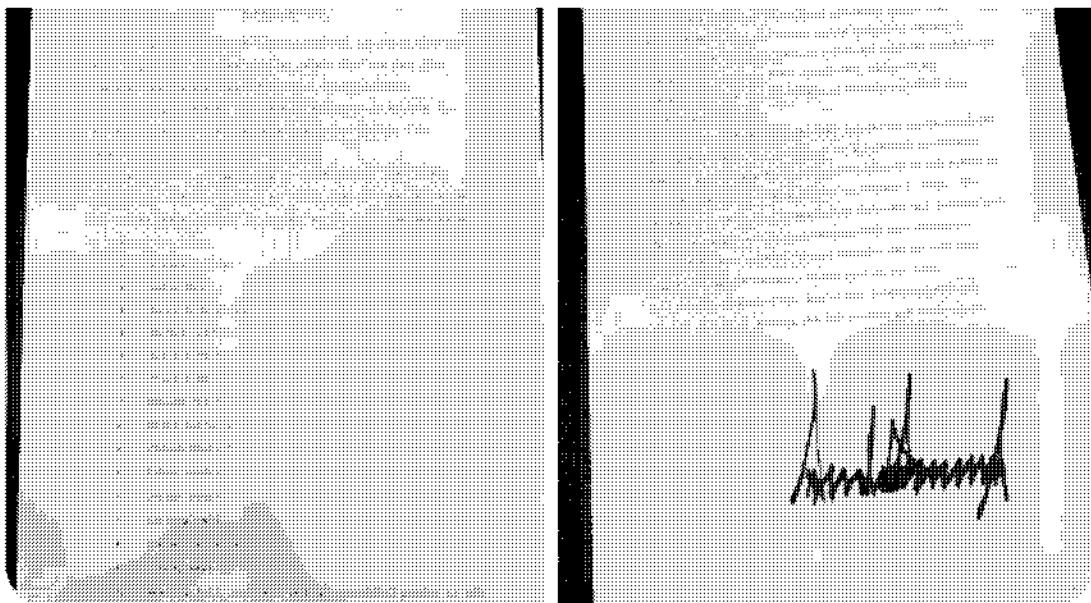
If you are a family member of a J6 hostage go to the prison and show a copy.

They have to release the prisoner.

Pardon power is absolute total and immediate.

Don't let them delay - we demand immediate release!

Bring them home!



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Sent from my iPhone

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**Subject:** Re: Congressional Inquiry: re. DOGE and USMS

Again, let's ensure we are working with the Department on these responses to ensure we are not getting ahead of the ODAG. Thank you.

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All,

The proposed responses are below for the group's consideration (adopting language from 28 USC § 561):

Under what legal authority, if any, would DOGE and its officials utilize law enforcement support from the U.S. Marshals Service?

[REDACTED]

Has the U.S. Marshals Service entered into any sort of agreement, informal or not, to provide support of any kind to DOGE and its officials?"

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OGC is preparing a proposed response for the team's consideration.

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**Importance:** High

Good morning Executive Leadership,

The Department's Appropriations Liaison Office (A.L.O) received the following inquiry in blue from our Senate Appropriations Subcommittee, Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies (CJS). A.L.O believes they will need to elevate the response for approval through the Deputy Attorney General's Office, so they would like our response to the two questions below by **tomorrow at noon**. Thank you.

“Please see below from the Washington Post, one of the outlets reporting that over the weekend, DOGE officials threatened US Marshal action in order to gain access to secure government spaces.

Under what legal authority, if any, would DOGE and its officials utilize law enforcement support from the U.S. Marshals Service?

Has the U.S. Marshals Service entered into any sort of agreement, informal or not, to provide support of any kind to DOGE and its officials?”

*When USAID personnel attempted to block access to some areas, DOGE officials threatened to call federal marshals, the aide said. The DOGE officials were eventually given access to “secure spaces” including the security office.*

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2025/02/02/usaids-trump-musk/>

## Trump moves to wrest control of USAID as Musk says ‘we’re shutting it down’

Ellen Nakashima

The Trump administration and its allies moved to tighten control of the U.S. Agency for International Development over the weekend, signaling an intent to act forcefully to bring the U.S. foreign policy apparatus in line with the president’s “America First” approach to engaging with the world.

Current and former officials said the administration removed two top security officials at USAID on Saturday after they refused to allow representatives of the office led by billionaire Elon Musk access to restricted spaces at the agency.

The placement of the security officials — John Voorhees and his deputy — on administrative leave is alarming several lawmakers concerned about security protocols as the Trump administration and Musk aim to wrest control of the world’s largest provider of food assistance. Since President Donald Trump took office two weeks ago, the agency has been under siege and whipsawed by aid freezes, personnel purges and confusion.

Musk, heading a government efficiency effort under Trump, said on X early Monday that he is in the process closing the agency with Trump’s blessing.

“I went over it with him in detail, and he agreed that we should shut it down,” Musk said. “And I actually checked with him a few times [and] said ‘are you sure?’”

The answer was yes, he said.

“And so we’re shutting it down,” Musk said.

USAID staffers were told that the agency's headquarters in Washington will be closed Monday amid the turmoil.

In an email to staff early Monday, the agency's leadership said: "Agency personnel normally assigned to work at USAID headquarters will work remotely ... with the exception of personnel with essential on-site and building maintenance functions individually contacted by senior leadership."

The decision was first reported by Devex.

The episode over the weekend had added to the speculation that Trump would attempt to abolish the agency or merge it into the State Department and underscores the role of unelected figures — led by Musk, the richest man in the world — in the administration's push to remake the federal government. It also highlights the new administration's more transactional view of global engagement and its determination to refocus public spending on activities that yield tangible impacts for U.S. citizens.

Amid the turmoil, Matt Hopson, the USAID chief of staff and a political appointee, resigned, according to a current and former USAID official who spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss a sensitive situation. Hopson did not respond to requests for comment.

Voorhees was put on leave after he did not allow officials from the "Department of Government Efficiency" to access a sensitive compartmented information facility — commonly known as a SCIF — an ultra-secure room where officials and government contractors take extraordinary precautions to review highly classified information, according to three current and former USAID officials.

A group of about eight DOGE officials entered the USAID building Saturday and demanded access to every door and floor, despite only a few of them having security clearance, according to a Senate Democratic staff member who spoke on the condition of anonymity to describe the incident.

When USAID personnel attempted to block access to some areas, DOGE officials threatened to call federal marshals, the aide said. The DOGE officials were eventually given access to "secure spaces" including the security office.

The Senate staffer also said top officials from USAID's office and the bulk of the staff in USAID's Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs were put on leave later Saturday. Some of them were not notified but had their access to agency terminals suspended.

Katie Miller, a spokeswoman for DOGE, said on X that "no classified material was accessed without proper security clearances."

Over the weekend, Musk repeatedly denigrated USAID without offering evidence that those working there were corrupt. On X, he called the long-standing government agency "evil" and a "viper's nest of radical-left marxists who hate America."

“USAID is a criminal organization,” he added. “Time for it to die.”

Musk also had sharp words for the agency during an X Spaces live stream early Monday, when he was joined by Vivek Ramaswamy — former co-head of DOGE in its prior iteration, when it was an outside group empowered to make recommendations — and Sen. Joni Ernst (R-Iowa).

“USAID is a ball of worms,” Musk said. “There is no apple.”

“It’s gotta go. It’s beyond repair,” he added.

Established in 1961 by President John F. Kennedy, USAID oversees a vast portfolio of programs designed to provide humanitarian relief, combat poverty, support global health and more. In 2023, it managed appropriations worth \$40 billion, according to the Congressional Research Service. USAID is present in more than 100 countries from Ukraine to Peru. The agency’s staff numbers more than 10,000, the majority of whom are overseas.

By Sunday afternoon, USAID’s X account had been taken down, with a message saying the account “doesn’t exist.” The agency’s Instagram account was also taken offline.

USAID’s website has been down since Saturday. It was not immediately clear whether it was taken down because of the Trump administration’s focus on the agency or was down because of technical problems.

The purge of USAID personnel and freezing of foreign assistance have caused tension between Trump officials and congressional staff members, who have clashed over the value of key projects and the administration’s plans to fold USAID within the State Department, said U.S. officials familiar with the matter.

During those discussions, senior State Department official Peter Marocco was unable to provide answers on what aid was paused, including sensitive programs in Ukraine, which is fending off an invasion from Russia, the officials said. State Department spokespeople have also been unable to provide answers about what cases are exempt from Trump’s freeze.

The news of the top two security officials being put on leave was earlier reported by CNN. News of Hopson’s resignation was first reported by Reuters.

Late Sunday, Trump also implied that the ousters of USAID officials were justified, without citing any evidence.

“It’s been run by a bunch of radical lunatics. And we’re getting them out,” he told reporters after returning to Washington from spending the weekend in Palm Beach, Florida.

Top-ranking Democrats on Sunday demanded explanations for the DOGE officials' actions and the sudden departure of the USAID security leaders.

Ten Democratic senators, including Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-New Hampshire), the top Democrat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, warned Secretary of State Marco Rubio in a letter that any steps to dismantle USAID would need congressional approval and asked for an update on the weekend's events.

Shaheen, in a separate message to The Washington Post, said she is "seeking immediate answers about any implications for our national security and ... bringing a group of bipartisan Senators together on this as soon as the Senate comes back tomorrow."

"Reports that individuals without appropriate clearance may have accessed classified USAID spaces as well as American citizens' personal information are incredibly serious and unprecedented," Shaheen said.

Sen. Tim Kaine (D-Virginia), who sits on the same committee, said there is "no circumstance under which individuals without proper security clearances should be given access to our nation's most sensitive secrets and systems."

"This is exactly what China, Russia and Iran want," Kaine said. "This potentially criminal incident must be investigated thoroughly and immediately. I commend the efforts of USAID staff who have shown time and again that their first and foremost priority is serving their country, not the whims of an unelected and corrupt billionaire."

But congressional Republicans have expressed interest in shrinking or losing USAID as an independent agency. Rep. Brian Mast (R-Florida), chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, told CBS News's "Face the Nation" Sunday that he "absolutely" would be in support of changing USAID's status.

Mast, however, did not answer a question on whether congressional approval would be required to close USAID as an independent agency, as would likely be required by law. Instead, he said that the office needs to be restructured and that "purging" officials throughout the State Department and other agencies, as well as the freezing of foreign aid, are all "very important and necessary steps to make sure that we secure America."

Trump named Musk as the head of DOGE, a new government office that was initially promised to comb through the whole federal bureaucracy searching for deep spending cuts. Since then, Musk has sought to exert sweeping control over the inner workings of the U.S. government, installing longtime surrogates at several agencies, including the Office of Personnel Management, which essentially handles federal human resources, and the General Services Administration, which manages real estate.

DOGE is now housed in a White House office formerly known as the U.S. Digital Service but now called the U.S. DOGE Service and has broad visibility into technology across the government.

The administration's move to push out the top security officials at USAID came a day after Musk's DOGE deputies gained access to a sensitive Treasury Department system responsible for trillions of dollars in U.S. government payments after the administration ousted a top career official at the department, according to three people who spoke on the condition of anonymity to describe government deliberations.

*Jeff Stein and Aaron Schaffer contributed to this report.*

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Yes, the Department's Appropriations Liaison Office can facilitate approval with ODAG.

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**To:** O'Brien, Holley (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; Taylor, Leah (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; [REDACTED] (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; Sawyer, Aaron (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; Darden, Silas (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; Pittella, Mark (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** Downs, Quintella (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; [REDACTED] (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; [REDACTED] (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Congressional Inquiry: re. DOGE and USMS

Yes. It does state that it will be pushed through the ODAG.

Rich Kelly  
Associate Director for Operations  
United States Marshals Service  
Mobile: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]@usdoj.gov

**From:** O'Brien, Holley (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 3, 2025 4:56 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Richard (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; Taylor, Leah (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; [REDACTED] (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; Sawyer, Aaron (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; Darden, Silas (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; Pittella, Mark (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** Downs, Quintella (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; [REDACTED] (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>; [REDACTED] (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Congressional Inquiry: re. DOGE and USMS

Can we send forward? It appears from [REDACTED] email below that the JMD Appropriation Liaison's Office (A.L.O) will assume the responsibility for getting it approved by the ODAG. Holley

**From:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>

**Sent:** Monday, February 3, 2025 4:53 PM

**To:** Taylor, Leah (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; [REDACTED] USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>;

Sawyer, Aaron (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Darden, Silas (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Pittella, Mark (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>

**Cc:** O'Brien, Holley (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Downs, Quintella (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Congressional Inquiry: re. DOGE and USMS

No issues Leah.

Thank you,  
Rich

Rich Kelly  
Associate Director for Operations  
United States Marshals Service  
Mobile: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]@usdoj.gov

**From:** Taylor, Leah (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>

**Sent:** Monday, February 3, 2025 4:40 PM

**To:** [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>;

Sawyer, Aaron (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Darden, Silas (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Pittella, Mark (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>

**Cc:** O'Brien, Holley (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Downs, Quintella (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Congressional Inquiry: re. DOGE and USMS

**Importance:** High

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**From:** Carter, Ronald (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Sent:** 2/4/2025 4:38:18 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**CC:** [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; Saylor, Shannon (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Subject:** Re: USMS assistance to the DOGE

Good morning, DD,

I am not aware of this occurring at District Court. However, I did read an article yesterday that referenced this topic.

Please see the link below.



Ron

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 4, 2025, at 11:28 AM, Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov wrote:

Good morning gentlemen,

A report in the New York Post today references assistance provided by the Marshals Service to members of the DOGE attempting to gain access to National Security information at the US Agency for International Development (USAID) yesterday. We are unaware of any such assistance but I'm inquiring if it was possibly provided by any of your district's personnel.

Thank you very much for your help in sorting this out,  
Rich

Rich Kelly  
Associate Director for Operations  
United States Marshals Service  
Mobile: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]@usdoj.gov

Message

**From:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) (b)(7)(E)  
(b)(7)(E)  
**Sent:** 2/4/2025 4:54:53 PM  
**To:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)@usdoj.gov; Carter, Ronald (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@usdoj.gov  
**CC:** Saylor, Shannon (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@usdoj.gov  
**Subject:** RE: USMS assistance to the DOGE

My apologies (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); and I appreciate the return.

Rich Kelly  
Associate Director for Operations  
United States Marshals Service  
Mobile (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)  
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@usdoj.gov

**From:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)@usdoj.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025 11:52 AM  
**To:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@usdoj.gov>; Carter, Ronald (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** Saylor, Shannon (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: USMS assistance to the DOGE

This the wrong email.

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)

Cell (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)@usms.doj.gov (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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**From:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@usdoj.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025 11:51 AM  
**To:** Carter, Ronald (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)@usdoj.gov>; Saylor, Shannon (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: USMS assistance to the DOGE

Copy and thanks. It may be investigators from the US Attorney's office who have special Deputation.

Rich Kelly  
Associate Director for Operations  
United States Marshals Service  
Mobile (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)  
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@usdoj.gov

**From:** Carter, Ronald (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@usdoj.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025 11:38 AM

**To:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [redacted]@usdoj.gov>

**Cc:** [redacted] (USMS) [redacted]@usdoj.gov>; Saylor, Shannon (USMS) [redacted]@usdoj.gov>

**Subject:** Re: USMS assistance to the DOGE

Good morning, DD,

I am not aware of this occurring at District Court. However, I did read an article yesterday that referenced this topic.

Please see the link below.

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**Sent:** 2/4/2025 5:13:50 PM  
**To:** Dixon, Robert A (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**CC:** [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Subject:** RE: USMS assistance to the DOGE

Copy and thanks sir.

Rich Kelly  
Associate Director for Operations  
United States Marshals Service  
Mobile: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]@usdoj.gov

**From:** Dixon, Robert A (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025 12:08 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>  
**CC:** [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: USMS assistance to the DOGE

No worries; understood. Checking and will respond ASAP. As of the moment, Senior Leadership is unaware of any such assistance.

Dixon

**From:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025 11:56 AM  
**To:** Dixon, Robert A (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: USMS assistance to the DOGE

Sorry Marshal, I sent this to the wrong Dixon the first time.

Rich

Rich Kelly  
Associate Director for Operations  
United States Marshals Service  
Mobile: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]@usdoj.gov

**From:** Carter, Ronald (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025 11:38 AM  
**To:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>  
**CC:** [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Saylor, Shannon (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: USMS assistance to the DOGE

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**From:** Dixon, Robert A (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Sent:** 2/4/2025 6:44:38 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov]; Saylor, Shannon (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov]; Carter, Ronald (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov]  
**CC:** [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: USMS assistance to the DOGE

AD,

After checking with our leadership team, we are not aware of and have not found any instance of USMS, from DCSC or elsewhere, providing assistance to DOGE.

Respectfully,

**Robert A. Dixon**  
U.S. Marshal  
District of Columbia - Superior Court  
United States Marshals Service  
202.616.8600 (o)  
[REDACTED] (m)



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**To:** Saylor, Shannon (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Dixon, Robert A (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Carter, Ronald (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: USMS assistance to the DOGE

Much appreciated Shannon.

Rich Kelly  
Associate Director for Operations  
United States Marshals Service  
Mobile: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]@usdoj.gov

**From:** Saylor, Shannon (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025 11:55 AM  
**To:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Dixon, Robert A (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Carter,

Ronald (USMS) <[REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>

**Subject:** RE: USMS assistance to the DOGE

Sir,

All of my section leads have reported back that neither they nor their direct reports have had any contact with any members of the DOGE.

Saylor

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*Shannon Saylor* | [REDACTED]@usms.doj.gov

**United States Marshal**

O: [REDACTED] M: [REDACTED]

U.S. Marshals Service | Eastern District of Virginia

**From:** Saylor, Shannon (USMS)

**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025 11:37 AM

**To:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) <[REDACTED]@usdoj.gov> [REDACTED] (USMS) <[REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Carter, Ronald (USMS) <[REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>

**Subject:** RE: USMS assistance to the DOGE

Sir,

The EDVA has not received any request, by any DOGE members, for any assistance. I am verifying that no individual EDVA employee has had any contact with any DOGE member.

Saylor

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*Shannon Saylor* | [REDACTED]@usms.doj.gov

**United States Marshal**

O: [REDACTED] M: [REDACTED]

U.S. Marshals Service | Eastern District of Virginia

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**Sent:** 2/6/2025 10:24:08 PM

**To:** Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED]

**Subject:** Special Deputations

Greetings again Dan,

I'm opening up a line of communication to facilitate the request to provide deputations to members of Mr. Musk's security team. Is there specific information that you'd like me to provide or do you have a

Rich Kelly

Associate Director for Operations

Responsible for the duties of the Deputy Director

United States Marshals Service

Mobile [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]@usdoj.gov

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**From:** Loveland, Dan (ODAG) (b)(6)  
**Sent:** 2/6/2025 10:43:12 PM  
**To:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@com  
**CC:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@usdoj.gov]  
**Subject:** Conversation re: Mr. Musk Security Concerns

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

My name is Dan Loveland, and I am an Associate Deputy Attorney General at the Department of Justice. I'm reaching out concerning Mr. Musk's security concerns. Included on this e-mail is Associate Director Rich Kelly of the US Marshals. Would you please let us know your availability for a phone call tonight or tomorrow morning and the best number at which to reach you?

Thank you,

Dan

**Daniel A. Loveland, Jr.**  
Associate Deputy Attorney General

(b)(6)

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**From:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Sent:** 2/7/2025 12:46:54 AM  
**To:** Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**CC:** Downs, Quintella (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Subject:** Re: Special Deputations

Copy Dan and thanks.

Rich Kelly  
Associate Director for Operations  
United States Marshals Service  
Mobile: [REDACTED]  
Desk: [REDACTED]

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**From:** Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2025 5:43:22 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Cc:** Downs, Quintella (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Subject:** RE: Special Deputations

I just emailed our POC and included you on that email

Daniel A. Loveland, Jr.  
Associate Deputy Attorney General

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**From:** [REDACTED] com]  
**Sent:** 2/7/2025 3:36:05 PM  
**To:** Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**CC:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Conversation re: Mr. Musk Security Concerns

Dan can u call me; we just ended our VTC.

On Thu, Feb 6, 2025 at 23:30 Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED] wrote:  
Will send in am. Thanks

**Daniel A. Loveland, Jr.**  
Associate Deputy Attorney General  
Office of the Deputy Attorney General  
United States Department of Justice

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**From:** [REDACTED] com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2025 10:02:30 PM  
**To:** Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Conversation re: Mr. Musk Security Concerns

Dan - just following back up, making sure I didn't miss the invite or it didn't go to my spam folder. Thanks.

On Thu, Feb 6, 2025 at 18:58 Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED] wrote:  
Ten am tomorrow works. I'll circulate a Microsoft teams invitation, which will also let you call in

**Daniel A. Loveland, Jr.**  
Associate Deputy Attorney General  
Office of the Deputy Attorney General  
United States Department of Justice

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED] com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2025 6:55:26 PM  
**To:** Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: Conversation re: Mr. Musk Security Concerns

Dan / Rich - thanks for reaching out. I am available tomorrow anytime in the AM at your convenience. Want to set it for 0900 or 1000?

My cell is [REDACTED] apologies as I am tied up this evening.

Best  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED] .com]  
**Sent:** 2/7/2025 3:48:29 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Richard (USMS [REDACTED])@usdoj.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Re: Conversation re: Mr. Musk Security Concerns

Rich - my cell is [REDACTED] can you give me a call when free?

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**Sent:** 2/7/2025 4:53:17 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED] [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**CC:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; Fox, Jordan (ODAG) [REDACTED] McDonald, Colin (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Conversation re: Mr. Musk Security Concerns

With apologies adding Colin

**Daniel A. Loveland, Jr.**  
Associate Deputy Attorney General  
Office of the Deputy Attorney General  
United States Department of Justice

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**From:** Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 7, 2025 11:49:00 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED] [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Cc:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; Fox, Jordan (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Conversation re: Mr. Musk Security Concerns

[REDACTED] and Rich:

Connecting you with our Chief of Staff, Jordan Fox, and my partner on the law enforcement docket, Colin McDonald. I will be out of pocket for a couple hours this afternoon [REDACTED]. In the meantime, Jordan and Colin are read in on the plan and can help you with anything that comes up.

Dan

**Daniel A. Loveland, Jr.**  
Associate Deputy Attorney General  
Office of the Deputy Attorney General  
United States Department of Justice

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED] [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2025 11:30:54 PM  
**To:** Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Conversation re: Mr. Musk Security Concerns



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**Sent:** 2/7/2025 5:10:42 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED] com; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**CC:** Sawyer, Aaron (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: Conversation re: Mr. Musk Security Concerns

Greetings again [REDACTED]

It was nice to speak with you this morning and we'll do our best to try and get to where the Administration wants to be with this action. Included on this email is the Executive Officer for Operations who previously headed Security Programs. Can I get everything to filter through you direct

Rich Kelly  
Associate Director for Operations  
Responsible for the duties of the Deputy Director  
United States Marshals Service

Mobile: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]@usdoj.gov

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**From:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Sent:** 2/7/2025 5:19:01 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED] USMS [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXTERNAL] Re: Conversation re: Mr. Musk Security Concerns  
**Attachments:** FSI - Bio Data.xlsx

Rich Kelly  
Associate Director for Operations  
United States Marshals Service  
Mobile: [REDACTED]  
Desk: [REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED] com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 7, 2025 12:15:53 PM  
**To:** Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Fox, Jordan (ODAG) [REDACTED] McDonald, Colin (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Conversation re: Mr. Musk Security Concerns

sorry - had to send this over unencrypted. Due to fomatting & time. Boarding plane See attached.

On Fri, Feb 7, 2025 at 12:12 Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED] wrote:

[REDACTED]

Please give those materials to us ASAP so that this can get in place.

Dan

**Daniel A. Loveland, Jr.**

Associate Deputy Attorney General

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@[REDACTED].com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 7, 2025 12:02 PM  
**To:** McDonald, Colin (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED]; Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Fox, Jordan (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Conversation re: Mr. Musk Security Concerns

Good copy. Thanks.

On Fri, Feb 7, 2025 at 11:00 AM McDonald, Colin (ODAG) [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi [REDACTED]

Please send to everyone on this email.

Thank you,

Colin

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**From:** [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@[REDACTED].com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 7, 2025 11:57:48 AM  
**To:** Loveland, Dan (ODAG) [REDACTED]; McDonald, Colin (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov>; Fox, Jordan (ODAG) [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Conversation re: Mr. Musk Security Concerns

Plus Colin

On Fri, Feb 7, 2025 at 11:57 [REDACTED]@[REDACTED].com> wrote:

Good copy thanks Dan. Same on this end, getting ready to board a plane back to [REDACTED] however, I am preparing data on the team per our discussion and separately gathering all related individual training records (that will take longer).

Nice to meet you Jordan - pls don't hesitate to reach out.

One final question - when I send over bio data, do you want it directly to DOJ and USMS or just to DOJ?

Thanks again!

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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**Sent:** 2/10/2025 9:00:42 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Subject:** Exception(s) to USMS PD 17.11  
**Attachments:** ODAG SIGNED USMS.pdf

ADO,

Below is my proposed draft for you to review and provide to [REDACTED] (SDP) in relation to the executive protection detail members for the special government employee to whom is the head of the DOGE.

Good afternoon, [REDACTED]

Per USMS Policy Directive 17.11, A., 7., I am authorizing an exception to the special deputation eligibility requirements for the following personnel to be qualified for special deputation. Specifically, these exceptions will waive the requirements to have successfully completed a basic law enforcement training program and possess at least 1 year of law enforcement experience with an agency that has general arrest authority.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] As a result, I am authorizing the policy exception(s) for the listed personnel as previously cited.

Rich Kelly  
Associate Director for Operations  
United States Marshals Service  
Mobile: [REDACTED]  
Desk: [REDACTED]

Message

**From:** Pamerleau, Susan (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Sent:** 2/10/2025 9:36:08 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**CC:** [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Subject:** RE: Administering Special Deputation Oaths of Office (USM [REDACTED])

Perfect!! Thanks [REDACTED]

**SUSAN PAMERLEAU**

*United States Marshal*

*Western District of Texas*

*Email:* [REDACTED]

*Office:* [REDACTED]

*Cell:* [REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Sent:** Monday, February 10, 2025 3:21 PM  
**To:** Pamerleau, Susan (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Subject:** RE: Administering Special Deputation Oaths of Office (USM [REDACTED])

USM Pamerleu,

Thanks for the response and support. I've just spoken with [REDACTED] and we're all good to go.

I'll be sending her the [REDACTED] momentarily.

R/s,

[REDACTED]

**From:** Pamerleau, Susan (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Sent:** Monday, February 10, 2025 4:12 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Subject:** FW: Administering Special Deputation Oaths of Office (USM [REDACTED])  
**Importance:** High

[REDACTED] Count on us... we'll be available in our Task Force office in Austin to swear in protection services detail members for this special government employee. [REDACTED] had planned on being in Austin tomorrow anyway. She and [REDACTED] will be there to take care of this.

Recommend you give [REDACTED] a call to provide additional details soonest.

Thanks... we'll get this done!!

SUSAN

SUSAN PAMERLEAU

*United States Marshal*

*Western District of Texas*

Email: [redacted]@usdoj.gov

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**Subject:** Administering Special Deputation Oaths of Office (USM [redacted])

**Importance:** High

Good afternoon, USM Pamerleau and [redacted]

I hope everything is well in W/TX. The OADJSO is requesting your district's assistance to administer special deputation oaths of office (USM [redacted]) at one of your Austin sub-office locations.

Recently, the WH requested the USMS to special deputize the protection services detail members for the special government employee to whom is the head of DOGE. This request was approved by the ODAG and I'm coordinating the effort to administer the oaths or conduct the swear-ins in multiple locations.

There are approximately [redacted] personnel from [redacted] that will be in the Austin, TX area this week (Tuesday, 2/11 and Wednesday, 2/12).

Can you please advise if you have a POC (GS-1811-14 or above) in the Austin sub-office available to administer the oaths and for me to contact and coordinate with him/her?

Any questions, please let me know. Thanks.

R/s,

[redacted]

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Acting Executive Officer

Office of the Associate Director for Judicial Support Operations

United States Marshals Service

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**Subject:** RE: Special Deputations/DOGE

Sup (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) and thanks again.

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**Subject:** RE: Special Deputations/DOGE

Thank you, sir. I appreciate the email. I'll ensure this email is persevered with the other documents.

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Per USMS Policy Directive 17.11, A., 7., I am authorizing an exception to the special deputation eligibility requirements for the following personnel to be qualified for special deputation. Specifically, these exceptions will waive the requirements to have successfully completed a basic law enforcement training program and possess at least 1 year of law enforcement experience with an agency that has general arrest authority.

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As a result, I am authorizing the policy exception(s) for the listed personnel as previously cited.

Thank you for all of your assistance with this.

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**Attachments:** USMS\_MEMO\_Special Deputation Request\_DOGE Final.pdf

Drew,

The two emails that I forwarded should give you a start to understanding the guardrails on this.

Rich

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Thanks Colin

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<Deliberative, Predecisional>

Rich,

Please see attached draft. Call with any questions.

Thank you,  
Colin

**Colin M. McDonald**  
Senior Counselor  
Office of the Deputy Attorney General

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Hey Colin,

Enclosed herein is the draft of the memo requesting Special Deputation for the protection team for the Special Government Employee we discussed.

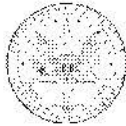
Please provide and edits or changes and we will then amend it and send a signed copy over for review and signature if approved.

Thank you,  
Rich

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U.S. Department of Justice  
United States Marshals Service  
*Office of the Director*

Washington, DC 20536-0001

February 7, 2025

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ACTING DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

FROM: RICHARD KELLY  
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR  
FOR JUDICIAL SUPPORT OPERATIONS

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KELLY

Digitally signed by RICHARD  
KELLY  
Date: 2025.02.07 16:58:51  
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SUBJECT: Special Deputation Request

PURPOSE: To obtain the Acting Deputy Attorney General's decision regarding a Special Deputation request from the United States Marshals Service for (b)(7)(E) Protection Specialists.

**DAG DECISION REQUESTED BY:** As soon as practicable.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** In light of significant and credible threats, the United States Marshals Service (USMS) has received a request to grant the following function to personnel who have received special deputations from the USMS: "*Valid only in furtherance of providing personal protection for the special government employee to whom is the head of the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE).*" The (b)(7)(E) personnel are listed below:

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(b)(7)(E) request for Special Deputation requested by the USMS to grant federal law enforcement authority to the personnel listed above to provide protection for the special Government employee (SGE) to whom is the head of the DOGE.

**DISCUSSION:** The Protection Specialists listed within this memorandum are responsible for providing protection to the head of the DOGE. The applicants' duties include providing protection, coordinating advance security planning, implementing necessary security measures during travel, and managing security threats during protective movements. The protectee is a SGE and their position requires protection during domestic and international travel. The position does not have any inherent law enforcement authority. During the protective duties these applicants are expected to carry firearms and provide personal protection.

Due to the urgent nature of this request, the USMS will continue to process individual applications and supporting documentation to ensure each requestor meets the special deputation eligibility requirements. The USMS will also assess whether additional trainings, investigations, or prudential steps are warranted to ensure fitness and eligibility. The deputizations will not be active until each requestor is sworn by USMS personnel and has signed the necessary deputation paperwork.

Pursuant to the Deputy Attorney General's (DAG) memorandum dated December 9, 1999, the DAG retains authority in various categories of Special Deputations. (b)(7)(E)

(b)(7)(E)

**CONSULTATION:** None.

**OTHER STAKEHOLDERS:** None.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The USMS recommends that the Acting DAG approve this request for Special Deputation for the (b)(7)(E) Protections Specialists for a period of 2 years from the date of issuance. Valid only in furtherance of providing personal protection for the SGE to whom is the head of the DOGE.

APPROVE: \_\_\_\_\_

Concurring Component(s):  
None

DISAPPROVE:

Non-concurring Component:  
None

OTHER:

Attachments: None.

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**Subject:** MEDIA CALL: CNN

CNN just called to ask about reports that Elon Musk has security personnel who a specially deputized by USMS. I did not confirm or deny anything. Is this something for discussion?

- Drew

*Drew J. Wade*

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**Subject:** FW: Question re Musk's private security Marshal deputization

Senate Judiciary Committee minority asking this morning about special deputations. I have flagged with OLA, will circle back with a plan to answer.

Regards, Bill

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Question re Musk's private security Marshal deputization

Morning guys. Can you walk me through the liability piece and how/what kind of liability exposure USMS will face if something goes awry? And is any USMS funding going towards his detail? It's been a while since I've had to think about the deputization authority so I'm a bit rusty.

[https://www.cnn.com/2025/02/20/politics/elon-musk-private-security-deputized-marshals-service/index.html?cid=ios\\_app](https://www.cnn.com/2025/02/20/politics/elon-musk-private-security-deputized-marshals-service/index.html?cid=ios_app)

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**Subject:** RE: Question re Musk's private security Marshal deputization

Thanks Bill,

I am looping in (A) DGC Charlotte Luckstone and [REDACTED]

***Leah Brownlee Taylor***

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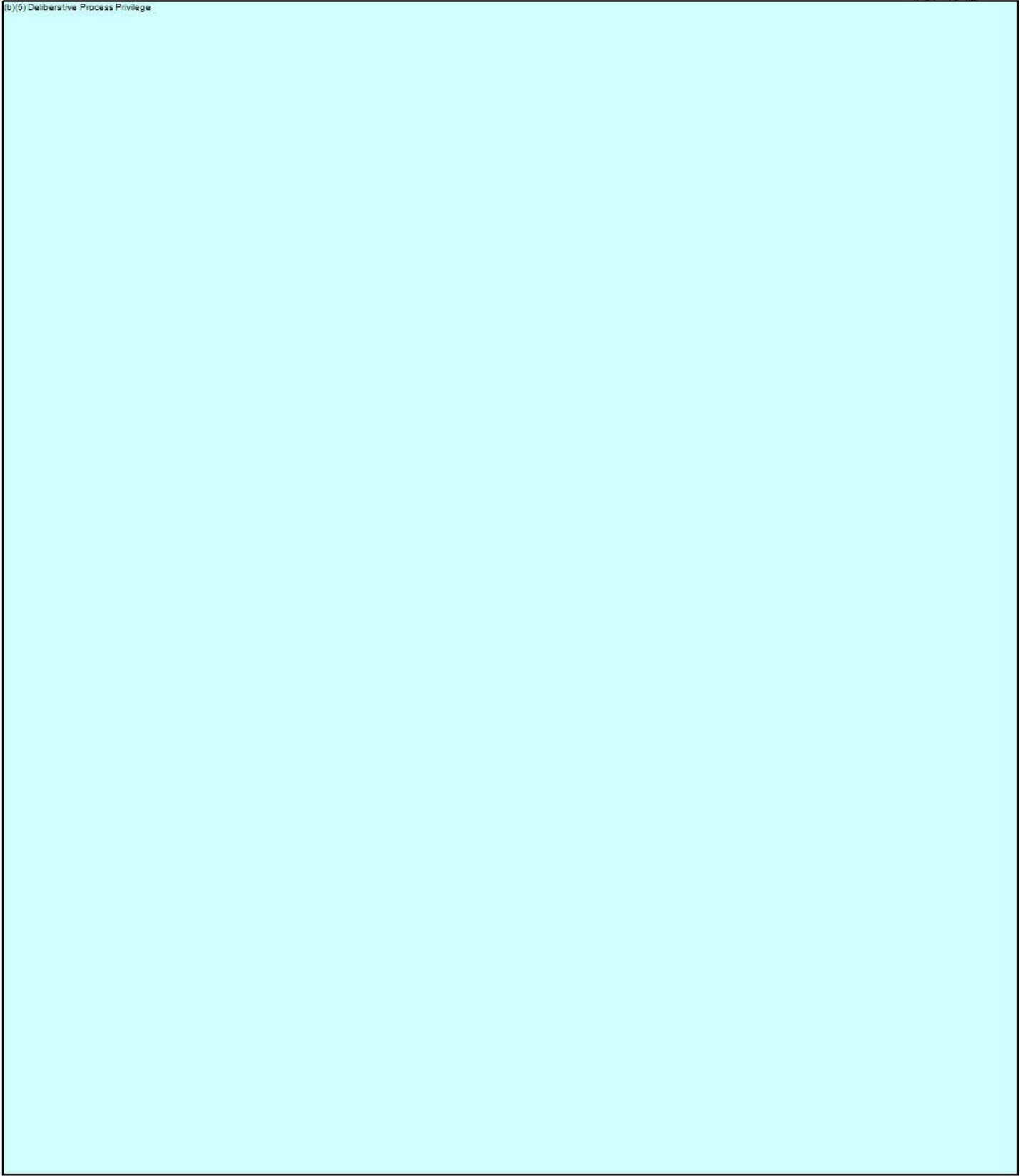
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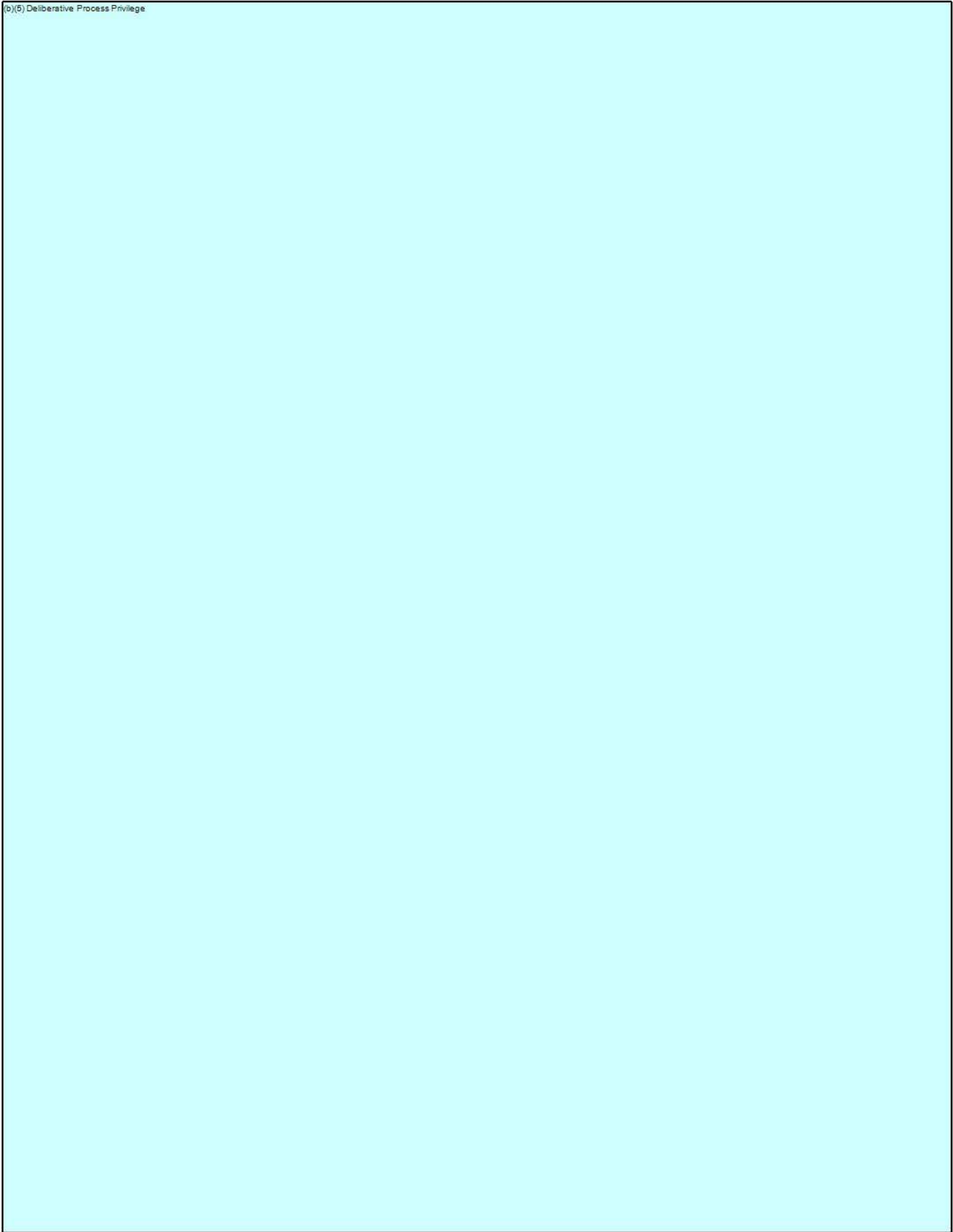


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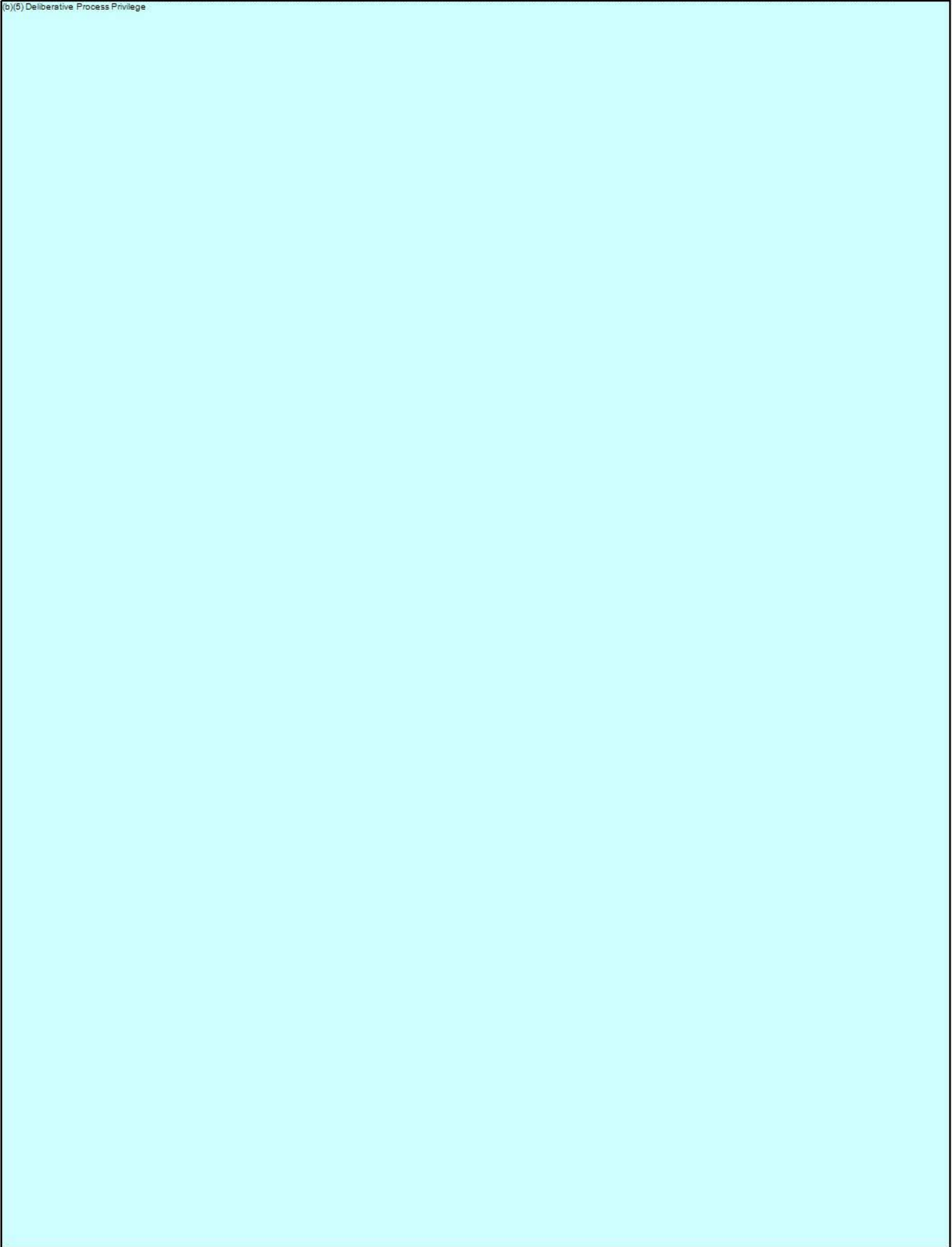
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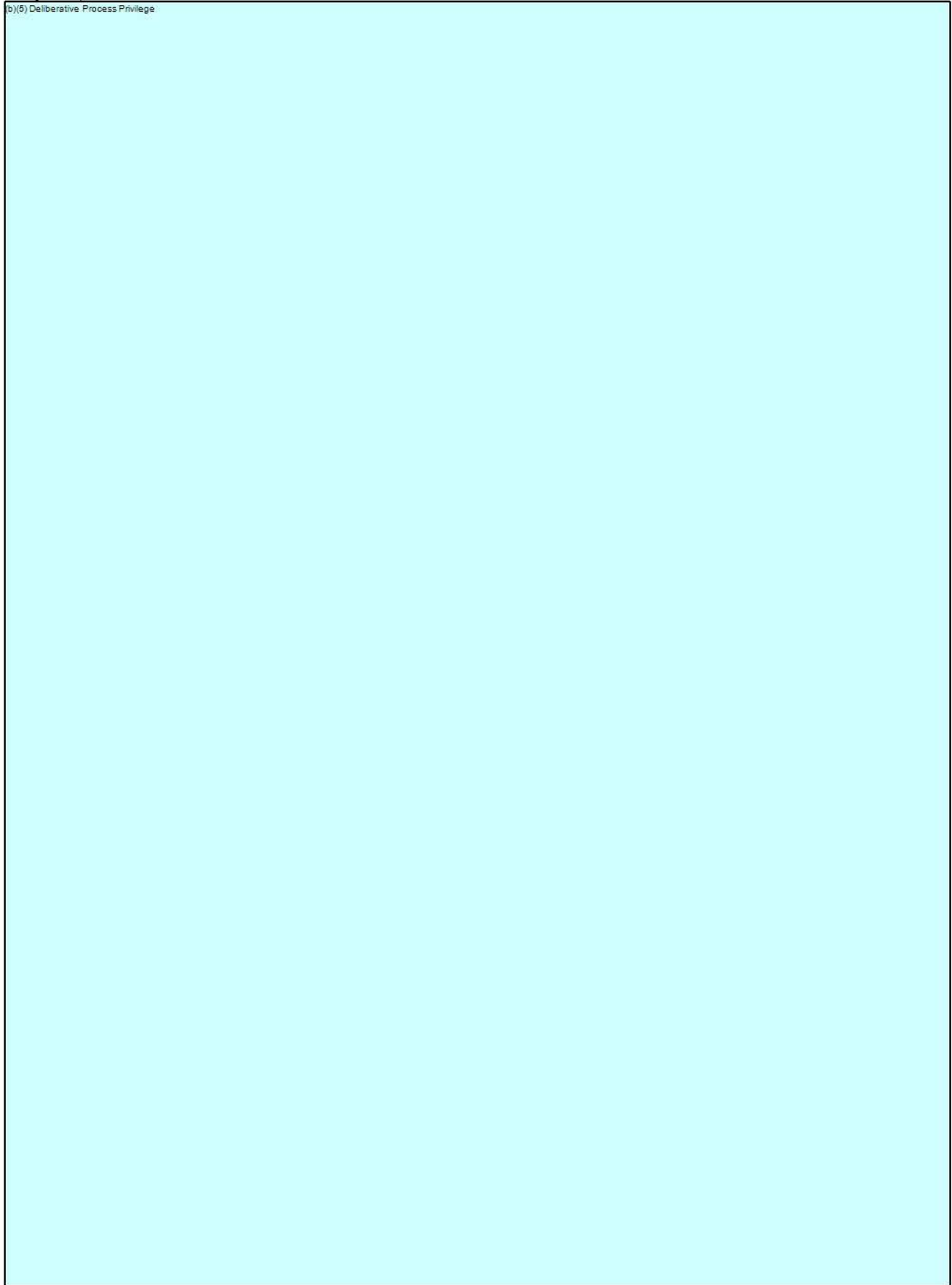
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Yes, CJS Senate Minority. Thanks.

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Thanks, We have a similar but less intrusive request from SJC Minority. This is from the CJS Senate minority, correct? Im throwing everything to OLA and awaiting guidance.

Adding [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] for awareness. Bill

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**Subject:** FW: DOGE and USMS

**Importance:** High

Hi Bill,

Below is an incoming inquiry from our CJS Appropriations Subcommittee regarding Special Deputizations. As this is a policy inquiry and OCA is already working on answering a similar letter related to this subject from the Judiciary Committee, I will let OCA take the lead. I did not receive this formally from DOJ yet, but I assume the DOJ Appropriations Liaison Office will likely include the Office of Legislative Affairs and the Office of the Deputy Attorney General.

JSD, please see question 7 for response.

Thank you.

[REDACTED]

Appropriations Liaison Officer

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[REDACTED]

**Subject:** RE: DOGE and USMS

Hi, All –

Public reporting suggests that the answers to our questions below have changed dramatically. Please note that my expectation when this happens in the future is that DOJ will proactively act to inform the Committee of the change in circumstances with updated answers to our timely questions.

Please provide answers to these updated questions **no later than Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup> COB.**

1. Please confirm whether or not USMS has deputized members of Elon Musk's private security detail.
  - a. If yes, please provide the agreement.

2. What resources, if any, has USMS or DOJ utilized, or plans to utilize, in order to effectuate Elon Musk's security detail?
3. What precedent exists, if any, for USMS deputizing private security officers?
  - a. What precedent exists, if any, for USMS deputizing non-governmental entities? Is there concern that opening this door beyond law enforcement could lead to abuse of this unique USMS capability?
4. Please provide additional background on the USMS deputizing authority, including:
  - a. Under what circumstances is this typically granted? Provide examples.
  - b. Roughly how many individuals were deputized each year over the last eight years? (either calendar or FY)
  - c. Were all those deputized during the last eight years government entities?
5. Once USMS deputizes a private security officer, what enhanced capabilities does that security officer now have? As part of your answer, please state whether or not this means they are legally permitted to carry concealed firearms in all federal buildings.
6. What communications, if any, has the Department had with U.S. Secret Service or DOGE regarding Elon Musk's private security?
  - a. For what reason did the Department of Justice deputize private security officers in this instance, rather than U.S. Secret Service providing security?
7. Please identify the total number of individuals with current USMS protection details, and any individuals with pending requests for details, including their names and reasons for the USMS security details.
8. What, if any, limitations on liability are in place to protect USMS from lawsuits stemming from improper acts of individuals it has deputized?
  - a. Does this arrangement with Musk's private security detail provide USMS any unique limitations on liability? Why or why not?
9. Has USMS ever been held liable for improper acts of individuals it has deputized?
  - a. If so, please discuss those instances and what damages USMS or DOJ may have provided as a result.
10. The following passage was included in the CNN article, hyperlinked above. Is this accurate? If not, please provide the correct information re: Dr. Fauci's security detail through USMS:

*"The Marshals Service has deputized security details before, including that of Dr. Anthony Fauci. The Marshals deputized officers from the office of the inspector general at the Department of Health and Human Services to serve as Fauci's security because of an increase in threats to his personal safety."*

Thanks,

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**Subject:** RE: DOGE and USMS

From USMS:

Under what legal authority, if any, would DOGE and its officials utilize law enforcement support from the U.S. Marshals Service?

USMS Response: (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege  
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Has the U.S. Marshals Service entered into any sort of agreement, informal or not, to provide support of any kind to DOGE and its officials?"

USMS Response: (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege  
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Thanks.

Alan

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**Subject:** RE: DOGE and USMS

We are checking on this for you, (b)(6)

Thanks.

Alan

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] DOGE and USMS

Hi, All –

Please see below from the Washington Post, one of the outlets reporting that over the weekend, DOGE officials threatened US Marshal action in order to gain access to secure government spaces.

Under what legal authority, if any, would DOGE and its officials utilize law enforcement support from the U.S. Marshals Service?

Has the U.S. Marshals Service entered into any sort of agreement, informal or not, to provide support of any kind to DOGE and its officials?

We would appreciate answers to these two initial questions no later than this Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup> COB. Please let me know if you have questions or need any clarification.

Thank you,

(b)(6)

*When USAID personnel attempted to block access to some areas, **DOGE officials threatened to call federal marshals**, the aide said. The DOGE officials were eventually given access to “secure spaces” including the security office.*

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2025/02/02/usaids-trump-musk/>

## Trump moves to wrest control of USAID as Musk says ‘we’re shutting it down’

Ellen Nakashima

The Trump administration and its allies moved to tighten control of the U.S. Agency for International Development over the weekend, signaling an intent to act forcefully to bring the U.S. foreign policy apparatus in line with the president’s “America First” approach to engaging with the world.

Current and former officials said the administration removed two top security officials at USAID on Saturday after they refused to allow representatives of the office led by billionaire Elon Musk access to restricted spaces at the agency.

The placement of the security officials — John Voorhees and his deputy — on administrative leave is alarming several lawmakers concerned about security protocols as the Trump administration and Musk aim to wrest control of the world’s largest provider of food assistance. Since President Donald Trump took office two weeks ago, the agency has been under siege and whipsawed by aid freezes, personnel purges and confusion.

Musk, heading a government efficiency effort under Trump, said on X early Monday that he is in the process closing the agency with Trump’s blessing.

“I went over it with him in detail, and he agreed that we should shut it down,” Musk said. “And I actually checked with him a few times [and] said ‘are you sure?’”

The answer was yes, he said.

“And so we’re shutting it down,” Musk said.

USAID staffers were told that the agency’s headquarters in Washington will be closed Monday amid the turmoil.

In an email to staff early Monday, the agency’s leadership said: “Agency personnel normally assigned to work at USAID headquarters will work remotely ... with the exception of personnel with essential on-site and building maintenance functions individually contacted by senior leadership.”

The decision was first reported by Devex.

The episode over the weekend had added to the speculation that Trump would attempt to abolish the agency or merge it into the State Department and underscores the role of unelected figures led by Musk, the richest man in the world — in the administration’s push to remake the federal government. It also highlights the new administration’s more transactional view of global engagement and its determination to refocus public spending on activities that yield tangible impacts for U.S. citizens.

Amid the turmoil, Matt Hopson, the USAID chief of staff and a political appointee, resigned, according to a current and former USAID official who spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss a sensitive situation. Hopson did not respond to requests for comment.

Voorhees was put on leave after he did not allow officials from the “Department of Government Efficiency” to access a sensitive compartmented information facility — commonly known as a SCIF — an ultra-secure room where officials and government contractors take extraordinary precautions to review highly classified information, according to three current and former USAID officials.

A group of about eight DOGE officials entered the USAID building Saturday and demanded access to every door and floor, despite only a few of them having security clearance, according to a Senate Democratic staff member who spoke on the condition of anonymity to describe the incident.

When USAID personnel attempted to block access to some areas, DOGE officials threatened to call federal marshals, the aide said. The DOGE officials were eventually given access to “secure spaces” including the security office.

The Senate staffer also said top officials from USAID’s office and the bulk of the staff in USAID’s Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs were put on leave later Saturday. Some of them were not notified but had their access to agency terminals suspended.

Katie Miller, a spokeswoman for DOGE, said on X that “no classified material was accessed without proper security clearances.”

Over the weekend, Musk repeatedly denigrated USAID without offering evidence that those working there were corrupt. On X, he called the long-standing government agency “evil” and a “viper’s nest of radical-left marxists who hate America.”

“USAID is a criminal organization,” he added. “Time for it to die.”

Musk also had sharp words for the agency during an X Spaces live stream early Monday, when he was joined by Vivek Ramaswamy — former co-head of DOGE in its prior iteration, when it was an outside group empowered to make recommendations — and Sen. Joni Ernst (R-Iowa).

“USAID is a ball of worms,” Musk said. “There is no apple.”

“It’s gotta go. It’s beyond repair,” he added.

Established in 1961 by President John F. Kennedy, USAID oversees a vast portfolio of programs designed to provide humanitarian relief, combat poverty, support global health and more. In 2023, it managed appropriations worth \$40 billion, according to the Congressional Research Service. USAID is present in more than 100 countries from Ukraine to Peru. The agency’s staff numbers more than 10,000, the majority of whom are overseas.

By Sunday afternoon, USAID’s X account had been taken down, with a message saying the account “doesn’t exist.” The agency’s Instagram account was also taken offline.

USAID’s website has been down since Saturday. It was not immediately clear whether it was taken down because of the Trump administration’s focus on the agency or was down because of technical problems.

The purge of USAID personnel and freezing of foreign assistance have caused tension between Trump officials and congressional staff members, who have clashed over the value of key projects and the administration’s plans to fold USAID within the State Department, said U.S. officials familiar with the matter.

During those discussions, senior State Department official Peter Marocco was unable to provide answers on what aid was paused, including sensitive programs in Ukraine, which is fending off an invasion from Russia, the officials said. State Department spokespeople have also been unable to provide answers about what cases are exempt from Trump’s freeze.

The news of the top two security officials being put on leave was earlier reported by CNN. News of Hopson’s resignation was first reported by Reuters.

Late Sunday, Trump also implied that the ousters of USAID officials were justified, without citing any evidence.

“It’s been run by a bunch of radical lunatics. And we’re getting them out,” he told reporters after returning to Washington from spending the weekend in Palm Beach, Florida.

Top-ranking Democrats on Sunday demanded explanations for the DOGE officials’ actions and the sudden departure of the USAID security leaders.

Ten Democratic senators, including Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-New Hampshire), the top Democrat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, warned Secretary of State Marco Rubio in a letter that any steps to dismantle USAID would need congressional approval and asked for an update on the weekend’s events.

Shaheen, in a separate message to The Washington Post, said she is “seeking immediate answers about any implications for our national security and ... bringing a group of bipartisan Senators together on this as soon as the Senate comes back tomorrow.”

“Reports that individuals without appropriate clearance may have accessed classified USAID spaces as well as American citizens’ personal information are incredibly serious and unprecedented,” Shaheen said.

Sen. Tim Kaine (D-Virginia), who sits on the same committee, said there is “no circumstance under which individuals without proper security clearances should be given access to our nation’s most sensitive secrets and systems.”

“This is exactly what China, Russia and Iran want,” Kaine said. “This potentially criminal incident must be investigated thoroughly and immediately. I commend the efforts of USAID staff who have shown time and again that their first and foremost priority is serving their country, not the whims of an unelected and corrupt billionaire.”

But congressional Republicans have expressed interest in shrinking or losing USAID as an independent agency. Rep. Brian Mast (R-Florida), chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, told CBS News’s “Face the Nation” Sunday that he “absolutely” would be in support of changing USAID’s status.

Mast, however, did not answer a question on whether congressional approval would be required to close USAID as an independent agency, as would likely be required by law. Instead, he said that the office needs to be restructured and that “purging” officials throughout the State Department and other agencies, as well as the freezing of foreign aid, are all “very important and necessary steps to make sure that we secure America.”

Trump named Musk as the head of DOGE, a new government office that was initially promised to comb through the whole federal bureaucracy searching for deep spending cuts. Since then, Musk has sought to exert sweeping control over the inner workings of the U.S. government, installing longtime surrogates at several agencies, including the Office of Personnel Management, which essentially handles federal human resources, and the General Services Administration, which manages real estate.

DOGE is now housed in a White House office formerly known as the U.S. Digital Service but now called the U.S. DOGE Service and has broad visibility into technology across the government.

The administration's move to push out the top security officials at USAID came a day after Musk's DOGE deputies gained access to a sensitive Treasury Department system responsible for trillions of dollars in U.S. government payments after the administration ousted a top career official at the department, according to three people who spoke on the condition of anonymity to describe government deliberations.

*Jeff Stein and Aaron Schaffer contributed to this report.*

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Thanks,  
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Thanks, DD (Adjacent). Any comments by our esteemed colleagues in OGC?

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All,

For the group's review and consideration. Looping in [REDACTED] (please see his comments) and Charlotte.

***Leah Brownlee Taylor***

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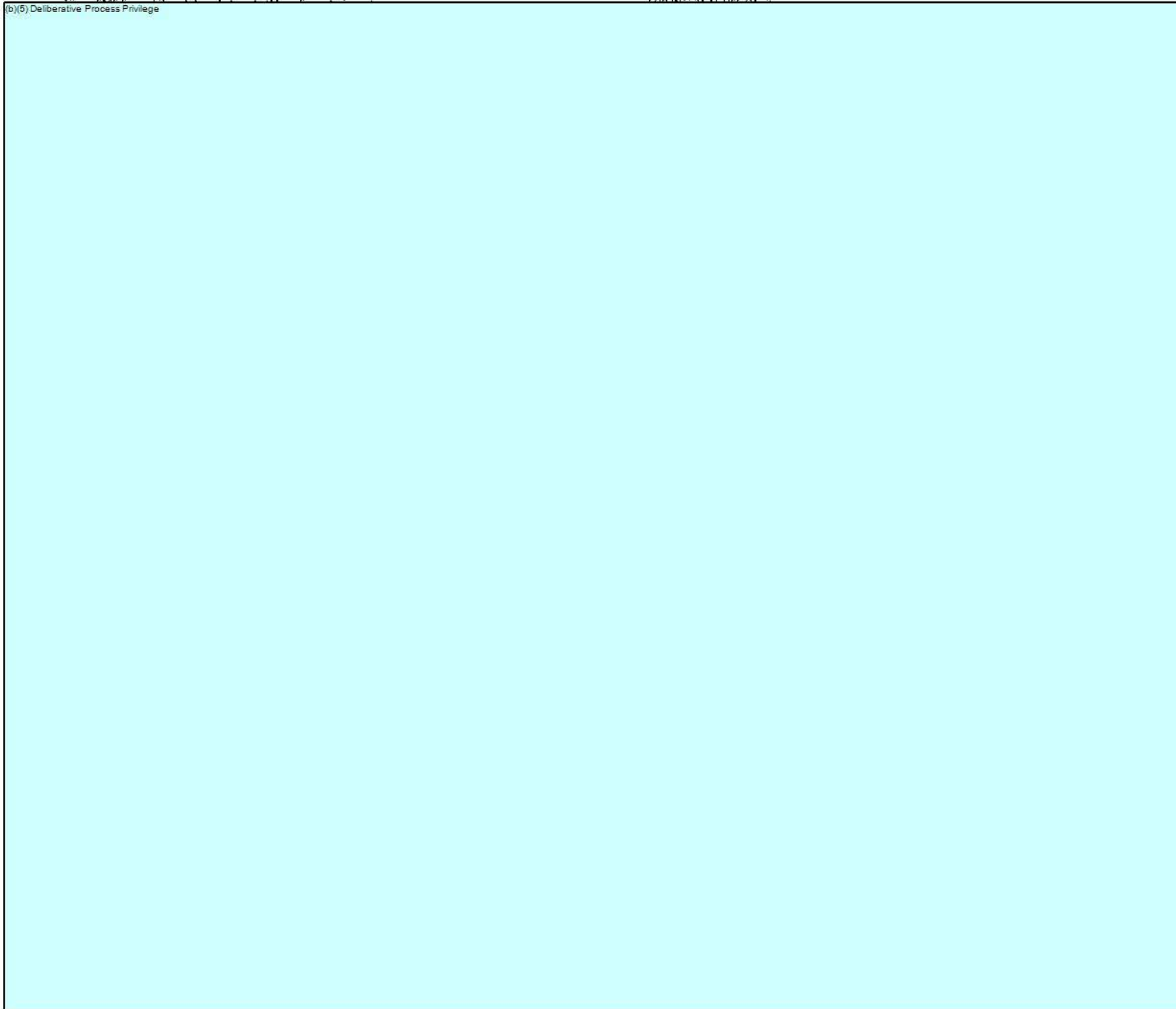
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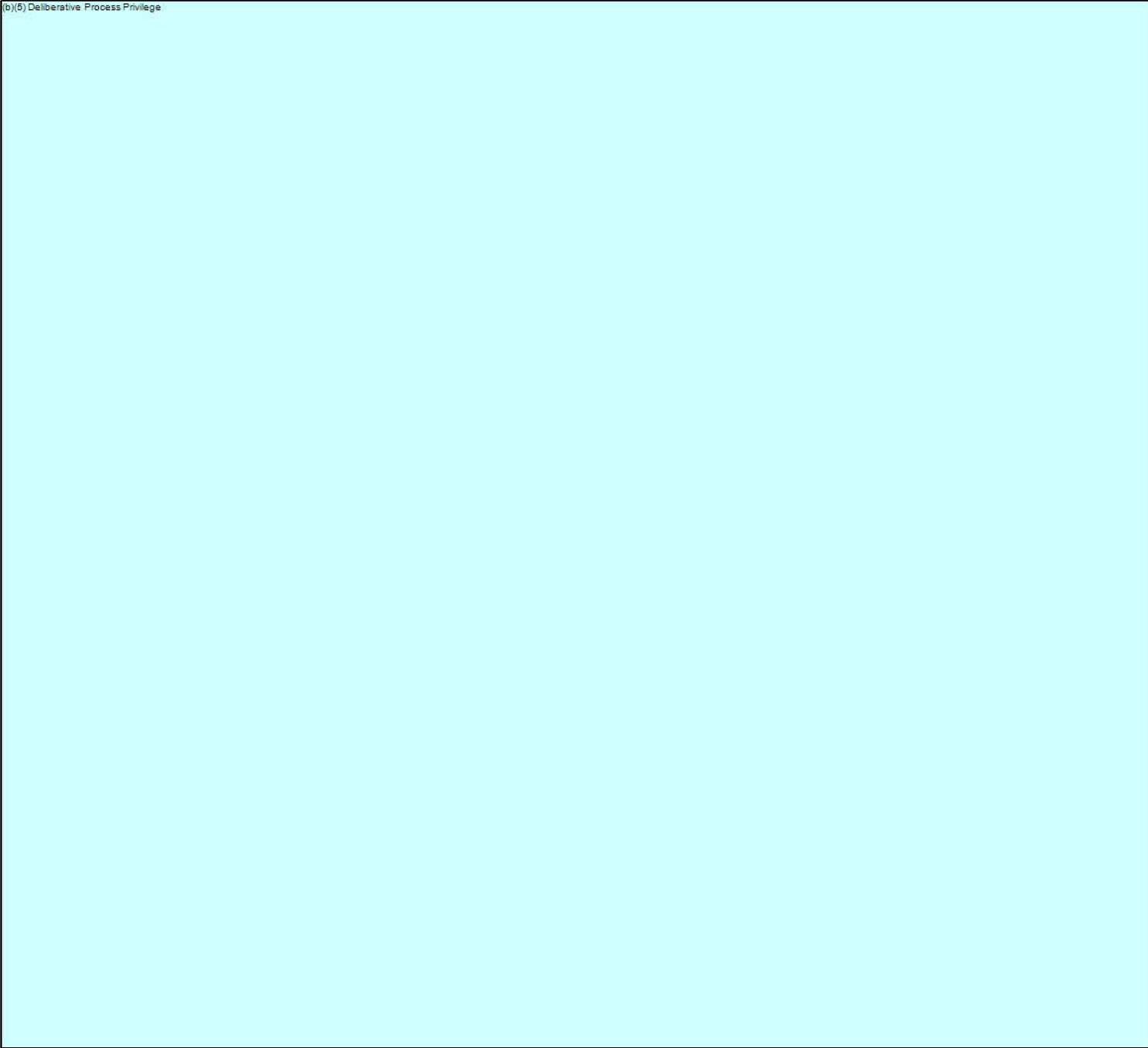
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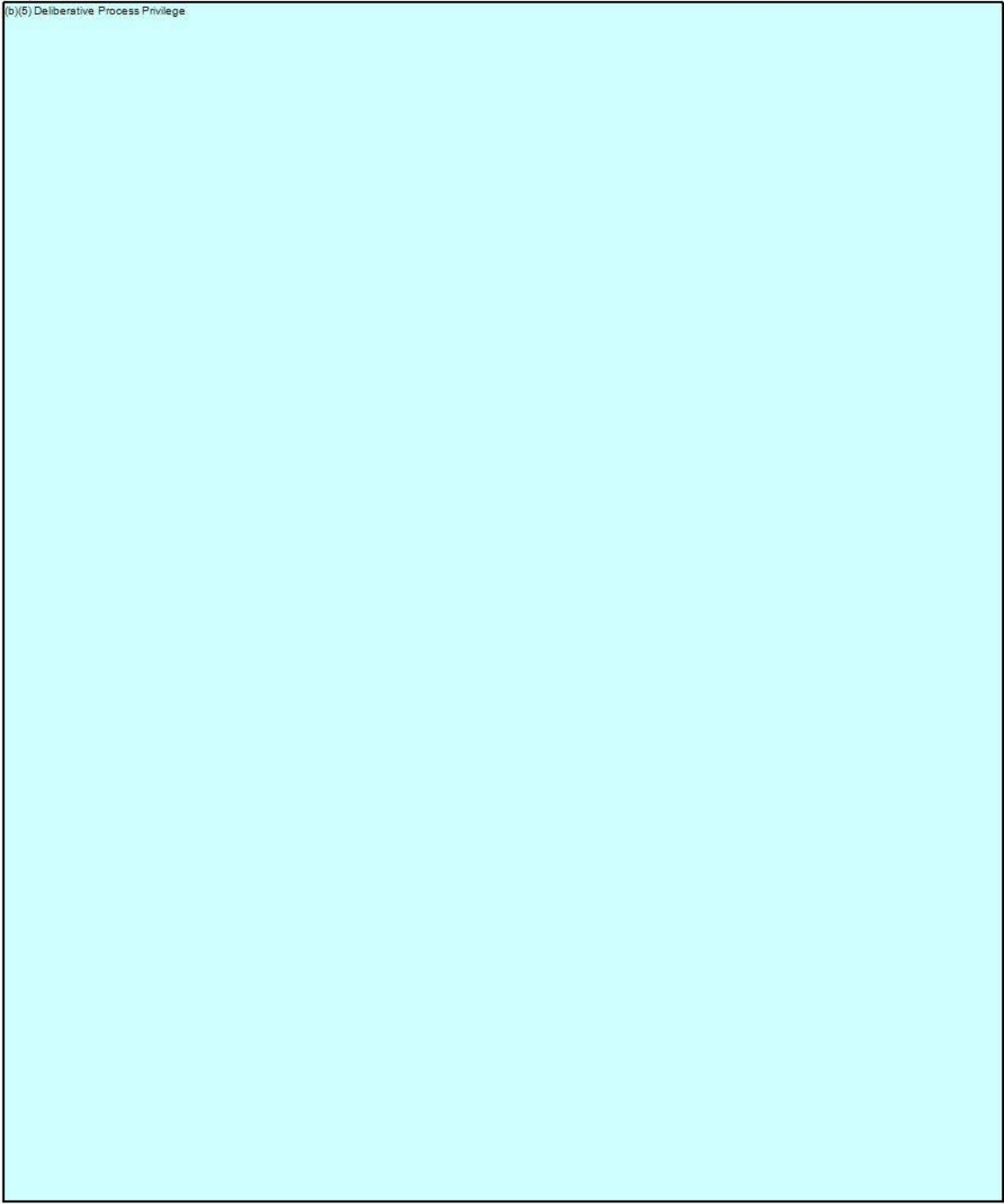
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Fantastic and thanks for reaching out on this today (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)

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ADO

All Protective Investigation Training certificates or proof of protective detail training for the (b)(7)(E) protection specialists responsible for providing protection services to the head of the DOGE have been received and provided to the SDP.

R/s,

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)

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Should be 4 emails with certificates for all

On Fri, Feb 21, 2025 at 10:39 AM (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)@com> wrote:  
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); yes, not a problem.

On Fri, Feb 21, 2025 at 09:45 (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) (USMS) <(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Good morning (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Considering the recent news, can you provide me with an update on gathering copies of everyone's Protective Investigation Training certificates or proof of protective detail training?

Thanks.

R/s,

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)

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Yes we are gathering those. Thanks.

On Mon, Feb 10, 2025 at 09:00 (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) (USMS) <(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)>@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Good morning, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Thanks again for providing all the EALs and USM (b)(7)(E) over the weekend. Regarding yourself and the other (b)(7)(E) personnel, can you provide me with copies of everyone's Protective Investigation Training certificates or proof of protective detail training?

Any questions, please let me know. Thanks.

R/s,

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)

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Thanks all

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Perfect!

Enjoy your evening. Thanks.

R/s,

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Let's try this

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**Subject:** RE: Special Deputation inquiries

Sir, Here are the two sets of questions asked.

**Questions from Senate Judiciary Committee, Minority Staff**

Morning guys. Can you walk me through the liability piece and how/what kind of liability exposure USMS will face if something goes awry? And is any USMS funding going towards his detail? It's been a while since I've had to think about the deputization authority so I'm a bit rusty.

[https://www.cnn.com/2025/02/20/politics/elon-musk-private-security-deputized-marshals-service/index.html?cid=ios\\_app](https://www.cnn.com/2025/02/20/politics/elon-musk-private-security-deputized-marshals-service/index.html?cid=ios_app)

**Questions from Senate Appropriations Committee, Commerce Justice Science Subcommittee, Minority Staff:**

Public reporting suggests that the answers to our questions below have changed dramatically. Please note that my expectation when this happens in the future is that DOJ will proactively act to inform the Committee of the change in circumstances with updated answers to our timely questions.

Please provide answers to these updated questions **no later than Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup> COB.**

1. Please confirm whether or not USMS has deputized members of Elon Musk's private security detail.
  - a. If yes, please provide the agreement.
2. What resources, if any, has USMS or DOJ utilized, or plans to utilize, in order to effectuate Elon Musk's security detail?
3. What precedent exists, if any, for USMS deputizing private security officers?
  - a. What precedent exists, if any, for USMS deputizing non-governmental entities? Is there concern that opening this door beyond law enforcement could lead to abuse of this unique USMS capability?
4. Please provide additional background on the USMS deputizing authority, including:
  - a. Under what circumstances is this typically granted? Provide examples.
  - b. Roughly how many individuals were deputized each year over the last eight years? (either calendar or FY)
  - c. Were all those deputized during the last eight years government entities?
5. Once USMS deputizes a private security officer, what enhanced capabilities does that security officer now have? As part of your answer, please state whether or not this means they are legally permitted to carry concealed firearms in all federal buildings.

6. What communications, if any, has the Department had with U.S. Secret Service or DOGE regarding Elon Musk's private security?
  - a. For what reason did the Department of Justice deputize private security officers in this instance, rather than U.S. Secret Service providing security?
7. Please identify the total number of individuals with current USMS protection details, and any individuals with pending requests for details, including their names and reasons for the USMS security details.
8. What, if any, limitations on liability are in place to protect USMS from lawsuits stemming from improper acts of individuals it has deputized?
  - a. Does this arrangement with Musk's private security detail provide USMS any unique limitations on liability? Why or why not?
9. Has USMS ever been held liable for improper acts of individuals it has deputized?
  - a. If so, please discuss those instances and what damages USMS or DOJ may have provided as a result.
10. The following passage was included in the CNN article, hyperlinked above. Is this accurate? If not, please provide the correct information re: Dr. Fauci's security detail through USMS:

*"The Marshals Service has deputized security details before, including that of Dr. Anthony Fauci. The Marshals deputized officers from the office of the inspector general at the Department of Health and Human Services to serve as Fauci's security because of an increase in threats to his personal safety."*

Thanks,

(b)(6)

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Good morning Bill. Can you let me know who exactly (congressional notifications) have been asking about the special deputation of Elon Musk's security detail. Thanks

Mark Pittella  
Acting Director  
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**Subject:** RE: Congressional Special Deputation Inquiries

[REDACTED] we are working on responses now, and will have something within an hour. We will provide the draft responses with this group, however it will still need to be vetted by OGC, OCA and ELM.

Floriano Whitwell  
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Hi everyone,

To be clear, we need to establish a new deadline for answering these questions as well, as the CJS Appropriations Subcommittee deadline is **close of business today**. I will need to request an extension from CJS and should provide the Agency's proposed suspense date. We will also need to provide all answers to the Department for clearance, so please keep that in mind. Thank you.

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Appropriations Liaison Officer  
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Subject: Congressional Special Deputation inquiries

Team,

We need to formulate responses to the following questions posed last week by two oversight committees. Understanding that everyone is swamped, can TOD and OGC take a look at these questions and 1) figure out which can be answered easily and propose a couple sentences, 2) which could be answered easily but with concerns about operational methods or departmental equities, and 3) which are unanswerable or could only be answered with significant resource expenditure.

Happy to hop on a coordination call, but we need to adopt a strategy based on whatever inputs we have available. In the meantime (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) but we cant do that for too long.

Regards, Bill

### Questions from Senate Judiciary Committee, Minority Staff

Morning guys. Can you walk me through the liability piece and how/what kind of liability exposure USMS will face if something goes awry? And is any USMS funding going towards his detail? It's been a while since I've had to think about the deputization authority so I'm a bit rusty.

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### Questions from Senate Appropriations Committee, Commerce Justice Science Subcommittee, Minority Staff:

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Please provide answers to these updated questions **no later than Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup> COB.**

1. Please confirm whether or not USMS has deputized members of Elon Musk's private security detail.
  - a. If yes, please provide the agreement.
2. What resources, if any, has USMS or DOJ utilized, or plans to utilize, in order to effectuate Elon Musk's security detail?
3. What precedent exists, if any, for USMS deputizing private security officers?
  - a. What precedent exists, if any, for USMS deputizing non-governmental entities? Is there concern that opening this door beyond law enforcement could lead to abuse of this unique USMS capability?
4. Please provide additional background on the USMS deputizing authority, including:
  - a. Under what circumstances is this typically granted? Provide examples.
  - b. Roughly how many individuals were deputized each year over the last eight years? (either calendar or FY)
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5. Once USMS deputizes a private security officer, what enhanced capabilities does that security officer now have? As part of your answer, please state whether or not this means they are legally permitted to carry concealed firearms in all federal buildings.
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10. The following passage was included in the CNN article, hyperlinked above. Is this accurate? If not, please provide the correct information re: Dr. Fauci's security detail through USMS:

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Thanks,

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**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2025 10:33 AM  
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**Subject:** Special Deputation inquiries

Good morning Bill. Can you let me know who exactly (congressional notifications) have been asking about the special deputation of Elon Musk's security detail. Thanks

**Mark Pittella**  
**Acting Director**

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Questions concerning DOGE Special Deputations

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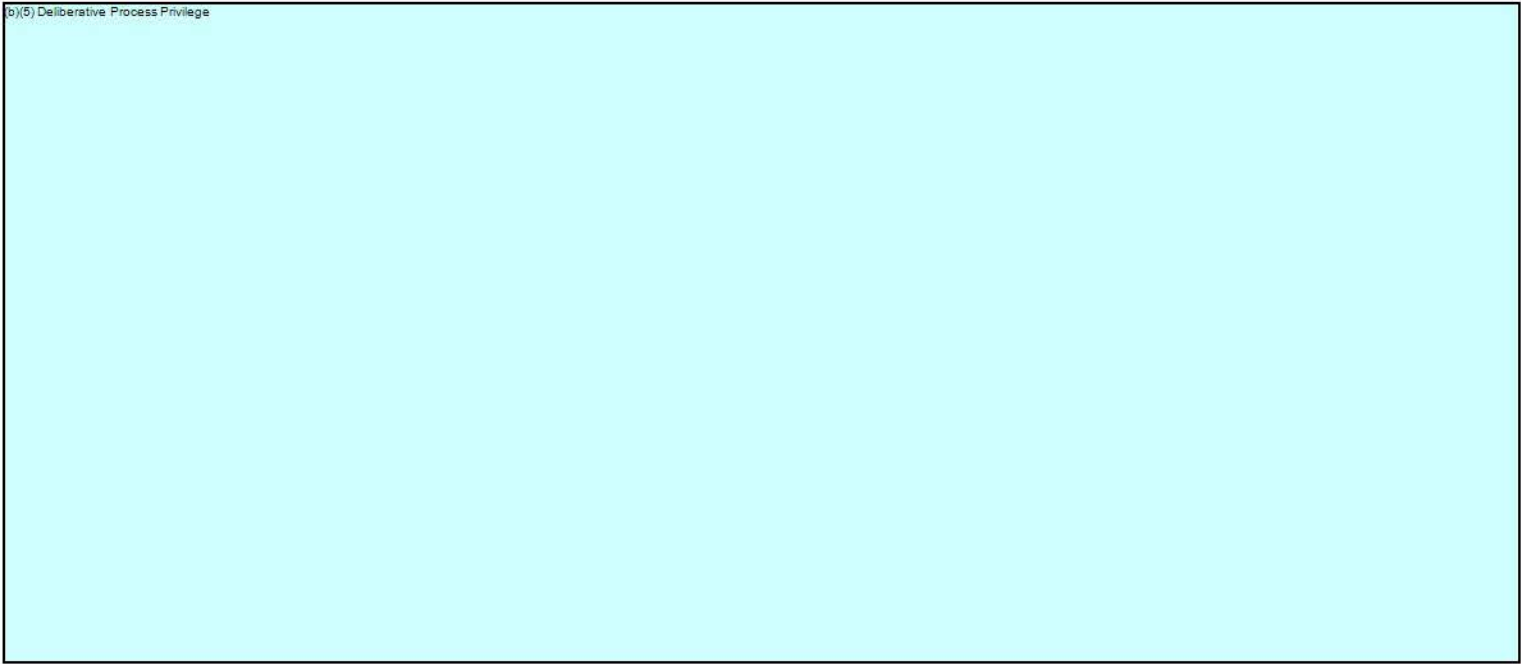
All:

Thanks for all the inputs. See the updated DRAFT below for consideration and use in response to media queries only. *[NOTE: USMS OPA has received no follow-up media calls since the CNN story broke and other news organizations covered it.]*

Also, see the highlighted Q&A. Are we good with this or should we alter it?

- Drew

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**Subject:** DRAFT: Musk Security Team Special Deputation

Colleagues:

Attached for your review and approval are DRAFT talking points to respond to queries on the special deputation of Elon Musk security team personnel. Please provide your feedback as soon as possible so that Acting Director Pittella can approve. Then I will transmit our final DRAFT to DOJ OPA for approval.

Thanks,  
Drew



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Great. Thanks.

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Hey [REDACTED]

We have this figured out.

Thanks,  
Rich

Rich Kelly  
Associate Director for Operations  
Responsible for the duties of the Deputy Director  
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ADO,

Per our conversation, the following is an excerpt from the attachment.

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I also recently spoke with Chief Delaney, and he mentioned the two questions above may not need to be answered by the USMS. Subsequently, he plans on sending the draft responses to you and the D for review and approval, prior to him responding to the Department.

R/s,

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Good evening Bill,

Reviewed and approved on behalf of OSD.

Respectfully,

Floriano Whitwell  
Acting Assistant Director  
Tactical Operations Division  
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Team,

I took TOD's and OGC's inputs, massaged them, and turned into a draft narrative response that I included in the attached and below. Please read my draft closely and correct any inaccuracies. The goal is to get this over to the Department for OLA/ODAG review. Thanks. Bill

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Good afternoon,

Please see the responses on behalf of OSD.

Respectfully,

Floriano Whitwell  
Acting Assistant Director  
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**Subject:** CLEARED response to Congress on DOGE detail.

[REDACTED]

OLA/ODAG cleared the following answer back to CJS and SJC. They took out our paragraph from our draft, which I highlighted in yellow at the bottom of the email. Bill

**USMS Cleared Answer:**

The USMS recently sponsored deputations to provide personal protection for the head of the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE). These deputations are limited in scope to personal protection and do not extend to law enforcement powers typical of most federal special deputations, such as the ability to arrest, among other limitations. The USMS does not dedicate any resources to the DOGE deputations.

In general, special deputations are authorized based upon law enforcement needs of the USMS or other federal agencies that demonstrate a requirement to enforce federal law or carry a concealed weapon. The conferred authority can be limited to certain duty hours or a specific investigation, location, or purpose. Most special deputations are for the direct support of federal law enforcement efforts such as FBI, USMS and ATF task forces by federal, state, and local law enforcement. Over the last eight years, USMS has deputized as many as 12,916 individuals in 2021, to as few as 6,017 individuals in 2023. Every special deputation is bound by the functions and limitations set forth on their Special Deputation Oath of Office form. Any law enforcement functions granted by the special deputation are only in effect while executing their duties, and the ability for specially deputized protective details to carry weapons in a federal building is dependent on the policy of the agency operating the building.

The Associate Attorney General is delegated the authority, vested in the Attorney General, to authorize the USMS Director to deputize persons to perform the function of a Deputy U.S. Marshal. 28 C.F.R. § 0.19(a)(3). The USMS Director is authorized to deputize selected officers or employees of DOJ; federal, state, or local law enforcement officers; employees of private security companies in providing courtroom security for the federal judiciary; and other persons designated by the Associate Attorney General, in accordance with 28 C.F.R. § 0.112.

USMS will not comment on the nature of purported acts that may result in USMS liability, if any.

The USMS conducts its own protective details with Deputy US Marshals for judicial officials and Department of Justice employees as required. The number of those details fluctuate over time and currently includes four details plus residential protection for the nine Supreme Court Justices. The USMS also has specially deputized law enforcement personnel at 13 Departments and agencies to provide personal protection for their leadership.

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Thanks for the ping. It went to ODAG yesterday, so hopefully will have something here soon.

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Gentle ping on this high profile RFI. Appropriators are traditionally accorded fast responses from A.I.O.

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**Importance:** High

OLA friends,

Below is a draft USMS narrative response to incoming questions posed by the Senate Judiciary Committee minority and CJS Appropriations minority. We attempted to craft a single response for both inquiries, but can bifurcate if desired. The CJS inquiry has received follow up ticklers. The incoming questions are located at the bottom of this email. Look forward to any Department edits. Regards, Bill

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[REDACTED]

The Associate Attorney General is delegated the authority, vested in the Attorney General, to authorize the USMS Director to deputize persons to perform the function of a Deputy U.S. Marshal. 28 C.F.R. § 0.19(a)(3). The USMS Director is authorized to deputize selected officers or employees of DOJ; federal, state, or local law enforcement officers; employees of private security companies in providing courtroom security for the federal judiciary; and other persons designated by the Associate Attorney General, in accordance with 28 C.F.R. § 0.112.

USMS will not comment on the nature of purported acts that may result in USMS liability, if any.

The USMS conducts its own protective details with Deputy US Marshals for judicial officials and Department of Justice employees as required. The number of those details fluctuate over time, and currently includes four details plus

residential protection for the nine Supreme Court Justices. The USMS also has specially deputized law enforcement personnel at 13 Departments and agencies to provide personal protection for their leadership.”



U.S. Marshals Service

*William Delaney*

Chief, Office of Congressional and Public Affairs  
United States Marshals Service

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Message

**From:** [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
**Sent:** 3/10/2025 9:32:34 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Richard (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; Taylor, Leah (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; Whitwell, Floriano (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; Luckstone, Charlotte (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov; [REDACTED] (USMS) [REDACTED]@usdoj.gov  
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**Subject:** FW: DOGE and USMS  
**Attachments:** DOGE Special Deputation Approval redacted\_Redacted.pdf

Good evening,

Late Friday, the USMS received additional/more specific questions related to the special deputation of the DOGE protective members. Acting DD Kelly and I attempted the responses below and need your edits/comments as soon as possible so we can send to the Department for review tomorrow.

[REDACTED] can you also review to make sure we aren't contradicting anything that may be going to the OIG as well? Thank you!

1. **How many Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) deputations have (so far) been granted for the personal protection of DOGE's head, Elon Musk?**

**USMS Response:** [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

1. **Please provide text of the signed deputation agreement (one agreement is fine) between USMS and DOGE. You may redact names of the individual(s) deputized.**

**USMS Response:** [REDACTED]

2. **What precedent exists, if any, for USMS deputizing private security officers or companies who are not "providing courtroom security for the Federal judiciary"? (28 CFR § 0.112(c))**

**USMS Response:** [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

3. **The regulation that sets forth the "special deputation" capability of USMS is set forth in 28 CFR § 0.112. A few questions about that authority in this instance:**

1. **Is it true that Elon Musk's private security team is not considered (a) selected officers or employees of DOJ; (b) selected federal, state, or local law enforcement officers who are necessary for USMS law enforcement needs; or (c) selected employees of private security companies who provide courtroom security for the Federal judiciary?**

**USMS Response:** [REDACTED]

1. **If so, this authority had to be granted under 28 CFR § 0.112(d), allowing for "[o]ther persons designated by the Associate Attorney General pursuant to 28 CFR 0.19(a)(3)," is that correct?**

**USMS Response:** [REDACTED]

1. If (b) above is correct, which DOJ official signed off on these deputations?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege  
(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

4. Please provide additional background on the USMS deputizing authority, including:

1. Under what circumstances is this typically granted? Provide examples.

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege  
(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

2. Roughly how many individuals were deputized each year over the last eight years? (either calendar or FY) **Provide those statistics broken out by year.**

**USMS Response:**

Fiscal Year	Total Special Deputations
(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege	
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(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege	
(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege	
(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege	

3. Were all those deputized during the last eight years government entities?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

5. USMS notes in its answer that “[t]hese deputations are limited in scope to personal protection and do not extend to law enforcement powers typical of most federal special deputations, such as the ability to arrest, among other limitations.” Given that, what new authorities do these private security personnel now have?

1. They do not have arrest authority, is that correct?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

2. Can they legally carry concealed firearms? If so, can those firearms be carried concealed in federal buildings?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege  
(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

3. Do they have law enforcement credentials of any kind?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege  
(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

6. Do these special deputized DOGE personnel have legal authority to use deadly force? If so, in what circumstances?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. Have any of the DOGE special deputation individuals gone through use of force training as a prerequisite to the special deputation?
2. Has USMS set forth limitations on liability in its special deputation agreement with DOGE regarding use of force? Why or why not?

7. What communications, if any, has the Department had with U.S. Secret Service or DOGE regarding Elon Musk's private security?

(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. For what reason did the Department of Justice deputize private security officers in this instance, rather than U.S. Secret Service providing security?

(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

8. Please identify the total number of individuals with current USMS protection details, and any individuals with pending requests for details. **Please identify, by name, the non-judicial individuals currently under USMS protection. It sounds like there are currently at least 4.**

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

9. What, if any, limitations on liability are in place to protect USMS from lawsuits stemming from improper acts of individuals it has deputized?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. Does this arrangement with Musk's private security detail provide USMS any unique limitations on liability? Why or why not?

10. Has USMS ever been held liable for improper acts of individuals it has deputized?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. If so, please discuss those instances and what damages USMS or DOJ may have provided as a result.

11. The following passage was included in the CNN article, hyperlinked [here](#). Is this accurate? If not, please provide the correct information re: Dr. Fauci's security detail through USMS:

*"The Marshals Service has deputized security details before, including that of Dr. Anthony Fauci. The Marshals deputized officers from the office of the inspector general at the Department of*

*Health and Human Services to serve as Fauci's security because of an increase in threats to his personal safety."*

**USMS Response:**

(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)

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U.S. Marshals Service

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**From:** Hanson, Alan R. (JMD)

(b)(6)

**Sent:** Friday, March 7, 2025 9:41 PM

**To:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) USMS; (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) @usdoj.gov>

**Cc:** O'Brien, Holley (USMS) <(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) @usdoj.gov>; Delaney, William (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) @usdoj.gov>; Purdy, Nikita (JMD) (b)(6); Lucas, Daniel (JMD) (b)(6)

**Subject:** Re: DOGE and USMS

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)

In follow up to this response, we have received the following inquiry from Senate CJS Minority staff:

Below are the questions that remain unanswered from my February 21 email. Any new questions or updates are **bolded**. **Please provide answers to the Committee by Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> COB**. If we do not receive a response by that time, please provide schedule availability for a briefing from USMS on this subject next week, either Wednesday or Thursday. Feel free to offer up to four corners.

Thanks,

1. **How many Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) deputations have (so far) been granted for the personal protection of DOGE's head, Elon Musk?**
  1. **Please provide text of the signed deputation agreement (one agreement is fine) between USMS and DOGE. You may redact names of the individual(s) deputized.**
2. **What precedent exists, if any, for USMS deputizing private security officers or companies who are not "providing courtroom security for the Federal judiciary"? (28 CFR § 0.112(c))**
3. **The regulation that sets forth the "special deputation" capability of USMS is set forth in 28 CFR § 0.112. A few questions about that authority in this instance:**
  1. **Is it true that Elon Musk's private security team is not considered (a) selected officers or employees of DOJ; (b) selected federal, state, or local law enforcement officers who are necessary for USMS law enforcement needs; or (c) selected employees of private security companies who provide courtroom security for the Federal judiciary?**

1. If so, this authority had to be granted under 28 CFR § 0.112(d), allowing for “[o]ther persons designated by the Associate Attorney General pursuant to 28 CFR 0.19(a)(3),” is that correct?
  1. If (b) above is correct, which DOJ official signed off on these deputations?
4. Please provide additional background on the USMS deputizing authority, including:
  1. Under what circumstances is this typically granted? Provide examples.
  2. Roughly how many individuals were deputized each year over the last eight years? (either calendar or FY) **Provide those statistics broken out by year.**
  3. Were all those deputized during the last eight years government entities?
5. USMS notes in its answer that “[t]hese deputations are limited in scope to personal protection and do not extend to law enforcement powers typical of most federal special deputations, such as the ability to arrest, among other limitations.” Given that, what new authorities do these private security personnel now have?
  1. They do not have arrest authority, is that correct?
  2. Can they legally carry concealed firearms? If so, can those firearms be carried concealed in federal buildings?
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6. Do these special deputized DOGE personnel have legal authority to use deadly force? If so, in what circumstances?
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  2. Has USMS set forth limitations on liability in its special deputation agreement with DOGE regarding use of force? Why or why not?
7. What communications, if any, has the Department had with U.S. Secret Service or DOGE regarding Elon Musk’s private security?
  1. For what reason did the Department of Justice deputize private security officers in this instance, rather than U.S. Secret Service providing security?
8. Please identify the total number of individuals with current USMS protection details, and any individuals with pending requests for details. **Please identify, by name, the non-judicial individuals currently under USMS protection. It sounds like there are currently at least 4.**
9. What, if any, limitations on liability are in place to protect USMS from lawsuits stemming from improper acts of individuals it has deputized?
  1. Does this arrangement with Musk’s private security detail provide USMS any unique limitations on liability? Why or why not?
10. Has USMS ever been held liable for improper acts of individuals it has deputized?
  1. If so, please discuss those instances and what damages USMS or DOJ may have provided as a result.
11. The following passage was included in the CNN article, hyperlinked [here](#). Is this accurate? If not, please provide the correct information re: Dr. Fauci’s security detail through USMS:

*“The Marshals Service has deputized security details before, including that of Dr. Anthony Fauci. The Marshals deputized officers from the office of the inspector general at the Department of Health and Human Services to serve as Fauci’s security because of an increase in threats to his personal safety.”*

ALO is hereby seeking your assistance in responding.

Thanks.

Alan

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**From:** Hanson, Alan R. (JMD) (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Monday, March 3, 2025 3:05 PM  
**To:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) @usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** O'Brien, Holley (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) @usdoj.gov>; Delaney, William (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) @usdoj.gov>; Purdy, Nikita (JMD) (b)(6) Lucas, Daniel (JMD) (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DOGE and USMS

Thanks, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)

Alan

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**From:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) @usdoj.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 3, 2025 3:05 PM  
**To:** Hanson, Alan R. (JMD) (b)(6)  
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**Subject:** RE: DOGE and USMS

Hi Alan,

Below is the cleared ODAG response to the CJS inquiry. Please let me know if you need anything else. Thanks.

The USMS recently sponsored deputations to provide personal protection for the head of the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE). These deputations are limited in scope to personal protection and do not extend to law enforcement powers typical of most federal special deputations, such as the ability to arrest, among other limitations. The USMS does not dedicate any resources to the DOGE deputations.

In general, special deputations are authorized based upon law enforcement needs of the USMS or other federal agencies that demonstrate a requirement to enforce federal law or carry a concealed weapon. The conferred authority can be limited to certain duty hours or a specific investigation, location, or purpose. Most special deputations are for the direct support of federal law enforcement efforts such as FBI, USMS and ATF task forces by federal, state, and local law enforcement. Over the last eight years, USMS has deputized as many as 12,916 individuals in 2021, to as few as 6,017 individuals in 2023. Every special deputation is bound by the functions and limitations set forth on their Special Deputation Oath of Office form. Any law enforcement functions granted by the special deputation are only in effect while executing their duties, and the ability for

specially deputized protective details to carry weapons in a federal building is dependent on the policy of the agency operating the building.

The Associate Attorney General is delegated the authority, vested in the Attorney General, to authorize the USMS Director to deputize persons to perform the function of a Deputy U.S. Marshal. 28 C.F.R. § 0.19(a)(3). The USMS Director is authorized to deputize selected officers or employees of DOJ; federal, state, or local law enforcement officers; employees of private security companies in providing courtroom security for the federal judiciary; and other persons designated by the Associate Attorney General, in accordance with 28 C.F.R. § 0.112.

USMS will not comment on the nature of purported acts that may result in USMS liability, if any.

The USMS conducts its own protective details with Deputy US Marshals for judicial officials and Department of Justice employees as required. The number of those details fluctuate over time and currently includes four details plus residential protection for the nine Supreme Court Justices. The USMS also has specially deputized law enforcement personnel at 13 Departments and agencies to provide personal protection for their leadership.

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Appropriations Liaison Officer  
U.S. Marshals Service

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**From:** Hanson, Alan R. (JMD) [Redacted]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 25, 2025 12:34 PM  
**To:** [Redacted] (USMS) [Redacted]@usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** O'Brien, Holley (USMS) [Redacted]@usdoj.gov>; Purdy, Nikita (JMD) [Redacted] Lucas, Daniel (JMD) [Redacted] Delaney, William (USMS) [Redacted]@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: DOGE and USMS

One additional question from Senate CJS Minority staff, while you guys are working on this:

11. Who from USMS deputized Musk's private security officers?

Thanks.

Alan

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**From:** Hanson, Alan R. (JMD) [Redacted]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2025 5:57 PM  
**To:** [Redacted] (USMS) [Redacted]@usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** O'Brien, Holley (USMS) [Redacted]@usdoj.gov>; Purdy, Nikita (JMD) [Redacted] Lucas, Daniel (JMD) [Redacted]; Delaney, William (USMS) [Redacted]@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: DOGE and USMS

Will do.

Thanks [Redacted]

Alan

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**From:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) [redacted] (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) [redacted]@usdoj.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2025 5:37:35 PM  
**To:** Hanson, Alan R. (JMD) (b)(6) [redacted]  
**Cc:** O'Brien, Holley (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) [redacted]@usdoj.gov>; Purdy, Nikita (JMD) (b)(6) [redacted]; Lucas, Daniel (JMD) (b)(6) [redacted]; Delaney, William (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) [redacted]@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: DOGE and USMS

Hi Alan,

The USMS has compiled information back regarding CJS' request below, but we need additional time for verification and clearance through OLA. Can you please ask (b)(6) [redacted] for an extension until COB, Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>? Thank you.

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) [redacted]  
Appropriations Liaison Officer  
U.S. Marshals Service  
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) [redacted]

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**From:** Hanson, Alan R. (JMD) (b)(6) [redacted]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 21, 2025 12:30 PM  
**To:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) [redacted] (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) [redacted]@usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** O'Brien, Holley (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) [redacted]@usdoj.gov>; Purdy, Nikita (JMD) (b)(6) [redacted]; Lucas, Daniel (JMD) (b)(6) [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: DOGE and USMS

Thanks, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) [redacted]

Alan

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**From:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) [redacted] (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) [redacted]@usdoj.gov>  
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**To:** Hanson, Alan R. (JMD) (b)(6) [redacted]  
**Cc:** O'Brien, Holley (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) [redacted]@usdoj.gov>; Purdy, Nikita (JMD) (b)(6) [redacted]; Lucas, Daniel (JMD) (b)(6) [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: DOGE and USMS

Hi Alan,

We have already sent this to our Office of Congressional Affairs, as a similar letter regarding Special Deputizations was sent to the Department from the Judiciary Committee to answer. They are working with OLA for guidance on how to respond. I will keep you updated as I receive additional information. Thanks.

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) [redacted]

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U.S. Marshals Service

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**From:** Hanson, Alan R. (JMD) (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, February 21, 2025 12:26 PM  
**To:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) @usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** O'Brien, Holley (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) @usdoj.gov>; Purdy, Nikita (JMD) (b)(6) Lucas, Daniel (JMD) (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DOGE and USMS

ALO has today received the below follow-on inquiry from Senate CJS Minority staff:

Public reporting suggests that the answers to our questions below have changed dramatically. Please note that my expectation when this happens in the future is that DOJ will proactively act to inform the Committee of the change in circumstances with updated answers to our timely questions.

Please provide answers to these updated questions **no later than Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup> COB.**

1. Please confirm whether or not USMS has deputized members of Elon Musk's private security detail.
  1. If yes, please provide the agreement.
2. What resources, if any, has USMS or DOJ utilized, or plans to utilize, in order to effectuate Elon Musk's security detail?
3. What precedent exists, if any, for USMS deputizing private security officers?
  1. What precedent exists, if any, for USMS deputizing non-governmental entities? Is there concern that opening this door beyond law enforcement could lead to abuse of this unique USMS capability?
4. Please provide additional background on the USMS deputizing authority, including:
  1. Under what circumstances is this typically granted? Provide examples.
  2. Roughly how many individuals were deputized each year over the last eight years? (either calendar or FY)
  3. Were all those deputized during the last eight years government entities?
5. Once USMS deputizes a private security officer, what enhanced capabilities does that security officer now have? As part of your answer, please state whether or not this means they are legally permitted to carry concealed firearms in all federal buildings.
6. What communications, if any, has the Department had with U.S. Secret Service or DOGE regarding Elon Musk's private security?
  1. For what reason did the Department of Justice deputize private security officers in this instance, rather than U.S. Secret Service providing security?
7. Please identify the total number of individuals with current USMS protection details, and any individuals with pending requests for details, including their names and reasons for the USMS security details.
8. What, if any, limitations on liability are in place to protect USMS from lawsuits stemming from improper acts of individuals it has deputized?

1. Does this arrangement with Musk's private security detail provide USMS any unique limitations on liability? Why or why not?
9. Has USMS ever been held liable for improper acts of individuals it has deputized?
  1. If so, please discuss those instances and what damages USMS or DOJ may have provided as a result.
10. The following passage was included in the CNN article, hyperlinked above. Is this accurate? If not, please provide the correct information re: Dr. Fauci's security detail through USMS:

*"The Marshals Service has deputized security details before, including that of Dr. Anthony Fauci. The Marshals deputized officers from the office of the inspector general at the Department of Health and Human Services to serve as Fauci's security because of an increase in threats to his personal safety."*

ALO is hereby seeking USMS' assistance in responding as best possible to these questions. We will plan to clear any response with ODAG via OLA, unless you guys prefer to work directly with them on this.

Thanks.

Alan

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**From:** Hanson, Alan R. (JMD)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 4, 2025 11:24 AM  
**To:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) @usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** Purdy, Nikita (JMD) (b)(6); Lucas, Daniel (JMD) (b)(6); O'Brien, Holley (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) @usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: DOGE and USMS

Thanks, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) We will handle clearance on this and let you know what shakes out.

Alan

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**From:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) @usdoj.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 3, 2025 5:58 PM  
**To:** Hanson, Alan R. (JMD) (b)(6)  
**Cc:** Purdy, Nikita (JMD) (b)(6); Lucas, Daniel (JMD) (b)(6); O'Brien, Holley (USMS) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) @usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: DOGE and USMS

Hi Alan,

Below are the USMS responses for ALO to clear with ODAG and if necessary, OLA. Can you please send us a copy of what is sent back to CJS? Let me know if you need anything else. Thank you.

Under what legal authority, if any, would DOGE and its officials utilize law enforcement support from the U.S. Marshals Service?

USMS Response: (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege  
(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

Has the U.S. Marshals Service entered into any sort of agreement, informal or not, to provide support of any kind to DOGE and its officials?"

USMS Response: (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege  
(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)  
Appropriations Liaison Officer  
U.S. Marshals Service  
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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**From:** Hanson, Alan R. (JMD) (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 3, 2025 10:07 AM  
**To:** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F) (USMS) <(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)@usdoj.gov>  
**Cc:** Purdy, Nikita (JMD) (b)(6); Lucas, Daniel (JMD) (b)(6)  
**Subject:** FW: DOGE and USMS

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(F)

Realizing this one may need to be elevated, we are first coming to you for assistance in responding to the below Senate CJS Minority inquiry.

Thanks.

Alan

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Monday, February 3, 2025 9:31 AM  
**To:** Hanson, Alan R. (JMD) (b)(6); Lucas, Daniel (JMD) (b)(6); Purdy, Nikita (JMD) (b)(6)  
**Cc:**  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] DOGE and USMS

Hi, All –

Please see below from the Washington Post, one of the outlets reporting that over the weekend, DOGE officials threatened US Marshal action in order to gain access to secure government spaces.

Under what legal authority, if any, would DOGE and its officials utilize law enforcement support from the U.S. Marshals Service?

Has the U.S. Marshals Service entered into any sort of agreement, informal or not, to provide support of any kind to DOGE and its officials?

We would appreciate answers to these two initial questions no later than this Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup> COB. Please let me know if you have questions or need any clarification.

Thank you,

*When USAID personnel attempted to block access to some areas, **DOGE officials threatened to call federal marshals**, the aide said. The DOGE officials were eventually given access to “secure spaces” including the security office.*

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2025/02/02/usaidthump-musk/>

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**Subject:** RE: DOGE and USMS

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**How many Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) deputations have (so far) been granted for the personal protection of DOGE's head, Elon Musk?**

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

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1. Please provide text of the signed deputation agreement (one agreement is fine) between USMS and DOGE. You may redact names of the individual(s) deputized.

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

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2. What precedent exists, if any, for USMS deputizing private security officers or companies who are not "providing courtroom security for the Federal judiciary"? (28 CFR § 0.112(c))

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

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3. The regulation that sets forth the “special deputation” capability of USMS is set forth in 28 CFR § 0.112. A few questions about that authority in this instance:

1. Is it true that Elon Musk’s private security team is not considered (a) selected officers or employees of DOJ; (b) selected federal, state, or local law enforcement officers who are necessary for USMS law enforcement needs; or (c) selected employees of private security companies who provide courtroom security for the Federal judiciary?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. If so, this authority had to be granted under 28 CFR § 0.112(d), allowing for “[o]ther persons designated by the Associate Attorney General pursuant to 28 CFR 0.19(a)(3),” is that correct?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. If (b) above is correct, which DOJ official signed off on these deputations?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

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4. Please provide additional background on the USMS deputizing authority, including:

1. Under what circumstances is this typically granted? Provide examples.

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

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2. Roughly how many individuals were deputized each year over the last eight years? (either calendar or FY) **Provide those statistics broken out by year.**

**USMS Response:**

Fiscal Year	Total Special Deputations
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3. Were all those deputized during the last eight years government entities?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

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5. **USMS notes in its answer that** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

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Given that, what new authorities do these private security personnel now have?

1. **They do not have arrest authority, is that correct?**

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

2. **Can they legally carry concealed firearms? If so, can those firearms be carried concealed in federal buildings?**

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

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3. **Do they have law enforcement credentials of any kind?**

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

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6. **Do these special deputized DOGE personnel have legal authority to use deadly force? If so, in what circumstances?**

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. **Have any of the DOGE special deputation individuals gone through use of force training as a prerequisite to the special deputation? Refer to DOGE?**

2. **Has USMS set forth limitations on liability in its special deputation agreement with DOGE regarding use of force? Why or why not? No?** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

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7. **What communications, if any, has the Department had with U.S. Secret Service or DOGE regarding Elon Musk's private security?**

(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. **For what reason did the Department of Justice deputize private security officers in this instance, rather than U.S. Secret Service providing security?**

(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

8. **Please identify the total number of individuals with current USMS protection details, and any individuals with pending requests for details. Please identify, by name, the non-judicial individuals currently under USMS protection. It sounds like there are currently at least 4.**

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

9. What, if any, limitations on liability are in place to protect USMS from lawsuits stemming from improper acts of individuals it has deputized?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. Does this arrangement with Musk's private security detail provide USMS any unique limitations on liability? Why or why not?

10. Has USMS ever been held liable for improper acts of individuals it has deputized?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. If so, please discuss those instances and what damages USMS or DOJ may have provided as a result.

11. The following passage was included in the CNN article, hyperlinked [here](#). Is this accurate? If not, please provide the correct information re: Dr. Fauci's security detail through USMS:

*"The Marshals Service has deputized security details before, including that of Dr. Anthony Fauci. The Marshals deputized officers from the office of the inspector general at the Department of Health and Human Services to serve as Fauci's security because of an increase in threats to his personal safety."*

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Good evening,

I provided a couple of edits or recommended revisions (highlighted below) for consideration.

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3. The regulation that sets forth the “special deputation” capability of USMS is set forth in 28 CFR § 0.112. A few questions about that authority in this instance:

1. Is it true that Elon Musk’s private security team is not considered (a) selected officers or employees of DOJ; (b) selected federal, state, or local law enforcement officers who are necessary for USMS law enforcement needs; or (c) selected employees of private security companies who provide courtroom security for the Federal judiciary?

**Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. If so, this authority had to be granted under 28 CFR § 0.112(d), allowing for “[o]ther persons designated by the Associate Attorney General pursuant to 28 CFR 0.19(a)(3),” is that correct?

**Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. If (b) above is correct, which DOJ official signed off on these deputations?

**Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

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4. Please provide additional background on the USMS deputizing authority, including:

1. Under what circumstances is this typically granted? Provide examples.

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2. Roughly how many individuals were deputized each year over the last eight years? (either calendar or FY) Provide those statistics broken out by year.

**Response:**

The totals below do not include Court Security Officers specially deputized to provide protection in U.S. Courthouses.

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3. Were all those deputized during the last eight years government entities?

**USMS Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

5. USMS notes in its answer that “[t]hese deputations are limited in scope to personal protection and do not extend to law enforcement powers typical of most federal special deputations, such as the ability to arrest, among other limitations.” Given that, what new authorities do these private security personnel now have?

1. They do not have arrest authority, is that correct?

**Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

2. Can they legally carry concealed firearms? If so, can those firearms be carried concealed in federal buildings?

**Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

3. Do they have law enforcement credentials of any kind?

**Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

6. Do these special deputized DOGE personnel have legal authority to use deadly force? If so, in what circumstances?

**Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. Have any of the DOGE special deputation individuals gone through use of force training as a prerequisite to the special deputation?

**Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

2. Has USMS set forth limitations on liability in its special deputation agreement with DOGE regarding use of force? Why or why not?

**Response:** (b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

7. What communications, if any, has the Department had with U.S. Secret Service or DOGE regarding Elon Musk’s private security?

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1. For what reason did the Department of Justice deputize private security officers in this instance, rather than U.S. Secret Service providing security?

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8. Please identify the total number of individuals with current USMS protection details, and any individuals with pending requests for details. **Please identify, by name, the non-judicial individuals currently under USMS protection. It sounds like there are currently at least 4.**

**Response:**

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9. What, if any, limitations on liability are in place to protect USMS from lawsuits stemming from improper acts of individuals it has deputized?

**Response:**

(b)(5) Deliberative Process Privilege

1. Does this arrangement with Musk's private security detail provide USMS any unique limitations on liability? Why or why not?

10. Has USMS ever been held liable for improper acts of individuals it has deputized?

**Response:**

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1. If so, please discuss those instances and what damages USMS or DOJ may have provided as a result.

11. The following passage was included in the CNN article, hyperlinked [here](#). Is this accurate? If not, please provide the correct information re: Dr. Fauci's security detail through USMS:

*"The Marshals Service has deputized security details before, including that of Dr. Anthony Fauci. The Marshals deputized officers from the office of the inspector general at the Department of Health and Human Services to serve as Fauci's security because of an increase in threats to his personal safety."*

**Response:**

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Hi Bill,

I made an edit for consistency with what was submitted in the DOGE SDU inquiry by the CJS Appropriations Subcommittee and have some comments based upon the information provided by TOD. I just want to note the

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ELM Leaders,

Please see an attached draft response to a letter from Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley, also attached. Your soonest review of the draft is appreciated, as the Department is asking for our draft no later than Monday.

I have also enclosed two potentially responsive documents that may be included as attachments in our response.

Edits welcome or feel free to reach out to me. This draft response has cleared OSD, OGC, OPR and OCA.

Regards, Bill



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