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**Via Email:**

Brian Burns

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**RE: NOTICE OF RESPONSE TO FOIA REQUEST**  
**FOIA FILE NO.: P594007**

Dear Brian Burns:

The Chicago Police Department (CPD) is in receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received for the following:

*"I am requesting the following records:*

*1. A list of all drones (as defined at 725 ILCS 167/5) owned or operated by the Department. For each drone on the list, include the manufacturer of the drone, the model of the drone, the acquisition date, and the section or division within the Department responsible for operating the drone. 2. Any written policies, procedures, forms, reports, directives, memos, or other writings related to the use of drones by the Department or the management of information and data collected by the Department using drones. 3. A list of any third parties the Department has contracted with to operate drones on behalf of the Department, to provide training to the Department related to drones or information gathered from drones, or to consult in any way with the department regarding its drone program. 4. Any written policies, procedures, memos, or correspondence related to the Department's reporting obligations under 725 ILCS 167/35..."*

Your request has been reviewed by the undersigned. Please be advised that records for the above FOIA request are not records that are held or maintained within the Chicago Police Department records system. Therefore, there are **no responsive records**.

Please be advised that CPD neither possesses nor maintains records of any other city department or government body unaffiliated with CPD. Please note that each City department is a "public body" under Section 2 of FOIA, 5 ILCS 140/2(a). See *Duncan Publishing, Inc. v. City of Chicago*, 304 Ill. App. 3d 778, 784 (Ill. App. Ct. 1999) ("Clearly, each of the individual departments are subsidiary bodies of the city and are 'public bodies' as defined by FOIA."). A FOIA request must be directed to the department that maintains the records you are seeking.

You must direct your request to the following: Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) and City of Chicago Municipal Code, MCC 10-36-400

**Emergency and TTY:** 9-1-1 · **Non Emergency and TTY:** (within city limits) 3-1-1 · **Non Emergency and TTY:** (outside city limits) (312) 746-6000

**E-mail:** [police@cityofchicago.org](mailto:police@cityofchicago.org) · **Website:** [www.cityofchicago.org/police](http://www.cityofchicago.org/police)

If I can be of further assistance, please contact me at the following address:

Chicago Police Department  
Attention: Freedom of Information  
Office of Legal Affairs, Unit 114  
3510 S. Michigan Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60653  
[foia@chicagopolice.org](mailto:foia@chicagopolice.org)

You have a right of review by the Illinois Attorney General's Public Access Counselor, who can be contacted at 500 S. Second St., Springfield, IL 62706 or by telephone at 877-299-3642. You may also seek judicial review under 5 ILCS 140/11.

Sincerely,

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