

July 30, 2020

TO: Chicago Police Department

Attn: Freedom of Information Officer Freedom of Information Section, Unit 114 3510 S. Michigan Ave. Chicago, IL 60653

SUBJ: FOIA REQUEST RE: DRONE REPORTING AND OTHER INFORMATION

Dear Sir or Madame,

I am writing to request certain public records identified below pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (the "Act").

The specific purpose of this request is to obtain information for use in an article related to transparency in law enforcement which will be published for public consumption. As public trust in law enforcement is critical, dissemination of this information is in the public interest and I am requesting a fee waiver under Section 6(c) of the Act.

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.

Thank you in advance for treating this matter with due alacrity.

Sincerely,

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