



U.S. Department of Justice
Drug Enforcement Administration
FOI/Records Management Section
8701 Morrissette Drive
Springfield, Virginia 22152

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Case Number: 17-00256-F

Subject: Listing of annual imports of cannabis, hemp, marijuana seed for the past 20 years

John Birrenbach
The Institute for Cannabis
18185 North Lake Lane
Pine City, MN 55063

Dear Mr. Birrenbach:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Act (FOI/PA) request dated January 17, 2017, addressed to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Unit (SARF), seeking access to information regarding the above subject.

After reviewing your request as constituted we conducted a preliminary query for responsive records pertaining to the above subject. To search for responsive records, we forwarded a tasking memorandum to the Diversion Control Division. As a result of our query, we were able to identify documents pertaining to the subject of your request.

The processing of your request identified certain materials that will be released to you. The documents are being forwarded to you with this letter. Please note, because we are not assessing any fees in connection with the processing of your request, there is no need for us to consider your request for a waiver of fees.

Please be advised that there are no annual import totals available prior to January 1, 2010 because these records were maintained on a standalone PC network which has been retired from use by the DEA. Further, please note that DEA does not maintain annual import data related to each individual form of marijuana (i.e. cannabis, hemp, etc.); instead, all forms are categorized under drug code 7360-Marijuana. Therefore, we are unable to provide documentation that differentiates between the annual imports of each as outlined in your request. The import totals provided include all imports under drug code 7360-Marijuana.

The rules and regulations of the Drug Enforcement Administration applicable to Freedom of Information Act requests are contained in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 28, Part 16, as amended. They are published in the Federal Register and are available for inspection by members of the public.

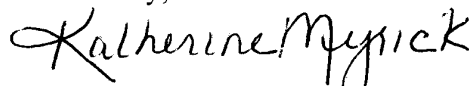
For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. *See* 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that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

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison at 202-307-7596 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001; e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with my response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

If you have any questions regarding this letter, you may contact Paralegal S. King at 202-307-7602.

Sincerely,



Katherine L. Myrick, Chief
Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Unit
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| Year | Actual Base Weight (G) |
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| 2010 | 0.230000 |
| 2011 | 17,933.000000 |
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| 2013 | 50,449.705050 |
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| 2015 | 38,430,202.102608 |
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| 2017 | 1,765,995.100000 |
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