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Mr. Mike Katz-Lacabe 46 Estabrook Street San Leandro, California 94577

Dear Mr. Katz-Lacabe:

I have reviewed your request for records pertaining to Harris Corporation. Your request was made pursuant to the California Public Records Act (the Act).

The Los Angeles Police Department (the Department) is cognizant of its responsibilities under the Act. It recognizes the statutory scheme was enacted in order to maximize citizen access to the workings of government. The Act does not mandate disclosure of all documents within the government's possession. Rather, by specific exemption and reference to other statutes, the Act recognizes that there are boundaries where the public's right to access must be balanced against such weighty considerations as the right of privacy, a right of constitutional dimension under California Constitution, Article 1, Section 1. The law also exempts from disclosure records that are privileged or confidential or otherwise exempt under either express provisions of the Act or pursuant to applicable federal or state law, per Government Code Sections 6254(b); 6254(c); 6254(f); 6254(k); and 6255.

To the extent that any such records may exist, I am denying your request because they would constitute official information. Section 6254(k) exempts records which are exempt from disclosure under federal or state law, including, but not limited to provisions of the Evidence Code relating to privilege. Evidence Code Section 1040 declares an official information privilege for information acquired in confidence by a public agency when the public interest in disclosing the information is outweighed by the public interest in keeping the information confidential. Similarly, the Department asserts Section 6255 of the Government Code based on this same need to retain confidentiality.

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Any correspondence regarding this matter should include a copy of this letter and be directed to the Los Angeles Police Department - Discovery Section, 201 North Los Angeles Street, Space 301, Los Angeles, California 90012. If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Management Analyst David Lee of the Discovery Section at (213) 978-2152.

Very truly yours,

CHARLIE BECK Chief of Police

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