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Sent: 2 May 2014 11:19:34 -0400

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Subject: Re: Statement and Spreadsheet

Ok thanks. Can you give me a call please just so I can be sure we are on the same page?

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On May 2, 2014, at 11:15 AM, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Ian –

Finally, here's our statement and attached spreadsheet per your request. Let me know if you have any questions. Many apologies for the delay.

Happy Friday!

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#### **STATEMENT**

"ICE detention standards impose safeguards governing the operation of voluntary work programs at ICE detention facilities, including training and health and safety standards.

Facilities that house the overwhelming majority of ICE detainees provide compensation for participation in voluntary work programs. Facilities are reimbursed a minimum of \$1 per day by ICE per Congressional appropriation standards. As of April 2014, the majority of those participating in some sort of voluntary work program – well over 95% - were provided monetary compensation.

Individuals volunteering for work in programs that do not provide monetary compensation are located in a small number of facilities that are not managed by ICE, such as county jails. These facilities maintain voluntary work programs for their own criminal population that provide non-monetary benefits and privileges. Because it is not feasible for some jails to provide monetary compensation exclusively to ICE detainees, the agency has permitted ICE detainees to voluntarily participate in such programs in exchange for the prevailing non-monetary compensation, while ensuring that the jails comply with all other safeguards and requirements in the ICE detention standard governing voluntary work programs.

ICE continues to conduct oversight of the voluntary work programs at detention facilities it uses, and it is engaged in an ongoing review of its practices in this area.”

**BACKGROUND**

ICE detention standards may include greater protections for individuals than what the non-ICE facilities would otherwise have in place for its own prisoners or detainees.

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