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Ref: 09-F-1362

Ms. Heather Brondi
Electronic Privacy Information Center
1718 Connecticut Ave, N.W., Suite 200
Washington, D.C. 20009

Dear Ms. Brondi:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for records concerning the JAMRS database and the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB). Your request was received in this office on July 8, 2009, and we assigned it case number 09-F-1362.

Please be aware that this office only processes FOIA requests for the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) and the Joint Chiefs of Staff (JS). Portions of your request that pertain to information from the Military Services, in particular item #10 of your request, should be directed to the Services' FOIA Requester Service Centers. You can find a list of the appropriate Requester Service Centers on our website at <http://www.dod.mil/pubs/foi/milservices.html>.

The Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (P&R) searched and located no responsive records in regards to items #2-4, 6 and 7 of your request.

Mr. Curtis Gilroy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (OUSDP&R), Director, Accession Policy and Ms. Jennie L. Blakeney, Washington Headquarters Services, Deputy Director, Enterprise Management, in their capacity as FOIA Initial Denial Authorities, determined that information in Documents 3 and 4, which are responsive to item #1 of your request, and Document 5, which is responsive to item #5 of your request, is withheld in part pursuant to Exemption 6 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6), which pertains to the protection of personal privacy of individuals.

Document 8 is provided in full as a partial response to item #11 of your request. However, Mr. Gilroy determined that test books are controlled test materials and cannot be released. The answer sheet and any blank sheets of paper used during the test become controlled test material once information is annotated on them and are withheld under Exemption 6 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6), which pertains to the protection of personal privacy of individuals.

OUSDP&R provides the following information in response to item #9 of your request. The total number of students tested for 2007-2008 is 634,518. The total number of students tested for 2008-2009 is 643,146. No responsive records were located regarding additional statistics relating to the number of students who took the exam during those years.

Documents responsive to item #1 include information located in the public domain. See the attached list of publicly available records, as well as enclosed Documents 1, 10-12. These documents are released in full.

Documents 6 and 7 respond to item #8 of your request and are released in full.

Document 9 is provided in full in response to item #12 of your request.

Document 2, which may include material responsive to item #1 of your request, contains information that is under the purview of the Department of the Navy. Accordingly, we have referred Document 2 to the Navy for their review and response to you. For further information regarding the status of Document 2, you may contact the Navy by writing to:

SECNAV/CNO FOIA Office
Chief of Naval Operations (DNS-36)
2000 Navy Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20350-2000

The enclosed release of information closes your request with this office. If you are not satisfied with this action, you have the right to appeal to the appellate authority, the Director of Administration, Office of the Secretary of Defense, by writing directly to OSD/Joint Staff Freedom of Information, ATTN: Appeals Office, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, D.C. 20301-1155. Your appeal must be postmarked within 60 calendar days of the date of this response. Alternately, you may submit your appeal electronically, within 60 calendar days of the date of this response, at the following link: <http://pal.whs.mil/palMain.aspx>. Your appeal should cite case number 09-F-1362, and be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,



P Paul J. Jacobsmeyer
Chief

Attachments:
As stated