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May 19, 2016

Dear Congressional Liaison,

I am writing to you on behalf of (b) (6) [redacted] (b) (6) [redacted] is seeking assistance with importing unknown compounds for laboratory testing. (b) (6) [redacted] s been unsuccessful in (b) [redacted] attempts to receive any information on the procedure (b) [redacted] needs to follow in order to do (b) [redacted] research. Please see the attached Privacy Release Form along with the documents (b) [redacted] has provided detailing (b) [redacted] concern. I respectfully request you contact my office after review so that I may further assist (b) (6) [redacted].

Please direct all correspondence to my Constituent Advocate, Gina Seiler. Gina can be reached by phone at (215) 579-8102, or by email at Gina.Seiler@mail.house.gov, or via fax at (215) 579-8109. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Mike Fitzpatrick
Member of Congress- PA 8th District

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Privacy Release Form
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Pursuant to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. § 552a), I hereby authorize appropriate Governmental agencies, including the IRS, to release information about me and relevant to this inquiry to Representative Michael G. Fitzpatrick and his staff members.

(b) (6) [redacted] 5/11/2016

DESCRIPTION OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED

Please describe, in detail, the type of assistance you are seeking from Representative Michael G. Fitzpatrick's Office. Include any identifying agency claim numbers and attach copies of any relevant documents and correspondence that may be helpful to resolve your inquiry.

I AM A VOLUNTEER ASSISTING A NON-PROFIT FOUNDATION THAT IS TRYING TO IMPORT TINY AMOUNTS OF UNKNOWN SUBSTANCES USED TO POISON WILDLIFE IN VARIOUS AFRICAN NATIONS. THE FOUNDATION HAS OFFERED TO ANALYZE AND IDENTIFY THE TOXINS TO HELP SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF POACHING AND ILLEGAL ACTIVITY. TO DATE I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO GET CLEAR INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING HOW TO IMPORT THE SAMPLES AND FULFILL ALL OF THE U.S. CUSTOMS + BORDER PATROL REQUIREMENTS FOR THEIR 'ENTRY PACKET' INCLUDING FORMS, LETTERS, DOCUMENTS, PACKAGING, LABELING AND SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS. I BELIEVE THEY ARE TRYING TO HELP, BUT IT IS TOO COMPLICATED. CAN YOU PLEASE HELP SORT THIS OUT?
ALSO SEE PERTINENT FORWARDED EMAILS. THANK YOU,

Dear CDC,

In summary:
We want to import unknown compounds for laboratory testing that may be pesticides. In one case, they will be the unknown pesticides themselves found near the site of poisoning, or sold in neighboring Agro-Vet stores. In the other case, they will be extracted from the poisoned animal by a method that will killall pathogens. In both cases, they will be in the *de minimus* quantity, 49 CFR 173.4b.

From the point of view of the jurisdiction of the CDC, is there any issue and what specific forms are needed for "The Entry Package" for sending a very small amount, a few milligrams to as much as a gram, (the *de minimus* quantity, 49 CFR 173.4b) of an unknown compound suspected to be a pesticide, when properly packaged, from Africa to the USA for laboratory analysis?

We will have a bill of lading from the shipper, and a chain-of-custody (COC) form, which will have a chronological list of all persons who have been involved with the sample. These samples have no monetary value, only a humanitarian value.

In some cases, the pesticide will be isolated from a poisoned animal, and in those cases a chemical extraction will be used that will killall pathogens. These samples will also be in the *de minimus* quantity.

These samples, whose chemical identity is unknown, will be coming from various parts of Africa where pesticides (such as carbamates) are being used to kill wildlife. People such as wildlife advocates and park rangers are collecting the samples. They need to know the identity of the compound responsible for the poisoning, and our laboratory is doing the analysis free of charge.

The EPA says that I do not need to fill out EPA Form #3540-1 for importation of pesticides. Kyla L. Townsend-McIntyre the Compliance & Enforcement Official / FIFRA Coordinator / Imports Coordinator says: "For the potential pesticide residue and biological samples (i.e. the stomach contents) you wish to import for laboratory analysis, these do not appear to qualify as "pesticides" under the requirements of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and will not require use of EPA Form #3540-1 for importation into the USA."

OSHA says that I do not need a MSDS (or currently called a SDS) for sending a small amount of a pesticide from Africa to the US for laboratory analysis.

After talking to the "Dangerous Goods" experts at both DHL and FedEx, since the quantity is less than a gram, the regulation 49 CFR 173.4b for *de minimus* quantity samples applies, so no MSDS is needed.

We have been told that we may need to fill out the form CBP 7501. We are trying to get a conversation going with Customs and Boarder Protection to clarify issues with this form, such

as many of the questions appear to not be applicable in our situation and others are not clear what the acronyms mean, (such as the meaning of HTSUS, ADA/CVD, HTSUS, CHGS, ADA/CVD, IRC, etc).

The laboratory doing the actual analysis is our non-profit affiliate: The Center for Forensic Science Research and Education, 2300 Stratford Ave, Willow Grove, PA 19090, https://www.forensicscienceeducation.org/, under the direction of Dr Barry Logan, PhD, DABFT, Executive Director

Thank you in advance,
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Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 10:22 AM
To: McGinty, Kelly
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Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:18 PM
To: PA08Intern, Weaver
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Subject: Re: Import Questions
Date: May 10, 2016 at 5:01:08 PM EDT
To: "SAWYER, SARAH L" <SARAH.L.SAWYER@CBP.DHS.GOV>

Hi Sarah,

Thank you for the new information.

I have more questions;

1. You wrote; 'This is not a sample type of examination'. Does this mean CBP will ***not*** be keeping some of the formulation sample? So if we need a gram for analysis, we will be getting the entire gram? I want to be sure I understand so we know how much formulation we will need to ask for.

2. Are there any US CUSTOMS 'hazardous precautions' required of people who would hand carry a sample with them? We may not be using a commercial shipper as we discussed previously on the phone, the Foundation is a non-profit and we need to be conscious of funds and take advantage of those who offer to hand carry samples for us whenever possible. Aside from that, it will most likely be more convenient at times for people to hand carry the samples with them, especially considering the tiny amount we need to do our analysis.

3. We talked on the phone about the acetone preparation method before shipping, in order to eliminate any risk of pathogens. You said we should write a letter explaining the sample preparation process and send it to US Dept. of AG.
   Are you saying we have to send that same sample preparation letter to USFW and CDC also? If yes, what address do we send the description of that preparation process to in each agency and who do we address it to? Is that same letter describing the preparation process required to be in the ENTRY packet with each sample too?

5. In our phone conversation and my conversation with other agents, I was told a 'FORMAL' entry applies to items worth over $2500. The samples we will import have no monetary value. You said the value would be the cost of the analysis for on the invoice.
Even considering that cost, it would be nowhere near $2500. for each sample. Is there some other reason you are now saying this is a 'FORMAL' entry?

6. Who can I contact to find out how to fill out the CBP 7501 form if somebody wants to hand carry the samples? I looked at the instructions, but I don't understand how to fill it out and know we will need help. If we are hand carrying and not using a shipper, we will not be using a shipper's broker.

7. The USDA is a big organization as well as, USFW and CDC. Who specifically should we contact in each of those organizations to find out what their requirements are regarding permits, etc.? I need the name and phone number of somebody who can answer our questions in each of those organizations. If I just start randomly calling numbers, at each agency, this could take a very long time for me to figure out and it has already taken way too long to get the ENTRY packet requirements established. I understand you might not have all of the information or know exactly who to contact. Is there somebody you or your supervisor could ask to find out who we should contact?

8. Again, is the 'Declaration' a specific form provided by US Customs? (see number 5. in my previous email of May 5th)

9. You wrote, 'The package will need to be labeled correctly and with all points of contacts.' What is the correct way to label the package to satisfy CBP requirements? How do we find out the correct way to label it and show the points of contacts?

If you need any more information or have any questions, please let me know.

Please get back to me with answers to my questions or an update by the end of your work day on Thursday, May 12th if at all possible, so I can report back to the people I am working with before the end of this week.

Thank you again for your time and assistance.

Sincerely
(b) (6)
[redacted]

On May 10, 2016, at 12:25 PM, SAWYER, SARAH L
<SARAH.L.SAWYER@CBP.DHS.GOV> wrote:

(b) (6)
[redacted]

I am sorry for the delay in replying to email on Thursday 5/5/16. The answers you seek are as follows:

1. Every importation is subject to examination. This is not a sample type of examination.
2. Hazardous precautions are shipment requirements with shipping companies
3. The USDA link I sent is for the no USDA permits under the USDA agency, you will need to contact them regarding their requirements. As well as Fish and Wildlife for animal tissues, and CDC for possible pathogens.
4. "Formal" entry refers to a type of importation for CBP that requires specific documents (CBP 7501, invoice, bill of lading, etc.). The shipper should be able to provide a broker for you.
5. Hand carried shipments will need to have all of proper agencies documentation (permits, etc.) also the product will need to be declared to CBP from export to import. The package will need to be labeled correctly and with all points of contacts.

The questions and type of product you are importing is one that has many different agencies and regulations involved. I understand the project is moving forward and above is the best suggestions for the shipment.

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions.

Thank you,

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Sent: Monday, May 09, 2016 1:00 PM
To: SAWYER, SARAH L
Subject: Fwd: Import Questions
Importance: High

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Thanks again,
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From: (b) (6) [redacted]
Subject: Fwd: Import Questions
Date: May 9, 2016 at 12:26:57 PM EDT
To: "SAWYER, SARAH L" <sarah.l.sawyer@cbp.dhs.gov>

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I hope you understand.

Thank you for your efforts and I hope to hear from you soon.

All the Best,
(b) (6) [redacted]

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From: (b) (6) [redacted]
Subject: Re: Import Questions
Date: May 5, 2016 at 6:50:43 PM EDT
To: "SAWYER, SARAH L"
<SARAH.L.SAWYER@CBP.DHS.GOV>

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'<u>1105</u> **Chemically Synthesized Materials'**

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I think we're making progress, but I still need a list of the forms and letters that are required to complete the 'ENTRY' packet that we discussed last time we talked and where each of those forms is generated. It would be very helpful to me if you could make a list of each required paper in the ENTRY packet and where it has to come from so I have a better understanding of what is needed in order to make progress with this project and understand what US Customs requires from us.

For example; 1. Chain of Custody - person who collects the sample

2. Invoice - Foundation
3. Bill of Lading - Commercial Shipper
4. Declaration - US Customs
5. Letter to USDA describing chemical extraction process- Foundation
etc.

I need to know what we need to complete the ENTRY packet requirements, as well as any other requirements regarding packaging, etc. in order to satisfy US Customs. A lot of time has passed and I had hoped to have the ENTRY packet requirements established by now.

Thank you for all the work you have done.

If you need more information, or if there's anything else I can do to help sort this out, please let me know.
I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Thank you,
(b) (6) [redacted]

On May 5, 2016, at 1:44 PM, SAWYER, SARAH L <SARAH.L.SAWYER@CBP.DHS.GOV> wrote:

(b) (6) [redacted]

First you need to understand that all I will say is opinions, suggestions, not binding. The product will be subject to examination. Please ensure all hazardous precautions are taken when importing this product.

The link below is for the USDA no permits list on their website.

https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-and-animal-product-import-information/animal-health-permits/ct_animal_imports_nopermit?ut_p/z1/jVJLc4IwEP4tPTI5KEFPIKIQutjRkWFSvYiSFplMESt_74R7aWO2ExmMrv5Hrubg BisQMzpgW2pYoLTQsdRbJIx6g-

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Based on the fact that the product is being imported for analysis by a laboratory funded by a foundation for its properties and other federal agencies are involved, this would require a FORMAL entry status. This would mean a US customs Broker will need to be involved. However they will assist in all transactions.

Hand-deliver the products are optional but all paperwork for the other Federal Agencies will be required. Declaration of the product from point A to B must be given with all primary contacts.

Feel free to contact me with any further questions.

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Sent: Wednesday, May 04, 2016 10:35 AM
To: SAWYER, SARAH L
Subject: Re: Import Questions

Hi Sarah!

I don't mean to be a pest, I'm just very enthused and excited about your offer to help us.
I can't wait to hear about what you've found out!

Thank you!
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On May 4, 2016, at 8:52 AM, SAWYER, SARAH L <SARAH.L.SAWYER@CBP.DHS.GOV> wrote:

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Do you have any updates for me yet regarding the questions we discussed relative to importing samples of unknowns from various African nations?

I would appreciate hearing from you to find out what you have learned so far and what progress has been made to compile the necessary 'Entry' packet.

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