



SOCIAL SECURITY

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This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act request dated July 12, 2011 for photocopies of sections from the Social Security Administration's (SSA) Program Operation Manual System (POMS). Specifically, you requested the following POMS Sections, or if recently amended, their equivalents:

1. RM 00208.001D.4 (Regarding CSP/Citizenship Codes)
2. RM 00202.235 (Regarding IDN/Evidence Codes)

The Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002 (FISMA) (44 U.S.C. § 3541) prohibits us from disclosing this information to you. The FISMA provides a comprehensive framework for ensuring the effectiveness of information security controls over information resources that support Federal operations and assets. The FISMA requires us to develop, document, and implement an agency-wide program to provide information security for our information and information systems. As such, the section of our Program Operating Manual that explains the Numident data fields contains sensitive information and its release would increase the opportunity of fraud as well as pose cyber-security risks to our networks. The FOIA does not require disclosure when another law prohibits it (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3)).

If you disagree with this decision, you may request a review. Mail your appeal within 30 days after you receive this letter to the Executive Director for the Office of Privacy and Disclosure, Social Security Administration, 617 Altmeyer Building, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21235. Mark the envelope "Freedom of Information Appeal."

Sincerely,

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