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Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division)

SCN1. 122

Subject: Information sought under the RTI Act, 2005.

Please find enclosed an RTI application dated Nil along with its enclosures (received by the undersigned on 09.04.2013 on transfer from Shri Debashish Banerjee, CGI Chicago vide their letter No. Chic/RTI/558/1/12 dated 13.03.2013), seeking information under the RTI Act, 2005.

- The information sought by the applicant in the RTI application is not maintained in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division).
- Since the subject matter of the RTI application is closely linked to the functioning of Internal Security-I Division, MHA, the RTI application is transferred to Internal Security-I Division, MHA under Section 6 (3) (ii) of the RTI Act, 2005, with a request to furnish the requisite information on the above RTI directly to the applicant within the prescribed time limit.
- The same RTI application of Sh. Dhruv Yadav, which was received through e-mail on 14.03.2013 from the Consulate General of India, Chicago was also transferred to IS-I Division vide letter No.RTI/34/2013 dated 21.03.2013.

Encls: As above.

Director (Foreigners) and CPIO

Sh. Rakesh Mittul, Director, (IC-I) Division, North Block, New Dalhi MHA U.O.RTI/41/2013-F-1 Dated: 12.04.2013

Copy to:-

- Sh. Dhruv Yadav, Advocate, Chamber No.54, Western Wing, Tis Hazari Court, Delhi.
- Sh. Debashish Banerjee, Consul (Pol. & Com) & HOC, CGI Chicago. 2.

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Debashish Banerjee [cci@indianconsulate.com]

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Wednesday, March 13, 2013 5:48 PM

To: Co 'dirf-mha@nic.in'

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Subject:

RTI application of Shri Dhruv Yadav Advocate, Chamber No. 54, Western Wing, Tis Hazari

Court, Delhi, regarding issue of visa to David Coleman Headley.

MOST IMMEDIATE RTI MATTER

No. Chic/RTI/558/1/12

March 13, 2013

From

Consulate General of India, Chicago

To

Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi (E mail: dirf-mha@nic.in]

Rotd.:

Under Secretary [RTI], MEA, New Delhi

Rptd.:

S.O. (CPV & RTI), CPIO, CPV Division, MEA, New Delhi

Director [Foreigners] and CPIO, from Consul

Please find attached the RTI application of Shri Dhruv Yadav, Advocate, Chamber No. 54, Western Wing, Tis Hazari Court, Delhi, regarding issue of visa to David Coleman Headley.

- The RTI application is transferred to the Ministry of Home Affairs as the original visa 2... application form is not in the custody of the Consulate General of India, Chicago but has been taken over by Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi for their investigation. Hence the information is no longer "held" by this Post but is held by the Ministry of Home Affairs. A copy of letter No. Chic/RTI/551/1/2011 dated 13.03.2012 of this Consulate in this regard is enclosed.
- Ministry of Home Affairs, Foreigners Division, is therefore, requested to kindly take further 3. necessary action in the matter.
- This issues with the approval of Consul General. 4.

Regards,

(Debashish Banerjee)

Consul (Pol. & Com.) & HOC

Copy to:

Under Secretary (RTI), MEA, New Delhi with reference to this Consulate's e-mail of even no. dated 27.06.2012 taking similar action on another RTI application on the same subject.

S.O. (CPV-RTI) & CPIO, CPV Division, MEA, New Delhi.

Copy by Bag to:

Shri P. V. Sivaraman, Director (Foreigners) and CPIO, Ministry of Home Affairs, Foreigners, Poission, NDCC-II Building, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi.

2 i Ari Tanuj Shankar, Under Secretary (RTI), Ministry of External Affairs, Room No. 2021 A Wing, Jawaharlal Nehru Bhavan, 23-D Janpath, New Delhi 110011.

3. Smt. Madhu Kalra, Section Officer (CPV-RTI) & CPIO, CPV Division, MEA, New Delhi

4. Shri Dhruv Yadav, Chamber No. 54, Western Wing, Tis Hazari Court, Delhi with the request to contact the above mentioned CPIO directly for further information in the matter.



Suresh K Menon, Consul (Pol & Com)

Consulate General of India 455 N Cityfront Plaza Drive NBC Tower, Suite # 850, Chicago, IL - 60611

Chic/RTI/551/1/2011

March 13, 2012

Shri Sandeep Sood, Under Secretary(RTI), Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi

Subject: Information sought under Right to Information Act 2005

Reference: RTI/551/211/2012 dated March 1, 2012

Please refer to MEA, RfI Cell fax of March 1, 2012 forwarding an RTI application submitted by Shri Parvinder Singh r/o Shakarpur, Delhi 110 092 seeking copies of visa application form of Shri David Headley and instructions/notings/decision of Shri Ashok Kumar Attri, the then Consul General of India, Chicago.

- 2. The question pertaining to point (i) has been referred to this Consulate.
- 3. A photocopy of the visa application form, available in our records, of David Headley is enclosed for reference.
- 4. The Consulate would also wish to bring to the kind notice of RTI Division of Ministry, as far as the Consulate is aware, a court case regarding David Headley is being handled by the Ministry of Home Affairs and is we understand, a subjudice matter, and the visa application is probably an evidence or exhibit. Further, the original visa application form is not in the custody of the Consulate General of India, Chicago as the same has been taken over by Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi for their investigation.
- 5. Since point (i) of the RTI application, has referred to media reports and other related issues with regard to the grant of visa, it is felt that, it is worth conveying, that according to the visa application form submitted by David Headley, information furnished by the applicant does not in any way indicate that he is of Pakistani origin.
- 6. Replies given by the applicant in his visa application form at sl.no. 7, 8, 10, 11, 21, 22, 23 all indicate that he was not a Pakistani origin applicant. There are no separate internal noting regarding approval of visa, except for the remarks just below the photo of the applicant in the visa form: "B-5 yrs, signed/- Ashok Attri, on 18.7.2007"
- 7. In view of Para 4 above, MEA, RTI Division may kindly wish to take a final decision on this issue.

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Public Information Officer, RTI Cell, Room No.2021, A Wing, Ministry of External Affairs, Jawaharlal Nehru Bhawan, 23-D, Janpath, New Delhi 110011 276 |Dir (RTD) 30 | 01 | 2013.

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Sub: Information under RTI Act, 2005.

Sir,

There was news regarding issue of visa to David Coleman Headley by Mr. Ashok Kumar Attri, incharge of Indian Mission in Chicago. In this connection, please provide me the following information, under the RTI Act.

- 1. Copy of Visa application submitted by David Coleman Headley.
- 2. Copy of the notings approving issue of visa to David Coleman Headley.
- 3. Copy of the rules governing issue of visa in such cases.
- 4. Is the visa was issued completely in accordance with the rules?
- 5. Is the official responsible for issue of visa to Headley penalised. If not, the reason may be provided. Copy of the noting exonerating Mr. Attri from the liability for issue of visa to Headley may also be provided.
- 6. Copy of the correspondence between Ministry of External Affairs, Ministry of Home Affairs, Embassy in Chicago and other agency in this connection, may be provided.
- 7. Are there other complaints against Mr Ashok Kumar Attri from someone within the Ministry or outside the Ministry? If yes, copies of such complaints, and action taken against Mr. Ashok Attri may be provided. Please also provide copies of notings and replies to the complainant in this regard.

The Postal Order of Rs. 10 is attached herewith.

Yours faithfully,

(DHRUV YADAV)

Advocate

Chamber No.-54, Western Wing,

Tis Hazari Court, Delhi.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (IS-I DIVISION)

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New Delhi, Dated & April, 2013

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

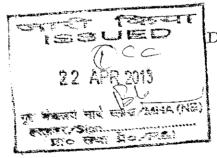
Subject: Information sought under the RTI Act, 2005 by Dhruv Yadav.

Please find enclosed an RTI application dated 12.4.2013 alongwith its enclosures, received by the undersigned on 15.4.2013 on transfer from Foreigners Division, MHA.

- 2. As far as IS-II Section of IS-I Division is concerned, we have no information.
- 3. However, the RTI application is transferred to Director (IS-II). MHA under section 6(3) of RTI Act, 2005 with the request to furnish the information to rapplicant directly.
- 4. The name and designation of Appellate Authority in the Ministry of Home Affairs in respect of this reply is Shri Rakesh Singh, Joint Secretary(IS-I), Ministry of Home Affairs, Room No.197 A, North Block, New Delhi.

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Shri R.K. Suman Director (IS-II) Ministry of Home Affairs North Block, New Delhi



(Rakesh Mittal) Director (IS-I) & CPIO Tel,23092132

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Copy to:

1. Shri Dhruv yadav, Advocate, Chamber No.54, Western Wing, Tis hazari Court, Delhi.

Shri P.V. Sivaraman, Director (Foreigners) & CPIO, MHA w.r.t. their UO.RTI/41/2013-F-I dated 12.4.2013 for information.

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