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DETERMINATION

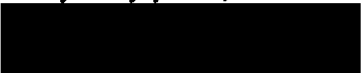
The University's use of the exemption in section 7(1)(c) to redact the dates of birth and the racial information is **approved**. This information is highly personal, and the subject's right to privacy outweighs any legitimate public interest in obtaining this information.

The University's request to redact height, weight, eye color, and hair color information under section 7(1)(c) is **denied**. In this instance, the University does not propose to redact the names of the individuals, only their physical descriptions. This means that the physical descriptions need not be kept private in order to keep identities confidential. In these circumstances, the height, weight, eye color, and hair color designations, on their own, are not highly personal. Rather, a person's height, weight, eye color, and hair color may easily be observed by anyone in the person's presence. Therefore, disclosure of this information would not be objectionable to a reasonable person.

The University's request to redact the name of the bus driver's employer, the names of the owners of the damaged vehicle, and the name of the owners' insurance company under section 7(1)(c) is **denied**. None of this information is highly personal, and disclosure would not be objectionable to a reasonable person. Therefore, we conclude that the University has not met its initial burden of demonstrating that this information is exempt under section 7(1)(c).

The University may issue a partial denial letter and release the reports with the appropriate information redacted in accordance with this letter. If you have any questions, please contact me at (312) 814-2086. This correspondence shall serve to close this matter.

Very truly yours,


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