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Trooper Kerry Sutton
Freedom of Information Officer
Illinois State Police
801 South Seventh Street, Suite 1000-S
P.O. Box 19461
Springfield, Illinois 62794

RE: Pre-Authorization Request – 2010 PAC 6639

Dear Trooper Sutton:

We have received and reviewed the written notice from the Illinois State Police (ISP) of its intent to deny disclosure of certain information as exempt under subsection 7(1)(c) of the Freedom of Information Act. 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.*, as amended (FOIA). The ISP seeks to redact the names of crime victims from documents regarding the evidence in case number 00 CR 21935.

The ISP's use of the exemption in 7(1)(c) with regard to these names of victims is approved. We have determined that the disclosure of the fact that an individual has been the victim of a violent crime would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy under subsection 7(1)(c) of FOIA. 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c). This type of information is highly personal, and the subject's right to privacy outweighs any legitimate public interest in disclosing this information. The ISP should issue a partial denial letter directly to [REDACTED] and release the records to [REDACTED] with the appropriate information redacted. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (312) 814-5206. This correspondence shall serve to close this matter.

Sincerely,

Cara Smith
Public Access Counselor

By:

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Amana Kioja
Chief Deputy Public Access Counselor

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