



U.S. Department of Justice

National Security Division

Washington, DC 20530

November 8, 2012

[addressee deleted]

Re: Request for a Rule 2 Advisory Opinion

Dear [name deleted]:

This letter responds to your correspondence of March 15, 2012, May 31, 2012, and September 18, 2012, concerning your original request of the Department of Justice to issue an advisory opinion as to whether you are obligated to register under the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.* (FARA or the Act) for your proposed activities on behalf of the [foreign government]. Our reply letters of May 18, 2012, and September 6, 2012, asked you to supply us with additional information on your activities.

Your last letter, dated September 18, 2012, stated “[f]or a number of reasons I decided to separate myself amicably with any relationship with the [foreign government] or its agents in part because of the deteriorating security situation and the conclusion that further advice would serve no useful purpose.” You replied in your last letter to several of our questions and asked to withdraw your request for an advisory opinion. FARA regulation 28 C.F.R. § 5.2(h) permits the withdrawal of the request for an opinion at any time.

If the facts concerning your relationship with [foreign government] change and you provide services to the [foreign government], you may ask us to reexamine whether you have an obligation to register under the Act.

If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 233-0777.

Sincerely,

Heather H. Hunt, Chief
Registration Unit
Counterespionage Section