



October 18, 2016

Colonel Richard D. McKeon
Superintendent
Massachusetts State Police
470 Worcester Road
Framingham, MA 01702

Dear Superintendent McKeon:

This is a request under the Public Records Law. G.L. c. 66, § 10.

We are interested in learning more about the use of face recognition technology (also known as “facial recognition” technology) at the Massachusetts State Police (“MSP”) and its fusion center, the Commonwealth Fusion Center. Please provide us with the following documents at your earliest convenience. Please note that we are asking for all documents related to the following created or dated between the year 2011 and the present.

1. Any request for proposals referencing or pertaining to face recognition technology.
2. Any contract or MOU referencing or pertaining to any face recognition technology, including but not limited to any MSP agreement with the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles, Department of Transportation, and/or Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).
3. Any internal audits or other reports referencing face recognition technology or searches.

Because this request involves a matter of public concern and because it is made on behalf of a nonprofit organization, we ask that you waive any copying costs pursuant to 950 C.M.R. § 32.06(5). ACLUM is a nonprofit §501(c)(3) organization dedicated to the protection of civil rights and liberties for all persons in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. As the state’s affiliate of the American Civil Liberties Union, ACLUM is part of a nationwide network of advocates dedicated to defending and expanding the civil liberties of all.

If you decide not to waive copying costs, we request that you permit us to examine, at our election, the responsive documents before deciding which portions to photocopy.

Should you determine that some portion of the documents requested are exempt from disclosure, please release any reasonably segregable portions that are not exempt. In addition, please note the applicable statutory exemption and explain why it applies to the redacted portions. As you know, a custodian of public records shall comply with a request within ten days after receipt.

Please reply to this request to by contacting Kade Crockford at 617-482-3170 x346 or kcrockford@aclum.org.

Thank you for your assistance. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kade Crockford', with a stylized, cursive script.

Kade Crockford
Director
Technology for Liberty Project
ACLU of Massachusetts