

# EXHIBIT 1

## Hotline

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**From:** TreasuryWebSiteAdmin@treasury.gov  
**Sent:** Friday, August 08, 2014 1:40 PM  
**To:** Hotline  
**Subject:** Email from ~/about/organizational-structure/ig/Pages/OigOnlineHotlineForm.aspx:  
Treasury OIG Online Hotline Form Submission

Form Location: <http://www.treasury.gov/about/organizational-structure/ig/Pages/OigOnlineHotlineForm.aspx>  
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<span class='required'>\*</span>CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING THREE OPTIONS: I waive confidentiality (My name may be released to non-OIG personnel during the investigation)

Name (First and Last): [REDACTED]

Mailing Address 1: 1341 G Street NW Suite 900

Mailing Address 2:

City: Washington

State: DC

Zip Code: 20220

Telephone (include area code): (202)927-[REDACTED]

E-mail Address: [REDACTED]@treasury.gov

I am a current Treasury employee: Yes

If yes, Treasury bureau/office where you work: DO

Your position or job title: Program Analyst

I am willing to be interviewed: Yes

**Who committed the alleged misconduct/wrongdoing? Include the full name, title/position, and the affected Treasury bureau, office, or program regarding each alleged Subject: Our office believes that a letter that was found during the course of research for a FOIA investigation may have been forged. We suspect that the letter was forged by an outside entity. The alleged forged letter is from the former Director of our office and is not signed or dated. It is also on letter head that has never been used by this office. Further the statements made in the letter do not appear to be statements that the former Director would have made.**

**If providing information concerning contractor or grantee fraud, please provide the name of the primary contractor or subcontractor, type of contract, contract or grant numbers, the date of award, and name of agency official(s): n/a**

**Describe what the individual(s) did that was wrong? Provide specific and relevant details concerning the alleged misconduct or wrongdoing: In February of 2014, our office received a FOIA request from David Maas of the Electronic Frontier Foundation(EFF). The request was for records concerning software called ComputerCOP. Our office conducted the necessary search for "responsive" documents and found only a few to be responsive. The responsive documents that were found contained information that indicated that our office approved equitable sharing funds to be used for the purchase of ComputerCOP software.**

The FOIA request asked for documents from 1/1/2000 to 2/10/14. Being this FOIA request dated back so far, we advised the FOIA requester that we had only found a few responsive documents from the current staff and that we would have do request that the IT department conduct a search on electronic files of former employees for information on ComputerCOP. It was at that point that the FOIA office asked the FOIA requester if he would be able to narrow the scope of his search on ComputerCOP. It was at that time, that the FOIA requester from EFF stated that he had a specific document relating to ComputerCOP that he wanted us to look into. [REDACTED] of Electronic Frontier Foundation then provided our office with this document that he said he obtained through a State Public Records Search.

**<span class='required'>\*/span>Describe what happened that was inappropriate, prompting the person to contact the OIG Hotline: Our office believes that the document in question was forged (Improper use of Treasury Seal/Logo.) We also believe that this document was the reason for the the FOIA request. The FOIA requester, having obtained this document through a State Public Records search, apparently wanted to further look into the matter.**

**<span class='required'>\*/span>When did the misconduct or wrongdoing occur? Please provide specific dates and times, if possible: The document we believe to be forged states lists the former Director of TEOAF as the author; however, as mentioned it is not signed nor is it dated. The logo on the document is also not our office's letterhead.**

**The former Director of this office was [REDACTED] and he was Director from approximately 1999-2003.**

**<span class='required'>\*/span>Where did the misconduct or wrongdoing occur? Please provide the bureau or office, city, and state: We do not know.**

**<span class='required'>\*/span>How was the misconduct or wrongdoing committed? (e.g. falsifying documents, etc.):  
Misuse of Treasury Logo/Seal**

**<span class='required'>\*/span>Do you know of efforts made thus far to correct the problem and/or the current status of the problem?: The FOIA office has asked the FOIA requester for more information about where he obtained this document. To date, we have not been provided with any additional details about the source.**

**<span class='required'>\*/span>Where can we obtain additional information concerning this misconduct/wrongdoing? (e.g. supporting documentation, etc.) Additionally, who else might be aware of this misconduct/wrongdoing? Please provide names and contact information of any witnesses who may have more information. Explain how these individuals would possess more information and their relationship to the alleged problem: I can provide a copy of the document in question and additional details regarding this matter. I can be reached at 202-927-[REDACTED] I can also be reached at [REDACTED]@Treasury.gov.**

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THE FOLLOWING IS THE CORRECT IP AND BROWSER INFORMATION ASSOCIATED WITH THE ABOVE FORM USER.

Sender's IP address is: 10.0.0.150

Sender's Hostname is: trprotmg03.treasury.local Sender's Browser is: Mozilla/5.0 (compatible; MSIE 9.0; Windows NT 6.1; Trident/5.0)

This form does not require feedback to submitter

# EXHIBIT 2



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***Treasury Executive Office for Asset Forfeiture***

**Chief of Staff  
Suffolk County Sheriff's Department  
1000 Center Drive  
Riverhead, New York 11901-3389**

**Dear Chief Otto:**

**We conclude that use of \$50,000 to purchase and distribute this software to the community would be a permissible use of equitable sharing funds.**

**The additional information demonstrated that the software provides direct support to law enforcement, and has already proven to be an effective law enforcement aid in actual cases. The new information also indicated that the software might be used with current forensic capabilities of law enforcement agencies to gather even more information to identify and locate perpetrators and possibly missing children. The software enables parents to be able to print what they find so they may give the printouts to law enforcement. The software also allows parents to view email addresses and instant messages if they are in HTML format. Thus, the software's coverage and effectiveness is greater than what we had originally thought based on the initial information provided.**

**Further, the additional information, and the better understanding we now have of the software's capabilities, alleviates our concerns that there would be any appearance of impropriety by distributing this software to the public at no cost. It appears to be a valid crime prevention tool, as well as a law enforcement aid in a broad array of cases.**

**Thank you for taking the time to provide the additional information regarding this initiative. We would request that the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department provide us with feedback as to the success of the program. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me at (202) 622-9600.**

**Sincerely,**

**Raymond M. Dineen  
Director**

# EXHIBIT 3





DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY  
OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR ENFORCEMENT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ASSET FORFEITURE  
740 15TH ST. N.W. WASHINGTON, D.C. 20220

TELEPHONE (202) 622-9600  
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AUG 24 2001

Mr. Alan R. Otto  
Chief of Staff  
Suffolk County Sheriff's Department  
1000 Center Drive  
Riverhead, New York 11901-3389

Dear Mr. Otto:

On May 10, 2001, the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department inquired about the possibility of using equitable sharing funds to purchase and distribute 25,000 copies of "ComputerCop" anti-pornography software to the community. On June 25, 2001, this office responded that the proposed use was not permissible, primarily because, based on the information made available to us at the time, the use of the software did not appear to provide direct support to law enforcement. Approximately one month later, we received a request for reconsideration of the decision, along with significant additional information about the capabilities of the software. We understand that the software company provided the additional information regarding the capabilities of the software and made the request on your behalf. As a result of the additional information provided, we conclude that use of \$50,000 to purchase and distribute this software to the community would be a permissible use of equitable sharing funds.

The additional information demonstrated that the software provides direct support to law enforcement, and has already proven to be an effective law enforcement aid in actual cases. The new information also indicated that the software may be used with current forensic capabilities of law enforcement agencies to gather even more information to identify and locate perpetrators and possibly missing children. The software enables parents to be able to print what they find so they may give the printouts to law enforcement. The software also allows parents to view email addresses and instant messages if they are in HTML format. Thus, the software's coverage and effectiveness is greater than what we had originally thought based on the initial information provided.

Further, the additional information, and the better understanding we now have of the software's capabilities, alleviate our concerns that there would be any appearance of impropriety by distributing this software to the public at no cost. It appears to be a valid crime prevention tool, as well as a law enforcement aid in a broad array of cases. As a final note, the additional information also clarified that the amount sought to be used was \$50,000, not \$250,000.

Thank you for taking the time to provide the additional information regarding this initiative. We would request that the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department provide us with feedback as to the success of the program. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me at (202) 622-9600.

Sincerely,

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Raymond M. Dineen  
Director

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# EXHIBIT 4



**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**  
UNDER SECRETARY FOR TERRORISM AND FINANCIAL INTELLIGENCE

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Mr. Todd Stanley, CPA  
Passaic County Prosecutor's Office  
401 Grand Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Paterson, NJ 07505

JUN 25 2010

Dear Mr. Stanley:

This letter is in response to your request for an official Department of the Treasury determination on the permissible use of shared funds. It is our understanding that the Passaic County Sheriff's Department would like to expend shared funds to purchase 5,000 copies of software (Computer Cop) for distribution to the community. The estimated cost of the software is \$24,250.00 (5,000 @ \$4.95 each).

The use of Department of the Treasury equitably shared funds for the purchase of this software for distribution to members of the community would be permissible (Refer to Page 21 of the *Guide to Equitable Sharing for Foreign Countries and Federal, State, and Local Law Enforcement Agencies under Uses of Equitably Shared Funds, Permissible Uses, letter - Law Enforcement Equipment and Operations*) as long as the software is purchased directly by the law enforcement agency and distributed directly by the law enforcement agency. Keep in mind, the Department of the Treasury does not support the 15% permissible use policy (whereas up to 15% of the total shared monies received in the last two years may be used for the costs associated with approved non-profit community based programs or activities).

Prior to making the purchase, make sure the purchase does not constitute an improper use of state or local law enforcement funds or property under the laws, rules, regulations and orders of the state or local jurisdiction of which the agency is a part.

The Department of the Treasury does not endorse this or any particular product and the use of shared funds does not in any way imply such an endorsement. If you have any further questions, you may contact a member of my Equitable Sharing staff at (202) 622-9600. Thanks.

Sincerely,

Eric E. Hampl  
Director

# EXHIBIT 5



# MEMORANDUM OF ACTIVITY



Case Number: DO-14-2509-I	Reporting Office: Investigations	Type of Activity: Records/Information - Obtained
Date of Activity: February 24, 2015	Date Report Drafted: February 24, 2015	Location of Activity: 1425 New York Ave, NW, Washington D.C., 20220
Subject of Activity:  ComputerCop COP Software, 3880 Veterans Memorial HWY, Ste. 201, Bhomeia, New York 11716  1-800-210-4209		Activity Conducted By (Name(s) and Title(s)):  [REDACTED] Special Agent

On August 8, 2014, the Department of the Treasury (Treasury), Office of Inspector General, Office of Investigations (TOIG), received a complaint from the Treasury Executive Office for Asset Forfeiture (TEOAF), advising that a company named ComputerCop used a TEOAF memorandum in an effort to influence law enforcement agencies to purchase their computer software with TEOAF equitable sharing funds. Specifically, ComputerCop modified a TEOAF memorandum and forwarded the letter to law enforcement agencies as a part of their solicitation packet as if Treasury endorsed their software.

TOIG forwarded approximately 240 letters to all known law enforcement agencies ComputerCop solicited. TOIG asked each agency if their decision to purchase ComputerCop software was influenced by the TEOAF memorandum in the solicitation packet.

As of to date, TOIG received responses from the following agencies advising that the TEOAF memorandum did influence their decision to purchase ComputerCop Software.

- Peabody Police Department, Peabody, MA.
- Department of Public Safety, Anchorage, AK.
- County of Greene Sherriff's Department, Springfield, MO.

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