Boston Police Department  
Legal Department  
One Schroeder Plaza  
Boston, MA 02120

December 19, 2016

Re:  Public Records Request

To Whom it May Concern:

This letter constitutes a request under the Public Records Law, Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 66, §10 for documents made or received by the Boston Police Department (“BPD”). The request is made on behalf of the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Massachusetts (“ACLUM”).

Documents Requested

Please provide the following:

1. Any policies or procedures governing Boston Police Department social media monitoring.
2. Contracts, bid documents, marketing materials, and emails from or about the company Geofeedia or any of its services or products.

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 krockford@aclum.org or 617-482-3170 x346.

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

Sincerely,

Kade Crockford
Director
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ACLU of Massachusetts