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Dear Ms. Elias:

This is in response to your September 4, 2002 letter requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. §552. You asked for records, including but not limited to guidance or directives, memoranda, training materials, or legal analyses, concerning the U.S. Department of Education's (Department) implementation of U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft's October 12, 2001 memorandum on the FOIA.

For your information, the Department did not issue any new guidance or directives, memoranda, training materials, or perform any legal analyses pertinent to the content Attorney General John Ashcroft's October 12, 2001. The Department follows the Department of Justice's (DOJ), policies and guidelines. For additional information, you can visit the DOJ web site at [usdoj.gov/04foia/index.html](http://usdoj.gov/04foia/index.html).

I apologize for the delay in responding to your request. This letter concludes our response to your request. Thank you for your interest in the Department of Education.

Sincerely,

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Freedom of Information Act Officer, OCIO/IMG