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# Request summary

Request submitted on **September 3, 2025**.

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## Contact information

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## Your request

Any communications, emails or memos between the DOJ OLC and the Department of Defense from August 25, 2025, to the date this request is processed regarding the September 2, 2025, U.S. military strike that destroyed a Venezuelan drug boat in the southern Caribbean.

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## Fees

### What type of requester are you?

media

**Fee waiver**

no

**The amount of money you're willing to pay in fees, if any**

25.00

## Request expedited processing

**Expedited processing**

yes

**Justification for expedited processing**

I request expedited processing for this request according to subsection 552(a)(6)(E) of the FOIA, which states that expedited processing must be granted to requests with a “compelling need...made by a person primarily engaged in dissemination information [with] urgency to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal Government activity.” Please note that, as a representative of the news media, FPF has an “urgency to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal Government activity” at issue in this request. Please also note that courts have interpreted “concerning” broadly to extend beyond materials generated by the federal government and to include information provided to an agency by private entities.

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