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Records Service. These records are generally transferred in large blocks defined by years and/or major subject categories. Correspondence regarding access to these records should be addressed to the Chief, Diplomatic Branch, Civil Records Divisions, National Archives and Record Service, Washington, DC 20400.

## §171.6 Fees-general.

(a) The Department will charge a duplication fee of \$.25 per page for copies of documents which are identified and made available to an individual pursuant to a request except, that there will be no charge for requests involving costs of \$10.00 or less.

(b) The Department will charge the actual cost of production for copies prepared by computer (such as tapes or printouts), including operator time.

(c) The Department will charge the actual direct costs of producing the document(s) for methods of reproduction or duplication other than those described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section.

(d) In those cases when estimated duplication charges are likely to exceed \$25, the Department shall notify requesters of the estimated amount of fees, unless they have indicated in advance their willingness to pay fees as high as those anticipated. Such notice shall offer requesters the opportunity to confer with Department personnel with the objective of reformulating requests to meet their needs at lower costs.

(e) Certification under the official seal that a copy or extract made from an official document is a true copy; the fee for certifying each copy of each page is \$2.00.

(f) The Department shall charge the actual costs for sending documents by special methods such as express mails, etc. when such is requested.

(g) Remittances shall be in the form of either a personal check or bank draft drawn on a bank in the United States, a postal money order, or cash. Remittance shall be made payable to the order of the Treasurer of the United States and delivered or mailed to the Information and Privacy Coordinator, Foreign Affairs Information Management Center, Room 1239, Department of State, 2201 C Street, NW., Washington, DC, 20520. The Department will assume no responsibility for cash sent by mail.

(h) Fees must be paid in full prior to release of requested documents and/or provision of service described above.

(i) A receipt for fees paid will be given only upon request.

(j) See §171.13 for additional fees chargeable for Freedom of Information requests.

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## Subpart B—Freedom of Information Provisions

## §171.10 Definitions.

As used in this subpart, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) The term *identifiable* means, in the context of a request for a record, a description which enables a professional employee of the Department who is familiar with the subject area of the request to locate the record with a reasonable amount of effort. Such a description, if possible, should include date, format, subject matter, country concerned, office of mission originating or receiving the record, and the name of any person to whom the record is known to relate.

(b) The term record includes all books, papers, maps, photographs, or other documentary material, or copies thereof, regardless of physical form or characteristics, made in or receiving by the Department of State (including Foreign Service posts abroad) and preserved as evidence of the organization, functions, policies, decisions, procedures, operations, or other activities of the Department or the Foreign Service. It does not include copies of the records of other Government agencies (except those which have been expressly placed under the control of the Department of State upon termination of another agency), foreign government, international organizations, or non-governmental entities unless they evidence organization, functions, policies, decisions, procedures, operations, or activities of the Department of State. It does not include records not already in existence which would need