

Record of Complaint

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
Office of Inspector General
Washington, DC 20528

MEMORANDUM

May 11, 2004

TO: Robert W. Weber, Director
Office of Professional Responsibility
Immigration and Customs Enforcement

FROM: Elizabeth M. Redman
Assistant Inspector General for Investigations

SUBJECT: Referral of OIG Complaint Number: R04-BCIS- CHI-04406
Your File Number:

This matter is being referred to you for appropriate action and disposition in accordance with your organization's applicable rules, regulations, policies, and procedures. You are not required to include this matter in your monthly report to the Office of Inspector General (OIG). Nor are you required to provide the OIG with a copy of your findings and/or final action concerning this matter.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, you may contact me at (202) 254-4100,
or [REDACTED] Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, Headquarters
Operations, at (202) 254-[REDACTED]

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL - OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS
CASE RECORD

COMPLAINT: R04-BCIS-CHI-04406 STATUS: CLOSE
AGENT: RECVD METHOD: MAIL DATE RECEIVED: 04/26/04
DATE ENTERED: 05/04/04 ENTERED BY: [REDACTED] b6,7C CROSS REFERENCE: 39176
DATE AGT ASSIGNED: INVESTIGATION TYPE: Administrative Investigations - Request for Assistance or Information
DHS Agency: Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services DISPOSITION DATE: 05/04/04

DISPOSITION NOTIFICATION BOX: 1-Referred, no reply

SUBJECT 1	Bureau of Citizenship & Immigration Services	TITLE	TYPE: DHS component
DHS Agency:		DOB:	SSN:
ADDRESS(W):			
ADDRESS(H):			
CITY/STATE/ZIP			HPhone:/WPhone:

SUBJECT 2	TITLE:	TYPE:
DHS Agency:	DOB:	SSN:
ADDRESS(W):		
ADDRESS(H):		
CITY/STATE/ZIP		HPhone/WPhone

NARRATIVE OF THE ALLEGATION

Marlys Edwardh, Toronto, CA, an attorney representing the complainant is seeking information regarding the BCIS decision to send the complainant to Syria. The complainant has also indicated that he is available for an interview to assist in the BCIS evaluation.

COMPLAINANT: Marlys Edwardh	STATUS:
ADDRESS: 11 Prince Arthur Avenue	
CITY/STATE/ZIP: Toronto, Ontario, Canada	
TELEPHONE: H: W:	

1 page containing duplicate information is held in the file.
The page was already released as part of Doc #6.



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MAY 18 2004

Marlys Edwardh.
11 Prince Arthur Avenue
Toronto, Ontario M5R 1B2

OIG Complaint Number: 0404406

Dear Ms. Edwardh:

We received your letter on April 26, 2004. We will review the information carefully to determine the appropriate action; however, our office will not be able to provide you with any information as to the action taken.

In general, privacy and law enforcement concerns prohibit the Office of Inspector General (OIG) from disclosing information from its system of records to third parties, including the individual who made the original allegation. Often, this is a source of some frustration to those who contact us, but it is unavoidable in light of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. §552a) and the regulations promulgated thereunder. For this and other reasons, it is the policy of the OIG that once we receive an allegation of fraud or other misconduct, no information concerning the allegation may be released to any third party, except to other law enforcement agencies. Individuals named in allegations received by this office are entitled to the same privacy rights that you or any other citizen might expect from us.

Thank you for bringing this matter to the attention of the OIG.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Assistant Inspector General
for Investigations

Department of Homeland Security
Office of Inspector General

Correspondence Tracking System
(CTS)

Date Assigned: 4.23.04

CTS #: 39176

Edwardh – Re: Maher Arar – Immigration Procedures

Action Document: _____

	INFO	ACTION
Inspector General		
Deputy Inspector General		
Administration		
Audits		
Congressional Liaison		
Counsel		X
Executive Assistant		
Executive Secretariat		
Information Technology		
Inspections, Evaluations, & Special Reviews		
Investigations		X

*Items assigned to CTS will be uploaded onto the internet. Documents needing your attention will be available from DHS online (Intranet). You will also receive reminders via email. Turn around is [REDACTED]