

**Copies and results of Cliff
Kincaid FOIA Requests
into the hiring of Obama
Green Jobs Czar and
Communist Van Jones**

Info on Van Jones

Thursday, May 07, 2009 5:29:44 PM

From: kincaid@comcast.net

To: smoss@ceq.eop.gov; efoia@ceq.eop.gov

Dear Ms. Moss: thank you. I have not interested in the official bio. I have that.

Here is the letter I sent. Thank you.

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April 27, 2009

Mr. Edward. A. Boling
General Counsel
Chief Freedom of Information Officer
Council on Environmental Quality
722 Jackson Place, NW
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Sir:

Since I cannot get Mr. Van Jones or your press officer to answer my questions, I submit them to you for the record. I request answers to the following questions:

- Was Van Jones ever affiliated with, or a member of, a group known as STORM, which means "Standing Together to Organize a Revolutionary Movement."
- If not, what action has he taken to eliminate documented references to his involvement with STORM that have surfaced in various news reports?
- Was CEQ Chair Nancy Sutley aware of Mr. Stones reported involvement with STORM prior to this appointment to the CEQ?
- Who made the appointment of Mr. Jones to the CEQ and what form did that take in communication with chairman Sutley?

Yours Truly,



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

April 16, 2009

Cliff Kincaid

RE: Van Jones Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Mr. Kincaid:

This is the final response to your April 15, 2009, Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request received by the Council on Environmental Quality ("CEQ") that same day. You requested:

Immediate access to all documents, memoranda, emails, and information relating to the appointment of Van Jones to the White House Council on Environmental Quality as "Special Adviser for Green Jobs." The request should include all copies of any information, including a biography and CV, submitted in advance to the Obama Administration by Mr. Jones.

CEQ searched its records system and found none responsive to your request.

We suggest that you contact the White House Office of the Press Secretary.

If you are dissatisfied with our action, you may appeal it by writing to the CEQ FOIA Appeals Officer, 722 Jackson Place, NW, Washington, DC 20503, within 45 days of the date of this letter. Because of problems with mail transmittal, we suggest that you also fax any such appeal to the Appeals Officer at (202) 456-0753.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Boling", is written over the typed name and title.

Edward A. Boling
General Counsel
Chief Freedom of Information Officer



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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

May 9, 2009

Cliff Kincaid

RE: Van Jones Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Mr. Kincaid:

This is the final response to your May 8, 2009, Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request received by the Council on Environmental Quality ("CEQ") that same day. You requested answers to the following questions:

1. Was Van Jones ever affiliated with or a member of a group known as STORM, which means "Standing Together to Organize a Revolutionary Movement"?
2. If not, what action has he taken to eliminate documented references to his involvement with STORM that have surfaced in various news reports?
3. Was CEQ Chair Nancy Sutley aware of Mr. Jones' reported involvement with STORM prior to his appointment to the CEQ?
4. Who made the appointment of Mr. Jones to the CEQ and what form did that take in communication with Chairman Sutley?

CEQ has no documents responsive to your request. Moreover, FOIA does not require CEQ to develop a document responding to these questions.

If you are dissatisfied with our action, you may appeal it by writing to the CEQ FOIA Appeals Officer, 722 Jackson Place, NW, Washington, DC 20503, within 45 days of the date of this letter. Because of problems with mail transmittal, we suggest that you also fax any such appeal to the Appeals Officer at (202) 456-0753.

Sincerely,

Edward A. Boling
General Counsel
Chief Freedom of Information Officer

FOIA Request

Wednesday, May 20, 2009 6:26:41 PM

From: kincaid@comcast.net

To: Sara_E._Moss@ceq.eop.gov; efoia@ceq.eop.gov

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May 20, 2009

Ms. Elizabeth Moss
Freedom of Information Officer
Council on Environmental Quality
722 Jackson Place, NW
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Ms. Moss:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I request immediate access to all documents, memoranda, emails, and information relating to the fulfillment of my Freedom of Information Act requests regarding the appointment of Van Jones to the White House Council on Environmental Quality as "Special Adviser for Green Jobs." I request any information that was exchanged between Elizabeth Ross, Edward A. Boling, Nancy Sutley, Van Jones, individuals in the White House, or any of the above, in regard to my requests.

Thank you for your prompt attention.

Cliff Kincaid



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COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

June 15, 2009

Cliff Kincaid

RE: Freedom of Information Act Request re: Van Jones FOIA Request

Dear Mr. Kincaid:

This is the final response to your May 20, 2009, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request received by the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) that same day. You requested:

Immediate access to all documents, memoranda, emails, and information relating to the fulfillment of [your April 5, 2009, and May 8, 2009] Freedom of Information Act requests regarding the appointment of Van Jones to the White House Council on Environmental Quality as "Special Adviser for Green Jobs."

You also requested "any information that was exchanged between Elizabeth Ross [sic], Edward A. Boling, Nancy Sutley, Van Jones, individuals in the White House, or any of the above in regard to [your] requests."

CEQ has searched its records system and identified two (2) documents totaling four (4) pages responsive to your request. We are releasing those documents in their entirety.

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Edward A. Boling
General Counsel

ATT: Two documents

CEQ FOIA response

Wednesday, June 17, 2009 8:54:53 AM

From: Sara_E._Moss@ceq.eop.gov

To: kincaid@comcast.net

Attachments: Kincaid (3) release.pdf (165.7KB)

Kincaid 6 15 09.pdf (39.3KB)

Mr. Kincaid,

CEQ's response to your May 20, 2009 FOIA request is attached.

Regards,

Elizabeth Moss
FOIA Coordinator
CEQ

CEQ 1

Moss, Elizabeth

From: Boling, Edward A.
Sent: Thursday, May 07, 2009 6:44 PM
To: Glunz, Christine M.; Moss, Elizabeth; Jones, Van
Subject: RE: Info on Van Jones

We can respond that we don't respond to questions under FOIA. Of course, he will probably convert his questions into a document request.

Edward A. Boling
General Counsel
Council on Environmental Quality
722 Jackson Place, NW
Washington, DC 20503
(202) 395-3449

From: Glunz, Christine M.
Sent: Thursday, May 07, 2009 6:35 PM
To: Moss, Elizabeth; Jones, Van
Cc: Boling, Edward A.
Subject: RE: Info on Van Jones

Is this technically a FOIA request? It says he is seeking answers to these questions – not documents related to these issues, right?

From: Moss, Elizabeth
Sent: Thursday, May 07, 2009 5:54 PM
To: Glunz, Christine M.; Jones, Van
Cc: Boling, Edward A.
Subject: FW: Info on Van Jones

Van and Christine,

Do we have any documents that are responsive to this request? Note that FOIA does not require the creation of new records.

Please let me know if you have anything, and we'll respond accordingly.

Thanks.

Elizabeth

From: kincaid@comcast.net [mailto:kincaid@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, May 07, 2009 5:30 PM
To: Moss, Elizabeth; FN-CEQ-efoia
Subject: Info on Van Jones

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Cliff Kincaid

CEQ 2

Moss, Elizabeth

From: Jones, Van
Sent: Friday, May 08, 2009 6:04 AM
To: Glunz, Christine M.; Moss, Elizabeth
Cc: Boling, Edward A.
Subject: Re: Info on Van Jones

No documents. Van

From: Glunz, Christine M.
To: Moss, Elizabeth; Jones, Van
Cc: Boling, Edward A.
Sent: Thu May 07 18:34:58 2009
Subject: RE: Info on Van Jones
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Sent: Thursday, May 07, 2009 5:54 PM
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Cc: Boling, Edward A.
Subject: FW: Info on Van Jones

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Freedom of Information Act request

Monday, August 24, 2009 3:34:46 PM

From: kincaid@comcast.net
To: efoia@ceq.eop.gov
Bcc: Kincaid@comcast.net

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August 24, 2009

Freedom of Information Officer
Council on Environmental Quality
722 Jackson Place, NW
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Ms. Shawley:

After our conversation regarding my previous August 24 Freedom of Information Act request, I have decided to narrow my request in this letter.

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I request immediate access to all emails, documents, memoranda, and any other information in the possession of the White House Council on Environmental Quality that were written, sent or received by Mr. Van Jones to or in regard to the following individuals:

- James Rucker
- Gabriel Rey-Goodlatte
- William Winters
- Dani McLain
- Cliff Kincaid
- Glenn Beck

Or the following groups and organizations:

- Standing Together to Organize a Revolutionary Movement, or STORM
- Fox News

I suggest examining emails and documents during the following time periods:

- April 10-16, 2009.
- April 27-May 9, 2009.
- July 31-August 16, 2009.

Thank you for your attention to these matters.

Sincerely Yours,

Cliff Kincaid

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FOIA re: Van Jones

Tuesday, August 25, 2009 1:25:09 PM

From: Sara_E._Moss@ceq.eop.gov

To: kincaid@comcast.net

Cc: Dianne_M._Shawley@ceq.eop.gov

Mr. Kincaid,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your narrowed FOIA request. If we need additional information from you to process your request, we'll be back in touch.

Regards,

Elizabeth Moss
FOIA Coordinator
CEQ