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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

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Lieutenant Ricardo Gonzalez
Laredo Police Department
4712 Maher Avenue
Laredo, Texas 78041

OR2017-15267

Dear Lt. Gonzalez:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Public Information Act (the "Act"), chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your request was assigned ID# 665725 (Reference No. W007402-041817).

The Laredo Police Department (the "department") received a request for information pertaining to a specified incident. You state you have released some information. You claim the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.101 of the Government Code. We have considered the exception you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

Some of the submitted information is subject to section 552.130 of the Government Code.¹ Section 552.130 excepts from disclosure information relating to a motor vehicle operator's license, driver's license, motor vehicle title or registration, or personal identification document issued by an agency of this state or another state or country is excepted from public release. *See* Gov't Code § 552.130. Upon review, we find the submitted video recordings contain confidential motor vehicle record information that is excepted from disclosure under section 552.130. In this instance, we understand the department does not possess the technological capability to redact information from video files. Thus, we find the department


¹The Office of the Attorney General will raise a mandatory exception on behalf of a governmental body, but ordinarily will not raise other exceptions. *See* Open Records Decision Nos. 481 (1987), 480 (1987), 470 (1987).

must withhold the entireties of the submitted video recordings under section 552.130 of the Government Code.² See Open Records Decision No. 364 (1983).

This letter ruling is limited to the particular information at issue in this request and limited to the facts as presented to us; therefore, this ruling must not be relied upon as a previous determination regarding any other information or any other circumstances.

This ruling triggers important deadlines regarding the rights and responsibilities of the governmental body and of the requestor. For more information concerning those rights and responsibilities, please visit our website at http://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open/orl_ruling_info.shtml, or call the Office of the Attorney General's Open Government Hotline, toll free, at (877) 673-6839. Questions concerning the allowable charges for providing public information under the Act may be directed to the Office of the Attorney General, toll free, at (888) 672-6787.

Sincerely,



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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)

²As our ruling is dispositive, we need not address your argument against disclosure of the submitted information.