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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA; SAN
FRANCISCO BAY GUARDIAN,

Plaintiffs,

v.

DRUG ENFORCEMENT
ADMINISTRATION,

Defendant.

CASE NO.: C 11-01997 RS

**JOINT STIPULATION AND [~~PROPOSED~~]
ORDER DISMISSING PLAINTIFFS'
CLAIMS**

1 **STIPULATION**

2 WHEREAS, Plaintiffs brought this action under the Freedom of Information Act
3 (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. §552(a)(4)(B) and 28 U.S.C. §1331. (Doc. 1).

4 WHEREAS, on October 28, 2012, the Court granted in part, denied in part the
5 parties' cross-motions for summary judgment. (Doc. 48).

6 WHEREAS, pursuant to its summary judgment order, the Court directed
7 Defendant to conduct additional searches, release certain information it had withheld,
8 supplement its search description, and supplement its *Vaughn* index in various respects.

9 WHEREAS, Defendant provided a status report describing its compliance with the
10 Court's order on December 30, 2011. (Doc. 52).

11 WHEREAS, thereafter the parties met and conferred and agreed there were no
12 further issues in dispute with respect to Defendant's production of documents under
13 FOIA.

14 WHEREAS, this Court entered a case management order giving the parties an
15 opportunity to meet and confer on attorneys' fees and costs under 5 U.S.C. §552(a)(4)(E),
16 and requiring the parties to file a stipulation of dismissal on or before April 26, 2012, or
17 appear before this Court on that date to explain why the case should not be dismissed.
18 (Doc. 54).

19 WHEREAS, the parties have met and conferred on attorneys' fees and costs under
20 5 U.S.C. §552(a)(4)(E) and have been unable to arrive at a resolution of the matter.

21 WHEREAS, Plaintiffs will seek attorneys' fees and costs under 5 U.S.C.
22 §552(a)(4)(E).

23 WHEREAS, the parties do not intend this stipulation and [proposed] order of
24 dismissal to affect the analysis of whether Plaintiffs have "substantially prevailed" within
25 the meaning of 5 U.S.C. §552(a)(4)(E).

26 THEREFORE, the parties through their respective counsel of record jointly request
27 that Plaintiffs' claims be dismissed with prejudice pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P.

1 51(a)(1)(A)(ii), so that Plaintiffs may file a motion for attorneys' fees and other litigation
2 costs pursuant to 5 U.S.C. §552(a)(4)(E) and Local Rule 54-5.

3 SO STIPULATED.

4 Dated: April 25, 2012

5 By: _____
6 Linda Lye

7 Michael T. Risher
8 Linda Lye
9 AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION
10 FOUNDATION OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

11 Attorneys for Plaintiffs

12 Dated: April 25, 2012

13 By: _____
14 Ila Deiss


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22 **[PROPOSED] ORDER**

23 PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, Plaintiffs' claims are dismissed with prejudice.
24 Plaintiffs may bring a motion for attorneys' fees and other litigation costs pursuant to 5
25 U.S.C. §552(a)(4)(E) and Local Rule 54-5.

26 Dated: 4/26/12

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28 RICHARD SEEBORG
United States District Judge