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Dear Ms. Constantine:

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# 544389.

The Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport Board (the "board") received a request for information regarding data or technology breaches or attempted breaches on systems maintained by the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport. You claim the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under sections 552.101 and 552.139 of the Government Code. We have considered the exceptions you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.139 of the Government Code provides, in part:

(a) Information is excepted from [required public disclosure] if it is information that relates to computer network security, to restricted information under Section 2059.055 [of the Government Code], or to the design, operation, or defense of a computer network.

(b) The following information is confidential:

(1) a computer network vulnerability report; [and]

(2) any other assessment of the extent to which data processing operations, a computer, a computer program, network, system, or system interface, or software of a governmental body or of a contractor of a governmental body is vulnerable to unauthorized

access or harm, including an assessment of the extent to which the governmental body's or contractor's electronically stored information containing sensitive or critical information is vulnerable to alteration, damage, erasure, or inappropriate use[.]

Gov't Code § 552.139(a), (b)(1)-(2). You state the submitted information consists of a report of attempted breaches of the board's computer network created by virus scanning programs installed on the board's system in order to detect and delete viruses and malware and ensure that systems, operations, and data are not accessed or harmed through alteration, damage, or erasure. Based on your representations and our review of the information, we find you have demonstrated the submitted information relates to the design, operation, or defense of the board's computer network. Accordingly, the board must withhold the submitted information under section 552.139 of the Government Code.¹

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
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¹As our ruling is dispositive, we need not address your remaining argument against disclosure.