

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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PREPARED BY: SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

CASE #: OI-HQ-2017-ADM-0095

CROSS REFERENCE #:

TITLE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS: INCIDENT AT MAYFLOWER HOTEL, WASHINGTON, DC

CASE CLOSING REPORT

Subject(s)	Location	Other Data
Unknown	WASHINGTON D.C.	1

VIOLATION:

DC Code-22-3302- Unlawful entry on property.

ALLEGATION:

On April 7, 2017, the Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Inspector (OIG), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), initiated a criminal investigation after receiving a complaint that two unknown protestors attempted to disrupt EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt's speech during a closed conference held by the Environmental Council of States (ECOS) at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington D.C.

FINDINGS:

Concerning the allegation that the unidentified protestors violated DC Code-22-3302- Unlawful Entry on Property, there is sufficient evidence to support a finding that the unidentified individuals violated DC Code-22-3302- Unlawful Entry on Property.

On April 19th, 2017, during an interview with OI Special Agents, (b) (6). (b) (7)(C) Environmental Counsel of the States (ECOS) stated that the unidentified individuals who disrupted Administrator Pruitt's speech did not register for the event or pay the registration fee of \$700.00 to \$900.00 to attend the event.

DISPOSITION:

On May 8, 2017, the facts of the case were presented to the Misdemeanor Section, District of Columbia, United States Attorney's Office (USAO) for criminal violations of DC Code-22-3302- Unlawful entry on property. After being presented with the facts, the USAO declined prosecution due(b) (5), (b) (7)(E).

Based upon the foregoing and in consultation with the Office of Counsel, OIG EPA, there are no further investigative steps to be taken and this case is recommended for closure.