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_____ stated that Spanish American War Veterans receive \$96.75 per month after age 65 and \$129.00 per month if totally disabled. These checks are mailed directly out of Washington, D.C., from the Division of Veterans Claims, Veterans Administration, Washington 25, D.C.

_____ Adjutant of Camp #15, Lynn, Massachusetts, advised that he is also Adjutant of Council #7 of the Spanish American War Veterans which covers the camps in Gloucester, Beverly, Salem, Marblehead and Lynn, which are all located in the same section north of Boston. _____ advised that Camp #15 presently has some 50 members and in the City of Lynn there are other veterans who are either non-members or members of camps located in other sections.

_____ stated that he had read the letter which was published in the Boston Post and neither he nor any members of his camp recognized the writing or have any suspects. He has never heard of any anti-MCCARTHY veterans at Camp #15 or of Council #7.

_____ advised he does not recall any individual who served in all three of the wars noted in the extortion letter. He cannot recall any individual who may have served in the armed forces as a career man and later retired in that area. He advised that the only members he can recall who were veterans of the Spanish American War and World War I are _____, _____ and _____. He stated _____ has been bedridden for over a year and is residing at _____ Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., and _____ resided at _____, Maine.

_____ advised that there are fifty active members of Camp #15 in his camp. However, his records are not complete and he is unable to furnish any information which would identify _____ He advised that Spanish American War Veterans from all of Gloucester have camps from paying dues.

_____, Adjutant of _____, and _____, Superintendent of _____, Lynn, Massachusetts, advised there was nothing peculiar about the _____ star which might indicate from what area this letter had been mailed. They are of the belief that it was mailed during the morning of April 3, 1934 and the _____ are located in _____, Gloucester, West Lynn, and Lynn, Massachusetts.

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ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

LEADS

BOSTON OFFICE:

At Lynn, Mass.

Will contact the Adjutants of American Legion Posts 6 and 291 of Lynn to determine if any members are veterans of the Spanish American, Mexican and World War I wars, and have voiced any particular dislike for Senator JOSEPH McCARTHY and the fact that he was to speak at the Algonquin Club on April 3, 1954.

Will, at the Treasurer's Office of Lynn City Hall, determine if there is any breakdown separating the Spanish American War Veterans from others who are exempt from paying poll taxes, and if so, consider checking any handwriting which might appear on the signed receipts.

REFERENCE: Boston teletype dated April 4, 1954.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

To: SAC, Boston

June 10, 1954

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office June 1, 1954, under the caption "U.S. vs. 'An American' Senator Joseph McCarthy - Victim, Tortion," Bufile #9-25910.

1. UNCLAS, [redacted]
Victim;
Anonymous Letter

Examination requested by: Boston
Reference: Letter 5-27-54
Examination requested: Document

J. Edgar Hoover
FBI FILE NO. 9-810
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- Q1 White envelope addressed [redacted] 20, 1953 5:30 PM.
[redacted] South Weymouth, Mass.,
postmarked "LYNN, MASS. IN"
Accompanying one-page letter handwritten on white ruled
paper, message beginning "Dear [redacted]"
- Q2 White envelope addressed [redacted]
[redacted] South Weymouth, Mass.,
[redacted] 1953 1:30 PM.
Accompanying one-page letter handwritten on white ruled
paper, message beginning "Dear [redacted]"
- Q3 White envelope addressed [redacted]
[redacted] South Weymouth, Mass.,
[redacted] 1953 1:30 PM.
Accompanying one-page letter handwritten on white ruled
paper, message beginning "Dear [redacted]"
- Q4 White envelope addressed [redacted]
[redacted] South Weymouth, Mass.,
[redacted] 1953 1:30 PM.
Accompanying one-page letter handwritten on white ruled
paper, message beginning "Dear [redacted]"
- Q5 White envelope addressed [redacted]
[redacted] South Weymouth, Mass.,
[redacted] 1953 1:30 PM.
Accompanying one-page letter handwritten on white ruled
paper, message beginning "Dear [redacted]"
- Q6 White envelope addressed [redacted]
[redacted] South Weymouth, Mass.,
[redacted] 1953 1:30 PM.
Accompanying one-page letter handwritten on white ruled
paper, message beginning "Dear [redacted]"
- Q7 White envelope addressed [redacted]
[redacted] South Weymouth, Mass.,
[redacted] 1953 1:30 PM.
Accompanying one-page letter handwritten on white ruled
paper, message beginning "Dear [redacted]"
- Q8 White envelope addressed [redacted]
[redacted] South Weymouth, Mass.,
[redacted] 1953 1:30 PM.
Accompanying one-page letter handwritten on white ruled
paper, message beginning "Dear [redacted]"
- Q9 White envelope addressed [redacted]
[redacted] South Weymouth, Mass.,
[redacted] 1953 1:30 PM.
Accompanying one-page letter handwritten on white ruled
paper, message beginning "Dear [redacted]"
- Q10 White envelope addressed [redacted]
[redacted] South Weymouth, Mass.,
[redacted] 1953 1:30 PM.
Accompanying one-page letter handwritten on white ruled
paper, message beginning "Dear [redacted]"

MAILED
JUN 10 1954
U.S. MAIL

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-37707)
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM : SAC, BOSTON (9-810)

REGISTERED MAIL
DATE 5/27/54

SUBJECT : JAMES J. J. wa. "An American"
JAMES J. J. CARNEY - VICTIM
EXTORTION

Re Boston letter 4/5/54 and Bureau letters 4/9/54 and 4/13/54, concerning examination of extortion notes in instant case.

There are being forwarded herewith via registered mail the following envelopes and notes:

- (1) Envelope postmarked Lynn, Massachusetts, dated December 20, 1952, addressed to [redacted], with writing on the back; containing note beginning "Swampscott, Mass., December 20, 1952", and ending "snuff and".
- (2) Envelope postmarked Lynn, Massachusetts, dated March 27, 1954, addressed to [redacted] containing note with newspaper clipping attached, note beginning [redacted] Dear Sir", and ending "I wonder if you".
- (3) Envelope postmarked Lynn, Massachusetts, dated April 19, 1954, addressed to "Editor Letters to McCAHNEY", with writing on the reverse side with two-page note beginning "Swampscott, Mass., Sunday, April 18, 1954", ending [redacted]

Since the writer or writers of the above notes appear to be anti-McCAHNEY and they are all postmarked Lynn, where the extortion letter in instant case was postmarked, it is requested that the handwriting of the three above letters be compared with the original extortion note previously forwarded to the Bureau, to determine if any of them are identical with the original extortion note.

The Laboratory is also requested to determine if all three of the above letters were written by the same or different individuals.

The Laboratory is requested to return the above specimens upon completion of examination.

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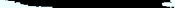
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT ON	DATE 7/20/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/19/48, 11/11/48, 30/7/6, 8/5/50	REPORT MADE BY 
TITLE DANIEL J. SULLIVAN, Jr. "An American;" SENATOR JOSEPH P. McCARTHY - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE

Contacts with American Legion Posts 6, 24 and 25 in the Lynd area
to develop any suspects. American Legion, Lynd, Ind. has
breakdown for Veterans, including Spanish American
be exempt from Poll Tax.

107 North Common Street, Boston, Massachusetts, and
there are 25 members presently attached to
this group, which have the Jewish-American
Council as their sponsor. All members are
active in the various letter writing
campaigns.

to furnish any suspects in the case and stated he knew of no suspects
New veterans presently being housed at Post 291.

He advised that he handles all correspondence with regard to Post #15 and does not recognize the handwriting on the extortion note. He felt that he could not suggest a historical source to contact concerning Spanish-American War veterans, but he did know a man who is adjutant of Camp #15, Spanish-American War Veterans.

previously contacted with regard to

... Adjutant of American Legion Post 345 and who recalled that this Post was recognized for service during World War II. He said that this Post and no Spanish-American veterans in instant case were mentioned.

Chairman of the Board of [redacted] Treasurer [redacted] advised that there is no information regarding [redacted] from other [redacted]. He stated that all [redacted] are [redacted] and [redacted] order. He was unable to [redacted] would aid in locating [redacted] and [redacted] [redacted]

...and not were ...



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Since the writers of the above notes appear to be somewhat anti-McCARTHY and the letters were all postmarked Lynn, it was requested that the handwriting of the above specimens be compared with the original extortion note which had been previously forwarded to the Bureau to determine if they are identical with each note. The FBI Laboratory examined the above and advised that all were prepared by the same individual and these specimens were recorded in the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File and specifically compared with Bureau file 9-24556, which contained the original extortion letter in this case, and with Bureau file 95-524, entitled, "Extortion - Victim - JAMES J. McCARTEY" and no identification was made.

Since all logical investigative leads have been covered in this case, the investigation is being closed with the authority of the Special Agent in Charge.

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SENATOR JOSEPH McFARLAND
SENATE OFFICE BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D.C.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE

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FROM: SENATOR JOSEPH M. McFARLAND
TO: DIRECTOR, LABORATORY

9-25910

There is attached the file which has been maintained in the Laboratory in connection with the above-captioned matter. It is desired that this file be maintained as an enclosure behind the 9-25910-15 in the Records Section.

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FBI

LABORATORY

12, 1954

Senator Joseph R. ...
Senate Office Building
Washington D.C.

My dear Senator:

I hope this reaches you before I
I leave for Washington with my
mind - your assassination.

I am a God fearing man, but I find it im-
possible to let myself be while you
arrogantly, ignorantly and self-centeredly
tear apart those principles of democracy,
fair play, and civil liberties which America
has treasured for so long.

Perhaps I will be able to re-appear before
I arrive; I doubt it. For months this has
planned to ...

So long you will realize the sense of your
ways, I am

Yours sincerely,
JOSEPH R. ...

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Investment

Laboratory Work Sheet

Lab #11.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. "An American";
Senator JOSEPH Mc CARTHY - VICTIM
REPRODUCTION

File # 7-32-200
Lab. # 2-102000

Examination requested by: Boston (9-210)

Date of reference communication: 4-5-64

Date received: 6-2-65

Resumption requested: Dec. 1941

Results of Examination:

Investigation No. 100 **100**

Harvard Mass. Comm. Vol. 7 N. H. Series 10

Specimens submitted for examination

Envelope bearing hv. address, "The Alignment Club", Boston, Mass. Women Society postmarked 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2042, 2043, 2044, 2045, 2046, 2047, 2048, 2049, 2050, 2051, 2052, 2053, 2054, 2055, 2056, 2057, 2058, 2059, 2060, 2061, 2062, 2063, 2064, 2065, 2066, 2067, 2068, 2069, 2070, 2071, 2072, 2073, 2074, 2075, 2076, 2077, 2078, 2079, 2080, 2081, 2082, 2083, 2084, 2085, 2086, 2087, 2088, 2089, 2090, 2091, 2092, 2093, 2094, 2095, 2096, 2097, 2098, 2099, 2100, 2101, 2102, 2103, 2104, 2105, 2106, 2107, 2108, 2109, 2110, 2111, 2112, 2113, 2114, 2115, 2116, 2117, 2118, 2119, 2120, 2121, 2122, 2123, 2124, 2125, 2126, 2127, 2128, 2129, 2130, 2131, 2132, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2136, 2137, 2138, 2139, 2140, 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145, 2146, 2147, 2148, 2149, 2150, 2151, 2152, 2153, 2154, 2155, 2156, 2157, 2158, 2159, 2160, 2161, 2162, 2163, 2164, 2165, 2166, 2167, 2168, 2169, 2170, 2171, 2172, 2173, 2174, 2175, 2176, 2177, 2178, 2179, 2180, 2181, 2182, 2183, 2184, 2185, 2186, 2187, 2188, 2189, 2190, 2191, 2192, 2193, 2194, 2195, 2196, 2197, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2212, 2213, 2214, 2215, 2216, 2217, 2218, 2219, 2220, 2221, 2222, 2223, 2224, 2225, 2226, 2227, 2228, 2229, 2230, 2231, 2232, 2233, 2234, 2235, 2236, 2237, 2238, 2239, 2240, 2241, 2242, 2243, 2244, 2245, 2246, 2247, 2248, 2249, 2250, 2251, 2252, 2253, 2254, 2255, 2256, 2257, 2258, 2259, 2260, 2261, 2262, 2263, 2264, 2265, 2266, 2267, 2268, 2269, 2270, 2271, 2272, 2273, 2274, 2275, 2276, 2277, 2278, 2279, 2280, 2281, 2282, 2283, 2284, 2285, 2286, 2287, 2288, 2289, 2290, 2291, 2292, 2293, 2294, 2295, 2296, 2297, 2298, 2299, 2300, 2301, 2302, 2303, 2304, 2305, 2306, 2307, 2308, 2309, 2310, 2311, 2312, 2313, 2314, 2315, 2316, 2317, 2318, 2319, 2320, 2321, 2322, 2323, 2324, 2325, 2326, 2327, 2328, 2329, 2330, 2331, 2332, 2333, 2334, 2335, 2336, 2337, 2338, 2339, 2340, 2341, 2342, 2343, 2344, 2345, 2346, 2347, 2348, 2349, 2350, 2351, 2352, 2353, 2354, 2355, 2356, 2357, 2358, 2359, 2360, 2361, 2362, 2363, 2364, 2365, 2366, 2367, 2368, 2369, 2370, 2371, 2372, 2373, 2374, 2375, 2376, 2377, 2378, 2379, 2380, 2381, 2382, 2383, 2384, 2385, 2386, 2387, 2388, 2389, 2390, 2391, 2392, 2393, 2394, 2395, 2396, 2397, 2398, 2399, 2400, 2401, 2402, 2403, 2404, 2405, 2406, 2407, 2408, 2409, 2410, 2411, 2412, 2413, 2414, 2415, 2416, 2417, 2418, 2419, 2420, 2421, 2422, 2423, 2424, 2425, 2426, 2427, 2428, 2429, 2430, 2431, 2432, 2433, 2434, 2435, 2436, 2437, 2438, 2439, 2440, 2441, 2442, 2443, 2444, 2445, 2446, 2447, 2448, 2449, 2450, 2451, 2452, 2453, 2454, 2455, 2456, 2457, 2458, 2459, 2460, 2461, 2462, 2463, 2464, 2465, 2466, 2467, 2468, 2469, 2470, 2471, 2472, 2473, 2474, 2475, 2476, 2477, 2478, 2479, 2480, 2481, 2482, 2483, 2484, 2485, 2486, 2487, 2488, 2489, 2490, 2491, 2492, 2493, 2494, 2495, 2496, 2497, 2498, 2499, 2500, 2501, 2502, 2503, 2504, 2505, 2506, 2507, 2508, 2509, 2510, 2511, 2512, 2513, 2514, 2515, 2516, 2517, 2518, 2519, 2520, 2521, 2522, 2523, 2524, 2525, 2526, 2527, 2528, 2529, 2530, 2531, 2532, 2533, 2534, 2535, 2536, 2537, 2538, 2539, 2540, 2541, 2542, 2543, 2544, 2545, 2546, 2547, 2548, 2549, 2550, 2551, 2552, 2553, 2554, 2555, 2556, 2557, 2558, 2559, 2560, 2561, 2562, 2563, 2564, 2565, 2566, 2567, 2568, 2569, 2570, 2571, 2572, 2573, 2574, 2575, 2576, 2577, 2578, 2579, 2580, 2581, 2582, 2583, 2584, 2585, 2586, 2587, 2588, 2589, 2590, 2591, 2592, 2593, 2594, 2595, 2596, 2597, 2598, 2599, 2600, 2601, 2602, 2603, 2604, 2605, 2606, 2607, 2608, 2609, 2610, 2611, 2612, 2613, 2614, 2615, 2616, 2617, 2618, 2619, 2620, 2621, 2622,

Enclosing his letter beginning, "I see 'George H. Raper' has given the photo by his....." (Scribble) "I am not sure."

REF ID: A66084

Laboratory Work Sheet

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UNSUB JOHN SUEBJ.
Letter postmarked March 18, 1954. Oakland, Calif.
SENATOR JOSEPH R. McCARTHY - VICTIM
REPUTATION

File #
Lab. #

Examination requested by: **Barry**

Date of reference communication: 3-30-

Date received: 2-26-64

Examination requested: **Yes.**

Result of Examination:

Registration No.

Ex 2 - Crown glass (1101) - No 22 A.S.P. (small)

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Specimens submitted for examination

Envelope bearing no address. ENVELOPE JAMES H. McCAHILL, SENATOR
CALIFORNIA, REGISTERED CALIFORNIA CALIF. MAR 18 1964

According to letter dated March 15, 1964 bearing reference to above, we enclose you a time schedule and a list of names to be interviewed.

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Q1 White bond paper measuring
6.8" x 3.7" x 0.0115"

Two on right side. Address tape attached to right edge
No watermark

Q2 Sheet of white stationery measuring
5.8" x 6.2" x 0.004"

No watermark

Q1 White bond envelope measuring
6.8" x 3.65" x 0.0035"

No watermark

Q2 Sheet of white bond paper
measuring

11.00" x 8.00" x 0.0025"

No watermark

 South Mass
according to [unclear] [unclear]
Jon Hones

1956
I see [unclear] [unclear] was given
An American Mexican Spanish

1956 - 24.7W.

Benito Joseph Mc Carthy
The [unclear] Washington
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Laboratory Work Sheet

LEAFLET

Re: UNSUB

File # 7-2
Lab. # D-3

Victim

Anonymous letter

Classification requested by: Boston (C-100)

Date of reference communication: Oct 5-7-54

Info provided:

Examination requested: **Yes.**

Report of Examination: 41 → 47

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Specimens submitted for examination

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RETURN

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[REDACTED] You Mc
according to [REDACTED] not an
Jon Honor &

1956
I see just tape Mc Carthy was given
An American Mexican Spanish

1956 - at TW

Senator Joseph Mc Carthy
The Standard Washington
D

SUBJECT Joseph McCarthy
FILE NUMBER 9-27383
SECTION NUMBER _____

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Mr. Rosen

DATE: 1/11/55

Mr. Price

Time of call: 6:08 a.m.

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT - with alias BINBO
SENATOR JOSEPH MC CARTHY,
REPRESENTATIVE DEWEY SHORT - VICTIMS
POSSIBLE EXTORTION

Officer [redacted] of the Capitol Police, National Extension [redacted] (Senate Detail) phoned and advised that he had just received a long-distance phone call at 6:05 a.m. from Aurora, Illinois. [redacted] stated that the caller identified himself only as "Binbo" and stated "Senator McCarthy and Dewey Short's lives are in danger. I can get a man on them." The only other statement made by the caller was that he was connected with the "one-world movement."

The Congressional Directory for 1954 indicates that Dewey Short is a Representative from the 7th District from Illinois. [redacted] that he was referring this matter to the Lieutenant of his Detail. [redacted] who will be on duty at 7:45 a.m. Officer [redacted] of the Capitol Police, advised that Senator McCarthy and Representative Dewey Short's offices will be advised. However, he did not know whether advising the Metropolitan Police was a part of their routine. It is to be noted in the quoted portion above that this does not take the specific form of a threat but rather takes the form of a notification that a certain condition exists.

ACTION:

Corporal [redacted] Communications Officer, Metropolitan Police Department, National [redacted] was advised at 6:45 of the above for his information. He was also reminded that this Bureau performs no protective functions and we were furnishing this information so that the Metropolitan Police Department would be advised.

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SAC Don Hostetter, Chicago, was advised of the above at 6:55 a.m. and requested to attempt to determine the location from which instant call was made and in so doing, if possible, the identity of the calling party in Aurora. He was also requested to furnish the Bureau by phone or teletype any information contained in the Chicago Field Office regarding "Binbo" or the "one-world movement." Hostetter was advised to contact any investigation beyond the inquiry concerning the instant call's origin.

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Chicago Field Office

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Memorandum to Mr. Rosen

The indices of the Bureau were checked with regard to the "one-world movement" and no references were noted which could definitely be identified with the "one-world movement" referred to in this matter. The indices were also searched concerning the nickname "Bimbo" and no record could be identified based on the information at hand. The indices were also checked on one "Bimbo" and it was noted that there are 18 to 20 references but none of them in Illinois.

R.O.O.

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Ths Jan

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen

DATE: January 11, 1955

FROM : Mr. Friedman

TIME OF CALL: 1:35 p.m.

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT - with alias "Bimbo";
SENATOR JOSEPH MC CARTHY
REPRESENTATIVE DEWEY SHORT - VICTIMS
POSSIBLE EXTORTION

ASAC Schmidt of the Chicago Division furnished information concerning the captioned matter. You will recall from my earlier memorandum to you today that an officer of the Capitol Police advised early this morning that he had received a long-distance call from an individual in Aurora, Illinois, identifying himself only as "Bimbo," who stated that the lives of Senator McCarthy and Representative Dewey Short were in danger. The only other statement made by "Bimbo" to the Capitol Police was that he was connected with the "one-world movement."

Schmidt said that it had been determined that the telephone call had been made from a public pay telephone booth at the Aurora Hotel in Aurora, Illinois, telephone number 7707. He stated that the call had been made prepaid and that it had been impossible as a result to identify the caller in any way. Schmidt added that the indices of the Chicago Division had no identifiable reference to "Bimbo," although scattered references to somewhat similar names had been located involving old cases such as interstate transportation of stolen motor vehicles, white slave traffic act and interstate transportation of stolen property involving such names as [redacted]. Schmidt said that there was nothing in the Chicago files which would indicate that any such reference might be identical with the unknown individual making the call this morning under the name of "Bimbo." Schmidt also added that the Chicago indices contained no reference to any "one-world movement."

ACTION:

No further action is required concerning the above, which is set out for your additional information. As noted in the prior memorandum to you today, Capitol Police advised the offices of Senator McCarthy and Representative Short and the Bureau also informed the Metropolitan Police Department of the information received from the Capitol Police. No violation within the Bureau's jurisdiction is apparent.

cc: ~~Mr. Rosen~~ ~~Mr. Belmont~~
- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Nichols

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen

DATE: January 11,
1955

FROM : P. L. Price

Call: 4:10 p.m.

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
Threat to Bomb House.
[REDACTED] INFORMANT;
[REDACTED] - INFORMATION CONCERNING

ASAC Fletcher of the Washington Field Office advised that Captain [REDACTED] of the Metropolitan Police Department had just called [REDACTED] information received by the police from [REDACTED] N. E., Washington, D. C. [REDACTED] pointed out that this address is [REDACTED] that of Senator McCarthy.

[REDACTED] reported that last night about dark she heard someone on the roof of her house. She said that she told Mrs. McCarthy about that this morning. This afternoon at about 2:30 p.m. an anonymous male with a "Latin" voice called [REDACTED] and told her to get out of the house tonight with her children, that he didn't want to hurt them and that he would drop a bomb on the place. He then added that on second thought a little of [REDACTED] wouldn't hurt them; that he had seen [REDACTED] talking to a policeman this morning. [REDACTED] advised that as a matter of fact she had talked to a policeman in her block this morning.

Captain [REDACTED] according to ASAC Fletcher, has advised Senator McCarthy of the above information and reported that neither the Senator nor his wife is disturbed regarding it. Mrs. McCarthy reported that [REDACTED] is inclined to exaggerate. Fletcher said that the police are putting on a "short beat" at the Senator's home tonight, which will insure police coverage. Fletcher stated that no Bureau violation was apparent and that the above was being furnished for the Bureau's information.

Although apparently unrelated, in my memoranda to you today under the caption "Unknown Subject, alias Bimbo; Senator Joseph McCarthy, Representative Dewey Short - Victims; Possible Extortion," it was reported that Capitol Police received a long-distance telephone call early this morning from an individual in Aurora, Illinois, identifying himself only as "Bimbo," who stated that the lives of Senator McCarthy and Representative Dewey Short were in danger. The Capitol Police and the Metropolitan Police Department are acquainted with the details of that call, which did not constitute any apparent violation within the Bureau's jurisdiction. It is noted that in the current information originating from [REDACTED] no mention was made of Representative Dewey Short.

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
JAN 13 1955
1 - Mr. Nichols
1 - Mr. Belmont

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Memorandum for Mr. Rosen

ACTION:

The above is for your current information in this matter. ASAC Fletcher was instructed to follow any developments in this matter through the Police Department and to keep the Bureau fully informed of any further incidents.

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[Handwritten signature: JH]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen

DATE: Jan. 11, 1955

FROM : Mr. Price *JP*

Time of call: 11:30 p.m.

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. "Bimbo";
SENATOR JOSEPH MC CARTHY,
REPRESENTATIVE DEWEY SHORT - VICTIMS
POSSIBLE EXTORTION

Harry Lever, "Evening Star," telephonically advised that officers of the No. 8 Precinct, Metropolitan Police Department, were giving special attention to the 2800 block of 34th Place, Northwest, on the basis of information furnished by the FBI. Lever inquired as to whether this had anything to do with Representative Dewey Short.

You will recall in my memoranda to you today captioned as above, that the Capitol police reported the receipt of a long distance telephone call early this morning from an individual in Aurora, Illinois identifying himself as only "Bimbo," who stated that the lives of Senator McCarthy and Representative Dewey Short were in danger. This matter did not constitute any apparent violation within the Bureau's jurisdiction. Night Supervisor [redacted] Washington Field Office, advised that Representative Dewey Short resides in the 2800 block of 34th Place, Northwest.

On the Washington City News Service ticker at 10:19 p.m., January 11, 1955, there is reported an announcement to the press by Captain William Broderick, head of the Capitol police force, of this telephone call by "Bimbo". According to this news item, Broderick passed the story on to the Metropolitan Police Department who ordered special protection for the homes of Senator McCarthy and Representative Short.

ACTION TAKEN:

[redacted] of Mr. Nichols' Office was informed of the preceding inquiry and of Broderick's announcement to the newspapers. He instructed that Lever be referred to Captain Broderick, which was done.

cc-Mr. Nichols
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SUBJECT Joseph McCarthy
FILE NUMBER 9-31071
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SAC, New York

10/25/56

Director, FBI

UNKNOWN SUBJECT
SENATOR JOSEPH MC CARTHY, ET AL. -
VICTIMS
KIDNAPING

Enclosed are two copies of message contained on U. S. postal card and addressed as indicated which was furnished the Bureau by [redacted] Instant card, which is postmarked Los Angeles, California, 10/8/56, is in ink and the message is set forth in script and written form and contains no signature.

You should discuss this matter with the United States Attorney both at Los Angeles and New York to determine if this is violation within Bureau's jurisdiction or whether such should be handled by postal authorities. You should thereafter be guided by his opinion as to whether or not you should conduct investigation in this matter or refer it to the postal authorities.

The original of instant postal card is being retained in the Laboratory where it will be compared in the anonymous letter file. You will be advised of the results of such examination and furnished with photographic copies of both sides of this postal card.

Summary results of your contact with United States Attorneys.

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NOTE: Instant card contains no actual threat, but is rather a rambling and disjointed message containing some obscene phrases. It is addressed to FBI Headquarters -

& Dirty Roy Cohn -
Fordham University Law School
39 - Brox
N.Y.C., N.Y.

Supported by J. Edgar Hoover - Chief
Spillman's Disciple

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THIS COPY

You old bastard—xion front dirty—corrupt—
inquisitionist—F. B. I. Chief Kelly
of N. Y. C. makes all the following &
crooks clear! —Emmy O' Brien of
N. Y. C. welfare where are the masses
for litigation on proceedings to
recover rental overcharges in the
Bronx— Topsy Emmy tore them up
because she got paid off from
Minnie Rosang landlord of Bx.
She has whiskey even in her tits
McCarthy's gal— etc
O'Leary - of Qns center—
crook punished honest investig-
ators removing fraud cases
from welfare—backed by Hibernians
(Irish crooks).
Chief Kennedy—Police Chief
—Gambler & crooked cops etc
bookies etc

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Trotter
Mr. Nease
Tele. Room
Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

ADDRESSED TO:

FBI Headquarters —
% Sen. Joe. McCarthy —
& Dirty Boy Cohn —
Fordham University Law School.
39 - Bronx
N. Y. C. N. Y.
Supported by J. Edgar Hoover - Chief
McCarthy's Disciple

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FBI

Date: 10/23/56

Transmit the following message via AIRTEL

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (9-New)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

UNKNOWN SUBJECT
SENATOR JOSEPH MC CARTHY, ET AL -
VICTIMS
EXTORTION

ReBuairtel, 10/22/56. 9-11-1

This matter was discussed this date with
SILVIO J. MELLO, AUSA, SDNY. MELLO declined prosecution.
Stated he believed it to be a "crank" letter. Requests
no investigation. Does not desire matter be referred
to postal authorities inasmuch as there is no definite
information contained in letter which postal authorities
could check out.

KELLY

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - Los Angeles (RM)
- 1 - New York (9-New)

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Mr. Rosen

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
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Mr. Parsons	
Mr. Rosen	
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REPORT
of the
FBI
LABORATORY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: SAC, New York

October 26, 1956

Re: Unknown Subject
SENATOR JOSEPH MC CARTHY, et al -
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John Edgar Hoover, Director
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO.
LAB. NO.

Examination requested by: Bureau

Reference: Bulet 10/19/56 to New York

Examination requested: Document

Specimen:

- Q1 3. S. postal card bearing handwritten address "FBI Headquarters - c/o
Sen. Joe McCarthy - 3 Dirty Boy Cohn - Fordham University Law School
39 Bray N. Y. C. N. Y.," postmarked Los Angeles, Calif. 10/25/56, 7:30

Results of Examination:

The handwriting and hand printing on Q1 was searched in the appropriate
sections of the Anonymous Letter file. No identification was effected.

Q1 is retained in the Bureau files. Photographs of this specimen are
attached for your office and the Los Angeles Office.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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NO LAB FILE

CRIME

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
SENATOR JOSEPH MC CARTHY, ET AL., -
VIENNA

File # 7-3111-3
Lab. # D-238905 DE

Examination requested by: Bureau

Date of reference communication: ^{Letter} 10-19-56
to NY & LA

Date received: 10-19-56

Examination requested: Document

Result of Examination: *Searched by NY & LA HP and
JH, RLP NLS*

Examination by: *67*
RS
10/22/56

no ident a L F per - band

Specimens submitted for examination

- ① U. S. postal card mailed bearing hds. addr. "FBI Headquarters - c/o Sen. Joe. McCarthy - 4 Dirty Ray Cohn - Fordham University Law School 39 Bay St. N.Y.C. N.J.", postmarked Los Angeles, Calif. 10-6-56, 2:00 P.M.

*Lab. 10/22/56
JH: RLP
10/16/56*

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File # 9-316 /
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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
SENATOR JOSEPH MC CARTHY, ET AL.-
VIOL

Examination requested by:

Date of reference communication

Date received:

10-19-56

Examination requested:

Date 10-19-56

Result of Examination: Document

Examination by:

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Specimens submitted for examination

1. A. postal card address bearing hds. addy. - FBI Headquarters - c/o Sen. Joe. McCarthy - 4 Dirty Ray Cohn - Fordham University Law School 39 Bay St. N.Y.C. N.Y., postmarked Los Angeles, Calif. 10-6-56, 3:50 P.M.

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GIVE
THROUGH
COMMUNITY



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

FBI Headquarters -
% Sam J. McCarthy -
Roy Cohn -
Fortham Community Law School.
34 - 12 m.
Supported by J. Edgar Hoover, Chp P
SPETZMAN'S Disciple

You old Bastard - Lian F
DIRTY - CORRUPT - Incompetent
1ST - F.B.I. Chief Kelly
of N.Y.C. makes all the
following crooks clear -
Emmy O'Brien of N.Y.C. welfare
Where are the memos for litigation
on proceedings to recover Rental
over charges in the Bronx -
Tipsey Emmy tore them up
because she got paid off a few
Minnie Rosary landlord of BK
She has whiskey even on her
McCartney's gal - (etc)

② O'Leary - of Gns center -
CROOK punished honest investors
before removing fraud cases
from Welfare - taken by Hebermann
(38-31094)
Police Chief
+ crooked
etc Bookings

NEW YORK 8, N.Y.



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Mr. Lou Nichols
Department of Justice
F.B.I.
Washington, D. C.

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Now old bastard-also front dirty-
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McCarthy's gal-etc
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crook punished honest investig-
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from welfare-backed by Rihardson
(Irish crooks).
Chief Kennedy-Police Chief
-Gambler & crooked cops etc
bookies etc

RECEIVED BY:

FBI Headquarters -
Sen. Joe. McCarthy -
& Dirty Ray Cohn -
Harvard University Law School.
23 - Bronx
N.Y.C. N.Y.
Supported by J. Edgar Hoover - Chief
Spelman's Disciple

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AIRTEL

FBI

Date: 10/24/56

Transmit the following message via AIRTEL

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (9-New)

UNSUB.; SENATOR JOSEPH MC CARTHY, ET AL - VICTIMS. EXTORTION.

ReBuairtel 10/22/56.

Facts presented AUSA JOHN DUNCAN, LA, who furnished opinion postal card received by victim does not constitute violation Extortion Statute or any other violation within Bureau's jurisdiction. AUSA DUNCAN also furnished opinion content of postal card not sufficiently obscene to violate postal statutes.

No further action being taken this office. Report will follow.

HALLOW

- 3 - Bureau
- 1 - New York
- 1 - Los Angeles

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Mr. Rosen

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE NEW YORK	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 11/2/56	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 10/22, 23/56	TYPED BY mal
TITLE OF CASE UNSUB; SENATOR JOSEPH MC CARTHY; ROY MC COHEN - VICTIM		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION		

SYNOPSIS:

A remodeling, non-specific postal card was received by [redacted] postmarked Los Angeles, California, 10/6/56. Facts presented to SILVIO J. NUNO, ASAC, SDNY, 10/23/56. Prosecution declined. Case closed.

DETAILS:

This case is predicated upon Bureau letter dated October 22, 1956, which set forth contents of a postal card postmarked October 6, 1956, Los Angeles, California, addressed to ROY MC COHEN.

On October 22, 1956, the Bureau transmitted to the New York Office a transcript of a message which was contained on a United States Postal Card, addressed to: "JFK Headquarters, in care of SENATOR JOE MC CARTHY and Dirty ROY COHEN - Fordham University Law

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SPECIAL AGENT
IN CHARGE

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School, 39-Bronx, New York City, New York, supported by J. EDGAR HOOVER, Chief SPELLMAN's Disciple".

This card, which was postmarked Los Angeles, California, October 6, 1956, was written in ink, and the message was set forth in script and written down, and contained no signature. The postal card read as follows:

"You old (obscene) front dirty - corrupt - investigationist - FBI Chief KELLY of New York City makes all the following and crooks clear - EMMY O'BRIEN of New York City Welfare where are the names for litigation on proceeds to recover rental overcharges in the ER - TIPSY EMMY tore them up because she got paid off from MINNIE ROSANO landlord of ER - (obscene) -- -- -- --

MC CARTHY's gal etc.
2 O'LEARY of Qns center - crook punished honest investigators removing fraud case from Welfare - backed by Hibernians (Irish crooks)."

On October 23, 1956, this matter was discussed with SILVIO J. MOLLO, Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of New York. MOLLO declined prosecution stating that he believed this to be a "crank" letter. Mr. MOLLO further stated that he did not desire this matter to be referred to the postal authorities inasmuch as there is no definite information contained therein which postal authorities could check out.

ADMINISTRATIVE

One copy of this report is being transmitted to Los Angeles for information, inasmuch as Los Angeles has received a previous communication from the Bureau on this matter.

REFERENCE:

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Bulet to New York, 10/22/56.
New York airtel to Bureau, 10/23/56.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office LOS ANGELES	Office of Origin NEW YORK	Date 11/5/56	Investigative Division 10/24/56
TITLE OF CASE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; SENATOR JOSEPH MC CARTHY, ET AL - VICTIMS		Report made by [REDACTED] 67C	Typed by RLM
		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION	

ADUA JOHN DUNCAN, Los Angeles, California, furnished opinion postal card received by victim does not constitute violation of Extortion Statute and not sufficiently obscene to violate postal statutes.

- RUC -

DETAILS:

On October 22, 1956, the Bureau furnished a photostatic copy of a postal card postmarked October 8, 1956 and addressed in ink to "FBI Headquarters - Sen. Joe. McCarthy - & Dirty Boy Cohn - Fordham University Law School. 39 - Bronx, N.Y.C. N.Y. Supported by J. Edgar Hoover - Chief 'Spillman's Disciple'. The Bureau advised that the message contained on this card was written in ink and contains no signature.

The Bureau advised that this matter should be discussed with the United States Attorney at Los Angeles to determine if the postal card constitutes a violation within the Bureau's jurisdiction or if it was a matter that should be handled by postal authorities.

Approved _____ Special Agent in Charge	Do not write in spaces below
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On October 22, 1956 the postal card noted above was displayed to Assistant United States Attorney JOHN DUNCAN at Los Angeles. Mr. DUNCAN furnished the opinion that the postal card received by victim does not constitute a violation of the Extortion Statute or any other violation within the Bureau's jurisdiction. Mr. DUNCAN further advised that it was his opinion the postal card was not sufficiently obscene to violate the Postal Statutes.

ENCLOSURE: TO THE U. S. ATTORNEY, LOS ANGELES (Under Obscene Cover):

One (1) typewritten copy of postal card received by victim postmarked October 6, 1956 at Los Angeles.

TO THE U. S. ATTORNEY, NEW YORK (Under Obscene Cover):

One (1) typewritten copy of postal card received by victim postmarked October 6, 1956 at Los Angeles.

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Bureau letter to New York dated 10/21/56

Los Angeles airtel to Bureau dated 10/24/56
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SUBJECT Joseph McCarthy
FILE NUMBER 9-43378
SECTION NUMBER _____

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

MILWAUKEE

FILE NO.

REPORT MADE AT MILWAUKEE	DATE WHEN MADE 7-28-53	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7-23, 24-53	
TITLE "CHANGED" SENATOR JOSEPH MC CARTHY ALLEGATION RE KILLING OF JULY 23, 1953			CHARACTER OF CASE IMPERSONATION
NAME OF SUBJECT [REDACTED]			INFORMANT [REDACTED]

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

At 10:30 P.M., July 22, 1953, [REDACTED] received anonymous telephone call from woman who stated that she was "long distance" from Washington, that she was the FBI, and that she had a letter from [REDACTED] with return address of [REDACTED] stating that someone from [REDACTED] was going to kill Senator MC CARTHY on Thursday. Woman attempted to have [REDACTED] place similar call to [REDACTED] to make appointment at [REDACTED] to meet her in Washington. [REDACTED] representing FBI and [REDACTED] stated calling party to call [REDACTED] direct. [REDACTED] called back and stated [REDACTED] could not make it. [REDACTED] stated statement obtained from [REDACTED], who is employed at large department store for men, [REDACTED] does not know anyone who would make such a call, or who would attempt such a prank. [REDACTED] an eleven year employee of [REDACTED], stated he was entirely aware of such a call, neither known to each other, and unable to furnish any information as to possible identity of caller.

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BY SAC [REDACTED]

REMARKS:

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

Title is marked changed to include the words "Saks of Informant". This is a joint report of the writer and SA [REDACTED]

On July 23, 1953, [REDACTED] advised that about 10:30

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② - Bureau
2 - Milwaukee (47-43398)

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P.M. on July 22, 1953, she had received an anonymous telephone call from a woman who announced that she was calling long distance from Washington and that she was the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The woman calling stated that she had a report from a [redacted] telephone [redacted] Greenfield [redacted] and that report or letter had been mailed from [redacted] Street, Milwaukee, the address of [redacted] and further stated that Senator JOSEPH MC CARTHY was to be killed on Thursday. The woman further stated that the only way to trace [redacted] was to have [redacted] call him and make an appointment to meet him at her apartment on the next morning (Thursday) at which time a man from Washington would be at her home and would take charge. [redacted] was told to call [redacted] and to indicate that she was calling from Washington and that she was with the FBI, in order to make the appointment. [redacted] stated that she could not do this. The final result of the conversation was that the calling party was to call [redacted] and make the appointment. The calling party agreed to do so, however, called back in about one minute and advised that the meeting was off inasmuch as [redacted] could not make it. The entire conversation lasted approximately one hour.

[redacted] contacted long distance at Milwaukee to ascertain if the call could be traced and was advised that the call could not be traced. [redacted] also stated that she did not recognize the voice of the calling party and states that she has no enemies among her fellow employees at the Boston Store, a Milwaukee department store, or with any of her neighbors. This information was telephonically made available to Inspector [redacted] at the Bureau who suggested that a signed statement be obtained from [redacted] and that [redacted] be located and interviewed.

The following signed statement was obtained:

[redacted]
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
July 24, 1953

"I, [redacted], make the following statement of my own free will to [redacted] and [redacted] who has identified himself to me as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. No threats or promises have been made to me to induce me to make this statement.

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"I am a widow and live at [redacted] in Apartment 26. I am employed as a waitress at the [redacted] a department store. I have been employed for about 10 years.

"On Wednesday July 22, 1953, I went to bed about 9:30 pm. About 10:30 pm or 10:45pm my telephone rang. My telephone number is [redacted]. Without turning on the light or getting my glasses, I answered the telephone and a woman's voice said "This is long distance from Washington" or words to this effect. I then said "wait a minute" so that I could turn on the lights and get my glasses. I also got paper and pencil. When I returned to the telephone the woman said that this is the FBI and we have a report from [redacted] and the report was sent from the address of [redacted] and the letter says that [redacted] one at that address [redacted] is going to kill Senator Mc Carthy on Thursday. The woman also stated that they were sending a man from Washington who will arrive tomorrow morning (Thursday) at [redacted].

"I wrote down the name and address of [redacted] as it was given to me over the telephone. I have given this slip of paper to [redacted]. I also told the woman that I would have no idea who might kill Senator Mc Carthy as this was an apartment building with over 200 occupants and that it was an eight story building. It seemed to me that the woman calling did not realize that I lived in an apartment building.

"To continue the woman stated that the only way we could trap [redacted] was to have me call him and tell him that I was calling from Washington and to tell him that I was the FBI and give [redacted] the information stated above. We had quite a long conversation about how this was to be said. I also told the woman that I was not the FBI and that I would not call [redacted]. I also suggested that I call the FBI and tell them about the call and to have the FBI call [redacted]. The woman said that I should not call the FBI that it was secret. I finally suggested that since the woman knew all about it, that she should call [redacted]. She finally said that was a good idea and told me to pick up my telephone and she would call me back. After waiting about a minute the telephone rang again and [redacted] "Washington Calling" and [redacted] that she had called [redacted].

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"The entire telephone call took about 45 minutes to an hour. Because the entire matter was so unrelated to anything I know about, most of the time was spent trying to figure out what it was all about and trying to get it straight what the information was and what I was supposed to be doing.

"I did not recognize the voice of the woman calling and I am unable to furnish any information as to the identity of the woman calling. I do not know and have never heard of [REDACTED] I also have not had any trouble with any of my fellow employees or neighbors and do not know anyone who would make such a call.

"During the entire conversation very little was mentioned about killing Senator McCarthy. It was probably mentioned 3 times, that is, when the contents of the supposed letter was related to me, when I repeated it, and when I repeated and copied down what I was supposed to tell [REDACTED]

"After the call was completed, I called the long distance operator to try to find out if the call could be traced and I was advised that it could not be traced.

"The above statement consisting of this and one other typewritten page is a summary of my recollection of the telephone call received by me on July 22, 1953, and it is as true as I can make it

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Witness

[REDACTED], Special Agent F.B.I.

[REDACTED], Special Agent F.B.I. July 24, 1953

The signed statement is being retained in the files of this Office.

[REDACTED] was interviewed at the [REDACTED] and he advised that he did general work and that he lives at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and that his telephone number is [REDACTED]. He stated that on July 22, 1953, he stopped [REDACTED] on the way home and arrived home about [REDACTED] at [REDACTED].

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dinner and then listened to the baseball broadcast until about 8:00 P.M. and then watched television for an hour and went to bed about 9:30. He stated that his wife went to bed about a half hour later. He stated that during the entire evening the telephone rang only once and that was about 8:00 P.M. and the telephone was answered by his son FREDERICK who told him that it was a wrong number. He stated that he owns his own home and has been living at that address for approximately eight years. He stated that he does not know of any neighbors or fellow employees who would make such a telephone call and further advised that he did not know [redacted] as a matter of fact did not know anyone who lived East of the Milwaukee River between East Wisconsin Avenue and East Mason Street, which is a general area in the vicinity of [redacted]. He further stated that he does not have any domestic difficulties, that he has three children, a daughter who is studying nursing at Marquette University, a son, [redacted], age 16, and a son, [redacted], age 12. He was unable to furnish any information as to the possible identity of the person making the anonymous call to [redacted]. He stated that he was born on March 10, [redacted] Minnesota, and has lived in Milwaukee for the past 30 years, and has been employed at the [redacted].

There being no further logical leads, this case is being closed, subject to being re-opened in case additional information is obtained.

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ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

REFERENCE

Milwaukee telephone call to the Bureau July 23, 1953, and Milwaukee teletype to the Bureau, July 23, 1953.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

DATE: July 23, 1953

FROM : Mr. Rosen

Time of Call: 1:00 P.M.

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
ALLEGED THREAT TO
SENATOR MCCARTHY
EXTORTION; IMPERSONATION

Joseph R. McCarthy

ASAC William Beck of Milwaukee, called the Bureau as a result of information received from [redacted] Street, Milwaukee, a waitress employed in the [redacted] Store who reported a phone call she received last night in which mention was made of the fact that "Someone was going to kill Senator McCarthy." [redacted] said she received a telephone call at approximately 10:30 P.M., Milwaukee time, last night. The caller was a woman who first said, "This is Washington calling" and then added, "This is the FBI." [redacted] doubted that it was actually a long-distance call from Washington since the person did all the talking and it appeared to be a long-distance operator involved.

The anonymous woman caller advised that "we" have a letter from [redacted] Milwaukee. The letter was said to have a return address of [redacted] Street (this is identical with [redacted] address). The anonymous caller stated that the letter states "Someone from that address is going to kill Senator McCarthy on Thursday." She requested that [redacted] call [redacted] and represent that she was with the FBI. [redacted] told the anonymous caller that she should call the FBI herself but the caller declined to do this and [redacted] said that she would call the FBI but was instructed not to do so. The anonymous caller then suggested that arrangements be made to have [redacted] meet with [redacted] at the [redacted] Street address. [redacted] said she would not do this but would make her residence available if necessary. The anonymous caller terminated the conversation and said she would check with [redacted] and let [redacted] know. In what appeared to be less than one minute time the same woman called back and told [redacted] "We talked to [redacted] and it's all off."

ASAC Beck stated that Bureau Agents have now interviewed [redacted] and she does not appear to be a psychopathic case. The field office indices are negative concerning both [redacted] and [redacted].

cc: Mr. Nichols

FLP: [redacted]

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Memorandum to Mr. Ladd

Additional data concerning the alleged [redacted] letter is not available.

ACTION TAKEN

Heck was instructed that inasmuch as there may be a violation of the Federal Espionage Statute or the Federal Kidnapping Statute this matter should be run out immediately until the full facts are developed. He was specifically instructed to make certain that all details are obtained from [redacted]. He was further instructed to speak with the [redacted] company concerning the alleged long-distance call and to interview [redacted] who is mentioned in the Milwaukee phone book and city directory as a specialist connected with the [redacted].

It is suggested that in view of the mention of the alleged threat to Senator McCarthy it may be desirable to have Mr. Nichols' Office inform the Senator's Office of this threat and of the fact that it is being run out by the Bureau.

*Done
7/17/54*

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SENATOR JOSEPH MC CARTHY, ALLEGATION RE KILLING OF JULY TWENTY-THREE
NINETEEN FIFTY-THREE. [REDACTED] INFORMANT, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INFORMANT. RE OUR CALL JULY TWENTY-THREE TO INSPECTOR

[REDACTED] WHO HAD ALLEGEDLY SENT LETTER

REPORT STATING THAT SENATOR MC CARTHY WAS TO BE KILLED ON THURSDAY,

ADVISED THAT HE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT SUCH A LETTER OR REPORT, DENIED

HAVING SENT SUCH A LETTER AND DENIED THAT HE KNEW ANYONE WHO WOULD

IMPLICATE HIM IN SUCH MANNER. STATED THAT ON JULY TWENTY-TWO HE

LEFT WORK AT THREE THIRTY AND HAD A COUPLE OF BEERS ON MY HOME AS

HE USUALLY DOES, ARRIVED HOME ABOUT FIVE OR SHORTLY THEREAFTER, HAD

DINNER, LISTENED TO BASEBALL BROADCAST UNTIL EIGHT, WATCHED TV AND WENT

TO BED ABOUT TEN PM. WIFE WENT TO BED ABOUT TEN THIRTY. RECEIVED

ONLY ONE TELEPHONE CALL ABOUT EIGHT PM WHICH WAS ANSWERED BY SON AND

CALL WAS WRONG NUMBER. STATES THAT HE DOES NOT HAVE ANY DOMESTIC

TROUBLE AND NO ENEMIES. UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY INFORMATION AS TO

POSSIBLE IDENTITY OF PERSON MAKING CALL TO [REDACTED] STATES DOES

NOT KNOW ANYONE LIVING IN VICINITY OF [REDACTED] AND HAS NEVER

FREQUENTED TAVERNS IN THAT AREA. [REDACTED] IS MARRIED, [REDACTED]

HAS THREE CHILDREN AGES TWELVE, SIXTEEN AND NINETEEN.

WORKED AT [REDACTED] AT GENERAL WORK FOR ELEVEN YEARS.

PURCHASED OWN HOME EIGHT YEARS AGO. SIGNED STATEMENT ON JULY TWENTY-THREE

[REDACTED]. NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION WILL BE CONDUCTED.

CLOSING LETTER WILL BE SUBMITTED.

DEC 31 1954

END ACK PLS

WYLOK BDB:MA SS