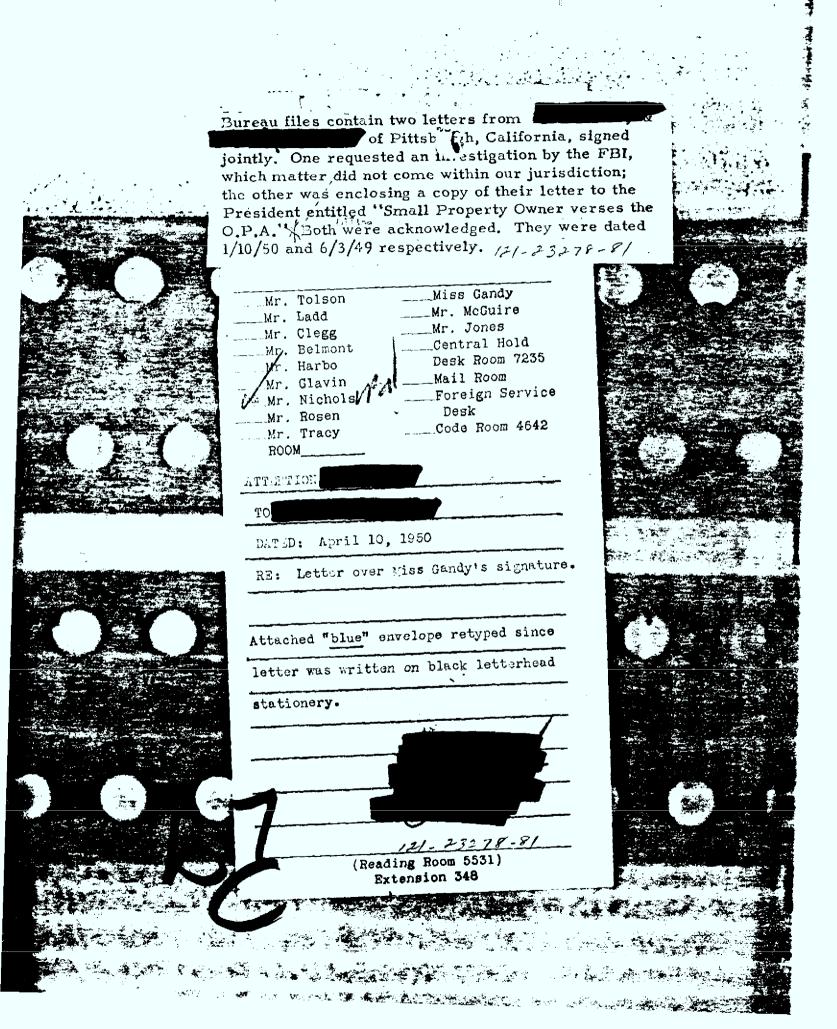
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March 28, 1950

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Bureau of Criminal Investigation Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir: It seems absurd for me to make suggestions to the F.B.I., but they say every crack pot in the country is doing it, so I venture to ask, what has already perhaps been considered, if the history and affiliations of Chairman MacCarthy of the Un-American Activities Committee have been investigated? What he is accomplishing, disturbances within our borders and weakening of our position abroad, fits so neatly into the Russian pattern that one can but wonder. Certainly what His apparent stupidity, May beonly assumed. I make the suggestion for what it is worth, Yours truly,



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Your letter dated Larch 28, 1950, has been received and I am taking the liberty of acknowledging it in the absence of Mr. Hoover from Vashington.

I am enclosing the complete text of Mr. Roover's Statement before the Subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations on March 27, 1950.

I am sure that the Director's remarks will clarify any misconception that you may have with reference to the need for maintaining the files of the FBI inviolate.

Sincerely yours.

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Helen W. Gandy Secretary

Enclosur Bureau files contain two letters from of Pittsburgh, California, signed jointly. One requested an investigation by the FBI, which matter did not come within our jurisdiction; the other was enclosing a copy of their letter to the President entitled "Small" a Property Owner verses the O.P.A. Letter dated June 9, 1949 was a bombastic plea to have the O.P.A. investigated. Correspondent described the O.P.A. as highly Communistic and acting the viblation of the Constitution of the United States. Both letters were acknowledged. They were dated 1-10-50 and 6-3-49 WEST KE JUNG ROOM respectively.

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Hon. J. Edgar Hoover Federal Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

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In regards to the prese into the State Department, for communistic minded Mersons and the charges made by the Hon. Senator McCarthy, we do not understand the decision handed down by you and the Attorney General McGrath. Certainly, we know that you, Mr. Hoover, have reasons, far beyond the statements given on the air. Surely, making the records of Government employees public is not Unamerican.

In this day and age, Mr. Hoover, every American is either fully aware of becoming aware, that the Nation is pock-marked with subversive activities. Thousands of people have sworn allegiance to the Communist Party. Millions of people have sworn allegiance to Labor. These allegiance, Mr. Hoover, are believed by us to be Unamerican and we believe that before many months have passed that this Great Nation will have to suffer. The lust for power has become a vile and evil thing. The method of attack being the paycheck, which is an illusion. The people know that a great evil exists but the projaganda is so great that they have not yet been able to clear up their confused minds.

Do you think, Mr. Hoover, that by "white washing" the Republican Party and our very great American Men, such as: the Hon. Senator, McCarthy, Senator Taft, and Senator Bridges, will relieve this great overall confusion? Mr. Hoover, after viewing the charges made by Senator McCarthy, after listening to the answers, the radio commentators, and considering the President's views, I cannot help but believe, with all my heart, that Senator McCarthy is right. I also believe that it is Unamerican to keep the file of the FBI closed at this time. There can be no more half-way business now. Either we are Americans fighting for the American way of life, which is freedom all the way, or we are not Americans, fighting for power in a secretive, underhanded, subversive way designed kill the American way of life.

If I were in the State Department, or in any Government Organization of importance, I would demand that my record be made public to the people. As an American citizen my record stands open to the world. I am proud of my passed record, of my honesty in dealing with my fellow men, I am proud of my deep concern regarding the confusion and the fear that is so prevalent today, among the people. I am proud of the American blood that is in my veins, but I am greatly perturbed about the decisions and the bickering that goes on in the Capitol of this Nation.

Subversive

If there is anything/in the files, against any of these men, I believe it should be made public, and the employees should be dismissed from their jobs immediately. No one in this Nation is indispensable unless, perhaps, it is you, Mr. Hoover, because you head the greatest department in our Nation, your job has been handled honorably and you yourse have become the bulwark of the people. I know that you know, how great the subversive element is, how strong they have become and how hard they are working for their cause. I only hope that the decision you have made in holding back these, files will prove to be the right decision.

May God Bless You.

Respectivily yours

Pittsburg, California

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Your postal card dated Barch 20, 1950, has been received and I am pleased to enclose a copy of my evetement before the Subcommittee of the Senate Countities on Foreign Relations on March 27, 1950.

By remarks on that occasion make clear my views with reference to the confidential nature of the FDI's files.

In connection with your conclusions that we must 100 s diversion constant without presecution I need refer only to the tripl of the eleven consulted leaders in New York lest earlier. The record proves that the FRI desires to activatin confidences so as to be able to develop valuable sources of information which have a direct bearing on the internal security of the nation.

For your information the FSI has nothing to dos with the institution of prosecutive actions that to the responsibility of the Attorney General, his moccostetants in the Department of Justice, and the United States attorneys in the various accidens of the Taylory

John Edgar Hoover

statement of Warch 27, 1950. U. S. DEPT. OF HISTORE

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

While I have always maintained that you have been doing a marvelous job, I cannot comprehend the logic of your arguments in the present crisis in our State Dept. You state that you cannot show the records investigating the loyalty of persons in your dept. for obvious reasons. According to that reasoning, no matter what your agents discover, guilty persons cannot be punished, for the sources of information would be revealed making your force subject inferior to inferior work or a possible work fate in the future. Then know the obvious conclusion is that we must let subversive workers simply continue, without prosecution of the guilty ones, and let our government go under be default or decadence. I would appreciate a personal reply, for I am most concerned about the direction we are heading the past 10 years or so. Sincerly,

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April 7, 1950 WEGGIRDES - 68 INDEXED - 53 BronxNew York 52, New York 121-232- 8-83 Your letter dated March 28, 1950, has been received and I want to thank you for furnishing me your observations with reference to the need for maintaining files of the FBI confidential. You may be sure I appreciate your writing as you did and I am enclosing a copy of my statement before the Subcommittee of the Senate Committee Son Foreign Relations on March 27, 1950. Sincerely yours, A. Edgar Hoover John Edgar Hoover Director . NOTE:



March 28, 1950

Honorable Edgar Hoover Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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I went to convey to you some thoughts that come to me concerning the request that the F. B. I. Should open its files to the Congress for investigation.

As I come in contact with many people I get often inquiries in connection with the loyalty checkups.

I would not mind to give information of a very definite charseter but often I may have only some distant "leads" or suspicions. The might be of no importance at all but the finith lead to important discoveries during further investigations.

I and many others like me will always hesitate possibly to begive such unimportant information if there is any chance for it to become publicly known.

In other words, I consider the opening of the files will greatly impede the loyalty investigations.

Please remember that the public knows that all information given to a large group of people, even to a Congress committee, becomes publicly known.

I am writing this to you in the spirit of cooperation to improve the work that you are interested in.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: Warch 29, 1950

FROM

B. U. Ladd

SUBJECT:

PRODUCTION OF BUREAU LOYALTY FILES

production of the Eureau's loyalty files.

Senate FORTION RELATIONS COMMITTING
While talking to Peyton Ford on other matters on
the evening of March 28, I made reference to the subpoena
issued for the Attorney General by the Senate for the

I told Nr. Ford that I hoped the Department would hold tight in its position of refusing to produce its files and not weaken at the last minute. He stated that the Department was going to hold tight; that he, Ford, was going to contact and coordinate with the Civil Service Commission and the State Department in order that they followed the position of the President; that he is going to try and get by with a letter saying that the matter has been referred to the White House; that if this does not work that he, Ford, may have to personally appear for the Attorney General and refuse to produce the records and be held in contempt in order that this test case may be taken to Court.

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Your expression of approval is appreciated and I thought you might like to read my statement before the Subcommittee of the Senute Committee on Foreign relations, Earch 27, 1950.

Sincerely yours,

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John Edgar Hoover

Director's Statement before the Subcommittee of the Senate Committee of Foreign Relations Warch 27, 1950

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Attention: Mr. Ladd

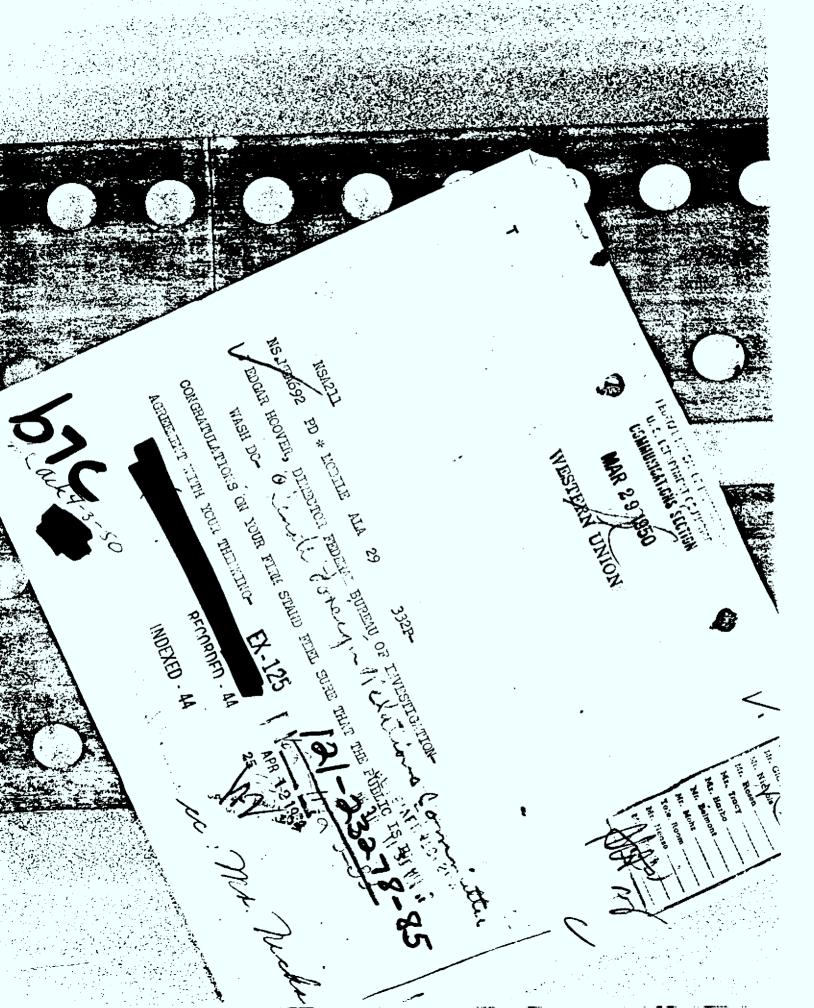
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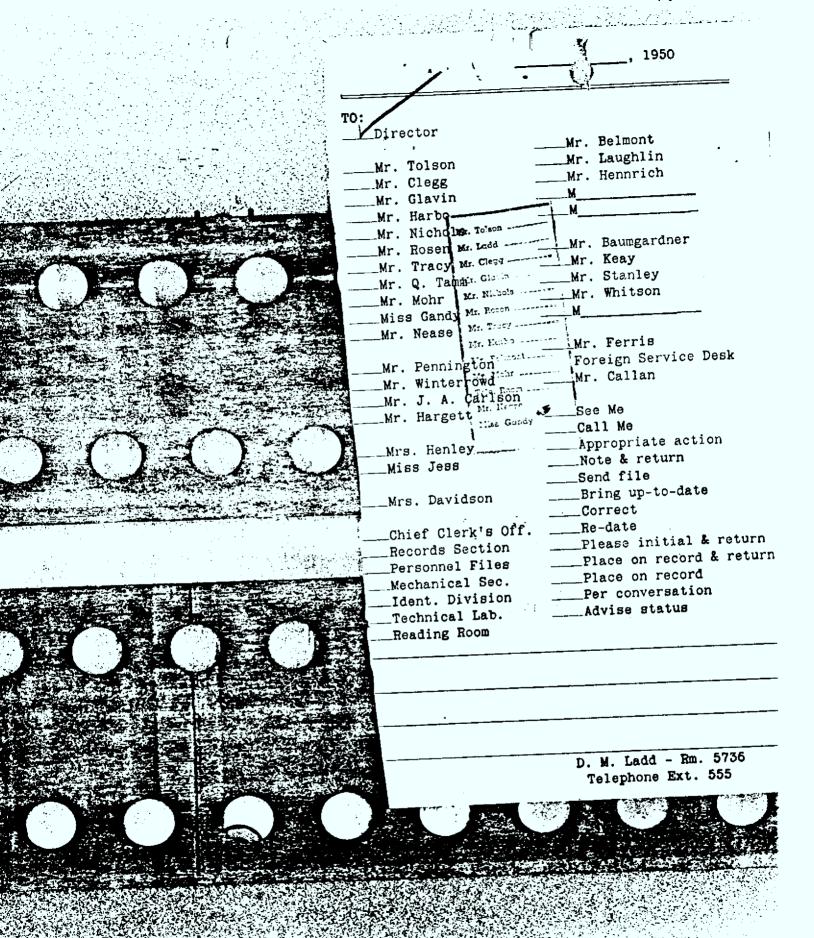
a business Yesterday an acquaintance of mine, man from Massachusetts stopped to see me enroute home from a vacation in Florida and asked me to have lunch with him. The luncheon took place at the Capitol and present were Congressmen Philip J. Philbin and Harold Donohue, both Democrats from Massachusetts. By chance Congress-woman Edith Nourse/Begers joined the group. As you know, she is a Republican from Massachusetts.

On being introduced to me by Congressman Philbin she immediately posed the question: "That is going on in the State Department?" and "What has the FBI to say to clear up the matter?" I replied that Er. Hoover had spoken for the Bureau and I had nothing to add. She went on rapidly, somewhat loosely and incoherently to infer that what had been said was not wholly satisfying, hinting that possibly Communist activities in the State Department were not being brought out into the open as they deserved to be. She then turned quickly and said to me (I was sitting beside her on the right) "The FBI is doing a splendid job." I thanked her for this "gracious" comment and added that the Director's position in this and other matters was sound. Congressmen Philbin briskly injected the statement at this point that "His position and conduct are always sound and commendable and he has the full support and confidence of the people." Congressman Donohue nodded his assent and said something about the need for keeping Communists out of the government service. This quick, spontaneous exchange of comments occupied only a minute or so following which I changed the subject and nothing further was said about it during the remainder of the luncheon.

After the luncheon was over Congressman Philbin, whom I know very well, called me aside and said: "I believe you may want to know that a number of Congressmen seem to be getting the impression that there may be some truth to the charges directed against the State Department but that the Administration is putting strong pressure on Mr. Hoover to "white wash' the charges against the State Department and that the FBI is Being forced to comply in this matter. " Congressman Philbin (who incidentally has been anti-New Deal Democrat) went on to say that he did not share this impression; that he realized that the FBI could not disclose its files and would not take political sides in the controversy."

> This is for your information, m.e.Suliver RECORDED - 134 .C. Sullivan INDEXED - L34







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MR. D. M. LADD DATE: March 30, 195 MR. A. H. BELTONY FROM PETALKS OF SENATOR C CAPTHY SUBJECT: ON THE FLOOR OF THE SENATE MARCH 30, 1950 ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

DATE_10-18-79 BY SP-5 RX pecial Agent he had confidentially obtained a copy of Senator McCarthy's manuscript from which he is speaking today. This was made available to you. At 6:00 pm SA reported that at 5:00 McCarthy resumed the floor and immediately started reading into the record the writings of Lattimore. He then took considerable time identifying Frederick V. Fields, Service, Jaffe, Bisson, and others in the Ameresia case. He then elaborated on Fields' connection and said Fields has identified himself as the most important Communist in this country. He produced photostatic copies of two checks made by Fields to the Institute of Pecific Relations. One of these checks was in the amount of \$1,000.

> McCarthy then went into a discussion on Dr. Jessup and said he thinks Jessup is a dupe but a dupe and tool in the hands of Communists. Jessup has a propensity for joining organizations and all the organizations are subversive and many are Communist Party fronts. He said Jessup over night became an expert on Far Eastern Affairs and associated with the Institute of Pacific Relations personnel. He referred to a letter which Jessup wrote requesting that no investigation be conducted into the subversive nature of the Institute of Pacific Relations.

advised that McCarthy is now At 6:20 pm SA tracing Acheson's foreign policy speeches and is pointing out that in his opinion Lattimore put the ideas in Acheson's mind which he has expressed in these speeches. He then referred to a secret State Department document dated March 17, 1950, which he advised was written by loyal State Department employees and pointed out that their ideas are not in conformity with that of Acheson'

ADDENDUM: Approximately 6:30 pm Senator McCartin concluded his to the Senate, during the last porti of which he had continued his criticisms of Acheson's use of Lattimore, Jessup, et al in the formation of American Foreign policy. He then concluded reading his written text and pade remarks regarding his service in the Pacific as a marine and the fact Ph 24112 ten letters to the wives of men who had lost their lives World War. Other Senate business was thereafter taken up.

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fice Memorandum • United States Government A. H. PELMONT DATE: March 30, 1950 TO MR. L. L. MAUCHLIN FROM LIST OF 81 INDIVIDUALS IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT SUBJECT: NAMED BY SENATOR MCCARTHY On the evening of March 29, 1950, Mr. James M. McInerney, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, called and asked if the Bureau had a list of the 81 State Department employees against whom Senator LicCarthy had made charges of subversiveness. He said that a copy had been made available to him and if the Bureau wanted it, he would make it available so copies could be made. I told Mr. McInerney that I did not know whether we had a list of these individuals. As a matter of fact, the Bureau does have such a list, having obtained it from the State Department on March 24, 1950. After discussing this with Mr. Ladd, I called Mr. McInerney back and told him that we would appreciate it very much if we could obtain his list in order to make a copy for our files. Mr. McInerney's secretary personally delivered this list to my office on the evening of March 29 and the attached copies were made. It is noted that in addition to the 81 alleged State Department employees, the list contains the following names also mentioned by Senator McCarthy in his speeches: Service, John Stewart Duran, Gustave (Gustavo) Henny Vary Jane Shapley, Dr. Harlow Lattimore, Owen J. Kenyon, Dorothy Hanson, Haldore Schuman, Dr. Frederick L. The original list furnished by Mr. McInerney has been returned to him by hand, pursuant to his request. RECORDED - 96 Attachment Deleted Copy Sent Letter Wer FOIA Request

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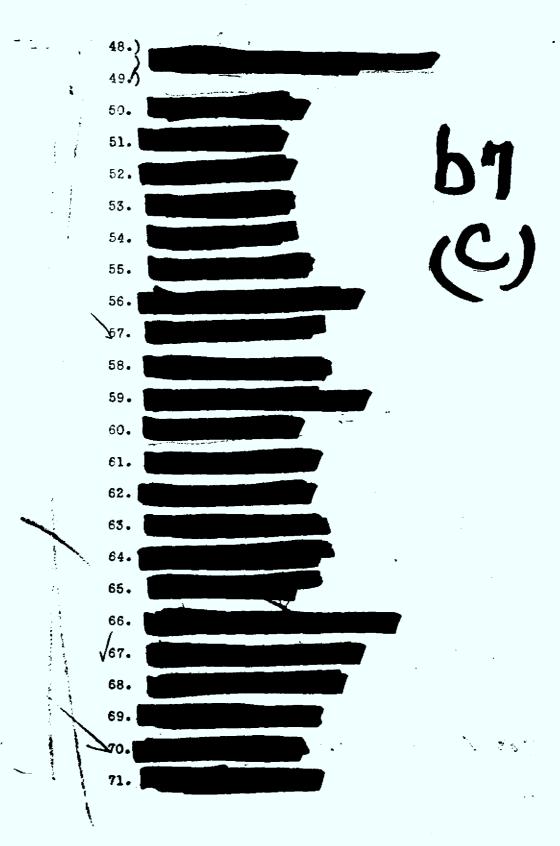
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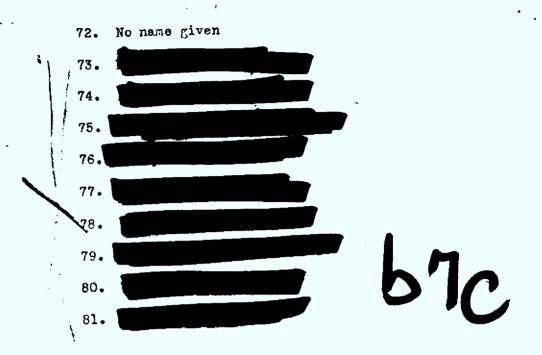
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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Mr. Glavin Mr. Ni Date 10 rc 30 19 50 Time 8:05F1. Mr. Rosen Mr. Tracy Ar Harbo_ Mr. Belmont I'r. Feyton Ford called Mr. Jones Mr. Mohr thre secretary Tele. Room_ Mr. Nease_ Miss Holmes_ Phone No._ Miss Gandy REMARKS Then advised of the Director's and Ir. Telson's absence Er. Ford consented to speak to the Acting Director, after checking he was referred to ir. Ladd. Mr. Ledd Advises that Lr. For wanted to know if we had gone over the control material icl as yet. Mr. Ladd told him the naterial was being photostated at the present time and it has not been analyzed yet. tch.

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Merch 30, 1950

Vishington, D. C.

SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Dear

appreciate very much the comments upon my position with regard to maintaining the confidential nature of FRI files which am ear today in The Times-Versid editorial, "It is There, Find It."

As my stand the fore the Subcornittee of the Sonate Committee on Foreign Relations made clear, I feel that the entire structure that the FBI has laboriously created for obtaining information vital to the internal security of our country would be endangered should this Bureau be required to disclose the data recorded in its files.

Sincerely yours

J. Edgar Roover

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ty, Colorado CORNED . 19 Dear has been received and I appreciate your writing to me concerning your views on the subject you mentioned. It occurred to me that you might like to read the enclosed copy of my Statement of March 27, 1950, Before the Subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. Sincerely yours, John Edgar Hoover Director Arn 10 1550

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Mr. Edgar Hoover Which do you think Would be test to protect our Country, bunging to qualice a Red spy in our governet who is trust gully which as you know the america. yesple would not Condem but would understand We can take that Chance & RECORDED. Il (2) 121330 those fix EX . 5/ - 4APR-13 . 550 there have been first recently some men Conneted of Red spying in one govet -Dex 4/2/50 Carac City Colo

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Toledo, Ohio

It was indeed thoughtful of you to write as you did on March 25th to furnish your views on the confidential nature of the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. It is very comforting to me to know that clear-thinking citizens are of the opinion the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation should remain confidential in every sense.

I thought you might be interested in the attached duplicate of my corments as expressed before the Subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations on March 27, 1950.

Tour comments concerning the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the motives which caused you to write are highly appreciated.

With best wishes and kind regards,

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Sincerely yours,

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON - MR. LADD MR. NICHOLS

Mr. Peyton Ford called me with reference to the meeting of the Subcommittee of the Senate Foreigh Relations Committee held this morning in the
Attorney General's Office, at which meeting Senator Tydings, McMahon, Green
and Lodge were Present. I commented that I certainly could not agree with
Senator Lodge's attitude about issuing a statement and Mr. Ford agreed and
stated that he had gotten a final agreement that if there was one leak about the
meeting or anything connected with it then a statment would be issued promptly.
I commented I certainly felt the Attorney General was entitled to that consideration
Mr. Ford then read to me a rough draft of a proposed statement to be used in the
event of a leak and asked for my opinion. The statement is as follows:

"Senator Millard D. Tydings and members of the Subcommittee investitation charges of subversive in the State Department met with the Attorney General J. Howard AcGrath, Department of Justice, this morning on the invitation of the Attorney General for the purpose of giving to the Subcommittee such information as the Attorney General felt he could give to them consistent to the best interests of the UnitedStates. The Federal Bureau of Investigation, under the direction of J. Edgar Hoover, prepared for the Attorney General complete analysis of the FRI files with respect to the one name on which the Committee sought the cooperation of the Department. The Attorney General read this complete summation to the Committee and both he and Director Hoover gave to the Committee a very complete statement on the file in this particular case and also a statement with respect to making available to Congressional Committee FEI files. The Attorney General pointed out to the Committee that the contents of this file must be kept in complete confidence, and the fact that such a file was in existance was not to be construed as any reflection on the person involved as it is standard procedure to investigate all allegations made. Attending the conference, et cetera ********* The President of the United States is fully advised by the Attorney General in this matter."

I stated that I thought this statement was all right because I felt there was bound to be a leak someplace. I stated I wish a public hearing could have been

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held this afternoon because we could have gotten a statement up in time for my appearance there that could have nailed it then. As it is I stated that because of Senator Lodge's position in the matter it will have to go over under Monday which is likely to cause a lot of speculations and charges being made up and down the country as to what the mystery is all about.

I told Mr. Ford the thing that concerned me, and which I did not care to mention at the meeting this morning, was that Senator Hickenlooper was not present and I was wondering if the agreements were binding as far as he was concerned because I certainly did not feel that the summary which was read at the meeting should be made public at any hearing. Mr. Ford stated that Senator Hickenlooper was bound by them and that he, Ford, would see that the summary was not introduced. Mr. Ford stated that if any other questions were asked of me the Attorney General and he would object to them, and upon my query as to whether the Attorney General would be back from New York in time for the hearing, Mr. Ford replied that he would be back in time.

Very truly yours

John Edgar Hoover

Director

cc - Mr. Nease

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_ MEMORAN DUM FOR MR. TOLSON MR. LADD MR. NICHOLS

Peyton Ford called and said there was to be a meeting in the Attorney General's Office at 10:30 which was to be attended by Senators Tydings, McMahon, Green and Lodge and he wanted me to be present to answer two question: namely "If this is a summary of your files - yes" and to ask for any views I have on the production of reports. Mr. Ford stated they were not going to discuss anything else. I told him I would be there.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover Director

cc - Mr. Nease

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Dear

Your letter dated March 30, 1950, has been received and I did want to thank you for your approval of the position I have taken with regard to the disclosure of information contained in FSI files.

It occurred to me that the enclosed copy of my statement before the Subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Screign Relations on March 17, 1950, night be of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover Director

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D.C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am sure millions of Americans are with me when I congratulate you for refusing to surrender FBI files to be used as political bait. As you say, many innocent people would suffer, because many reports have been unchecked. In addition, valuable sources of information would dry up. The percentage of convictions brought about by the efforts of your department is evidence that your agents are thorough in gathering testimony and that guilt is pretty well established before trials are begun.

We can maintain our freedom only by sifting the truth from the lies - and by eliminating half-truths an innuendo. During the depression days many people now in prominent places were, perhaps, associated with organizations which were later infiltrated by Communists. During the last war, Russia was an ally, so it is quite possible that there were organizations, thoroughly loyal, that had a friendly attitude towards Russia.

Because we live in a free country, we tolerate open debate, which is just as it should be. However, it is one thing to debate openly and another to smear without sufficient ground. There are many liberals in the country who are forward looking, but who would willingly lay down their lives in defense of our democracy against any foreign ideology, whether it be Communism or Fascism.

I will echo Voltaire - "I may disagree with what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it." I believe the late President Roosevelt said it once too. Free speech is the cornerstone of our form of government of the cornerstone of the

But sometimes it is carried beyond the limits of good tasts, as in the present fracas. I hope that Senator, McCarthy will not find a way to get into your files. In these days, loyalty checks are necessary and it would be a detriment to us all if your department were crippled in its operations. I believe that the accused should have a right to face their accusers and should also have a right to trial by jury, but that is outside your province.

Very truly yours,



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DATE: March 31,

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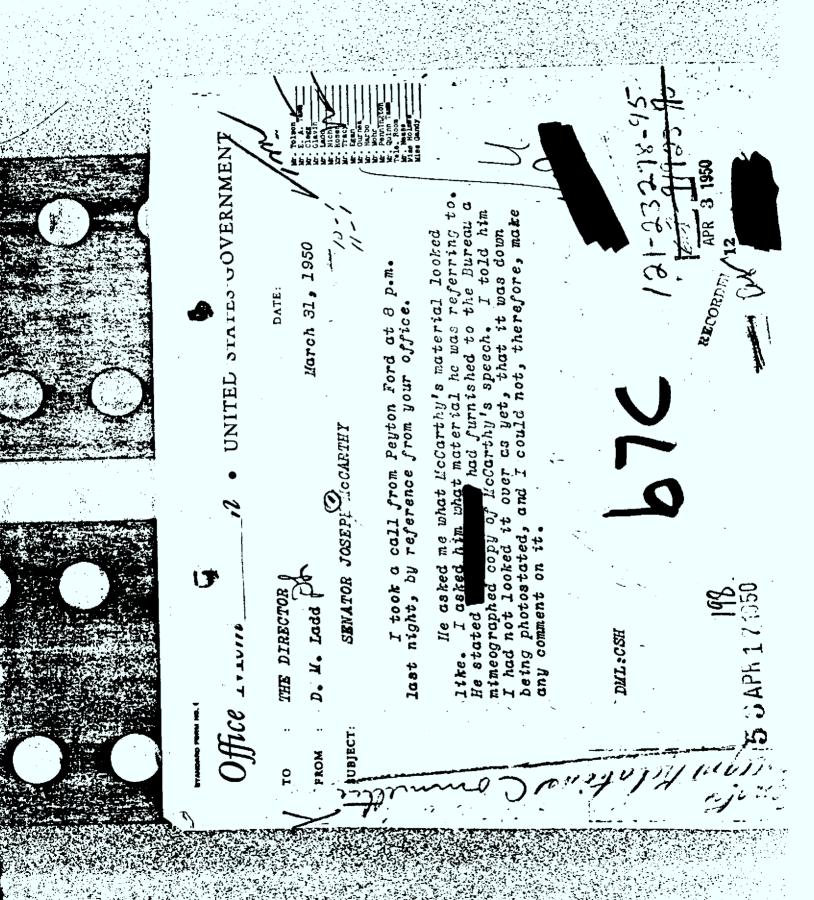
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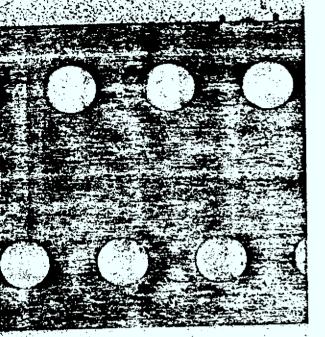
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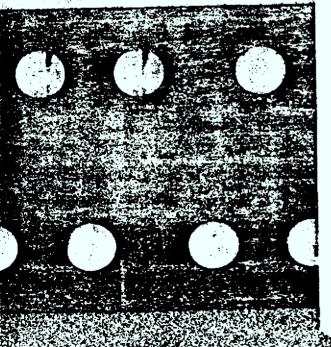
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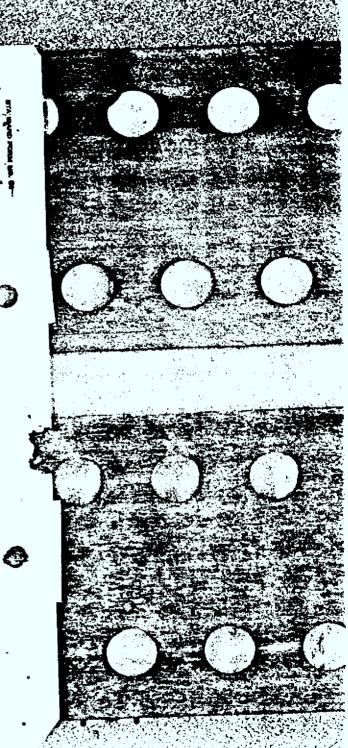
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all day yesterday. We promised to return the testimony at 6:00 last were made in the Director's testimony before the Subcommittee on Foreign Committee, Mr. Francis O. Wilcox; however, he was on the Senate floor Accordingly, I had Mr. Wick return it and talk to Wiles I am attaching hereto a photostat containing the changes that I wanted to return this to the Chief of Staff of the

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