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PRIVACY ACTS**

**SUBJECT: CUSTODIAL DETENTION  
SECURITY INDEX**

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director, FBI (AIR MAIL)

DATE: 12/16/49

FROM : SAC, San Francisco

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AIR REGISTERED MAIL  
(Return Receipt  
Requested)

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX

Rebulet 11/17/49.

There is enclosed the list of Security Index Card subjects prepared by the Bureau as reflected by the Bureau's IBM statistics as of October 31, 1949.

Also enclosed are the discrepancies called for in 1 (C) of referenced letter.

In view of the great number of discrepancies noted that require submission of a form FD 122, the forms are not being forwarded air mail, inasmuch as the expense involved is not thought to warrant airmail registered mail handling.

It should be noted that a great many of these discrepancies occurred in the Comsab - Detcom tabbing, as apparently the December, 1948 lists concerning Comsab and Detcom forwarded to the Bureau by this office were reversed at the Bureau.

This office has so completed the forms being submitted that in all cases where a discrepancy was noted, this office will have its cards completely filled out in accordance with recent Bureau instructions calling for the race, sex, Detcom and Comsab tabbing, and date of birth and place of birth to be on the cards.

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Request to re-examine  
with the Bureau  
case files

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4312  
San Juan 21, Puerto Rico  
December 27, 1949

Director, FBI

Re: Security Index Subjects,  
Verification of Addresses

Dear Sir:

It is noted that SAC Letter #97 dated October 19, 1949, stated that the Bureau would give consideration to local problems which might arise in connection with the execution of instructions contained therein.

Our problem arises because of the instruction contained in paragraph 1, page 5, to the effect that the practice of having local law enforcement agencies verify the addresses of Security Index subjects should be discontinued.

Address verifications require, in the great majority of instances, some personal inquiry. Telephone, street, business and other directories which may be of assistance in the average continental city are here either non-existent or completely unreliable.

In the United States an Agent may make the necessary contact or he may have strategically established informants who can periodically be briefly contacted or who may be depended upon to report any transfer of residence or business of the subject. We find this possible or desirable in very few instances. At any rate, an Agent in the States may make inquiries under pretext with greater ease than here, where continentals are readily recognized. Furthermore, Agents must pursue such inquiries where continentals have no conceivable social or business connections, and any "gringo" in the neighborhood solely for the purpose of asking questions is considered a federal agent.

It is foreseen that unfavorable criticism might come to this office if address checks are made by our Agents. Naturally, every effort is made

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to keep our investigations discreet and to warn persons contacted not to discuss conversations had with them. However, it has been my observation that personal and blood relationships in Puerto Rico often transcend moral ethics or civic responsibility. I consider it inevitable that information concerning our investigations will in some instances be furnished to the subjects by persons interviewed and that embarrassment to the Bureau may result.

Moreover, the investigations to verify addresses by Agents will tend to expose them to the individuals whose addresses they check. Once Agents are identified by unfriendly individuals and organizations, it is logical to assume that they will use that information to our disadvantage.

It is also pointed out that there are well in excess of 100 subjects on the Security Index of this office. These subjects are located in towns throughout Puerto Rico. Some live in very inaccessible towns in the mountainous interior of the Island which, if visited by an Agent, would cause him to spend from six to eight hours in travel time alone, plus cost of transportation.

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The Bureau is requested to advise if it will authorize this office  
to continue having address verifications made by the

Very truly yours,

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SAC, San Juan

January 5, 1950

Director, FBI

SECURITY INDEX SUBJECTS  
VERIFICATION OF ADDRESSES

101 Reurlet December 27, 1949, captioned as above. Based upon your recommendations as set forth in referenced letter you are authorized to continue having address verifications made by the

In this regard, every precaution should be taken to prevent any embarrassment to the Bureau.

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SAC, Miami

January 4, 1950

Director, FBI

SECURITY INDEX CASES

Reurlet December 22, 1949.

Your letter presents the question as to whether or not the Bureau desires to maintain Security Index cards on individuals who, though not presently active in the Communist movement, have appeared to be uncooperative when interviews have been attempted of them and who would appear to still be sympathetic and loyal to the Communist Party.

The Bureau is unable to give you a blanket rule on such individuals. You must, of course, bear in mind that the test for determining whether or not an individual warrants a Security Index card is his potential dangerousness or dangerousness in the event of an emergency. In determining such dangerousness normally the individual's activities and sympathies will be the criterion. In this same connection when evaluating an individual's present sympathies, his past activities in the movement must also be considered as well as his possible reasons for present inactivity. Obviously, an individual who in the past has been very prominent in the movement and at the present time is completely inactive, but, however, whose sympathies and loyalty are still completely with the Communist Party, should seriously be considered for a Security Index card. As stated above it is not possible to make a general rule as to the retention of Security Index cards on individuals falling into this category. Each case must be handled on its own merits.

*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 22, 1949

FROM : SAC, MiamiSUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX CASES  
MIAMI DIVISION

In the recent past, this office has had occasion to interview several individuals who in the past have been members of the Communist Party. Some of these individuals have proven to be cooperative and are furnishing signed statements concerning their activity and the activity of individuals known to them to be members of the Communist Party.

In several instances, however, the persons interviewed with prior Bureau authority have been uncooperative and have definitely refused to furnish any information to the United States Government, indicating that their sympathy and loyalty is primarily with the Communist Party. Before interviewing these individuals, investigation of their activity has shown them not to be very active in Communist Party or Communist front affairs during the past few years. One of the purposes in conducting such an interview was to ascertain whether this inactivity was due to a lack of interest or sympathy with the Communist movement and to determine whether the person interviewed would cooperate with the United States Government.

The Bureau is requested to advise whether or not these individuals who have been quite inactive during the past few years but who, upon interview, have indicated their sympathy is still with the Communist Party and have refused to cooperate with the United States Government should be carried on the Security Index list without regard to the extent of their current activity in the Communist movement.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: December 13, 1949

FROM : THE EXECUTIVES' CONFERENCE

SUBJECT: MAINTENANCE OF SECURITY INDEX AT THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT

GENERAL

At the Executives' Conference, December 12, 1949, Messrs.

in attendance, it was recommended that the present arrangement of the Security Index at the Seat of Government be changed.

At the present time the Security Index has two principal breakdowns, one an alphabetical breakdown which includes all current and cancelled Security Index cards including alias cards. This is duplicated, with the exception of the alias cards, in a geographical breakdown by field divisions. The geographical group is also broken down under priority programs known as Detcom and Comsab in that the individual cards are tabbed. In addition, there is an "Inactive Section" composed of Security Index cards on individuals in the armed forces and a "Special Section" containing the duplicate card on individuals who are Government employees, Atomic Energy employees, espionage subjects, and others of similar character.

It was recommended (1) that the geographical section be eliminated entirely and the tabbing of the subjects under Detcom and Comsab be on the alphabetical cards. The geographical section is maintained by the field to facilitate apprehensions. No purpose is served in maintaining a geographical breakdown at the Bureau, in that the entire Security Index is now on IBM cards, and if it becomes necessary to make any compilations on individuals in any one field division, it can be handled through the use of the IBM cards, and the geographical breakdown is believed to be entirely unnecessary at the Seat of Government.

(2) It was recommended that all of the Security Index cards, including alias cards, of cancelled Security Index subjects be removed from the alphabetical section. This will materially reduce the size of the Security Index, as it is now maintained, and will facilitate the clerical maintenance of it. Further, the field presently maintains cancelled cards in their Communist Index. Also, the Statistical Section of the Bureau is maintaining cancelled IBM cards so that if necessary, any information needed concerning Security Index subjects whose cards have been cancelled can be obtained by referring to the IBM cards.

(3) It was recommended that the "Inactive Section" and the "Special Section" be retained, and to avoid as much duplication as possible, that there appear in the alphabetical section only a dummy card listing the name of the subject and making reference to either the "Special Section" or the "Inactive Section," whichever is appropriate.

The recommendations result in completely eliminating a duplicate set of the Security Index cards. They eliminate much clerical work in the handling of

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

the Index, and save drawer and filing space. The Conference unanimously approved the recommendations. If you approve, they will be put into effect immediately.

Respectfully,  
For the Conference

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: December 1, 1949

TO :

FROM :

SUBJECT: SUGGESTED REARRANGEMENT OF THE  
SECURITY INDEX AT THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENTPURPOSE

To set forth certain suggested changes and simplifications in the maintenance of the Security Index by the Seat of Government resulting in a saving of time, money, and increasing efficiency.

GENERAL

BACKGROUND

You will recall that some months ago a Security Index maintained by the Seat of Government was duplicated on IBM cards with the exception of certain items of information such as aliases, addresses, and information indicating that a subject is a key figure or a top functionary. As a result of the maintenance of IBM cards certain procedures and methods in handling and maintaining the Security Index at the Seat of Government can now, it is believed, be eliminated.

## (a) Present arrangement of Security Index at the Seat of Government.

The Security Index at the Seat of Government at the present time has two large breakdowns, namely, the alphabetical section and the geographical section. The alphabetical section contains the white main cards and blue alias cards maintained in a strictly alphabetical order without any breakdowns. Also included in the alphabetical section are the main white cards and alias cards on subjects whose index cards have been canceled. The alphabetical section is in the nature of a control index and is used as the working index by the Security Index desk personnel.

The geographical section contains duplicate white cards of the white cards maintained in the alphabetical section. However, the geographical section does not contain alias cards. It is broken down first, according to field office, next to citizenship status, that is, native born, naturalized, and alien, and again under each of the three citizenship classifications the cards are again subdivided as to organizational affiliation or nationalistic tendency, that is Communist Party, Socialist Workers Party, etc. The geographical section card also contains the tab used under the Detcom and Comsab programs.

As adjuncts to these two large breakdowns of the Security Index there are, of course, the inactive section containing the geographical card of individuals in the armed forces and the special section containing the geographical card of individuals who are government employees, atomic energy employees, espionage subjects, prominent individuals, United Nations Secretariat employees, and foreign government employees.

It should be noted that the filing system as developed at the Seat of Government was to a large extent for the purpose of statistics and to be able to have the various groups sorted for informative and geographical purposes, whereas in the field the geographical will be the actual apprehension card. However, such statistics, listings, and tabulations are now available on short notice from the Statistical Section by the way of the IBM cards, which statistics, listings, or tabulations can be arranged in any manner desired according to the information appearing on the card. Naturally, the data obtained from the Statistical section is far more accurate in that the human element is eliminated and because the efficiency and capability of the system permits far more varied and intricate type of compilations.

(b) Suggested changes and simplifications of the Security Index at the Seat of Government.

(1) That the ~~geographical~~ section be eliminated entirely. The ~~code~~ words Detcom and Comsab can be placed directly on the alphabetical card, making such information available to the Security Index personnel. This will also eliminate the metal signal tabs presently used which tabs, of course, under constant handling can easily be lost. All statistics formerly obtained from this section are now obtained from the IBM statistical section.

(2) Remove all white main cards and alias cards of canceled Security Index subjects from the ~~alphabetical~~ section. The need for maintaining an index of their identities no longer exists inasmuch as the field is under instructions by SAC Letter No. 97 series 1949 to maintain these individuals in the Communist Index in the field office and the Statistical Section is maintaining their canceled cards.

(3) Retain the present adjuncts to the index, namely, the inactive section and the special section. In lieu of the regular Security Index card of the alphabetical section on individuals falling into either of these two adjuncts, a dummy card should be placed therein bearing merely the name and the notation "See Special Section/ or "See Inactive Section."

OBSERVATIONS

The Security Division feels this suggestion very worthy of consideration in view of the fact that the Security Index is the very heart of the Internal Security program and as such entails a great deal of work including not only investigative activity but administrative and clerical. As a picture of the activity of the Index which, you will recall, must be kept in a current and up-to-date status at all times, the weekly average of changes has run at the rate of approximately 255 per week during the period of August through October, 1949. Each of these changes, of course, requires a typing operation or an index card handling operation of some type. Of these 255 changes per week the average has consisted of approximately 70 new cards, 30 cancelations, 30 changes of office of origin, and 125 other types of changes or additions such as employment and residence addresses, names, addition of aliases, etc.

The suggested simplification would result in the following:

1. Completely eliminate a double set of Security Index cards.
2. Eliminate much clerical work in the handling of the Index and would reduce the chance for error.
3. Completely eliminate metal tabs and their danger of loss.
4. Save the drawer space occupied by the Geographical cards.
5. Eliminate the handling of cancelled cards and at the same time effecting the reduction in drawer space by eliminating such cards.

RECOMMENDATION

That the above outlined procedure be placed in effect.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: November 25, 1949

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Miami

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX

ReBulet November 17, 1949 to the Miami Office.

Enclosed herewith is the complete list of Security Index card subjects in this office, as reflected by the Bureau's IEM statistics as of October 31, 1949, with the appropriate corrections noted thereon. Additional deletions, additions or changes have been made and memoranda or Form FD-122 is attached also indicating these corrections.

The only discrepancies noted that did not appear to result from a recent cancellation or addition concerned the following four individuals, two of whom should be added to the Security Index list maintained by the Bureau and two of whom should be deleted from the Bureau's Security Index list. The memoranda attached hereto are self-explanatory.

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: 12-22-49

TO : Director, FBI.  
FROM : SAC, New York.  
SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX.

Rebulet 11/17/49.

Enclosed for the Bureau will be found the original list submitted as an enclosure with reference letter. Also may be found 262 memoranda which includes FD-122s reflecting discrepancies found as a result of the check by this division.

Also may be found the original and one copy of a list of recent additions to the Security Index File.

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Mr. [REDACTED]  
The Assistant to the Attorney General

January 23, 1950

Director, FBI

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SECURITY INDEX LIST

GENERAL

There is attached hereto a current list of individuals maintained on the Security Index of this Bureau. These individuals are identified by their name and date of birth.

It is requested that the existence of this list be kept confidential and that the list itself be given utmost security.

Attachment

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: December 21, 1949

TO :

FROM :

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX - GENERAL

In connection with the statistics available from the Statistical Section by way of IBM cards concerning the Security Index, the following regular service of the Statistical Section would be desirable. The desirability of these items has been obtained from our experience of the past few months since the Security Index was placed on IBM cards.

- (1) Monthly listing of all Security Index subjects in alphabetical grouping identified merely by date of birth.

This list should be obtained regularly once each month on a set date. This list is the one that is furnished to the Department to be used on the master warrant in the event of an emergency.

- (2) Statistical tabulations of all Security Index cards.

The Security Index Desk has been receiving from the Statistical Section a list of the total Security Index cards by each office. This again has been broken down under each office as to sex, nationalistic tendency or organizational affiliation, citizenship status, and priority detention (Detcon) and Comsab tabbings. This statistical tabulation has proven to be very valuable and far more detailed than any statistics formerly obtainable by the Security Index itself.

In connection with these two above items it is highly desirable that they be obtained on a regular basis on a set date of the month. The Statistical Section has advised that on or about the first of the month their obligations are much greater than they are during the off period of the month. In view of the fact that it is not absolutely necessary that these statistics be obtained on the first of the month it would be entirely satisfactory to the Security Index Desk to obtain these statistics on the 15th. Preferably both items should be compiled on the same date.

RECOMMENDATION:

If you approve, it is recommended that this memorandum be directed to the Statistical Section with a request that these two items be furnished regularly on the 15th of each month.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DATE: December 1, 1949

FROM :

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX—OBTAINING NEW IBM  
CARDATYPE MACHINE TYPE 856 FOR  
USE THEREWITHPURPOSE

To set forth data concerning the new IBM Cardatype Machine, Type 856, and its possible use in connection with the Security Index. ~~SECRET~~

BACKGROUND

You will recall that some months ago the Security Index maintained by the Seat of Government was duplicated on IBM cards with the exception of certain items of information such as aliases, addresses, and information indicating that a subject is a key figure or a top functionary.

Mr. [REDACTED] of the Statistical Section has advised that the IBM Company has recently developed a new machine known as the Cardatype Machine Type 856 which is basically a document reproducing machine for use in connection with the tabulating machines. Information obtained by him from the IBM people indicates that the machine could prepare 5 x 8 cards by a means of an electrical typewriter from information punched on tabulating cards. Auxiliary information could be typed on the cards through the use of the typewriter keyboard or a numerical auxiliary keyboard. At the time the cards are prepared a tape could be punched with the identical information which tape could be used for the transmission of the data by teletype, if necessary.

The Cardatype operates at a speed of 600 characters a minute and all the normal functions of a typewriter such as skipping, tabulating, carriage release may be accomplished automatically. The auxiliary keyboard is key operated and is used to store information that is not punched in the cards until it is ready to be typed. This would provide a ready means of inserting dates, control numbers, etc. The Cardatype may be stopped at any time either automatically or by the depression of the stop key so that information not contained in the card or the auxiliary keyboard may be typed manually. This would permit the typing of the employee's initials, etc. The use of the Cardatype for the preparation of the Security Index cards would permit the high speed preparation of as many copies of the card as desired for the Seat of Government and the field. It would assure absolute uniformity in the files at the Seat of Government and in the field. It would provide automatic transmission by teletype of information on the Security Index cards if desired. Further, the control number that is used on the tabulating cards at the present time could be typed on all copies of the Security Index cards prepared. This would make a quick and ready reference to these cards without the necessity of using names, aliases, birth dates, etc.

If the Cardatype were used to prepare the Security Index cards, it would mean that all information appearing on the 5 x 8 cards would be in capital letters and that no punctuation would be possible.

The IBM cards used in preparation of the Security Index cards can be made to provide complete statistical data and incorporate all the information presently appearing on the Security Index card. The Cardatype by way of the IBM card would provide a high speed automatic preparation of any necessary lists or cards. Full data could be incorporated on the IBM card and subsequently by way of the Cardatype placed on a 5 x 8 Security Index card.

The cost of the IBM Cardatype is \$110 per month and it would further be necessary to rent a card sorting device at the cost of \$10. In addition, the statistical section has advised that on the basis of present activity in the Security Index, that section would need one additional Grade 4 employee to perform the work.

The normal delivery schedule on a Cardatype is 16 months. This may possibly be substantially reduced, however, if desired.

obtained a brochure from the IBM people on the machine which brochure is attached hereto.

On the basis of the above data, it would appear that this machine can be used to advantage in connection with the Security Index at both the Seat of Government and in the Field. In this connection certain observations are being set forth.

(a) The machine would automatically type all the 5 x 8 Security Index cards at the time the IBM card is punched. The Security Index cards would be prepared not only for the field but also the Bureau's copy, including cards on all aliases.

(b) The IBM cards can be arranged to contain all the information now appearing on the Seat of Government Security Index cards. At the present time some items are not included thereon. For example, aliases, exact place of birth, residence and business addresses, and key figure - top functionary status.

(c) All corrections and changes occurring to the security or the Security Index cards can be made by way of machine not only for the Seat of Government but also for the field Security Index card.

(d) At the present time the maintenance of the Security Index at the Seat of Government requires the following personnel:

One GS 3 typist full time preparing new Security Index cards  
Two GS 4 clerks full time in the physical maintenance of the Security Index and making and typing changes to existing Security Index cards. A greater bulk of this time is spent in the typing operations concerning these changes.

(e) The operation of these two clerks and the typist is duplicated again throughout the field. The full time of three clerks is therefore expended pro rata among all field offices preparing new cards and making the changes.

(f) The use of the IBM Cardatype machine would save the following operations at the Seat of Government: One typist GS 3 and one clerk GS 4 could immediately be released by the Security Index desk. In the field the work load would also be reduced to the extent of two clerk-typists. However, the work load of these two could not be assigned to any particular office but would, of course, be spread throughout the field. The operation saving, of course, would be offset by the rental of the machine and the sorting device at \$120 per month plus the salary of one clerk GS 4 by the statistical section. A conservative tabulation of the money which would be saved by putting this machine into operation is as follows:

Salaries saved at S.O.G.:		
One typist	GS 3	\$2650
One clerk	GS 4	\$2875
TOTAL.....		\$5525

New Expenses Incurred:		
Machine Rental		\$1440
One clerk for Statistical Section	GS 4	\$2875
TOTAL.....		\$4315

Net annual saving directly determinable	\$1210
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In addition, it should be remembered that the services of two GS 3 clerks prorated throughout the field would also be saved. This, of course, cannot be directly attributed to any one office but on an over-all basis would reflect a savings of an additional \$5300 per annum. This would be a grand total saving, based on a conservative estimate and without considering

the increased efficiency, of \$6510 per year in the maintenance and operation of the Security Index.

(g) The tape punching mechanism which would permit direct transmission of Security Index data via teletype to various field offices could, of course, conceivably be of inestimable value in the event of an emergency. Many hours of time could be saved in transmitting Security Index data to field offices by way of tape as opposed to manual transmission of such data if such should become necessary.

(h) The extremely high speed typing of the machine at the rate of 600 characters per minute, of course, far exceeds human production and the preparation of the cards which at the present time consumes a typist's full time would not occupy the Cardatype full time.

(i) The Security Index cards all being prepared mechanically would be absolutely uniform. There would be less chance for error and there would be no opportunity for discrepancy. At the present time each card must, of course, be run separately by a typist and each card is subject to individual variation.

#### OBSERVATIONS

This suggestion the Security Division feels very worthy of consideration in view of the fact that the Security Index, as has previously been stated in connection with suggested simplification of the Security Index, is the very heart of the Internal Security program and as such entails a great deal of work including not only investigative activity but administrative and clerical. As a picture of the activity of the Index which, you will recall, must be kept in a current and up-to-date status at all times, the weekly average of changes has run at the rate of approximately 255 per week during the period of August through October, 1949. Each of these changes, of course, requires a typing operation or an index card handling operation of some type. Of these 255 changes per week the average has consisted of approximately 70 new cards, 30 cancellations, 30 changes of office of origin, and 125 other types of changes or additions such as employment and residence addresses, names, addition of aliases, etc.

The use of the IBM Cardatype machine would cause an immediate direct traceable savings of \$1210 a year in salaries at the Seat of Government as well as the prorated savings throughout the field of salaries of two GS 3 clerks at a minimum of \$5300. It would greatly increase the speed of handling the preparation of new Security Index cards as well as changes to existing cards plus the efficiency would greatly reduce the possibility for error. The system

would also be far more adaptable to various types of emergency situations. Lastly, it would assure absolute uniformity of the Security Index cards maintained by the Seat of Government and by the field.

The obtaining of a Cardatype machine and using it for the Security Index would reduce the Security Index clerk's work at the Seat of Government to a very simple filing maintenance job.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the IBM Cardatype Machine be obtained and used for the Security Index.
2. That efforts be made to obtain delivery of the machine at the earliest possible moment to handle matters of utmost importance to the internal security of the country.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

CONFIDENTIAL

TO : Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: January 3, 1950

FROM :

SUBJECT: PERSONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ATOMIC ENERGY  
PROGRAM AND GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES WHO ARE  
BEING CARRIED IN THE SECURITY INDEX  
SECURITY MATTER - C

This will refer further to your memoranda of August 4 and September 30, 1949, concerning the above-mentioned subject.

The General Counsel of the Atomic Energy Commission has contacted this office further with regard to the persons listed in your memoranda as being associated with the Atomic Energy program.

They advise that after a thorough check of the records, they can find no indication that the following five individuals are employed in connection with any Atomic Energy project. They may, of course, be employees of the Westinghouse Corporation of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as the Atomic Energy Commission has no complete record of all employees of the company.

If the Bureau has any additional information regarding the employment of these five individuals in connection with the Atomic Energy project, I would appreciate receiving any such information. These persons are

With regard to // , the Atomic Energy Commission will check further to determine whether or not this individual has any access to the restricted data of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Your memorandum of September 30 advised that  
had been removed from the facilities of  
the Atomic Energy Commission.

I am advised that have been cleared following hearings held under the usual Atomic Energy Commission procedures. I would appreciate being advised whether there is any information available to the Bureau additional to that previously furnished to the Atomic Energy Commission which should be considered in determining the final action in these cases.

The case of , as well as the case of  
is still being considered by the Atomic Energy Commission.

January 12, 1950

The Assistant to the Attorney General  
Director, FBI

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PERSONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ATOMIC ENERGY  
PROGRAM AND GOVERNMENT EMPLOYERS WHO ARE  
BEING CARRIED IN THE SECURITY INDEX  
SECURITY MATTER - C

Reference is made to your letter dated January 3, 1950.

As stated in my letter of September 30, 1949, five of the individuals carried in the Security Index and shown to have a connection with the Program are not actually employed by the Atomic Energy Commission. They are the five individuals employed by the Westinghouse Corporation of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, which company in September, 1949, had a classified working contract with the Atomic Energy Commission.

This Bureau is in possession of no additional information indicating that these individuals are actually employed by the Atomic Energy Commission. All pertinent information concerning them, however, has previously been furnished to the Commission. These individuals are:

In reference to the two employees of the Commission, namely \_\_\_\_\_, please be advised that the Atomic Energy Commission has been furnished all information available concerning these two individuals.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 4, 1950

FROM : ~~REDACTED~~, SAC WASHINGTON FIELD

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX

Reurlet December 28, 1949

There is being forwarded herewith the IBM listing of Security Index subjects in this office. This list was inadvertently omitted from the enclosures forwarded to the Bureau by my letter dated December 7, 1949. The necessary notations have been made on this list.

The duplicate list forwarded this office by Bureau letter dated December 28, 1949 is likewise being returned.

Enclosures

ENCLOSURE

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Mr. [REDACTED]  
The Assistant to the Attorney General  
Director, FBI

February 24, 1950

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SECURITY INDEX LIST

There is attached hereto a current list of the individuals maintained on the Security Index of this Bureau. These individuals are identified by their name and date of birth.

It is requested that the existence of this list be kept confidential and that the list itself be given utmost security.

Enclosure

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February 21, 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR

RE: SECURITY INDEX CARD STATISTICS

There is attached hereto a table showing by Field Office the total number of security index cards in our files. This table indicates the sex of persons involved, the nationalistic tendency, the citizenship status, and the dangerousness classification.

These statistics are based on Statistical Section records as of February 15, 1950.

Respectfully,

Based on Statistical Section Records as of February 15, 1950

Office	Total	SEX		NATIONALISTIC TENDENCY							CITIZENSHIP STATUS				CLASSIFICATION	
		Male	Female	COM	SWP	ISL	NFR	ILL	RWL	PPA	NOTICE	NATURAL	ALIEN	UNKNOWN	DC	CS(1)
	11,554	8,441	3,113	11,166	277	36	71	2	1	1	8,961	2,216	280	97	3,453	1,282
Albany	142	103	39	142							107	31	1	3	50	16
Albuquerque	32	23	9	32							29	1	1	1	3	
Anchorage	5	5		5							5					
Atlanta	4	4		4							4				3	
Baltimore	249	164	85	246	2	1					199	49		1	135	86
Birmingham	11	9	2	11							11				5	5
Boston	316	216	100	310	6						247	62	4	3	60	16
Buffalo	231	167	64	214	16	1					183	39	4	5	87	1
Butte	69	53	16	69							60	9			18	1
Charlotte	28	23	5	28							27	1			8	3
Chicago	616	474	142	604	9	2				1	420	163	28	5	155	32
Cincinnati	145	113	32	145							125	18	2		47	8
Cleveland	331	248	83	314	14	1		1	1		252	71	5	3	165	2
Dallas	27	24	3	27							25		2		9	2
Denver	89	71	18	89							78	10	1		20	2
Detroit	499	400	99	476	19	4					365	121	12	1	172	20
El Paso	5	2		5							5				1	
Honolulu	95	77	18	95							85	3	5	2	43	4
Houston	47	33	14	45	2						43	2	2		16	
Indianapolis	182	141	41	181	1						133	43	6		31	13
Kansas City	16	10	6	16							15	1			6	
Knoxville	9	7	2	9							8	1				
Little Rock	7	6	1	7							6	1			6	15
Los Angeles	1,518	1,010	508	1,487	29	2					1,125	352	34	7	272	2
Louisville	5	5		5							5				4	
Memphis	14	11	3	14							13		1		2	
Miami	59	45	14	59							39	19	1		15	4
Milwaukee	136	110	26	135	1						106	28	1	1	17	7
Minneapolis	250	195	55	217	32	1					215	29	5	1	77	46
Mobile	2	2		2							2				2	
Newark	506	381	125	493	12	1					389	102	7	8	120	27
New Haven	257	180	77	254	3						195	55	3	4	50	9
New Orleans	69	57	12	69							58	9	1	1	33	6
New York	2,427	1,761	666	2,358	46	12	11				1,768	541	85	33	555	277
Norfolk	8	6	2	8							7	1			4	2
Oklahoma City	41	33	8	41							40	1			28	18
Omaha	16	11	5	15	1						15		1		7	
Philadelphia	619	442	177	592	22	5					498	115	6		159	73
Phoenix	55	36	19	55							43	12			31	16
Pittsburgh	167	129	38	159	7						116	46	5		57	26
Portland	89	65	24	89							76	11	2		37	12
Richmond	14	12	2	14							13	1	1		3	1
St. Louis	153	110	43	148	5						130	21	2		59	7
Salt Lake City	61	48	13	61							58	2	1		15	
San Antonio	8	6	2	8							6	2			3	
San Diego	66	40	26	66							49	12	4	1	9	2
San Francisco	1,129	802	327	1,002	41	6					931	155	32	11	561	337
San Juan	110	105	5	50			60				108	1	1		36	1
Savannah	1	1		1							1					
Seattle	385	294	91	376	9						344	30	9	2	196	165
Springfield	79	68	11	79							65	11	2	1	18	2
Washington	155	104	51	155							114	35	3	3	43	17

(1) The figures shown under "DC" include those shown under "CS".

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 22, 1949

FROM : SAC, Omaha

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX

*Rec'd CTD  
2-17-50 RH*

Re Omaha letter dated November 23, 1949.

*S1 cal  
L. B. W. S.*

To date information relative to the date and place of birth of [REDACTED] has not been ascertained. When this information concerning her is received the Bureau will be immediately notified.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DATE: February 28, 1950

FROM :

SUBJECT:

SECURITY INDEX STATISTICS

- GENERAL

For your information the Security Index as of February 15, 1950, contained a total of 11,554 cards as reflected by the Statistical Section. An analysis of these cards reflected the following information.

Sex

Male	8,441
Female	3,113

Nationalistic Tendency or Organizational Affiliation

Communist Party, USA	11,166
Socialist Workers Party	277
Independent Socialist League	36
Nationalistic Party of Puerto Rico	71
Independent Labor League	2
Revolutionary Workers League	1
Proletarian Party of America	1

Citizenship Status

Native Born	8,961
Naturalized	2,216
Aliens	280
Unknown	97

Of the above 11,554, 3,453 have been tabbed for priority apprehension under the Detcom program. This, of course, includes top functionaries, key figures and Comsab subjects.

Of the 11,554 individuals, 1,282 have been tabbed under the Comsab program as possessing the greatest potentiality to be Communist saboteurs.

In addition to the 11,554 cards maintained by the Statistical Section, the Security Index Desk itself maintains 171 Security Index cards in the Special Section. These cards include Government employees, Atomic Energy

Program employees, Foreign Government employees, prominent persons, employees of the United Nations Secretariat and Espionage subjects. There is, therefore, a grand total of 11,725 Security Index cards presently maintained.

According to the records of the Statistical Section there has been an apparent increase of 299 cards since January 15. An increase of approximately 300 a month is not an average picture, although the total number of individuals included in the Security Index has steadily increased over a longer period of time. Temporary variations may occur from month to month dependent upon the number of new recommendations or cancellations received during the period and dependent upon the exact status of the index as of the day the count is taken. This nominal variation may on a short term basis either reflect an apparent large increase such as in this listing over the January listing or may even reflect a nominal decrease.

Although the Security Index count has steadily been increasing over the months, it is not anticipated that the total number of cards will continue to grow under the present standards required for inclusion of individuals in the index. Although new individuals are constantly being added this is offset by the number of individuals who are being removed from the index for various reasons, such as old age, infirmity, defection, removal from the Bureau's jurisdiction, etc. It is anticipated that the total volume of cards will increase primarily through the efforts of the New York office where the greatest untapped reservoir of cases still exists.

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*List*

Mr. [REDACTED]  
The Assistant to the Attorney General

April 10, 1950

Director, FBI

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SECURITY INDEX LIST

There is attached hereto a current list of the individuals maintained on the Security Index of this Bureau.

These individuals are identified by their names and dates of birth.

It is requested that the existence of this list be kept confidential and that the list itself be given utmost security.

Attachment

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*List delivered to Col. Harman 4-14-50 & all list returned and destroyed*

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Mr. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~  
The Assistant to the Attorney General

April 25, 1950

Director, FBI

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SECURITY INDEX LIST

*GENERAL*

There is attached hereto a current list of the individuals maintained on the Security Index of this Bureau. These individuals are identified by their name and date of birth.

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Attachment

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returned & destroyed  
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CAC, San Juan

April 25, 1950

Director, FBI

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SECURITY INDEX - VITAL FACILITIES

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The Bureau recently received from the National Military Establishment, a comprehensive list of all facilities vital to the national defense. This list of vital facilities completely supplants all vital facilities which have previously been furnished to the Bureau. The list, however, was specifically limited to facilities within the continental United States and accordingly no facilities were shown in the territory covered by either your office, Honolulu or Anchorage. These facilities with the instructions governing the program were furnished to the field by letter dated April 4, 1950. In connection with these facilities, the Bureau is engaging in a program of identifying security index subjects employed at these facilities. Obviously, of course, since no vital facilities have been furnished to your office as yet you will be unable to implement this data to the security index cards in your office. In order, however, that you may be aware of the action that is being taken in this matter and be in possession of instructions relating to the handling of this matter in relation to the Security Index there is attached hereto a copy of a letter dated April 17, 1950, which was directed to all continental offices setting forth the instructions for implementing the vital facilities data to the security index. In connection with this letter, a list of security index subjects for each office was attached. You will note the offices were requested to place the pertinent data on the attached list of security index subjects and return the list to the Bureau. In addition to calling for vital facilities data the Bureau also desired that racial data be obtained on all security index subjects and be placed on the list in order that the Bureau's security index could be kept in this regard.

Accordingly, it is requested that on the attached list of security index subjects of your office you indicate thereon the proper racial code in accordance with the instructions set forth under item (3) of the letter of April 17, 1950. The original copy of the list should thereafter be reviewed to the Bureau.

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SECURITY INDEX, VITAL FACILITIES. REURTEL TODAY. LIST OF SI  
SUBJECTS RETURNED BUREAU YESTERDAY.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

(URGENT)

Transmit the following message to:

SAC BOSTON

MAY 12, 1950

SECURITY INDEX, VITAL FACILITIES. REBULET TO ALBANY CARBON COPY TO BOSTON  
APRIL SEVENTEEN LAST. SUTEL BUREAU DATE LIST OF SECURITY INDEX SUBJECTS  
RETURNED TO BUREAU. IF NOT RETURNED COMPLETE PROJECT IMMEDIATELY AND  
RETURN LIST TO EACH BUREAU BY MAY FIFTEEN.

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*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 5/19/50

FROM *W* SAC, Anchorage

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX - VITAL FACILITIES

Rebulet dated April 25 last and captioned "SECURITY INDEX - VITAL FACILITIES," wherein it was requested of this office to review the list of Security Index subjects for the purpose of reflecting the proper racial code in accordance with the instructions set forth under item (3) of the Bureau letter of April 17 last captioned as above.

The instant instructions have been complied with by the Anchorage Office and the list of Security Index subjects furnished by the Bureau is being returned with the Racial Code incorporated therein.

SAC, Albany

Director, FBI

SECURITY INDEX - VITAL FACILITIES

GENERAL

By letter dated April 6, 1950, you were furnished the list of facilities deemed vital to the national defense by the National Military Establishment. You were advised by the same communication that separate instructions would be furnished to you relative to implementing this information to the security index. Accordingly, there is attached hereto a list in duplicate of the security index subjects in your office identified by their name and date of birth. Therefore, in implementing the vital facilities program to the security index you should follow the instructions enumerated below.

(1) The attached list together with the list of vital facilities furnished to you by the referenced letter should be reviewed in conjunction with your security index. Wherever it is found that an individual appearing in your security index is employed at a vital facility, the vital facility code number which appears on the right hand side of the paper listing your vital facilities should be placed on the security index card in your office adjacent to the information reflecting the employment of the subject. In addition, this code should be placed on the list of security index subjects furnished to you with this letter. Adjacent to the subject's name the full code should be shown, namely, the initials reflecting the agency interested and the number reflecting the basic category of service rendered or product manufactured. In connection with certain of the facilities which you may have, it may be found that the facility itself does not employ any personnel, for instance, a specific railway bridge or highway bridge. In determining whether or not an individual should be shown to be connected with such a

Attachments for all offices

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Albuquerque	Cleveland	Los Angeles	New York	Salt Lake City
Atlanta	Dallas	Louisville	Norfolk	San Antonio
Baltimore	Denver	Memphis	Oklahoma City	San Diego
Birmingham	Detroit	Miami	Omaha	San Francisco
Boston	El Paso	Milwaukee	Philadelphia	Savannah
Buffalo	Houston	Minneapolis	Phoenix	Seattle
Butte	Indianapolis	Mobile	Pittsburgh	Springfield
Charlotte	Kansas City	Newark	Portland	Washington
Chicago	Knoxville	New Haven	Richmond	
Cincinnati	Little Rock	New Orleans	St. Louis	

SAC, Albany :

Director, FBI

SECURITY INDEX - VITAL FACILITIES

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facility, the test should be used: does the subject have occasion to use or have access to such facility in the regular course of his employment. If it is found that such exists, he should be shown as being connected with that facility. Occasional access to the facility as a member of the public should not be used to determine the subject's connection with the facility.

In placing this information on the security index card, it is desired that the project be handled as far as feasible with material readily available in your office; that is, the security index itself, the vital facilities list, and if necessary, the case file. If in a few instances it is necessary to cover actual investigative leads to establish data, it should be done as expeditiously as possible.

(2) If in reviewing your index, it is found that individuals appear therein that are not in the Bureau's list furnished to you with this communication, you should attach a separate sheet to the list reflecting the subject's name and date of birth and the vital facility code, if any. It is appreciated that this may occur in new cases or in cases where there has been a change of status of some kind. In this same connection, in all the cases where you have recommended a security index card and the recommendation is presently in the Bureau for consideration, but which card has as yet not been approved, you should also list these individuals on a separate sheet attached to the list under a separate heading. Any vital facility connection of the individual should also be shown. If a name should appear on the attached list of an individual whose security index card has been cancelled, you should merely mark a small c adjacent to the name.

(3) In connection with many of the existing security index cards maintained by the Bureau, it has been found that the race of the subject does not appear thereon. You will note that form FD-122, used for recommending a security index card, calls for this information directly following the aliases. In order, therefore, that the whole security index may be complete as to racial data, it is desired that at the time the vital facilities review is made of security index subjects, the subject's race also be noted on the attached list of security index subjects furnished to you with this letter. This should be done for all the subjects. In connection with race, the Bureau is using a simplification of the classification of races used by the Bureau of Census. The following code letters may be used: W - White or Caucasian; N - Negroid; O - All others. This latter category will include all Orientals, American Indians, certain Latin Americans of mixed racial extraction, etc. It is expected that very few individuals will be included in the latter category. In the future this same racial code should be used

whenever a form FD-122 is prepared recommending a new security index card on an individual.

(4) In the future, whenever a security index card is recommended on an individual, it will be necessary to include the vital facility data if such data applies to the individual. This information should be included on the form FD-122 on the last line which calls for, "Nature of Industry or Business (Specify from Strategic and Vital Industry List.)" This should be done by merely indicating the subject's occupation and the vital facility code. Accordingly, when such a security index card is recommended, the agent recommending the card will be under the obligation to determine whether or not the subject in question is employed at a facility appearing on your list. If the subject of a new recommendation for a Security Index card is not connected with a vital facility the space on form FD-122 should contain the word "none."

(5) The information concerning the vital facilities and the handling of the list must be completed by your office and should be in the hands of the Bureau by May 1, 1950, and only the original copy of the list need be returned. It is noted that by following the instructions set forth above, the project can be handled quite simply and expeditiously with a minimum of investigative activity. For your guidance the information which will be gained in this project will be furnished to the National Military Establishment in accordance with the Delimitations Agreement and the National Military Establishment has indicated a desire for data relative to this program at an early date. It is expected, therefore, that it will be given your immediate personal attention.

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Mr. [REDACTED]  
The Assistant to the Attorney General

May 24, 1950

Director, FBI

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SECURITY INDEX LIST

There is attached hereto a current list of the individuals maintained on the Security Index of this Bureau. These individuals are identified by their name and date of birth.

It is requested that the existence of this list be kept confidential and that the list itself be given utmost security.

Attachment

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to Col. Ackerman 5-26-50  
& all list obtained  
and destroyed  
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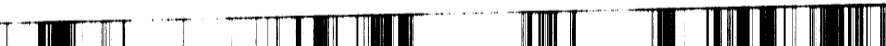
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SECURITY INDEX

Re Milwaukee letter to the Bureau April 26, 1950, indicating subject is a Security Index Card subject of the Milwaukee Office, residing in Superior, Wisconsin and employed at the Coolerator Plant in Duluth, Minnesota.

For the information of the Milwaukee Office, the Coolerator Plant at Duluth, Minnesota is not on the current list of vital facilities in this Division.



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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 8, 1950

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX  
VITAL FACILITIES

Relet Philadelphia to Bureau 4/28/50 and Newark letter to Bureau 5/3/50.

There is being attached hereto a supplemental list of Philadelphia Security Index subjects who are employed by vital facilities located in the State of New Jersey. Appropriate notations have been made on the Security Index cards of these individuals to indicate the code designations of the vital facilities employing them.

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*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DATE: May 22, 1950

FROM :

SUBJECT: *list file* SECURITY INDEX - VITAL FACILITIESPURPOSE

To advise you of the status of the work relating to implementing vital facilities data to the Security Index.

BACKGROUND

On April 17, 1950, a list of the Security Index subjects in each office was forwarded to the field with instructions that the identity of all individuals employed in vital facilities be noted on the list and the list returned to the Bureau. These lists have all been returned to the Bureau and the information relating to the vital facility employment of all subjects involved has been posted manually to the geographical Security Index cards. A memorandum is now in preparation which will be furnished to the National Military Establishment and to the National Security Resources Board which will show the concentration of dangerous individuals not only as to the forty categories set up by the National Military Establishment, but also as to geographical location. These compilations and tabulations have all been done manually in an effort to get the information to the interested agencies at an early date. These data will, of course, all be available from the statistical section punch cards upon completion of the change-over of the Security Index to the new IBM punch card system. It is anticipated however, that the completion of this latter project will involve several weeks.

ACTION

None. Submitted for your information only.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DATE: May 23, 1950

FROM :

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX STATISTICS

GENERAL

For your information, the Security Index as of May 15, 1950, contained a total of 11,880 Security Index cards as reflected by the Statistical Section. An analysis of this figure is set forth below:

SEX:

Male:	8,705
Female:	3,175

NATIONALISTIC TENDENCY OR ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATION:

Communist Party, USA:	11,452
Socialist Workers Party:	301
Independent Socialist League:	43
Nationalist Party of Puerto Rico:	76
Independent Labor League:	2
Revolutionary Workers League:	1
Proletarian Party of America:	5

CITIZENSHIP STATUS

Native Born:	9,218
Naturalized:	2,273
Alien:	295
Unknown:	94

Of the above 11,880, 3,602 have been tabbed for priority apprehension under the Detcom program. This includes top functionaries, key figures and Comsab subjects. Of this same 11,880, 1,359 have been tabbed under the Comsab program as possessing the best potentialities to be Communist saboteurs.

In addition to the 11,880 cards maintained by the Statistical Section, the Security Index Desk itself maintains an additional 157 cards in the Special Section of the Security Index. These cards include Government employees, Atomic Energy employees, foreign Government employees, United Nations employees, prominent persons and Espionage subjects.

There is, therefore, a grand total of 12,037 Security Index cards presently maintained. It is interesting to note that we have now gone over 12,000, and it is anticipated that this figure will continue to grow.

SECURITY INDEX CARD STATISTICS - BY FIELD OFFICES  
Based on Statistical Section Records as of May 15, 1950

Office	Total	SEX		NATIONALISTIC TENDENCY							CITIZENSHIP STATUS				CLASSIFICATION	
		Male	Female	CON	SWP	ISL	NPR	ILL	RWL	PFA	NATIVE	NATURAL	ALIEN	UNKNOWN	DC	CS(1)
	11,880	8,705	3,175	11,452	301	43	76	2	1	5	9,218	2,273	295	94	3,602	1,359
Albany	142	103	39	142							107	31	1	3	49	15
Albuquerque	34	22	12	34							30	2	1	1	4	2
Anchorage	5	4	1	5							5				3	1
Atlanta	4	4		4							4					
Baltimore	251	165	86	248	2	1					199	49	1	2	138	90
Birmingham	12	10	2	12							12				5	5
Boston	321	219	102	315	6						248	65	4	4	60	16
Buffalo	223	161	62	206	16	1					181	37	2	3	84	2
Butte	73	58	15	73							64	9			20	1
Charlotte	29	24	5	29							28	1			7	3
Chicago	696	535	161	674	14	4				4	480	180	31	5	163	35
Cincinnati	146	112	34	146							126	19	1		48	
Cleveland	347	263	84	328	16	2			1		265	74	5	3	166	8
Las Vegas	26	23	3	26							24		2		9	2
Denver	89	71	18	89							76	12	1		19	2
Detroit	499	401	98	474	19	4		1		1	361	123	13	2	176	22
El Paso	5	3	2	5							5				1	
Honolulu	98	80	18	98							85	4	7	2	44	
Houston	51	34	17	49	2						47	2	2		21	2
Indianapolis	181	142	39	180	1						133	42	6		32	11
Kansas City	19	12	7	19							18	1			6	
Knoxville	9	7	2	9							8	1				
Little Rock	6	5	1	6							5	1			6	
Los Angeles	1,562	1,042	520	1,527	32	3					1,166	352	35	9	289	19
Louisville	4	4		4							4				4	2
Memphis	14	11	3	14							13		1		2	
Miami	64	48	16	64							42	21	1		15	4
Milwaukee	135	107	28	134	1						107	27	1		19	7
Minneapolis	244	191	53	210	33	1					212	27	4	1	82	53
Mobile	2	2		2							2				2	
Newark	521	391	130	506	13	2					402	108	6	5	125	28
New Haven	250	177	73	247	3						184	59	3	4	44	9
New Orleans	59	49	10	59							49	8	1	1	27	3
New York	2,589	1,882	707	2,515	50	13	11				1,894	564	98	33	567	281
Norfolk	7	5	2	7							7				3	2
Oklahoma City	43	35	8	43							42	1			30	21
Omaha	21	15	6	20	1						20		1		7	
Philadelphia	628	455	173	597	24	7					507	115	5	1	169	81
Phoenix	48	32	16	48							36	11	1		28	13
Pittsburgh	173	132	41	166	6						122	46	5		56	26
Portland	84	61	23	84							71	11	2		35	11
Richmond	11	9	2	11							10		1		3	1
St. Louis	150	108	42	145	5						128	20	2		58	7
Salt Lake City	59	47	12	58							56	2	1		16	
San Antonio	7	5	2	7							5	2			2	
San Diego	61	39	22	61							44	12	4	1	23	2
San Francisco	1,145	824	321	1,093	47	5					950	158	30	7	637	380
San Juan	111	107	4	111							110	1			36	1
Savannah	1			1							1					
Seattle	390	299	91	380	10						347	30	10	3	200	170
Springfield	74	65	9	74							62	10	1	1	17	2
Washington	157	105	52	157							114	35	5	3	45	19

(1) The figures shown under "DC" include those shown under "CS".

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TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, San Juan  
SUBJECT: Security Index  
Vital Facilities

DATE: 5/22/50

list  
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Re Bulet dated April 25, 1950 enclosing Bureau's list of Security Index subjects in the San Juan Office. List is herewith returned, with racial code appearing on right margin, "N" and "O" groups being slightly offset to right for easy reference.

Attention is called to the fact that [REDACTED], appearing on the list, was removed from Security Index in this office May 12, 1950, re Bulet of authorization.

The birth date of [REDACTED], which did not appear on the Bureau's list, was added.

The names of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], which were added recently to S.I. in this office, with Bureau authorization, were appended to the enclosed list.

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TO : Director, FBI

-DATE: April 26, 1950

FROM : SAC, Milwaukee

SUBJECT:

SECURITY MATTER - C  
Bufile

Rebulet April 17, 1950 to Albany, copies of which were forwarded to numerous offices, including Minneapolis and Milwaukee, captioned "SECURITY INDEX - VITAL FACILITIES."

Subject is on the Security Index list of the Milwaukee Office and, although he resides at , is employed at the Coolerator Plant, Duluth, Minnesota.

In the event that the Coolerator Plant of Duluth, Minnesota, is on the list of vital facilities which list was furnished the Minneapolis Office by the Bureau, it is requested that the Minneapolis Office advise the Bureau and Milwaukee Office of the vital facility code number.

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*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 26, 1950

FROM : SAC, Milwaukee

SUBJECT: , wa  
SECURITY MATTER - C  
Bufile  
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Ambulet April 17, 1950 directed to Albany, copies of which were supplied numerous offices, including Minneapolis, captioned "SECURITY MATTER - VITAL FACILITIES." Reference is also made to Milwaukee letter to Bureau dated February 6, 1950, copy of which was supplied Chicago, captioned , wa, SECURITY MATTER - C."

The above captioned subject is on the Security Index list of the Milwaukee Office and, although he resides at , is employed by the Engineering Service Company of Chicago, Illinois.

In the event that the Engineering Service Company of Chicago, Illinois is on the list of vital facilities, which list was furnished Chicago by the Bureau, it is requested that the Chicago Office advise the Bureau and Milwaukee of the vital facility code number of this concern.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 11, 1950

FROM : SAC, Boston

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX - VITAL FACILITIES

list

In accordance with instructions received in your letter dated April 17, 1950, there is being returned herewith one copy of a list reflecting the security index subjects of the Boston Office, together with appropriate notations.

In addition, the Bureau is advised that the following individuals who are not incorporated in instant list are security index subjects of the Boston Office. None of the following, however, are employed in vital facilities:

[REDACTED], Jr. (C) - born 12/8/23, Berlin, Germany, Bufile [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] (C) - born June 8, 1925, at Baltimore, Maryland.  
 [REDACTED] (W) - born August 31, 1912, Scituate, Massachusetts, Bufile [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED], with aliases (W) - born December 14, 1909, New York, New York, Bufile [REDACTED]

In addition to the foregoing, the Bureau is advised that the Boston Office by letter dated April 25, 1950, forwarded Form FD-138 in their case entitled [REDACTED] with aliases." The new office of origin in this case is Los Angeles, Bufile [REDACTED].

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DATE: April 28, 1950

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX - VITAL FACILITIES

Rebulet to Albany dated April 17, 1950.

Attached hereto is a list of the security index subjects in the New Orleans Office identified by their name and date of birth. The last column indicates the race of the subject. It will be noted that no security index subject was found to be working at the vital facilities furnished by the Bureau by letter dated April 6, 1950.

The attention of the Bureau is called to the fact that one of the subjects listed, namely, ~~REDACTED~~, is no longer carried as a security index subject in this office. The security index on ~~REDACTED~~ was forwarded to the Chicago Office by letter dated April 21, 1950, (Chicago File ~~REDACTED~~); therefore, Chicago is being requested to advise the Bureau whether ~~REDACTED~~ is presently employed by a vital facility within that division. It is pointed out that the New Orleans Office submitted a report by Special Agent ~~REDACTED~~, dated 4/21/50, entitled, ~~REDACTED~~ wa., INTERNAL SECURITY - C", which showed Chicago had ascertained that ~~REDACTED~~ was employed by Communist Party District Number 8, Southside Section, 306 East 43rd Street, Chicago, Illinois. However, although a change in this employment is doubted, it is felt that Chicago should furnish the information to the Bureau.

The fifteenth name on the list, ~~REDACTED~~, should be spelled ~~REDACTED~~. This has been corrected.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 5, 1950

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX - VITAL FACILITIES

Reurlet April 17, 1950 and mylet May 1, 1950.

Instructions as contained in reference Bulet have been complied with except for the following individuals:

Case files on the above are not available at present but Bureau will be advised of result of check as soon as possible.

Enclosed you will find the original list as was furnished with the Bureau reference letter. Also enclosed is a list containing the names of subjects on which Security Index Cards have been recommended and are awaiting Bureau approval and a list of Security Index Cards maintained in New York but which names do not appear on the Bureau list.

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