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Date: MARCH 18, 1974

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Via TELETYPE NITEL
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TO: ~~DIRECTOR, AND~~
ATLANTA,
SAN FRANCISCO (7-855)
FROM: MIAMI (9-NEW) (P)

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LAP - AT - 838
MXG - SF - 1115/P

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; HENRY AARON, AKA, HANK, - VICTIM,
EXTORTION, OO: MIAMI.

HANK AARON, ATLANTA BRAVES BASEBALL TEAM, RECEIVED A
POSTCARD MARCH 15, 1974, AT BASEBALL TRAINING SITE, WEST PALM
BEACH, FLORIDA. POSTCARD MAILED MARCH 13, 1974, CONTAINED TYPE-
WRITTEN MESSAGE AS FOLLOWS:

"IF PATRICIA HURST IS NOT RELEASED BY THE KIDNAPPERS,
SOON, YOUR ATTRACTIVE WIFE WONT SEE YOU BREAK THE HOMERUN RECORD.
GET TO THE NEWSPAPERS AND MAKE AN URGENT APPEAL FOR THE GIRL'S
RELEASE. IF THIS DOES NOT SOUND FAIR TO YOU, THEN KIDNAPPING IS
NOT FAIR TO ANYBODY. SIGNED, 'STILL A FAN'".

AARON WILL NOT COMPLY WITH REQUEST OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT
EXPRESSED CONCERN FOR HIS WIFE'S SAFETY.

SERGEANT [REDACTED], ATLANTA, GEORGIA, POLICE

DEPT., ON FULL-TIME ASSIGNMENT WITH AARON DURING TRAINING SEASON,
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, MADE AVAILABLE ORIGINAL POSTCARD WHICH

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Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per [Signature]

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WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU UNDER SEPARATE COVER FOR SEARCH THROUGH AND ADDITION TO ANONYMOUS LETTER FILE.

AUSA, SDF, ADVISED MARCH 18, 1974, AFOREDESCRIBED FACTS DO NOT CONSTITUTE PROSECUTABLE OFFENSE.

COPY OF INSTANT COMMUNICATION BEING FORWARDED SAN FRANCISCO AND ATLANTA DIVISIONS FOR INFORMATION.

Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

(Title) _____

(File No.) _____

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	<i>1. Orig of post card [illegible]</i>	<i>sent to [illegible]</i>

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[Signature]

File No. 9-2681 1A'

Date Received 3/18/74

From SS

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

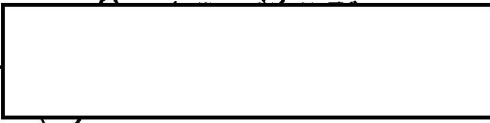
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(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

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By 

To Be Returned Yes
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Receipt given Yes
 No

Description:

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Hank Aaron,
Atlanta Braves Tng. Cp.
West Palm Beach, Fla.

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If Patricia Hurst is not released by the Kidnappers, soon, your attractive wife won't see you break the home run record. Get to the news papers and make an urgent appeal for the girl's release. If this doesn't sound fair to you, then kidnapping isn't fair for anybody.

Still a Fan

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DIRECTOR, FBI
(Attention: FBI Laboratory)

4/2/74

SAC, MIAMI (9-2681) (P)

UNSUB;
HENRY AARON, aka
Hank - VICTIM
EXTORTION

(OO: MIAMI)

Re Miami teletype to Bureau, 3/18/74.

Enclosed herewith for the FBI Laboratory is a postcard, the original and one xerox copy, addressed to HANK AARON, Atlanta Braves Training Camp, West Palm Beach, Florida.

For the information of the FBI Laboratory, HANK AARON, Atlanta Braves Baseball Team, received a postcard on March 15, 1974 at the Baseball Training Site, West Palm Beach, Florida. The postcard, which was mailed March 13, 1974, contained a typewritten message as follows:

"If Patricia Hurst is not released by the Kidnappers, soon, your attractive wife won't see you break the home run record. Get to the news papers and make an urgent appeal for the girl's release. If this doesn't sound fair to you, then kidnapping isn't fair for anybody.

"Still a Fan"

Sgt. [redacted], Atlanta, Georgia Police Department, on full time assignment with AARON during the training season at West Palm Beach, Florida, made available the original postcard.

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3 - Bureau (Enc. 2) (RM)

② - Miami

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Assistant U. S. Attorney, Southern District of Florida, advised on March 18, 1974 that the aforescribed facts do not constitute a prosecutable offense.

The FBI Laboratory is requested to search the enclosed postcard through the anonymous letter file and thereafter add to same the xerox copy of the postcard as the Atlanta, Georgia Police Department requests the original be returned.

**REPORT
of the**



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: SAC, Miami

April 19, 1974

From: Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Re: UNSUB;
HENRY AARON, aka
Hank - VICTIM;
EXTORTION

Your No. 9-2681

FBI File No. 9-57333

OO: MIAMI

Lab. No. D-740409038 PN

Reference letter dated 4/2/74

The material described below has been searched in the following file without effecting an identification: **Anonymous Letter File**

Copies have been added to this file for future reference.

The submitted material is returned herewith.

MATERIAL SUBMITTED:

Q1 Postcard postmarked "U.S. POSTAL SERVICE. 368 MAR 13 PM 1974," bearing typewritten address "Hank Aaron, Atlanta Braves Tng. Cp. West Palm Beach, Fla." bearing typewritten message on reverse side beginning "If Patricia Hurst is not..."

Enclosure

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Post Office Box 520157
Biscayne Annex
Miami, Florida 33152

May 2, 1974

Honorable Robert W. Rust
United States Attorney
300 Ainsley Building
Miami, Florida 33132

Attention: Assistant United States Attorney

[Redacted]

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RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
HENRY AARON - VICTIM
EXTORTION

Dear Sir:

This is to confirm a conversation between Special Agent [Redacted] and Mr. [Redacted] of your office with regard to the following:

Hank Aaron of the Atlanta Braves baseball team, received a postcard on March 15, 1974 at the baseball training site at West Palm Beach, Florida. This postcard, which was mailed March 13, 1974, contained the following typewritten message:

"If Patricia Hurst is not released by the kidnapers, soon, your attractive wife won't see you break the home run record. Get to the newspapers and make an urgent appeal for the girl's release. If this does not sound fair to you, then kidnapping is not fair to anybody.

"Still a Fan"

2 - Addressee

① - Miami (9-2681) (2) - P

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File stamped by JJC:maj 5/8/74

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*Letter to USA went out...
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U.S.A.'s opinion.
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Consolidated
Date
File

The aforescribed postcard was forwarded to the FBI Laboratory and thereafter searched in the Anonymous Letter File, without effecting an identification.

As Mr. [] advised on March 18, 1974 that the aforescribed facts do not constitute a prosecutable offense, no further investigation is being conducted and this matter will be placed in a closed status.

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Very truly yours,

KENNETH W. WHITTAKER
Special Agent in Charge