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Re CV letter to Bureau dated 1

Re letter requested WFO to obtain information concerning the 9/23/71 arrest of AIM leader RUSSELL MEANS in Washington, D.

On 2/28/73, Plain-clothesman Intelligence Division, Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), Washington, D. C. (WDC), advised RUSSELL MEANS was arrested on 9/23/71 by the MPD at the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), 19th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., WDC. MEANS was arrested along with several other Indians after causing disturbange and their subsequent refusing to leave the building after they were denied a meeting with BIA

MEANS was charged with Disorderly Conduct, Fined \$10 and released.

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UM, COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND OFFICIALS, PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY
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SECRET SERVICE, WDC, ADVISED.

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FROM BALTIMORE 157-

PROPOSED APPEARANCE OF RUSSELL MEANS, AMERICAN INDIAN MOVE-MENT, AT UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND, APRIL 26, INSTANT, EM - AIM, OO: BA.

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ON APRIL 26, INSTANT, A SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RE-LIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT RUSSELL MEANS OF THE AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT (AIM), THE ORGANIZATION WHICH HAS LED THE DISORDERS AT WOUNDED KNEE, SOUTH DAKOTA, DID NOT APPEAR AT UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND (U OF MARYLAND, ON APRIA 26, INSTANT, AS PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED INSTEAD, JERRY KOY, AN AIM MEMBER FROM MINNEAPOLIS, MINNE-MAY 1 1973 SOTA, SPOKE AT U OF M STUDENT UNION BUILDING, COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND, FROM 1:00 TO-2:30 P.M., THIS DATE. APPROXIMATELY END PAGE WAY 7/1973

> Included in summary to White House and Attorney General.

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THREE HUNDRED INDIVIDUALS ATTENDED ROY'S SPEECH, SPONSORED BY THE U OF M STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION, SPEAKER SERIES.

ROY DISCUSSED THE PLIGHT OF THE AMERICAN INDIAN, THE SITUATION IN WOUNDED KNEE, SOUTH DAKOTA AND URGED NON-INDIANS TO STAND WITH WOUNDED KNEE:

TO EXPRESS SUPPORT AND SOLIDARITY FOR THE AMERICAN IND-IAN STRUGGLE.

TO FOCUS NATIONAL ATTENTION ON THE REAL STORY OF WOUNDED KNEE.

TO BRING FOOD AND SUPPLIES TO THE BESEIGED PEOPLE IN WOUNDED KNEE.

ROY URGED SUPPORT FOR AND ATTENDANCE AT A NON-VIOLENT "SURVIVAL MARCH", SPONSORED BY THE D. C. WOUNDED KNEE DEFENSE COMMITTEE, AT THE WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON, D. C., ON APRIL 28, NEXT, AT 1:00 PM. RUSSELL MEANS AND CLYDE BELLACOURT, AIM REPRESENTATIVES ARE SCHEDULED TO SPEAK AT THE APRIL 28 DEMONSTRATION.

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ROY HAS STATED THAT THE AIM MOVEMENT WILL CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS TO BECOME AN INDEPENDENT NATION, AND ADDED THAT THE AIM CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN WOUNDED KNEE, SOUTH DAKOTA MAY 1973.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES COGNIZANT AND U.S. SECRET SERVICE, WASHINGTON, D.C. ADVISED.

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INFORMATIVE NOTE Date _____5/4/73

Attached indicates Washington, D. C. (WDC), Metropolitan Police Department records did not indicate American Indian Movement leader Russell Means had been involved in a disturbance at the home of Prentiss Childs, the producer of the "Face the Nation" television program, during Means' April, 1973, visit to WDC.

This inquiry was prompted by information from Associate
Deputy Attorney General, to the effect that
on or about April 7, 1973, Means and
associates, guests in the Childs' home,
became intoxicated, uncontrollable, and at
one point took over the residence claiming
the land originally belonged to the Indians.

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Inquiry at Metropolitan Police Department, Second District, Sub-station 2, 4125 Ablemark Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. concerning any reported disturbances around CHILDS' residence during MEANS' stay in Washington, D. C., was met with negative results.

CHILDS is not being interviewed concerning this incident in view of his prominent position with the news media.

This is being furnished FBI Headquarters and Minneapolis for the record and no further investigation is contemplated by WFO.

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Minneapolis is requested to include WFO in dissemination of Wounded Knee summary teletypes so that WFO can be cognizant of events at Wounded Knee and able to evaluate information received from local sources.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

Cleveland, Ohio April 27, 1973

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed

Director United States Secret Service Department of the Treasury Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

Dear Sir:

to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.
1. Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. Threatening or abusive statement about U.S. or foreign official.
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3. Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
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Very truly/yours, L. Patrick Gray, III
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Cleveland, Ohio April 25, 1973

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

Investigation was instituted upon receipt of information, December 8, 1972, from Bureau of Indian Affairs, Los Ángeles, California, that RUSSELL . MEANS was a national leader of the American Indian Movement (AIM).

AMERICAN INDIAN. MOVEMENT

The American Indian Movement (AIM) is

a nation-wide organization founded in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in 1968. Membership is open to both Indians and non-Indians 18 years of age. AIM's professed goals are to improve the conditions of the American Indian, to provide better \jobs and housing, and to educate industry and communities on Indian culture and problems. AIM has chapters across the \United States. The principal leader's are VERNON BELLECOURT, CLYDE BELLECOURT, DENNIS BANKS, RUSSELL MEANS, and CARTER CAMP... During the past two years, AIM has participated in confrontations and takeovers of buildings as a result of issues affecting American Indians. Most recently, AIM organized the "Trail of Broken Treaties," which resulted in the Indian occupation of the Bureau of Indian Affairs building in 157 - 28313.8 Washington, D.C. AIM members provided

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the primary leadership for the confrontation between Indians and local authorities at Custer, South Dakota, which resulted in burning of the Court House and Chamber of Commerce buildings. Most recently, 200 AIM members and supporters entered the Town of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, ransacking the general store, taking provisions and weapons, and creating an armed standoff against Federal officers, resulting in several instances where gunfire was exchanged.

On April 12, 1973,

Clevel and National Bank, Euclid, Onio,
advised that MEANS was scheduled to speak before the
City Club, Cleveland, Ohio, on April 18, 1973.

On April 18, 1973, Cleveland, advised that MEANS had appeared on the "Morning Exchange" program on Channel 5, WEWS, Cleveland, Ohio, on the same date. MEANS was introduced as one of the leaders of AIM and was interviewed regarding Wounded Knee. MEANS explained that AIM was at Wounded Knee because of the United States Government's refusal to honor past treaties it had made with Indians. MEANS asked for contributions and requested contributions be sent to Box 147, Rapid City, South Dakota. MEANS did not acknowledge he was AIM leader, but did acknowledge he was affiliated with AIM, and was now a member of the South Dakota Landowners Association, and also associated with independent Oglala-Sioux Nation. MEANS made no reference to any future plans of AIM.

On April 18, 1973, CV T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that MEANS spoke before the City Club, Cleveland, for one-half hour on same date regarding Wounded Knee. Basically, MEANS stated that AIM had been invited to Wounded Knee by the occupants, and that AIM was in Wounded Knee to protest the fact that the United States had broken past treaties with the Indians. MEANS stated that



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either the United States would negotiate or there would be another massacre at Wounded Knee; and that if the United States did not learn now, it would be very sorry.

On April 19, 1973, an article entitled "Means Expecting a New Massacre" appeared in the Cleveland "Plain Dealer", a daily newspaper of wide circulation in Northern Ohio. The following excerpts were taken from this article which covered MEANS' speech before the City Club, Cleveland, on April 18, 1973:

"History will repeat itself and the siege at Wounded Knee, S.D., will end in a massacre if the federal government refuses to live up to its old treaty promise.

"This was the prediction yesterday of Russell C. Means, spokesman for Indians holding Wounded Knee. He spoke to a capacity crowd at the City Club Forum.

"Means, also national coordinator for the militant American Indian Movement, said it took violence in South Dakota before he received recognition in Cleveland.

"He said that when he was here earlier as director of the Cleveland American Indian Center he was ignored as an Indian representative.!

"'Violence brought me here to the City Club,' he said.

"The Indian, he said, seeks self-determination.

"Means surrendered at Wounded Knee after an agreement was reached April 5 with federal officials that was to open negotiations on the Indian complaints. Means said the government broke the agreement within two days and more violent at Wounded Knee resulted.

"Meantime, he is traveling the country to raise money for legal defense, by court order he is not permitted. to return to the South Dakota reservation.



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"Means said he expects the federal troops surrounding Wounded Knee to massacre the 230 defenders there just as troops wiped out 300 Indian men, women and children in 1890."

On April 19, 1973, another article appeared in the Cleveland "Plain Dealer" newspaper regarding his speech at the City Club, Cleveland. The following are excerpts from this article:

"Means received \$1,050, plus expenses, for his talk. He will also get \$500 for a speech at Case Western Reserve University tomorrow.

of the City Club. 'Usually, we just pay our speakers' expenses, but Means is a hot item. We didn't think we could get him.'

"Church groups and private contributions raised the other \$500 for the City Club talk. Ernie Green, the former Cleveland Brown fullback, donated \$25 and was perhaps the best-known donor. Channel 5's Morning Exchange program gave \$150."

On April 21, 1973, CV T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past; advised RUSSELL MEANS addressed a mixed group of 80 to 100 individuals at Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, the evening of April 20, 1973. MEANS was participating in a lecture series sponsored by the university.

Source advised that MEANS discussed the background leading up to Wounded Knee; that AIM was at Wounded Knee because of the number of Indian treaties that had been broken by the United States Government. MEANS also discussed the present situation at Wounded Knee, and stated that AIM was being assisted at Wounded Knee by members of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW). MEANS talked about an underground system AIM has set up with the aid of VVAW wherein 6 to 16 men teams were going out of Wounded Knee to gather food and supplies and were returning successfully within a matter of hours. MEANS also





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related that the VVAW at Wounded Knee was assisting AIM in monitoring police radios.

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINS T THE WAR

The Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) is a national veterans organization with a national clearinghouse located at 25 West 26th Street, New York City, New York. Its first published objective is "to demand an immediate cessation of fighting and a withdrawal of all American troops from Indochina".

MEANS advised the audience that he was told lowers before his speech to make the following announcement:

AIM had shifted its course of action and was now going to repossess the western half of South Dakota, with Custer, South Dakota, as the target city. No time frame was mentioned. MEANS asked for volunteer freedom fighters from all of the United States and the western hemisphere to rally behind AIM, and to come to Custer, South Dakota, and assist AIM in its fight.

No mention was made of a pilgrimage to Wounded Knee, South Dakota, or to Mount Rushmore. A collection raised approximately \$200 in contributions for the Wounded Knee Legal Defense Fund.

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Memorandum

: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI 157-283/3

DATE: 5/11/73

OM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (157-8701)(P)

SUBJECT: RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

EM - AIM

RusseLL Means

Re Los Angeles report of SA dated 4/30/73, captioned, "RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS; CIR BURGLARY; LARCENY; CONSPIRACY; UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF UNREGISTERED FIREARMS; ARL; IMPEDING FEDERAL OFFICERS; AFO; FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH CONDITIONS OF BOND; FAILURE TO APPEAR".

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are two (2) cassette recordings appropriately marked, one of a speech of RUSSELL MEANS at the University of California at Los Angeles, on 4/26/73; and one of a speech of RUSSELL MEANS at AIM Headquarters, 4/27/73.

Transmitted herewith for the Bureau are five (5) copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) concerning captioned individual. Copies also being furnished Minneapolis, Denver, and Oklahoma City for information:

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SUBJECT:

RUSSELL C. MEANS

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OO: MINNEAPOLIS

Re Omaha airtel to Bureau 1/24/73, captioned "American Indian Movement (AIM), EM - American Indian Activities;" and LHM submitted to the Bureau captioned, "American Indian Movement (AIM) Demonstration at Scottsbluff. Nebraska. 1/13-23/73."

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM prepared by the Omaha Office to bring the status of prosecutive action involving Means in Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska, up to date. Two copies of the LHM are being designated for Minneapolis.

For the information of the Bureau and Minneapolis, County Attorney MARVIN L. HOLSCHER, Gering, Nebraska, advised SA ROBERT D. KINSEY it is his understanding the \$5.000 hond posted by Cashier's Check number A11810, remitter, was posted by some church group on MEANS' behalf. HOLSCHER said it is firm intention to continue prosecutive action against MEANS.

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AT GERING, NEBRASKA

Will follow and import results of State prosecution of MEANS.

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SUCCINCT SUMMARY

Subject has been reliably reported to be in a leadership capacity in the American Indian Movement (AIM). Subject has traveled with and directed the activities of AIM during violent confrontations with local and Federal authorities at Gordon, Nebraska; Scottsbluff, Nebraska; Rapid City, South Dakota; Custer, South Dakota, and Wounded Knee, South Dakota. Subject was also elected to the National Board of Directors of AIM at the AIM National Convention, White Oak, Oklahoma on August 2, 1973. Subject is, therefore, recommended for ADEX.

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Scottsbluff, Nebraska; Rapid City, South Dakota; Custer, South Dakota areas and with Federal authorities at Wounded Knee. South Dakota.

Consideration was given to classifying the attached report. However, it was deemed unnecessary inasmuch as it is most unlikely the unauthorized disclosure of information in this report would compromise informants utilized.

FD-122 submitted on 8/28/73.

An original and one copy of an FD-376 are attached, with photographs.

A copy of this report is being disseminated to the U.S. Secret Service, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

LEADS

ALBUQUERQUE

AT ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO: Will at the University of New Mexico, review school records in the name of RUSSELL C. MEANS, born 11/10/39, in an attempt to secure MEANS' date of attendance, name of wife and other pertinent background information not referred to under "Descriptive Information" in this report.

<u>DENVER</u>

AT DENVER, COLORADO: An information copy of this report is being forwarded Denver in view of their interest in RUSSELL MEANS and AIM activities.

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: An information copy of this report is being forwarded Los Angeles in view of their interest in RUSSELL MEANS and AIM activities.

OKLAHOMA CITY

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA: An information copy of this report is being forwarded Oklahoma City in view of their interest in RUSSELL MEANS and AIM activities.

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AT AMES, IOWA: Will, at Iowa Tech, review school records in the name of RUSSELL C. MEANS, born 11/10/39, in an attempt to secure MEANS! dates of attendance, name of wife, and other pertinent background information not referred to under "Descriptive Information" in this report.

PHOENIX

AT TEMPE, ARIZONA: Will, at Arizona State University, review school records in the name of RUSSELL C. MEANS, born 11/10/39, in an attempt to secure MEANS' dates of attendance, name of wife, and other pertinent background information not referred to under "Descriptive Information" in this report.

SAN FRANCISCO

AT OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA: Will, at Oakland City College, review school records, if conditions permit, in the name of RUSSELL C. MEANS, born 11/10/39, in an attempt to secure MEANS! dates of attendance, name of wife, and other pertinent background not referred to under "Descriptive Information" in this report.

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AT RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA: Will await Bureau decision regarding recommendation of RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS being entered into ADEX. Will thereafter, submit FD-165.

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RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

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EXTREMIST MATTERS - AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT

Synopsis:

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS, Indian Male, born 11/10/39, identified as National Leader of American Indian Movement (AIM). MEANS further identified as one of the individuals who traveled with and directed the activities of AIM during violent confrontation with local and Federal authorities at Gordon, Nebraska; Scottsbluff, Nebraska; Rapid City, South Dakota; Custer, South Dakota and Wounded Knee, South Dakota. IN VIEW OF THE FACT RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS HAS BEEN ARRESTED FOR ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON AND CARRYING A CONCEALED WEAPON HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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MP 157-1460

I. PREDICATION

DETAILS:

Investigation in this matter is predicated upon information that the subject may be in violation of U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 2383 (Rebellion and Insurrection) and Section 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), in view of his activities previous to and during the 71-day Wounded Knee, South Dakota siege by members of the American Indian Movement.

The articles of incorporation, of the American Indian Movement (AIM) were files with the Minnesota Secretary of State, St. Paul, Minnesota, on October 1, 1968, and stated that the purpose of this corporation is to solicit and broaden opportunities and general welfare for the urban Indians in order that he may enoy his full rights as a citizen of these United States, also his special right as an Aborigine.

On December 18, 1972,

Special Officer, Judicial Prevention and Law Enforcement, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA),
Minneapolis, Minnesota, advised that the American Indian Movement (AIM), claims to be an Indian civil rights organization whose stated purpose is to enhance the social, educational and economic status of Indians. In reality, however, advised, AIM is a militant organization and its leaders believe in direct confrontation with authority.

On February 27, 1973, members of the AIM, with non-Indian supporters, seized hostages and by force of arms, occupied the town of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, during which parts of the town were burned and ransacked, six members of AIM were wounded, two fatally, two Federal officers were wounded, one permanently paralyzed, in several exchanges of gunfire between occupants and surrounding Government forces. On May 8, 1973, the occupation ended by the surrender of the remaining occupants. More than 200 arrests were made in connection with the occupation.

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II. BACKGROUND

A. Birth Information

Subject is enrolled on the register of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, Pine Ridge, South Dakota, enrollment number U16542. The register and file disclosed subject was 15/32 Sioux, and was born on November 10, 1939, at Pine Ridge, South Dakota.

Bureau of Indian Affairs Pine Ridge, South Dakota August 14, 1973 b6 b7C

B. Citizenship

Subject is a United States citizen by virtue of his birth.

C. Education

Subject attended Oakland City College, the Sawyer School of Business, Iowa Tech, the University of New Mexico an Arizona State University, dates unknown.

From an article from Gallery Magazine, a monthly national publication, August, 1973

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D. Marital Status

Subject was Ridge, South Dakota, date and location unknown.

Bureau of Indian Affairs Pine Ridge Indian Reservation Pine Ridge, South Dakota

August 16, 1973

E. Military Service

No record of military service could be located for the subject.

Bureau of Indian Affairs Pine Ridge, South Dakota August 9, 1973

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Captain or Police Bureau of Indian Affairs Pine Ridge, South Dakota August 9, 1973

T-1 August 8, 1973

T-2 August 14, 1973

F. Identification Record

Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Received	Cha rge	Disposition
PD, San Leandro, California	RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS 11046	3/9/57	Petty Theft and violation of curfew	None
PD, San Leandro	RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS 11046	4/26/58	Common drunk	\$10.00 bail forfeited
PD, Los Angeles California	RUSSELL C. MEANS LA467 708-M	1/18/59	drunk	None

Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Received	Charge	Disposition
PD, Los Angeles California	RUSSELL C. MEANS LA 467 708-M	12/19/59	211 PC (robbery)	None
PD, Inglewood California	RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS A-23264	6/4/60	Drunk in private residence	None
PD, Oakland, California	RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS 155819	s 9/9/62	Sec 647f PC under the influ- ence	15 days County Jail Suspension 1 year
PD, San Francisco California	RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS 180373	s 10/27/62	ADW	10/30/62 Discharged
PD, San Francisco California	RUSSELL C. MEANS 180373	4/10/63	Enroute LA Calif. (Sec 270PC omit to provide for a minor child)	H-23221 enroub
SO, Los Angeles California	RUSSELL CHARLE MEANS B-961126		Failure to Provide	None
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PD, Rapid City, South Dakota	RUSSELL C. MEANS 19389	9/26/65	Disorderly Conduct	\$100.00 and 30 days Suspension on floater

Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Received	Cha rge	Disposition
USM, Minneapolis Minnesota	RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS 6842	5/21/71	18,USC, 1382 tres- passing on a Naval Installati	
USM, Sioux Falls South Dakota	RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS 8410-1495	6/6/71	Did un- lawfully climb Mt. Rushmore and camp	Dismissedby order of the Court
PD, Scottsbluff Nebraska	RUSSELL C. MEANS 28912	1/14/73	Disorderly Conduct Intoxicate Carrying Concealed Weapon Resisting Arrest	
SO, Rapid City South Dakota	RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS 11048	2/6/73	C-2 2 cts	Released to Custer County authorities
USM, Sioux Falls South Dakota	RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS 8410-1495	4/5/73	burg, lard impede Fed officers during civil disorder-consp AFO-poss unregirearms-s	d _ gistered

FBI Record Number 877 277 C April 5, 1973

G. Employment

Subject stated on September 26, 1965, his occupation was that of an accounting clerk.

> Review of Rapid City, South Dakota arrest record #19389 August 14, 1973

Subject stated he was accountant by trade.

From an article from Gallery Magazine, a monthly national publication August, 1973, Volume 1, Number 10

H. Residence

Subject stated on September 26, 1965, his address was 1315 West St. Joseph Street, Rapid City, South Dakota.

> Review of Rapid City, South Dakota Police Department arrest record #19389 August 14, 1973

Subject stated on February 6, 1973, his address was General Delivery, Porcupine, South Dakota.

> Review of Pennington County Sheriff's Office Arrest Record #11048. August 14, 1973

I. Descriptive Information

Subject is described as follows:

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS Name Porcupine, South Dakota Address Indian Race Sex Male 611" Height 180 pounds

Weight

Eyes Brown Hair Black Complexion Medium Date of Birth November 10, 1939 Place of Birth Pine Ridge, South Dakota Profession Accountant Social Security Number 569-54-5963 $569-\overline{6}4-\overline{5}96\overline{3}$ 3" and 4" scars on forehead b6 Scars b7C and in eyebrows Fingerprint 000 10 011 12 13 M R Classification I 17 U WILLIAM ALLEW MEANS THEODORE TED MEANS

> Review of Rapid City, South Dakota, Police Department arrest record #19389 August 14, 1973

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MP 157-1460

III. EXTREMIST ACTIVITIES

MP 157-1460 A. Identified as an AIM Leader Subject joined AIMain February, 1969, while at an Indian convention in San Francisco, California, while still Executive Director of the Cleveland American Indian Center. From an article from Gallery Magazine, a monthly national publication August, 1973, Volume 1, Number 10 Subject was identified on April 26, 1973, as the National Leader of AIM. **T-3** April 26, 1973 Subject was elected to the National Board of Directors of AIM on August 2, 1973, at the AIM National Convention, White Oak, Oklahoma. From an article from the Daily Oklahomian, a daily newspaper serving Oklahoma City, Oklahoma August 2, 1973 Subject was identified on February 2, 1973, as a leader of AIM who spoke before 50 Indians holding a meeting at Holy Family Church, Omaha, Nebraska, on January 31, 1973. Subject issued a call for the Indians to join an AIM protest caravan to Custer, South Dakota. From an article from The Omaha World-Herald. a daily newspaper serving the city of Omaha, Nebraska February 2, 1973 - 13 -

Subject identified as one of two leaders conducting an AIM meeting of from 20 to 30 individuals at Rapid City, South Dakota, which was concluded on February 4, 1973.

Detective Captain
Rapid City Police Department
Rapid City, South Dakota

February 5, 1973

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Subject was identified on February 16, 1973, as a complainant to the Rapid City Police Department, Rapid City, South Dakota, that three female AIM members were not allowed admittance to the Golden Horn Bar, Rapid City, South Dakota.

Detective Captain
Rapid City Police Department
Rapid City, South Dakota
February 17, 1973

Subject identified as one of four leaders conducting an AIM meeting and Peyote party near Pine Ridge, South Dakota, during the evening of February 24-25, 1973, at which it was decided whatever action necessary would be taken to move on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation and take over the BIA building.

T-4 February 25, 1973

Subject identified as main speaker at an AIM meeting at Calico, South Dakota on February 22, 1973. Subject stated the world would be aware of AIM activities Monday night (February 26, 1973) and there may be another Wounded Knee.

T-5 February 24, 1973

B. Identified as an AIM Leader During Gordon, Nebraska Disturbances

Subject admitted taking over the town of Gordon, Nebraska, on March 6, 1972, while protesting the death of an Indian and the jail sentences given to the individuals charged with the Indian's death. Subject advised over 1000 Indians were involved of which 50 were AIM members.

From an article from Gallery Magazine, a monthly national publication August, 1973, Volume 1, Number 10

C. Identified as an AIM Leader During Scottsbluff, Nebraska <u>Disturbances</u>

Subject was identified as an AIM leader who was arrested on January 14, 1973, at Scottsbluff, Nebraska, at the Park Motel, during a joint meeting of Mexican-Americans and Indians. Subject was arrested for being intoxicated and reportedly resisted arrest. Later on the same date subject was found to be in possession of a loaded .22 caliber revolver while in jail, although, subject had been searched previous to being incarcerated.

JAMES A. TEAL, JR. Chief of Police Scottsbluff, Nebraska January 14, 1973

D. Identified as an AIM Leader During Custer, South Dakota Disturbances

Subject was identified as one of two ATM leaders who met on February 6, 1973, with

for Custer County, South Dakota, and subsequently was observed leaving the office and fighting with law enforcement officers when an Indan group broke into the interior of the Custer County Court House.

Special Agent
Division of Criminal Investigation
Sturgis, South Dakota
February 6, 1973

Subject was identified as one of four AIM
leaders allowed into the Custer County Court House,
Custer, South Dakota, on February 6, 1973, for discussions
with local officials. Subject subsequently identified
as returning to the Court House door and yelling "everybody in"
to aba crowd extimated as being in excess of 200 individuals.
Subject was thereafter, identified as being one of many
individuals arrested in the disturbance that followed
when the crowd surged into the Court House in defiance
of police orders to the opposite.

Deputy Sheriff Custer County, South Dakota February 16, 1973

Subject was observed inside the States Attorney's Office, Custer County Court House, Custer, South Dakota, on February 6, 1973. Subject appeared to be either drunk or drugged.

Inspector
South Dakota Department of
Motor Vehicles
Pierre, South Dakota
February 20, 1973

Subject observed on February 6, 1973, as exiting the States Attorney's Office at the Custer County Court House, Custer, South Dakota, just previous to a melee involving a crowd of Indians, and yelling to the crowd while standing at the front door of the Court House "Everybody in".

Fatrolman
South Dakota Highway Patrol
Rapid City, South Dakota
February 21, 1973

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E. Identified as a Leader During Rapid City, South Dakota Disturbances

Subject was identified as addressing a group of Indians on February 9, 1973, and stating they were going to "hit Rapid City, Kodaka, and other cities" in order to pull the National Guard out of Custer, South Dakota, and then the Indians would hit Custer, South Dakota. Subsequently, on the same date, Indians broke furniture and assaulted patrons at the Stockman's Bar and Golden Horn Bar in Rapid City, South Dakota. Subject thereafter, identified 16 Indians, including TED MEANS, his brother, in custody at the Pennington County County Jail, as his people.

Rapid City, South Dakota February 10, 1973

F. Identified as an AIM Leader at Wounded Knee, South Dakota

Subject was identified on March 6, 1973, as being one of three high-ranking AIM officials present at and directing approximately 400 Indians in the Wounded Knee, South Dakota area, of which 100 were well-armed male Indians.

WILLIAM ALLEN MEANS Brother of Subject Mission, South Dakota March 6, 1973

Subject was identified as being one of the AIM leaders during the occupation of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, in view of the fact he was one of the two individuals observed making decisions.

Rapid City, South Dakota March 8, 1973 b6 b7C

Subject was identified as an AIM leader, who was in charge of and participated in looting homes and the Trading Post, Wounded Knee, South Dakota, on February 27, 1973.

wounded knee, South Dakota March 8, 1973

Subject was identified as one of three AIM leaders in charge of a group who held local residents of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, as hostages from February 27, 1973, until March 8, 1973, Subject also identified as placing numerous telephone calls from Wounded Knee, South Dakota, requesting individuals to travel to Wounded Knee with weapons, foodstuffs, medical supplies and other equipment.

Wounded Knee, South Dakota March 9, 1973

Subject was identified as being one of AIM leaders during the occupation of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, in view of the fact he was observed as being one of the five individuals making decisions.

Church of Christian Society Washington, D. C. March 9, 1973

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Subject was identified on March 12, 1973, as having difficulty controlling AIM members and sympathizers who were occupying Wounded Knee, South Dakota.

T-6 March 13, 1973

Subject stated on March 19, 1973, while at Wounded Knee, South Dakota AIM was willing to occupy Wounded Knee, South Dakota, for three or four months while negotiating.

March 19, 1973

Subject was identified on April 20, 1973, as the National AIM Leader. Subject also identified as requesting that all AIM members in the Tulsa, Oklahoma area be contacted and requested to travel to Wounded Knee, South Dakota.

T-8 April 20, 1973

Subject was identified on April 20, 1973, as addressing a mixed group of 80 to 100 individuals at Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, during which he discussed the then current situation at Wounded Knee, South Dakota, and advised AIM had shifted its course of action and intended to repossess the western half of South Dakota with Custer, South Dakota as a target city.

T-9 April 21, 1973

Subject was identified on March 27, 1973, as one of two AIM leaders directing activity at Wounded Knee, South Dakota, although subject was believed prepared to depart the area with \$6,000 missing from the Wounded Knee Post Office.

T-10 March 27, 1973

Subject was identified as departing Wounded Knee, South Dakota, during the evening of March 26, 1973, with another AIM leader, in an attempt to contact the coordinator of a caravan at Rosebud, South Dakota, in order that the individuals in the caravan could be taken into Wounded Knee.

T-11 March 28, 1973

Subject requested on March 26, 1973, while on the Rosebud Indian Reservation, Rosebud, South Dakota, assistance in the form of food and clothing for the AIM members at Wounded Knee, South Dakota.

> Sinte Gleska College Rosebud, South Dakota March 27, 1973

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nez: a surthaby 1868 Fort Laramie Paty guarantees Indians all Dakota Territor land west of the Missouri River. December 29 Seventh Cavalry massacres 100-300 Indians at Wounded 1890 Knee, South Dakota. February Russell Means joins Cleveland chapter of AIM. 1969 Autumn Pine Ridge Sioux ransack Wounded Knee museum-\$50,000 damago. November Traditional Sioux leader Dick Wilson charged by AIM with nepotism, mismanagement of affairs. Wilson retains power. Tribal council condemns BIA, bans Means and AIM leader Severt Young Bear from Pine Ridge Reservation. 1973 February 27 200 AIM members and supporters seize town of Wounded Knee and surrounding area. Eleven residents held as hostages. White-owned trading post looted. March 1 South Dakota Senators McGovern and Abourezk meet with AIM leaders. Hostages released; most choose to stay in Wounded Knee. March 14 Federal grand jury indictments—31 charges of civil disorder, conspiracy, burglary, larcony. March 23 Angela Davis barred from reservation by BIA police. March 23-24 Massive firefight. Number of indicted rises to 54. March 27 AIM leaders Means and Dennis Banks leave Wounded Knee. March 31 Negotiations resume after 12-day hiatus. Government meets with both militant and traditional factions. April 6-9 Peace pact breaks down over issue of when occupiors will lay down arms. Means and traditional chief Toby Eagle Bull testify before House Indian Affairs Subcommittee in Washington. April 17 Three aircraft drop supplies. Six wounded in subsequent exchange of gunfire. April 21-23 Boston Globe reporter Thomas Oliphant, three others, indicted for April 17 airlift. April 25 Frank Clearwater, Apache from North Carolina, dies in Rapid City, South Dakota, hospital from wounds received in April 17 battle. May 2 Means, four others, indicted on arms/riot charges. May 4 Means's bond revoked. Government proposes sending White House delegation in exchange for surrender.

May 6

May 8

May 17

delegation.

From an article from Gallery Magazine, a monthly national publication, August, 1973, volume I, Number 10.

Surrender agreement announced, scheduled for May 9.

Seventy-day siege of Wounded Knee ends, 120 militants sur-

render arms in exchange for promise of White House

White House delegation, traditional Sioux, meet in Pine Ridge.

(First results inconclusive at this writing.)

IV. STATUS OF CRIMINAL ACTION

Subject was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on March 20, 1973, charged with violation of U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1153 and South Dakota Compiled Laws 22-32-9; Sections 111, 231 (a)(3), 371, 661, 1114, and 1153, and U.S. Code, Title 26, Sections 5861 (d) and 5871.

Subject surrendered to U.S. Marshals, Rapid City, South Dakota on April 5, 1973, appeared before a U.S. Magistrate, same date and was released on \$25,000 surety bond into third party custody.

Subject was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on April 10, 1973, charged with violation of U.S. Code, Title 18, Sections 111 and 1114.

Subject appeared before U.S. District Court, Pierre, South Dakota, on April 16, 1973, and entered a plea of not guilty to the March 20, 1973, indictment.

Subject failed to appear at a bond revokation hearing at U.S. District Court, Deadwood, South Dakota, on April 27, 1973. U.S. District Court Judge revoked subject's bond and directed a bench warrant be issued.

Subject arrested by Special Agents of the FBI at Los Angeles, California, on April 27, 1973, and remanded to the custody of the U.S. Marshal, Los Angeles, California. Subject returned to Sioux Falls, South Dakota on May 1, 1973.

Subject was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury, Phoenix, Arizona on May 2, 1973, charged with violation of U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 371.

Sioux Falls, South Dakota August 9, 1973

Subject's bond was reduced from \$125,000 to \$50,000 on May 30, 1973, according to an AIM attorney at Rapid City, South Dakota.

From an article from the Rapid City Journal, a daily newspaper published at Rapid City, South Dakota May 30, 1973

Subject's bond of \$125,000 consisted of \$50,000 relative to the March 20, 1973, indictment, \$50,000 relative to the April 10, 1973, indictment and \$25,000 relative to the May 2, 1973 indictment.

Subject furnished a total bond of \$50,000 on June 5, 1973, and was released with a tentative trial date scheduled for November 26, 1973.

U.S. District Court Sioux Falls, South Dakota August 9, 1973 b6 b7C

IN VIEW OF THE FACT RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS HAS BEEN ARRESTED FOR ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON AND CARRYING A CONCEALED WEAPON HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Title

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

Character

EXTREMIST MATTER -

AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT

Reference

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Dear Sir:

ED STATES DEPARTMENT OF

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION August 28, 1973

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

Director	
United States Secret	Service
Department of the Tre	easury
Washington, D. C. 20	

RE:

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

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The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed rning protective

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1.	Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2.	Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3.	Threatening or abusive statement about U.S. or foreign official.
4.	XX Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5.	Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6.	Defector from U.S. or indicates desire to defect.
7.	Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.
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	Very truly yours,
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	Clarence M. Kelley Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (2) (RM) U. S. Secret Service, Minneapolis, Minnesota

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- Mr. C. A. Mosher

SAC, Minneapolis (157-1460)

9/19/73

Director, FBI

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS EM - AIM

> /57-283/3-13 ReMPlet (FD-122) 8/28/73.

Promptly submit investigative report summarizing subject's activities and setting forth his background as required in SAC Memorandum 21-72 dated 9/12/72. No action being taken on your recommendation by referenced letter to place subject on ADEX until receipt of report.

Furnish Denver, as office of origin for AIM, with copies of report.

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NOTE:

By referenced FD-122 Minneapolis recommended Subject for inclusion on ADEX. Review of FBIHQ files indicates Minneapolis has never submitted report or LHM relative to the subject's background and activities. Minneapolis being instructed to submit report prior to FBIHQ taking action SEP 19 19 on ADEX recommendation.

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: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-459209)-

DATE: 9/27/73

FROM : SAC, OMAHA (157-1476) (P)

SUBJECT: RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

EM - AIM

OO: MINNEAPOLIS

Re report of SA dated 8/28/73 at Minneapolis and Omaha to the bureau 7/27/73.

Scotts Bluff County Attorney MARVIN L. HOLSCHER, Gering, Nebraska, on 9/24/73 advised SA ROBERT D. KINSEY that on 9/20/73 counsel for RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS waived the six months requirement under Nebraska law for trial of MEANS. HOLSCHER stated the waiver was accepted by Judge ALFRED KORTUM on the basis of contention of MEANS' attorney that he was to be tried in U. S. District Court in South Dakota on various Federal charges in October, 1973, and his counsel did not have sufficient time to prepare for trial in South Dakota and in Nebraska at the same time.

HOLSCHER stated he will hope to have more definite information as to possible local trial date for MEANS in late October, 1973.

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AT GERING, NEBRASKA

Will maintain contact with HOLSCHER to follow and report results of local prosecution of MEANS.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/28/73

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: SAC, LOS ANGELES (157-8701) (P)

SUBJECT: RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

EM - AIM

00: Minneapolis

Re Minneapolis report of SA dated 8/28/73. -/4

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) concerning captioned individual. A copy is also being furnished to Minneapolis for information.

Sources utilized are as follows:

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Los Angeles, California September 28, 1973

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS EXTREMIST MATTER AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT

Unless otherwise indicated, all sources utilized in this communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

This investigation is based on information which indicates the subject is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection) or 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), as indicated hereafter.

The subject has been identified as being actively involved in militant activities of the American Indian Movement (AIM). Since January, 1973, AIM has been actively involved in demonstrations and violent confrontations with local authorities in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, and the Rapid City and Custer areas of South Dakota. From February 27 through May 8, 1973, AIM leaders and members and their supporters occupied the community of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, by force of arms taking a number of the community's residents as hostages. Before surrendering to Federal authorities, they engaged in numerous violent and destructive acts and gunfire was exchanged with Federal authorities resulting in the death of two of the insurgents.

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RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

Source One advised on September 14, 1973, that
Russell Charles Means, National Leader of the AIM. was to
arrive at Los Angeles, California on
via Commercial Airlines to attend a cocktail party being
held in honor of United States Senator Mc Govern at
Beverly Hills, California. Source
further advised that AIM planned to demonstrate at this
address and that captioned individual was to verbally confront
Senator Mc Govern regarding the senator's recent statements
concerning AIM.

AIM is a militant American Indian organization.

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On September 17, 1973, Source Two advised that captioned individual was in attendance at the Democratic Party Fund Raising Committee Party held on Beverly Hills, California, where Senator Mc Govern was the main speaker but that Means made no attempt to speak.

On September 17, 1973, Source One advised that Means was to depart Los Angeles, California the morning of September 17, 1973, for Kansas.

On September 17, 1973, Source Three advised that captioned individual had left Los Angeles for an unknown destination.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 9/28/73

FROM

MINNEAPOLIS (157-1460)

SUBJECT: RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

EM - AIM

Re Bureau letter, 9/19/73.

Please see Minneapolis summary report of dated 8/28/73, which sets forth information requested in referenced Bureau letter.

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Assoc. Dir. Asst. Dir.: Admin. Comp. Syst. Ext. Affairs NRØ12 LS CODED Files & Com. Gen. Inv. -'10:00 PM NITEL 10/4/73 JWS Ident ----Inspection Intell. TO DIRECTOR (157-23582) ATTN: INTD. Laboratory Plan. & Eval. DENVER Spec. Inv. Training Legal Coun. MINNEAPOLIS (157-1460) Telephone Rm. Director Sec'y FROM LOUISVILLE (157-NEW) (P) RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS, EM - AIM, 00: RE LOUISVILLE TELETYPE TO FBIHQ CAPTIONED . b6 "VERNON FRANKLIN BELLECOURT, EM - AIM, OO: DENVER", b7C DATED 10/3/73. 17-28612-31 REFERENCED COMMUNICATION REFLECTED VERNON FRANKLIN BELLECOURT, ACTING NATIONAL DIRECTOR, AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT (AIM), CURRENTLY ATTENDING 64TH GENERAL CONVENTION OF PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF UNITED STATES, AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY. REC- 45 ON 10/4/73. DIVISION OF POLICE (LDP), LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, ADVISED THAT BELLECOURT IS REPORTEDLY ACCOMPANIED BY RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS, AIM NATIONAL COORDINATOR. NEITHER 14 OCT 11 1973 BELLECOURT NOR MEANS HAVE APPARENTLY BEEN INVITED TO ABOVE CONVENTION WHICH CONVENED 9/29/73, AND CONCLUDES 20e Cim (GCS, 155) END PAGE ONE

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WILL, THROUGH APPROPRIATE SOURCES, FOLLOW AND REPORT ACTIVITIES OF MEANS.

DENVER AND MINNEAPOLIS CONTACT LOGICAL SOURCES TO DETERMINE VALIDITY OF ABOVE INFORMATION AND PURPOSE OF VISIT.

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Re Washington Field nitel to Dureau dated 9/13/75.

Enclosed for the Dureau afficient copies of an Lilli regarding a speech sade by EUSSELL HENC at West Virginia University, Morgantown, W. Va., on 9/20/73. Enclosed for Denver, Minneapolis, and Washington Field are also copies of above described fills. Information copy being furnished to Minuspolis in view of their pending prosecution of MEANS.

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Re pittsburgh letter to Bureau dated 9/26/73, and captioned "AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT (AIM) EM," OO: Denver.

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UNITE STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

October 5, 1973

RUSSELL MEANS

On September 13, 1973, PG T-1 advised that Russell Means, Leader, American Indian Movement (AIM), would speak at the West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia, on September 20, 1973.

On September 21, 1973, the morning edition of the Dominion Post, a newspaper of General circulation published in Morgantown, West Virginia, carried an article relating to the speech given by Means at the West Virginia University on the night of September 20, 1973. The article indicated that Means dealt primarily with criticizing Senator George McGovern for his role in the Wounded Knee occupation, claiming that he urged the Government to end the occupation by force, by " "killing everyone and destroying everything standing." article further stated that Means was also critical of president Nixon and the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The article further stated that Means claimed there was a conspiracy among the news media to suppress "atrocities" which were committed by the Federal Government against the indians at Wounded Knee but the article does not mention any specific examples of any such ' atrocities. The article further quoted Means as saying that the 71 day occupation at Wounded Knee meant that the Oglala Sioux had declared their independence as a nation. The article went on to relate how Means accused Senator McGovern of illegally transferring \$414,000 from his presidential Campaign Fund to his Senatorial Campaign Fund and Means repeatedly referred to Senator McGovern as George Adolph McGovern and accused him of selling out the peace Movement.

On September 21, 1973, PG T-2 advised that approximately 500 persons, both university students, faculty and non-university personnel attended Means' speech given in the Mountain Lair Building at West Virginia University on the night of September 20, 1973. PG T-2 advised that Means spoke for approximately 1½ hours and started his speech by welcoming all representatives from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

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PG T-2 advised that the bulk of Means' speech was low key and it constituted more of a recap of the Wounded Knee situation from the Indian standpoint. PG T-2 also mentioned that Means accused the Press of suppressing news of atrocities committed by the Government against the Indians at Wounded Knee, but he did not specify any particular atrocity but only spoke in the general term of atrocities without defining any specific example. In addition, PG T-2 stated that Means discussed several treaties which he alkged the Government had made with the Indians but had repeatedly broken in the past years.

PG T-2 also advised that Means mentioned his own pending trial as well as the pending trials of Dennis Banks and other Indians resulting from the Wounded Knee occupation. PG T-2 stated that his entire speech was low key and more of an effort to get sympathy from the audience for the Indians' cause rather than harranguing or urging them to conduct demonstrations and/or violence on behalf of the Indians.

PG T-2 further stated that Means mentioned in passing that the Indians current fight against the Government including the pending trials arising out of Wounded Knee, takes money and they had a definite shortage of funds and would accept donations but this money pitch was made almost in passing and was not the primary purpose of the speech. In fact, PG T-2 stated he can recall only one time Means mentioning the need for money to carry on his fight and that was more of an incidental thing rather than a primary goal of the speech.

PG T-2 advised in conclusion that Means' entire speech was low key and was aimed at obtaining sympathy from the general public for the Indians' cause and he did not endorse or urge any type of violent activity.



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October 5, 1973

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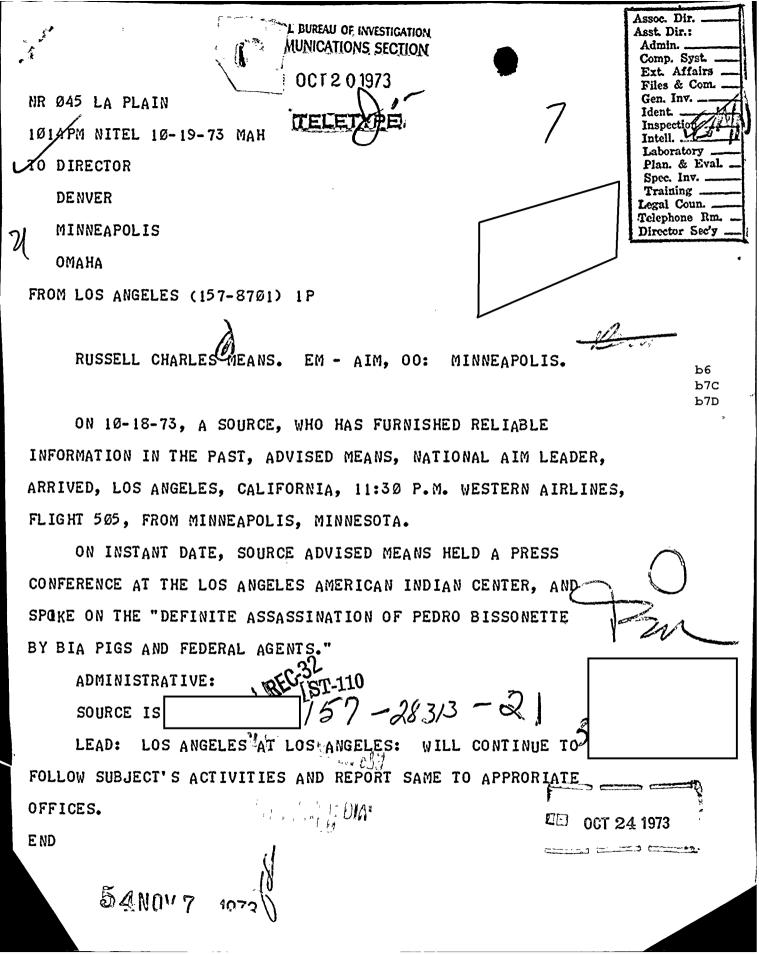
AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT (AIM)

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Reference

Memorandum dated and captioned as above at Pittsburgh, Pa.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.



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Special Agent in Charge

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RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS REC-84 EM - . AIM

ReLAairtel, 11/5/73.

Letterhead memorandum enclosed with referenced airtel set forth names and addresses of individuals and organizations listed in an address book belonging to American Indian Movement (AIM) leader Russell Means. A review of this material reveals several individuals and organizations could well have been legitimate contacts of Means and not engaged in extremist activity. Accordingly, no investigation should be conducted when the individual or organization listed falls into this legitimate contact category.

You should review indices to ascertain if information located therein, where coupled with the fact that a name appears in Means book, would warrant an extremist inv

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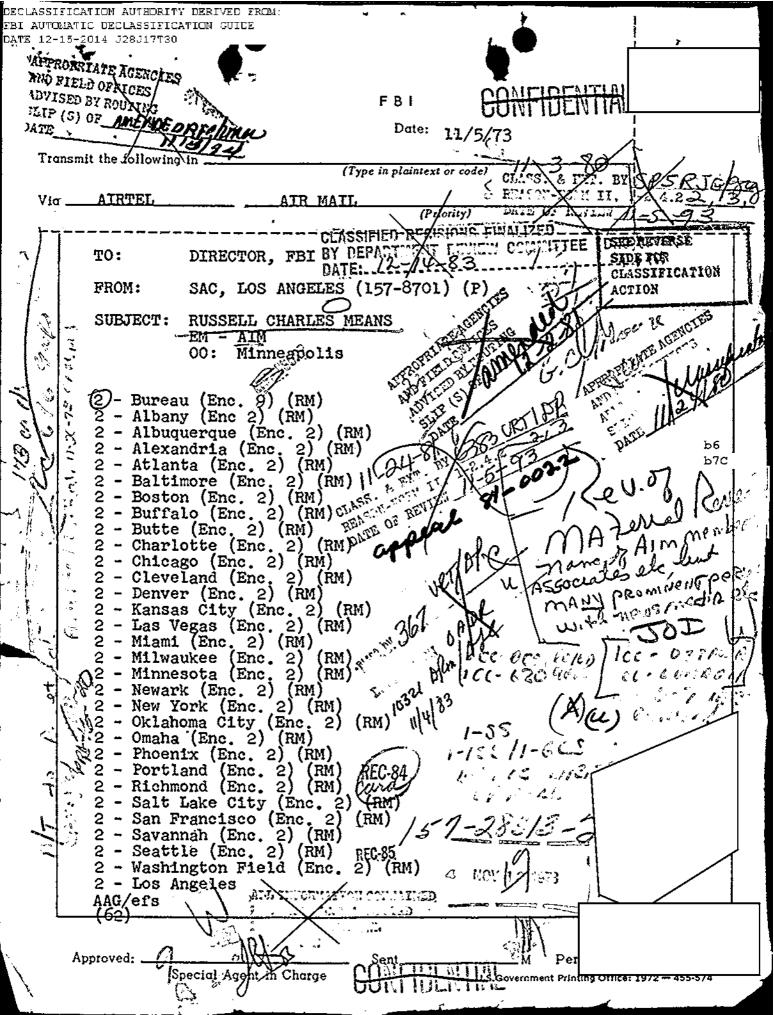
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tion. In those instances where you feel further investigation is warranted, advise the Bureau investigation is being instituted, setting forth the identities of individuals and organizations on whom this investigation is being conducted.

NOTE:

By referenced airtel, Los Angeles furnished recipient offices with an LHM setting forth names and addresses of individuals and organizations listed in an address book belonging to AIM leader Russell Means. Recipients being instructed relative to investigation to be conducted inasmuch as Los Angeles instructed recipients of their airtel to conduct appropriate investigations regarding names of individuals and organizations listed. Review of LHM at FBIHQ revealed a number of individuals connected with the news media, public officials and organizations, attorneys, colleges and universities, clergy men, and entertainers were listed.



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Re Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, dated 10/19/73, and Los Angeles telephone calls to Rapid City Command Post, dated 10/21/73.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) concerning captioned subject.

Additional copies of LHM are being furnished to Bureau;

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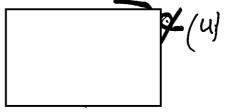
Ottawa. Also enclosed for each receiving office are two copies of the same LHM.

Sources utilized in the enclosed LHM are as follows:

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For the sake of clarity, the address telephone book of RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS has been retyped in full by the Los Angeles Division; however, the original xerox copy of same is maintained in the Exhibit Section of the Los Angeles Division.

Recipient offices are requested to conduct appropriate investigation regarding names of individuals and organizations from within the respective divisions. For the sake of simplicity, rather than specific leads being set forth, each office will be furnished with a page number of the telephone address book of captioned subject, in which names of the individuals appear who reside within their division.

Results of investigation conducted need not be furnished to Los Angeles Division unless pertinent.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California November 5, 1973

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT, OF JUSTICE

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RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS EXTREMIST MATTER -

AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT

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RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

Member of the On October 18, 1973, Source One advised Russell Charles Means, national American Indian Movement (AIM) leader, arrived in Los Angeles, California, at 11:30 p.m. via Western Airlines Flight 505, from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

The AIM was founded in Minnesota in 1968, dedicated to improving conditions for the American Indian. AIM recently led and participated in confrontations with local authorities in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, and the Rapid City-Custer area of South Dakota. AIM led the takeover and occupation of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, in February - May, 1973.

On October 19, 1973, Source Two advised that captioned individual spent the night of October 18, 1973, at the home of Los Angeles AIM activist.

On October 19, 1973, Source One advised that Means held a press conference the morning of October 19, 1973, at the Los Angeles American Indian Center, 600 South New Hampshire Avenue, Los Angeles, California, and spoke on the "definite assassination of Pedro Bissonette by Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) pigs and Federal Agents". Source further advised Means was scheduled to be the main guest on "Let's Rap", a Los Angeles talk show aired by station KTTV, Channel 11, Los Angeles, California.

The following is a transcript of the television show, "Let's Rap", in which captioned individual and Dr. Constance/Urie, Los Angeles AIM activist, were the main guests:

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ALICIA SANDOVA: RUSSELL MEANS is one of six militant American Indian Movement (AIM) leaders now facing trial objective felony counts for his participation in the 71 day armed take-over of Wounded Knee in South Dakota early in Spring this year.

Wednesday evening, October 17, a seventh defendant, PEDRO BISSONETTE, was killed by BIA Police near the Pine Ridge Reservation. Attorneys and AIM leaders, including Mr. MEANS, feel the slaying was actually an assassination executed by Federal Government Agents. We'll be rapping about the impending trial; about it's historical and legal implications; and later on we'll be joined by CONNIE URIE the Wounded Knee legal defense, Offense Committee, and we'll be rapping about the fund-raising efforts that are now going underway. Welcome to Let's Rap. I'm ALICIA SANDOVAL.

Exactly under what circumstances was Mr. BISSONETTE killed? RUSSELL MEANS: PEDRO had a warrant out for him for failure to appear at a Bond Revocation hearing of his from charges stemming out of Wounded Knee. His \$25,000 bond was revoked and a warrant was out, issued, for his arrest. He ah, on Pine Ridge. He was then enroute to his mother's place to pick her up and then they were going to go to one of our attorneys to talk with him and then turn himself in. The BIA pigs stopped him and shot him seven times in the chest in a 5 x 5 pattern with a .38, it looked like a .38, bullet holes seven times in the chest, which ah, I know is contrary to what the BIA claims. They claim he was

shot once with a notgun. However, ah, and times in the chest, three times in the hand, bullet went clean through his hand, it's a definite, you know, its definite SUNTINE assassination by Federal Agents. Ah, the harassment of American Indian Movement people across the country is horrendous at best. There was a policeman killed in Phoenix, Arizona, a ROMERO, ah Mr. ROMERO an AIM member, was arrested for the killing, alleged killing, in fact when he wasn't even anywhere near the scene of the crime. AIM people have been arrested on trumped-up charges such as in Southern Colorado and in Arizona, New Mexico, Gallup, in Minneapolis on misdemeanor charges and booked and fingerprinted and mugged on misdemeanor charges, trumped-up charges such as my brother, who was arrested allegedly for possession of marijuana and other narcotics, but that's as far as it got. The press got out that the brother of RUSSELL MEANS National AIM leader was arrested for narcotics, possession of, and then the next morning quietly dismissed and released from Jail. Of course the press did not state that they dismissed the charges, there was actually no evidence.

ALICIA: SANDOVAL: Do you feel that there will be a considered effort to eliminate all the six living defendants before the trial ever gets under way?

RUSSELL MEANS: There has been more killings on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation of AIM people and of Indian people and more shooting since Wounded Knee then all during the

whole siege. definitely, and this is a eleason why the present leadership of the AIM is now going with body guards. I've received threats on my life through the mails lin. person from the pigs, BIA pigs, on the Rosebud Reservation, on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, from local law enforcement authorities in the state of South Dakota, ah, I've received threats over the telephone.

ALICIA: SANDOVAL: is any of it from opposing tribes or members who are disenchanted with what's happening or is this all coming from the Federal Government? RUSSELL MEANS: We believe the conspiracy of the FBI and we base it on a contention of what L. PATRICK GRAY, who was then acting Director of the FBI stated in testimony hefore a Senate Committee last Warch and April that the White House directed the FBI back in the Spring of 1972 over a year and a half ago, to look into the explosive situation on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. And also to investigate and disrupt the AIM. Now the White House paranoia about so-called activists groups is well known and was stated by JOHN DEAN III in his testimony for the Watergate committee. Ah, they have in some instances, infiltrated our organization with snitches and with This ah, we know this already to be true. resulted in a shooting of CLYDE BELLECOURT. It has resulted now in the death of PEDRO BISSONETTE. There are only six of us left that are termed the major defendants of Wounded Knee....

RUSSELL MEANS: There's over 300 other defendants arrested from charges arising out of the seizure at Wounded Knee, and also pending another 127 for when the Federal Grand Jury reconvenes in South Dakota this year, ah, that are pending indictments.

ALICIA SANDOVAL: So it's almost, what, 150 people that total.....

RUSSELL MEANS: 450 directly related to Wounded Knee but other chargesstemming from before, incidents before Wounded Knee like at Custer, Sputh Dakota, where lo people have been indicted and some on Federal charges like DENNIS BANKS.

ALICIA: SANDOVAL: When will the trial actually begin, for the six, yourself, and the other five?

RUSSELL MEANS: Well, the government refused consolidation of the major defendants and DENNIS BANKS and myself are slated to go to trial first, either in the first four, third week in January probably in Minneapolis, Minnosota.

ALICIA: SANDOVAL: Sounds like another Pentagon Papers trial. We'll be back right after this....

ALICIAP SANDOVAL: We're rapping with RUSSELL MEANS a leader from the AIM and one of the six defeadants still alive facing trial shortly regarding the activity that occurred there in early Spring of this year. Mr. MEANS

will be employing during the trial?

RUSSELL MEANS: Well, one of the things that we had known publicly that of course our defense and the whole issue of Wounded Knee was the 1868 Sioux Treaty. That is the issue, it has always been the issue, there is no inner-Indian fights, there's no Indian fighting Indian, no matter what the Government does. The Government's a master at divide and conquer. And they will continue to try to play up the fact that Indian is fighting Indian and they will use their puppets that they have through the Indian Reorganization Act and on the reservations to continue to make it look like it's Indian Tighting Indian when ar definitely isn't. The whole assue it the 1868 Sioux Treaty, and that's going to be our defense, our primary defense in the upcoming trial. Now one thing that you should be aware of and everyone should be aware of is that these trials are the most important political trials of this century: Because, and this is for everyone, White, Black, Brown, Red, Yellow, the, ... if the American Indian, now Senator SAN IRVIN himself has stated in a speech, and he's the acknowledged Constitutional expert in the Senate, has stated without referring specifically to Indian people, and to anyone really, specifically, he has stated that Treaties are on par and equal to the Constitution of the United States. Treaties ratified by These Treaties supersede Federal State and the Congress. Now after a 105 years of abrogating and local laws.

dishonoring the greaty signed with the Land people and the Arapho, the 1868 Sioux Treaty. The AIM after being neople that we . invited in by the Oglala Wounded Knee to ascertain our rights under the Treaty, that is our defense. The Government has made a motion in Federal Court that will be decided on later on this month to disallow any reference in anyway, shape or form, to the 1868 Sioux Treaty during our trial. They say it has no relevance and that Indian people are wards of the Government and this is filed in a Federal brief and that the Constitution of the United States and the Bill of Rights does not apply to Indians living on Reservations, because .we're wards of the Government. Now if we are proven guilty or it a guilty verdict comes down from the jury in our trial that means every American Indian does not have any Treaty rights, the Chicano people who have Treaties with the Federal Government they have no Treaty rights. And if we haven't any Treaty rights then anybody can abrogate the Constitution of the United States so any time this country wants to tear up, like Nixon did when he arrested 15,000 white hippies in Washington D. C. on May Day in 1971, the country applauded Nixon for tearing up that Constitution in the shredding machine and just mass arrest of 15,000 people. The country applauded him, so he continued to tear up the Constitution and the result is Watergate, AGNEW resigning you know, this whole lawlessness of the White House, you know, extends throughout the whole Bureaucracy of the Federal Government especially and I'don't like to call

engaifically on Indian Reservations.

them Reservations because I consider the concentration camps. It is absolute tyranny, I don't expect any bheisto it believe me or even be able to relate or understand what it is like to live under a complete tyrannical dictatorship. And that's what life is on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. ALICIA SANDOVAL: But if you were able to win your point in terms of the historical framework that you're attorneys would like to use, what would then happen? Would all the land that belonged to your people have to you know, delivered back to you. Is that what you would really want? RUSSELL MEANS: The point that we are trying to make is that the United States of the Government rather than dealing with Indian people from behind armored personnel carriers and automatic weapons and anti-aircraft weapons, rather than dealing with any people like that, is just sit down at the table and ascertain and reaffirm our Treaties. We can renegotiate, we're not asking for new Treaties, we're asking for old ones to be lived up to by this Government. If this, if this, if this, Federal Government, all we're asking, simply put, is that the United States of America live up to its own laws. SANDOVAL: You'd be asked then to be recognized as ALICIA a Sovereign Nation as you did while you were at Wounded Knee. RUSSELL MEANS: It is my stated goal, I am presently a

Reservation. It is my stated goal, that, yes under the

candidate for the Presidency of the Pine Ridge Indian

1868 Sioux Tray, the provisions of tha Freaty, we wanted to become an independent Nation. However, other tribes with Treaties with the Federal Government, went to whatever IU. strategy's they take, you know, ce la vie good, however the Ôglala Sicux, the people I represent, the traditional people who still practice the religions of our ancestors, those people want to live under our Treaty, and to live under our Treaty then we have to be completely sovereign and independent, we don't want the Bureau of Indian Affairs. You see, the Federal Government rewards the Indian for being dependent and you can't be a responsible people if you're a dependent people. So we want to be independent. So that we can become responsible as a people and to continue our own life style, our own cultural system, our own value system, and that is important because we do not want to end up like the black man in this country.

ALICTA: SANDOVAL: We'll be back right after this.

ALICIA: SANDOVAL: We've been joined by CONDIE URIE member of the Wounded Knee Legal Defense, Offense committee. How are the fund-raising activities going at this point for all the defendents, CONNIE?

CONNIE: URIE: It has been difficult, ah, because we don't get enough exposure of the problem and we feel that, ah, we are going to have to reach the news media more. Ah, it seems like the only time we get any attention is when one of our people is, you know, assassinated or arrested or something like that. And ah, so in fund raising, ah, we're going to have to ah, get more exposure on it. We have ah,

Ah, many ah, other Civil Rights Groups ah, The this is a very have joined in because they realize ah, that this is a very political trial, and it's imperative that money be raised. This is the largest trial of Indian people in the history of the United States. And ah, we hope that the Indian people on trial can get justice, ah, in a White man's court. Ah,.... ALICIA SANDOVAL: Have the Attorney's estimated what the overall cost will be, do they have any idea at all?

RUSSELL MEANS: Yes, we need approximately for all the pending 600.......

ALICIA: SAND.OVAL: Cases;.....

RUSSELL MEANS: or more cases, we need approximately for to present an adequate defense a minimum of 1.200,000, dollars to raise. We've already expended over \$500,000 in bond money alone. We have spent just in the five short months that the committee has been in existence, over \$115,000 just on the operation. Now these attorneys are experienced trial attorneys and they are completely voluntary and all the legal workers are completely voluntary. All that is, we are trying to raise is just expense money for filing of briefs, for all the legal costs for the sundry office expenses, this type of thing. Telephone, our telephone bill runs \$3,000 a month. ALICIA. SANDOVAL: I wanted to pick up on the point you made right before our last commercial. When you drew an analogy to the condition of the native American in this country and the black man. What, ah. In a sense the black man is better off economically at least and politically than the

What did you reall mean when you made the stement. That you wouldn't want to end up as he has, he seems to be doing fairly well.

RUSSELL MEANS: Exactly, the native American, we want to remain Indian people we don't want to become a too big facsimile of a White man.

ALICIA SANDOJAL: Are you saying then that the black man to achieve his.....

RUSSELL MEANS: What we're saying is that the black man, we saw the black man come over to this country, brought over in the slave ships and when he came over he had a language of his own, religion of his own, culture of his own, value system of his own, a tribal background. However, because of the Genocidal policies or this country towards minorities, he was emasculated from his whole origin from Africa. And in effect he no longer has that tribal background, ah, there are exceptions to every rule of course, but ah, we do not want to see that genocide become successful among the ah, native American people, we have, we still, retain our language, we still retain our religions of our ancestors, we still retain our value system, our different way of looking at life, spiritually. And this we refuse to loose. And if we do not have Treaty rights, of course, then the genocidal policy as practiced by this country, will in a long term way have an effect. And we will actually become emasculated from our culture also.

ALICIA SANDOVAL: How is it different to have been colonized versus having been enslaved?

RUSSELL MEANS: Nothing. You know, see is a another ah, misconception of this country. Up until 1715 There were more American Indian slaves in this country than there were an, of other people. The reason, the basic reason, there are two reasons why Indian's weren't, didn't make good slaves. (1) We can split for the woods. And that would be it, you know. The other was our susceptibility to the diseases brought over by the Europeans. Their gonorrhea, their syphilis, their T.B., you know, all their filth. And so consequently, you know, we'd die off rather quickly in those slave camps, so they had to find someone that wasn't as susceptible to the diseases, so they went to Africa, unfortunately, and brought the black man here.

ALICIA SANDOVAL: Well, would you say that the native American is an endangered species, so to speak, even today?

RUSSELL MEANS: Definitely. You know this, this country is kinda odd that they have ruled protecting the whooping crane, and the eagle, and all these endangered species. What they should do, Congress should do, is pass a law to protect the native American from extermination. Now, they created the reservations system, out-of-sight, out-of-mind but it is no longer that case. Wounded Knee brought up the fact that the reservation's are alive and well, Indian people are alive and well, and we are not buried, you know, Bury my Heart at Wounded Knee. We are not buried, we are still alive and well, we're still the same people we were the last century, the

defeatury before that, and before the coming of the Europeans.

We are still alive and well.

ALICIA, SANDOVAL: Have you found that the take-over the BIA in November of last year and then of course the Wounded Knee occupation has created a greater consciousness in all native Americans and they, you're more militant now and that there will continue to be more in the future?

RUSSELL MEANS: I don't think that there's ah, more militancy, I just believe there's more sophistication and more conservatism among Indian people. That we have a right to self-determine our own lives. Be it in the cities or be it on the reservation, but we have that right and you cannot self-determine when you have to get permission, from the Federal Government, and this is the real issue, you know, very simply put, is that we cannot self-determine when we have to get permission.

ALICIA. SANDOVAL: Will the non-Indian people who are now living on the lands that rightfully belong to your people, would they have to leave if in fact you do get recognized as a Sovereign Government, would they have to move out or would you allow them to live peacefully with you?

RUSSELL MEANS: See, heretofor on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Federal Government is the trustee of our land. They do not and will not let us develop our own lands, they've leased it out to non-Indian interests. And we of course, will revoke those leases.

ALICIA: SANDOVAL: And ask them to leave...

Government to make sure that these non-Indians Only in and around the reservation don't get ripped off, because it's the Federal Government's fault for them being in there in the first place.

ALICIA SANDOVAL: We'll be back right after this, and we'll be giving you some phone numbers and a P.O. Box number you can write to if you'd like to help ah, the people involved in the Wounded Knee Legal Defense Offense committee. So don't go away.

ALICIA SANDOVAL: Welcome back, we've been rapping with RUSSELL MEANS and CONNIE URIE and in just a moment we will show you a full color slide with a P.O. Box number and a phone number that you may either write to or call, if you'd like to help. Now, CONNIE, what other kinds of help do you need, you need of course, money, but ah, he mentioned volunteers in the legal area.

CONNTE URIE: Well, ah, yes we need volunteers, ah, legal investigators, ah, legal secretaries, and lawyers, who are willing to go to Rapid City and to devote their time and expertise. Ah, primarily right now we need a lot of money. We have ah, Indian people in jail, we have people arrested almost daily that have, and they put exorbitant bonds on our people, incredible PEDRO BISSONETIE had a \$150,000 on him, after Wounded Knee. And, they know, of course, that Indian people don't have this kind of money. And then for the trials themselves, the preparation of it. We don't have all the money

that the Government has, and they're spendig millions of indollars to fight this case legally. They justification to learned, you know, the fact that we might win. And we hope to, we just have to have money, that's the name of the game, of having an adequate defense. Because we know that we will win, if we get to the court.

ALICIA: SANDOVAL: If you do win, half the land in this country will go back. We're going to show that full color slide right now, and I hope you're ready to take down that information.

CONNIE URIE: Wounded Knee Defense. Offense committee

P.O. Box 991 Rapid City, South Dakota, zip rode 57701. Ah,
you can also obtain information if you want to call directly.
Area code 605 - 318-3326. There is a......

ALICIA: SANDOVAL: There's also a bail bond phone number that we'll give now this is for ah, people to call locally. And ah, you can direct them at that point as to how they can be most helpful and that number is up on the monitor now if you'd like to read it.

CONNIE URIE: Yes, ah, anyone who might want to put up bail for a native American in jail, can call me CONNIE URIE at 276-0410. I'd like to just say real fast that when RUSSELL was in jail in the Minnehaha county jail, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, a Chicano lady from Los Angeles, put up \$35,000 for his release. So the money from Los Angeles helped to free RUSSELL.

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ABICIA SANDOVAL: We've run out of time, but I'm going to thank you both so much for being with us. Thank you for watching, have a nice day.

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RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

On October 20, 1973, Source Two advised that Means attended a luncheon held for the International Congress of Mexican Studies at the Miramar Hotel, Santa Monica, California, which was sponsored by the Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan (MECHA).

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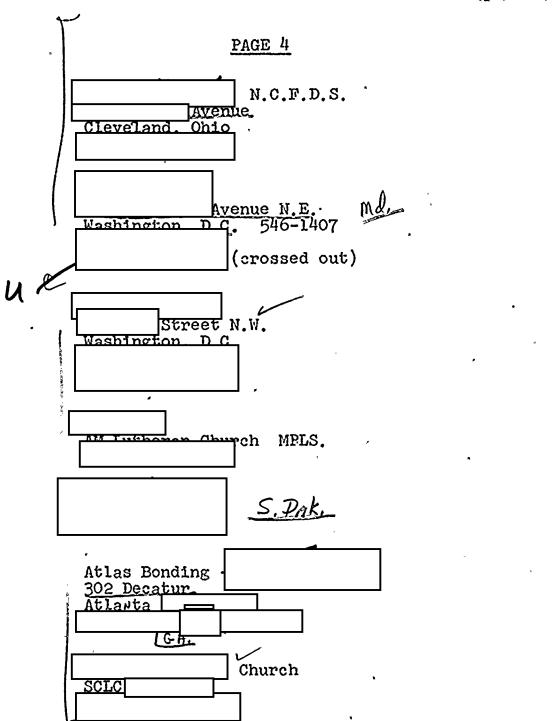
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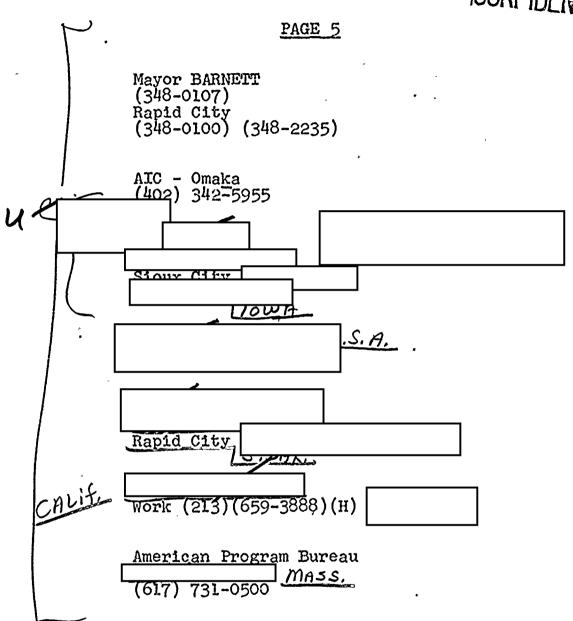
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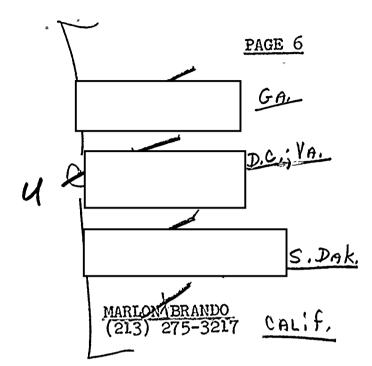
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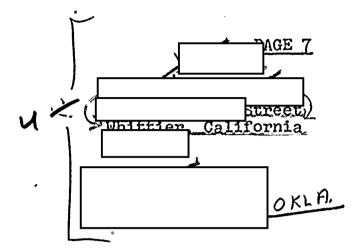
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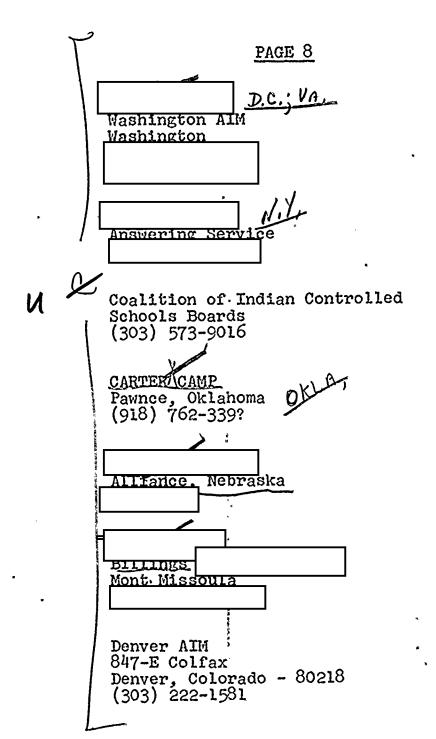
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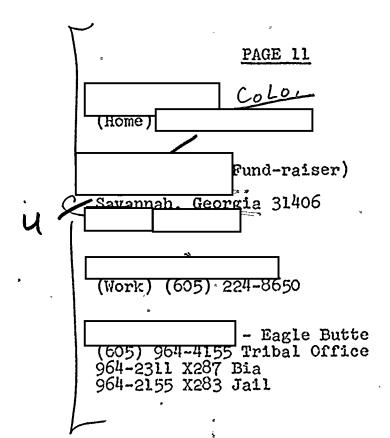
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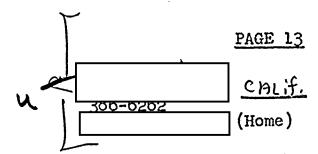
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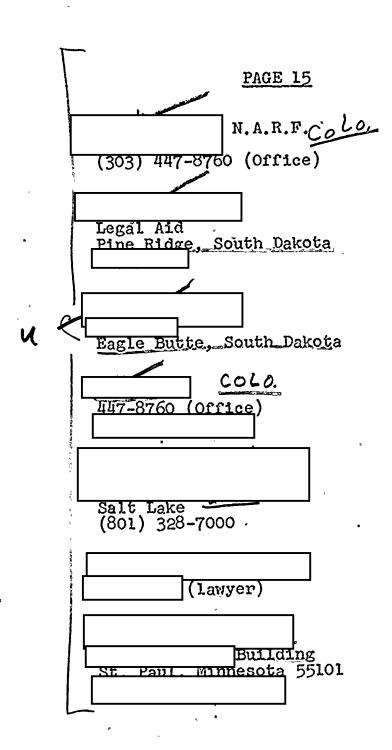
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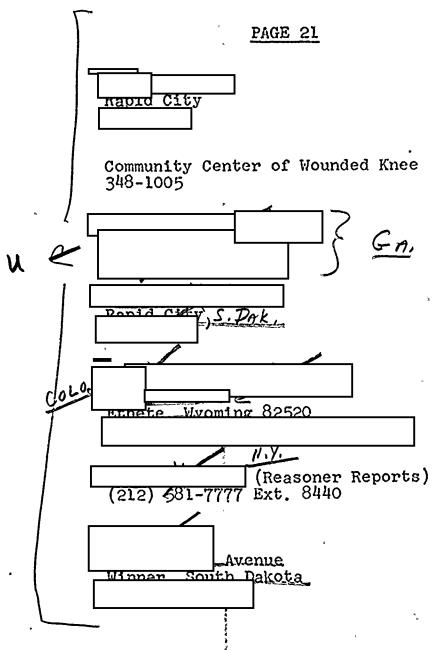
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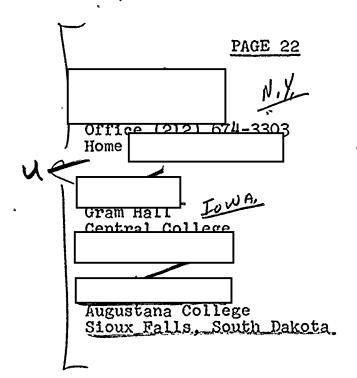


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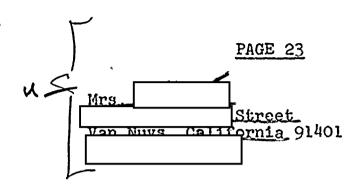


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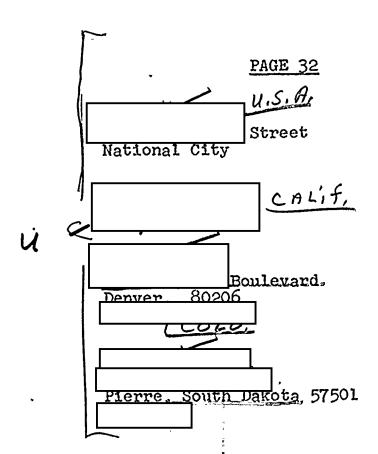
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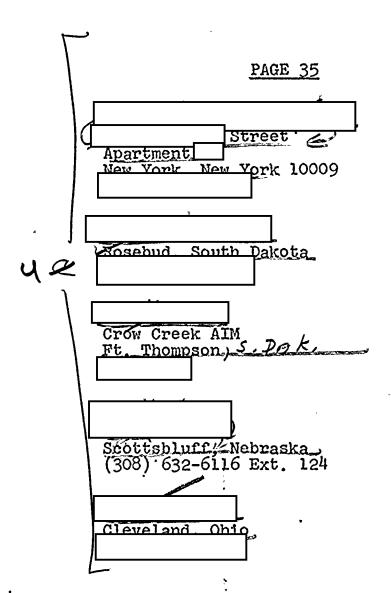
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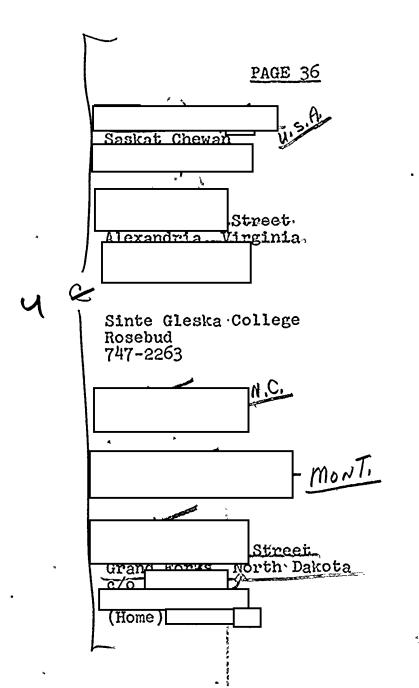
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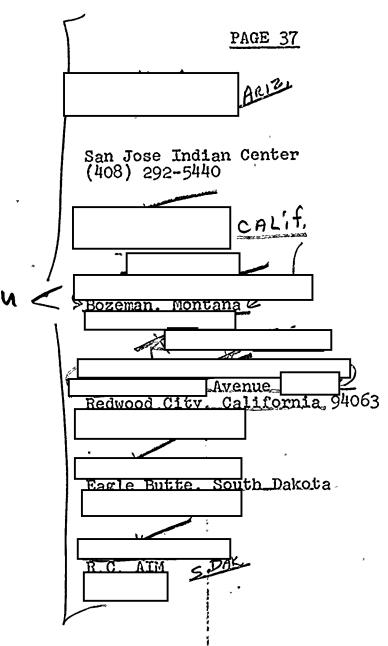
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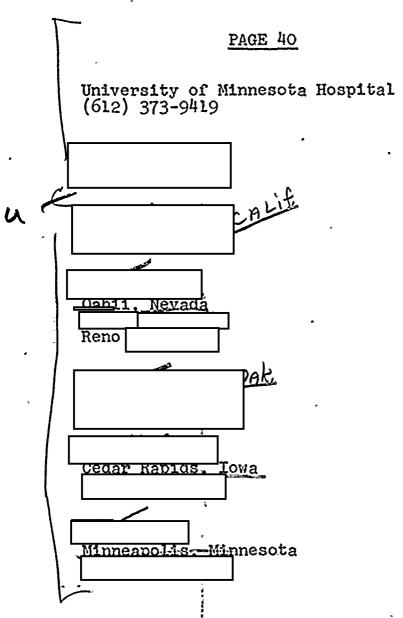
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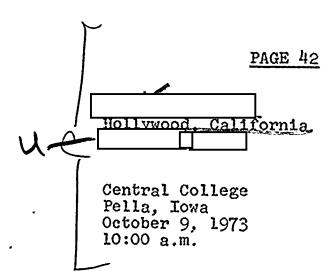


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b6 b7C Referenced IHM set forth names and addresses of individuals and organizations listed in an address book belonging to AIM leader, Russell Means. A review of this material reveals that several individuals and organizations could have well been legitimate contacts of Means and not engaged in extremist activity.

Accordingly, no investigation should be conducted solely on the names found where these individuals fall within the legitimate contact category.

You should review indices to ascertain if indices contain information on these individuals which, when coupled with the fact that names appear in Mean's book, would warrant an extremist matter investigation. If this appears to be the case, advise Bureau that you are instituting an appropriate investigation and set forth the individuals on whom this investigation is being conducted.

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DIRECTOR (ATTN INTD) TO

MINNEAPOLIS (157-1460)

FROM BUFFALO (157-2038) 2P P

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS, EM - AIM.

Assoc. Dir. Asst. Dir.: Admin. . Comp. Syst. Ext. Affairs Files & Com. Gen. Inv. ... Ident. Inspection . Intell. Labratory . Plan. & Eval. Spec. Inv. -Training ... Legal Coun. . Telephone Rm. Director 5 3

ON 11/16/73, SOURCE ONE WHO HAS PROVIDED RELIABLE INFO IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT MEANS WAS SCHEDULED TO SPEAK AT THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NY AT BUFFALO (SUNYAB) SOME TIME DURING THE MONTH OF NOV., 1973.

ON 11/8/73, SOURCE TWO, WHO HAS PROVIDED RELIABLE INFO IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT MEANS WAS SCHEDULED TO SPEAK AT SUNYAB ON 11/20/73.

ATTEMPTS TO VERIFY THE FOREGOING THROUGH A THIRD SOURCE, WHO HAS PROVIDED RELIABLE INFO IN THE PAST, WAS NEGATIVE UNTIL 11/16/73, WHEN THIS SOURCE CONFIRMED MEARS' APPEARANCE FOR 11/20/73, AT 7:30 PM IN THE UNIVERSITY UNION CONFERENCE HIS APPEARANCE IS BEING SPONSORED BY THE NATIVE AMERICAN 17 NOV 21 1973 CULTURAL AWARENESS ORGANIZATION.

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THE NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURAL AWARENESS ORGANIZATION IS A GROUP OF SHNYAB STUDENTS GENERALLY OF AMERICAN-INDIAN BAKCGROUND WHO SPONSOR PROGRAMS CONCERNING THE AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE. IT IS NOT KNOWN WHETHER OR NOT MEANS IS RECEIVING COMPENSATION FOR HIS APPEARANCE NOR IN WHAT AMOUNT.

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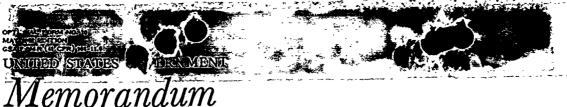
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(157-28313)

DIRECTOR. FBI

DATE: 11/21/73

(157-1476) (P) SAC. OMAHA

SUBJECT: RUSSELL CHARLES

EM - AIM

00: MINNEAPOLIS

Re Omaha letter to the Bureau and Minneapolis 9/27/73 and Minneapolis report of SA 8/28/73.14

County Attorney MARVIN L. HOLSCHER, Gering, Nebraska, on 11/16/73 advised there is no change in the prosecutive status of the charges against MEANS from the situation as it existed when he was contacted on 9/24/73.

HOLSCHER stated he is virtually positive MEANS will not be tried in Scotts Bluff County until the Federal charges against him are handled at St. Paul, Minnesota. HOLSCHER noted it is still his intention to prosecute MEANS.

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AT GERING, NEBRASKA

Will retain contact with HOLSCHER reporting the status of his local prosecution.

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TO

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE:

11/20/73

LOS ANGELES (157-8701) (P)

SUBJECTRUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

EM - AIM

00: Los Angeles

Re Minneapolis letter to Los Angeles, 10/9/73.

A review of subject's Los Angeles Police Department records #LA467708-M listed the following arrests and dispositions:

- 1) 1/18/59, drunk in public view - no disposition given on misdemeanors
- 2) 12/19/59, robbery - refused by City Attorney for lack of evidence
- 3) 2/13/60, drunk driving - no disposition given on misdemeanors
- 9/1/61, traffic warrant fine of \$50.00 4)
- 5) 4/16/62, drunk in public view - no disposition given on misdemeanors
- 6) 7/22/62, drunk in public view - no disposition given on misdemeanors

A review of subject's Los Angeles Sheriff's Office record #B961126 reflected subject was arrested for failure to appear and was sentenced to four days i

A review of Inglewood Police Department record #A 23264 reflected MEANS was sentenced to \$50.00 fine or ten days in jail.

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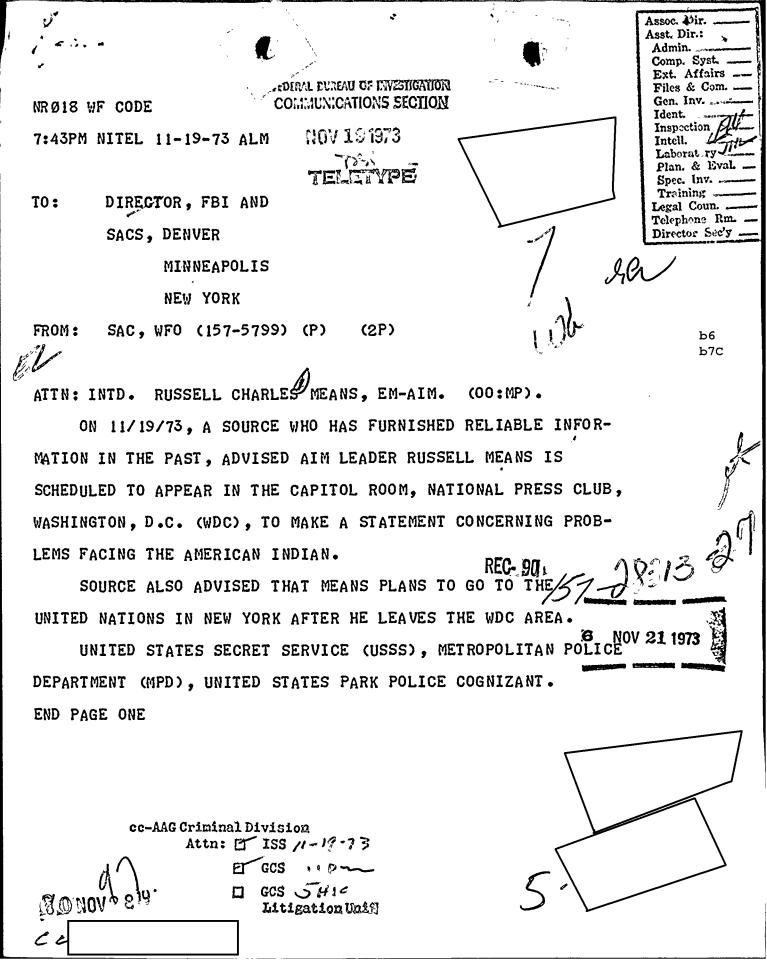


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LA 157-8701

Los Angeles will submit a letterhead memorandum (LHM) under the caption "California State American Indian Convention, 11/10 - 12/73, Simi Valley, California, EM - AIM", which includes information regarding MEANS' activities while in Los Angeles, 11/9 - 12/73; however, Los Angeles will prepare a seperate LHM regarding his appearance on television station KNBC's "Impacto" to be aired 11/24/73.



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ADMINISTRATIVE: SOURCE IS

MINNEAPOLIS ATTEMPT TO VERIFY ABOVE AND OBTAIN INFORMA-TION RE MEANS' TRAVEL.

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE WILL FOLLOW.

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- Identify sources of support.
 - Which countries would assist. 2.
 - Which Indians would assist. Which Indians would sell out.
 - Which Non-Indians would assist.
 - Which Non-Indians would resist.

- B. Tax all non-Indians within original boundaries of Reservation.
 - 1. Easement and right of way taxes.
 - 2. Charge tolls on all roads into reservation.
 - 3. Taxes on deeded lands within reservation.
 - 4. Sales taxes.
- C. Establishment of Townships.
 - 1. Zoning of townships.
 - 2. Taxes for costs of maintaining townships.
- D. Establish strong lobby in D.C. and at U.N.
 - 1. Seek out and confer with other nations.

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- a. Political Involvement.
- b. Economic Agreements.
- c. Establish Trade Agreements (Export/Import) with U.S.

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*Question on \$2,000 (approximate) given to CLYDE BELLECOURT by STEVEN ROBIDEAUX in St. Paul upon arrival of the Northern Caravan (Nov. 11, 1972).

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 157-1460

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Minneapolis, Minnesota

November 27, 1973

Title

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

Character

EXTREMIST MATTERS - AMERICAN INDIAN

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Reference

Minneapolis report of Special Agent

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as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date _____11/23/73

Attached indicates Russell Means. American Indian Movement (AIM) national leader held press conference in Washington. D. C., 11/21/73, stating he delivered "bill of particulars" to President Nixon relative to 1868 treaty with Lakota Sioux Indians.

Means stated if Indian requests not justly satisfied, the United States (U.S.) is in for an "unhappy birthday" during 1976 bicentennial. He claimed AIM has strong ties in Canada and has formed a coalition with black, Chicano and white groups to help them meet their demands. He stated AIM is presently trying to establish relationships with countries economically independent of the U.S. If U.S. does not live up to its laws on Indian Affairs, he stated there will be protests and Indians "would rather die fighting than submit to the tyranny of this country."

Above information furnished Secret Service, Criminal Division (Internal Security and General Crimes Sections) of the Department, and Department of Interior.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

1104 PM NITEL 11-21-73 WWC

TO:

DIRECTOR, FSI AND

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MINNEAPOLIS

NEW YORK

FROM: SAC, WFO (157-5799) (P) (3P)

ATTN: INTD. RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS, EM-AIM, (00:MP).

RUSSELL MEANS HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE THIS DATE AT THE NATIONAL PRESS CLUB, WASHINGTON, D.C. (WDC) AT WHICH TIME HE ANNOUNCED THAT HE, REPRESENTING THE SOVEREIGN OGLALA SIOUX NATION, HAD DELIVERED A "BILL OF PARTICULARS" TO PRESIDENT NIXON CONCERNING THE TREATY OF 1868 BETWEEN THE LAKOTA PEOPLE, OF WHICH THE OGLALA SIOUX ARE A PART, AND THE UNITED STATES. MEANS STATED THE "BILL OF PARTICULARS" HAS BEEN PRESENTED SO THAT THE UNITED STATES CAN MAKE CLEAR, IN WRITING, ITS UNDERSTANDING OF THE LEGAL EFFECT OF THIS TREATY.

MEANS STATED THAT IF THE REQUESTS OF THE INDIAN PEOPLE

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"UNHAPPY BIRTHDAY" WHEN IT CELEBRATES ITS BICENTENTAL IN 1976.
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COUNTRY AND CANADA AND HAS FORMED A COALITION WITH BLACK,
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MEANS STATED AIM IS PRESENTLY TRYING TO ESTABLISH RE-LATIONSHIPS WITH COUNTRIES ECONOMICALLY INDEPENDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO HELP AIM ATTAIN THEIR GOALS.

MEANS STATED THAT IF THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT LIVE UP TO ITS LAWS ON INDIAN AFFAIRS, THERE WILL BE DEFINITE PROTESTS AND STATED, "WE WOULD RATHER DIE FIGHTING THAN SUBMIT TO THE TYRANNY OF THIS COUNTRY".

SOURCE ADVISED MEANS DEPARTED THE WDC AREA IN THE LATE AFTERNOON THIS DATE AND WAS BELIEVED EN ROUTE TO DENVER, COLORADO AND THEN TO RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA.

SOURCE ADVISED MEANS MADE NO MENTION OF TRAVELING TO NEW YORK, EXCEPT THAT HE DID PLAN TO GO TO THE UNITED NATIONS SOMETIME IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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ADMINISTRATIVE: RE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (WFO) TELS
DATED 11/19/73 AND 11/20/73.

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FOR THE INFORMATION OF DENVER AND MINNEAPOLIS, MEANS BOARDED UNITED AIRLINES FLIGHT 177 TO DENVER AT 5:40 P.M. INSTANT DATE.

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DETROIT (157-NEW) FROM

RUSSELL C. MEANS, EM- AIM, OO: MINNEAPOLIS.

THE DETROIT NEWS, A DETROIT EVENING NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION, CARRIED AN ARTICLE ON 11/22/73, THAT THE SUBJECT HAS BEEN INVITED TO SPEAK AT A BANQUET ON 12/6/73, AT 3067 EAST GRAND BOULEVARD, DETROIT, MICHIGAN. MEANS IS BEING SPONSORED BY THE ARMERICAN INDIAN SERVICES (AIS). THE ARTICLE IN THE DETROIT NEWS FURTHER STATED THAT MONIES DERIVED FROM THIS BANQUET WILL BE USED TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT FOR AIS.

THE AIS IS A DETROIT ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED TO HELP INDIANS WITH ALCOHOLIC AND DRUG PROBLEMS. THE ORGANIZATION'S HEADQUARTERS IS A MEETING PLACE FOR THE DETROIT CHAPTER 157-AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT (AIM) . REC.RA THE AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT (AIM) WAS FOUNDED IN-MINNESOTA IN 1968, DEDICATED TO IMPROVING CONDITIONS, NOV 26 1973

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FOR THE AMERICAN INDIAN. AIM RECENTLY LED AND PARTICIPATED IN CONFRONTATIONS WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN SCOTTSBLUFF, NEBRASKA, AND THE RAPID CITY - CUSSTER AREA OF SOUTH DAKOTA. AIM LED THE TAKEOVER AND OCCUPATION OF WOULDED KNEE, SOUTH DAKOTA, IN FEBRUARY THROUGH MAY, 1973.

ON INSTANT DATE, USING A SUITABLE PRETEXT,

A MEMBER OF DETROIT AIM, WAS CONTACTED AND ADVISED THAT MEANS
WILL SPEAK AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS AT 8:00 PM, AND TICKETS COST
\$25.00 EACH OR TWO FOR \$40.00.

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DETROIT WILL COVER THE BANQUET THROUGH SOURCE COVERAGE.

MICHIGAN STATE POLICE AND DETROIT POLICE DEPARTMENT, INTELLIGENCE UNITS, HAVE BEEN ADVISED.

AIS IS THE SUBJECT OF DETROIT FILE 157-10224.

WAS CONTACTED AT TELEPHONE NUMBER 871-5330. THE TELEPHONE NUMBER
IS SUBSCRIBED TO BY AIS.

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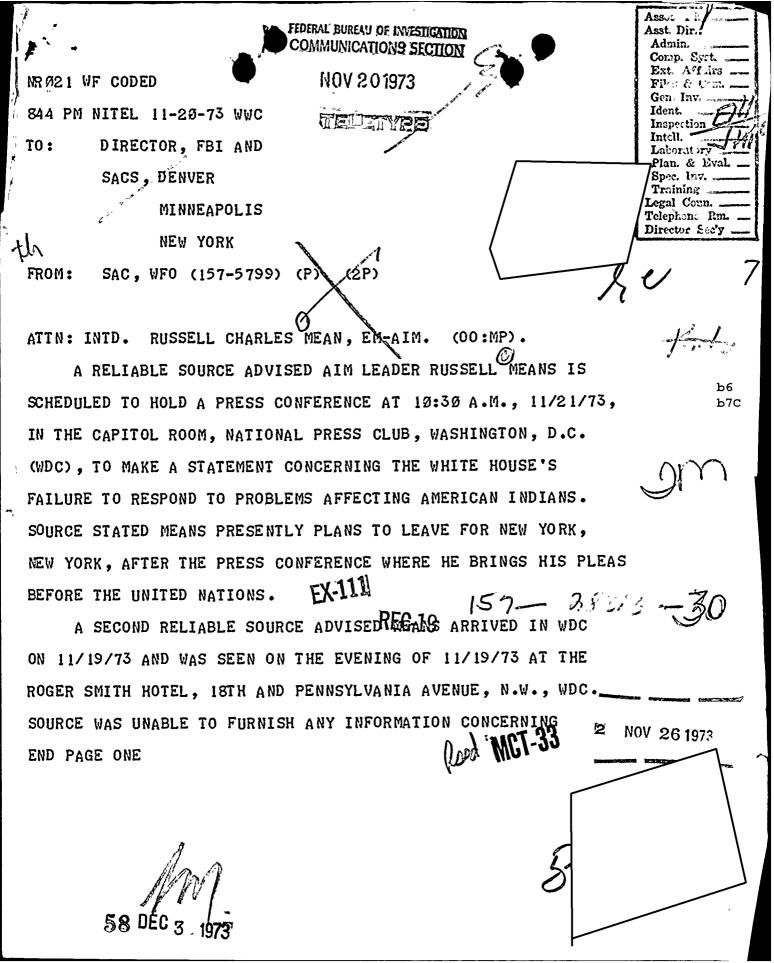
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I):	DIRECTOR, FBI (157-28313) DATE: 12/4/73
PALESTI.:	SAC, BUFFALO (157-2038) (P)
subject:	RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS EM - AIA
	Re Los Angeles airtel dated 11/5/73, and Bureau airtel dated 11/26/73.
	For the information of the Bureau Referenced Los Angeles airtel contained the name of whose address was listed only as Irving, New York. Buffalo has instituted background investigation regarding this individual, inasmuch as the area of Irving, New York, is the area of the Cattaraugus Indian Reservation and was the scene of recent secession activities on the part of a small minority of the Seneca Nation of Indians, which was led primarily by one who was previously known to the Bureau and Euffalo.
	to Buffalo indices contained no reference buffalo deems it advisable to determine whether or not any pertinent relationship exists that would reflect on any extremist activity and further, that should such relationship exist.
	Based on the foregoing and UACB, Buffalo will conduct sufficient investigation to determine if is or has the potential to be, involved in any extremist activity.
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Denver letter to Louisville dated 11/5/73.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

The information contained within this report regarding the search of the repossessed automobile of DALE MEANS, brother of RUSSELL MEANS, is set forth for the information of the receiving offices, who may have interest in the names disclosed on the papers which were believed to be the property of RUSSELL MEANS. Receiving offices may wish to index said names for future reference. Said FD 302 was not available for insert into the report dated 8/28/73.

Two copies of form FD 376 are attached for the Bureau; one copy of form FD 376 is being disseminated to the United States Secret Service, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Characterizations of individuals and organizations mentioned in this report are set forth where available to the Minneapolis Office.

Information regarding the disposition of MEANS' arrests as well as verification MEANS attended the universities as stated by MEANS to Gallery Magazine (referenced report), will be included in the next report.

LEADS

CLEVELAND

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

An information copy of this report is being forwarded <u>Cleveland</u> in view of disclosure of addresses in Cleveland in the FD 302 of which may be of interest to Cleveland.

DENVER

AT DENVER, COLORADO

An information copy of this report is being forwarded Denver in view of their interest in RUSSELL MEANS and AIM activities.

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LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA '

An information copy of this report is being forwarded Los	s Angeles
in view of their interest in RUSSELL MEANS and ARM activities. and	in view
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OKLAHOMA CITY

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

An information copy of this report is being forwarded Oklahoma City in view of their interest in RUSSELL MEANS and AIM activities.

PHOENIX

AT TEMPE, ARIZONA

Will, at Arizona State University, review school records in the name of RUSSELL C. MEANS, born 11/10/39, in an attempt to secure MEANS' dates of attendance, name of wife, and other pertinent background information not referred to under "Descriptive Information" in this report.

SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Will attempt to determine the disposition of the 4/1/64 arrest of RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS.

MINNEAPOLIS

AT RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA

- 1. Will, through United States District Court (USDC), District of South Dakota, follow prosecution of RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS.
 - 2. Will follow travel of MEANS.
 - 3. Will compile summary of the college education of MEANS.

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INFORMANTS

On 9/14/73	and on 10/5/73 and 10/23/73,
and	were contacted. These sources were in a position
to know any unpublished rea	son for MEANS' 9/11/73 visit to the Atlanta,
Georgia, area. None of the	above sources were aware of MEANS' visit.

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MP T-3 is Mrs. DesMoines, Iowa (at her request).

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ED STATES DEPARTMENT OF FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

November 27, 1973

Director United States Secret Service Department of the Treasury Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service. 2. Attempts or threats to redress grievances. 3. Threatening or abusive statement about U.S. or foreign official. 4. [7] Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments. 5. Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity. 6. Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect. 7. Departually dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U.S. is not available. enclosed Photograph [X] has been furnished Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1) U. S. Secret Service, Minneapolis, Minnesota

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RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

EXTREMIST MATTERS -

Characters AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT

Synopsis: Travel of RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS set forth. Trial of MEANS at

St. Paul, Minnesota, scheduled for 1/8/73. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TRAVEL OF RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

Subject traveled to Atlanta, Georgia, on approximately September 11, 1973, to campaign and solicit funds for the American Indian Movement (AIM).

MP T-1 September 11, 1973.

Subject held a press conference on September 11, 1973, in Atlanta, Georgia, to protest a motion filed in Federal Court by the united States Justice Department, which would rule the 1868 treaty between the Sioux Indians and the United States inadmissable as evidence in the upcoming trial of MEANS.

From an article from the "Atlanta Constitution," a daily newspaper published in Atlanta, Georgia, September 12, 1973, edition.

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Subject created a disturbance at the Farmers State Bank, Mission, South Dakota, with approximately 35 other Indian males, on August 13, 1973, following the refusal of bank officials to immediately cash a personal check for \$1,500.00 for BILL and TED MEANS, brothers of subject.

Cashier

Farmers State Bank Mission, South Dakota September 24, 1973.

Subject traveled to Minneapolis, Minnesota, on September 25, 1973, and spoke at Northrup Hall on the University of Minnesota campus.

MP T-2 September 25, 1973.

Subject traveled to Des Moines, Iowa, on October 8, 1973, and thereafter traveled to Pella, Iowa, where he spoke at Central College.

MP T-3 October 8, 1973.

Subject traveled to Los Angeles, California, on October 18, 1973, and held a press conference at the Los Angeles American Indian Center, the theme of which was "Definite Assassination of PEDRO BISSONETTE by BIA Pigs and Federal Agents."

MP T-4 October 19, 1973.

Subject attended funeral of PEDRO BISSONETTE on October 23, 1973, at the Pine Ridge, South Dakota, Indian Reservation.

From an article from the "Minneapolis Star," a daily newspaper serving the City of Minneapolis, Minnesota, October 23, 1973.

MP T-1 advised the following individuals are known members of the American Indian Movement (AIM):

BILL MEANS
TED MEANS
PEDRO BISSONETTE (deceased)

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AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT

The articles of incorporation of the American Indian Movement (AIM), were filed with the Minnesota Secretary of State, St. Paul, Minnesota, on October 1, 1968, and stated that the purpose of this corporation is to solicit and broaden opportunities and general welfare for the urban Indians in order that he may enjoy his full rights as a citizen of these United States, also his special rights as an Aborigine.

On December 18, 1972,

Officer, Judicial, Prevention and Law Enforcement, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Minneapolis, Minnesota, advised that the American Indian Movement (AIM), claims to be an Indian civil rights organization whose stated purpose is to enhance the social, educational, and economic status of Indians. In reality, however,

advised, AIM is a militant organization and its leaders believe in direct confrontation with authority.

LEGAL STATUS OF MEANS, DISTRICT OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Subject granted a change of venue on October 25, 1973, by United States District Court (USDC), Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to St. Paul, Minnesota, with trial scheduled to begin January 8, 1974.

United States District Court Rapid City, South Dakota November 8, 1973.

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SEARCH OF AUTOMOBILE OF RUSSELL MEANS

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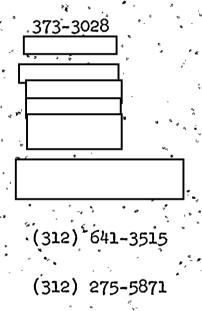
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Dakota, advised that an automobile belonging to

Mission, South Dakota

RUSSELL MEANS, had been repossessed by a finance company. Chief DEUCHER advised a representative of the finance company turned over to him several items found in the automobile. Among these items was a brown attache case. Chief DEUCHER examined the contents of the case and found numerous items that he assumed belonged to RUSSELL MEANS due to the fact his name was on several envelopes. Chief DEUCHER made the attache case available at the Mission Jail and the contents of it were examined and pertinent items were inventoried as follows:

Personal phone book containing the following numbers and names:



(612) 333-2801 (9792)

State Department of Education

(home)

American Beauty School
3329 Broadview Road
Cleveland, Ohio
American Indians United
116 South Michigan Avenue
Suite 302, Chicago, Illinois
American Indian Center
1630 West Wilson
Chicago, Illinois
American Indian Movement
(DENNIS BANKS)
1337 East Franklin Avenue
CLYDE BELLECOURT

Minneapolis, Minnesota

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	696-1100 .	
	- Home 421-7880 - Office	
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•	651-2037	C.R.A.S.H., Inc. W.S.E.M. 4315 Bridge Avenue Cleveland, Ohio
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•	432-2380 - Office - Home	Road "Cleveland Heights, Ohio

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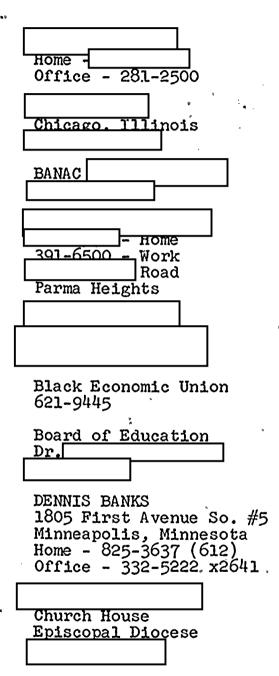
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398-2800	WV1Z-TV, Ch 25
241-1020 X3	Library (Mrs.)
651-2037	West Side Ecumenical Ministry

- Home	4315 Bridge Cleveland, Ohio
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771-7297	Westside Community house 3000 Bridge
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(605)867-5168	Economic Development - Admin Pine Ridge, South Dakota

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То	From ·	<u>Date</u>
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> Cleveland Bar Association - Terminal Tower Cleveland, Ohio 696-3525

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Catholic Diocese Bishop COSGROVE 696-6525

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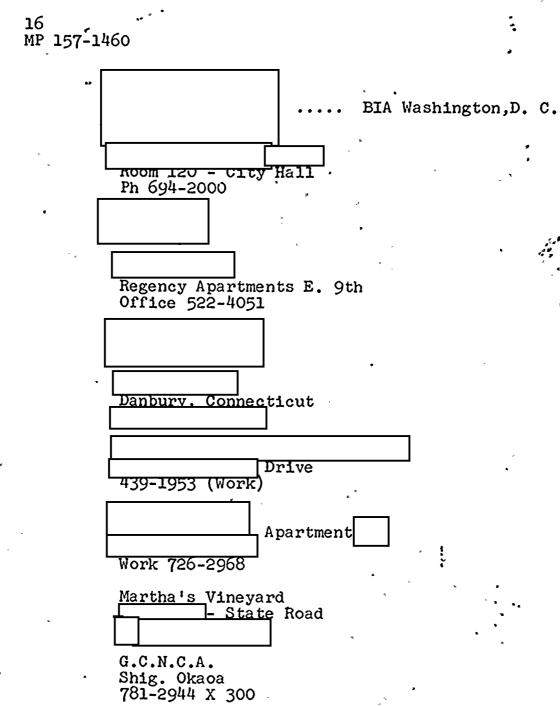
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

November 29, 1973

Director United States Secret Service Department of the Treasury Washington, D. C. 20220

RE:

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization b	elieved
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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley

Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) 2) (BY HAND) U. S. Secret Service, Cleveland, Ohio

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Cleveland, Ohio

November 29, 1973

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT (AIM)

American Indian Movement (AIM) has been described by CLYDE BELLECOURT as being dedicated to equal and fair treatment to Indians and is also dedicated to improving Indian housing in cities, developing youth programs for Indian students, improving Indian employment programs and educating Indians about their responsibilities in the cities.

On November 19, 1973, CV T-1, who is in a position to provide reliable information and who has done so in the past, advised that Russell Means spoke at the University of Toledo, Toledo, Ohio Student Union Auditorium on November 16, 1973 and that the University of Toledo Student Body Government was the sponsor of Russell Means. Source advised that in his speech Means stated that the Indian in the United States has three enemies, the United States of America, Christianity and education. Means stated that Christianity is a major enemy because the Indians have suffered under it and that Christianity has no respect for "our brothers vision". Means stated that the United States government in that it did not live up to treaties which it signed with the Indians and that education was an enemy in that it merely taught individuals to go after monetary goals, rather than to aid their fellow man.

The same source advised that after the speech, Means advised that the leadership of the American Indian Movement (AIM) has decided to disrupt the 200th birthday of the United States in 1976, if the Indian treaties are not effectively dealt with. Means advised that the AIM leaders will do this by all their powers and coalitions and by whatever means are necessary, although he would not elaborate on that statement further.

RE: RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

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The following article appeared in The Toledo Blade, a daily newspaper in Toledo, Ohio, on November 17, 1973:

AIM Officer , Names Foes | Of U.S. Indian

Cites Government, Schools, Christianity As Worst Enemies

Education, Christianity, and the United States of America are the worst enemies of the American Indian, Russell Means, Coordinator of the American Indian Movement, told a University of Toledo audience Friday.

In a press conference after his speech, Mr. Means, who participated earlier this year in the armed occupation of the village of Wounded Knee, S.D., threatened an Indian disruption of America's 1976 bicentennial celebration unless treaty commitments to the Indians are met.

Turned From Beliefs

He said that Christianity and education have alienated Indian neoples from their religious and cultural beliefs and that the Federal Government has stolen the land on which the Indian lived, turning him into a refugee in his own homeland.

The major purpose of his movement, Mr. Means said, is to force the Federal Government to honor treaty commitments.

At issue currently, according to Mr. Means, is an 1868 treaty coding territory to the Oglain Soux of South Dakota, which the AIM spokesman formerly of Ceveland, considers as his tribe. The treaty has not been honored, he contends.

No Specific Outline

Mr. Means would not specify what form disruption of the nation's 200th birthday might take "We are not asinine enough to attempt to engage the military forces of the United States," he sald in the press conference.

"We don't want to overthrow the United States of America," the Indian spokesman said of the Oglalo Sioux land claim. "We don't want anything to do with it. We want our own independent country."

But Mr. Means acknowledged that a free and independent Sioux Indian nation would have to adapt in some ways to modern technology.

Schools Started

"You don't have to tell- me that the buffalo are gone," he said. "but we can adapt our way of life to today and tomorrow."

Schools have already been started by AIM in Minneapolls, St. Paul Rapid City, S.D., and Milwaukee, to teach their native culture to young Indians, he said.

But he contended that the Federal Government is attempting to destroy AIM because it poses a threat to the American, economy, which be claims is dependent on coal-rich Indian lands.

RE: RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

The following article and photograph appeared in The Collegian, Toledo, Ohio, on November 19, 1973:

US must live up to its treaties, Indian leader says

By Cindy Haddad News Editor

The American Indian Movement (AIM) wants the United States of America to live up to its own laws, and this means keeping treaties it has made with the red man. Russell Means said Wednesday at noon in The University of Toledo's Student Union auditorium.

Mr. Means is the national coordinator for AIM representing the Oglala Sloux of Pine Ridge, S.D. which is about 20 miles from Wounded Knee. He was among those who participated last year in holding Wounded Knee, the site of an Indian massicre in 1890, from Feb. 27 to May 8.

In a press conference after the speech in room 3020 of the Student Union. Mr. Means requested an opening statement in which he said the leadership of AIM has decided to disrupt the 200th birthday the United States is hoping to celebrate in 1976 if the Indian treaties are not effectively dealt with. The AIM leaders will do his by all their powers and coalitions and whatever means are necessary, he said.

He would not specify further exactly what those means were but "you can take"

what those means were, but "you can take it (the statement) for what it's worth," he added.

Sen. Sam Ervin, an authority on the U.S. Constitution said that treaties made and ratified by this country are on par and equal to the U.S. law of the land, and they supersede federal, state and local laws, Mr. Means said. Therefore, Mr. Means added every American should take a great interest in his and Dennis Banks' trials or Jan. 8, 1974, because "if we have no rights,"

AIM has identified the three major enemies of Indians as the United States of America, Christianity and education, Mr. Means said.

"Christianity is a major enemy because.

s we know it. as we have suffered under
it. it has no respect for our brothers' vision." Red men never had missionaries
because they had respect for their brothers'
vision, he explained.

White men teach the Indian children to flonor their fathers and mothers and then dall their parents primitive pagans. Mr. Means said. "They say 'thou shall not steal, and then they steal our land. They say 'thou shall not kill, and our young people have 10 times the suicide rate of the rest of America." he added. At the Holy Rosary Missionary for the Oglala Sloux there is a suicide attempt every two weeks during the school year, he said.

Mr. Means explained that to understand the red man of the Western Hemisphere is to understand that to be an Indian is to be spiritual. An Indian's spirituality dictates his social, economic and political way of life; he said.

This is based on a belief that all living things come from one mother-mother earth—and must be treated with reverence and respect since they are blood relatives he added.

When Wounded Knee was occupied, all the Indians were negotiating over was the treaty of 1868 which gives the Oglala Indians that land, Mr. Means said, "We do not want equality but sovereignty," he added.

"I really can't explain to you how it feels to walk in freedom, only those of you who know the tyranny and oppression of the American government can understand or have empathy, he said.

The occupation of Wounded Knee helped the Indians because there is increased awareness of the red man's situation especially with the news media. Mr. Means said, and added that young Indian's pride in their people has also increased.

Mr. Means said he plans to run for president of the Oglala tribe but, because the Bureau of Indian Affairs has total control over the Indians lives, he is certain he won't be elected.

According to Mr. Means, the American Indian Movement does not claim to represent the Indian population or any segment of it, AIM represents a fact of their lives.



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Director, FBI (157-28313) From:

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

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ReCVairtel 10/11/73 setting forth lead for Cincinnati to contact Station WDLW, Dayton, Ohio, in an effort to obtain audio tape of interview of subject conducted by that station.

This will confirm Bureau telephone call to Supervisor Victor Carrelli, Cincinnati Office, 10/19/73, to disregard the above Gleveland lead since it is not felt that contact with Station WDLW is desirable in this matter.

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NOTE:

Subject is a member of the National Board of Directors of American Indian Movement and is currently under indictment on charges arising out of Wounded Knee. It is not felt Cincinnati should contact above radio station in this matter.

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	On 10/10/73, subject, a major leader of the American Indian Movement (AIM) at Wounded Knee, appeared on
	the Phil Donahue Television Morning Show on Station WJW, /
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DATE: 12/7/73

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SUBJECT: RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

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Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau 11/5/73 with LHM enclosed; Bureau airtel to Kansas City 11/26/73.

Investigation is being instituted by Kansas City entitled "INDIAN GR OF TOPEKA, 407 W. LYMAN ROAD, TOPEKA, KANSAS" as listed on page 35 in referenced LHM, to determine identity of the organization and if it is fostering AIM activities.

All other names mentioned in LHM within the Kansas City Division have been investigated in the past.

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In his speech, MEANS stated that the United States can expect more disruptions similar to the 2/27 seizure of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, if it fails to take a more aggressive policy towards solving Indian problems. MEANS went on to say "By 1976, the United States had better deal with its treaty obligations or that birthday party white America is planning will be an unhappy one."

MEANS further said that AIM, in cooperation with other Indian organizations, will re-establish a separate and independent state within the United States. "If this sovereignty doesn't become a reality, this nation will be chaos, because blacks, Chicanos and other groups will support us."

The article further stated that MEANS was in Boston as part of a two-month tour to raise funds, enlist legal volunteers and attract media attention to defendants in the upcoming Wounded Knee trials. MEANS told the gathering that more than 300 people were indicted for various offenses relating to the 71-day seizure of the Pine Ridge reservation town.

MEANS also advised the group that he will begin his candidacy for the presidency of the Pine Ridge Tribal Council in a primary to be held on 1/2/74. MEANS stated that, if the Bureau of Indian Affairs allows him to run, he will vindicate himself against the charges that Wounded Knee was not supported by all of the Oglala Sioux. If elected, MEANS promised to abolish his office and the tribal government system in order to remove the reservation's Indians from the ultimate authority of the Federal Government.

According to this article, "MEANS' present fund drive has yielded less than \$150,000 to date."

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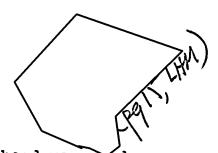
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RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

EM - AIM

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Re Los Angeles letter and letterhead memorandum to Bureau captioned, "California American Indian Movement, 11/10-12/73, Simi Valley, California, EM - AIM," 11/30/73, and Los Angeles letter to Bureau captioned, "RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS, EM - AIM," 11/20/73.

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Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) reflecting subject's appearance on KNBC's television program entitled, "IMPACTO." Also enclosed for Minneapolis are two copies of the same LHM as Minneapolis is origin.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.-

Los Angeles, California December 12, 1973

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS EXTREMIST MATTERS -AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT

Unless otherwise stated, all sources mentioned in this communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

Source advised on November 9, 1973, that captioned individual, American Indian Movement leader, arrived in Los Angeles, California, November 9, 1973, and taped a television interview for the television show entitled, "Impacto" to be aired November 24, 1973.

The American Indian Movement (AIM) was founded in Minnesota in 1960, cedicated to improving conditions for the American Indian. AIM recently led and participated in confrontations with local authorities in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, and the Rapid City-Custer area of South Dakota. AIM led the takeover and occupation of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, in February-May, 1973.

The following is a transcript of the television show, "Impacto" in which captioned individual and Randy Edmonds, Director of the Indian Center Inc., were the main guests:

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ANNOUNCER: That storm brings destruction and death but it also brings rain to grow the grass for new life, for there is good in everything. The center of the storm, called Wounded Knee, is RUSSELL MEANS. RUSSELL MEANS, welcome to "Impacto". VERNON BELLECOURT, AIM leader, said, "If AIM fails to get Federal action to improve life for American Indians, AIM will become the uninvited guest to America's 200th birthday celebration and blow out the candles". RANDY EDMONDS, Director of the Indian Center, welcome to "Impacto".

RANDY EDMONDS: Thank you.

ANNOUNCER: Mr. MEANS, what is, what is the significance of Wounded Knee?

RUSSELL MEANS: The significance of Wounded Knee was before, during, and after our treaty rights, you know, the uh the United States Government and even the press foul--fouled to that whole rap that it was Indian fighting Indian. That's not the case. That's incidental to our treaty rights. The 1868 Sioux Treaty is what Wounded Knee was all about and is still today; because, of course, I'm going to court over it;

and uh, so is DENNIS BANKS and and the other four so-called leaders of Wounded Knee and over 300 other defendants are going to court to prove that our treaty rights are more important than our own lives.

ANNOUNCER: RUSSELL, one of the things that surprises a lot of us in the movement, and in the Chicano movement, and in the ethnic movement, is that most minority groups in America, today, are on a civil disobedience uh approach to—to problems and to their resolution, but AIM is going for confrontations....

RUSSELL MEANS: I don't, I don't go for that...crap about civil disobedience because all AIM is trying to do is force the United States of America to live up to its own laws—that's all—it's that simple. They made treaties with us, either—they either live up to those treaties or we'll die fighting for those treaty rights. And that's all AIM says.

United States of America, you live up to your uh....your own laws.

ANNOUNCER: But RUSSELL, isn't it, sort of, unrealistic to say that the Oglala Nation is an independent nation within America?

RUSSELL MEANS: Why? After we gave you the Western Hemisphere..

but not you, my friend, (announcer laughs) but uh, you know, White America...

ANNOUNCER: Uh huh

RUSSELL MEANS: We gave them the Western Hemisphere and and they still won't leave us alone. They still have genocidal policies to get rid of American Indian people, through missionary schools, through BIA boarding schools, through—the whole spectrum of Indian Affairs is a genocidal policy.

Now our water rights, our mineral rights—right now, the United States of America is concerted, a concerted effort to rip off cur coal, strip mine our reservations, and build oil pipelines from Alaska, over Indian land, over native land, down into the United—to fuel Los Angeles, and Phoenix, and all those over rip off, smog, polution areas.

ANNOUNCER: RANDY EDMONDS, you're the director of the LA Indian Center, what's the reaction of the American Indian community in Los Angeles to AIM?

RANDY EDMONDS: Well, I think a lot of the uh people there involved in, probably the thinking of American Indians trying to get response from the Federal Government uh, somewhat, back AIM to the point that in order to get the Federal Government. to respond, there has to be a confrontation uh where that

uh the Federal Government rec--will recognize American Indians. I think AIM has come ab--about uh in creating--creating this situation through the Wounded Knee thing but uh a lot of the people that live in Los Angeles area are probably working-class Indians and uh really can't afford, I think at this point--to get involved in these kinds of uh situations, as far as local kinds of things that are going on. Uh we do have a chapter here but uh uh uh their thinking is in in line with the American Indian Movement. As far as I'm concerned, I I uh I kind uh I guess uh uh concentrate on trying to I guess, knock on the door and say, "Hey, may I come in?"....

ANNOUNCER: And what does AIM do?

RANDY EDMONDS: Un RUSSELL MEANS, I guess, kind of knocks the door down and then goes on in and knock--and negogiates...

ANNOUNCER: Uh huh

RANDY EDMONDS: Uh...

ANNOUNCER: Well you've been quoted as saying that the difference between your tactics and and AIM is that you still believe on knocking on doors and uh AIM uh knocks doors down. What do you think about that RANDY?

RANDY EDMONDS: RUSS--you're talking to RUSS or ...

ANNOUNCER: No, I'm talking to you.

RANDY EDMONDS: Okay. (Announcer laughs). Uh well, I think, you know, that, I've I've lived in urban area for about 20 years now, and I've lived, I guess within a community, uh through the past 20 years and we've developed a lot of organizations, a lot of Indian activities for the American Indians in Los Angeles, and I think if we're going to have live uh in the system that has been created for us, we're going to have to, I guess, play the ballgame as it is played...

ANNOUNCER: Uh huh

RANDY EDMONDS: Uh I have been recently appointed the numan Relations Commissioner for Mayor BRADLEY of Los Angeles and uh, in order to, I guess, work with all ethnic groups, uh we have to, I guess, have this kind of philosophy. Uh, I try to do the kinds of things that I need to do to help our people in the Indian community in Los Angeles, by going through these kinds of uh systems and hopefully uh uh, we'll meet, I guess, as the AIM people and the the kind of conservative people that more or less I represent will meet in the same, I guess, uh road, in the middle of the road, as we go down and looking for the same kinds of response from the Federal Government, or whether it be state, city, or or whatever.

ANNOUNCER: One of the defendants uh--and there are seven major defendants that were indicted at Wounded....

RUSSELL MEANS: Six now, PETE, PEDRO BISSONETTE was assassinated by the BIA pigs.

ANNOUNCER: I'm leading to that. PEDRO BISSONETTE was killed on October 17th of this year. And you've charged that he was assassinated by Agents of the Federal Government. Would you care to amplify that charge?

RUSSELL MEANS: You bet, you see, we have a history of assessinations. You know, the United States of America is a master and divider conquerer. They ripped off our whole leadership, during the 1700 and the 1800, and managed to put in their wedge and divide and conquerer. And they did it again with the Black Panthers. They created a climate of uh public relations that got the public standing back, "Wait a minute, who's the Black Panthers?", and when they got that reaction from the public, they—the the Feds went in and assassinated, through local Government, the leadership of the Black Panther Party. And they're doing the same thing to the American Indian Movement now. They are attempting to discredit us in the public eye and at the same time, assassinate our leadership.

ANNOUNCER: Has been there been an investigation into the uh death of uh PEDRO BISSONETTE?

RUSSELL MEANS: Naturally not. If the "Feds" going to kill, you, they're not going to investigate it.

ANNOUNCER: Tell me something, RUSSELL, what is life like in the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation? What what kind of aspiration do young people have--on the reservation? What are the conditions?

RUSSELL MEANS: I can not tell to people that do not know what it is like to live under tyranny, absolute tyranny, whereas, as uh as an Indian male, you have expression of your vir--your virality, your--your manhood...

ANNOUNCER: Uh huh

RUSSELL MEANS: You absolutely have no vehicle for expression of your manhood and what--the only escape that is allowed to you is to either sellout and become a fac--two-bit facsimile white man or else, become a uh schizo (ph) bum, commit suicide, whatever.

ANNOUNCER: How many Indians are there in America?

RUSSELL MEANS: According to the 1970 Census, there are approximately uh 825,000 native Americans.

ANNOUNCER: So you compare that to about 15,000,000 Spanish surnamed Americans and what, 25 to 30,000,000 blacks, and you really are America's uh smallest minority then...

RUSSELL MEANS: And the most dep--deprived, the most tyrannized, the most oppressed. If by any scale a measurement, and you know, the facts are there...

ANNOUNCER: mmm hmm

RUSSELL MEANS: in Washington, D.C.

ANNOUNCER: mmm hmm. You said that the policy of the Government, I presume you're referring to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, is that a policy of conquer and divide, and uh the reason I mention that is, Mr. DICK WILSON, he's the travel president of the Oglala Sioux and I understand that you're a candidate uh to replace him....

RUSSELL MEANS: That's providing the Bureau of Indian Affairs will let me run in the presidential election of the Oglala Sioux Tribe...

ANNOUNCER: Why shouldn't they?

RUSSELL MEANS: (Laughs)....

ANNOUNCER: Are you under indictment?

RUSSELL MEANS: At Wounded Knee we have three or five square miles to protect of the independent Oglala nation, Pine Ridge

Reservation entails 250 square miles...

ANNOUNCER: mmm hmm

RUSSELL MEANS: If I become president, I am not going to take the oath of office that pledges my support to the United States of America because I want nothing to do with the United States of America. However, the Bureau of Indian Affairs has the power over Indians on the reservation that are under the Indian Organization Act to say uh, you're a non-a non person--you can't function as a human being, so we take over your affairs. So they they they can say that to me and and and and declare me ineligible for uh the election of the travel presidency.

ANNOUNCER: RUSSELL, Wounded Knee, to most Americans, and I would venture to say, 90 percent of Americans would say Wounded Knee was a confrontation in the Spring of 1972, but there was a Wounded Knee in 1890--what happended then? RUSSELL MEANS: The same thing they tried to happen again in 1973, disarm us and then massacre us. As simple....

ANNOUNCER: Is that what happened in 1890?

RUSSELL MEANS: It's as simple as that. Yes.

ANNOUNCER: What was the story at Wounded Knee in 1890?

RUSSELL MEANS: Well, you want the white man's story, or the

Oglala story, or the Menicoshi (phonetic) story?

ANNOUNCER: We want the Oglala story?

RUSSELL MEANS: Alright, it is the Menicoshi's (ph) that came down from uh North and South Dakota to seek refuge among the Oglala people, and there were Oglala people among the Menicoshi (ph) band that came into Wounded Knee in 1890-they came down there and surrendered, BIG FOOT, Chief BIG FOOT and his band. It was winter time, December 27, 28th, and they had disarmed the Indian people and then they said one Indian fired a shot, he had hid-hidden a gun, so they massacred 237....

ANNOUNCER: Who did?

RUSSELL MEANS: Men, women, and children. The Seventh Cavalry of the United States of America...the epitome of democracy in this world.

ANNOUNCER: Is the occupation of Wounded Knee in 1973 in the response for the Government similar, analogous to what happened in 1890?

RUSSELL MEANS: You would be surprised because in 1890 the Ghost Dance religion had had wide spread influence among the plain's tribes. We did the Ghost Dance inside Wounded Knee.

ANNOUNCER: mmm hmm

RUSSELL MEANS: Uh the whole spectrum of the events of Wounded Knee was almost parallel with what happened in 1890, only the fact we didn!t give up our arms, therefore, we weren't massacred.

ANNOUNCER: But you did give up your arms in 1973, didn't you?

RUSSELL MEANS: After forcing the United States of Gov--United States of America to agree to our demands. However, you know, naturally, it went the same route as all the treaties. They didn't keep up the...

ANNOUNCER: What were those demands that you made in 1973, in the spring of this year?

RUSSELL MEANS: There were six major points, that the Justice.

Department, or the Injustice Department, as I see it, the

Injustice Department stated they would do a comprehensive

investigation of criminal activities, and the police brutality

on their Indian reservation, on Pine Ridge, where I'm from.

Uh another demand was that a complete audit, an honest audit,

not only of the tribal government, the "puppet" tribal

government of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, but also the Bureau

of Indian Affairs would take place...

ANNOUNCER: mmm hmm

again and that every civil rights complaint RUSSELL MEANS: given, and there was over a hundred given, would be investigated by the Injustice Department...none -- all of those, over a. hundred complaints have been dismissed by the Injustice Department. They have not lived up to one of the stipulations. Another stipulation was that as soon as we evacuated Wounded Knee, the members, the citizens of the independent Oglala. nation is that immediately the original residents, those that were outside, would be allowed back in but they delie -- delayed that that happening for 24 hours, so the "Feds" could come in there and shoot up the churches and and desecrate Indian homes and even defecate on the floors and charge us with that. RANDY EDMONDS you have been a resident of Los ANNOUNCER: Angeles for over 25 years, what has been the respond of the traditional Indian community to the uh AIM activity and AIM aims of tactics?

RANDY EDMONDS: I think the un probably the traditional Indians that un have probably lived on the reservations, and un points of origination of concentration of Indians... I do believe that possibly this may be the system that un is needed to make the Federal Government respond. There are several ways

that you know you make the Federal Government respond or any government, as far as that is concerned and I think probably the old traditional people that have been involved in trying to make the Federal Government respond uh believe that maybe this is the way. Uh you bump your head against the wall so long that uh eventually you take other measures and uh the people that come from uh the reservation areas uh, you know, I think, believe this way. I think the younger generation has uh I guess begin to feel that the ball game is out here and we have to kind of play that ball game.

ANNOUNCER: Can you can you described for the audience uh the Indian community of Los Angeles, where do they live, what do they do?

RANDY EDMONDS: Well the Indian, there is no one Indian community in Los Angeles un they're fragmented and this was, I guess, deviced by the Bureau of Indian Affairs relocation program and this was brought about by the re-un the vocational training program that was established by Bureau of Indian Affairs. I guess un the, probably, the one area that you would consider a community or a concentration of Indians would be in the un Bell Gardens, un South Gate, Huntington Park areas....

ANNOUNCER: How many Indians are there?

RANDY EDMONDS: Uh...

ANNOUNCER: In in Los Angeles or the Metropolitan area?

RANDY EDMONDS: Well the Los Angeles county there're about

60,000 Indians. The Bureau of Indian Affairs census says

there's about 25,000 Indians, and those are the people that

uh they have brought out since 1952 since the relocation

program was established.

ANNOUNCER: RUSSELL, Wounded Knee was something that was on the front page for just about three months in every major newspaper in America, and perhaps other, other nations in the world. What was the response of the Chicano community to Wounded Knee?

RUSSELL MEANS: Fantastic. Uh the biggest support we got outside of the Indian people, was from the Chicano community.

ANNOUNCER: What kind of support did you get?

RUSSELL MEANS: Un physical, supplies, supplies, and un money, and and in terms of demonstrations in their own cities--it was fantastic.

ANNOUNCER: Were there any Chicanos un at Wounded Knee?

RUSSELL MEANS: Over un 100 Chicano people passed through

Wounded Knee. There was a hardcore of about 17 that stayed

throughout...Un the seize at Wounded Knee. And uh when we, when we uh issued citizenship cards to the independent Oglala nation, the uh the Chicanos and the Indian people were issued the same type of citizenship card...

ANNOUNCER: As members of the Oglala nation?

RUSSELL MEANS: As members of the Oglala nation.

ANNOUNCER: I understand that you even went as far as to as to stamp passports of people coming to uh....

RUSSELL MEANS: Yes we uh uh stamped passports of some of the Brittish Press, the uh West German Press, and uh the uh French, Italian, Scandinavian countries, their press that came into Wounded Knee, we stamped their passports, ION, Independent Oglala Nation.

ANNOUNCER: Your under indictment, Federal indictment, and if you're convicted you could serve up to 200 years in prison... RUSSELL MEANS: 180...

ANNOUNCER: 180 years. Will there be more Wounded Knees?

RUSSELL MEANS: You see, the American Indian Movement, we do not have a strategy that plans, (quote unquote) you know, "actions". What we do is respond to Indian people. American Indian Movement has never gone any place that is un-not invited to. When Indian people have the feel that uh deprivation of their rights have been ostracized and and

American Indian Movement for assistance, we respond. And if there is going to another Wounded Knee, there there better not be because the next Wounded Knee would--is going to be completely larger, because the Chicanos are with us, the Blacks are with us, and a lot of white people are with us.

ANNOUNCER: Now one of the things that disappointed uh me and disappointed many Chicanos was the fact that Senator MC GOVERN was supposed to be the champion of minority rights and of course there were press reports that Senator MC GOVERN had referred to you as a "rip off artist". What's your response to that?

RUSSELL MEANS: Well if I'm a rip off artist, 180 years in a Federal penitentiary uh in my in in my estimation is is you know, I should quit being a rip off artist.

ANNOUNCER: It's too expensive.

RUSSELL MEANS: You (unintelligible). With my uh, you know, with my life at stake and and uh you know, it's not mine, you know, there's there's over 300 defendants facing Federal prison terms.

ANNOUNCER: You know, one of the things that uh perhaps is critical is that everyone thinks that Wounded Knee is over,

it's not. Now, according to your attorney, MARK LANE, you're going to have a critical battle, a constitutional battle, and un there're six major defendants and you're going to be tried early this coming year in the, in the Spring of 1974. What's the nature of your legal defense? What are the issues... RUSSELL MEANS: Of the over 300 defendants that uh are presently facing Federal prosecution because of Wounded Knee, the first two that are going to trial are DENNIS BANKS and myself. We are scheduled for trial January 8th in St. Paul, Minnesota.

ANNOUNCER: Is that Federal court?

RUSSELL MEANS: Federal court.

ANNOUNCER: Do you face any state indictments at all?
RUSSELL MEANS: Uh yes, but these stemmed from the Custard incident of February 6th and uh sundry other incidents, when Indian people are fighting for their rights. You see, you have to understand, the State of South Dakota has has has uh uh such uh frontier mentality that it makes a JOHN BIRCH society and the Klu Klux Klan look like girls scouts. And uh the the fact that we we're going--now, you know, everybody's got to understand this in America, they've got to understand that.

We are basing our defense in in the trials over Wounded Knee

on our treaties. If we are, by some remote chance, proved guilty, then that is saying the United States of America is saying that Indians do not have treaty rights...

ANNOUNCER: mmm hmm

RUSSELL MEANS: Senator SAM IRVING...stated to congress and he's the acknowledged constitutional expert of the senate. He stated that that treaties made by this country and ratified by congress, which our treaty is, is on par and equal to the constitution of the United States of America, and those treat—and the law of the land is the constitution; therefore, those treatics superseds Federal state and local laws. Now, if they prove us guilty, they're saying Indian people to do not have treaty rights. They're also saying that everybody else doesn't have constitutional rights.

ANNOUNCER: Yeah, one of the things that interest me is uh the Wounded Knee Legal Offense Defense Committee. Can you give us the address of the committee?

RUSSELL MEANS: The Wounded Knee Legal Defense Offense Committee is presently headquartered in Rapid City, South Dakota, Box 991, Rapid City, South Dakota.

ANNOUNCER: What kind of assistance do you need?

RUSSELL MEANS: Financial

ANNOUNCER: Financial?

RUSSELL MEANS: We have expended over \$120,000 already, trying to bring up a legal defense for over 300 defendants. We estimate before it's all over we need another 1.2 million dollars, and that's Box 991, Rapid City, South Dakota.

ANNOUNCER: When do the other cases come up. I know the the major cases, yours and DENNIS BANKS is in January, but are the others going to be consolidated or....

RUSSELL MEANS: No, they've uh they've thrown two judges at us, and uh the ones that are nonconspiracy cases, other than the six major defendants...

ANNOUNCER: mmm hmm

RUSSELL MEANS: the other uh 300 or so defendants that are nonconspiracy cases are going to be trialed in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, by another judge...

ANNOUNCER: mmm hmm

RUSSELL MEANS: beginning in January.

ANNOUNCER: You know we have on the set uh and "Impacto" is primarily a Chicano - Hispano program but we have on the set a a Cachina (ph) doll and uh maybe you could tell the significance uh to the viewers of the of the Cachina (ph) doll.

RUSSELL MEANS: I don't only only want to speak about the Cachina (ph) doll because a Cachina (ph) is a Hopi and this is my interpretation...

ANNOUNCER: mmm hmm

RUSSELL MEANS: It's a Hopi symbol of a messenger to the Great Mystery th-and that's the buffalo Cachina (ph)...

ANNOUNCER: It has a buffalo head, what's the significance of that?

RUSSELL MEANS: Uh I'm not a Hopi and and you know I I can not tell you the the express everything on that Cachina (ph) means something spiritually.

ANNOUNCER: Well what is the buffalo and and uh feathers, what does that to to Indians as well....

RUSSELL MEANS: Like like I wanted to relate that buffalo Cachina (ph) you know, is like this uh shield here, this war shield, it's a buffalo hide war shield with the eagle feathers. The buffalo, among the Lacota, which I am, the white man call us Sioux--uh I'm Lacota. The buffalo is the chief of all four leggeds and the eagle is the chief of all things that fly...

ANNOUNCER: mmm hmm

RUSSELL MEANS: And uh they're holy and sacred and and those

eagle feathers are part and partial of prayer feathers--really uh or--you know, they have that symbolism...

ANNOUNCER: Uh huh

RUSSELL MEANS: And and they have power, spiritual power, as well as that buffalo hide and this why that is the strongest medicine right there and I know, you know, the non-Indians might look at us as primitive but that's the strongest medicine you can carry into battle right there.

ANNOUNCER: RUSSELL, do you fear--do you fear for your life because of what you've done? Do you receive threat....

RUSSELL MEANS: You have to understand uh you see, I've, I've been involved in the sacred sun dance of the Lacota and uh, you know, most prairie Indians, most plains' Indians have the sun dance, in fact all of them that I know of, uh have been involved in the sacred sun dance. When you take the sun dance vow, it goes for four years. I've one more year, next August I go into my last sun dance. I've no fear for my life until after I get through that sun dance, then I'm confident that the Federal government will uh off (ph) me...

ANNOUNCER: Have you received any threats...?

RUSSELL MEANS: Oh I receive them everyday, through the mail, on the telephone...

ANNOUNCER: RANDY, there's a local AIM committee, where can one reach them?

RANDY EDMONDS: They have an office uh at uh my center, uh the Los Argeles Indian Center and uh they can be reached at the Indian Center or they can contact uh we have a uh entering person there that can refer them to a uh uh one of the coordinators of the AIM movement...

ANNOUNCER: And you're listed in the in the white pages under the LA Indian Center?

RANDY EDMONDS: Los Angeles, well, it's the Indian Center Incorporated...

ANNOUNCER: mmm hmm

RANDY EDMONDS: it's 600 South New Hampshire, 382--what is it? 386-6262, I forgot my phone number

ANNOUNCER: Gentlemen I want to thank you very much. I know RUSSELL that your schedule is very hectic and we, here at "Impacto" uh really appreciate having you on the program and uh so the Chicano community and all of our (tape skips) about Wounded Knee and the critical issues at stake, especially with the Legal uh Offense Defense Committee--on behalf of our production...

RUSSELL MEANS: I would like to say one thing and leave the viewers with this question of what Chief SEATTLE (ph)

said after he surrendered to the white government, "Nation follows nation, and tribe follows tribe, it is like the waves of the sea, it is the order of nature and regret is useless. Your time of decay may be distant but it will surely come, for even the white man's God, who walked and talked with him, could not escape the common destiny. We may be brothers after all, we shall see.

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

On November 12, 1973, source advised Means had departed Los Angeles, California, for Rapid City, California.

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On 12/12/73, a knowledgeable source of the Buffalo Office advised that MEANS' appearance at SUNYAB was cancelled and there is no indication of any rescheduling for a speech to date. Source advised he was unable to determine the reason for the cancellation nor the amount of money he was to receive. However, source indicated he will advise of any pertinent information he determines regarding MEANS and a reappearance in the Buffalo area.

Contact with appropriate and logical Buffalo area sources familiar with American Indian activities have been unable to provide any further information regarding MEANS.

Based on the foregoing, this matter being considered RUC.

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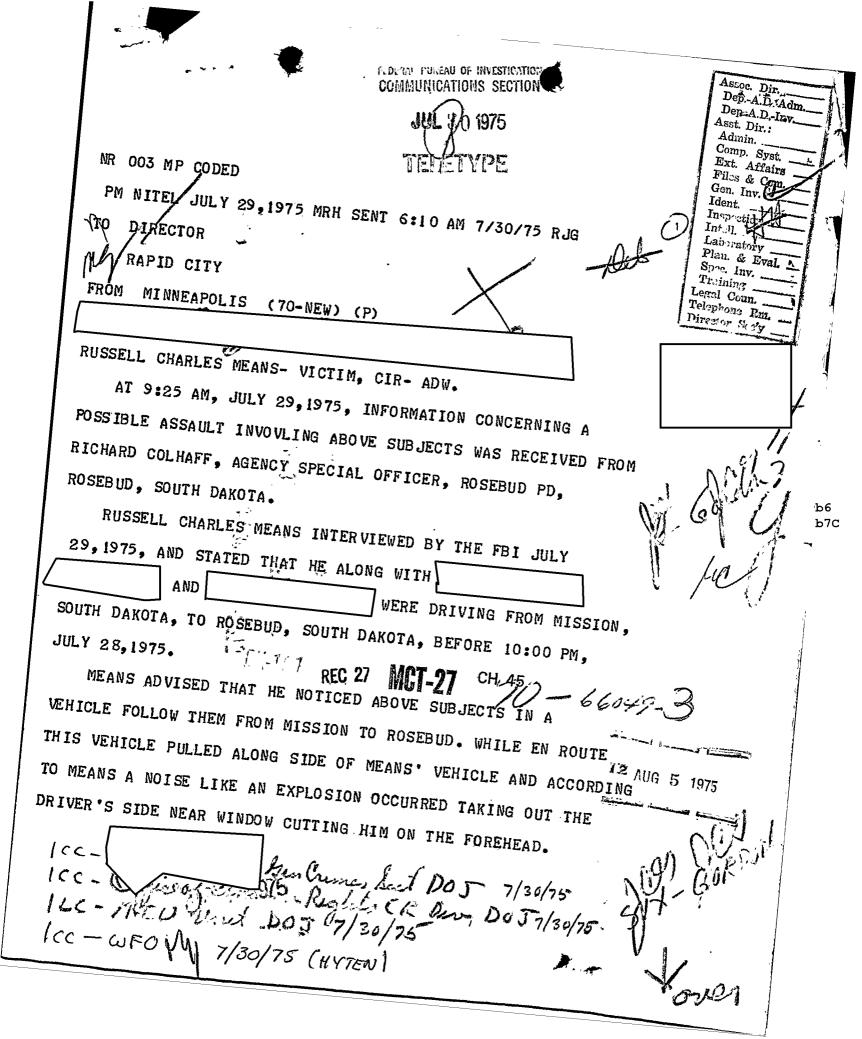

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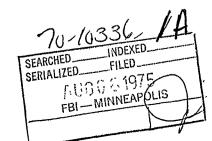
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AND STATED HE HAD NOT SEEN MEANS FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR.

BEN TWO PERSONS WHO WERE PASSENGERS IN CAR DRIVEN BY SUBJECT 66

ARE BEING SOUGHT FOR INTERVIEW.

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ATTENTION: ASAC NORMAN A. ZIGROSSI

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RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS - VICTIM
CIR - ADW

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Information concerning this matter was received 9:25 a.m. at the Pierre RA from RICHARD COLHOFF, Agency Special Officer, Rosebud, South Dakota.

FBI Investigation was conducted at Mission, South Dakota, and Rosebud, South Dakota, on 7/29/75.

Interviews were conducted with RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS, and and

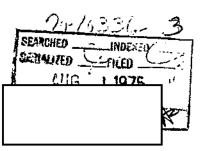
RUSSELL MEANS indicated that he was followed in a vehicle with above subjects in the vehicle at Rosebud, South Dakota, at approximately 10 p.m. on the night of 7/28/75. At approximately six miles from the town of Rosebud a vehicle in which subjects were driving earlier at Mission, South Dakota, pulled alongside of the RUSSELL MEANS vehicle in which was driving and according to RUSSELL MEANS an explosion occurred and he felt his forehead and he was bleeding. Neither RUSSELL MEANS nor individuals riding with MEANS that is and heard any shots nor did they see any weapons from the vehicle which pulled alongside of the MEANS vehicle.

RUSSELL MEANS sustained $1\frac{1}{2}$ " laceration on his forehead which was sutured in the Rosebud Public Health Service Rospital.

The subjects deny taking part in above assault and deny any knowledge concerning the incident. It is

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noted is a BIA Patrolman, Rosebud Police Department and is a Mission Police Patrolman.

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A summary teletype was sent via Minneapolis Headquarters regarding above incident p.m. of 7/29/75.

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го :	SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-10336) (P) DATE: 7/30/75
FROM :	SA
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	RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS-VICTIM CIR
	RICHARD COLHOFF, Agency Special Officer, Rosebud, SD, advised on the night of 7/28/75, he saw in the vehicle in which MEANS was riding, a broken Coke bottle. The top cap was still on the Coke bottle. COLHOFF queried and regarding this Coke bottle and they told him the bottle was not used during the assault as they have many Coke bottles in the vehicle. COLHOFF advised he saw COLHOFF advised he saw at approximately 11:00 PM aclean in the treat and fine
	approximately 11:00 PM, asleep in the front seat of a vehicle located at the Ambulance Service parking lot, Rosebud, SD.
	COLHOFF advised a five-day suspension letter with pay was delivered to on the morning of 7/29/75. This suspension was for allegations made concerning involvement in an assault on RUSSELL MEANS. This letter was signed by SIMON STEVENS, Superintendent, BIA, Rosebud, SD.
	previously has denied he had seen MEANS earlier in the evening on 7/28/75, and has told interviewing Agents that he has not seen MEANS for approximately one year.
	Above information set forth in Minneapolis teletype to Bureau, copy to Rapid City.

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TO :

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-NEW)

DATE:

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FROM:

SUPERVISOR THOMAS M. DUFFIN

SUBJECT:

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RUSSELL MEANS-VICTIM

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Clerk, Rapid City, SD, RA, advised that SA HARRY MORRIS, Bureau Night Supervisor, called and inquired regarding alleged shooting of RUSSELL MEANS in Mission, SD, earlier this AM or late last night.

MEANS claimed he had been shot by a BIA Police Officer who was accompanied by two other individuals, one of whom he recognized as a "Government informant".

News report stated MEANS had 12 stitches taken in head but attributes laceration to cut by glass, not bullet as MEANS alleged.

Telephonic inquiry at Rosebud, SD, PD, made but
Dispatcher, declined to furnish any
details, stating only that no officer was available and that
none would be available until 8:00 AM.

that a Ridge, SD, BIA PD, disclosed only a current or former BIA Police Officer, was supposedly involved in the shooting but disclaimed any further details.

above details and stated that further details should be provided to the Bureau when obtained.

He will attempt to ascertain any information that BIA HQ, Washington, DC, might have and so advise Division Five at Bureau and also FBI, Chadron.

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TO DIRECTOR

RAPID CITY

FROM	MINNEAPOLIS	(7Ø-NEW)	(P)

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS- VICTIM. CIR- ADW.

AT 9:25 AM, JULY 29,1975, INFORMATION CONCERNING A POSSIBLE ASSAULT INVOVLING ABOVE SUBJECTS WAS RECEIVED FROM RICHARD COLHAFF, AGENCY SPECIAL OFFICER, ROSEBUD PD, ROSEBUD, SOUTH DAKOTA.

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IS A BIA POLICE OFFICER.

IS A MISSION
PD OFFICER.

ALL SUBJECTS STATE THAT THEY WERE DRINKING.

INVESTIGATION REGARDING THIS MATTER CONTINUING.

ADMINISTRATIVE: DELAY IN SUBMITTING INSTANT TELETYPE DUE TO TRAVEL TIME AND COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS ON ROSEBUD INDINA RESERVATION.

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	RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS - VICTIM CIR - ADW	
	Re Minneapolis teletype to Bureau, 7/29/75.	
	Attached is a communication to the Bureau which sets forth summary of what occurred at Mission, South Dakota, on the night of 7/28/75.	
	that a and a are presently living in South Dakota.	ь6 ь7с ь7р
	Supervisor advised this Agent the department is extremely interested in this matter and that all leads concerning this matter should be set forth before presenting to USA.	
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TO:

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SAC, WFO (70-3373)(RUC)

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS -VICTIMS

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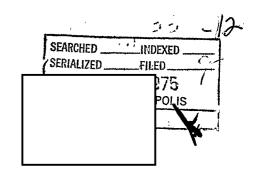
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Date of transcription August 5, 1975

RUSSELL CHARLES IMANS, date of birth November 10, 1980, Pine Ridge, South Dakota, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents, the matter to be discussed concerning an incident which took place on the night of July 20, 1975, and then provided the following information:

cor of Mission, South Denote. Has as remarked that they went to got a couple six-preks of been at approximately 10:00 MI and then they headed to the town of Rosebud when a car passed them. Him NS indicated that he previously noticed that same vehicle which reseed them in Mission. South Dehots. In this vehicle were

MANS adviced that the car passed then, went ahead of them and then pulled over to let their car pass.

MANS adviced who was driving, passed the vehicle on the side of the read and then this vehicle followed them.

MEANS stated that they, that is, the car that MEANS was riding in, going toward Rosebud, and near the Dr. residence, the same vehicle which had pulled over to the side of the road to let them pass earlier, was noted by someone in the car. MEANS advised that someone in the car said. "Here they come".

MEANS stated the next thing he knows, there was some type of emplosion and he started bleeding from his forehead.

MEANS advised he did not see any car pull up alongside of the car that he was riding in now did he hear any shooting, nor could be identify any of the people that may have been in a car that pulled up alongside of theirs.

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HEANS adviced they, that is, the car that he was driving in, tried to catch the individuals and traveled at approximately 110 miles per hour, but could not catch the individuals who HEANS later learned yulled alongside of the car.

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ĺ	Dehote, and he remembers showing off at the Standard Station in Mission, South Dehote, and while doing this he gut his hand through the window of the Sarvice Station cutting himself. At that time they gut into the car and took him to the Rosebud Dublic Part the Sarvice Mospital and then stayed with until it was approximately 3:00 AM or 4:00 AM.	
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Medical Records Clerk, Rosebud Hospital, Rosebud, South Dakota, furnished the following medical records relating to the medical services provided RUSSELL MEANS on the evening of July 28, 1975 and the morning hours of July 29, 1975.
The records provided were furnished as a result of an authorization for disclosure of clinical information form being executed by RUSSELL MEANS. The documents provided by included:
1. A clinical record narrative summary
2. An incident diagnosis and clinical notes form
Both of these are attached.
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Mission South Dakota, was	
interviewed by Special Agent Federal Federal	_
Bureau of Investigation, who identified himself to	
through the display of his credentials. Thereafte]
was orally advised of his rights as stated on an Interrogation;	
Advice of Rights Form. advised that he understood	
his rights and agreed to an interview. was then	
advised that the interview concerned an allegation made by RUSSELL MEANS alleging that he (MEANS) was shot at the	
preceding eyening by the occupants of a vehicle in which	
was traveling.	b6
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advised that on July 28. 1975. he,	
and	
began drinking beer and whiskey early in the day. He	
related that to his knowledge the above four individuals	
consumed approximately five cases of beer and three pints	
of whiskey by late evening on July 28, 1975.	
stated that by late evening on July 28,	
1975, he was in a totally intoxicated state and has no	
recollection concerning the events of the preceeding evening	
or the allegations made by RUSSELL MEANS. He advised that	
the first time he became aware of the allegations made by	
MEANS was at approximately 8:00 AM on July 29, 1975, when	
he was delivered a Suspension Letter by his supervisor,	
DICK COLHOFF. He advised the letter indicated he was to be suspended for five days with pay commencing 8:00 AM	
July 29, 1975, through 8:00 AM August 3, 1975.	
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He stated that this Suspension Letter indicated he	
was being suspended because of the allegations made by	
RUSSELL MEANS.	
advised that to his knowledge, the last	
time he saw RUSSELL MEANS was approximately one year ago. stated that he has no knowledge concerning the	
MEANS allegation and has no recollection concerning the events	
of the preceding evening.	
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At this point,	remembered that in
addition to	and
there were two girls	in the vehicle he and the
others were driving around i	n during the afternoon and
early evening hours of July 2	8, 1975. advised
he does not know who these tw	o girls were, but believes
that and the	might know who they
were.	
The following descr	*5
obtained through observation	and interview:
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Name:	
Pace:	Indian
Sen:	Male
Date of birth:	
Place of birth:	Rosebud, South Dakota
Residence:	Mission, South Dakota
Height:	Five feet ten inches
Weight:	230 pounds
Hair:	Black
Eyes:	Brown
Scars:	

either of the two.

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M.D., Rosebud Hospital, Rosebud,
South Dakota, advised that his observation of the wound
sustained by RUSSELL MEANS on the evening of July 28,
1975, appeared to have been caused by some type of sharp
object. described the wound as being approximately
one and one nalf inches long, on the forehead and required
three inner stitches and approximately eight outside stitches, b7c
to seal the wound. advised that the caused by a
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RICHARD GERALD COLHOFF, Agency Special Officer, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BTA) Police Department, Rosebud Indian Reservation, Rosebud, South Dakota, was interviewed and provided the following information:	
He advised that at approximately 11:00 PM, July 28 1975, he, along with and were proceeding in their vehicle to Mission, South Dakota, after receiving a report that RUSSELL MEANS was assaulted, through the use of a deadly weapon, while he was driving on the road to Rosebud. He stated that allegedly one of his Police Officers,, was present, and involved in this assault.	, p
COLHOFF stated that on his way to Mission, he passed by the Rosebud Ambulance Service and there he saw the vehicle which allegedly was involved in this assault. He advised that when he walked over to this vehicle, which belongs to]
COLHOFF advised that later on that evening, when he saw RUSSELL MEANS at the Rosebud Hospital, he observed the top half of a Coke bottle with the cap still on it in the front seat of the MEANS vehicle. He stated that he asked and if the Coke bottle could have been the weapon which wounded MEANS. He advised that both replied no and stated they were sure they were shot at COLHOFF related that in view of this, he did not seize the Coke bottle as evidence.	
COLHOFF advised that on the morning of July 29, 1975. at approximately 8:00 AM, he personally gave a suspension letter suspending him for a period	
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not to exceed five days, commencing 3:00 AM, July 29, 1975, through 8:00 AM, August 3, 1975. He advised the reason for suspension were the allegations made by RUSSELL MEANS that was involved in the assault on MEANS. COLHOFF advised that unless further evidence is obtained to implicate his Officer, he will return to work status on the morning of August 3, 1975.

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	Street,
	Bismarck, North Dakota, RUSSELL MEANS, was
	advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents
	and the nature of the interview.
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	advised that about 10:30 p.m. on b7
	July 28, 1975. ne. along with RUSSELL
	MEANS and traveled in stated
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	that when leaving Mission, South Dakota, car was followed and passed by an automobile driven by
	advised that
	advised that
	automobile was a old black over blue Mercury and
_	that two or three other individuals were in the car, whom
	he could not recognizestated that the
	car pulled off the road at the White River cut off and
	then proceeded to follow Car toward
	Rosebud South Dakota advised that during
	trin to Rosebud Was driving and that
-	RUSSELL MEANS was sitting in the right front seat.
	dvised that he was sitting in the left rear seat
	and was sitting in the right rear seat.
	and
	advised that while approaching Rosebud,
	South Dakota, near the Myers trailer court, something hit
	the left rear window of automobile, throwing
	glass all over the interior of the car. stated that
	the explosion of the window occurred when he observed
	in his automobile, passing the automobile
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	the automobile. that he could recognize, was the driver stated that he did not
	driver, stated that he did not
	observe any gun nor any type of object that could have
	caused the window to break, but as a result of the window
	breaking thereafter a cut was observed on RUSSELL MEANS
	forehead. advised that window grass left are
	over him and shortly after that, pulled
	off the road and turned off the automobile lights until automobile was out of sight.
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advised that shortly thereafter,

drove his automobile to the hospital and RUSSELL

MEANS' wound was given medical attention.

was questioned regarding a possible residence, later the same night and advised that he was asleep between the hours of 3:00 and 4:00 a.m. in the morning and heard no shots or automobiles passing the residence at that time.

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Dakota, was advised of the identity of the interviewing	
Agents and the nature of the interview. advised that at approximately 9:00 PM on July 28, 1975, he drove into Mission, South Dakota, and accompanying him in his automobile were RUSSELL MEANS. stated that the group rode around Mission for about an hour	
and while downtown observed and all intoxicated in black-over- blue Mercury. stated that while near the ABOUREZCK's store, he observed walking around on Main Street making gestures toward the car that was in. advised that was drunk and trying to pick a fight.	, b6
along with RUSSELL MEANS, and left Mission, South Dakota, enroute to Rosebud. South Dakota, for the purpose of attending a meeting. advised that he was driving and that RUSSELL MEANS was sitting to his right. added that was sitting in the back seat on the left side and that was sitting in the back seat on the right side.	ь7с
Mission, South Dakota the automobile was passed on the left by automobile. stated that the automobile almost hit his vehicle and thereafter almost collided with the vehicle traveling in front of automobile. stated that he remained behind the vehicle, continuing west on Route 18. Stated that upon arriving at the White River Junction, the vehicle pulled off to the right and continued on toward Rosebud.	
stated that shortly after making the turn to Rosebud, South Dakota, he again observed the vehicle in his rear view mirror and the began to tailgate the car. stated that	
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when approaching the area near the residence, the
vehicle again attempted to mass on the left.
stated that between the residence and
Dr. residence, he heard an explosion that came from
the back of his automobile. stated that shortly
thereafter, he observed blood coming from the forehead of
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RUSSELL MEANS. stated that he did not see what
caused the cut on MEAN's head, inasmuch as was
attempting to control his automobile during the incident.
advised that he drove his automobile
on to the Rosebud Hospital where RUSSELL MEANS was given first
aid attention, and the incident was reported to RICHARD
COLHOFF of the Eureau of Indian Affairs. (BIA).
stated that at the time he heard the explosion in the
rear of his automobile, the only individual that he could
positively identify in the vehicle that was passing was
stated that there were two other
individuals in the car. but he could not recognize them.
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stated that on July 28.
1975, at approximately broop, she was riding in a
car in Mission. South Dakota, with friends named
and both from Mission.
Stated that at this time, they were driving by the Texaco
Service Station in Mission and as they drove by she
observed an individual that she knows as
who is also from Mission, get out of a blue, older car.
which car drives and hit an individual she knows
as (last name unknown), whom she knows as an acquaint-
ance of her RUSSELL MEANS. stated that
before hit she observed no gestures nor did
she hear any verbal communications between nd
stated that after the above incident
happened began walking to her
residence in Mission. They stopped and gave a ride
to her house. At this time, she observed that
was spitting blood, but did not smell any liquor
on breath, stated that made no
comments concerning the above-mentioned incident involving
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	Post Office Mission, South Dakota, furnished the following information:	
. [advised on the night of July 28. 1975, her RUSSELL MEANS, her and two acquaintances of RUSSELL MEANS named and (Last Name Unknown) traveled in her car from Mission, South Dakota, to Rosebud, South Dakota, for a meeting. stated a short time later after they had left they returned and upon their return, learned that her RUSSELL MEANS had been injured but does not know the details and would not like to speculate and desired that the story of the incident involving her RUSSELL MEANS comes from RUSSELL MEANS himself.	b6 b7С
	further stated that the abovementioned individual named (Last Name Unknown) on the same night had been assaulted in Mission, South Dakota. allegedly by an individual from Mission named stated the assault took place before dark down near the TEXACO service station in Mission, South Dakota stated when the above alleged assault happened, was nitchhiking to St. Francis, South Dakota. stated that had lost a couple teeth and was beat up in the alleged assault but to her knowledge, did not get any medical help after the assault.	
	stated that she was not a personal witness to the assault but did see hortly after the assault as had returned to her, residence and related that he had been assaulted by further stated that the following individuals were potential witnesses to the alleged assault or by as they stated they were driving by and saw the assault on by]
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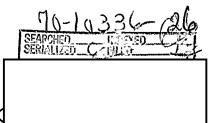
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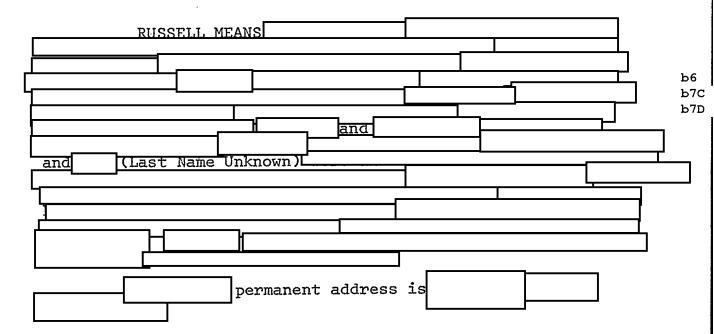
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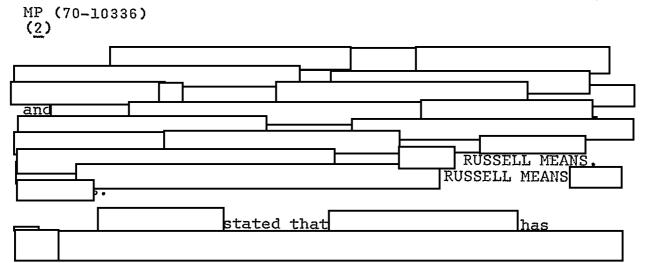
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;	was contacted and interviewed at her residence. Was advised as to the identities of Special Agents (SA) BRENT H. FROST and She was further advised that the purpose for the interview was concerning stated that she was willing to cooperate and explain the details of the incident; however, she indicated that she did not wish to make the information available in the form of a signed statement. The following details were voluntarily	
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Copy to:	1 - United States Attorney, Sioux Falls, South Dakota (Attention: Assistant United States Attorney Sioux Falls, South Dakota)
Report of: Date:	September 23, 1975 Office: Minneapolis, Minnesota
Field Office File #:	70-10336 Bureau File #: 70-66049
Title:	RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS - VICTIM
Character:	CRIME ON INDIAN RESERVATION - ASSAULT WITH A DANGEROUS WEAPON
Synopsis:	On the night of 7/28/75 and early morning hours of 7/29/75, victim was riding in a vehicle accompanied by and and and from the town of Rosebud on the Rosebud Indian Reservation, a vehicle in which subjects were driving earlier pulled up along side the MEANS' vehicle and an explosion occurred in the MEANS' vehicle. Neither RUSSELL MEANS nor individuals riding with MEANS heard any shots nor did they see any weapons from the other vehicle. Earlier was assaulted by Who punched him in the mouth with his fist. Mission Police Officer statement indicates he talked with RUSSELL MEANS during the morning of 7/29/75 where MEANS complained of shots being fired at the house in Mission, South Dakota. Police were unable to find any evidence of the house obtaining shots from bullets. Subject advised subject cut his hand on a window in Mission, South Dakota, on the morning of 7/29/75. This information is corroborated through information obtained by witness Subjects deny involvement in incident with MEANS and witnesses' statements to above incidents set forth. Medical statement regarding MEANS' injuries indicate injuries sustained by MEANS was probably caused by a sharp object. Interview with Agency Special Officer RICHARD COLHOFF indicates COLHOFF observed a top half of a coke bottle with the cap still on it in the front seat of the MEANS' vehicle after above incident. AUSA advised a report should be submitted before he will render a prosecutive opinion.

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This investigation is predicated upon information received from RICHARD COLHOFF, Agency Special Officer, Rosebud, South Dakota, on July 29, 1975. At that time COLHOFF advised that RUSSELL MEANS was involved in an incident with

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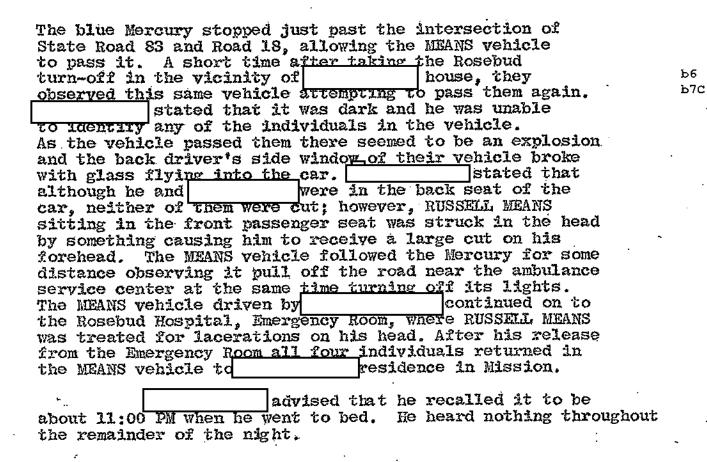
On Sentember 17, 1975, Assistant United States Attorney advised he will render a prosecutive opinion upon submission of a report.

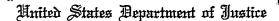
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St. Francis. South Dakota.
was interviewed at the residence of Mission,
South Dakota, and he was advised of the identity of the
interviewing Agent, and of the purpose of the interview:
stated that he has just been traveling
through the Rosebud Indian Reservation area for the last little
while and that on July 28, 1975, he was staying at the home
of <u>in Mission, South Dakota</u> . At approximately
8:30 PM left the residence on foot and
began walking toward his home in St. Francis. Proceeding
along the main street of Mission, he noticed a black over be
blue Mercury proceeding in the same direction which he was b_{70}
traveling. As this vehicle passed by him he heard someone
shout, "Get out of the road". After traveling a short distance
further un the road, this Mercury turned around and came back
towardstopping with the driver door directly
across from where was standing on the side of the
road. At this point observed that
was driving this vehicle and that
to suresu of Indian Affairs (BIA) Police Officer, known to him as was sitting in the right front passenger
him as was sitting in the right front passenger seat of the car. Further advised that
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could not understand. Then struck him in
The mouth with his fist, knocking out one of his front tooth
and causing the rest of his teeth to become loose.
then got back into his vehicle and continued to go down one
road. got up and began walking back toward the
residence. Before could reach the more than
residence he was picked up by a female Indian by the name
of <u>in her vehicle</u> and she drove him the rest
of the way to the residence.
Ashort time thereafterwas joined
by RUSSELL MEANS and They proceeded
in late model green Pontiac toward Rosebud, South
Dakota, and after traveling a short distance they noticed
the same black over blue Pontiac following them which had
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UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

DISTRICT OF SOUTH DAKOTA SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA 57102

October 31, 1975

Mr. William A. Meincke Special Agent in Charge Federal Bureau of Investigation 392 Federal Building 110 South Fourth Street Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401

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Dear Mr. Meincke:

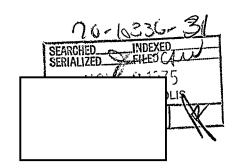
This is to advise that the above case was presented to the Grand Jury which was recently held in Sioux Falls. On October 30, 1975 a No Bill was returned, and we have closed our file.

William F. Clayton

Yours very truly

United States Attorne

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<u>DETAILS</u> :							
	By letter dated October 31, 1975, United States Attorney WILLIAM F. CLAYTON, Sioux Falls South Dakota, advised that the case against was presented to a Federal Grand Jury which convened in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on October 30, 1975. The Federal Grand Jury returned a No Bill regarding subject						
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