

REPORT
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b7CFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

April 30, 1968

To: Mr. John B. Layton
Chief of Police
Metropolitan Police Department
Washington, D. C. 20001

Attention:
Inspector
Intelligence Division

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This examination has been made with the understanding that the evidence is connected with an official investigation of a criminal matter and that the Laboratory report will be used for official purposes only, related to the investigation or a subsequent criminal prosecution. Authorization cannot be granted for the use of the Laboratory report in connection with a civil proceeding.

Re: Unknown Subject;
Threatening Letter Postmarked
4/8/68, at Washington, D. C.;
SENATOR ROBERT C. BYRD -
Victim;
Extortion

John Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director
EX-115 REC-139
YOUR NO. 9-47928-1
FBI FILE NO. D-561092 LB
LAB. NO.

Examination requested by: FBI, Washington Field Office

Reference: Letter 4/17/68

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

Qc1 Photocopy of envelope addressed to "Senator Robert C. Byrd
From W. Va Senate Office Bldg. U.S. Senate Washington, D.C."
and accompanying unsigned four-page handwritten letter

Result of examination:

The handwriting on Qc1 was not identified with any
of the material contained in the Anonymous Letter File. Approp-
riate photographs of the handwriting on Qc1 will be added to
this file for future reference.

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Specimen Qc1 is retained.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB; Threatening Letter
Postmarked 4/8/68, at WDC;
SENATOR ROBERT C. BYRD - VICTIM
EXTORTION
OO: WFO

File # 9-47928-1
Lab. # D-561092 LB

Examination requested by: WFO (9-NEW) 4/17/68

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 4/18/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted]

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Specimens submitted for examination

Qc1 Photocopy of envelope addressed to "Senator Robert C. Byrd
From W. Va Senate Office Bldg. U.S. Senate Washington,
D. C.," and accompanying unsigned four-page handwritten
letter

No ident ALF - DC & surrounding
State Group III-A, Group III-E,
HP upper case 4/26/68 Mar

send results directly
to MPD

Lab report
4-30-68
Spec 1/5

FBI

Date: 4/17/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
Tele. Room	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

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FROM: SAC, WFO (9-NEW) (C)

UNSUB; Threatening Letter
 Postmarked 4/8/68, at WDC;
 SENATOR ROBERT C. BYRD - VICTIM
 EXTORTION
 (OO:WFO)

ReWFOairtel to Director, entitled as above,
 dated 4/17/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau is one Xerox copy of an
 envelope and a four-page unsigned, handwritten letter addressed
 to "Senator ROBERT C. BYRD, From W. Va., Senate Office Bldg.,
 U. S. Senate, Washington, D.C."

This copy of the letter and envelope was obtained from
 Inspector [redacted] Intelligence Division, Metropolitan
 Police Department (MPD), on 4/16/68, by SA [redacted]
 Inspector [redacted] advised that the matter had been referred to
 Chief JOHN B. LAYTON, MPD, by the office of Senator BYRD.
 Inspector [redacted] retained the originals of the letter and
 envelope. He requested that the FBI compare the handwriting in
 the letter with handwriting specimens in an attempt to identify
 the writer.

4 - Bureau (Enc. 1)
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WEN:sls
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ENCLOSURE ATTACHED

AIRTEL

Approved: *[Signature]*
 Special Agent in Charge

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 1 Xerox made of Gd
 "COPY AND SPECIMENS RETAINED IN LAB"

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WFO 9-NEW

The Bureau was previously advised by airtel and LHM of this matter.

WFO is conducting no active investigation in this matter in view of the investigation being conducted by the MPD.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare the handwriting on the envelope and letter with handwriting specimens in an attempt to identify the writer. Send results directly to the MPD, Washington, D.C., Attn: Inspector Intelligence Division. b6 b7C

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ENCLOSURE TO BUREAU (1)

Envelope & letter containing
threat against victim.

UNSUB; Threatening Letter
Postmarked 4/8/68, at WDC;
SENATOR ROBERT C. BYRD - VICTIM
EXTORTION
WEOfile 9-NEW

Airtel dated 4/17/68

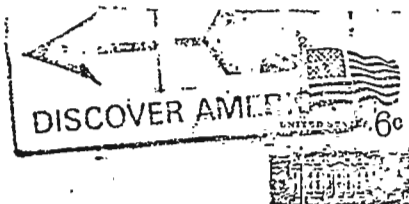
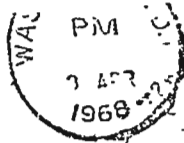
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SENATOR ROBERT C. BYRD
FROM W. Va

SENATE OFFICE BLDG,
U.S. SENATE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

You damn
Gastard - How
dare you make
such a statement
about dear Bro Martin
Luther - We are going
to see that you
at least meet a
violent death

your mother eats
rats and garbage
for dinner & you
are getting killed
any day now we
are getting you
right between the
eyes.

We knows where
you live & we
knows where your
office is - you
are doomed - you
nasty, yellow, stinky
filthy, moth eater
ugly motherfucker

I ^{hate} you! &
fuck an

alligator
So beware
you damn bastard

4/17/68

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Attached pertains to a threatening letter received by Senator Robert C. Byrd (Democrat - West Virginia). Senator Byrd's Office referred this matter to the Metropolitan Police Department for them to investigate. No Bureau investigation being conducted. Appropriate local authorities and Secret Service have been advised.

The Metropolitan Police Department has requested FBI Laboratory examination of the threatening communication as a matter of police cooperation. This will be done.


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Date: 4/17/68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, WFO (9-NEW) (P)

UNSUB; Threatening Letter
Postmarked 4/8/68, at WDC;
SENATOR ROBERT C. BYRD - VICTIM
EXTORTION
(OO:WFO)

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and three copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. Also enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of an FD 376. Also enclosed is a sealed envelope containing a list identifying obscene words used in the instant letter.

Enclosed for Pittsburgh is one copy and for Richmond two copies of LHM in view of the fact that Senator BYRD's local address is 3741 4th Street, North Arlington, Virginia, and his home address is Sophia, West Virginia.

One copy of the LHM is being disseminated locally to the Washington Field Office of the U. S. Secret Service.

Richmond is requested to furnish Arlington County Police Department a copy of the enclosure.

- (3)- Bureau (Encs. 7)
- 2 - Pittsburgh (Enc. 1)
- 2 - Richmond (Encs. 2)
- 1 - WFO

WEN:sls
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AIRTEL

ENCLOSURE ATTACHED

Approved: *[Signature]*
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

REC 6 9-47-22
EX-115
1cc LHM to USSS, EPD-6-94
Army Navy Air Force, Room 5718
BHC-X-94 4-23-68

WFO 9-NEW

Instant letter was obtained on 4/16/68, by SA [] from Inspector [] Intelligence Division, Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), Washington, D.C. Inspector [] advised that the letter and its envelope had been given to MPD Chief JOHN LAYTON by Senator BYRD's office.

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A copy of the instant letter and envelope is being forwarded by separate airtel to the FBI Laboratory for examination of handwriting as requested by the MPD.

U. S. Capitol Police, local office of U. S. Secret Service and Arlington County, Virginia, Police Department have been advised of this matter.

Since the MPD is handling this matter, no active investigation is being conducted by WFO.



In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D.C. 20535

April 17, 1968

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
Threatening Letter

Postmarked April 8, 1968, at Washington, D.C.;
SENATOR ROBERT C. BYRD - VICTIM
EXTORTION

On April 16, 1968, Inspector [redacted]
Intelligence Division, Metropolitan Police Department (MPD),
Washington, D.C., made available an envelope and letter
addressed to "Senator Robert C. Byrd, From W. Va., Senate
Office Bldg., U. S. Senate, Washington, D.C.," postmarked at
Washington, D.C., on April 8, 1968. Senator Byrd's office had
referred this matter to Chief John B. Layton of the MPD.

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The body of the letter, which was written in long-
hand and unsigned, is as follows:

"You (obscene) (obscene) - How dare you make
sech a statemint about Dear Bro Martin Luther - We
are going to see that you at last meet a violent
death Your mother eats rats and gerbage for dinner
& you are getting killed anyday now We are getting
you right between the eyes.

"We knows where you live & we knows where you
office is - You are doomed - You nasty, yellow,
stinky filthy, moth eaten ugly mother (obscene).
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"I bet you'd (obscene) an allegator So
beware you (obscene) (obscene)"

The following representatives of the indicated
agencies were notified of this matter on April 17, 1968:

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT; Threatening Letter
Postmarked April 8, 1968, at Washington, D.C.;
SENATOR ROBERT C. BYRD - VICTIM

Special Agent [REDACTED]
Washington Field Office
United States Secret Service
Washington, D.C.

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Captain [REDACTED]
United States Capitol Police
Washington, D.C.

Detective [REDACTED]
Arlington County, Virginia, Police Department

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Obscene word #1 - DAMN
Obscene word #2 - BASTARD
Obscene word #3 - FUCKER
Obscene word #4 - FUCK
Obscene word #5 - DAMN
Obscene word #6 - BASTARD

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EXAMINER

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List of obscene words relating to LHM
entitled "UNKNOWN SUBJECT; Threatening
Letter Postmarked April 8, 1968, at
Washington, D.C.; SENATOR ROBERT C. BYRD-VICTIM"
dated 4/17/68, contained herein.

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