



January 31, 2019

Mark J. Carter
Staff Attorney
Racial Justice Program
ACLU
125 Broad Street
New York, NY 10004

Civil Action No.: 19-cv-1465
Subject: BLACK IDENTITY EXTREMISTS

Dear Ms. Choudhury,

The enclosed documents were reviewed under the Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA), Title 5, United States Code, Section 552/552a. Below you will find check boxes under the appropriate statute headings which indicate the types of exemptions asserted to protect information which is exempt from disclosure. The appropriate exemptions are noted on the enclosed pages next to redacted information. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted to indicate where pages were withheld entirely and identify which exemptions were applied. The checked exemption boxes used to withhold information are further explained in the enclosed Explanation of Exemptions.

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550 pages were reviewed and 317 pages are being released.

Please see the paragraphs below for relevant information specific to your request as well as the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for standard responses applicable to all requests.

- Document(s) were located which originated with, or contained information concerning, other Government Agencies [OGA].
- This information has been referred to the OGA(s) for review and direct response to you.
- We are consulting with another agency. The FBI will correspond with you regarding this information when the consultation is completed.

Please refer to the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for additional standard responses applicable to your request. "Part 1" of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. "Part 2" includes additional standard responses that apply to all requests for records on individuals. "Part 3" includes general information about FBI records that you may find useful. Also enclosed is our Explanation of Exemptions.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, **Sixth Floor, 441 G Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001**, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA online portal by creating an account on the following website: <https://www.foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

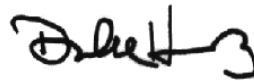
You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at 877-684-6448, or by emailing ogis@nara.gov. Alternatively, you may contact the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison by emailing foipaquestions@fbi.gov. If you submit your dispute resolution correspondence by email, the subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

Please direct any further inquiries about this case to the attorney representing the Government in this matter. Please use the FOIPA Request Number and/or Civil Action Number in all correspondence or inquiries concerning your request.



See additional information which follows.

Sincerely,



David M. Hardy
Section Chief
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Information Management Division

Enclosure(s)

The enclosed documents represent the 6th release of information for Civil Action No. 19-cv-1465. This is in response to Parts 1 and 3 of your FOIA request.

Your request for a waiver of fees has been granted.

This material is being provided to you at no charge.

FBI FOIPA Addendum

As referenced in our letter responding to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, the FBI FOIPA Addendum includes information applicable to your request. Part 1 of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. Part 2 includes additional standard responses that apply to all requests for records on individuals. Part 3 includes general information about FBI records. For questions regarding Parts 1, 2, or 3, visit the www.fbi.gov/foia website under "Contact Us." Previously mentioned appeal and dispute resolution services are also available at the web address.

Part 1: The standard responses below apply to all requests:

- (i) **5 U.S.C. § 552(c).** Congress excluded three categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA [5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010))]. FBI responses are limited to those records subject to the requirements of the FOIA. Additional information about the FBI and the FOIPA can be found on the www.fbi.gov/foia website.
- (ii) **National Security/Intelligence Records.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of national security and foreign intelligence records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), and PA exemption (j)(2) as applicable to requests for records about individuals [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(1), (b)(3), and (j)(2); 50 U.S.C § 3024(i)(1)]. The mere acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of such records is itself a classified fact protected by FOIA exemption (b)(1) and/or would reveal intelligence sources, methods, or activities protected by exemption (b)(3) [50 USC § 3024(i)(1)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that national security or foreign intelligence records do or do not exist.

Part 2: The standard responses below apply to all requests for records on individuals:

- (i) **Requests for Records about any Individual—Watch Lists.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of any individual's name on a watch list pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that watch list records do or do not exist.
- (ii) **Requests for Records for Incarcerated Individuals.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records which could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any incarcerated individual pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(7)(E), (b)(7)(F), and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (b)(7)(F), and (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.

Part 3: General Information:

- (i) **Record Searches.** The Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS) searches for reasonably described records by searching those systems or locations where responsive records would reasonably be found. A reasonable search normally consists of a search for main files in the Central Records System (CRS), an extensive system of records consisting of applicant, investigative, intelligence, personnel, administrative, and general files compiled and maintained by the FBI in the course of fulfilling law enforcement, intelligence, and administrative functions. The CRS spans the entire FBI organization and encompasses the records of FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ), FBI Field Offices, and FBI Legal Attaché Offices (Legats) worldwide and includes Electronic Surveillance (ELSUR) records. For additional information about our record searches visit www.fbi.gov/services/information-management/foipa/requesting-fbi-records.
- (ii) **FBI Records.** Founded in 1908, the FBI carries out a dual law enforcement and national security mission. As part of this dual mission, the FBI creates and maintains records on various subjects; however, the FBI does not maintain records on every person, subject, or entity.
- (iii) **Requests for Criminal History Records or Rap Sheets.** The Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division provides Identity History Summary Checks – often referred to as a criminal history record or rap sheets. These criminal history records are not the same as material in an investigative "FBI file." An Identity History Summary Check is a listing of information taken from fingerprint cards and documents submitted to the FBI in connection with arrests, federal employment, naturalization, or military service. For a fee, individuals can request a copy of their Identity History Summary Check. Forms and directions can be accessed at www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks. Additionally, requests can be submitted electronically at www.edo.cjis.gov. For additional information, please contact CJIS directly at (304) 625-5590.
- (iv) **The National Name Check Program (NNCP).** The mission of NNCP is to analyze and report information in response to name check requests received from federal agencies, for the purpose of protecting the United States from foreign and domestic threats to national security. Please be advised that this is a service provided to other federal agencies. Private citizens cannot request a name check.

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2015 3:20 PM
To: Ghattas, Carl (WF) (FBI)
Subject: Branch I close-out

b5 -2
b6 -1, 3
b7C -1, 3
b7D -1
b7E -2, 4, 7, 15

Sir:

For Branch I:

1. [Redacted]
2. [Redacted]
3. [Redacted]
4. [Redacted]
5. [Redacted]
6. [Redacted]

Please let me know if you have any questions. [Redacted] will be the A/ASAC tomorrow. The updated [Redacted] will be ready for the ADIC briefing on Thursday.

[Redacted]

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b7C -1

[Redacted]

SSA, Squad CT-5
Washington Field Office

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

b6 -1
b7C -1

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2015 4:00 PM
To: Ghattas, Carl (WF) (FBI); McPherson, Michael F. (WF) (FBI)
Subject: Branch 1 update

Sir:

b6 -1, 3
b7C -1, 3
b7D -1
b7E -2, 4, 7

Branch 1 has the following for the closeout:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

[Redacted]

Please call me if you have any questions.

[Redacted]

Hoyt, Charles E. (WF) (FBI)

From: Hoyt, Charles E. (WF) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, August 6, 2015 4:04 PM
To: [redacted] Mccabe, Andrew G. (WF) (FBI); Ghattas, Carl (WF) (FBI); Riviere, Rafael A. (WF) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: RE: Can you shed some light on this?

b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -2, 8

Became aware of this via radio news reporting a couple days ago. [redacted]
[redacted] My initial read is it could be 1st Ammendment (although inflammatory and a conduct problem for [redacted] black separatist or HVE indicative. My initial read in anti-law enforcement, as it talks about [redacted] I'll advise once we've made a determination. In the meanwhile, I think not commenting I'd the way to go. -c

----- Original message -----

From: [redacted]
Date: 08/06/2015 3:56 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mccabe, Andrew G. (WF) (FBI)" [redacted] "Ghattas, Carl (WF) (FBI)" [redacted] "Hoyt, Charles E. (WF) (FBI)" [redacted] "Riviere, Rafael A. (WF) (FBI)" [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: FW: Can you shed some light on this?

b6 -1, 3
b7C -1, 3
b7E -2

Please be advised [redacted]
[redacted] County has been made aware of the press interest. We declined comment-

Respectfully, [redacted]

SSA [redacted]
FBI Washington Field Office
Public Affairs/Community Outreach

[redacted]

[@FBIWFO](http://FBI.gov/washingtondc)

From: [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2015 2:13 PM
To: [redacted]
Subject: Can you shed some light on this?

b6 -1, 4
b7C -1, 4

Hi [redacted] - This came up on my radar today -are you guys looking into this? Anything you can share?

CTWatch

From:

CTWatch

b6 -1, 4, 6
b7C -1, 4, 6
b7E -4

Sent:

[Redacted]

To:

Comey, James B. (DO) (FBI); [Redacted]

[Redacted]

Cc:

CTWatch; [Redacted]

Subject:

Immediate Email Distribution

All:

b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -2, 6

FBI Counterterrorism Division approval has been obtained for *IMMEDIATE* release today via Samsung/Blackberry/UNET message for the below information.

Point of contact: [Redacted] Unit Chief, [Redacted] Federal Bureau of Investigation,

[Redacted]

(U//~~FOUO~~) This email notifies all field offices of a [Redacted] approved today by the

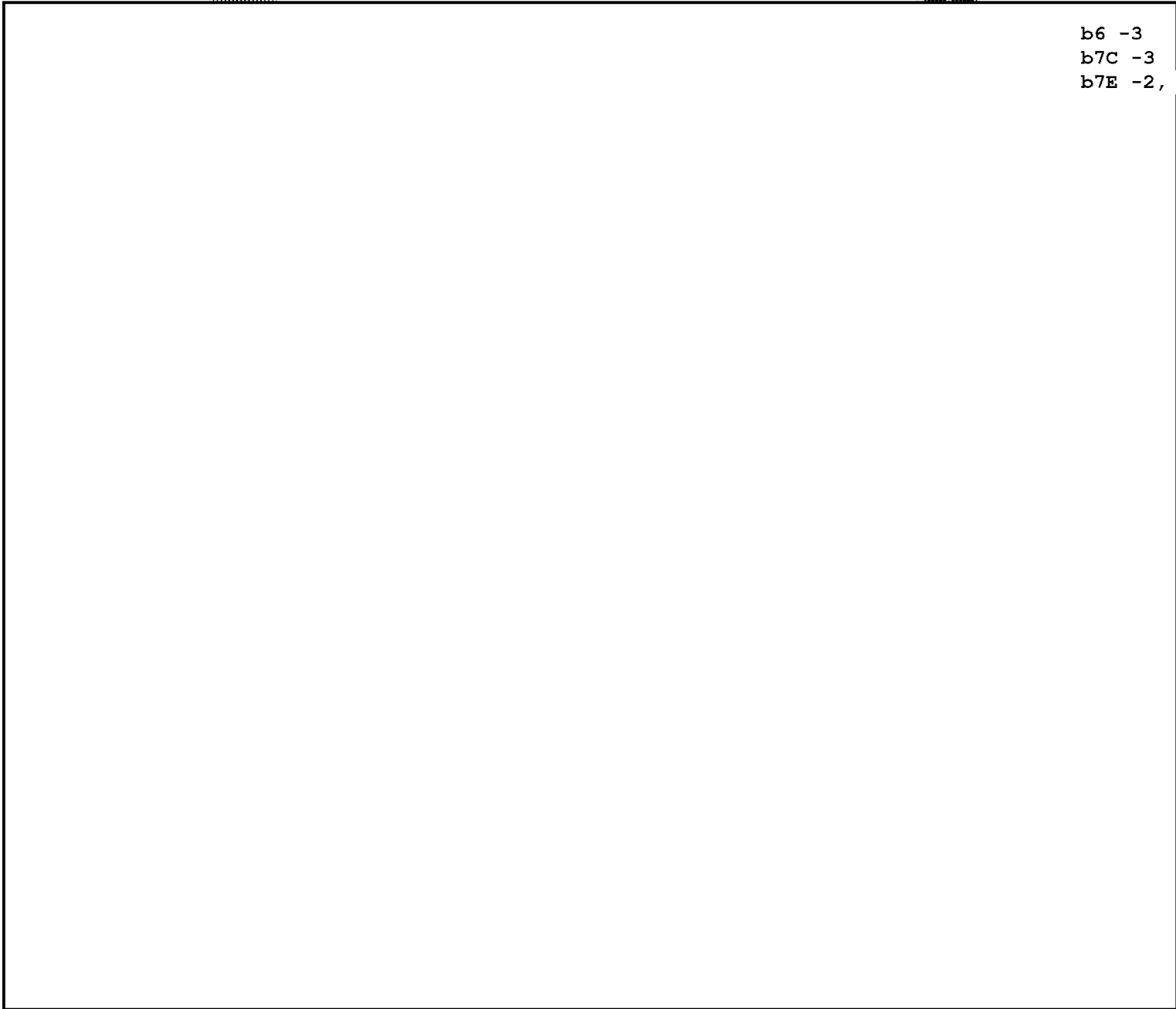
CTWatch

From: CTWatch
Sent:
To: CTWatch
Subject: FW: CT Watch Overnight News -

b7E -2



b6 -3
b7C -3
b7E -2, 9



Paarmann, C B. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Paarmann, C B. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Saturday, July 9, 2016 1:12 PM
To: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: DHS query

Boss - Per conversation, checked and AT THIS TIME, there is still no tie or association with any predicated DT Group or individual. Subject expressed Black Separatist sympathies and rhetoric but no known affiliation.

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Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

From: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Saturday, July 9, 2016 1:13 PM
To: Paarmann, C B. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: RE: DHS query

Rgr

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----- Original message -----

From: "Paarmann, C B. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 07/09/2016 1:12 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted] "Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)"
[redacted]
Subject: DHS query

b6 -1
b7C -1

Boss - Per conversation, checked and AT THIS TIME, there is still no tie or association with any predicated DT Group or individual. Subject expressed Black Separatist sympathies and rhetoric but no known affiliation.

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Paarmann, C B. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Paarmann, C B. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 6:03 PM
To: [redacted] Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
Subject: RE: OCA inquiry
Attachments: On a separate matter.docx

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b7C -1
b7E -9

Have word-smithed the below a bit.....

C. Bryan Paarmann
Deputy Asst. Director
Counterterrorism Division, FBI

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 2:08 PM
To: Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); Paarmann, C B. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
Subject: RE: OCA inquiry

b6 -1
b7C -1

Including the TPs the EAD used on Friday during his call with OPE when discussing DT. Also have additional TPs for your use regarding resources.

From: Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, July 14, 2016 5:26 PM
To: [redacted]
Cc: Paarmann, C B. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
Subject: RE: OCA inquiry

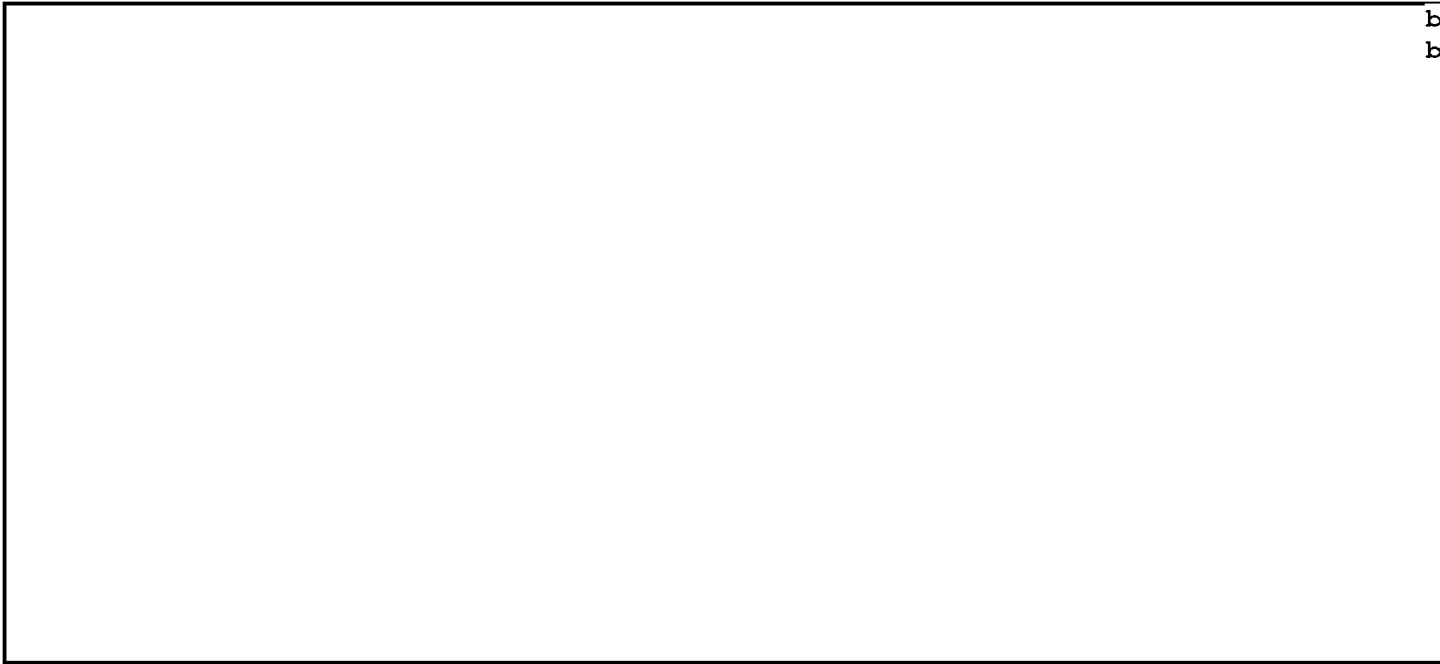
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Some prelim INTERNAL responses, but as we discussed we need to consider [redacted]

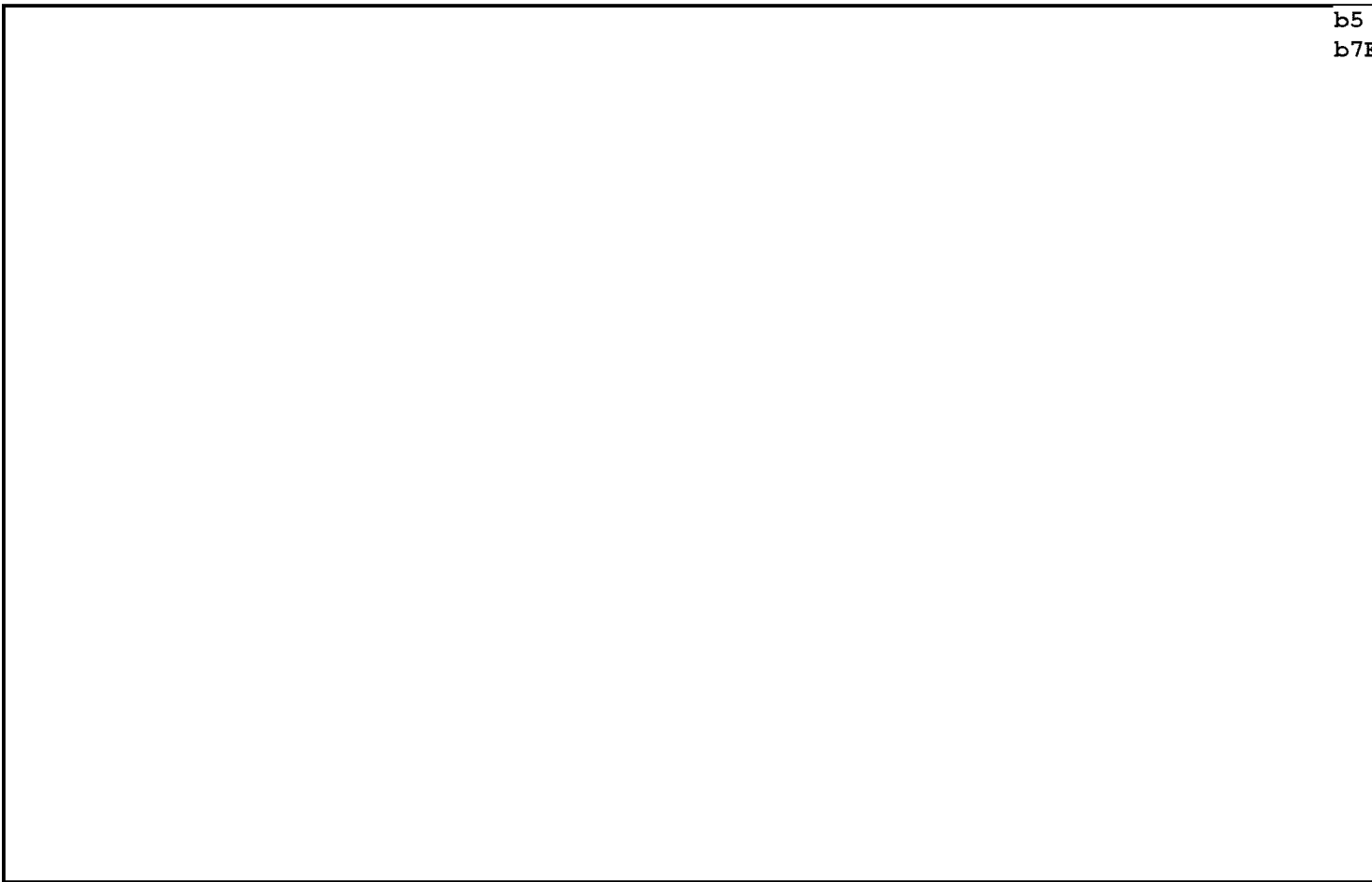
[redacted]

[redacted]

b5 -2
b7E -2



b5 -2
b7E -2



From: Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Wednesday, July 13, 2016 5:54 PM
To: [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: RE: OCA inquiry

b6 -1
b7C -1

Can we see about going before lunch on Monday or Tuesday?

Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 6:15 PM
To: Paarmann, C B. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
Cc: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
Subject: RE: OCA inquiry

b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -9

Thanks Boss. I can work with this.

From: Paarmann, C B. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 6:03 PM
To: [redacted] Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
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To: [redacted]
Cc: Paarmann, C B. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
Subject: RE: OCA inquiry

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b7E -2

SIOC

From: SIOC
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 7:04 PM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FW [redacted]
Attachments: [redacted] FINAL.docx

b7E -2, 9

Per EAD Coleman, all ADICs/SACs have been added to the [redacted] distribution group for this Incident and will receive all future [redacted] when they are sent out. Below and attached is this evening's [redacted]

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b7C -3, 6
b7E -2, 4, 9

[redacted]

From: Bulletin Intelligence [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2016 7:03 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Thursday, August 18, 2016

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Mobile version and searchable archives available at fbi.bulletinintelligence.com.

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b7C -1
b7E -2, 4, 9

From:

[Redacted]

Sent:

Monday, November 21, 2016 3:57 PM

To:

Combs, Christopher H. (SA) (FBI); [Redacted]; Ghattas, Carl
(CTD) (FBI); [Redacted]
SIOC; [Redacted]

Subject:

[Redacted]

Attachments:

[Redacted]

From: Bulletin Intelligence [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, December 22, 2016 7:09 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Thursday, December 22, 2016

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Mobile version and searchable archives available at fbi.bulletinintelligence.com.

From: Bulletin Intelligence [redacted]
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2017 7:03 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Monday, January 23, 2017

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Friday, October 6, 2017 2:59 PM
To: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI); [Redacted]
[Redacted]
Subject: FW: The FBI's New U.S. Terrorist Threat: 'Black Identity Extremists'

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Gary

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And even though the report mentions in a footnote that “political activism” and “strong rhetoric” by themselves don’t amount to extremism and “may be constitutionally protected,” it identifies anger with police or “anti-white rhetoric” as indicators of a potential “violent threat.”

“Just the term ‘black identity extremist’ is protected,” the former official said. “You can identify all you want.”

The FBI, however, defended the classification in its statement to FP.

“Domestic terrorism groups differ from traditional criminal groups in that they take action for a different purpose, to bring attention to a social or political cause,” the FBI wrote. “Therefore, their existence as a group has a legitimate purpose, at least in part. Their legitimate activity may include acts of protest, advocacy, and civil disobedience.”

The FBI says there are “nine persistent extremist movements” in the United States at present. Those include “white supremacy, black identities, militia, sovereign citizens, anarchists, abortion, animal rights, environmental rights, and Puerto Rican Nationalism.”

[Redacted]

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 8:44 AM
To: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); [Redacted] Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI);
[Redacted]
Subject: Articles
Attachments: Press wrap Heritage 10132017.docx

FBI director warns against restricting controversial NSA surveillance program:
https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/fbi-director-warns-against-restricting-controversial-nsa-surveillance-program/2017/10/13/a40a0b3c-b02a-11e7-a908-a3470754bbb9_story.html?utm_term=.52048b111710

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b7E -2

Another Shift in Las Vegas Timeline Caps Days of Confusion: https://www.nytimes.com/2017/10/13/us/las-vegas-timeline.html?_r=0

Black Caucus Demands Meeting with FBI Director Over 'Black Identity Extremists' Report:
<http://dailycaller.com/2017/10/14/black-caucus-demands-meeting-with-fbi-director-over-black-identity-extremists-report/>

The World Once Laughed at North Korean Cyberpower. No More.:
<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/10/15/world/asia/north-korea-hacking-cyber-sony.html>

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, October 17, 2017 2:30 PM
To: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI); [Redacted]
Subject: CBC Letter to Director Wray re: Aug 2017 BIE product
Attachments: CBC Director Wray Letter.pdf

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Thanks,

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Special Assistant
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October 13, 2017

Director Christopher Wray
Federal Bureau of Investigation
935 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20535-0001

Dear Director Wray:

We write to express our concern over the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) recent "Intelligence Assessment" dated August 3, 2017, entitled "Black Identity Extremists Likely Motivated to Target Law Enforcement Officers." We also request a briefing on the origins of this research and the FBI's intended next steps now that this assessment has been performed and disseminated.

As you are no doubt aware, the FBI has a troubling history of utilizing its broad investigatory powers to target black citizens. During the 1960s, Director J. Edgar Hoover used the Counter Intelligence Program (COINTELPRO) to surveil and discredit civil rights activists and members of the Black Panther Party. For example, the FBI falsified letters in an effort to blackmail Martin Luther King, Jr. into silence. Given this history, and given several concerning actions this Administration has taken on racial issues, Members of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) are justifiably concerned about this FBI Assessment.

Unfortunately, this Administration has developed a pattern of statements and actions that are hostile to African Americans. The President and his advisors have at times failed to condemn Neo-Nazis and white supremacists. The President encouraged law enforcement personnel to use less restraint in dealing with individuals *suspected* of crimes. Lastly, the Attorney General has rolled back criminal justice reforms -- a move that will disproportionately harm African Americans.

Against this backdrop, the Members of the CBC cannot help but be concerned about the aforementioned intelligence assessment. The FBI is responsible for investigating criminal activity and referring its findings to Department of Justice attorneys for prosecution. The intelligence assessment, citing only a handful of incidents since 2013, has concluded with "high confidence" that "Black Identity Extremists" are likely to target law enforcement based on "perceptions of police brutality against African Americans."

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From:

[Redacted]

To:

[Redacted]

Subject:

Re: CBC Letter to Director Wray re: Aug 2017 BIE product

Rgr

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----- Original message -----

From:

[Redacted]

Date: 10/17/17 2:30 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: "Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)"

[Redacted]

Cc: "Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI)"

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Subject: CBC Letter to Director Wray re: Aug 2017 BIE product

Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

From: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, October 17, 2017 2:42 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: CBC Letter to Director Wray re: Aug 2017 BIE product

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Rgr

----- Original message -----

From: [REDACTED]
Date: 10/17/17 2:30 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Special Assistant
National Security Branch
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 3:20 PM
To: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: FW: Closeout Notes

FYI.

-----Original Message-----

From: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 3:18 PM
To: Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI) [redacted] Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)
[redacted] Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI) [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Closeout Notes

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Hi team,

Just a few things as we close out the week.

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b6 -5
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GO SKINS!
Nikki

Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

From: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 3:34 PM
To: McCabe, Andrew G. (DO) (FBI)
Subject: Fwd: Closeout Notes

Close out from CTD below.

----- Original message -----

From: "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 10/20/17 3:19 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Subject: FW: Closeout Notes

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Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Closeout Notes

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To: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Re: Closeout Notes

Rgr

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Nikki

Subject: BIE Report Discussion w/Director (TIME CHANGE)

Location: [REDACTED]

b7E -6

Start: Mon 11/27/2017 2:00 PM

End: Mon 11/27/2017 3:00 PM

Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: Wood, Melissa Ann (DO) (FBI)

Required Attendees: [REDACTED] McCabe, Andrew G. (DO) (FBI); David Lance Bowdich Associate Deputy Director; Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI); Rybicki, James E. (DO) (FBI); [REDACTED] Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)

b6 -1, 6

b7C -1, 6

Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

From: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2017 4:09 PM
To: Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI); [redacted]
[redacted]
Subject: Fwd: Follow-up Meeting / Pre-Hearing Questions

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b7C -1

----- Original message -----

From: "Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 11/29/17 6:18 PM (GMT-08:00)
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
"Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
"Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted] "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
"Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
[redacted] "Kelly, Kristyn E. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Subject: Re: Follow-up Meeting / Pre-Hearing Questions

b6 -1, 6
b7C -1, 6

Would be happy to discuss one and two in the AM. The stats from the other questions are readily available. We can put those together quickly and discuss how to handle during the session.

----- Original message -----

From: "Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 11/29/17 21:04 (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
"Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Subject: Fwd: Follow-up Meeting / Pre-Hearing Questions

b6 -1, 6
b7C -1, 6

Grant:

FYI, see below for likely asks from the Ranking Member. Would appreciate your thoughts on how D can/should respond at the hrg tomorrow.

Thx

tomorrow and Wray can make a commitment to get the others two him before Congress' adjournment on Friday.

Overall, Director Wray's decision to come up and speak to CBC created a lot of good will. While RM Thompson is still gravely concerned about the impact and biases the BIE report will have, he did like that Wray acknowledged the serious of the threats and violent acts from domestic terrorists. Tomorrow, that is what RM Thompson will focus on, making sure FBI is balancing their work and their workforce on DT and international terrorism.

Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!

b6 -4
b7C -4

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Rep. Bennie G. Thompson (D-MS) | Ranking Member
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Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

Subject: Congressional Black Caucus/BIE/Office of Congressional affairs
Location: TBD
Start: Monday, January 22, 2018 2:00 PM
End: Monday, January 22, 2018 3:00 PM
Recurrence: (none)
Meeting Status: No response required
Organizer: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

[Redacted]

b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -6

Subject: Black Identity Extremist Assessment/Congressional Black Caucus Follow-Up

Location: [Redacted]

Start: Monday, January 22, 2018 2:00 PM

End: Monday, January 22, 2018 3:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: [Redacted]

Required Attendees: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI); Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI); Sleeper, Kerry L. (DO) (FBI); Parry, Shannon V. (DI) (FBI)

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b7C -1

Optional Attendees: [Redacted]

[Redacted]

From:

[Redacted]

To:

Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI)

Cc:

[Redacted]

Subject:

Fwd: NSC [Redacted]

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b7E -4

Gary,

Please see below. Can you please ensure my WAVES is passed and the BIE meeting is rescheduled?

Thanks,
Carl

----- Original message -----

From: "O'Callaghan, Edward (NSD)"

[Redacted]

Date: 1/19/18 5:56 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: "Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)"

[Redacted]

Cc: "Toscas, George (NSD) (JMD)"

[Redacted]

Subject: NSC

[Redacted]

b6 -6
b7C -6
b7E -4

Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

From: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, January 19, 2018 9:45 PM
To: Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Fwd: NSC [redacted]

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b7E -4

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Date: 1/19/18 5:56 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Cc: "Toscas, George (NSD) (JMD)" [redacted]
Subject: NSC [redacted]

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b7E -2, 4

Carl,

[redacted]

Best,

[redacted]

[redacted]

[Redacted]

b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -4

From:

[Redacted]

Sent:

Saturday, January 20, 2018 8:12 AM

To:

Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI); Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

Cc:

[Redacted]

Subject:

Re: NSC [Redacted]

Boss,

Your WAVES information has been sent.

Thanks

[Redacted]

----- Original message -----

From: "Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI)"

[Redacted]

Date: 1/19/18 9:49 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: "Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)"

[Redacted]

Cc:

[Redacted]

Subject: Re: NSC

[Redacted]

b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -4

No problem boss. It will be handled.

----- Original message -----

From: "Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)"

[Redacted]

Date: 1/19/18 9:45 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: "Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI)"

[Redacted]

Cc:

[Redacted]

Subject: Fwd: NSC

[Redacted]

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From: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Saturday, January 20, 2018 8:56 AM
To: [redacted] Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Re: NSC [redacted]

b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -4

Thank you.

----- Original message -----

From: [redacted]
Date: 1/20/18 8:12 AM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI)" [redacted] "Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
[redacted]
Subject: Re: NSC [redacted]

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b7C -1
b7E -4

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To: "Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
[redacted]
Subject: Re: NSC [redacted]

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b7E -4

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To: "Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI)" [redacted]

Cc: [redacted]

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Cc: "Toscas, George (NSD) (JMD)" [redacted]

Subject: NSC Ecuador

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b7C -6
b7E -2, 4

Carl,

[redacted]

Best,

[redacted]

[redacted]

[Redacted]

b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -6

Subject: Black Identity Extremist Assessment/Congressional Black Caucus Follow-Up

Location: [Redacted]

Start: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 3:30 PM
End: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 4:30 PM
Show Time As: Tentatively accepted

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: [Redacted]

b6 -1, 6
b7C -1, 6

Required Attendees: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI); Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI); Sleeper, Kerry L. (DO) (FBI); Parry, Shannon V. (DI) (FBI); [Redacted] (FBI)

Optional Attendees: [Redacted]

O'Callaghan, Edward (NSD)

From: O'Callaghan, Edward (NSD)
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2018 11:51 AM
To: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: FW: NSC [redacted]

Just making sure you got word that NSC postponed this meeting, as we understand they have done with others seemingly because of the shutdown. We will let you know when we learn of rescheduling. Apologies for the unanticipated cancellation.

[redacted]

From: O'Callaghan, Edward (NSD)
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2018 11:45 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: NSC [redacted]

b6 -1, 6
b7C -1, 6
b7E -4

Thank you for checking. We just learned that the NSC has postponed this meeting for this afternoon. We will be in touch when we learn when it will be rescheduled.

Edward C. O'Callaghan

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2018 11:03 AM
To: O'Callaghan, Edward (NSD) [redacted]
Subject: FW: NSC [redacted]

b6 -1, 6
b7C -1, 6
b7E -4

Good Morning,

I would like to confirm you received EAD Ghattas' WAVES information. I sent it over on Saturday.

Respectfully,

[redacted]

From: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Saturday, January 20, 2018 8:56 AM
To: [redacted] Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI) [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Re: NSC [redacted]

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Subject: NSC [redacted]

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b7C -6
b7E -2, 4

Carl,

[redacted]

Best,

[redacted]

[redacted]

Subject: Pre-Brief re: BIE

Location:

b7E -6

Start: Tuesday, January 30, 2018 1:30 PM

End: Tuesday, January 30, 2018 2:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

Required Attendees: Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)

Bulletin Intelligence

From: Bulletin Intelligence
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2018 6:59 AM
To:
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Tuesday, February 20, 2018

b7E -9

Mobile version and searchable archives available at fbi.bulletinintelligence.com.

b7E -2

Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

Subject: BIE Assessment

Location:

b7E -6

Start: Monday, March 12, 2018 3:30 PM

End: Monday, March 12, 2018 4:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

Required Attendees: Sleeper, Kerry L. (DO) (FBI); Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI); McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)

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Optional Attendees:

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Subject: Accepted: BIE Assessment

Location: [Redacted]

Start: Monday, March 12, 2018 3:30 PM

End: Monday, March 12, 2018 4:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

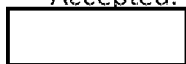
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Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: No response required

Organizer: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

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Location:

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End: Monday, March 12, 2018 4:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Organizer: Microsoft Outlook

Required Attendees: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2018 1:57 PM
To: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI); [REDACTED]
Subject: HPSCI BIE briefing cancelled tomorrow

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2018 2:05 PM
To: [Redacted] Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI); [Redacted]
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Sent: [redacted]
To: CTWatch
Subject: [redacted]
Attachments: [redacted]

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All,

For convenience when reading on a cell phone, the text of the report is pasted below.

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This [redacted] will be posted to [redacted] momentarily.

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*Any questions, please contact

[redacted]

Unit Chief

[redacted]

Federal Bureau of Investigation

[redacted]

Thank you.
CT Watch/nnp

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From: ADL Blogs
Sent: Thursday, September 15, 2016 2:21 PM
To: MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTDWF) (FBI)
Subject: Black Nationalist Charged With Attacking Phoenix Police Officers

New ADL Blog post:

Black Nationalist Charged With Attacking Phoenix Police Officers

September 15, 2016 11:58 am

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CTWatch

From: CTWatch
Sent:
To: CTWatch
Subject: CT Watch Overnight News -

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Sweeney, William F. (NY) (FBI)

From: Sweeney, William F. (NY) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2017 10:10 AM
To: McGarrity, Michael C. (NY) (FBI)
Subject: FW: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Thursday, November 30, 2017

From: Bulletin Intelligence [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2017 7:02 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Thursday, November 30, 2017

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, December 6, 2017 2:37 PM
To: MCGarrity, Michael C. (NY) (FBI)
Subject: CTD Threat Information and Invitation
Attachments: CTD_Hearing_Papers.docx; BIE_Hearing_Paper_December_2017_Edits.docx; 20171206_Invitation_Ghattas.pdf

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SAC McGarrity:

Attached are the latest unclassified talking points Director Wray referenced during his recent testimony on the Hill. AD Mendenhall explained these talking points would be the best resource for you regarding the upcoming CT Forum in Melbourne and in the foreseeable future. The LinCT CT FORUM invitation is also attached to this e-mail. The event is taking place 12/11/2017 - 12/13/2017. The roundtable discussion is the morning of 12/11/2017. I will reach out to Australia once I hear from you that you are able to take the trip for more specifics regarding the roundtable (i.e. time, questions, etc.). Also, I will speak with Carl about you leaving on December 12, 2017.

Thank you,

SSA [Redacted]
Program Manager
Leadership in Counterterrorism Program

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From: Bulletin Intelligence [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2018 7:03 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Thursday, January 25, 2018

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2018 11:09 AM
To: Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI); McGarrity, Michael C. (NY) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI); [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: FBI Response to Your Story entitled: "White and far-right extremists kill more cops, but FBI tracks black extremists more closely"

FYSA

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2018 10:37 AM
To: Irby, Kate <kirby@mcclatchy.com>
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FBI Response to Your Story entitled: "White and far-right extremists kill more cops, but FBI tracks black extremists more closely"

Kate,

I read your story this morning entitled, "White and far-right extremists kill more cops, but FBI tracks black extremists more closely" and linked here: <http://www.mcclatchydc.com/news/nation-world/national/article196423174.html#storylink=cpy>

I was disappointed in how biased your story is and how it leaves out vital context which I provided to you in our communications. There are multiple factual inaccuracies that are included in your story, not sourced to anything or anyone.

For your edification and to update your story:

1. "But while the FBI tracks so-called "black identity extremists" as domestic terror threats --- as a report from the bureau completed in August and leaked in October revealed --- it doesn't have an equivalent designation for white extremists. "
 - Had you asked me, this would have been our response: "The FBI's domestic terrorism program identifies nine persistent extremist movements in the US: white supremacy, black identities, militia, sovereign citizens, anarchists, abortion, animal rights, environmental rights, and Puerto Rican Nationalism. This does not preclude the FBI from investigating all other unique, extremist ideologies furthered wholly or in part through crime and violence are addressed as they arise."
2. "The Congressional Black Caucus asked FBI Director Christopher Wray in a private meeting in November, as well as during public testimony in December, to rescind the report. Wray did not commit to doing so, and FBI spokesman Andrew Ames said Tuesday there was "no update" since then.
 - Had you quoted Director Wray's Congressional testimony, which I directed you to and provided you with, your readership would know what he said in response to a member of the CBC: "I think what we're doing right now is what we would normally do with any intelligence assessment, which is we continue to evaluate the data as it rolls in. The intelligence assessment in question was a snapshot in time. And, as we get more information that comes in from all quarters, considering all sorts of information, I expect that we will update that information in an

appropriate way. And, depending on what the information shows, it could be anything from a reaffirmance, to a retraction, to a clarification. It just depends on what the information shows..."

- You have 5 paragraphs that include quotes from critics of the Bureau but fail to include this informative interaction, which offers context and responds to the CBC members' concerns. You then include my response that there has been no update to this process which we are currently undertaking as we do with all intelligence assessments to suggest that we've done nothing in response to the CBC. That is just not true. The assessment process continues.
3. Experts worry that the broad labeling of black groups, and not white ones, is an indication that federal law enforcement's targeting of certain groups is based less on evidence than on politics.
- Had you asked me about the critics questions with regard to "labeling of black groups", I would have provided you this: **"The FBI investigates activity which may constitute a federal crime or pose a threat to national security and cannot initiate an investigation based solely on an individual's race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, or the exercise of First Amendment rights. The FBI remains committed to protecting those rights for all Americans. Our focus is not on membership in particular groups but on individuals who commit violence and other criminal acts. Furthermore, the FBI does not and will not police ideology. When an individual takes violent action based on belief or ideology and breaks the law, the FBI will enforce the rule of law."**
4. "White and far-right extremists kill more cops, but FBI tracks black extremists more closely"
- What is this based on?

Please update your story to reflect the information provided above. We have no comment on the third party report. I am happy to discuss this further with your editor and my supervisor should you have any questions. Please provide his or her name.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]
Federal Bureau of Investigation
National Press Office

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Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

Subject: HPSCI BIE Briefing
Location: Captiol Hill

Start: Friday, March 16, 2018 12:00 PM
End: Friday, March 16, 2018 2:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

Required Attendees: Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD)

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Optional Attendees:

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End: Friday, March 16, 2018 2:00 PM
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Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: [Redacted]

Required Attendees: McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI);
Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); [Redacted]
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End: Friday, March 16, 2018 2:00 PM

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Organizer: Microsoft Outlook

Required Attendees: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

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To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Tuesday, February 20, 2018

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 5, 2018 11:16 AM
To: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: prep for BIE brief to HPSCI

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[REDACTED]

Supervisory Special Agent [REDACTED]
Congressional Liaison
Primary Account: HPSCI
Office of Congressional Affairs
Desk: [REDACTED] (Note: I check email more frequently than voicemail) Cell: [REDACTED]

[redacted]
From:

Sent: Monday, March 5, 2018 11:29 AM

To: [redacted] Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
[redacted]

Cc: [redacted]

Subject: Re: prep for BIE brief to HPSCI

[redacted] - can you find time on my schedule this week.

Thanks

Mike

----- Original message -----

From: [redacted]

Date: 3/5/18 4:15 PM (GMT+00:00)

To: "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted] "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"

Cc: [redacted]
[redacted]

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Sent: Monday, March 5, 2018 12:05 PM
To: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Re: prep for BIE brief to HPSCI

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Thanks!
Nikki

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Date: 3/5/18 6:29 PM (GMT+02:00)
To: [redacted] "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
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Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Re: prep for BIE brief to HPSCI

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Mike

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Sent: Monday, March 5, 2018 12:06 PM
To: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: RE: prep for BIE brief to HPSCI

Rgr! Travel safe

From: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Monday, March 05, 2018 12:05 PM
To: McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: Re: prep for BIE brief to HPSCI

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Sent: Monday, March 5, 2018 12:42 PM
To: McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); [Redacted] Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: Re: prep for BIE brief to HPSCI

Hi! This is for [Redacted]

----- Original message -----

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Monday, March 5, 2018 1:14 PM
To: [Redacted]
Subject: Fwd: prep for BIE brief to HPSCI

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Supervisory Special Agent [redacted]
Congressional Liaison
Primary Account: HPSCI
Office of Congressional Affairs
Desk: [redacted] (Note: I check email more frequently than voicemail)
Cell: [redacted]

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Monday, March 5, 2018 1:26 PM
To: MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: RE: prep for BIE brief to HPSCI

Got it. I am working on scheduling now.

From: MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Monday, March 05, 2018 1:14 PM
To: [Redacted]
Subject: Fwd: prep for BIE brief to HPSCI

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sorry, [Redacted] can you book something per below. Nikki is out the remainder of this week so need someone else from her shop.

----- Original message -----

From: [Redacted]
Date: 3/5/18 5:42 PM (GMT+00:00)
To: "MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [Redacted]
[Redacted] "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: Re: prep for BIE brief to HPSCI

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Hi! This is for [Redacted]

----- Original message -----

From: "MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [Redacted]
Date: 3/5/18 7:29 PM (GMT+03:00)
To: [Redacted] "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [Redacted]
[Redacted]

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Cc: [redacted]

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Subject: Re: prep for BIE brief to HPSCI

[redacted] - can you find time on my schedule this week.

Thanks

Mike

----- Original message -----

From: [redacted]

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Date: 3/5/18 4:15 PM (GMT+00:00)

To: "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted] "McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"

Cc: [redacted]

Subject: prep for BIE brief to HPSCI

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Cell: [redacted]

Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

Subject: Prep for BIE Brief to HPSCI

Location:

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Start: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 2:00 PM

End: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 3:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

Required Attendees:

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Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

Subject: Accepted: Prep for BIE Brief to HPSCI

Location:



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Start: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 2:00 PM

End: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 3:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: No response required

Organizer: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

Microsoft Outlook

Subject: Meeting Forward Notification: Prep for BIE Brief to HPSCI

Location:

b7E -6

Start: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 2:00 PM

End: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 3:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Organizer: Microsoft Outlook

Required Attendees: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

Your meeting was forwarded

has forwarded your meeting request to additional recipients.

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Meeting

Prep for BIE Brief to HPSCI

Meeting Time

Wednesday, 07 March 2018 14:00-15:00.

Recipients

All times listed are in the following time zone: (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Sent by Microsoft Exchange Server

[Redacted]

Subject: BIE Assessment

Location: [Redacted]

Start: Monday, March 12, 2018 3:30 PM

End: Monday, March 12, 2018 4:30 PM

Show Time As: Tentatively accepted

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Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: [Redacted]

Required Attendees: [Redacted] Sleeper, Kerry L. (DO) (FBI); Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI); McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)

Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

Subject: BIE Assessment

Location: [REDACTED]

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Start: Monday, March 12, 2018 3:30 PM

End: Monday, March 12, 2018 4:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

Required Attendees: [REDACTED] Sleeper, Kerry L. (DO) (FBI); Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI); MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)

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Optional Attendees: [REDACTED] Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 3:25 PM
To: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: Format for BIE

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Cell [Redacted]

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Subject: Accepted: BIE Assessment

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Start: Monday, March 12, 2018 3:30 PM

End: Monday, March 12, 2018 4:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: No response required

Organizer: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)

McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

From: McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 3:59 PM
To: [redacted] Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: RE: Format for BIE

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Copy, thanks [redacted]

Christine and Nikki -- lets work with your respective branches and put together a draft opening statement by Monday mid-morning so we have it for the afternoon meeting on Monday.

Michael C. McGarrity
Assistant Director
Counterterrorism Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation
[redacted] (office)
[redacted] (cell)

From: [redacted]
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To: McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted] Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted] Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
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Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 4:09 PM
To: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Re: Format for BIE

Sure thing! I passed this to my front office, who can assist while I'm [redacted]

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----- Original message -----

From: "McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 3/7/18 10:58 PM (GMT+02:00)
To: [redacted] "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)"
[redacted] "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" <nfloris@fbi.gov>
Cc: [redacted]
[redacted]
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From: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2018 10:11 AM
To: MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)

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Awesome week.

Nikki

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From: McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2018 11:05 AM
To: Bowdich, David L. (DO) (FBI); Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI); Sleeper, Kerry L. (DO) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted]; Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI); [redacted]
Subject: HPSCI Brief on Black Identity Extremists

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Counterterrorism Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation

[redacted] (office)
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Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2018 11:06 AM
To: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Re: HPSCI Brief on Black Identity Extremists

Glorious! I'll be back tomorrow boss, with bells on.

----- Original message -----

From: "McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 3/15/18 11:05 AM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Bowdich, David L. (DO) (FBI)" [redacted] "Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
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Cc: [redacted] Loeffert, Gary A. (DL) (FBI); [redacted]
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From: Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2018 11:25 AM
To: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Re:

Feel better. BIE briefing was just canceled. In IOD they calm what you have the Middle East funk.

----- Original message -----

From: "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 3/15/18 10:11 AM (GMT-05:00)
To: "McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted] "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
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Subject:

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Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: FW: BIE HPSCI

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Thanks,

[Redacted]

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 1:01 PM
To: [Redacted]
Subject: Fwd: BIE HPSCI

Hi [Redacted]

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Best,

[Redacted]

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From: [Redacted]
Date: 3/19/18 12:53 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: [Redacted]
Subject: BIE HPSCI

HPSCI asking whether Tuesday, April 10 12pm-2pm would work

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Supervisory Special Agent [REDACTED]

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Desk: [REDACTED] (Note: I check email more frequently than voicemail)

Cell: [REDACTED]

[Redacted]

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Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: RE: BIE HPSCI

Looks good for Halvorsen and McGarrity

[Redacted]

Staff Operations Specialist
Office of the Deputy Assistant Director
Counterterrorism Division

[Redacted]

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 1:20 PM
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Cc: [redacted]

Subject: RE: BIE HPSCI

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Michael C. McGarrity
Assistant Director
Counterterrorism Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation

[redacted] office)
[redacted] cell)

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To: [REDACTED]

Subject: BIE HPSCI

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Cell: [REDACTED]

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 6:12 PM
To: McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); [Redacted] Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: RE: BIE HPSCI

HPSCI has said they are no longer available on the 10th, they have now proposed us with Thursday, April 12 12pm-2pm. Apologies for the change

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 3:35 PM
To: [Redacted] McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); [Redacted] Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); [Redacted] Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); [Redacted] Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: RE: BIE HPSCI

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HPSCI asking whether Tuesday, April 10 12pm-2pm would work

Supervisory Special Agent [redacted]
Congressional Liaison
Primary Account: HPSCI
Office of Congressional Affairs
Desk: [redacted] (Note: I check email more frequently than voicemail)
Cell: [redacted]

McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

From: McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 7:40 PM
To: [redacted] Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) [redacted]
[redacted] Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: RE: BIE HPSCI

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Copy, [redacted] and Nikki should be on deck to cover.

Michael C. McGarrity
Assistant Director
Counterterrorism Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation
[redacted] (office)
[redacted] (cell)

From: [redacted]
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 1:20 PM
To: McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted] Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted] Paul, Michael F.
(CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
[redacted]
Subject: FW: BIE HPSCI

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All,

HPSCI is requesting we reschedule our BIE brief for 12-2 on April 10. Please let me know if this will work for you.

Thanks,

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 1:01 PM
To: [redacted]
Subject: Fwd: BIE HPSCI

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b7C -1

Hi [redacted]

Please see the proposed date/time and let me know if that works for our briefers. Thanks!

Best,

[redacted]

Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI)

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From: Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 6:39 PM
To: [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted] McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Re: Inquiry from Foreign Policy magazine

[Redacted]

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----- Original message -----

From: [Redacted]
Date: 3/20/18 6:37 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI)" [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: Re: Inquiry from Foreign Policy magazine

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[Redacted]

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[Redacted]

On Mar 20, 2018, at 18:17, Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI) [Redacted] wrote:

[Redacted]

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----- Original message -----

From: [Redacted]
Date: 3/20/18 6:13 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI)" [Redacted]
[Redacted]
Subject: FW: Inquiry from Foreign Policy magazine

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[Redacted]

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[Redacted]

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b7C -6

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 5:58 PM
To: [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: Fwd: Inquiry from Foreign Policy magazine

FYSA

[Redacted]

Begin forwarded message:

From: [Redacted]
Date: March 20, 2018 at 5:54:00 PM EDT
To: [Redacted]
Subject: FW: Inquiry from Foreign Policy magazine

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[Redacted]

[Redacted]

From: Press
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 4:56 PM
To: [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: FW: Inquiry from Foreign Policy magazine

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[Redacted]

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 3:53 PM
To: Press <Press@imd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Inquiry from Foreign Policy magazine

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b7C -4

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Can someone at the Justice Department respond to Rep. Bass's comments and also tell me why the Justice Department has not yet responded to the CBC's inquiries?

My deadline is 5 pm.

Thank you,

[Redacted signature box]

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b7C -4

McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

From: McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 7:32 PM
To: Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI) [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: RE: Inquiry from Foreign Policy magazine

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[redacted]

Michael C. McGarrity
Assistant Director
Counterterrorism Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation

[redacted]

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Cc: [redacted] McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI) [redacted]
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[redacted]

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Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Re: Inquiry from Foreign Policy magazine

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[redacted]

[redacted]

On Mar 20, 2018, at 18:17, [redacted] wrote:

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[redacted]

[Redacted]

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To: "Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI)" [Redacted]
[Redacted]
Subject: FW: Inquiry from Foreign Policy magazine

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[Redacted]

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b7C -1

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2018 10:18 AM
To: MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: FW: Foreign Policy magazine inquiry

Forgot to forward this chain last night

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, March 21, 2018 7:55 PM
To: [Redacted]
[Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: Re: Foreign Policy magazine inquiry

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[Redacted]

Respectfully,

[Redacted]

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, March 21, 2018 4:35 PM

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To: [redacted]

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b7C -1

Cc: [redacted]

Subject: Re: Foreign Policy magazine inquiry

[redacted]

----- Original message -----

From: [redacted]

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Date: 3/21/18 6:29 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: [redacted]

[redacted]

Cc: [redacted]

[redacted]

Subject: RE: Foreign Policy magazine inquiry

ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATION

Hello,

[redacted]

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Thanks,

[redacted]

[redacted]

Special Counsel to the EAD National Security Branch
Federal Bureau of Investigation

[redacted]

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From: [redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, March 21, 2018 6:24 PM

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To: [redacted]

Cc: [redacted]

Subject: Re: Foreign Policy magazine inquiry

[redacted]

----- Original message -----

From: [redacted]
Date: 3/21/18 6:13 PM (GMT-05:00)

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To: [redacted]

Subject: Re: Foreign Policy magazine inquiry

[redacted]

----- Original message -----

From: [redacted]
Date: 3/21/18 5:52 PM (GMT-05:00)

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b7C -1

To: [redacted]

Subject: Fwd: Foreign Policy magazine inquiry

Hello,

Making you aware of the inquiry below.

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

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----- Original message -----

From: NPO <NPO@FBI.GOV>

Date: 3/21/18 3:39 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: [Redacted]

Subject: Fw: Foreign Policy magazine inquiry

From: Press <Press@usdoj.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, March 21, 2018 3:02 PM

To: NPO

Subject: FW: Foreign Policy magazine inquiry

Can you assist?

Thank you,

[Redacted]

Office of Public Affairs
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

[Redacted]

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b7C -6

For information on office hours, access to media events, and standard ground rules for interviews, please click [here](#).

From: [Redacted]

Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 7:20 PM

To: Press <Press@imd.usdoj.gov>

Subject: Foreign Policy magazine inquiry

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b7C -4

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Can someone at the Justice Department respond to Rep. Bass's comments?

Did Christopher Wray ever respond in written form to this [letter](#) from the CBC? If so, when? And could you send me a copy of his response?

My deadline is 10:30 am tomorrow morning.

Thank you,



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b7C -4

Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, April 3, 2018 8:14 AM
To: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); Devroude, Shawn S. (CTD) (FBI); MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); McPherson, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI); [REDACTED] b6 -1, 3
Subject: Re: Radicalized Gang Activity b7C -1, 3
b7E -2

[REDACTED]

Matthew J. DeSarno
Deputy Assistant Director
Counterterrorism

[REDACTED]

----- Original message -----

From: "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED] b6 -1
Date: 4/3/18 6:09 AM (GMT-06:00) b7C -1
To: "Devroude, Shawn S. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED] "MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" b6 -1, 3
[REDACTED] "Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED] "McPherson, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Radicalized Gang Activity

[REDACTED]

From: Devroude, Shawn S. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2018 10:09 PM
To: MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI) [REDACTED] Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI) b6 -1
[REDACTED] Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI) [REDACTED] McPherson, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI) b7C -1
[REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Radicalized Gang Activity

Roger.

Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI)

Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2018 7:23 PM

To: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted]

Cc: [redacted]

Subject: Update on [redacted]

b6 -1, 3
b7C -1, 3
b7E -1, 2, 4, 8, 9

Sir,

FYSA....

[redacted]

BLUF: On [redacted] a private citizen alerted the PAL of an online threat directed at [redacted]

[redacted]

The text [redacted] is as follows:

[redacted]

b7E -2, 4

[redacted]

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b7C -3
b7E -2, 4

[redacted]

Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2018 7:56 PM
To: Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted] b6 -1
Cc: [redacted] b7C -1
b7E -2, 4
Subject: Re: Update on [redacted]

copy thanks Tom.

----- Original message -----

From: "Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 6/24/18 7:23 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
[redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
[redacted]
Subject: Update on [redacted]

b6 -1, 3
b7C -1, 3
b7E -1, 2, 4, 8, 9

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[redacted]

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b7E -2, 4

From: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2018 8:25 PM
To: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); McPherson, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Fwd: Update on [redacted]

BLUF: [redacted]

Details below.

----- Original message -----

From: "Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 6/24/18 7:23 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]

Cc: [redacted]

Subject: Update on [redacted]

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b7C -1, 3
b7E -1, 2, 4, 8, 9

Sir,

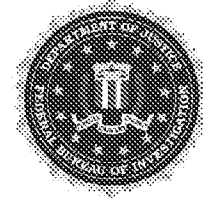
FYSA....

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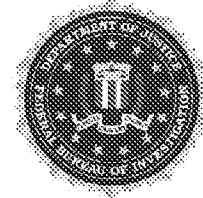
The text [redacted] is as follows:



IACP FBI MASTER SCHEDULE

Schedule for October 2 - 10, 2018
SAC Conference, MCCA, ASCIA, and IACP Conferences

V18



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

0945 to 1000 hrs

ASCIA GENERAL MEETING – SCHOOL VIOLENCE BRIEFING

Venue: Rosen Centre Hotel, 9840 International Dr, Orlando, FL 32819
Room: Grand D Ballroom
FBI Exec: UC [redacted] - BAU
OPE Lead: SSA [redacted]
Note: Requested presentation by ASCIA

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1000 to 1030 hrs

NOBLE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - DIRECTOR'S ROUNDTABLE

Venue: Renaissance Orlando Seaworld, 6677 Sea Harbor Dr, Orlando, FL 32821
Room: Zander
Director Role: Informal roundtable discussion
OPE Lead: MAPA [redacted]
Note: Event is scheduled from 0800 to 1700 hrs
WHY IT MATTERS –

- Chance to enforce the diversity and recruiting initiative
- Opportunity to discuss the BIE name change

1045 to TBD hrs

MCCA GENERAL MEETINGS -- DAY 1 DEPUTY DIRECTOR

Venue: Hilton Orlando Hotel, 6001 Destination Parkway, Orlando, FL 32819
Room: Florida Ballroom 4
FBI Exec: DD Bowdich
OPE Lead: UC [redacted]
Note: Director speak at 1100 hrs
Event scheduled from 0830 to 1700 hrs
DD Bowdich will sit at the main table

1100 to 1130 hrs

MCCA GENERAL MEETINGS - DIRECTOR'S SPEECH

Venue: Hilton Orlando Hotel, 6001 Destination Parkway, Orlando, FL 32819
Room: Florida Ballroom 4
Director Role: Prepared remarks to the MCCA membership
OPE Lead: UC [redacted] MAPA [redacted]
Note: Event is scheduled from 0800 to 1700 hrs

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b7C -1

WHY IT MATTERS –

- Chance to address all MCCA chiefs and re-inforce the partnerships
- Highlight the SAC/MCCA joint briefing from Thursday, October 4, 2018
- Community relations and law enforcement
- JTTF engagement
- TRP – understanding state and local threats

1200 to 1300 hrs

MCCA HOMELAND SECURITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Venue: Hilton Orlando Hotel, 6001 Destination Parkway, Orlando, FL 32819
Room: TBD
FBI Exec: AD Sleeper, SC Alcock
OPE Lead: UC [redacted]
Note: TRP Presentation and committee report out

Maguire, Jacqueline (BH) (FBI)

From: Maguire, Jacqueline (BH) (FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, September 25, 2018 7:06 PM
To: MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: FW: 2018 IACP Conference - Orlando, FL
Attachments: 2018 FBI IACP Master V18.pdf; 2018 IACP Conference Event Schedule - V8.pdf

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b7C -1

Hi Mike – just to follow up on our conversation this morning, wanted to flag the below for you. Let's discuss some more, so we can plan the best approach for the D at this meeting.

Thanks –
Jackie

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Director Role: Informal roundtable discussion

OPE Lead: MAPA [REDACTED]

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WHY IT MATTERS –

- Chance to enforce the diversity and recruiting initiative
- Opportunity to discuss the BIE name change

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, September 25, 2018 8:12 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: 2018 IACP Conference - Orlando, FL

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Good morning, IACP attendees.

This email will serve as the final confirmation of your attendance at the 2018 IACP Conference in Orlando, FL, which runs from Friday, October 5th, through Tuesday, October 9th. The contract hotel for all FBI attendees is the Hyatt Regency Orlando, located at 9801 International Drive. Per hotel policy, check-in can begin at 3:00 p.m. but may occur earlier based on room availability.

Attached please find the "2018 FBI IACP Master Schedule - Version 18" (minor updates will occur throughout the conference) to assist you in planning your days based on events where the FBI has direct participation or there is an identified mission overlap. In addition, we have also attached the full "2018 IACP Conference Event Schedule" which shows all IACP related events throughout the conference. It is highlighted according to FBI branch priorities. Both documents may be used to identify events of interest to your branch/division or field office.

Below, we have included the travel information from your original confirmation email for your convenience. Please note that all hotel and IACP conference registration fees will be paid by the Office of Partner Engagement.

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Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, September 25, 2018 11:06 PM
To: Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted] Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); Haertel, Paul H. (CTD) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
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b7E -2

D is meeting with NOBLE at IACP. y Thursday can DT push up [redacted] on where we stand with roll out. Maybe this is part of it. Thanks

----- Original message -----

From: "Maguire, Jacqueline (BH) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 9/25/18 4:06 PM (GMT-08:00)
To: "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Cc: "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Subject: FW: 2018 IACP Conference - Orlando, FL

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Cc: [redacted]

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To: Maguire, Jacqueline (BH) (FBI)
Cc: Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Re: 2018 IACP Conference - Orlando, FL

Thanks for flagging Jackie. I'm on travel to west coast but asked the team earlier today to provide b7E -2
on message roll out plan by Thursday. We can discuss then.

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From: Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Wednesday, September 26, 2018 6:01 AM
To: [redacted] Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); Haertel, Paul H. (CTD) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Re: 2018 IACP Conference - Orlando, FL

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Thomas J. Sobocinski
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Counterterrorism Division

[redacted]

----- Original message -----

From: [redacted]
Date: 9/26/18 12:14 AM (GMT-05:00)
To: "McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted] "Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
[redacted] "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted] "Haertel, Paul H. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted] "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Subject: Re: 2018 IACP Conference - Orlando, FL

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Will do.
(Last we heard, everything was on hold until mid-October after D's congressional hearing.)
We will work with the messaging team to get confirmation/updates.

----- Original message -----

From: "McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]

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Date: 9/25/18 11:05 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: "Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]

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[redacted] "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]

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(FBI)" [redacted] "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]

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Subject: Fwd: 2018 IACP Conference - Orlando, FL

D is meeting with NOBLE at IACP. y Thursday can DT push up [redacted] on where we stand with roll out. Maybe this is part of it. Thanks

----- Original message -----

From: "Maguire, Jacqueline (BH) (FBI)" [redacted]

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Date: 9/25/18 4:06 PM (GMT-08:00)

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To: "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]

Cc: "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]

Subject: FW: 2018 IACP Conference - Orlando, FL

Hi Mike – just to follow up on our conversation this morning, wanted to flag the below for you. Let’s discuss some more, so we can plan the best approach for the D at this meeting.

Thanks –
Jackie

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

1000 to 1030 hrs **NOBLE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - DIRECTOR’S ROUNDTABLE**

Venue: Renaissance Orlando Seaworld, 6677 Sea Harbor Dr, Orlando, FL 32821

Room: Zander

Director Role: Informal roundtable discussion

OPE Lead: MAPA [redacted]

Note: Event is scheduled from 0800 to 1700 hrs

WHY IT MATTERS –

Chance to enforce the diversity and recruiting initiative

Opportunity to discuss the BIE name change

From: [redacted]

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Sent: Tuesday, September 25, 2018 8:12 AM

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To: [redacted]

Cc: [redacted]

Subject: 2018 IACP Conference - Orlando, FL

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Subject: Re: 2018 IACP Conference - Orlando, FL

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Thanks Tom.

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Date: 9/26/18 3:00 AM (GMT-08:00)
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Subject: 2018 IACP Conference - Orlando, FL

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Good morning, IACP attendees.

This email will serve as the final confirmation of your attendance at the 2018 IACP Conference in Orlando, FL, which runs from Friday, October 5th, through Tuesday, October 9th. The contract hotel for all FBI attendees is the Hyatt Regency Orlando, located at 9801 International Drive. Per hotel policy, check-in can begin at 3:00 p.m. but may occur earlier based on room availability.

Attached please find the "2018 FBI IACP Master Schedule - Version 18" (minor updates will occur throughout the conference) to assist you in planning your days based on events where the FBI has direct participation or there is an identified mission overlap. In addition, we have also attached the full "2018 IACP Conference Event Schedule" which shows all IACP related events throughout the conference. It is highlighted according to FBI branch priorities. Both documents may be used to identify events of interest to your branch/division or field office.

Below, we have included the travel information from your original confirmation email for your convenience. Please note that all hotel and IACP conference registration fees will be paid by the Office of Partner Engagement.

Please contact me or UC [REDACTED] with any questions.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Strategic Engagement Unit
Office of Partner Engagement
Federal Bureau of Investigation
[REDACTED]

IACP HOTEL INFORMATION
HYATT REGENCY ORLANDO
9801 INTERNATIONAL DRIVE,
ORLANDO, FL 32819,
(407) 284-1234

EAN NUMBER FOR THE IACP

The approved EAN number for the IACP conference is [REDACTED]. Please use this EAN number only for the IACP – you will be issued a separate EAN number for the SAC Conference. Only costs incurred on or after Friday, October 5 - to include MI&E, parking, and taxi fares roundtrip from the airport only - should be charged to EAN number [REDACTED].

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Maguire, Jacqueline (BH) (FBI)

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Attachments: FBI-Black-Identity-Extremists-NOBLE-Press-Statement.pdf

Also – fyi, attached is a press release NOBLE put out about this last year.

From: Maguire, Jacqueline (BH) (FBI)
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To: Sleeper, Kerry L. (DO) (FBI) [redacted] McGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI) [redacted]
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PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

November 27, 2017

NOBLE EXPRESSES CONCERN OVER THE BLACK IDENTITY EXTREMISTS FBI ASSESSMENT PROPOSES CHANGES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ALEXANDRIA, VA -- The National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) is concerned and alarmed by a recent FBI Intelligence Assessment that deploys a classification of African Americans likely motivated to target Law Enforcement Officers as "Black Identity Extremists." It is our sincere belief that this type of report and classification further distances communities of color from the law enforcement community. Secondly, this assessment resurrects the historically negative legacy of African American civil rights leaders who were unconstitutionally targeted and attacked by federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies for seeking full U.S. citizenship under the law. More importantly, NOBLE officials do not feel that the investigative merits of the report warrant the belief that an ideology movement exists among African Americans that predisposes them to negatively target law enforcement officers. Further, we are concerned about the congressional testimony provided by Attorney General Sessions where he suggested that he was not familiar with the contents of the report, as an official document produced by the FBI.

NOBLE leadership met with FBI officials to express many of the above concerns and question the credibility of the intelligence report and those who wrote it. The following recommendations were presented:

- Eliminate the Black Identity Extremist Classification & Future Assessments
- Solicit Law Enforcement Subject Matter Experts from Population Sub Group such as NOBLE
- Conduct Assessment Briefing with African American Leaders
- Improve Workforce Diversity

Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

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From: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, October 4, 2018 12:33 PM
To: Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted] Floris, Nikki L.
(CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
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Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, October 4, 2018 12:46 PM
To: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted]
Subject: RE: NOBLE Draft Talking Points

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Sir,

These look good to me. [redacted]

Thanks,

Tom

From: [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, October 04, 2018 12:43 PM
To: Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI) [redacted]
Subject: Fwd: NOBLE Draft Talking Points

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From: "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 10/4/18 12:32 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
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Sent: Thursday, October 4, 2018 12:49 PM
To: Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: NOBLE Draft Talking Points

copy thanks on both

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Date: 10/4/18 12:46 PM (GMT-05:00)
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To: Maguire, Jacqueline (BH) (FBI); Sleeper, Kerry L. (DO) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Re: NOBLE Draft Talking Points

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Thanks, Mike -- Kerry, any feedback from your end?

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Thank you all for the hard work on these, and the attention to tone and format that will really help Dir given being short on time. They are with him tonight, though he may need Kerry & [Redacted] help tomorrow to find a few min to carve out so he can further study this and other prep before the NOBLE meeting.

[Redacted] for OCA awareness. Jill, lets try to keep you synced up on this topic as it goes forward, since we know Hill remains interested and will eventually pop up on it.

[Redacted]
Deputy Chief of Staff & Senior Advisor
Office of the Director, FBI
Phone: [Redacted]
Mobile: [Redacted]

----- Original message -----

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To: MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Fwd: D Talking Points - NOBLE

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----- Original message -----

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Date: 10/5/18 9:27 AM (GMT-05:00)
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[Redacted] "Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI)" [Redacted]
Subject: Re: D Talking Points - NOBLE

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From: [Redacted]
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Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: RE: D Talking Points - NOBLE

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Cheers,

[Redacted]

THINK before you print.

From: Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 05, 2018 8:27 AM
To: Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI) [Redacted]
Subject: Fwd: D Talking Points - NOBLE

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Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 5, 2018 5:15 PM
To: Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Re: D Talking Points - NOBLE

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Chris,

[Redacted]

Can you call me [Redacted]

thanks

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----- Original message -----

From: "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [Redacted]
Date: 10/5/18 5:01 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [Redacted]
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Sent: Friday, October 05, 2018 8:27 AM
To: Sobocinski, Thomas J. (CTD) (FBI) [Redacted]
Subject: Fwd: D Talking Points - NOBLE

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----- Original message -----

From: "Maguire, Jacqueline (BH) (FBI)" [Redacted]
Date: 10/4/18 7:27 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: [Redacted]
[Redacted] "Sleeper, Kerry L. (DO) (FBI)" [Redacted] "Mcgarrrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"
[Redacted] "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [Redacted]
Subject: D Talking Points - NOBLE

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Hi [redacted] – please find below draft talking points re BIE for the D’s use tomorrow at the NOBLE meeting. In coordination with Kerry, our thought is [redacted]

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CTD and OPE have both cleared on these; Kerry has also passed to Eric Jackson (DL SAC in NOBLE) for any feedback but understand first indications back from him were positive.

Thanks much –
Jackie

DRAFT TALKING POINTS:

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Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)

From: Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 6:43 PM
To: Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI); MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: RE: BIE

By "BIE" I think Jackie actually meant: RMVE :)

My schedule is flexible tomorrow, happy to accommodate you guys.

-----Original Message-----

From: Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 6:21 PM
To: Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA) [REDACTED] MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
[REDACTED]
Subject: BIE

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Jackie

Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)

From: Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 6:50 PM
To: Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA); Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Re: BIE

Exactly!!

----- Original message -----

From: "Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)" [redacted]
Date: 1/17/19 6:42 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)" [redacted] "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"
[redacted]
Subject: RE: BIE

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Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 6:21 PM
To: Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA) [redacted] Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI) [redacted]
Subject: BIE

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 9:24 PM
To: Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI); Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)
Subject: Re: BIE

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Sure or could it wait till Tuesday? Full disclosure up front for me [Redacted]

[Redacted]

----- Original message -----

From: "Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)" [Redacted]
Date: 1/17/19 6:20 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)" [Redacted] "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"
[Redacted]
Subject: BIE

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From: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
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Subject: Re: BIE

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Date: 1/17/19 6:20 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)" [Redacted] "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"
[Redacted]
Subject: BIE

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From: Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 9:53 PM
To: Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI); MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Re: BIE

Thanks for sharing your perspective, Mike. Helpful to know your thinking on [redacted]

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Thanks.

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On Jan 17, 2019 9:23 PM, "MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted] wrote:
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[redacted]

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From: "Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 1/17/19 6:20 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)" [redacted]; "MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]

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Jackie

Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)

From: Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 10:12 PM
To: Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA); Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Re: BIE

Thanks, Jill - I also agree on [REDACTED]

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Tuesday should be ok, as long as there is nothing planned or scheduled with NOBLE until we chat?

Thanks much -
Jackie

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From: "Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)" [REDACTED]
Date: 1/17/19 9:53 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)" [REDACTED] "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"
[REDACTED]
Subject: Re: BIE

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Thanks for sharing your perspective, Mike. Helpful to know your thinking on [REDACTED]

Thanks.

On Jan 17, 2019 9:23 PM, "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED] wrote:
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From: "Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)" [Redacted]

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Date: 1/17/19 6:20 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: "Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)" [Redacted] "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"

[Redacted]
Subject: BIE

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 11:06 PM
To: Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI); Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)
Subject: Re: BIE

We will hold on setting up the NOBLE call until we all speak Tuesday. Let me know if that doesnt work and we need to speak sooner.

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----- Original message -----

From: "Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)" [Redacted]
Date: 1/17/19 10:11 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)" [Redacted] "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"
[Redacted]
Subject: Re: BIE

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Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
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To: Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI); Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)
Subject: Re: BIE

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Date: 1/17/19 10:11 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)" [redacted] "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"
[redacted]
Subject: Re: BIE

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Thanks, Jill - I also agree on [redacted]

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Thanks much -
Jackie

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From: "Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)" [redacted]
Date: 1/17/19 9:53 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)" [redacted] "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"
[redacted]
Subject: Re: BIE

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Thanks for sharing your perspective, Mike. Helpful to know your thinking on [redacted]



Thanks.

On Jan 17, 2019 9:23 PM, "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"



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From: "Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)"



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"Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"



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Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)

From: Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)
Sent: Friday, January 18, 2019 7:31 AM
To: MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)
Subject: RE: BIE

Call Tues works for me. Have a good weekend / safe travels Mike.

From: MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 11:06 PM
To: Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI) [redacted] Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA) [redacted]
Subject: Re: BIE

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Date: 1/17/19 10:11 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)" [redacted] "MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"
[redacted]
Subject: Re: BIE

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Date: 1/17/19 9:53 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: "Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)" [redacted]

"Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"

Subject: Re: BIE

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Thanks for sharing your perspective, Mike. Helpful to know your thinking on [redacted]

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Thanks.

On Jan 17, 2019 9:23 PM, "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"

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wrote:

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From: "Maguire, Jacqueline (DO) (FBI)"

[redacted]

Date: 1/17/19 6:20 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: "Tyson, Jill C. (DO) (OGA)"

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"Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)"

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The Goal of Terrorism Prevention: Examining the Level of Terrorist Threat Inside the United States

In order to design effective programs to counter violent extremism and prevent acts of terrorism within the United States, it is important to appreciate the nature and parameters of the threat those efforts are seeking to address. The history of terrorism in the United States is a long one: The country has experienced attacks originating from groups and individuals inspired by varied ideologies and pursuing vastly different goals through violence. Mass-casualty attacks resulting in the death or injury of large numbers of people have been prominent in the national experience of terrorism, for example, the 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City that killed 168 people and the 9/11 attacks, which resulted in the death of almost 3,000 individuals and the injury of many more people, including those with long-term health issues from the attacks themselves and from subsequent response operations. 9/11 galvanized the national response to terrorism and led to the formation of DHS, which is charged with addressing not only the risk of similar large-scale attacks, but also smaller-scale and more-frequent terrorist threats. Although concern about individuals radicalizing to violence existed previously, efforts in the wake of 9/11 built the foundation for CVE in the United States and the subsequent expansion in later years.

In considering terrorism prevention policy, establishing a baseline measure of threat allows us to assess whether terrorism prevention efforts are commensurate with the level and seriousness of the threat and serves as a point of departure for conceptualizing and assessing the goals that future programming can achieve. HSOAC developed an overarching assessment of the terrorist threat in the United States based solely on open-source information, providing a starting point for considering terrorism prevention policy in response.

Definitions of Terrorism

The focus of terrorism prevention is on threats arising *in the United States*, whether they are inspired by ideologies promulgated by international actors—i.e., emerging out of international or foreign-origin terrorist threats to the country—or from domestic

radicalization in the United States.¹⁶ Although the draw of some ideologies remained relatively stable over time (e.g., white supremacism), others changed significantly from decade to decade (e.g., the surge in Islamist radicalization from the 1980s to the present) or disappeared entirely (e.g., Irish Republican Army–inspired incidents).¹⁷ Accordingly, attacks in recent years represent a range in both perpetrator ideologies and targets.

Although attacks linked to right-wing extremism have been on the rise and have reportedly been more frequent than other forms of ideologically based violence in the years since 2016,¹⁸ data show that jihadist-inspired terrorist attacks in the United States have been more lethal than any other form of violent extremism, even when excluding the foreign-perpetrated 9/11 attacks.¹⁹ For instance, an ADL report examining how the sources of ideologically inspired violence fluctuate from year to year found that the highest-casualty attack in 2016 was the Pulse nightclub shooting in Orlando (nominally an Islamic extremist attack), while 2017 was dominated by right-wing extremist killings.²⁰ Still, the attack with the highest number of fatalities in 2017 was an Islamic extremist attack: the New York City bike path attack that killed eight people.²¹ In recent years, we have seen increased activity from left-wing extremist groups, with the ADL report finding that 2017 “was the second year in a row in which Black nationalists have committed murders in the United States. Combined with other violent acts by Black nationalists in recent years, these murders suggest the possibility of an emerging problem.”²² In a similar study on the sources of terrorism in the United States, a recent New America report found that, in the post-9/11 period from late September 2001 through March 2018, jihadist attacks caused 104 deaths in the United States.²³ In comparison, right-wing extremist attacks caused 73 deaths, while Black national-

¹⁶ PIRUS defines its inclusion criteria as “. . . a sample of individuals espousing Islamist, far right, far left, or single-issue ideologies who have radicalized within the United States to the point of committing ideologically motivated illegal violent or non-violent acts, joining a designated terrorist organization, or associating with an extremist organization whose leader(s) has/have been indicted of an ideologically motivated violent offense.” See START, *Profiles of Individual Radicalization in the United States (PIRUS) Codebook: Public Release Version*, College Park, Md., January 2018.

¹⁷ START, “Profiles of Individual Radicalization in the United States (PIRUS),” dataset, undated(b); Anti-Defamation League (ADL), *Murder and Extremism in the United States in 2017: An ADL Center on Extremism Report*, New York, 2017.

¹⁸ Figure 2.1 does not reflect this reported rise because data for the figure ended in 2016.

¹⁹ ADL, 2017a; Peter Bergen, Albert Ford, Alyssa Sims, and David Sterman, *Terrorism in America After 9/11*, Washington, D.C.: New America, undated.

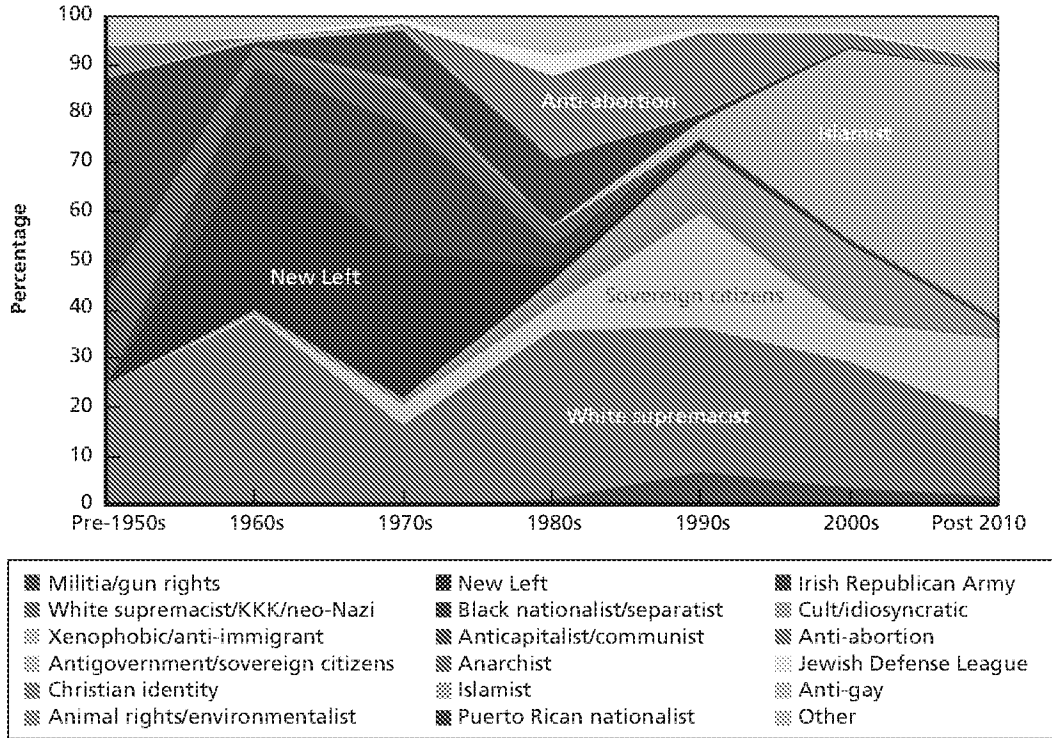
²⁰ ADL, 2017a, p. 3.

²¹ ADL, 2017a, p. 3.

²² ADL, 2017a, p. 3. In placing Black nationalist violence on the left wing of the spectrum of ideological violence, the ADL acknowledges that “that black nationalists include some adherents who don’t necessarily fit neatly within that category.” See ADL, 2017a, p. 9.

²³ Bergen et al., undated.

Figure 2.1
Ideological Basis for Radicalization of Individuals in the United States, by Decade



SOURCE: Data and ideology categories were drawn from the START PIRUS database. See START, undated(b).

NOTE: Data available at this writing end in 2016 and therefore do not reflect shifts occurring in 2017–2018. KKK = Ku Klux Klan.

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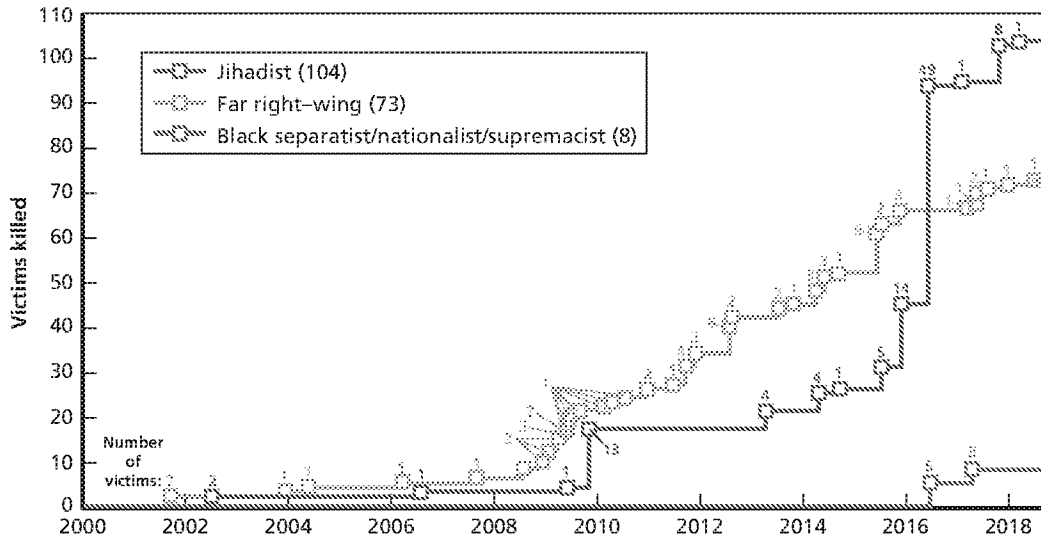
ist attacks caused eight deaths.²⁴ The number of people injured in these attacks has been much higher (e.g., the Boston Marathon bombing resulted in four fatalities and 170 injuries, and the Charlottesville ramming attack killed one person and injured 19). Figure 2.2, which is drawn from the New America analysis, shows the trends in incidents resulting in fatalities from 2002 through 2018.²⁵ Other studies have reached similar conclusions.²⁶

²⁴ Bergen et al., undated.

²⁵ See Figure 2.3 for the total number of terrorist incidents each year over this period, including attacks by all perpetrators, regardless of ideology.

²⁶ See, for example, William Adair Davies, “Counterterrorism Effectiveness to Jihadists in Western Europe and the United States: We Are Losing the War on Terror,” *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism*, Vol. 41, No. 4, 2018, pp. 281–296.

Figure 2.2
Cumulative Fatalities from Terrorist Attacks in the United States, by Ideology and Year, 2000–2018



SOURCE: Adapted from Bergen et al., undated.

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Available information suggests that (1) the ideologies driving radicalization vary and have shifted in relative influence over time; (2) since 9/11, jihadist-inspired attacks remain the most lethal form of terrorism; (3) right-wing attacks have been the most frequent form of violent extremism in recent years; and (4) incidents perpetrated by Black nationalist groups and left-wing anti-fascist/Antifa groups represent an emerging trend that may grow in prominence.²⁷ As a result, efforts to respond to the risk of such violence must be responsive to the ideological sources supporting violence and designed in a way that is not ideologically restricted; otherwise, policymakers will run the risk of developing approaches that do not stand the test of time as sources of threat shift.

Types of Threat Actors

Different types of terrorist actors can represent different levels of threat within individual ideologies. Although foreign individuals who are associated with international terrorist networks present a challenge for border security and intelligence efforts, they are outside the scope of this analysis, which focuses on terrorism prevention efforts implemented inside the United States. However, we include in our scope citizens who are returning foreign fighters—i.e., individuals with U.S. citizenship who have trav-

²⁷ Press reporting indicated that these groups have been designated as sources of domestic terrorist violence as of April 2016. See, for example, Josh Meyer, “FBI, Homeland Security Warn of More ‘Antifa’ Attacks,” *Politico*, September 1, 2017.

From: Bulletin Intelligence [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2019 6:30 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Thursday, February 21, 2019

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Friday, March 8, 2019 6:22 PM
To: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); [Redacted]
Subject: FW: 3.11 Formers Prep
Attachments: 3.11 Formers Prep.docx

Sir -- attached is all of your prep material for CT Influencers. OPA did a real good job putting it together. Text is red is "new" -- meaning it was not in your last two interviews. It was largely pulled from your London presentation TPs. And please note the updated RSVP list.

Let us know if there are any issues/changes and we can get it fixed for Monday morning.

[Redacted]

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Friday, March 08, 2019 6:15 PM
To: [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: 3.11 Formers Prep
Importance: High

Updated version attached and copied below (I left the language highlighted in red so the AD will know it's new).

Please call if you need anything else, THANK YOU!

Have a great weekend,

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

National Press Office
Federal Bureau of Investigation

[Redacted]

Background Discussion with FBI Formers
Monday, March 11th
10:00-11:30 AM
CTD Conference Room 4216

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Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, March 8, 2019 7:28 PM
To: Paarmann, C. B. (NY) (FBI)
Subject: Fwd: 3.11 Formers Prep
Attachments: 3.11 Formers Prep.docx

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From: [REDACTED]
Date: 3/8/19 6:22 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Subject: FW: 3.11 Formers Prep

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Have a great weekend,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
National Press Office
Federal Bureau of Investigation

[REDACTED]

Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)

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Sent: Friday, March 8, 2019 7:34 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: 3.11 Formers Prep

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Guys,

Very helpful. I also recognize there was a lot of effort in CTD to put this together so please let me know who to thank. On the downside I have a lot of reading and studying to do but I love it so all good.

Mike

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To: "Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

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Michael F. McPherson
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Subject: Update

b5 -2
b6 -1, 3, 4
b7C -1, 3, 4
b7D -1
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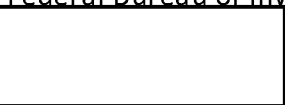
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[redacted]
- The AG brief this morning went well but made me late for my telcal with [redacted] so we are rescheduling. Say hello to him for me.

Mike

Michael C. McGarrity
Assistant Director
Counterterrorism Division
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Mike,

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Jay S. Tabb, Jr.
Executive Assistant Director
National Security Branch
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To: [redacted]
Subject: FW: Update

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FYI -- don't forward

Michael C. McGarrity
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Counterterrorism Division
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From: Bulletin Intelligence [redacted]
Sent: Friday, March 22, 2019 6:28 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Friday, March 22, 2019

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From: Mcgarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2019 9:14 AM
To: Desarno, Matthew J. (WF) (FBI); Knapp, Larissa L. (WF) (FBI)
Subject: FW: 3.11 Formers Prep
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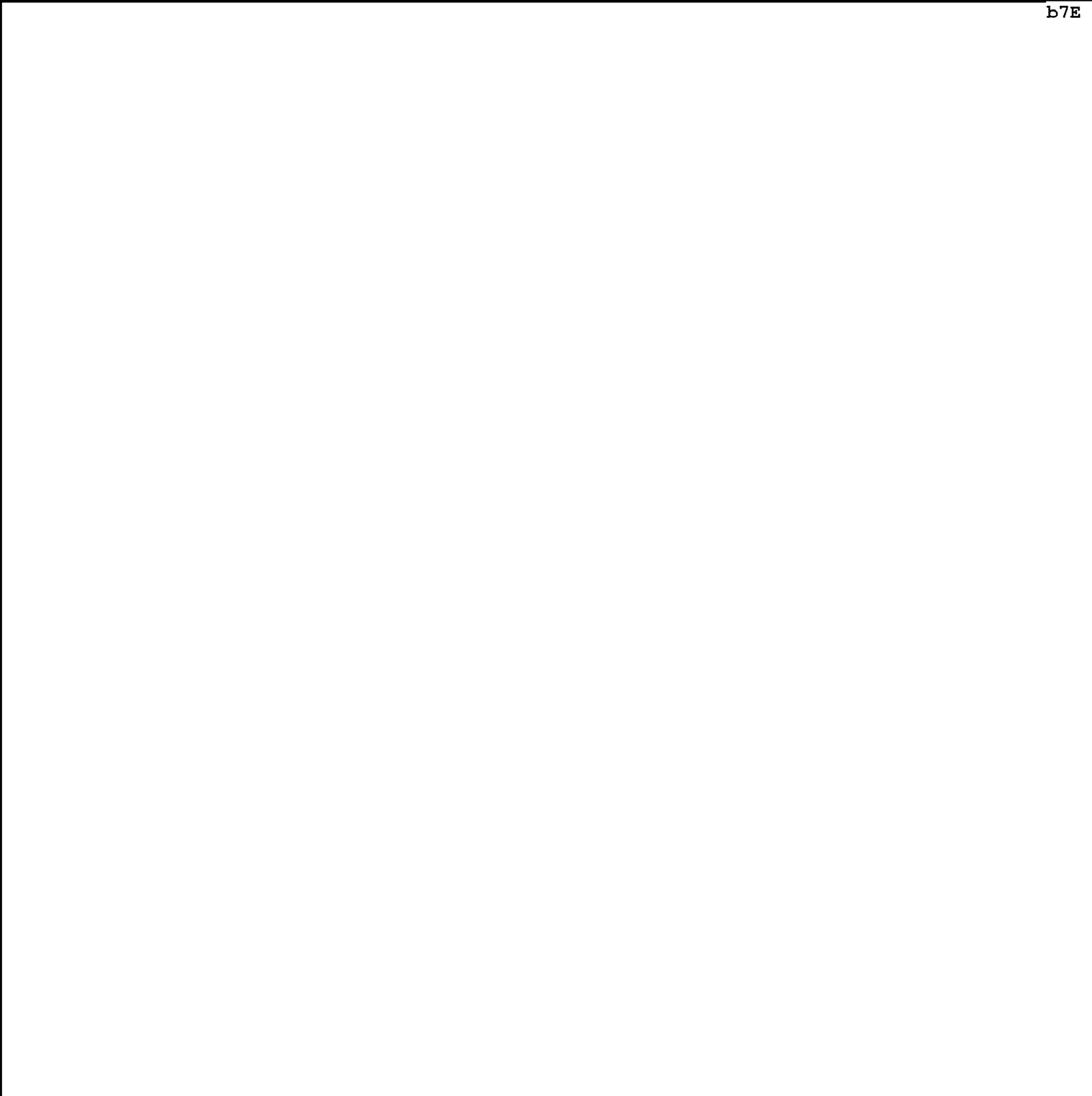
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Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2019 6:29 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Thursday, April 11, 2019

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To: MCGarrity, Michael C. (CTD) (FBI); [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Subject: WAPO: Democrats Accuse Trump Administration of trying to obfuscate the white supremacist threat with new categories for DT.

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Cc: [redacted] b7C -1, 6
Subject: Re: WAPO: Democrats Accuse Trump Administration of trying to obfuscate the white supremacist threat with new categories for DT.

Quite a different reaction than our partners at NOBLE.

Matthew R. Alcoke
Deputy AD
FBI / Counterterrorism Division

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Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Friday, May 03, 2019

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Sent: Saturday, November 19, 2016 1:01 PM
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Subject: CTD DIRECTOR'S UPDATE FOR [REDACTED]

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Sent: Saturday, April 1, 2017 3:58 PM b7C -3
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Sent: Friday, October 6, 2017 8:39 PM
To: Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: FW: The FBI's New U.S. Terrorist Threat: 'Black Identity Extremists'

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Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 2:47 PM b7C -1
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Foreign Policy story is below.

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Law enforcement calls it a violent movement. Critics call it racist.

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As white supremacists prepared to descend on Charlottesville, Virginia, in August, the FBI warned about a new movement that was violent, growing, and racially motivated. Only it wasn't white supremacists; it was "black identity extremists."

Amid a rancorous debate over whether the Trump administration has downplayed the threat posed by white supremacist groups, the FBI's counterterrorism division has declared that black identity extremists pose a growing threat of premeditated violence against law enforcement.

"The FBI assesses it is very likely Black Identity Extremist (BIE) perceptions of police brutality against African Americans spurred an increase in premeditated, retaliatory lethal violence against law enforcement and will very likely serve as justification for such violence," reads the report, marked for official use only and obtained by Foreign Policy.

The August 2014 shooting of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri, was the catalyst for widespread anger and violence, the FBI report says, concluding that continued “alleged” police abuses have fueled more violence.

“The FBI assesses it is very likely incidents of alleged police abuse against African Americans since then have continued to feed the resurgence in ideologically motivated, violent criminal activity within the BIE movement,” the report states.

Some 748 people have been shot and killed by police so far in 2017, including at least 168 African-Americans.

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Subject: FYI

Grant,

I wanted to make sure you were aware of the NOBLE (National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives) inquiry to OPE/CDT on Black Identity Extremist. The Director will be in front of the group next week in Philadelphia, they have been good partners with the FBI over the years.

Kerry

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Thanks for participating in the call with NOBLE regarding the BIE product and demonstrating the level of patience and understanding necessary to inform the audience. As I indicated during the call, it was a very good product written on a very divisive issue during challenging times, but it needed to be written.

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Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2017 7:02 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Thursday, October 19, 2017

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From: Bulletin Intelligence [redacted]
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 7:01 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Friday, October 20, 2017

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From: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 3:19 PM
To: Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI); Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)

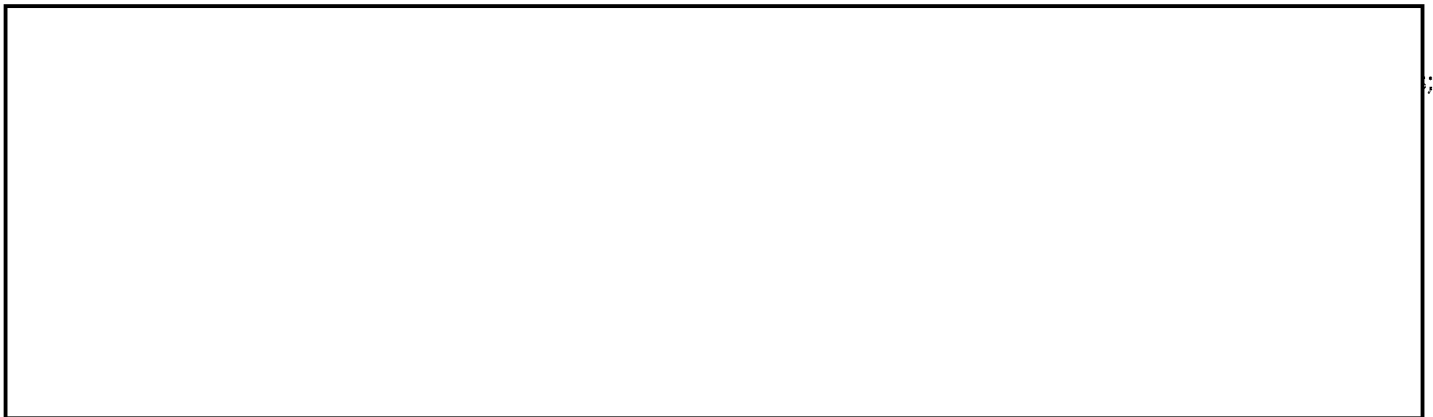
Cc: [Redacted]

Subject: Closeout Notes

b6 -1, 3
b7C -1, 3
b7E -2, 4, 6, 8

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GO SKINS!
Nikki

Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 3:21 PM
To: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Closeout Notes

b6 -1
b7C -1

Thank you Nikki! Have a great weekend.

Matthew J. DeSarno
Deputy Assistant Director
Counterterrorism

[REDACTED]

----- Original message -----

From: "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Date: 10/20/17 3:19 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED], "Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED], "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Closeout Notes

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Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 3:25 PM
To: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI); Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Closeout Notes

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Date: 10/20/17 3:19 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED], "Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED], "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
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Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 3:36 PM
To: Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI); Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Closeout Notes

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b7C -1

I've raided your candy jar and totally bedazzled the AD's office.

From: Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 3:25 PM
To: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI) [REDACTED]; Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI) [REDACTED]
Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI) [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Closeout Notes

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Date: 10/20/17 3:19 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]; "Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED];
[REDACTED]; "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
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Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 4:03 PM
To: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI); Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Closeout Notes

b6 -1
b7C -1

Timberlake poster?

----- Original message -----

From: "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Date: 10/20/17 3:35 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED] "Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED] "Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Closeout Notes

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Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI) [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Closeout Notes

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Date: 10/20/17 3:19 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED] "Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED] "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Closeout Notes

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b6 -3
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Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 4:33 PM
To: Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: Re: Closeout Notes

And so. Much. Glitter.

----- Original message -----

From: "Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 10/20/17 4:02 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted] "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)"
[redacted], "Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Re: Closeout Notes

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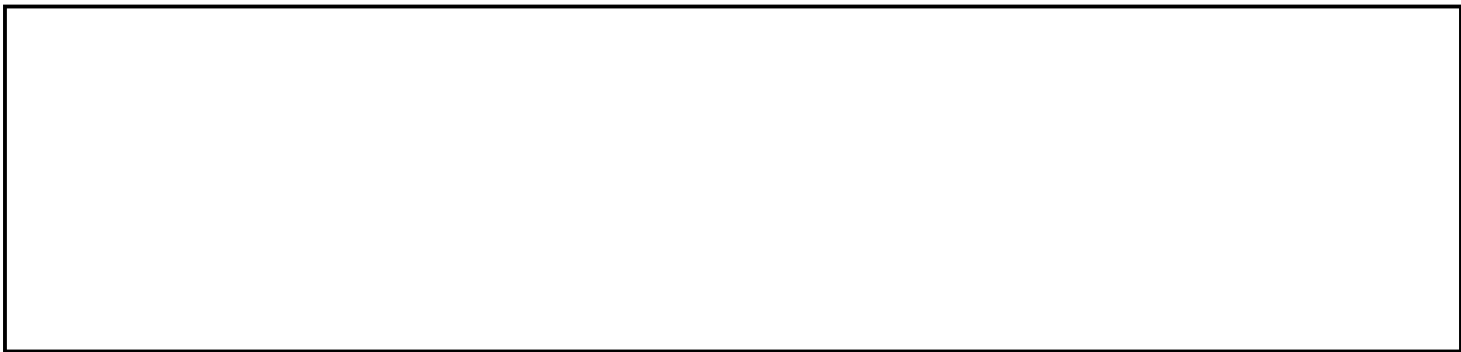
Cc: [redacted]

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Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 6:39 PM
To: Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Closeout Notes

b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -2

[REDACTED] just called me on [REDACTED]

----- Original message -----

From: "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Date: 10/20/17 3:19 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED] "Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Closeout Notes

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b7C -1, 3
b7E -2, 4, 6, 8

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[REDACTED]

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Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 6:46 PM
To: Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI); Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Re: Closeout Notes

b6 -1
b7C -1

Roger, thanks.

Matthew J. DeSarno
Deputy Assistant Director
Counterterrorism

[redacted]

----- Original message -----

From: "Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 10/20/17 6:39 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]; "Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]; "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Re: Closeout Notes

b6 -1
b7C -1
b7E -2

[redacted] just called me on [redacted]

----- Original message -----

From: "Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Date: 10/20/17 3:19 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]; "Desarno, Matthew J. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]; [redacted]; "Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)" [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Closeout Notes

b6 -3
b7C -3
b7E -2, 4, 6, 8

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[redacted]

[REDACTED]

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Nikki

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2017 11:39 AM
To: Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: FW: SPLC post on BIE

b6 -1
b7C -1

For awareness...from the Southern Poverty Law Center

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2017 10:42 AM
To: Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI) [REDACTED] Paul, Michael F. (CTD) (FBI) [REDACTED]

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b7C -1

[REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: SPLC post on BIE

FYSA in case you haven't seen this

FBI 'Black Identity Extremists' report stirs controversy

October 25, 2017

As America continues to process the aftermath of white nationalist violence in Charlottesville, the nation's premiere law enforcement agency appears to be focused on yet another emerging terrorist threat — Black Identity Extremists, or BIE.

In August, the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Counterterrorism Division released a law enforcement sensitive report entitled, "Black Identity Extremists Likely Motivated to Target Law Enforcement." This report coincides with an SPLC article discussing the "Return of the Violent Black Nationalist," also released in August. Last week, Foreign Policy published an exclusive article about this FBI report and the controversy it created. Foreign Policy also released a copy of the report.

Although both the FBI report and SPLC article warn of increased violence by black nationalists in response to incidents of perceived police brutality against African-Americans, the FBI exclusively is taking some heat from historians, academics and former government officials for creating the new "BIE" term. Non-government experts are citing a wide-range of concerns related to this report; ranging from civil rights issues to political bias to institutional incompetence. After reviewing the FBI report, the SPLC agrees with these outside criticisms.

In the FBI's report, BIE is described as a conglomeration of black nationalists, black supremacists, and black separatists, among other disaffiliated racist individuals who are anti-police, anti-white, and/or seeking to rectify perceived social injustices against blacks. The FBI essentially merged these various black hate groups under one umbrella, giving it a new name, in the hopes of classifying these groups as an organized extremist movement. The SPLC does not endorse this unification characterization; rather, black nationalists are assessed as a loose-knit network of various hate groups, charismatic leaders, as well as unaffiliated individuals who may identify as black nationalists, but do not associate with black nationalist groups. The BIE term, however, is creating quite a stir due to its benign, confusing, and ethno-specific characterization. The SPLC objects to using the new term "black identity extremists" to describe violent black nationalists. It can be easily misconstrued as focusing on black activists (who are law-abiding and peaceful). Further, it may be offensive to those who merely "identify" themselves as "black" (due to their African heritage and ethnic pride) — equating such people to extremists.

Former U.S. government officials, academics, and legal experts point out that no such movement actually exists. Some claim coining the phrase “black identity extremists” may even be politically motivated. They say it might be a deliberate attempt by the Trump administration to divert attention away from the larger, more serious threat of white supremacists and other far-right extremists. Earlier this year, President Donald Trump changed the Department of Homeland Security’s “Countering Violent Extremism” (CVE) program to exclusively focus on Muslim terrorism at the expense of other viable terrorist threats. Trump also reportedly rescinded funding to CVE programs, such as Life After Hate, which are focused on countering violent white supremacy and inspiring individuals to leave hate groups.

Although Black Lives Matter is not specifically mentioned by name in the FBI report, BLM spokespersons have previously voiced concerns over possible FBI surveillance of their activities. And the BIE term likely gives them pause.

“There is a long tradition of the FBI targeting black activists and this [i.e. the new FBI report] is not surprising,” DeRay McKesson told Foreign Policy.

Mike German, a former FBI agent now working as a fellow for the Liberty and National Security Program and the Brennan Center for Justice, told Foreign Policy, “The use of terms like ‘black identity extremist’ is part of a long-standing FBI attempt to define a movement where none exists.”

Historians and academics further state that the new BIE phrase hearkens back to the FBI’s decades-long targeting of black civil rights activists as potential radicals during the 1960s and 1970s. Others also expressed privacy and civil rights concerns with using such a vague phrase as BIE.

David Garrow, a historian who wrote a Pulitzer Prize-winning biography of Martin Luther King, Jr., told Foreign Policy, “The FBI’s desire to identify a unifying ideological underpinning to what is often individual violent acts is not surprising.”

“Security agencies want to perceive a threat that is political, a threat that’s ideological,” Garrow also said, “but what we’re actually witnessing is men, almost entirely men, acting out in violent criminal ways and grasping at some chimera of political justification.”

The FBI reportedly defended its tracking of “black identity extremists,” to Foreign Policy stating that “the FBI cannot initiate an investigation based solely on an individual’s race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, or the exercise of First Amendment rights.” Nevertheless, the FBI’s new term can easily be misinterpreted to mean something more menacing.

No one will ever know if the FBI’s BIE report is representative of mere government incompetence, ethnic insensitivity, or devious political diversion. Regardless, the report’s underlying message of a rising violent black nationalist threat targeting law enforcement and white civilians has some merit. The mass shooting attacks in Dallas, Baton Rouge, Fresno, and Antioch (among others) clearly illustrate this point. Nevertheless, the FBI’s attempt to lump various, disparate black extremists together under one umbrella movement does not appear factual. And, it may actually inflate the threat from violent black nationalists at the expense of other, larger, and more serious domestic extremist movements within the U.S., such as white supremacy and sovereign citizens which number in the hundreds of thousands of members.

From: Bulletin Intelligence [redacted]
Sent: Monday, October 30, 2017 6:56 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Monday, October 30, 2017

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From: Bulletin Intelligence [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, November 2, 2017 7:01 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Thursday, November 02, 2017

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From: Bulletin Intelligence [redacted]
Sent: Friday, November 3, 2017 6:57 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Friday, November 03, 2017

b7E -9

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From: Bulletin Intelligence [redacted]
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2017 6:58 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FBI Public Affairs News Briefing Monday, November 13, 2017

b7E -9

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Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)

From: Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, November 14, 2017 7:28 PM
To: [redacted]
Cc: Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI); Floris, Nikki L. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: RE: Black extremist groups
Attachments: BIEs_likely_Motivated_to_Target_LEOs.pdf

b6 -6
b7C -6

Hi, [redacted]

Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Christine

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, November 14, 2017 6:42 PM
To: [redacted]
Cc: Halvorsen, Christine A. (CTD) (FBI) [redacted]
[redacted]
Subject: Re: Black extremist groups

b6 -1, 6
b7C -1, 6

Hi Christine- I tried to call you but the number wasn't working. You can reach me at [redacted] Thank you!

[redacted]
Counselor to the Attorney General

> On Nov 14, 2017, at 5:02 PM, [redacted] wrote:

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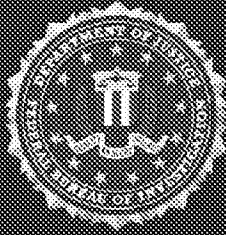
> Hi [redacted]

> CTD DAD Christine Halvorsen. Her number is [redacted]

> If you have trouble connecting (sometimes the phones are forwarded) call [redacted]

> -----Original Message-----

> **From:** [redacted]
> **Sent:** Tuesday, November 14, 2017 4:32 PM
> **To:** [redacted]
> **Subject:** Black extremist groups
>
> Hey [redacted],



Federal Bureau of Investigation
**INTELLIGENCE
ASSESSMENT**

(U//~~FOUO~~) Black Identity Extremists Likely Motivated to Target Law Enforcement Officers

3 August 2017

Prepared by:

FBI

**Counterterrorism
Division**

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(U) Executive Summary

(U//~~FOUO~~) The FBI assesses it is very likely^a Black Identity Extremist^b (BIE) perceptions of police brutality against African Americans spurred an increase in premeditated, retaliatory lethal violence against law enforcement and will very likely serve as justification for such violence. The FBI assess it is very likely this increase began following the 9 August 2014 shooting of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri, and the subsequent Grand Jury November 2014 declination to indict the police officers involved. The FBI assesses it is very likely incidents of alleged police abuse against African Americans since then have continued to feed the resurgence in ideologically motivated, violent criminal activity within the BIE movement. The FBI assesses it is very likely some BIEs are influenced by a mix of anti-authoritarian, Moorish sovereign citizen^c ideology, and BIE ideology. The FBI has high confidence^d in these assessments, based on a history of violent incidents attributed to individuals who acted on behalf of their ideological beliefs, documented in FBI investigations and other law enforcement and open source reporting. The FBI makes this judgment with the key assumption the recent incidents are ideologically motivated.

^a (U) See Appendix A: Expressions of Likelihood (or Probability).

^b (U//~~FOUO~~) The FBI defines black identity extremists as individuals who seek, wholly or in part, through unlawful acts of force or violence, in response to perceived racism and injustice in American society and some do so in furtherance of establishing a separate black homeland or autonomous black social institutions, communities, or governing organizations within the United States. This desire for physical or psychological separation is typically based on either a religious or political belief system, which is sometimes formed around or includes a belief in racial superiority or supremacy. The mere advocacy of political or social positions, political activism, use of strong rhetoric, or generalized philosophic embrace of violent tactics may not constitute extremism, and may be constitutionally protected.

^c (U//~~FOUO~~) The FBI defines sovereign citizen extremists as individuals who openly reject their US citizenship status, believe that most forms of established government, authority, and institutions are illegitimate, and seek, wholly or in part, through unlawful acts of force or violence, to further their claim to be immune from government authority. The mere advocacy of political or social positions, political activism, use of strong rhetoric, or generalized philosophic embrace of violent tactics may not constitute extremism, and may be constitutionally protected.

^d (U) See Appendix B: Confidence in Assessments and Judgments Based on a Body of Information.

(U) Scope Note

(U) This intelligence assessment focuses on individuals with BIE ideological motivations who have committed targeted, premeditated attacks against law enforcement officers since 2014. This assessment does not address BIEs who have attacked law enforcement officers during the course of officers' routine duties, such as responding to calls and traffic stops, in which violent actions were reactionary in nature.

(U//~~LES~~) This assessment addresses the following key intelligence questions:

- (U//~~LES~~) To what extent are BIEs' targeting interests retaliatory?
- (U//~~LES~~) What cross-programmatic relationships influence the BIE movement?

(U//~~LES~~) This assessment is the first FBI analytic intelligence product to assess influences between the sovereign citizen extremist movement and the black identity extremist movement. The FBI has previously reported on BIE retaliatory violence against law enforcement in two products, both of which had findings consistent with this assessment. The 23 March 2016 FBI intelligence bulletin, titled "(U//~~FOUO~~) Black Separatist Extremists' Call for Retaliation in Response to Police-Involved Incidents Could Incite Acts of Violence against Law Enforcement," assessed incidents involving allegations of law enforcement abuse and related legal proceedings would likely lead to BSE calls for violent retaliation and incite these domestic extremists to commit violent acts against law enforcement. The 14 November 2014 FBI intelligence bulletin, titled "(U//~~FOUO~~) Potential Criminal Reactions to Missouri Grand Jury Announcement," assessed the announcement of the grand jury's decision in the shooting death of Michael Brown in Ferguson would likely be exploited by some individuals to justify threats and attacks against law enforcement and critical infrastructure.

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(U) Source Summary Statement

(U//~~LES~~) Reporting in this intelligence assessment was derived primarily from FBI and law enforcement investigations and open source reporting—media interviews of subjects, subjects' posting on social media accounts, and online news articles—deemed credible and reliable. The review of FBI investigations occurred between September 2014 and December 2016. The open source reporting was current as of 17 January 2017. Statements made by the subjects to law enforcement during the course of investigations were particularly helpful to identify motivations behind BIE attacks against law enforcement because ideological motivations are infrequently identified or collected. Additional reporting on the ideological motivations behind BIE attacks would improve the confidence levels in this assessment.

(U//~~FOUO~~) Suspects' Grievances Very Likely Lead to Violent Targeting of Law Enforcement

(U//~~FOUO~~) The FBI judges it is very likely BIE perceptions of police brutality against African Americans have become organizing drivers for the BIE movement since 2014, resulting in a spike of BIEs intentionally targeting law enforcement with violence. In all six targeted attacks since 2014, the FBI assesses it is very likely the BIE suspects acted in retaliation for perceived past police brutality incidents. Even though five of these attacks occurred following controversial police shootings of African Americans by white police officers, BIE targeting of officers was not, in every incident, based on their specific race.

- (U) On 7 July 2016, Micah Johnson ambushed and shot 11 law enforcement officers, killing five, in downtown Dallas, Texas, during a First Amendment protected protest, before being ultimately killed by police. The five deceased officers were white. The planned public event was protesting recent officer-involved shootings of African Americans in Louisiana and Minnesota. Based on Johnson's journal writings and statements to police, he appeared to have been influenced by BIE ideology.
 - (U//~~FOUO~~) During the standoff with police, Johnson told police negotiators he was upset about recent police shootings and white people, and expressed a desire to kill white people, especially white officers.¹ Johnson searched and liked social media pages of BIE and black separatist groups,² and had been ousted from a local BIE group for being too radical, according to an open source news article.^{3, 4}
- (U//~~FOUO~~) On 23 October 2014, Zale H. Thompson attacked four white New York Police Department (NYPD) officers in Queens with a hatchet. One officer received injuries to the arm and a second officer received an injury to the side of his head. The two remaining NYPD officers at the scene shot and killed Thompson according to open source reporting.
 - (U//~~FOUO~~) According to open source reporting, Thompson was angered after "a recent spate of deaths at the hands of the police."⁵ In his own writings, Thompson advocated for armed struggle against "the oppressors"⁶ and "mass revolt" against the US social, economic, and political systems, which he perceived to be "white dominated." He also described the United States as a "beast" and called for "chopping off" its head, hands, and feet.⁷ NYPD observed tattoos on Thompson's body that indicated he was affiliated with a black separatist extremist group and pocket litter indicating he may have been associated with another black separatist group according to law enforcement reporting.⁸

(U//~~FOUO~~) Convergence of BIE and Moorish Sovereign Citizen Ideology Very Likely Leads to Violence against Law Enforcement Officers

(U//~~FOUO~~) The FBI assesses it is very likely a few of the BIEs who have targeted law enforcement since 2014 were influenced by more than one ideological perspective. The FBI judges it is very likely in four of the six BIE attacks against law enforcement since 2014, the perpetrators were motivated by a mix of BIE ideology and Moorish sovereign citizen extremist

(SCE)^e ideology, a category of SCE ideology. The FBI assesses it is very likely BIE adoption of a Moorish SCE identity reinforced a sense of disenfranchisement from society and a perception that the criminal justice system is unjust.

- (U) On 4 October and 13 October 2016, an individual allegedly shot at two different police stations in Indianapolis, Indiana. The subject left a hand-written note at the scene of one of the shootings, in which he identified himself as a Moor and made anti-white statements. The subject posted pictures on social media of African American men carrying assault rifles behind text calling for social injustice and retribution.⁹ The subject was later involved in a shootout with police during his arrest on related charges according to law enforcement reporting.^{10, 11}
- (U//~~LES~~) On 17 July 2016, Gavin Eugene Long ambushed and shot six law enforcement officers in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, before eventually being killed by police.¹² The deceased victims included one African American officer and one white officer from the Baton Rouge Police Department, and one white officer from the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office. Long had expressed black separatist rhetoric both on social media and in his manifesto, including rants against "crackers" and reference to an African American male killed by police in Baton Rouge on 5 July 2016.^{13, 14} In his manifesto, Long expressed his frustrations with the police and criminal justice system in the United States and saw his actions "as a necessary evil... in order to create substantial change."¹⁵ A law enforcement search of Long's laptop contained biographical information and residential addresses of two officers-involved in the Alton Sterling shooting, and Google searched directions to one of the officer's home address.¹⁶ Long had also declared himself to be a Moor, had changed his "slave" name to the Moorish name Cosmo Ausar Setepenra, and was carrying a Moorish identification card at the time of his death according to open source reporting.^{17, 18}
- (U//~~LES~~) On 13 September 2016, an individual reportedly intentionally drove his vehicle toward three white officers with the Police Department in Phoenix, Arizona, outside a gas station, striking two of them before he was arrested.¹⁹ The subject's social media accounts indicated that he was tied to a BIE group and a Moorish group,^{20, 21} and that he was angry over police shootings since at least the killing of Brown in 2014.²² Consistent with BIE statements on social media, the subject stated, "The Caucasian needs to be slaughtered like the pigs that they are right along with the niggas who serve and protect them" according to law enforcement reporting.^{23, 24}
- (U//~~FOUO~~) On 21 November 2014, a BIE was arrested and eventually convicted for purchasing explosives the subject intended to use in the Ferguson area upon release of the

^e (U//~~FOUO~~) Moorish sovereign citizens are a loose network of mostly African Americans who believe they are sovereign entities who do not recognize the authority of the US Government. Moorish sovereign citizen ideology derives from the Moorish Science Temple of America, a non-violent religious and cultural movement founded in 1913 by Nobel Drew Ali, who taught his followers they were not "negroes" but Moors, people of North African Berber and Arab descent. Some Moorish adherents adopt sovereign citizen strategies to assert diplomatic immunity by claiming membership in fictitious Native American tribes, claiming descent from settlers who arrived in North America during the pre-Columbian era, or identifying as foreign nationals or ambassadors. (Source: FBI; Primer; January 2014; "(U) Black Separatist Extremists: An Introduction for Law Enforcement"; UNCLASSIFIED; UNCLASSIFIED; Multiple sources.)

grand jury verdict for the police officer involved in the shooting death of Brown.²⁵ He previously discussed a desire to kill the white St. Louis County prosecutor and the white Ferguson police chief who were involved in Brown's case, according to FBI information. Additionally, the subject had ties to a BIE group²⁶ that had discussed ambushing police.²⁷ Furthermore, the subject had ties to the sovereign citizen movement^{28, 29} filed paperwork declaring himself an "aboriginal/indigenous free sovereign moor,"^{30, 31} and possessed a Moorish identification card according to open source reporting.³²

(U) Perspective

(U//~~FOUO~~) BIEs have historically justified and perpetrated violence against law enforcement, which they perceived as representative of the institutionalized oppression of African Americans, but had not targeted law enforcement with premeditated violence for the nearly two decades leading up to the lethal incidents observed beginning in 2014. BIE violence peaked in the 1960s and 1970s in response to changing socioeconomic attitudes and treatment of blacks during the Civil Rights Movement. BIE groups, such as the Black Liberation Army (BLA), which was created in the early 1970s to "take up arms for the liberation and self-determination of black people in the United States," engaged in murders, bank robberies, kidnappings, racketeering, possession of explosives, and weapons smuggling.

- (U) From 1970 to 1984, the BLA was involved in at least 38 criminal incidents, including 26 armed assaults, 3 assassinations, 4 bombings, and 4 hijackings and hostage takings. Almost half of these attacks took place in predominantly African American neighborhoods and targeted law enforcement officers without regard to their race according to an open source database.³³

(U//~~FOUO~~) BIE violence has been rare over the past 20 years and there is sparse evidence of any convergence with SCEs who adhere to Moorish beliefs, who have historically engaged in nonviolent fraudulent schemes—including production of fraudulent personal identification documents such as International Motorist Certifications, passports, vehicle titles and registrations, and birth certificates—in support of their claims of sovereignty. In addition, although non-Moorish SCEs have committed lethal violence against law enforcement in the past, this violence has typically occurred in response to encounters with law enforcement—for example, during traffic stops or the issuing of warrants—rather than through premeditated, targeted aggression. In addition, not all self-identified Moors are sovereign citizens, and not all sovereign citizen Moors engage in violence against law enforcement or other illegal activity.

(U//~~FOUO~~) The FBI has previously reported on BIE retaliatory violence against law enforcement in two products. This intelligence assessment addresses actual incidents of lethal retaliatory violence. The previous black identity extremism intelligence products discussed calls for potential retaliatory violence, not actual violent incidents. Recent lethal violent incidents may be indicative of a resurgence of targeted violence within the BIE movement.

(U) Analysis of Alternatives

(U//~~FOUO~~) The FBI considered the alternative hypothesis that retaliatory violence against law enforcement is not ideologically motivated, but rather a result that some individuals may simply harbor animosity toward police and exploit racial tensions as an excuse to commit acts of violence. The FBI, however, assesses this alternative is very unlikely in the cases analyzed in this assessment because strictly criminal subjects typically commit spontaneous, “defensive” acts of violence against police rather than proactive targeting, and use idiosyncratic reasons unrelated to ideology, such as financial gain and personal disputes, to justify their actions. The FBI further judges it is very likely BIEs proactively target police and openly identify and justify their actions with social-political agendas commensurate with their perceived injustices against African Americans, and in some cases, their identified affiliations with violent extremist groups.

(U) Outlook

(U//~~FOUO~~) The FBI assesses it is very likely that BIEs’ perceptions of unjust treatment of African Americans and the perceived unchallenged illegitimate actions of law enforcement will inspire premeditated attacks against law enforcement over the next year. This may also lead to an increase in BIE group memberships, collaboration among BIE groups, or the appearance of additional violent lone offenders motivated by BIE rhetoric. The FBI further assesses it is very likely additional controversial police shootings of African Americans and the associated legal proceedings will continue to serve as drivers for violence against law enforcement. The FBI assesses it is likely police officers of minority groups are also targeted by BIEs because they are also representative of a perceived oppressive law enforcement system.

(U//~~FOUO~~) Possible indicators for BIEs posing a violent threat to law enforcement include advocating for violence against law enforcement, violent anti-white rhetoric, attempts to acquire illegal weapons or explosives, and affiliations with others in both the BSE and sovereign citizen extremist movements.

(U) Intelligence Requirements



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(U) Appendix A: Expressions of Likelihood (or Probability)

(U) Phrases such as “the FBI judges” and “the FBI assesses,” and terms such as “likely” and “probably” convey analytical judgments and assessments. The chart approximates how expressions of likelihood and probability correlate with percentages of chance. The FBI only uses likelihood expressions. Furthermore, the FBI does not derive judgments via statistical analysis and will not use expressions of probability to convey uncertainty in external FBI intelligence products.

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<i>Terms of Likelihood</i>	Almost No Chance	Very Unlikely	Unlikely	Roughly Even Chance	Likely	Very Likely	Almost Certain(ly)
<i>Terms of Probability</i>	Remote	Highly Improbable	Improbable (Improbably)	Roughly Even Odds	Probable (Probably)	Highly Probable	Nearly Certain
	1-5%	5-20%	20-45%	45-55%	55-80%	80-95%	95-99%

(U) Appendix B: Confidence in Assessments and Judgments Based on a Body of Information

(U) Confidence levels reflect the quality and quantity of the source information supporting judgment. Consequently, the FBI ascribes high, medium, or low levels of confidence to assessments, as follows:

(U) **High confidence** generally indicates the FBI's judgments are based on high quality information from multiple sources. High confidence in a judgment does not imply the assessment is a fact or a certainty; such judgments might be wrong. While additional reporting and information sources may change analytical judgments, such changes are most likely to be refinements and not substantial in nature.

(U) **Medium confidence** generally means the information is credibly sourced and plausible but not of sufficient quality or corroborated sufficiently to warrant a higher level of confidence. Additional reporting or information sources have the potential to increase the FBI's confidence levels or substantively change analytical judgments.

(U) **Low confidence** generally means the information's credibility or plausibility is uncertain, the information is too fragmented or poorly corroborated to make solid analytic inferences, or the reliability of the sources is questionable. Absent additional reporting or information sources, analytical judgments should be considered preliminary in nature.

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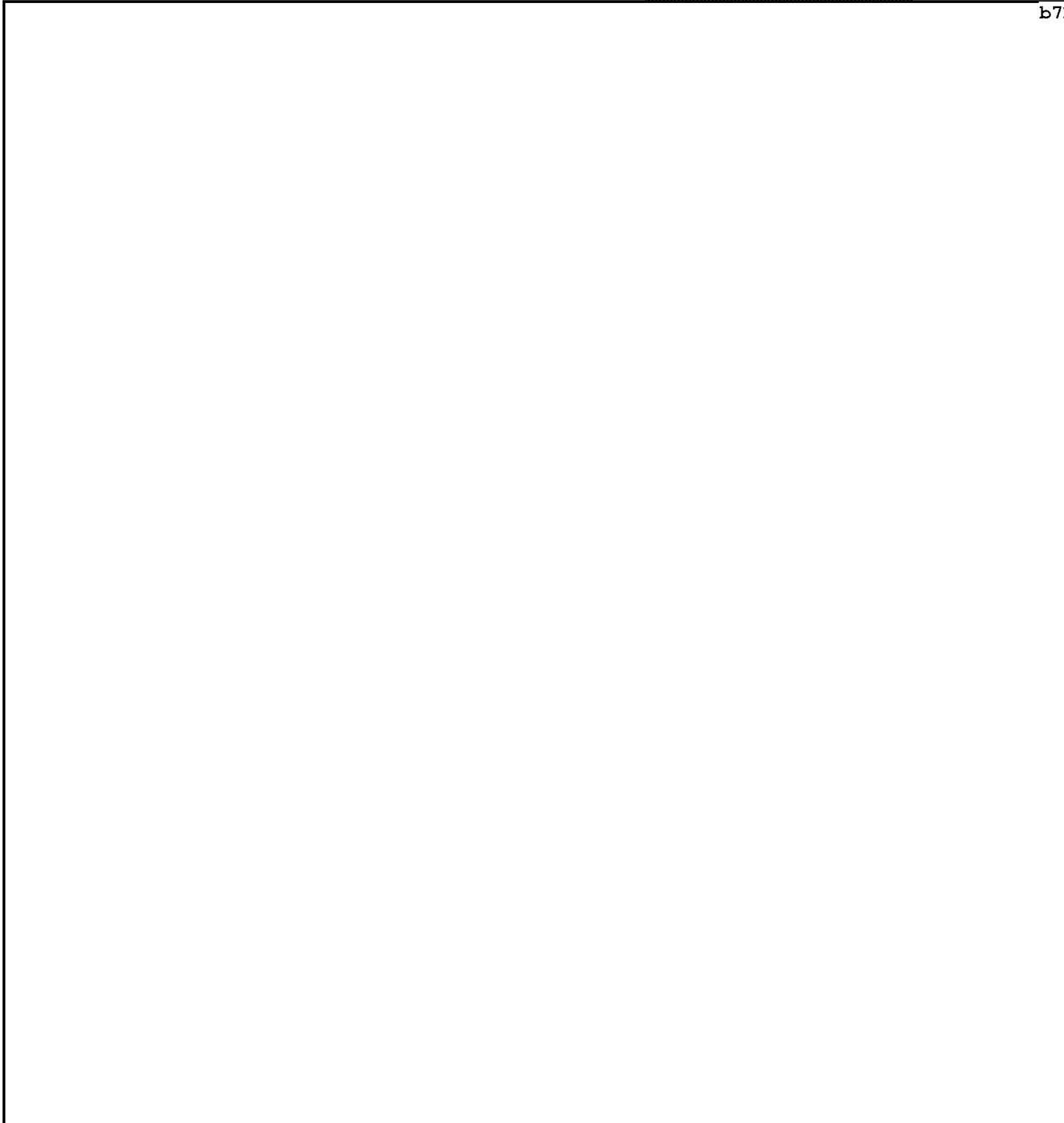
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Required Attendees: [Redacted] McCabe, Andrew G. (DO) (FBI); Bowdich, David L. (DO) (FBI); Associate Deputy Director; Brower, Gregory (DO) [Redacted] Rvhicki, James E. (DO) (FBI); [Redacted] Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); [Redacted] Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI)

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[redacted]

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Kristyn

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All,

Please shoot to send your requested info to me by 0730 so we have time to consolidate and follow up as needed.

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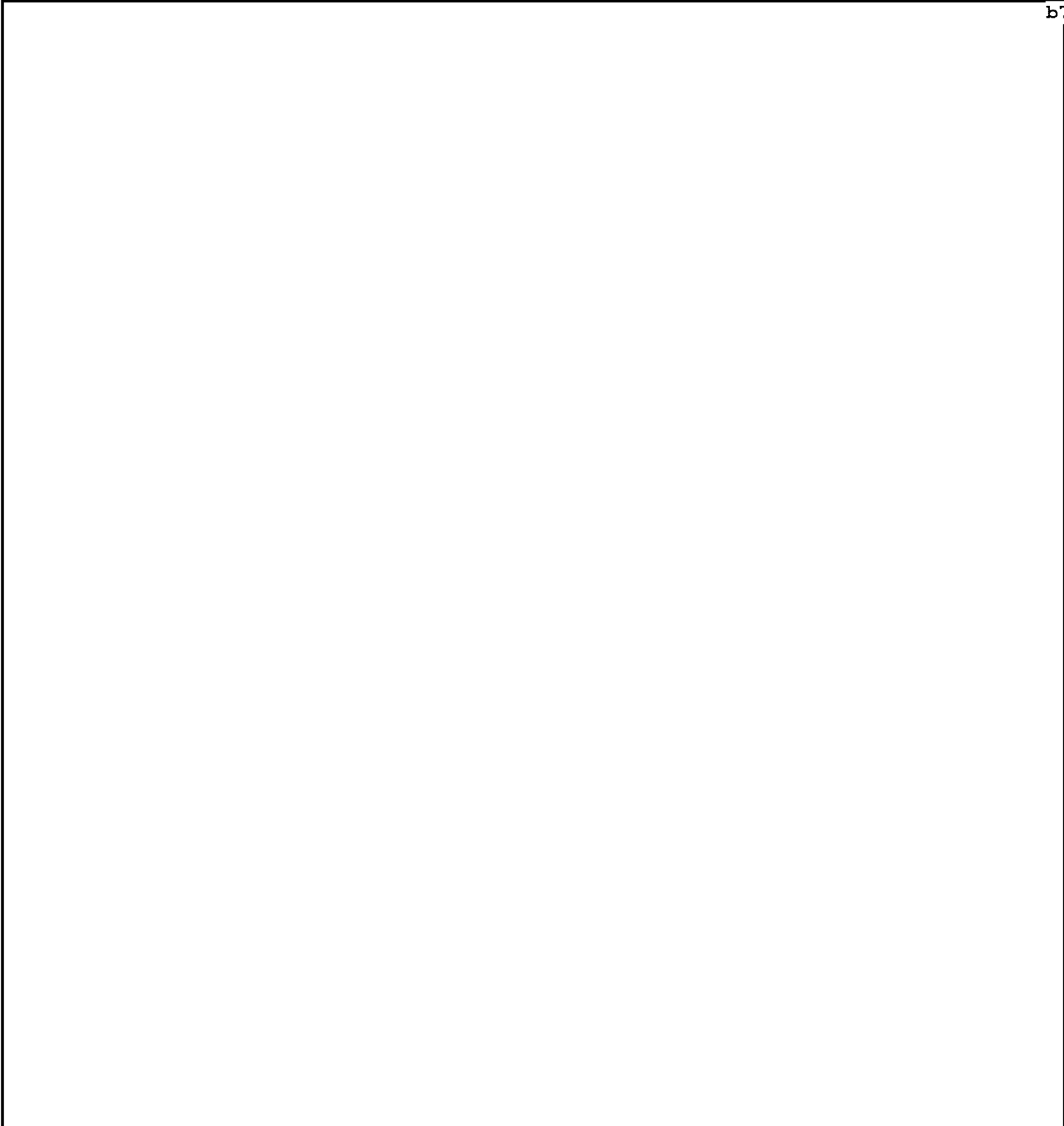
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Subject: Black Identity Extremist Assessment/Congressional Black Caucus Follow-Up

Location: [Redacted]

Start: Monday, January 22, 2018 2:00 PM

End: Monday, January 22, 2018 3:00 PM

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Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: [Redacted]

Required Attendees: Ghattas, Carl (CTD) (FBI); Brower, Gregory (DO) (FBI); Mendenhall, Bradley G. (CTD) (FBI); Sleeper, Kerry L. (DO) (FBI); Parry, Shannon V. (DI) (FBI)

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Start: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 3:30 PM

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Meeting Status: Accepted

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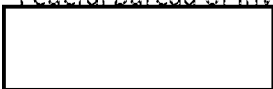
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Executive Assistant Director
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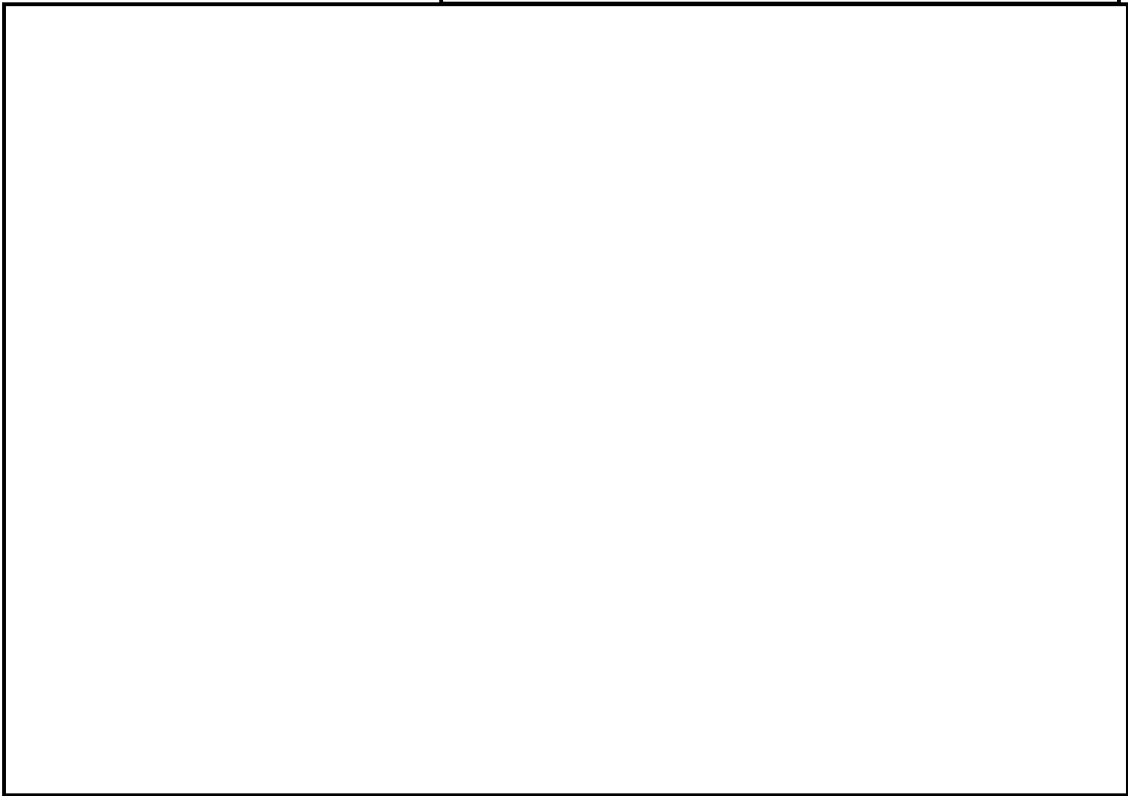
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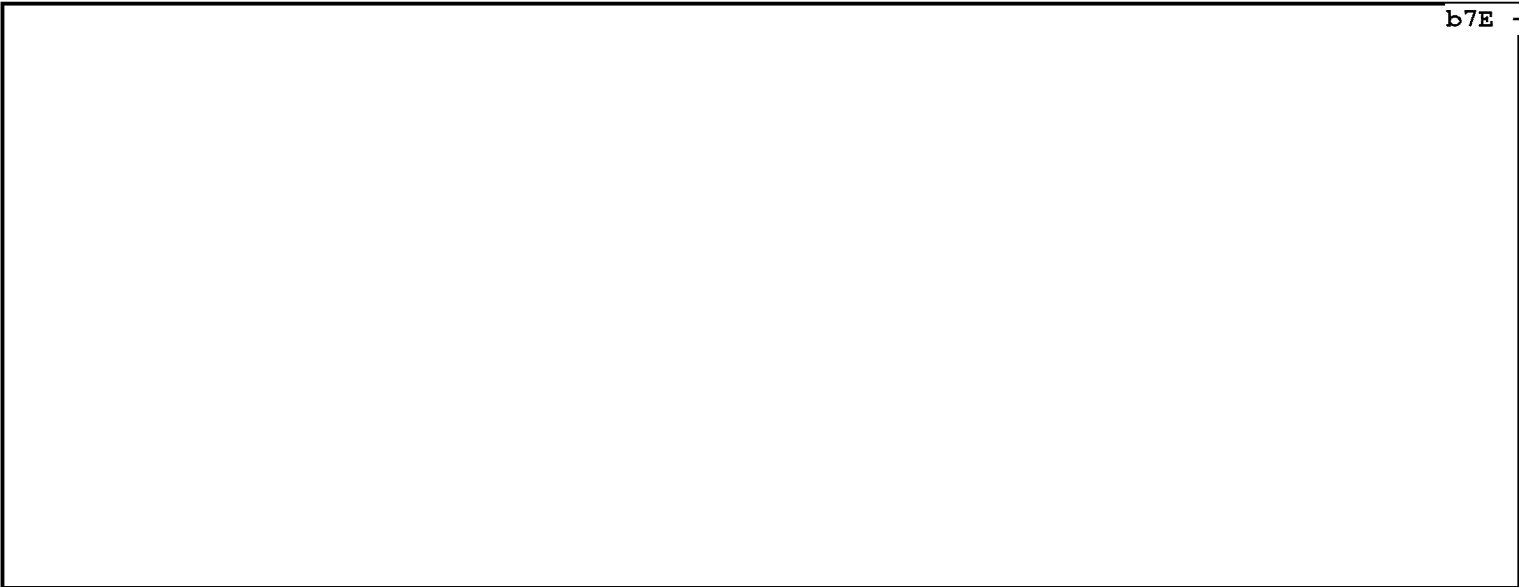
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Good morning, CoT Members –

Attached is a [redacted] for your review. For convenience when reading on a cell phone, the text of the report is pasted below.



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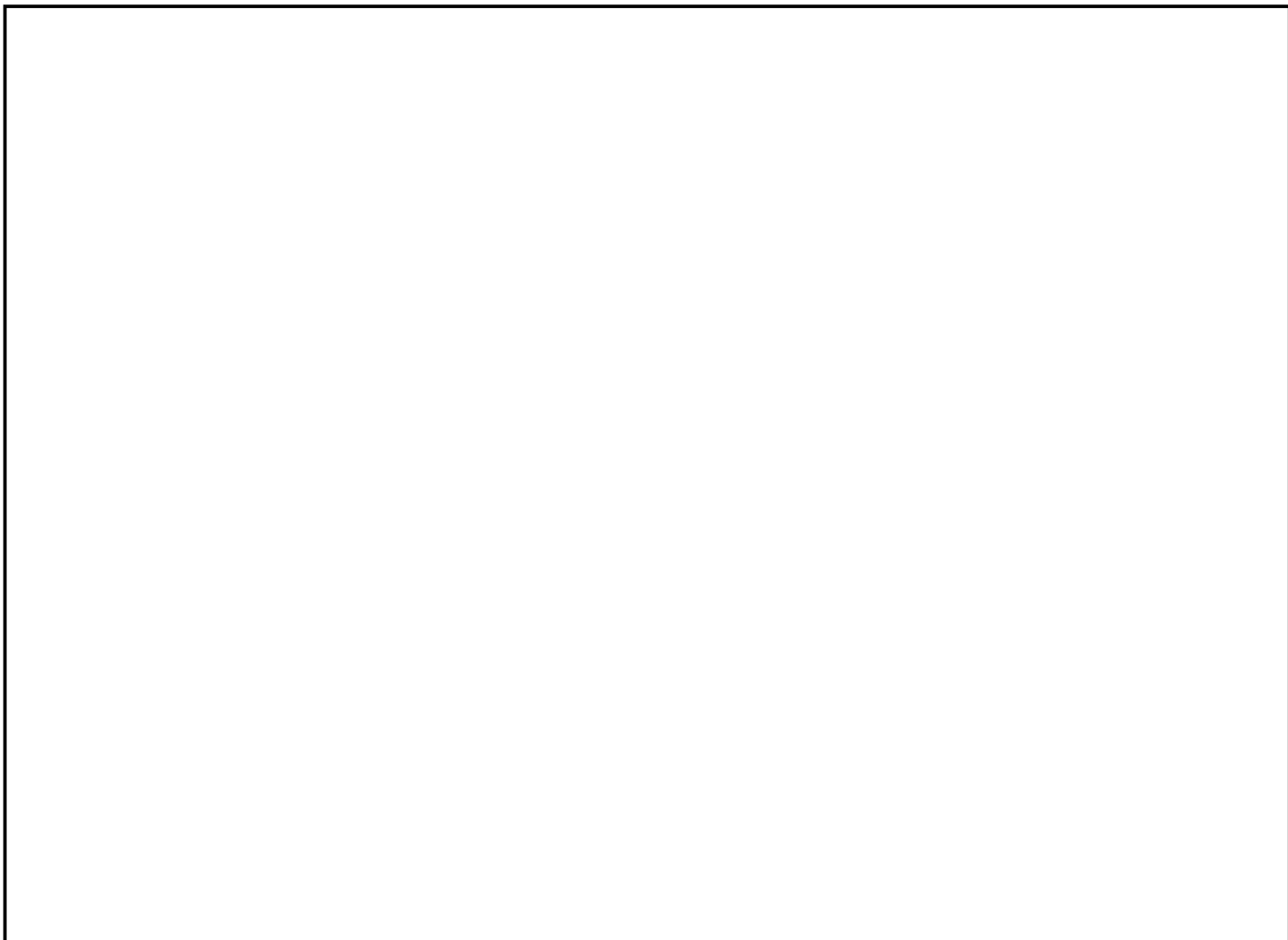
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