



Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

January 26, 2023

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FOIPA Request No.: 1484378-000
Subject: CNN (On or After 1980)

Dear John Greenewald:

The FBI has completed its review of records subject to the Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) that are responsive to your request. The enclosed documents were reviewed under the 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 exemptions used to withhold information are further explained in the enclosed Explanation of Exemptions:

Table with 3 columns: Section 552, Section 552a, and various exemption codes (b)(1)-(9), (d)(5), (j)(2), (k)(1)-(7). Includes checked boxes for (b)(3), (b)(7)(C), (b)(7)(D), (b)(7)(E), (b)(5), and (b)(6).

30 preprocessed pages are enclosed. To expedite requests, preprocessed packages are released the same way they were originally processed. Documents or information originating with other Government agencies that were originally referred to that agency were not referred as part of this release. This material is being provided to you at no charge.

Based on the information you provided, we conducted a main entity record search of the Central Records System (CRS) per our standard search policy. For more information about records searches and the standard search policy, see the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum General Information Section.

This is the final release of information responsive to your FOIPA request. This material is being provided to you at no charge.

Duplicate copies of the same document were not processed.

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 about yourself or any third party individuals.


“Part 3” includes general information about FBI records that you may find useful. Also enclosed is our Explanation of Exemptions.

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the [www.fbi.gov/foia](http://www.fbi.gov/foia) website under “Contact Us.” The FOIPA Request Number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request.

If you are not satisfied with the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s determination in response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, 441 G Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20530, or you may submit an appeal through OIP’s FOIA STAR portal by creating an account following the instructions on OIP’s website: <https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days of the date of my response to your request. 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 emailing the FBI’s FOIA Public Liaison at [foipaquestions@fbi.gov](mailto:foipaquestions@fbi.gov). 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. You may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Sincerely,



Michael G. Seidel  
Section Chief  
Record/Information  
Dissemination Section  
Information Management Division

Enclosures

## FBI FOIPA Addendum

As referenced in our letter responding to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, the FBI FOIPA Addendum provides information applicable to your request. Part 1 of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. Part 2 includes standard responses that apply to requests for records about individuals to the extent your request seeks the listed information. Part 3 includes general information about FBI records, searches, and programs.

### 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 FOIPA [5 U.S.C. § 552(c)]. FBI responses are limited to those records subject to the requirements of the FOIPA. Additional information about the FBI and the FOIPA can be found on the [www.fbi.gov/foia](http://www.fbi.gov/foia) website.
- (ii) **Intelligence Records.** To the extent your request seeks records of intelligence sources, methods, or activities, the FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), and as applicable to requests for records about individuals, PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(1), (b)(3), and (j)(2)]. 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 any such 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 about any Individual—Witness Security Program Records.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records which could identify any participant in the Witness Security Program pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(3) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(3), 18 U.S.C. 3521, and (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.
- (iii) **Requests for Confidential Informant Records.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of confidential informant records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(7)(D), (b)(7)(E), and (b)(7)(F) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552 (b)(7)(D), (b)(7)(E), and (b)(7)(F)] and Privacy Act exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. § 552a (j)(2)]. The mere acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of such records would reveal confidential informant identities and information, expose law enforcement techniques, and endanger the life or physical safety of individuals. 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 and Standard Search Policy.** The Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS) searches for reasonably described records by searching systems, such as the Central Records System (CRS), or locations where responsive records would reasonably be found. The CRS is an extensive system of records consisting of applicant, investigative, intelligence, personnel, administrative, and general files compiled by the FBI per its law enforcement, intelligence, and administrative functions. The CRS spans the entire FBI organization, comprising records of FBI Headquarters, FBI Field Offices, and FBI Legal Attaché Offices (Legats) worldwide; Electronic Surveillance (ELSUR) records are included in the CRS. The standard search policy is a search for main entity records in the CRS. Unless specifically requested, a standard search does not include a search for reference entity records, administrative records of previous FOIPA requests, or civil litigation files.
  - a. *Main Entity Records* – created for individuals or non-individuals who are the subjects or the focus of an investigation
  - b. *Reference Entity Records*- created for individuals or non-individuals who are associated with a case but are not known subjects or the focus of an investigation
- (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) **Foreseeable Harm Standard.** As amended in 2016, the Freedom of Information Act provides that a federal agency may withhold responsive records only if: (1) the agency reasonably foresees that disclosure would harm an interest protected by one of the nine exemptions that FOIA enumerates, or (2) disclosure is prohibited by law (5 United States Code, Section 552(a)(8)(A)(i)). The FBI considers this foreseeable harm standard in the processing of its requests.
- (iv) **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 sheet. 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](http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks). Additionally, requests can be submitted electronically at [www.edo.cjis.gov](http://www.edo.cjis.gov). For additional information, please contact CJIS directly at (304) 625-5590.

## 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.

This document is made available through the declassification efforts  
and research of John Greenewald, Jr., creator of:

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FOI/PA# 1430742-000

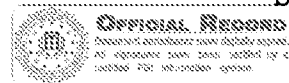
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## Electronic Communication

**Title:** (U//~~FOUO~~) Opening communication

**Date:** 11/21/2012

**From:** ATLANTA

AT-DT1

**Contact:** [Redacted]

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**Approved By:** [Redacted]

**Drafted By:** [Redacted]

**Case ID #:** [Redacted]

(U//~~FOUO~~) UNSUB;  
CNN CENTER ATLANTA, GA, VICTIM;  
11/02/2012;

[Redacted]

**Synopsis:** (U//~~FOUO~~) On 11/02/2012, the Atlanta Police Department reported a threatening call from an UNSUB, [Redacted] at the CNN Center in Atlanta.

**Full Investigation Initiated:** 11/21/2012

**Administrative Notes:** (U//~~FOUO~~) Guardian [Redacted]

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**Enclosure(s):** Enclosed are the following items:

1. (U//~~FOUO~~) APD Report
2. (U//~~FOUO~~) APD Report
3. (U//~~FOUO~~) APD Report

**Details:**

On 11/02/2012, FBI Atlanta Task Force Officer [Redacted] with Atlanta Police Department (APD) reported that at approximately 0400 am, APD Zone 1 Precinct received a call from an unknown subject (UNSUB) who claimed [Redacted]

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Re: [Redacted], 11/21/2012

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[Redacted] Copy of the recording was provided to the FBI by [Redacted] on 11/05/2012.

CNN Police Officers and Zone 5 Police Officers, along with Atlanta Fire inspected the CNN property, and surrounding area. Nothing unusual was found.

APD's telephone number which received the call is (404) 799-2487. The following actions were taken by APD:

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APD contacted [Redacted] indicating an exigent circumstance request for information. [Redacted] representative advised that the telephone number [Redacted] is a default number for Skype users. [Redacted] appears on outbound calls for Skype users, who have not set up their Skype caller ID yet. The number is based out of Bakersfield, California.

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[Redacted] provided copy of the APD incident report, and the contact information for the APD [Redacted]

[Redacted] (office), [Redacted] (E-Fax).

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Title: (U//~~FOUO~~) Opening communication

Re: [Redacted] 11/21/2012

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Sent: Friday, November 02, 2012 15:19

To:

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Information was immediately reported to [Redacted] who was on scene at the CNN Center. Information was also provided to [Redacted]

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Printed By: 4345  
Printed Date: 11/02/2012

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ATLANTA POLICE DEPARTMENT  
Offense Report  
INCIDENT NUMBER: 123070431-00

INCIDENT INFORMATION

Date Reported: 11/02/2012 Time: 0410  
Report Officer: [REDACTED]  
Officer Making Rpt: [REDACTED]  
Date Occurred: 11/02/2012 Time: 0408  
Location: [REDACTED] Pref: Apt:  
City: ATLANTA State: Zip:  
Latest Poss Date: 11/2/2012 Time: 0415  
Associated Offense #:  
Rpt District: 507 Beat: 507 Shift: N  
Command Area: 05  
Damage Prop: Stolen Property: Stolen Vehicle:  
Disposition: Disposition Date:

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OFFENSES

Offense: 0000 (INFORMATION ONLY)  
IBR Code: 9999 Att/Comp: A UCR: 9999 UCR Arson:

SUSPECT

Date and Time Last Updated: 11/2/2012 8:54:00 AM Officer Signed ID: [REDACTED]

Name: UNKNOWN, [REDACTED]  
Juvenile: NO  
Address:  
Bldg: Apt #:  
Contact: SSN: DOB: Sex: M Race: W  
DL Number: State: Hgt: Wgt: Hair: Eyes:  
Employer: Contact:  
Emp Addr:  
Bldg: Apt #:

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ON 11/02/2012 AT 0408 HOURS, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Offense Report  
INCIDENT NUMBER: 123070431-00

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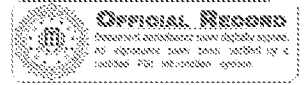
OFFENSE REPORT #123070431-00 REVIEWED BY [Redacted] ON 11/2/2012 5:54:00 AM

OFFENSE REPORT #123070431-00 APPROVED BY

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## Import Form

Form Type: FD-71A

Date: 11/27/2012

Title: (U//~~FOUO~~) Guardian Complaint Form

Approved By: [Redacted]

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Drafted By: [Redacted]

Case ID #: [Redacted]

(U//~~FOUO~~) UNSUB;  
CNN CENTER ATLANTA, GA, VICTIM;  
11/02/2012;

[Redacted]

Synopsis: (U//~~FOUO~~) Copy of Guardian Complaint FD-71a

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Incident Summary

[Redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~/LES) CNN / Zone 1 Telephonic Threat (Incident 123070431)

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(U//~~FOUO~~/LES) On 11/02/2012 at approximately 0408 hours [Redacted] answered the Zone One precinct telephone(404-799-2487).

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Status: Open

[Redacted]

Precedence:	Rechts:
Incident Type:	Terrorist Threat
Observed:	11/02/2012 04:00 AM
Time Zone:	GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Origin Agency:	Local/State/Tribal Law Enforcement
Receipt Method:	Telephone
Reported By:	Atlanta Police [Redacted]
Assigned Office:	Atlanta
Assigned Squad:	[Redacted]
Assigned User:	[Redacted]
Incident Creator:	[Redacted]
Incident Owner:	[Redacted]
Incident Due Date:	12/09/2012 10:17 AM
eGuardian ID:	[Redacted]

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Subjects

Witnesses

Other Persons

Targets

Vehicles

Weapons

Locations

Leads

Attachments

Links

Notes

(U//~~FOUO~~/LES) Investigator notes

Investigative: Accept voluntarily provided information by governmental or private entities.

Method:

Description: TFC [redacted] is waiting on the signed official report along with investigators notes and an audio recording of the caller.

Status: Completed

Attachments:

History:

11/02/2012 09:48 AM Created Note: Investigator notes [redacted]

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(U) Submission to CORE

Investigative: Administrative note for informational purposes.

Method:

Description: The facts of this incident have been submitted to CORE for review by the Atlanta FIG, entry number AT-10548.

Status: Approved

Attachments:

History:

11/02/2012 11:24 AM Created Note: Submission to CORE [redacted]

11/02/2012 11:24 AM Approve note

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(U//~~FOUO~~) AT PD report

Investigative: Administrative note for informational purposes.

Method:

Description: Attached copy of AT report, provided by TFC [redacted]

Status: Approved

Attachments: (U) AT PD Report page 1 (1020.3 KB)

(U) AT PD report page 2 (435.4 KB)

(U) Skype procedure (1125.0 KB)

History:

11/02/2012 04:38 PM Created Note: AT PD report [redacted]

11/02/2012 04:42 PM Submit note for approval

11/05/2012 03:57 PM Approve note



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(U) Contact with AT Tech Squad

Investigative: Request info/view record from other govt agencies/entities (federal/state/local/tribal/foreign).

Method:

Description: On 11/02/2012, SA [redacted]  
[redacted]

On 11/15/2012, writer contacted CDC [redacted]  
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Status:	Approved	
Attachments:		
History:		
11/15/2012 10:33 AM	Created Note. Contact with AT Tech Squad	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 60px;"></div>
11/15/2012 11:21 AM	Submit note for approval	
11/19/2012 03:08 PM	Approve note	

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**Disposition**

**Workflow**

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		Assigned To:	
11/02/2012 11:17 AM	Incident opened	Assigned By:	
		Assigned To:	

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**SENTINEL Uploads**

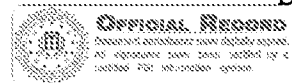
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Import Form

Form Type: FD-71A

Date: 11/28/2012

Title: U//~~FOUO/LES~~ CNN / Zone 1 Telephonic Threat (Incident 123070431)

Approved By: [Redacted]

Drafted By: [Redacted]

Case ID #: [Redacted]

(U) ASSESSMENT ZERO FILE -ZERO FILE  
(U//~~FOUO~~) UNSUB;  
CNN CENTER ATLANTA, GA, VICTIM;  
11/02/2012;

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[Redacted]

Synopsis: U//~~FOUO/LES~~ On 11/02/2012 at approximately 0408 hours  
[Redacted] answered the Zone One precinct  
telephone (404-799-2487). [Redacted]

[Large Redacted Area]

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Title: U//~~FOUO~~/LES-CNN / Zone 1 Telephonic Threat (Incident 123070431)

Re: [Redacted] 11/28/2012

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Notes

(U//~~FOUO~~/LES) Investigator notes

Investigative Method: Accept voluntarily provided information by governmental or private entities.

Description: TFO [redacted] is waiting on the signed official report along with investigators notes and an audio recording of the caller.

Status: Completed

Attachments:

History: 11/02/2012 09:48 AM Created Note: Investigator notes [redacted]

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(U) Submission to CORE

Investigative Method: Administrative note for informational purposes.

Description: The facts of this incident have been submitted to CORE for review by the Atlanta FIG, entry number AT-10548.

Status: Approved

Attachments:

History: 11/02/2012 11:24 AM Created Note: Submission to CORE [redacted]

11/02/2012 11:24 AM Approve note

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(U//~~FOUO~~) AT PD report

Investigative Method: Administrative note for informational purposes.

Method:

Description: Attached copy of AT report, provided by TFO [redacted]

Status: Approved

Attachments: (U) AT PD Report page 1 (1020.3 KB)  
(U) AT PD report page 2 (435.4 KB)  
(U) Skype procedure (1125.0 KB)

History: 11/02/2012 04:38 PM Created Note: AT PD report [redacted]

11/02/2012 04:42 PM Submit note for approval

11/05/2012 03:57 PM Approve note

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(U) Contact with AT Tech Squad

Investigative Method: Request info/view record from other govt agencies/entities (federal/state/local/tribal/foreign).

Method:

Description: On 11/02/2012, SA [redacted]

On 11/15/2012, writer contacted CDC [redacted]

Status: Approved

Attachments:

History: 11/15/2012 10:33 AM Created Note: Contact with AT Tech Squad [redacted]

11/15/2012 11:21 AM Submit note for approval

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11/19/2012 03:08 PM Approve note

[Redacted] (Atlanta/DT1 - Dom Team/  
Threat Response)

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Disposition

(U) Disposition

Assessment Subfile Number: [Redacted]

Note: This Guardian is being converted to a full investigation.

Investigation Type: Full

Disposition: This assessment has resulted or will result in a new PI/FI

Associated SENTINEL Case Numbers:

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Workflow

11/02/2012 09:40 AM Created Incident

Assigned By:

Assigned To:

11/02/2012 09:51 AM Incident submitted for opening

Assigned By:

Assigned To:

11/02/2012 11:17 AM Incident opened

Assigned By:

Assigned To:

11/27/2012 03:23 PM Incident submitted for closure

Assigned By:

Assigned To:

11/28/2012 08:31 AM Incident closed

Assigned By:

Assigned To:

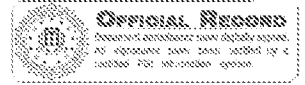
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SENTINEL Uploads

11/02/2012 11:19 AM SENTINEL Case File [Redacted]

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Date of entry 11/27/2012

[Redacted] Legal Representative at [Redacted] Chicago,  
telephone number [Redacted] was interviewed via telephone by writer.  
After being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and the  
nature of the interview, [Redacted] provided the following information:

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[Redacted] also requested to include the following information:

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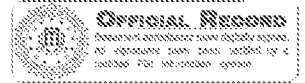
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Investigation on 11/27/2012 at Atlanta, Georgia, United States (Phone)  
File # [Redacted] Date drafted 11/27/2012  
by [Redacted]

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Date of entry 11/30/2012

(U//~~FOUO~~) Atlanta Police Department, Zone 5, Officer [Redacted] [Redacted] who is assigned to the CNN Center, 190 Marietta St. NW, Atlanta, GA, telephone number 404-956-0768, was interviewed by writer via telephone. The purpose of the interview was to clarify whether [Redacted] [Redacted] After being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent, [Redacted] provided the following information:

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(U//~~FOUO~~) On November 2, 2012, [Redacted] answered the Zone 1 Precinct telephone 404-799-2487 at the CNN Center located at aforementioned address. An UNSUB stated [Redacted] (APD provided copy of report and a 6 minute recording, which have been placed in captioned file). [Redacted] indicated that it is his understanding that the UNSUB made two threatening calls on the same day. The first call was recorded by [Redacted] and came through Zone 1's telephone line. However, [Redacted] thinks the subject called back again to APD Zone 5 telephone line, which is also located at the CNN Center. [Redacted] was not able to provide the name of the Officer who responded to the second call. [Redacted] suggested to contact Major [Redacted] [Redacted] to obtain additional information regarding [Redacted] placed by the UNSUB.

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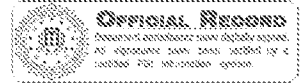
(U//~~FOUO~~) Investigation continues.

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Investigation on 11/29/2012 at Atlanta, Georgia, United States (Phone)  
File # [Redacted] Date drafted 11/30/2012  
by [Redacted]

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Date of entry 12/05/2012

(U//~~FOUO~~) [Redacted] date of birth [Redacted] was interviewed at 384 Northyards Boulevard NW #490 in Atlanta Georgia 30313. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing Task Force Officer and the nature of the interview, [Redacted] provided the following information:

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(U//~~FOUO~~) [Redacted] advised [Redacted]

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(U//~~FOUO~~) Present during the interview was [Redacted] Vice President of Corporate Security for Turner Broadcasting Systems, Inc. located at CNN Center Atlanta Georgia.

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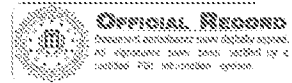
Investigation on 11/27/2012 at Atlanta, Georgia, United States (In Person)  
File # [Redacted] Date drafted 12/05/2012  
by [Redacted]

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## Import Form

Form Type: OTHER

Date: 01/31/2013

Title: (U) VNS LETTER

Approved By: SSA [Redacted]

Drafted By: [Redacted]

Case ID #: [Redacted]

(U//~~FOUO~~) UNSUB;  
CNN CENTER ATLANTA, GA, VICTIM;  
11/02/2012;

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Synopsis: (U) ONE VNS LETTER

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**U.S. Department of Justice**  
 Federal Bureau of Investigation  
 FBI - Atlanta  
 Suite 400  
 2635 Century Parkway, Northeast  
 Atlanta, GA 30345  
 Phone: [redacted]  
 Fax: [redacted]

January 13, 2013

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 CNN  
 190 Marietta St Nw  
 Atlanta, GA 30303

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Re: Case Number: [redacted]

Dear [redacted]

As a Victim Specialist with FBI - Atlanta, I'm contacting you because we have identified you as a possible victim of a crime.

This case is currently under investigation. A criminal investigation can be a lengthy undertaking, and, for several reasons, we cannot tell you about its progress at this time. But we can do this: We have enclosed a brochure about the FBI's victim assistance program. The brochure will introduce you to this program and to available FBI assistance for victims. A victim of a federal crime is entitled to receive certain services, such as information regarding available emergency medical and social services; available public and private programs for counseling, treatment, and other support; and notice of certain events in the progress of the case. The enclosed brochure will discuss those services and others (for further details, please refer to Title 42 United States Code Section 10607 and/or the brochure posted on [www.notify.usdoj.gov](http://www.notify.usdoj.gov)).

Current information regarding the status of your case can be found on the Internet at [www.Notify.USDOJ.GOV](http://www.Notify.USDOJ.GOV) or by calling the Victim Notification System (VNS) Call Center at 1-866-DOJ-4YOU (1-866-365-4968). You will need to enter your Victim Identification Number (VIN) [redacted] and your Personal Identification Number (PIN) [redacted] anytime you contact the Call Center and the first time you log into VNS on the Internet. If you are receiving notifications with multiple victim ID/PIN codes please contact the VNS Call Center. In addition, the first time you access the VNS Internet site, you will be prompted to enter your last name (or business name) as currently contained in VNS. The name you should enter is CNN.

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You can also use the Call Center and the Internet to correct/update your contact information and/or change your decision regarding participation in the notification system. Please remember however, that the first time you access the VNS Internet site, you will be prompted to enter your last name (or business name) and need to enter it as currently contained in VNS and spelled within this letter. Your participation in this notification system is totally voluntary. You can choose not to participate or reactivate your access at any time.

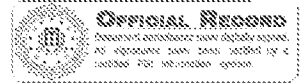
If you have any concern regarding the validity of this letter or would like to speak with me regarding any questions you may have, please feel free to call me at the number listed above. When you call, so that I can assist you as promptly as possible, please provide me the file number listed at the top of the letter.

Sincerely,

[redacted]  
 Victim Specialist

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Electronic Communication

**Title:** (U//~~FOUO~~) Closing captioned matter

**Date:** 10/07/2013

**From:** ATLANTA

AT-DT1

**Contact:** [Redacted]

**Approved By:** [Redacted]

**Drafted By:** [Redacted]

**Case ID #:** [Redacted]

(U//~~FOUO~~) UNSUB;  
CNN CENTER ATLANTA, GA, VICTIM;  
11/02/2012;

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**Synopsis:** (U//~~FOUO~~) Document investigative efforts and close captioned matter

**Full Investigation Initiated:** 11/21/2012

**Details:**

(U//~~FOUO~~) Captioned investigation was predicated upon a Guardian lead generated due to a threatening call to CNN on 11/02/2012. An unknown subject (UNSUB) called the Atlanta Police Department (APD), Zone One precinct, stating [Redacted]

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(U//~~FOUO~~) On the same date, APD contacted [Redacted] immediately and indicated an exigent circumstance request for [Redacted]

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Title: (U//~~FOUO~~) Closing captioned matter

Re: [REDACTED] 10/07/2013

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(U//~~FOUO~~) CNN Police Officers, along with Atlanta Fire inspected the CNN property and surrounding area. Nothing unusual was found.

(U//~~FOUO~~) A review of the original report indicated that two calls were made on November 2, 2012 by the UNSUB. APD Zone 5 Officer [REDACTED] [REDACTED] who is assigned to the CNN Center, 190 Marietta St. NW, Atlanta, GA, telephone number 404-956-0768, was interviewed by writer via telephone. The purpose of the interview was to clarify whether [REDACTED] calls were made on the date of the threat. Officer [REDACTED] provided the following information:

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(U//~~FOUO~~) On November 2, 2012, [REDACTED] answered the Zone 1 Precinct telephone 404-799-2487 at the CNN Center located at aforementioned address. An UNSUB stated [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (APD provided copy of report and a 6 minute recording, which have been placed in captioned file). [REDACTED] indicated that it is his understanding that the UNSUB made two threatening calls on the same day. The first call was recorded by [REDACTED] and came through Zone 1's telephone line. However, [REDACTED] thinks the subject called back again to APD Zone 5 telephone line, which is also located at the CNN Center. [REDACTED] was not able to provide the name of the Officer who responded to the second call.

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(U//~~FOUO~~) In November, 2012 writer contacted and interviewed [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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Title: (U//~~FOUO~~) Closing captioned matter  
Re: [REDACTED] 10/07/2013

[REDACTED] Legal Representative at [REDACTED] Chicago, telephone number [REDACTED] via telephone. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and the nature of the call, [REDACTED] provided the following information:

(U//~~FOUO~~) [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]

(U//~~FOUO~~) Writer contacted AUSA [REDACTED] to discuss captioned matter, and submitted a request for a subpoena to [REDACTED] as indicated above.

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(U//~~FOUO~~) In November, 2013 FBI Atlanta TFO [REDACTED] learned about captioned threat, and indicated that [REDACTED] of an FBI Atlanta pending investigation [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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(U//~~FOUO~~) In November 2012, [REDACTED] (PROTECT IDENTITY), DOB [REDACTED] was interviewed by SA [REDACTED] and FBI TFO [REDACTED]

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Title: (U//~~FOUO~~) Closing captioned matter  
Re: [Redacted] 10/07/2013

[Redacted] at CNN Center, One CNN Center, Atlanta, GA 30303. Also present during the interview was [Redacted] Vice President Corporate Security. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents and the nature of the interview, [Redacted] provided the following information:

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(U//~~FOUO~~) On 01/03/2013, writer received an e-mail message from [Redacted] [Redacted] as a response to the subpoena request for [Redacted]

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Title: (U//~~FOUO~~) Closing captioned matter

Re: [Redacted] 10/07/2013

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(U//~~FOUO~~) In March, 2013 writer submitted a subpoena request to [Redacted] which is the account used by subject [Redacted] made the date of the call to CNN, on November 2, 2012.

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(U//~~FOUO~~) In June, 2013 writer received results from [Redacted]

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(U//~~FOUO~~) In June, 2013 writer learned that TFO [Redacted] was planning to interview the subject of his investigation, [Redacted] Writer asked TFO [Redacted] to obtain any information regarding the call to CNN from [Redacted] TFO [Redacted] informed that [Redacted] denied knowing anything regarding the threatening call to CNN.

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Title: (U//~~FOUO~~) Closing captioned matter  
Re: [Redacted] 10/07/2013

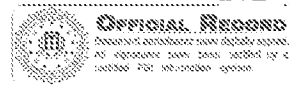
(U//~~FOUO~~) Writer has exhausted all investigative leads pertaining to this matter. Thus, writer requests captioned investigation be closed at this time. There are no pending leads. In the event any new information is obtained, the investigation will be reopened.

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## Import Form

Form Type: FD-71A

Date: 10/30/2016

Title: U//~~LES~~ CNN / Zone 1 Telephonic Threat (Incident 123070431)

Approved By: [Redacted]

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Drafted By: [Redacted]

Case ID #: [Redacted]

(U//~~FOUO~~) UNSUB;  
CNN CENTER ATLANTA, GA, VICTIM;  
11/02/2012;

[Redacted]

Synopsis: U//~~LES~~ On 11/02/2012 at approximately 0408 hours Officer [Redacted] answered the Zone One precinct telephone (404-799-2487). [Redacted]

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Title: U//~~LES~~ CNN / Zone 1 Telephonic Threat (Incident 123070431)

Re: [Redacted] 10/30/2016

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**Enclosure(s):** Enclosed are the following items:

1. U AT PD report page 2
2. U AT PD Report page 1
3. U Skype procedure

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Incident Summary

(U//LES) CNN / Zone 1 Telephonic Threat (Incident 123070431)

Status: Closed (on 11/28/2012)

[Redacted]

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Report Type:	Terrorist Threat
Observed:	11/02/2012 04:00:00 AM
Time Zone:	GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Origin Agency:	Local/State/Tribal Law Enforcement
Receipt Method:	Telephone
Reported By:	Atlanta Police Officer [Redacted]
eGuardian ID:	[Redacted]
Field Office:	ATLANTA
Assigned Squad:	[Redacted]
Approver(s):	[Redacted]
Report Creator:	[Redacted]
Report Owner:	[Redacted]
Sentinel Case:	null-null-null

[Redacted]

(U//LES) On 11/02/2012 at approximately 0408 hours Officer [Redacted] answered the Zone One precinct telephone(404-799-2487). [Redacted]

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**Notes**

~~(U//LES)~~ Investigator notes

Authorized: Accept voluntarily provided information by governmental or private entities.  
 Method:  
 Description: TFO [redacted] is waiting on the signed official report along with investigators notes and an audio recording of the caller.  
 Status: Completed  
 History:  
 11/02/2012 09:48:17 AM Created Note: Investigator notes [redacted]

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(U) Submission to CORE

Authorized: Administrative note for informational purposes.  
 Method:  
 Description: The facts of this incident have been submitted to CORE for review by the Atlanta FIG, entry number AT-10548.  
 Status: Approved  
 History:  
 11/02/2012 11:24:04 AM Created Note: Submission to CORE [redacted]  
 11/02/2012 11:24:10 AM Approve note

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~~(U//FOUO)~~ AT PD report

Authorized: Administrative note for informational purposes.  
 Method:  
 Description: Attached copy of AT report, provided by TFO [redacted]  
 Status: Approved  
 Attachments: [\(U\) AT PD Report page 1 \(1020.3 KB\)](#)  
                   [\(U\) AT PD report page 2 \(435.4 KB\)](#)  
                   [\(U\) Skype procedure \(1125.9 KB\)](#)  
 History:  
 11/02/2012 04:38:32 PM Created Note: AT PD report [redacted]  
 11/03/2012 04:42:06 PM Submit note for approval  
 11/05/2012 03:57:54 PM Approve note

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(U) Contact with AT Tech Squad

Authorized Method: Request info/view record from other govt agencies/entities (federal/state/local/tribal/foreign).

Description: On 11/02/2012, SA [redacted]

On 11/15/2012, writer contacted CDC [redacted]

Status: Approved

History: 11/15/2012 10:33:39 AM Created Note: Contact with AT Tech Squad [redacted]
11/15/2012 11:21:07 AM Submit note for approval
11/19/2012 03:08:17 PM Approve note

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Disposition

(U) Disposition

Assessment Subfile Number: [redacted]
Note: [redacted]
Investigation Type: [redacted]
Disposition: [redacted]
Associated Case Numbers: [redacted]

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Workflow

Table with 3 columns: Date/Time, Description, and Assigned By/To. Contains incident workflow details from 11/02/2012 to 11/28/2012.

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