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MISCELLANEOUS INVESTIGATION, CONT.:

he had heard on this date from FBI, New York, that a threatening letter had been received by the Brown County Sheriff's Office concerning Howard Cosell. [REDACTED] was advised that the Green Bay Resident Agency of the FBI was aware of this letter and in fact it had been turned over to this office and forwarded to the FBI Laboratory in Washington, D.C. It was also advised that appropriate leads had been set forth concerning the matter.

[REDACTED] said that in the event further urgent information should be forthcoming concerning this matter he can be reached at the above number or in his absence the director of security, [REDACTED] can be reached at telephone 212/887-7119.

[REDACTED] said the man in charge of the Monday night football broadcast by ABC in Green Bay on 10/1/79 will be [REDACTED] who intends to arrive in Green Bay on Friday, 9/28/79, and will be lodged at the Holiday Inn, exact location not yet known. [REDACTED] advised Howard Cosell will be staying at the Ramada Inn near Green Bay, but his exact itinerary is not known at this time.

[REDACTED] further stated that he has been in telephonic contact with both the Chief and Deputy Chief of the Green Bay Police Department and Captain [REDACTED] of the Brown County Sheriff's Office concerning this matter. He does not know their exact plans yet but they will probably furnish private security for Mr. Cosell in addition to local security arrangements they have made with local authorities.

On 9/26/79, [REDACTED] (Legal Section, ABC Sports), New York City, telephone 212/887-5042, was advised of the extortionate-type letter which was received by the Brown County Sheriff's Office on 9/24/79, [REDACTED] stated Howard Cosell is scheduled to appear in Green Bay on 10/1/79 for the Green Bay Packers versus New England Patriots football game which will be nationally televised.

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Brock stated that since the aforementioned letter was indeed threatening to Howard Cosell, he would ensure that Howard Cosell is advised in regards to this matter. [REDACTED] stated that Howard Cosell will appear in Green Bay on 10/1/79 and no schedule changes are anticipated at this time.

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SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL REPORTS:

**REPORT
of the**



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

To: SAC, Milwaukee (9-NEW)

October 3, 1979

FBI FILE NO.

LAB. NO. 90928067 D MG

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION (A)

Specimens received September 28, 1979

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "BUSHNELL, IL 61422 SEP 21 AM 1979" bearing the typewritten address "Brown County Sheriff's Office Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301"
- Q2 Accompanying typewritten letter beginning "If Howard Cosell . . ."

Result of examination:

The submitted evidence was searched through the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Appropriate copies have been added for future reference.

The type style on Q1 and Q2 most closely resembles Laboratory standards for a type style used by L. C. Smith company.

No watermarks, indented writing or other identifiable characteristics were noted.

The submitted evidence will be returned with the results of the latent fingerprint examination.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

REPORT

of the

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO.
LATENT CASE NO. B-78471

October 4, 1979

TO: SAC, Milwaukee

RE: UNSUB.; ✓
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airtel 9-26-79
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Milwaukee
SPECIMENS: Envelope, Q1
Letter, Q2

This report supplements and confirms Bucal on 10-1-79.

The specimens are further described in a separate Laboratory report.

Two latent fingerprints of value were developed on Q1. No latent prints of value were developed on Q2.

The specimens are enclosed.

Enc. (2)

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Memorandum



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To : DIRECTOR, FBI

Date 12/23/82

From : SAC, BUTTE (9A-1256) (C)

Subject : aka;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION
OO: Butte
Butte file 9A-1256

(See page 2 for additional Titles)

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Re New York teletype to Butte, dated 9/24/82, captioned Howard Cosell - Victim, Extortion"; WFO teletype to the Bureau, dated 9/15/82; Butte teletype to the Bureau, dated 9/16/82; and Butte airtel to the Bureau, dated 9/20/82, captioned "Unsub; Threat Against U. S. Supreme Court Justice Warren Burger - Victim; Extortion"; Brooklyn-Queens airtel to the Bureau, dated 9/3/82; Brooklyn-Queens teletype to the Bureau, dated 9/3/82; Butte teletype to the Bureau, dated 9/9/82; Butte airtel to the Bureau, dated 9/20/82; and FBI Laboratory reports, dated 9/29/82 and 10/13/82, captioned "Unsub, Threat to Bomb Unknown Lufthansa Aircraft, 9/10/82, DAMW"; Butte teletype to Bureau, dated 9/4/82; and Seattle teletype to the Bureau, dated 9/6/82, captioned "15 MAY ORGANIZATION, - PFLP - TERRORISM, OO: Detroit".

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Subject: (continued)

UNSUB;
THREAT AGAINST U. S. SUPREME
COURT CHIEF JUSTICE WARREN BURGER -
VICTIM
EXTORTION
Butte File 9A-1254 (C)

UNSUB;
THREAT TO BOMB UNKNOWN LUFTHANSA
AIRCRAFT.
9/10/82
DAMW
Butte File 149A-180 (C)

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15 MAY ORGANIZATION
PFLP - TERRORISM
OO: Detroit
Butte File 199-123 (RUC)

BT #9A-1256

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Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and seven copies of an LHM captioned [REDACTED]

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Enclosed for New York are four copies of this same LHM and for additional recipients of this communication, two copies have been enclosed.

As set forth in the LHM, [REDACTED] has been identified as the author of four extortion letters, representing the cases captioned above. Receiving offices have been provided with copies of the LHM for their respective files, as well as for dissemination to appropriate agencies where deemed necessary.

In view of the USA's opinion, Billings, Montana, no further investigation is contemplated by the Butte Division in any of the captioned matters. A copy of the LHM has been provided to the USA, Billings, Montana, to confirm his opinion and also to the US Secret Service, Great Falls, Montana for their information.

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U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Butte, Montana 59702
December 23, 1982

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] an inmate at Montana State Prison,
Deer Lodge, Montana, has been identified as the author of the
following described letters:

A letter from [REDACTED] Deer Lodge,
Montana, dated August 23, 1982 to Howard Cosell and quoted as
follows:

"You will now die because of your
government lies. KXLF TV 4, Butte,
will also die and all ABC TV will
be murdered. You all tell lies
and bullshit. I be out in October
and will be there to get you and
all ABC government liars.

Enjoy all you can now time is running
out on all of you.

Liars Liars

Liars Liars

You all will die this is serious.
You make me go crazy and want to
kill - including the PB."

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mendations nor conclusions of the FBI.
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[REDACTED]

A handwritten letter on yellow-lined paper, which bore a return address of P. O. Box 7, Deer Lodge, Montana, addressed to Pan American Airlines, Seattle-Tacoma Airport, Attention: Operations Manager, 98420 (which is incorrect zip code). The letter was dated August 26, 1982, and is quoted as follows:

"Dear Pan Am,
You now are on what one calls notice! I have arranged everything! The contract on your airlines is out and paid for. Several locations and various flights will be blown up at what one might call random. You support the Israel government therefore must pay. The PLO would mean peace but no you at Pam Am want more conflict. You tell government lies therefore must pay. And pay you will with loss of planes and offices thru-out the country. They start going boom September, 10; unless of course you come out and support and PLO, Irag and Iran and help save our oil and gas supplies to our country. I will be watching TV for your reply. Act now or suffer the pains of being anti peace!"

A letter, dated August 27, 1982, with a return address of Box 7, Deer Lodge, Montana, 59722, captioned "Lufthansa 1640 Heamstead Turnpike, East Medow, New York, 11554, which is quoted as follows:

"Sirs - you, like Pan Am must now suffer my wrath. I have arranged your airlines demise. Oh yes, very sneaky I am and able to do this easily. The phone works wonders anyhow.

[REDACTED]

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You like Israel not PLO for peace? I know you do so your planes will start going boom as well and at random, along with various offices.

You tell government lies like Cosell and ABC TV and Pan Am so suffer with them at my mercy. I have now so September 10 be on the lookout. You can't catch me nor stop me. Only I have the power to stop your fate. Go on TV and I'll watch to see that you comply. Then I'll cancel my orders to my crew. You have only to September 10 !!"

A letter, dated September 7, 1982, on plain paper, with no return address, which is quoted as follows:

"Warren Burger Supreme Court, you do ratten mean things to us and hurt us. Now you will pay dearly for your crimes! Your a worse criminal than Hitler ever was. My crew will get you. I've arranged all. Think about that!! You can't hide now crook ---creep."

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[REDACTED] was interviewed on September 20, 1982, at the Montana State Prison, Deer Lodge, Montana, and readily admitted writing the letter to Howard Cosell. At that time, he also admitted writing threatening letters to Pan American Airlines, Lufthansa Airlines, and Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren Burger. The full text of the interview with [REDACTED] follows:

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10/5/82

Date of transcription

[redacted] while in custody at the Montana State Prison (MSP) was advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents as Special Agents of the FBI, after which he was furnished an "Interrogation and Advice of Rights" form which he read. He was, thereafter, advised that it was desired to interview him concerning threatening letters, after which he signed the Waiver of Rights, indicating his willingness to talk to the FBI.

[redacted] was advised that a letter written by him to the ABC-TV Sports in New York, Attention: Cosell, had been referred to the FBI. He was advised further that the letter which was dated August 23, 1982, was specifically addressed to Howard Cosell and made reference to the fact that he would die as well as employees of the KXLF-TV Station in Butte, Montana, and all ABC-TV employees. [redacted] stated that he had in fact written a letter and explained that he was watching television and Howard Cosell was the announcer. Howard Cosell announced some scores of various games and an excerpt which came on television later indicated that Howard Cosell had lied and given the wrong scores. [redacted] stated that he "made me mad" so he wrote the letter to Cosell. [redacted] stated that writing such a letter "made me feel better."

b7C When asked if he had written other similar letters, [redacted] stated that he recalled writing possibly eight such letters. He specifically recalled writing letters to Pan American Airlines, Lufthansa Airlines, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Warren Berger, and an unknown embassy.

Relative to the airlines letters, [redacted] stated that he had seen ads in the newspapers regarding special fares and within a very few days, the airlines had withdrawn the offer for the special fares. [redacted] once again stated, "They made me mad," so he wrote the letters. [redacted] recalled that he had stated in the letter that he would blow their planes up.

Relative to the letter addressed to Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren Berger, [redacted] stated that he had read a news article in the "Missoulian," a daily Missoula, Montana, newspaper which pertained to Senate Bill 1437. [redacted] stated that Chief Justice Berger wants to keep people like himself in jail and "he is mean." Once again, [redacted] indicated this made him mad and he immediately wrote the letter to Chief Justice Warren Berger.

Investigation on 9/30/82 at Deer Lodge, Montana File # BT #9A-1256

by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] Date dictated 10/1/82

[redacted] stated that he had told his counselor that he had written "bomb letters." [redacted] told his counselor that when he gets mad, he sends the "bomb letters." [redacted] identified his former counselor as [redacted] but he stated he did not know the name of his current counselor and added that he did not like his current counselor. [redacted] explained that his current counselor is a police officer and a social worker the next day.

When asked why he had identified himself as the writer of the letter addressed to Howard Cosell and had not identified himself on any of the other letters, he claimed that he did not know the reason. [redacted] stated that it could have been how big a hurry he was to get the letter mailed.

[redacted] claimed that he had no idea that writing such letters was a Federal violation. [redacted] was specifically advised that a letter containing the type threats that were referred to in the letters which he had admitted writing were definitely violations of Federal law.

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[redacted] stated that he wrote each of the letters on impulse when he was mad, and even if he was out of prison, he would have no reason to carry out such threats. In fact, [redacted] stated, "I have a lot better things to do than that."

The following description of [redacted] was obtained by interview and observation:

Name	[redacted]
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Place of Birth	[redacted]
Sex	[redacted]
Race	[redacted]
Height	5' 9"
Weight	120 pounds
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Light Brown
Montana State	[redacted]
Prison	[redacted]
Tattoos	[redacted]

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]
and SA [REDACTED]

AT DEER LODGE, MONTANA

On September 30, 1982, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Montana State Prison (MSP), and also [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] furnished a copy of a typewritten letter which had been
addressed to [REDACTED]. The letter was dated September 2, 1982,
but was unsigned. The letter had reference to various things that
[REDACTED] had been saying or was involved in. [REDACTED] believed
that the letter had actually been typed by [REDACTED] himself, although
that fact had not been definitely established.

[REDACTED] also stated that he has a file of many letters
which had been sent out of the prison by [REDACTED] which are definitel
relating to mail fraud matters. This information has been furnished
to the Postal Inspector's Office and they are working a case on these
matters.

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[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] is "crazy like a fox," and
he further advised that he believes that [REDACTED] is trying to work
some sort of a scam which will allow him to leave the Montana State
Prison.

[REDACTED] also stated that [REDACTED] mail is being
screened and [REDACTED] has been advised by an official communication from
the Warden's Office that his mail is being screened. Mail which is
not deemed appropriate is sent back to [REDACTED]

On September 30, 1982, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] the MSP, advised that she is very familiar with [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] was very reluctant to make a statement relativ
to whether or not [REDACTED] is capable of violence; however, she did
state that [REDACTED] has never given any indication of physical
violence since being incarcerated at the MSP.

[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as a paranoid, from the
clinical standpoint, and angry, and an impulsive person with very
poor judgment and a very passive-type individual. [REDACTED] stated
that [REDACTED] is very demanding of the clinical staff and becomes
very angry if they do not respond quickly to his requests.

When [REDACTED] was advised of the letters which [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] had admitted writing, she stated that she could very easily

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visualize [REDACTED] writing such letters. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] is medicated with tranquilizers.

[REDACTED]

The FBI Laboratory, Washington, D. C., made handwriting comparisons of known handwriting of [REDACTED] and the four above described letters. It was concluded that the letter written to Pan American Airlines and the letter to Lufthansa Aircraft were both written by [REDACTED]. Unexplained variations precluded a definite conclusion, although similarities were observed in comparing the letter to Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren Burger.

Special Agent [REDACTED] U. S. Secret Service, Great Falls, Montana, has advised that he is familiar with [REDACTED]. Special Agent [REDACTED] added that [REDACTED] had made admissions during 1980 to violations of law within the investigative jurisdiction of the Secret Service. Special Agent [REDACTED] stated that it appeared at that time that [REDACTED] motive was to gain his release from Montana State Prison and be sentenced in a Federal facility.

[REDACTED] wrote a letter, dated October 8, 1982, to the U. S. Attorney's Office, Federal Building, Butte, Montana, which is quoted as follows:

"Dear Sir,
In regards to my bomb and threat letters of September!

It would be in everyone's best interest if you did charge and convict me of these letters as soon as possible.

I see no reason on earth to let these go without doing something to me.

No reason for a big trial I will plead guilty to the charges in exchange for 10 years in Federal prison and my immediate removal from Montana State Prison. This surely is fair.

Those people I wrote deserve those letters and what ever may happen to them.

I'd hope you'll have this finished before Xmas. I'm not crazy either so don't think that !!

Await hearing from you soon.

Sincerely, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

By letter dated October 18, 1982, U. S. Attorney Byron H. Dunbar, Billings, Montana, furnished a copy of the above letter to the FBI, Butte, Montana. Mr. Dunbar, in his letter, stated in part, "I should add my own personal opinion, which is that a prisoner who is in State Prison, should not be able to use the Federal Law in an effort to be incarcerated in a prison of his choice." A copy of Mr. Dunbar's letter was also sent to [REDACTED] at the Montana State Prison.

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During subsequent contacts with U. S. Attorney Dunbar, he reiterated his opinion as set forth in the letter dated October 18, 1982, and stated that he would decline prosecution at this time.

In view of the above, the FBI, Butte Division, is conducting no additional investigation into these matters.

FBI

Date: 12/31/74

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL, REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY - DOCUMENT SECTION

FROM: [REDACTED] DENVER (9-2317) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - [REDACTED] 750-116
VICTIM
EXTORTION
OO: DENVER

Re Denver airtel to the Bureau, dated 12/27/74.

Enclosure described in referenced airtel was inadvertently admitted by the Denver Division and is being enclosed with instant airtel.

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Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. Howard L. Hall
City Editor of
The Mountain News
Rendee, N.C.

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ENCLOSURE

Dec 9, 1941

Mr. Howard Carter Cariswell
The Law Month

To City Editor of Kansas
To Jody Martin News
Re: ...

I am better with the ...
of Communist Howard ...
or else he will be killed or
the Bomb on his cap or ...
where he go. I am ...
he talk talk of the ...
we already read on the ...
news every day. We ...
of the ...
see the activities ...

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ENCLOSURE

We can not enjoy
activities at all in the
field, no nothing activities
at all, so then again
the Howard Carroll be
out. You understand?
I haven't people don't agree on
this, he is a burn burn

also if we don't have activities
on a football game, also Alex and
Combin. Be shot.

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OK

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE DENVER	OFFICE OF ORIGIN DENVER	DATE 2/3/75	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/18/74 - 1/22/75
TITLE OF CASE UNSUB; 0 HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM; [REDACTED] - VICTIM; [REDACTED] - VICTIM; [REDACTED] - VICTIM; [REDACTED] - VICTIM		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION - BOMB THREATS	

REFERENCE: Denver airtel to Bureau, dated 12/27/74.
Bureau letter to Denver, dated 1/22/75.

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							PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	
APPROVED [REDACTED]		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE				DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW			
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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

Copy to: 1 - USA, DENVER, COLORADO

Report of: [REDACTED]
Date: February 3, 1975

Office: DENVER

Field Office File #: 9-2317

Bureau File #: 9-56080 **b7C**

Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
[REDACTED] - VICTIM;
[REDACTED] - VICTIM;
[REDACTED] - VICTIM;
[REDACTED] - VICTIM;

~~Character:~~

Character: EXTORTION - BOMB THREATS

~~Synopsis:~~

Synopsis: Employee of "Rocky Mountain News", Denver, furnished letter on 12/18/74 re threat on life of HOWARD COSELL, AUSA, Denver, after reviewing contents of letter declined prosecution. Examination of letter by Document Section of FBI Laboratory indicated letter identical to other Denver letters containing threats against [REDACTED]

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DETAILS:

On December 18, 1974, [REDACTED] Editorial Department, "Rocky Mountain News", Denver, Colorado, furnished a letter which contained a threat on the life of HOWARD COSELL, possibly identical to the well known sports commentator.

On December 24, 1974, contents of this letter and the facts of the case were discussed with First Assistant U. S. Attorney ALLEN SPURGEON, Denver, Colorado, and Mr. SPURGEON stated due to the contents of the letter he did not feel this case merited prosecution or further investigation.

Deleted Copy Sent [REDACTED]
by letter 9-4-75
Per FOIA Request [REDACTED] **b7C**

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The letter was forwarded to the Document Section of the FBI Laboratory with a request that it be compared with other anonymous letters in the anonymous letter file.

REPORT
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Denver (9-2317)

Date: January 22, 1975

FBI File No. 9-56080

Lcb. No. D-750106046 PF

Re: UNSUB;

HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;

[REDACTED] - VICTIM;

[REDACTED] - VICTIM;

[REDACTED] - VICTIM;

[REDACTED] - VICTIM;

EXTORTION - BOMB THREATS

Specimens received 1/6/75

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Q8 Envelope postmarked "U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, CO 800 PM 16 DEC 1974" bearing written address "Mr. Howard Cosell To City Editor Of Rocky Mountain News Denver Colorado."

Q9 Two sheets of paper bearing written message beginning "Dear Sir You better kick that man of Comentator..." and ending on the second page "Be shot. Be Bomb ok."

Result of examination:

Q8 and Q9 were associated with this case as a result of a search of the Anonymous Letter File.

Characteristics observed indicate that the questioned writing on Q8 and Q9 was prepared by the writer or writers of the questioned writing on Q1 through Q7, previously submitted in this case.

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FBI

Date: 12/27/74

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL, REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: LABORATORY - DOCUMENT SECTION

FROM: SAC, DENVER (9-2317) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL -
VICTIM
EXTORTION
OO: DENVER

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Enclosed for the Document Section is a copy of a letter received by [redacted] Editorial Department "Rocky Mountain News," Denver, Colorado. The letter contains a threat on the life of HOWARD COSELL, possibly identical to the well-known sports commentator. On 12/24/74, the contents of the letter and the facts of the case were discussed with First Assistant USA W. ALLEN SPURGEON, Denver, Colorado and Mr. SPURGEON stated due to the contents of the letter he did not feel this case merited further prosecution or further investigation.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

The Document Section is requested to compare enclosed letter with other anonymous letters in the anonymous letter file.

First Assistant USA, SPURGEON's opinion being confirmed by separate communication.

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NO ENCL. RECEIVED IN RTG.

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2 - Denver

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Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

Recorded 1-8-75

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION

File # 9-56080
Lab.# D-750106048 PF

OO: Denver

Examination requested by: SAC, Denver (9-2317) airtels 12-27-74 & 12-31-74

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 1-6-75

Result of Examination:

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returned 1/22/75

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Return Evid.

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Recorded 1-8-75

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUBS;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION;
[REDACTED] - VICTIM;
OO: Denver

File # 9-56080 18
Lab.# D-750106046 PF

EXTORTION - BOMB THREATS
OO: DV

VICTIM;
VICTIM;

Examination requested by: SAC, Denver (9-2317) airtels 12-27-74 & 12-31-74

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 1-6-75

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [REDACTED]

Q8+9 are with this case
as result of search of ATF.
Choi obs indicate Q8+Q9 prep
by writer or writers Q1-7; prev mail
Q8+9 attached

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Item prev file of PV 9-2182 a copy
Unsub; [REDACTED] - Vic, [REDACTED] - V
[REDACTED] - Vic, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] - Vic Ext - Bomb Threat
Case done by DV rept 12/14/73.

ATF Ident by [REDACTED]

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bearing written address "Mr. Howard Cosell To City Editor Of
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You better kick that man of Comentetor..." and ending on the
side "Be shot. Be Bomb ok." 2nd page

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1 - Mr. [redacted]
1 - Mr. [redacted]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Denver (9-2317)

Date: January 22, 1975

From: Director, FBI

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Re: UNSUB;

FBI File No. 9-56080

HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;

[redacted] - VICTIM;

[redacted] - VICTIM;

Lab. No. D-750106046

GONZALES - VICTIM;

[redacted] - VICTIM

EXTORTION - BOMB THREATS

OO: Denver

Examination requested by: Denver

Reference: Airtels dated 12/27/74 and 12/31/74

Examination requested: Document

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Remarks:

For your information, Q1 through Q7 were previously submitted in this case under Denver file #9-2182 which case was captioned "INSUR: [redacted] - Victim; [redacted] - Victim; [redacted] - Victim; Extortion - Bomb Threat." This case was closed administratively by Denver report 12/14/73.

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by Letter 9-4-75
Per FOIA Request [redacted]

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Enclosures (4) (Q8, Q9, 2 Lab report)
2 - Denver (9-2182) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

NOTE: The Anonymous Letter File identification mentioned in the attached report was made by document analyst

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Result of examination:

Q8 and Q9 were associated with this case as a
result of a search of the Anonymous Letter File.

Characteristics observed indicate that the
questioned writing on Q8 and Q9 was prepared by the writer
or writers of the questioned writing on Q1 through Q7,
previously submitted in this case.

Q8 and Q9 are attached,

[REDACTED]
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