

Route 12  
Frederick, Md. 21701  
September 6, 1975

FOIA Request  
The Deputy Attorney General  
The Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This is my request under the Freedom of Information Act for a copy of an FBI press release. I make it pursuant to the suggestion of the FBI's Freedom of Information Officer, Mr. Thomas H. Bresson, who says it can be obtained no other way.

This public statement by then FBI Director Hoover received extensive public attention when it was issued. My request for a copy was made at that time, was repeated thereafter, and in the nine subsequent years I have not received a copy.

The form of this news release was that of a four-page statement by Mr. Hoover dated November 23, 1966, attached to a letter in response to a supposed inquiry from the reporter to whom it was addressed two days later.

I use this formulation because by the most remarkable of coincidences it is an official answer to charges I had not made publicly but were included in a book, the copy of which I had not yet delivered to my printer. Other copies were outside my personal possession, in the possession of others in the media.

If a difficulty in locating this public statement persists within the Department, it can be identified by the New York Times story reporting it.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

CC: Mr. Thomas H. Bresson  
FBI Director Clarence Kelley  
Attorney General Edward Levi