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February 28, 1967

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J. Edgar Hoover, Director
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Department of Justice Building
Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: Re: Earl Warren, Chief Justice, U. S. Supreme Court *RECORDED*

This letter is being written with the greatest reluctance and extreme hesitancy, since October, 1953, when I learned of the appointment of Earl Warren to the office of Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court. The information which I shall impart has been a closely kept secret since the year 1947, when I learned of it, to-wit:

During the campaign of Mr. Warren in which he was elected for a third term as Governor of the State of California there was a bill pending, or about to be introduced, before the State Legislature, which proposed the placing of an additional tax on motor trucks. This piece of legislation was strongly opposed by the Teamster's Union in the State, and, they apparently being on very friendly terms with the Governor, approached him requesting that he veto the bill if and when it should be passed by the Legislature. After negotiating for some time, the Governor agreed to veto the bill if it came before him for his signature; the consideration for which promise was the contribution to his current campaign for re-election of \$90,000 in cash, to which the Union agreed. The money was collected from union members as individuals, I understood, and no record or report made thereof -- unless someone made a secret record thereof. The bill finally did reach the Governor's desk for signature ; ; and he signed it.

The Union officials were highly incensed, but decided that to oppose him in any way would cause them to lose face. They finally decided that they would try to get him out of the State, when he was nominated as a candidate for Vice-President, in 1948. During that period I was a member of a local of an A. F. of L. International Union, representing a group of Los Angeles County office employees, and had occasion to associate with Teamster officials; and I noted that they supported Earl Warren for the nomination for President in their literature and public utterances, but in private they were extremely hostile toward him. Upon inquiring from three officials of the Teamsters, on separate occasions, none of them being near each other during the conversation, I was informed of the circumstances related in the paragraph last above. I seem to recall the name of one of those men as being a Mr. Burns, who, I believe, was the Secretary of the particular organization to which they belonged; but I can't recall the names of the other two men. It is quite possible that they may now be retired, but they were well known among Union members.

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however, apparently tried to protect Mr. Hoffa by failing to concur in the majority opinion of the court. And today I learn that Mr. Warren had left for South America prior to announcing the Supreme Court's decision. Also, I learn that Justice Clark is also about to leave the Court, by resignation, the reason for which I do not know

According to Section 800 of the California Penal Code, the statute of limitations has run for prosecution of a charge of bribery, unless the law has been recently amended. However, it would still be a basis for impeachment.

I am deeply concerned regarding the decisions in which Justice Warren has concurred relative to the easing of restrictions against the Communist Party. The circumstance that deepens my concern is my understanding that ever since his appointment to the Supreme Court he has spent all of his vacation time, except in 1964, in Russia. I do not dare to state my suspicions relative to the significance of these circumstances, in writing.

I have been a keen follower of the history of our Nation since pre-school days, my most poignant memory being the assassination of President William McKinley, when I was about 7 years old; and I have sadly, and almost hopelessly, noted the gradual subversion of our institutions by the infiltration of Communist principles. I have successfully combatted Communists and succeeded in having several of them ousted from Union Labor organizations, the source of information about their association still being undetected by them. Thus, I believe that I can understand their devious methods.

Communists have no honor, and no other principles than that of subversion of all the decent and honorable things in life, and I will always be the arch enemy of their machinations. I firmly believe that your agency is our last line of defense against them; but I reluctantly express my fear that the F. B. I. is also being penetrated, judging from observations I have made within the past seven years. I continually pray that God may help us to finally overcome this vicious cancer, and that you will be the source of our victory. Thank you for the continuous protection that you have given our most confused nation.

I enclose my file on another matter which I have taken up with your agency in Los Angeles. I finally received acknowledgement of my letter of February 21st from Mr. Lalue by telephone this afternoon.

Please do all you can to prevent the adoption of legislation establishing consular offices for Russia in this country. That will be the final link in their chain of subversion, and it will then be too late.

Sincerely,
