

U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation



Washington, D.C. 20535

Mr. Harold Weisberg
7627 Old Receiver Road
Frederick, Maryland 21701

Subject of Request: CLICK Magazine
FOIPA No. 280,521 /190-

APR 27 1989

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

Enclosed are copies of documents from FBI records. Excisions have been made to protect information exempt from disclosure pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Section 552 and/or Section 552a. In addition, where excisions were made, the appropriate exempting subsections have been cited opposite the deletions. Where pages have been withheld in their entirety, a deleted page information sheet has been substituted showing the reason or basis for the deletion. The subsections cited for withholding information from the enclosed documents are marked below.

Section 552

Section 552a

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(See Form 4-694a, enclosed, for an explanation of these exemptions.)

Pursuant to your request, 6 pages(s) were reviewed and 6 page(s) are being released.

During the review of material pertinent to the subject of your request, documents were located which

- originated with another Government agency(ies).
These documents were referred to that agency(ies) for review and direct response to you.
- contain information furnished by another Government agency(ies). You will be advised by the FBI as to the releasability of this information following our consultation with the other agency(ies).

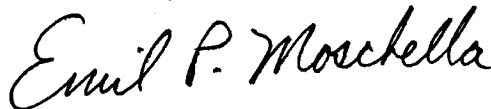
In certain instances, information collected in our field office files is not forwarded to FBI Headquarters. These instances include cases in which the perpetrators of the violations were not identified; cases in which the United States Attorney declined prosecution; and cases in which the allegations were unsubstantiated or not within the jurisdiction of the FBI. If you believe records of interest to you are located in the files of an FBI field office and were not reported to Headquarters, you may write directly to that field office for those materials.

If you know of any other matter in which information concerning you or the subject of your request may have been recorded by the FBI, and can identify the matter in sufficient detail, including the approximate time frame and location, a further search will be made.

If you desire, you may appeal any denials contained herein. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy (Attention: Office of Information and Privacy), United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. 20530, within thirty days from receipt of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

See additional information which follows.

Sincerely yours,



Chief
Freedom of Information-
Privacy Acts Section
Records Management Division

Enclosures (2)

Reference is made to our FOIA release letter to you dated September 16, 1988. One cross-reference which was unavailable for processing at that time has been located. Releasable portions are enclosed.

Additionally, three documents which were referred to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) for consultation have been returned. Information in these documents originated with the Federal Security Agency, their predecessor agency. Releasable portions of these documents (100-217556-1, 2, and 3) are also enclosed. HHS made no deletions.

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 pursuant 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 the 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 a 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 a 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 of 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, except records of arrest;
- (k) (1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to Executive Order 12356 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 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 identity would be held in confidence.

Mr. Tolson.....
 Mr. Nathan.....
 Mr. Clegg.....
 Mr. Coffey.....
 Mr. Egan.....
 Mr. Glavin.....
 Mr. Ladd.....
 Mr. Nichols.....
 Mr. Rosen.....
 Mr. Sears.....
 Mr. Quinn Tamm.....
 Mr. Tracy.....
 Miss Gandy.....

July 18, 1939

J. Edgar Hoover
 Federal Bureau of Investigation
 Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The enclosed photostatic copy of a letter has come to my attention, and I believe that some of the statements made are rather strong.

No doubt this organization has come to your attention, but it seems unfortunate that this country of ours provides a haven for radicals and organizations who attempt to destroy the great things for which the United States stands.

Yours very truly,

[Redacted signature]

[Redacted name]

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Dear Sir:

Just received a letter from you the other day in regard to the pamphlet "Why War?" that I sent you last week.

Lehmann was re-elected governor - as you perhaps know - and there is nothing to brag about that Masonry reduced his plurality from 700,000 to 50,000. Besides, your claim must be regarded as untrue as long as you can't prove what you wrote.

What's the purpose of having enclosed a copy of another letter addressed to the editor of the "Click"? A threat against me by inference, or what? That's the usual Masonic method of intimidation. Of course, neither my associates nor myself will ever stop our patriotic work because of threats, intimidations, or violence - not even murder will ever stop the movement to get rid of Masonry and other international groups of a more or less Jewish character. Write that down, [REDACTED]

Yours truly,

[REDACTED]



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Dear [Redacted]

I desire to thank you for the courtesy of your letter dated July 18, 1939, together with the enclosure attached thereto.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

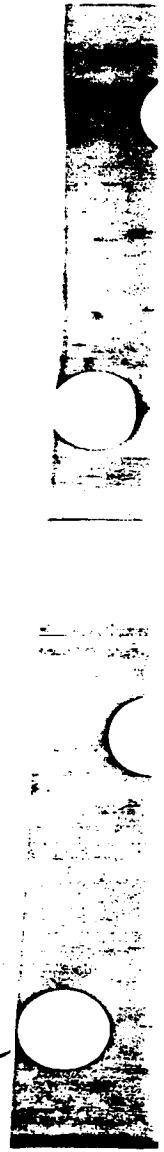
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*Per Dept of Health & Human Services
letter dtd 7/22/88*

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Mr. Elmer Lewis
Director
Office of War Information
Room 3362, Social Security Building
Third and C Streets, Southwest
Washington, D. C.

REFERRAL DOCUMENT
FOI/PA # <i>880.521</i>
APPEAL #
CIVIL ACT. #
E.O. # <i>12958</i>
DATE <i>4/27/88</i>

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Dear Mr. Lewis:

A statement has been furnished this Bureau that Dr. A. A. Brandt has been publishing a group of articles in *CLICK, PIC, and BOOK*, and also an article in the June seventeenth issue of the *Toronto Star Weekly*, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The articles are reported to have as their general subject, "Bacterial Warfare", and the complainant indicates that the articles contain information which is not in the national interest to publish. Information is also furnished that Dr. Brandt does lecturing, largely to women's clubs. *(S) (S) (U)*

I would appreciate your advice as to whether this subject matter has previously come to your attention and whether the articles mentioned are considered in violation of any of the rules of censorship or any of the policies on restricted subject matters for general publication. *(S) (S) (U)*

This information will be helpful in determining whether this complaint is a matter within the investigative jurisdiction of this Bureau.

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Tracy _____
- Mr. Carson _____
- Mr. Coffey _____
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Mr. George W. Merck
Special Assistant to the Administrator
of the Federal Security Agencies
327 National Academy of Sciences
2101 Constitution Avenue, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

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DATE	7/21/77

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Dear Mr. Merck:

I quote below from a general complaint which was referred to this Bureau for attention:

"Dr. A. A. Brandt has been publishing a group of articles in CLICK, PIC, and LOOK. He also published an article in the June seventeenth issue of the Toronto Star Weekly, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The articles above referred to are reported to this office as having as their general subject 'Bacterial Warfare'. We are informed that the articles contain information which it is not in the national interest to publish. We also have been reliably informed that Dr. Brandt does lecturing, largely to women's clubs." (S) (A) (U)

I am asking of the original informant the source of his information that the publication of the articles is not in the national interest. In the meantime I would greatly appreciate any advice that you may have to furnish as to whether material of this sort is considered restricted. This will greatly aid me in determining whether this constitutes a matter within the investigative jurisdiction of this Bureau. (S) (A) (U)

- Mr. Tolson _____
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Mr. Byron Price
Director of Censorship
Room 990
Federal Trade Commission Building
Washington, D. C.

(S-1) U.S. Federal Security Agency

Dear Mr. Price:

A statement has been furnished this Bureau that Dr. A. A. Brandt has been publishing a group of articles in CLICK, PIC, and LOOK, and also an article in the June seventeenth issue of the Toronto Star Weekly, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The articles are reported to have as their general subject "Bacterial Warfare", and the complainant indicates that the articles contain information which is not in the national interest to publish. Information is also furnished that Dr. Brandt does lecturing, largely to women's clubs. (S) (X) (u)

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