

FBI/PA - Baltimore

Dear Mr. Shea,

5/21/81

The enclosed copy of my letter to the FBI's Baltimore SAC is pertinent to my appeal on which you have not acted on the records about me.

Most but not all of the students involved in those records lived in the territory of the Hyattsville residency of the Baltimore field office.

Some of them want to the University of Maryland.

Copies of the records in question were at FBIHQ, which also withholds them.

The blabbing to which I refer was at FBIHQ.

The blabber was decently motivated. This means that if I provide the identification, which I can, a disaster is expectable. So I don't. Besides, it is not necessary. The only problem with compliance is the FBI's determined lawlessness.

The withheld records also reflect a kind of domestic intelligence operation the FBI has yet to confess. There is no law enforcement purpose and there is no connection with any proper or security concern, nothing foreign, only belief the FBI does not like.

Disclosed records reflect the FBI's indulgence of practice once though restricted to the KGB and Gestapo and its distribution of such records to its FOIPA component. It might be worth checking there for copies and records of such distribution.

Sincerely,

  
Harold Weisberg

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5/2/81

Dear Sir,

During my recent hospitalization, without phoning first, a special agent came here. In my absence he spoke to my wife. He told her that of course he knew I dislike the FBI, but that if I hear from Floyd Lamore, who fled Prince Georges County after indictment, he hoped I might overcome this alleged dislike and report hearing from Lamore to the local state police.

There is no basis for anything this SA said to my wife. First of all, I did hear from Lamore and I immediately, without prodding from the FBI or any other police agency, did notify the local barracks. This was quite long ago. I am surprised that the FBI has any record connecting Lamore and me and lacks this information.

There are rotten apples but I do not dislike apples. I do not dislike the FBI. We live in a world in which such agencies are an absolute necessity. On the other hand, this does not mean that I must approve all the many evil and dishonest and incompetent things done by individuals in the name of the FBI.

The Lamore matter is a case in point. I know, because someone in the FBI blabbed, about records you have connecting Lamore and me. I also filed a PA request of your and other offices and FBIHQ. Not one provided any copy of any such record. The law, which the FBI is supposed to conform with as well as enforce, requires that any such records be provided. This means that the FBI is not complying with the law. Would you expect me, or any American, to approve of that?

The records to which I refer do not pertain to Lamore only. They are records of him and other students being interested in my work. Under American law and beliefs, this is none of the FBI's business. And this explains why you do not comply with the law and provide those records in response to my request.

If FBI personnel did more of what they are supposed to do and less of what they are supposed not to do there would be less need for concern about how people feel about the FBI.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg