

Critics

3/10/82

On 76-0322 - "national security" claims; withholding of records pertaining to critics; Surveillance of critics; SAC letter 64-23, 6/28/64 - pertaining to critics?

Among other things, the enclosed copy of 100-10461-6505, sent to me by the FBI on 3/10/82, discloses that my appeal/request for a b1 review by the DRU, was not acted on until 10/7/81, and then was withheld by the FBI for five more months.

While the obliteration at the beginning eliminates the purpose and subject, what is not withheld at the end makes it appear that it relates at the least to Tom Buchanan and probably to his publishing and writing.

What was originally withheld as b1 is all public and if it hadn't been was not subject to withholding any way, like the published public comments of the Commissioners, even with the papers in which published indicated- and withheld.

I do not think that a file number, withheld at the bottom of page 1, is classifiable. The file no. withheld, a 65, is a "admat" file in which I have often found records pertaining to surveillances filed.

The concluding paragraph is the language the FBI used regularly to state without explicitness that the material was intercepted. Often it was sued for bugs and taps and as the file numbers for them.

The absence of concluding quotation marks may indicate that the NY FBI was quoting directly what had been intercepted, maybe a Buchanan letter.

There were two prior reviews on which the classification was upheld and made indefinite as exempt under Category 2.

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6/1/64

SAC, NEW YORK

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY SLIP(S) DATE 4/27/78 JJP/132

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ReSAClet 64-23 dated 4/28/64. (U)

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CLASS. & EXT. BY 6-2-84/AD  
REASON FOR EXT. 1-2-4.2  
DATE OF REVIEW 6-1-84  
Per OTC memo 10-7-61

"Recently we were asked: 'Are you saying you won't accept a verdict from the Warren Commission no matter what it is?' (S)u

"On December 16, 1963, Chief Justice Earl Warren told questioners that the commission does not expect to call for the physical evidence in the case, for instance, the Italian-made carbine with which the shots were fired, or the recovered bullets.' (New Orleans Times Picayune, 12/17/63) u

"On February 25, 1964, the commission, headed by Chief Justice Earl Warren...said that two months of investigation had not caused the commission to doubt the reasonableness of the action by the authorities in charging Oswald." (NY Times, 2/26/64) u

"That evidence ranging from FINGERPRINTS (nonexistent!) to ballistics tests is as conclusive as any confession, and there is NO LINGERING DOUBT about what the commission's main findings will be.' i.e. Oswald's guilt. (TIME Magazine, 2/14/64) u

- 3 - Bureau (Encl. 1) (RM) [REDACTED] (S) (b) (1)
- 2 - New York (1 - 65-18045)

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100-10461-6505

CLASS. & EXT. BY 3/9/88  
REASON FOR EXT. 2  
DATE OF REVIEW 8/1/84  
Classified by 1259  
Exempt from GDS, Category 2  
Date of Declassification Indefinite  
JJP/132 4/23/78

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"We hope to COMPLETE our study and publish our report early this coming summer." (Letter from Commissioner Gerald Ford, 2/26/64) Mr. Ford thus set in February a limit to an investigation the termination of which should NOT have been predetermined. (S)u

"Also to be considered is the remark by Chief Justice Earl Warren that certain testimony recorded in regard to the case would not be released 'in your lifetime.' Mr. Warren concluded this statement by adding: 'And I say that seriously.'" (S)u

"In light of this (and more) how can the 'American people and the world' be expected to 'accept a verdict from the Warren Commission no matter what it is?'" (S)u

"Whatever the verdict, will History receive it as consistent constitutional, rational and scientific?" (S)u

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"Italics ours"

(S)u

The indices of the NYO contain no references to (u)  
a THOMAS BUCHANAN at the address given.

Due to the highly confidential nature of the source furnishing the above information, same may not be disseminated or incorporated into any Bureau report. (u)

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