Critico

3/14/82

On 78-0322 - "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 PBI on 3/10/82, discloses that my appeal/request for a b1 review by the DRC, 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.

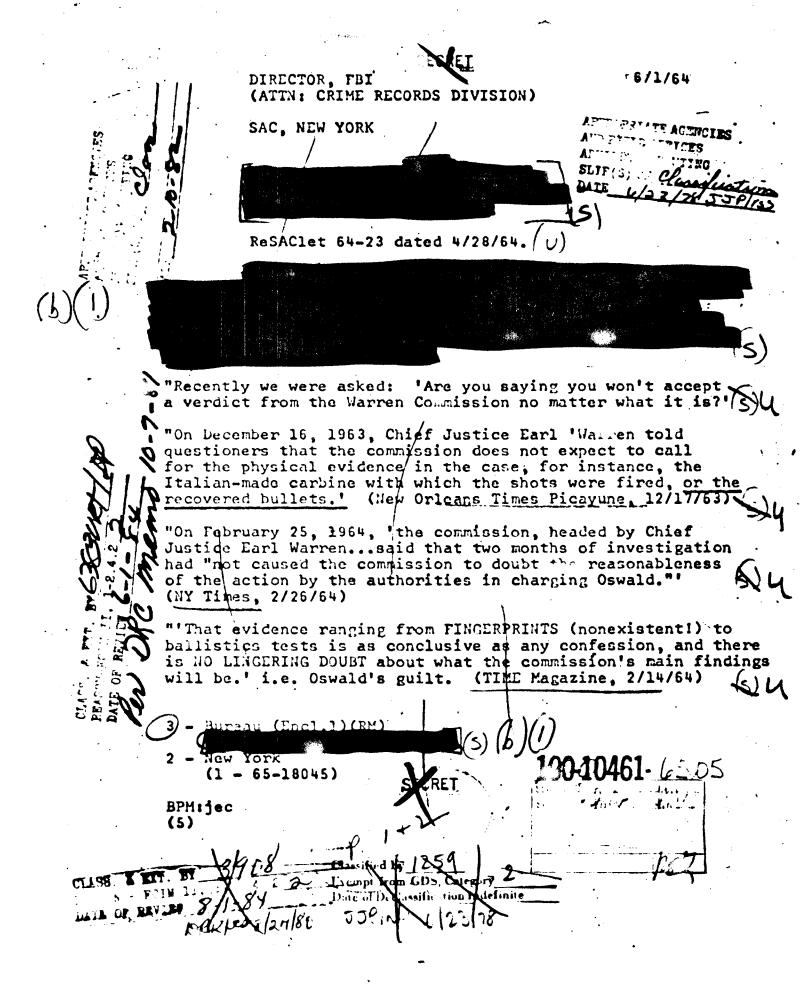
What was originally withheld as b1 is all public and if it hadn't been was not subject to withholding any way, like the published public comments of the Commissioners, even with the papers in which published indicated—and withheld.

I do not tink 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 FoI 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.





w'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.

"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.'

"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?'

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

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"Italics ours"

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

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