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The FBI Director Clarifies

The Washington Post erred in suggesting I planned to transfer to Alaska—as punishment—an FBI employee I recently replaced in his Washington headquarters job [“The FBI’s Freeh Agent,” Style, Nov. 3]. I told The Post these facts, which were not printed:

- I asked the employee for his job preferences, and I told him several field offices would soon need new special-agents-in-charge. Although Alaska was the only such field office post then open (and it is now filled), I never mentioned Alaska.
- I would never punish anyone by

sending him to a field office because field offices carry out the FBI’s most important work.

The employee’s reassignment will be handled in the most positive way possible, for he has given many years of dedicated service. He and the other employees affected by my recent reorganization are all being offered new jobs in the FBI.

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