

Hoover's files

Dear Jim, Re the Hoover O & C File on Fred J. Cook HW 6/21/78

The copy you sent is incomplete, as perhaps the copy you obtained also is. The last page, 5, has the note "continued - over" at the bottom.

The information also is incomplete, I'm sure much less complete than was in Hoover's files/office. Perhaps the explanation is in one of the hand notes at the bottom of the James to Bishop memo of 7/2 14/71, "CG in P.F." I believe this may reflect the filing of a copy in "personal files" of Hoover's, this being the likely meaning of P.F. I understand Hoover had such files, too.

This record is atypical in bearing no file designation, by number and serial.

The withholds are dubious in some instances.

Last graf, p. 2 the FBI voluntarily discloses that Boris Morros "was a Bureau informant." I had a file on him and gave it to Dave.

The self-serving paper in the MURKIN records states that the FBI does not provide information to reporters and writers. On page 3 that the FBI did provide information to Cook on two different subjects is explicit.

Relevant in 1996.

Relevant re my PA request is the penult. graf on p.4 about the Writers and Editors V.N. protest. I also was a signatory. In the copy I obtained from the CIA I was one of only about a half-dozen marked for special interest. (Doc Spock I recall of the others - you have a copy.) There may have been an ad that did not include me but I have no knowledge of any. I think this also means that the FBI had a file on this particular protest that include information on me, in general and as a basis for demanding a search of the Director's files. Or have I already? I think I have. I know I did for King records.

Missing in this memo, I think conspicuously missing, is any reference to Cook's writing on the JFK assassination/Warren Commission. I think it probable that Jones and Bishop were not unaware of it.