

16,000

Threat Cases

A Year

Washington

Investigations of threats against a president are not rare, according to the Secret Service.

A spokesman said about 16,000 cases are investigated each year, although not necessarily all involving direct threats against the president.

Investigations of alleged conspiracies — incidents involving more than one person — are more unusual, the spokesman said. He was unable to say how many other such investigations have been carried out since President Nixon assumed office.

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