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FOIPA Request No.: 1350141-000
Subject: FRONT DOOR (FBI
INVESTIGATION)
(NOVERMBER 1996 – DECEMBER 1986)

Dear Mr. Best:

This acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the FBI.

- Your request has been received at FBI Headquarters for processing.
- Your request has been received at the _____ Resident Agency / _____ Field Office and forwarded to FBI Headquarters for processing.
- We are searching the indices to our Central Records System for the information responsive to this request. We will inform you of the results in future correspondence.
- The subject of your request is currently being processed for public release. Documents will be released to you upon completion.
- Release of responsive records will be made to the FBI's FOIA Library (The Vault), <http://vault.fbi.gov>, and you will be contacted when the release is posted.
- Your request for a fee waiver is being considered and you will be advised of the decision at a later date. If your fee waiver is denied, you will be charged fees in accordance with the category designated below.
- For the purpose of assessing fees, we have made the following determination:
 - As a commercial use requester, you will be charged applicable search, review, and duplication fees in accordance with 5 USC § 552 (a)(4)(A)(ii)(I).
 - As an educational institution, noncommercial scientific institution or representative of the news media requester, you will be charged applicable duplication fees in accordance with 5 USC § 552 (a)(4)(A)(ii)(II).
 - As a general (all others) requester, you will be charged applicable search and duplication fees in accordance with 5 USC § 552 (a)(4)(A)(ii)(III).

Please be advised that we have determined "unusual circumstances" apply to the processing of



your request for one or more of the reasons indicated below. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(6)(B)(iii). These "unusual circumstances" will delay our ability to make a determination of your request. The payment of pertinent search and duplication fees will apply to your request. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(4)(A)(viii).

There is a need to search for and collect records from field offices and/or other offices that are separate from the FBI Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS).

There is a need to search for, collect, and examine a voluminous amount of separate and distinct records.

There is a need for consultation with another agency or two or more DOJ components.

Please check for the status of your FOIPA request at www.fbi.gov/foia by clicking on **Check the Status of Your FOIPA Request** under **Records Available Now** located on the right side of the page. Status updates are adjusted weekly. The status of newly assigned requests may not be available until the next weekly update. If the FOIPA has been closed the notice will indicate that appropriate correspondence has been mailed to the address on file.

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the www.fbi.gov/foia website under "Contact Us." The FOIPA Request number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request. Your patience is appreciated.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

Sincerely,



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