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TO: DIRECTOR

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FROM: NEW HAVEN (161-1068) (RUC) 3PP

WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR., SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED 8/15/73.

ARREST AND CREDIT AT STAMFORD:

ON 8/13/73, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED APPOINTEE MAINTAINS RESIDENCE

AT WALLACKS POINT. APPOINTEE'S WIFE [REDACTED] THERE

FREQUENTLY AND USUALLY SEEN ON WEEKENDS WITH PRIMARY RESIDENCE
NEW YORK CITY. ALL ENJOY EXCELLENT REPUTATION IN COMMUNITY.

ON 8/13/73, SGT. [REDACTED] STAMFORD, PD, ADVISED RECORDS
NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE'S WIFE [REDACTED]

ON 8/13/73, MAX BARON, STAMFORD CREDIT BUREAU ADVISED APPOINTEE
IN FILE SINCE 1953. NO DEROGATORY INFORMATION.

AT NEW HAVEN:

ON 8/10/73, DET. [REDACTED] NEW HAVEN

PD ADVISED RECORDS NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED]

ON 8/13/73, [REDACTED] REGISTRAR'S OFFICE, YALE UNIV., ADVISED

AT HARTFORD:

ON 8/10/73, DIRECT CALL TO CATAWADA, CORP., 37

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LEWIS STREET DISCLOSED APPOINTEE'S [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WEST HARTFORD.

AT WEST HARTFORD:

ON 8/11/73 [REDACTED] WEST HARTFORD, PD,

ADVISED HE RECORD NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED]

AT CANAAN:

ON 8/10/73, TROOPER [REDACTED] CANAAN BARRACKS,

CONNECTICUT STATE POLICE ADVISED APPOINTEE'S MOTHER, ELOISE

BUCKLEY AND APPOINTEE'S SISTER, JANE BUCKLEY SMITH RESIDE

GREAT ELM ESTATE, SHARON, CONN.

JOHN BUCKLEY MOVED FROM WELLS HIL RD., LAKEVILLE AND CURRENTLY RESIDING RT. 41, LAKEVILLE, CONN.

[REDACTED] MAITAINS

[REDACTED]
CANAAN BARRACKS COVERS SHARON AND LAKEVILLE. TROOPER [REDACTED]

ADVISED NO ARREST RECORD REFLECTED FOR LAST 5 YEARS FOR

ELOISE BUCKLEY, JANE BUCKLEY SMITH, JOHN BUCKLEY, OR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND ALL ENJOY GOOD REPUTATION IN THE COMMUNITY.

ARREST RECORD NEGATIVE RE APPLICANT.

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AT TORRINGTON:

ON 8/10/73, [REDACTED] LITCHFIELD

COUNTY CREDIT BUREAU, TORRINGTON, CONN., ADVISED NO CREDIT
RECORD RE APPOINTEE. LAST INQUIRY WAS MADE IN 1967.

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9:50PMNITEL 8-14-73 DAD

TO: DIRECTOR 161-6442

FROM: BOSTON 161-2269 RUC

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Room 1248

WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR., SPIN, BUDED 8-15-73, WOF.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE DATED 8-8-73.

ON 8-14-73,

NATIONAL REVIEW MAGAZINE, NEW YORK, ADVISED HE HAS KNOWN APPOINTEE ON A PROFESSIONAL AND SOCIAL BASIS SINCE APPROXIMATELY 1955.

DESCRIBED APPOINTEE AS A BRILLIANT, DEDICATED, LOYAL AMERICAN. HE ADVISED APPOINTEE HAS HAD A SUBSTANTIAL AFFECT ON AMERICAN INTELLECTUAL POLITICS AND HAS MADE POLITICAL CONSERVATISM INTELLECTUALLY RESPECTIBLE THROUGH APPOINTEE'S MAGAZINE, THE NATIONAL REVIEW MAGAZINE. HE DESCRIBED APPOINTEE AS AN INDIVIDUAL OF UNQUESTIONED CHARACTER, MORALS, HONESTY AND INTEGRITY. HE STATED APPOINTEE ASSOCIATES WITH INDIVIDUALS OF SIMILAR HIGH STANDARDS AND IS LOVED AND RESPECTED BY HIS FRIENDS AND ENEMIES ALIKE. HE ADVISED THAT TO HIS KNOWLEDGE APPOINTEE HAS NO REAL ENEMIES BUT SOME INDIVIDUALS HAVE MANIFESTED DISAGREEMENT.

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WITH APPOINTEE'S CONSERVATIVE PHILOSOPHICAL AND POLITICAL
VIEWPOINTS. HE ADVISED APPOINTEE IS EXTREMELY HIGHLY REGARDED
AND MAINTAINS AN EXCELLENT REPUTE AND REPUTATION WITH PERSONS
WHO KNOW HIM CLOSELY. [] ADVISED HE HAS NEVER BEEN THE
RECIPIENT OF ANY DEROGATORY OR UNFAVORABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING
THE APPOINTEE WHICH WOULD PRECLUDE HIM FROM OBTAINING A
SENSITIVE POSITION WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT. [] FURTHER DESCRIBED
THE APPOINTEE AS A LOYAL PATRIOTIC AMERICAN CITIZEN WHOM HE
WAS PLEASED TO RECOMMEND FOR A POSITION WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT WITHOUT
RESERVATION.

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7:52 PM NITEL 8-14-73 STO

TO BUREAU (161-6442)

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FROM RICHMOND (161-953) -RUC-

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WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR., SPECIAL INQUIRY. BUDED 8-15-73
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RE RH REPORTS OF SA [REDACTED] 6-6-69; BUREAU
NITEL TO RICHMOND, 8-8-73 AND NEW YORK NITEL TO BUREAU,
8-9-73.

DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, VIRGINIA

ON 8-13-73, [REDACTED] CLERK, RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY
COURT, WASHINGTON, VIRGINIA, ADVISED AS FOLLOWS CONCERNING THE
CIVIL SUIT FILED [REDACTED] IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF RAPPAHANNOCK
COUNTY, WASHINGTON, VIRGINIA, AGAINST [REDACTED]

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10:10AM NITEL 8-14-73 SENT 8-15-73 NFM

TO DIRECTOR

FROM NEW YORK (161-3080) (P)

WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR., SPECIAL INQUIRY. BUDED 8-15-73
WITHOUT FAIL

REFERENCE NEW YORK NITEL, 8-13-73.

THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED BY SPECIAL
AGENT (SA) [REDACTED] UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.

① ON 8-14-73, [REDACTED] WASHINGTON STAR
SYNDICATE, 444 MADISON AVENUE, ADVISED THE ABOVE ORGANIZATION
CONTINUES TO SELL AND DISTRIBUTE THE APPOINTEE'S COLUMN, "ON
THE RIGHT." HE ADVISED HIS RESPECT FOR THE APPOINTEE HAS
INCREASED SINCE HE WAS LAST INTERVIEWED CONCERNING HIM IN 1969.
HE ADVISED HE AND BUCKLEY ARE CLOSE PERSONAL FRIENDS AS WELL
AS PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATES AND THAT HE FEELS WELL QUALIFIED TO
COMMENT ON HIM. HE STATED HE FEELS HE IS A MAN OF EXCEPTIONALLY
GOOD CHARACTER, REPUTABLE ASSOCIATES, AND A VERY LOYAL
AMERICAN WHOM HE COULD HIGHLY RECOMMEND FOR A POSITION WITH THE
UNITED STATES (US) GOVERNMENT "UP TO AND INCLUDING PRESIDENT
OF THE US." HE POINTED OUT HE IS A DEMOCRAT BUT WOULD NEVER-
THELESS VOTE FOR THE APPOINTEE IN AN ELECTION.

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(2) ON 8-14-73, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HARTZ MOUNTAIN CORPORATION (CORP.), 700 SOUTH FOURTH STREET, HARRISON, NEW JERSEY (NJ), ADVISED HE HAS KNOWN APPOINTEE FOR TWENTY YEARS THROUGH POLITICAL AND INTELLECTUAL ACTIVITIES. HE ADVISED HE IS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] "NATIONAL REVIEW" AND FEELS WELL ACQUAINTED WITH BUCKLEY ON BOTH A PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL BASIS AND IS COMPLETELY DEVOTED TO HIM AS A SUPER-CLEAN, INTELLECTUALLY HONEST, FAIRLY UNIQUE HUMAN BEING OF THE HIGHEST MOTIVATION. HE STATED HE IS OF OUTSTANDING CHARACTER, REPUTABLE ASSOCIATES, AND IS A VERY LOYAL AMERICAN. HE STATED HE FELT HE COULD RECOMMEND HIM MOST HIGHLY FOR ANY POST THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MIGHT SEE FIT TO APPOINT HIM. HE STATED HE FELT THERE WAS NOTHING IN HIS PERSONAL OR PROFESSIONAL LIFE THAT HE FELT MIGHT EVEN REMOTELY BE OF ANY EMBARRASSMENT TO THE ADMINISTRATION.

(3) ON 8-13-73, [REDACTED] FIRING

LINE, 150 EAST 35TH STREET, NYC, ADVISED HE HAS KNOWN THE APPOINTEE FOR SEVEN YEARS BOTH PROFESSIONALLY AND SOCIALLY. HE DESCRIBED HIM IN HIS PERSONAL LIFE AS BEING EASY-GOING, KIND,
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AND CIVILIZED. HE RECOMMENDED HIM HIGHLY AS TO CHARACTER, ASSOCIATES, AND LOYALTY AND WOULD HIGHLY RECOMMEND FOR A POSITION WITH THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT INVOLVING TRUST AND CONFIDENCE.

(4) ON 8-13-73, [REDACTED] VIKING PRESS,

ADVISED HE HAS KNOWN APPOINTEE SINCE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE ADVISED HIS ORGANIZATION HAS PUBLISHED A BOOK WRITTEN BY THE APPOINTEE, "THE UNMAKING OF A MAYOR." HE ADVISED HE DOES NOT AGREE WITH BUCKLEY POLITICALLY BUT THAT HE NEVERTHELESS FEELS HE IS A PERSON OF GREAT INTEGRITY, REPUTABLE ASSOCIATES, AND A LOYAL AMERICAN WHOM HE COULD RECOMMEND FOR A POSITION OF TRUST WITH THE US GOVERNMENT. HE STATED HE KNEW NOTHING IN HIS PERSONAL OR PROFESSIONAL LIFE THAT MIGHT REASONABLY BE AN EMBARRASSMENT TO THE ADMINISTRATION.

(5) ON 8-13-73, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED THE APPOINTEE WAS A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION AT THE TIME AND ONE OF THE MOST PRODUCTIVE MEMBERS. HE ADVISED HE FELT HIM TO BE A MAN OF
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OUTSTANDING CHARACTER, ASSOCIATES, AND A LOYAL AMERICAN WHOM HE COULD HIGHLY RECOMMEND FOR GOVERNMENT SERVICE.

IN THE INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED] OF 8-13-73, HE ADVISED HE FELT THAT HE COULD NOT RECOMMEND THE APPOINTEE FOR A POSITION WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BECAUSE HE FELT HIS GOOD JUDGMENT WOULD BE CLOUDED BY HIS ARROGANCE.

(6) ON 8-14-73, [REDACTED] READERS DIGEST, PLEASANTVILLE, NEW YORK (NY), ADVISED HE HAS KNOWN THE APPOINTEE FOR ABOUT FIVE YEARS MOSTLY IN CONNECTION WITH THEIR HAVING BEEN [REDACTED] AT THE SAME TIME. HE ADVISED BUCKLEY ATTENDED THE MEETINGS REGULARLY AND WAS A SUBSTANTIAL CONTRUBUTOR OF INFORMATION AND IDEAS FOR THE COMMISSION. HE STATED HE FELT HE WAS A PERSON OF EXCELLENT CHARACTER, REPUTABLE ASSOCIATES, AND A LOYAL AMERICAN CITIZEN WHOM HE COULD RECOMMEND HIGHLY FOR A POSITION WITH THE US GOVERNMENT.

(7) ON 8-14-73, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] NYC, ADVISED HE HAS KNOWN APPOINTEE FOR ABOUT TEN YEARS. HE ADVISED THEY ARE CLOSE PERSONAL FRIENDS AND
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POLITICAL ADVERSARIES ON NEARLY EVERY POLITICAL QUESTION OF SUBSTANCE. HE STATED BUCKLEY IS A MAN OF GREAT PERSONAL INTEGRITY, ASSOCIATES WITH THE MOST REPUTABLE PEOPLE, AND IS A MAN OF UNQUESTIONED LOYALTY TO THE US. HE STATED HE RECOMMENDS HIM HIGHLY FOR A POSITION WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

(S) ON 8-14-73, THEODORE H. WHITE, AUTHOR, WRITER, EDITOR, ETC., 168 EAST 64TH STREET, NYC, ADVISED HE HAS KNOWN APPOINTEE FOR ABOUT TEN YEARS. HE ADVISED HE CONSIDERS THE APPOINTEE TO BE A PERSON OF UNQUESTIONED HONESTY, REPUTABLE ASSOCIATES, AND A VERY LOYAL AMERICAN CITIZEN WHOM HE COULD HIGHLY RECOMMEND FOR A POSITION OF TRUST WITH THE US GOVERNMENT. WHITE POINTED OUT THAT IN THE POLITICAL SPECTRUM, HE REGARDS HIMSELF AS QUITE LEFT OF CENTER AND THAT AS A RESULT, HE AND BUCKLEY HAVE MANY SUBSTANTIALLY DIFFERENT POLITICAL VIEWS, HE STATED HE FELT THERE WAS NOTHING IN HIS BACKGROUND THAT MIGHT REASONABLY BE AN EMBARRASSMENT TO THE ADMINISTRATION.

(S) ON 8-14-73, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] "NEWSWEEK" MAGAZINE, 444 MADISON AVENUE, NYC, ADVISED HE HAS KNOWN APPOINTEE FOR ABOUT TEN YEARS AND THAT
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HE CONSIDERS HIM TO BE A PERSON OF EXCELLENT CHARACTER, REPUTABLE ASSOCIATES, AND A LOYAL AMERICAN CITIZEN WHOM HE CAN RECOMMEND HIGHLY FOR A POSITION OF TRUST AND CONFIDENCE WITH THE US GOVERNMENT. HE ADVISED HE HAS A "HEALTHY DISREGARD FOR MANY OF HIS VIEWS" BUT THAT HE NEVERTHELESS BELIEVES BUCKLEY IS AN EXCELLENT MAN AND WOULD MAKE AN OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVANT.

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ON 8-14-73, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NYC, ADVISED [REDACTED]

RESIDES AT THAT ADDRESS, AND THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATE THERE QUITE OFTEN,

AS DOES [REDACTED]

HE STATED THEY ARE ALL

RESPECTABLE PEOPLE.

ON 8-14-73, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED SA [REDACTED]

APPOINTEE'S

BROTHER, JOHN W. BUCKLEY, HAS LIVED AT THAT ADDRESS FOR TEN YEARS, AND IS A GOOD TENANT AND REPUTABLE PERSON.

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ON 8-14-73, [REDACTED]

STREET, NYC, ADVISED SA [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LIVES AT THAT ADDRESS WITH HER
FAMILY. HE ADVISED THEY ARE GOOD TENANTS AND REPUTABLE
PEOPLE.

ON 8-14-73, [REDACTED] 778 PARK AVENUE,
NYC, ADVISED SA [REDACTED] THE APPOINTEE RESIDES AT THAT ADDRESS,
IS A GOOD TENANT AND LEADS AN APPARENTLY RESPECTABLE LIFE.

ARREST NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE AND RELATIVES.

CREDIT FAVORABLE CONCERNING APPOINTEE.

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WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR., SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED 8/15/73.

RE NEW HAVEN NITEL TO BUREAU 8/13/73.

BUREAU TELEPHONE CALL NEW HAVEN 8/14/73.

NH TEL TO BUREAU AND BOSTON, 8/15/73.

Mr. Coleman
Room 1246

FOLLOWING ACQUAINTANCES OF APPOINTEE RECONTACTED ON RESPECTIVE DATES. ALL ADVISED STATEMENTS ORIGINALLY FURNISHED JUNE 1969 ARE VALID TODAY. ALL CONSIDER APPOINTEE BRILLIANT, ARTICULATE, AND ONE WHOSE VIEWS CONCERNING THE GREAT PRINCIPLES OF DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT ARE KNOWN THE WORLD OVER. NO DEGRATORY INFO AND ALL RECOMMEND WITHOUT RESERVATION.

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AT STAMFORD, CONN. ON 8/14/73: [REDACTED] ATTORNEY,

ATTORNEY, [REDACTED]; CHIEF OF POLICE JOSEPH KINSELLA; CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVE, SPD, [REDACTED]

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(58) AT NEW HAVEN ON 8/15/73:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] YALE UNIVERSITY; [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AT YALE UNIVERSITY; [REDACTED]
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6:55PMNITEL 8-15-73 DAD

TO: DIRECTOR 161-6442

FROM: BOSTON 161-2269 RUC

WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR., SPIN.

Mr. Callahan
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RE NEW HAVEN TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND BOSTON DATED 8-15-73.

ASSOCIATE

[REDACTED] "OCEANIC", A PUBLICATION OF THE WOODS HOLE
OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTITUTE, WOODS HOLE, MASS. ON 8-15-73, SAID HE
HAS SEEN BUCKLEY ONLY ONCE SINCE INTERVIEWED REGARDING HIM
BY THE FBI IN JUNE 1969.

HIS OPINION OF BUCKLEY, WHOM HE KNEW AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AT YALE UNIVERSITY IS UNCHANGED.

HE RECOMMENDED BUCKLEY FAVORABLY AS A BRILLIANT LITERATE,
STABLE AMERICAN OF GOOD CHARACTER AND UNQUESTIONED LOYALTY.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM NEW YORK 161-3080 P. 2P

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WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR., SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED 8/15/73
WITHOUT FAIL.

REFERENCE NEW YORK NITEL 8/14/73.

① ON 8/15/73, [REDACTED]

ASIATIC PETROLEUM, 1 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA, NEW YORK CITY, ADVISED
HE HAS KNOWN THE APPOINTEE SINCE 1946 WHEN THEY WERE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE STATED HE HAS BEEN IN CONSTANT TOUCH WITH HIM
SINCE THAT TIME ON A SOCIAL BASIS, BUT HAS NO BUSINESS OR
PROFESSIONAL RELATIONS WITH HIM. HE STATED BUCKLEY IS A PERSON
OF OUTSTANDING CHARACTER, REPUTABLE ASSOCIATES, AND A LOYAL
AMERICAN WHOM HE CAN HIGHLY RECOMMEND FOR A POSITION WITH THE
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TO THE ADMINISTRATION.

(2) ON 8/15/73, ARTHUR SCHLESINGER, ^M ALBERT SCHWEITZER ^T PROFESSOR OF HUMANITIES, CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK, NOTED THAT HE HAS DEBATED PUBLICLY WITH THE APPOINTEE ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS BUT HAS HAD LITTLE OTHER PERSONAL CONTACT WITH HIM. HE ADVISED HE FELT THE APPLICANT TO BE A PERSON OF GOOD CHARACTER AND A LOYAL AMERICAN CITIZEN. HE STATED THERE WAS SOME QUESTION IN HIS MIND CONCERNING BUCKLEY'S ASSOCIATES SINCE IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING BUCKLEY IS A GOOD FRIEND OF E. HOWARD HUNT, CONNECTED WITH THE WATERGATE BREAK-IN, AND IS THE GODFATHER OF SOME OF HIS CHILDREN. HE STATED HE IS VERY MUCH OPPOSED TO IDEAS EXPRESSED BY BUCKLEY AND WOULD NOT RECOMMEND HIM FOR A GOVERNMENT POSITION.

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NEW YORK WILL REPORT CHECK OF COURT RECORDS CONCERNING LIBEL SUIT AGAINST "ESQUIRE" MAGAZINE AND GORE VIDAL WHEN AVAILABLE.

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10:41AM URGENT 08/15/73 VEM

TO: DIRECTOR (161-6442)
BOSTON (161-2269)

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RE: BUTEL TO WFO, COPY TO BS, 08/08/73.

✓ Mr. Callahan
Room 1246

[REDACTED] YALE UNIVERSITY, WAS INTERVIEWED
FAVORABLY RE APPOINTEE AS AN ASSOCIATE DURING INVESTIGATION
06/05/69. NEW HAVEN INVESTIGATION HAS DEVELOPED THAT
[REDACTED] NO LONGER ASSOCIATED WITH YALE, CURRENTLY
RESIDES [REDACTED] MASS., TELEPHONE
[REDACTED] "OCEANUS," A
PUBLICATION OF THE WOODS HOLE OCEANOGRAPHIC SOCIETY,
WOODS HOLE, MASS.

BOSTON: RECONTACT [REDACTED] IN CONNECTION
WITH CURRENT INVESTIGATION.

NEW HAVEN INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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THCTNR 001 RH PLAIN
2:55 PM URGENT 8/15/73

TO DIRECTOR (161-6442)
FROM RICHMOND (161-953) (RUC) MAS

WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR. SPI. BUDED 8/15/73

Mr. Coleman
Room 1240

RE RICHMOND NITEL 8/14/73.

DISPOSITION DATES OF COURT ACTIONS LISTED IN RE NITEL ARE

AS FOLLOWS: DOCKET NO. [REDACTED] DOCKET [REDACTED] DOCKET [REDACTED]

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Date: 8/15/73

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (161-6442)

FROM: SAC, WFO (161-5900) (P)

WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR.
SPI

Re Bureau teletype, 8/15/73.

LEADWASHINGTON FIELDAT WASHINGTON, D. C. IRS, State SY, ~~CSC~~ and OSI,
SENATORS.DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.EMPLOYMENTWhite House Office (WHO)The following investigation at WHO was conducted
by SA [] on 8/14/73.The files of the Personnel Office, WHO, contain
no record for the appointee, WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY, JR.,The files of the Records Office, WHO, contain the
following information concerning the appointee:

6/13/69

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Commission dated Member, U. S. Advisory

Commission on Information. Term ~~three~~ one
years.

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On 9/10/73 [] Clerk, Personnel File Room, Personnel Services Division, USDS, and [] Clerk, Personnel Locator, Personnel Services Division, USDS, advised SA [] that they could locate no record which indicated that WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR. has ever been employed by the USDS.

On 9/13/73 [] Chief, Presidential Appointments Staff, Office of the Deputy Director of Personnel for Career Counseling and Assignments, USDS, advised SA [] that BUCKLEY is presently under consideration for an appointment requiring Senate confirmation but he has not yet entered on duty and no official personnel file is maintained for him by the USDS.

United States Information Agency (USIA)

On 8/13/73 [] Personnel Clerk, Personnel File Room, Office of Personnel and Training, USIA, advised SA [] that the official personnel file covering the appointment of WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR. from 1/28/69 to 1/27/72 as a Member of the U. S. Advisory Commission on Information had been sent to the Federal Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri.

A security file for BUCKLEY at USIA, reviewed on 8/13/73 by SA [] reflected that he was granted a "Top Secret" security clearance on 7/3/69 by USIA, based on a 1969 FBI investigation. This clearance terminated on 1/27/72 when BUCKLEY's appointment expired. The file listed the appointee's birthdate as 11/24/25 at New York City.

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On 8/13/73 [] U. S. Advisory Commission on Information, USIA, advised SA [] that he had known WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY, JR. primarily professionally during the three-year period of his appointment as a Member of the Advisory Commission. He indicated that BUCKLEY was a

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diligent and active member of the Commission and attended about 90% of the monthly one-day meetings. In addition, BUCKLEY made several trips overseas where he made speeches, observed USIA operations, and met with prominent officials of the host countries.

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[] described BUCKLEY as a funny, humorous, generous, thoughtful, and delightful person. He indicated that he, [] did not agree with some of BUCKLEY's views on political, social or philosophical matters and they kidded each other a good deal. [] emphasized that he and the appointee did agree on many things and they respected each other's views. He reported that he considers BUCKLEY to be a loyal, dedicated, and patriotic U. S. citizen and a man of excellent character, habits, morals, reputation, and associations. [] recommended the appointee for a clearance for government employment, commenting that he is an extremely intelligent and witty individual with many interests who "works like a dog" and seems to have no end to his energy and industry. He remarked that "very few people take a moderate view regarding BUCKLEY, you either agree with his views or you do not". However, even his critics admire BUCKLEY's wit and brilliance. He is straightforward and firm in stating his views and is a very creative and imaginative individual. [] mentioned that BUCKLEY was not reappointed to another term on the Advisory Commission in 1972 because of his disagreement with the President's policy of detente with the Soviet Union and Red China. BUCKLEY asked that he not be reappointed to the Advisory Commission in 1972.

On 8/13/73 []

[] U. S. Advisory Commission on Information, USIA, advised SA [] that she had known BUCKLEY in an official capacity on an intermittent basis from [] while he served as a Member of the Advisory Commission. [] stated that she has the greatest respect for the appointee both personally and professionally and has no reason whatever to question his character, reputation, loyalty, or associations. She recommended BUCKLEY for a position of trust and confidence with the U. S. Government, adding that he was an active and productive member of the Commission.

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CREDIT AND POLICE AGENCIES

SC [] caused a search to be made of the files of the Credit Bureau, Incorporated, Washington, D. C., and was advised on 8/9/73, that the files contained no record for the appointee.

On 8/10/73, SC [] determined that no record was contained in the Metropolitan Police Department files concerning the appointee.

It is to be noted that at all times an indefinite number of unidentified records are out of file and not available for review.

On 8/10/73, SC [] searched the files of the U. S. Park Police and no identifiable record could be found concerning the appointee.

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On 8/15/73, SC [] caused a search to be made of the files of the U. S. Secret Service, Department of the Treasury and was advised that no record was found concerning the appointee.

On 8/13/73, SC [] caused a search to be made of the files of the House Committee on Internal Security and was advised that no additional pertinent information was found concerning appointee.

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On 8/15/73, SC [] reviewed the Main Card Index at the Library of Congress which revealed the following additional information concerning the appointee:

1. Cruising Speed - a documentary by WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY, JR., N.Y. Putnam, 1970.

2. Did You Ever See a Dream Walking? American Conservative thought in 20th Century, Indianapolis, Bobbs-Merrill, 1970.

3. The Governor Listeth; a book of inspired political revelations, N.Y. Putnam, 1970.

4. Inveighing We Will Go, N.Y. Putnam, 1972.

5. Quotations From Chairman Bill; the best of WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY, JR. Compiled by DAVID FRANKE. New Rockelle, N.Y., Arlington House, 1970.

6. CHAMBERS, WHITTAKER. Odyssey of a friend; Whittaker Chambers' letters to WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY, JR., 1954-61. Edited with notes by BUCKLEY, Foreward by RALPH de LOLIDANO, N.Y. Putnam, 1970, 1969.

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SC [] caused a search to be made of the files of the Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission, and was advised on 8/15/73, that the files contained no additional pertinent information concerning the appointee. Only record was of 1969 inquiry by FBI.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM NEW YORK 161-3080 RUC. 2P

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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TELETYPE

WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR., SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED 8/15/73,
WITHOUT FAIL.

REFERENCE NEW YORK TELETYPE 8/16/73.

COURT RECORDS AS REVIEWED BY SA [REDACTED] ON

8/16/73, REVEAL THAT DOCKET 69 CIVIL 1933 SHOWS THAT ON 10/13/72,
THE PLAINTIFF, WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY, JR., FILED A NOTICE OF
MOTION FOR AN ORDER VOLUNTARILY DISMISSING PLAINTIFF'S CLAIM
AGAINST THE DEFENDANT, GORE VIDAL. THE SAME DATE, JUDGE LEVITT
GRANTED THE MOTION AND DISMISSED THE COMPLAINT WITH PREJUDICE
WITHOUT COSTS TO EITHER SIDE.

DOCKET 69 CIVIL 3577 REVEALS THAT ON 8/13/69, WILLIAM F.
BUCKLEY, JR. SUED ESQUIRE, INCORPORATED, TRAVELLERS COMPANION,
INCORPORATED, AND OPHELLA PRESS, INCORPORATED, FOR ONE MILLION
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Mr. [REDACTED]
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DOLLARS FOR FALSE AND DEFAMATORY ASSERTIONS. ON ~~8/10/69~~ ^{12/69}, THE COMPLAINT AGAINST TRAVELLERS COMPANION AND OPHELLA WERE DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE. ON 10/2/72, A STIPULATION AND ORDER WAS FILED THAT THE ACTION IS DISCONTINUED AS TO ESQUIRE WITH PREJUDICE AND WITHOUT COSTS.

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Date: 8/16/73

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (161-6442)

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WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR.
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Re WFO airtel, 8/15/73.

LEADS. WFO. IRS, State SY, OSI, and Senator JAVITS
when available.

Details at Washington, DC.

Senators

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Connecticut [redacted]

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on August 14, 1973:

(1) [redacted] advised [redacted] is not presently available for interview. He said he is authorized to furnish the following information in his absence:

[redacted] has known the appointee, WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, Jr., on an occasional personal basis during the past five years. He has had some political contact with him since [redacted]

[redacted] Although he and the appointee have had some differences with regard to their political philosophies, [redacted] nonetheless, admires the appointee as a representative and spokesman of the so-called conservative movement. He knows of no information which would cause him to question the appointee's loyalty to the United States nor his personal or professional reputation. He recommends him to a position of trust and responsibility in the United States Government.

[redacted] have been political colleagues since [redacted]

[redacted] has been a house guest in [redacted]

[redacted] He views [redacted] as personal friends and describes their reputation as being above reproach.

(2) Senator ABRAHAM RIBICOFF advised Senator RIBICOFF is not available for interview due to previous political commitments. He said he is authorized to furnish the following information in his absence:

Senator RIBICOFF ~~has previously furnished~~ recommendations and endorsement in behalf of the appointee ~~to a representative of the FBI~~ has been a casual, personal acquaintance of the appointee over the years and knows of no unfavorable information concerning his character, associates, reputation or loyalty. He interposes no objection to the appointee's selection for a high Federal post.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM NEW YORK 161-3080 P 2P

Mr. [Signature]
Room 1246

WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR., SPECIAL INQUIRY BUDED 8/15/73
WITHOUT FAIL.

REFERENCE NEW YORK NITEL, 8/14/73.

ON 8/16/73, [REDACTED] CATAWBA CORPORATION,

103 EAST 37TH STREET, NYC, ADVISED SA [REDACTED] THE
APPOINTEE CONTINUES TO BE A DIRECTOR. THE PRESIDENT OF THE
CORPORATION IS JOHN BUCKLEY, BROTHER OF THE APPOINTEE. [REDACTED]
ADVISED HE HAS KNOWN THE APPOINTEE AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS
FOR OVER 20 YEARS. HE STATED HE FELT THAT APPOINTEE TO BE A
PERSON OF OUTSTANDING CHARACTER, REPUTABLE ASSOCIATES, AND A
LOYAL AMERICAN WHOM HE COULD HIGHLY RECOMMEND FOR A POSITION OF
TRUST WITH THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. HE STATED HE KNEW
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NOTHING OF A DEROGATORY NATURE CONCERNING THE APPOINTEE
THAT MIGHT REASONABLY BE A SOURCE OF EMBARRASSMENT TO THE
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429PM URGENT 8-17-73 PAC

TO DIRECTOR

FROM NEW YORK 161-3080 3P (RUC)

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WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR., SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED AUGUST FIFTEEN, LAST, WITHOUT FAIL.

RE NEW YORK NITEL, AUGUST SIXTEEN, LAST.

ON AUGUST SIXTEEN, LAST, [REDACTED] OLYMPIA

PRESS, INC., TWO TWO ZERO PARK AVENUE, NYC, ADVISED OPHELIA PRESS, INC., AND THE TRAVELLER'S COMPANION, INC. ARE SUBSIDIARIES OF OLYMPIA PRESS, INC. AND THAT ALL THREE ARE CURRENTLY IN BANKRUPTCY. HE STATED THE NAME OF THE BOOK WHICH CONTAINED THE OFFENSIVE MATERIAL CONCERNING BUCKLEY WAS "THE HOMOSEXUAL'S HANDBOOK".

THE COMPLAINT, DOCKET SIX NINE CIVIL THREE FIVE SEVEN SEVEN, DATED OCTOBER TWENTY FIVE, SIXTY NINE, STATES "DEFENDANTS TRAVELLER'S COMPANION, INC. AND OPHELIA PRESS, INC. HAVE ISSUED A PUBLICATION MAKING THE FALSE AND DEFAMATORY ASSERTION THAT PLAINTIFF, TOGETHER WITH SUCH DISTINGUISHED PERSONS AS HERBERT
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HOOVER, [REDACTED] LEONARD BERNSTEIN, LANGSTON HUGHES,
GARY COOPER AND THREE POPES, WAS A DEGENERATE".

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THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY REGRETS FOR ITS HAPPENING AND PROMISES THAT IT WOULD NOT BE REPEATED, ETC.

ON OCTOBER SIX, SIXTY NINE, THE COMPLAINT AGAINST TRAVELLER'S COMPANION, INC. AND OPHELIA PRESS, INC. WERE DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICED. THIS DATE WAS INCORRECTLY REPORTED AS AUGUST TEN, SIXTY NINE IN REFERENCED NITEL.

ON THE PUBLISHER'S PAGE OF THE NOVEMBER, SEVENTY TWO, ISSUE OF ESQUIRE, IT STATES THE LIBEL SUIT BY BUCKLEY AGAINST ESQUIRE WAS HONORABLY TERMINATED UPON ESQUIRE'S REIMBURSING BUCKLEY FOR LEGAL EXPENSES OF THE ACTION. ESQUIRE STATES CONVINCED BUCKLEY NOT "ANTI-BLACK", "ANTI-SEMITIC" A "WARMONGER", OR IN ANY RESPECT WHATSOEVER A "PRO-CRYPTO NAZI".

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Date:

8/22/73

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (161-6442)

FROM: SAC, WFO (161-5900) (P)

WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR.
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Re WFO airtel 8/22/73.

LEADS: WFO: IRS, OSI.DETAILS AT WASHINGTON, D.C.MISCELLANEOUS(1)-Bureau
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The files of the Office of Security (SY), Department of State, reviewed by SA [redacted] on August 21, 1973, disclose that on December 2, 1969, the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (CU), Department of State, requested SY to run a name check on the appointee in connection with a grant under P.L. 87-256. On January 16, 1970, SY informed CU that no derogatory information had been developed.

The Foreign Service Institute (FSI) requested SY to make a file check on him on August 25, 1972. SY replied on August 29, 1972, that its information on the appointee was generally favorable. This did not constitute a security clearance by SY. He was then under consideration as a Guest Lecturer at FSI.

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On August 21, 1973, [redacted] Staff Assistant, Systems Management Staff, Office of Executive Director, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State, advised SA [redacted] that she could locate no record which indicated that WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR., had ever received a grant under any of the exchange programs administered by the Department of State. She mentioned that names of prominent individuals are often submitted by her Bureau to the Office of Security, Department of State, for name checks in case it becomes possible to use these individuals as lecturers or specialists overseas. In many cases, no occasion ever arises where the individuals can be used, and therefore no exchange grants are awarded to them.

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PER OGA LETTER DATED 08-19-2008

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1 - Mrs. Mutter
1 - Mr. Cleveland
1 - Mr. Coleman

An Applicant-type investigation was conducted in 1973 concerning the captioned individual. The results of this investigation have been developed and no derogatory information was furnished to the White House. For detailed results of this investigation, you are referred to the White House.

22, 1973

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Staff Assistant (Security)
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear [redacted]

In accordance with a request received on August 8, 1973, from the Department of State, an investigation has been conducted concerning Mr. William Frank Buckley, Jr. Transmitted herewith is a summary memorandum containing the results of this investigation, a copy of which is also being furnished to the Department of State.

An applicant-type investigation concerning Mr. Buckley was conducted in 1969, the results of which have previously been furnished to you and the Department of State. The enclosed summary memorandum covers the period since June, 1969.

Information has been received indicating checks of the files of the [redacted] Internal Revenue Service, and Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, have not been completed. When these checks have been completed and Jacob K. Javits, United States Senator from New York, has been interviewed, you will be advised.

Sincerely yours, [redacted]

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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CC TO: [redacted]
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ANS. BY: [redacted]
Re. W. F. Buckley Jr.

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NOTE: State Department has requested investigation of Buckley, who is being considered for presidential appointment, position not indicated. Two individuals declined to recommend him, one of whom is opposed to some of Mr. Buckley's views and the other considers him to be "an arrogant egomaniac with a very overbearing personality." Libel suit filed by Mr. Buckley against Gore Vidal in 1969 voluntarily dismissed. Buckley also filed libel suit in 1969 against three firms for false and defamatory assertions, two of which were dismissed with prejudice and Mr. Buckley received \$115,000 on settlement from other firm, Esquire, Incorporated. Investigation otherwise favorable and complete, except for checks of files of three governmental agencies and interview of Jacob K. Javits, United States Senator from New York.

August 22, 1973

WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR. *Summary*

THE INVESTIGATION OF MR. BUCKLEY COVERED INQUIRIES AS TO HIS CHARACTER, LOYALTY, ABILITY, AND GENERAL STANDING, BUT NO INQUIRIES WERE MADE AS TO THE SOURCES OF HIS INCOME.

An applicant-type investigation concerning Mr. Buckley was conducted in 1969. This summary memorandum covers the period since June, 1969. Mr. Buckley was born on November 24, 1925, in New York, New York.

Employment

Mr. Buckley continues to serve as editor of the weekly magazine "National Review" published in New York, New York. He also continues to write a nationally syndicated newspaper column "On The Right" which appears in over 200 newspapers, and to serve as host of the weekly television program "Firing Line."

Mr. Buckley also serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Starr Broadcasting Group, Omaha, Nebraska, and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Catawba Corporation, New York, New York. He continues to be a freelance writer and lecturer.

Mr. Buckley served as a member of the United States Advisory Commission on Information, Washington, D. C., from July 8, 1969, to January 27, 1972, at which time his term expired.

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Mr. Buckley is married to the former Patricia Taylor. They reside at 778 Park Avenue, New York, New York. They also maintain a residence at Wallack's Point, Stamford, Connecticut.

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Interviews

[redacted] from Connecticut, is unavailable for interview. He stated he is authorized to advise [redacted] has had occasional personal contact with Mr. Buckley for approximately five years and some political contact with him since [redacted]. Although [redacted] and Mr. Buckley have had some differences regarding their political philosophies, [redacted] admires Mr. Buckley as a representative and spokesman of the conservative movement. [redacted] knows of no information which would cause him to question Mr. Buckley's loyalty or his personal or professional reputation and he recommends him for a position of trust and responsibility with the United States Government.

[redacted] Abraham A. Ribicoff, United States Senator from Connecticut, advised in Washington, D. C., Senator Ribicoff is unavailable for interview. He stated he is authorized to advise Senator Ribicoff has been a casual personal acquaintance of Mr. Buckley's over the years. Senator Ribicoff knows of no unfavorable information concerning Mr. Buckley's character, loyalty, reputation, or associates and he interposes no objection to Mr. Buckley's being selected for a high Federal post.

[redacted] United States Advisory Commission on Information, Washington, D. C., advised he has known Mr. Buckley professionally since 1969. He stated that while he and Mr. Buckley do not agree on many political, social, or philosophical matters, they respect each other's views. He said very few people take a moderate view regarding Mr. Buckley and commented "you either agree with his views or you do not." He advised Mr. Buckley is straightforward and firm in stating his views and even his critics admire Mr. Buckley's wit and brilliance. He stated Mr. Buckley is an imaginative and creative individual who served as a diligent and active member of the United States Advisory Commission on Information. [redacted] advised Mr. Buckley requested that he not be reappointed to a second term on this body in 1972 because of his, Mr. Buckley's, disagreement with President Richard M. Nixon's policy of detente with the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the People's

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Republic of China. He stated he considers Mr. Buckley to be a loyal American citizen of excellent character, reputation, and associates and he highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence with the Federal Government.

[redacted] Washington Star Syndicate, New York, New York, advised his firm continues to sell and distribute Mr. Buckley's syndicated column, "On The Right." He stated he and Mr. Buckley are close personal friends as well as professional associates. He said he considers him to be a conscientious, honest, sincere, and highly intelligent individual. He advised Mr. Buckley is a loyal American citizen of excellent character, reputation, and associates and he highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr., Professor of Humanities, The City University of New York, New York City, advised he has debated publicly with Mr. Buckley on a number of occasions but has had little other personal contact with him. He stated he considers Mr. Buckley to be a loyal American citizen of good character but advised he is very much opposed to some of Mr. Buckley's ideas and he declined to recommend him for a position of trust and confidence with the Federal Government.

[redacted]
Hartz Mountain Industries, Incorporated, Harrison, New Jersey, advised he has known Mr. Buckley for many years. He stated he is [redacted] "National Review" and, as such, has found Mr. Buckley to be an intellectually honest and "fairly unique" individual of the highest motivation. He said Mr. Buckley is a loyal American citizen of outstanding character, reputation, and associates and he highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

[redacted]
Reader's Digest Association, Incorporated, Pleasantville, New York, advised he has known Mr. Buckley for approximately five years, principally through their association as members of the United States Advisory Commission on Information. He stated Mr. Buckley regularly attended meetings and made substantial

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contributions to the work of this body. He said he considers Mr. Buckley to be a loyal American citizen of excellent character, reputation, and associates and he highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence with the Federal Government.

[redacted] Newsweek, Incorporated, New York, New York, advised he has known Mr. Buckley for approximately ten years. He stated that although he has a "healthy disregard" for many of Mr. Buckley's views, he believes Mr. Buckley is an excellent man and will make an outstanding public servant. He said he considers Mr. Buckley to be a loyal American citizen of excellent character, reputation, and associates and he highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

Thirty additional persons, consisting of professional associates and acquaintances, were interviewed. They stated Mr. Buckley is a loyal American citizen of good character, reputation, and associates and they recommended him for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government. He was variously described as an articulate, forthright, knowledgeable, reasonable, and extremely intelligent individual. It was stated that although persons may disagree with Mr. Buckley's conservative philosophies, he nonetheless enjoys their respect. Persons acquainted with his close relatives advised they are loyal and reputable individuals.

Close Relatives

In addition to his wife [redacted] previously mentioned, Mr. Buckley has the following living close relatives:

Mother

Aloise Steiner Buckley
Sharon, Connecticut

Brother

[redacted]

Brother

John William Buckley
Lakeville, Connecticut, and
New York, New York

Brother

[redacted]

Sister

Jane Buckley Smith
Sharon, Connecticut

William Frank Buckley, Jr.

Sister

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Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from the appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Buckley.

Information has been received from the appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no information concerning Mr. Buckley or his close relatives, except the following:

The records of the Circuit Court, Rappahannock County, Washington, Virginia, disclose

[Redacted]

Miscellaneous

Information Concerning Mr. Buckley

During the aforementioned applicant-type investigation concerning Mr. Buckley in 1969, it was determined Mr. Buckley, on May 6, 1969, filed a civil suit in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, against Gore Vidal for defamatory allegations, requesting damages in the amount of \$500,000.

William Frank Buckley, Jr.

The records of the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, further disclose that on August 13, 1969, Mr. Buckley filed a civil suit against Esquire, Incorporated, publisher of "Esquire" magazine; Traveller's Companion, Incorporated; and Ophelia Press, Incorporated, for false and defamatory allegations, requesting damages in the amount of \$1,000,000. The records further disclose that on October 2, 1972, a stipulation and order was filed discontinuing with prejudice and without costs Mr. Buckley's civil suit against Esquire, Incorporated. The records further disclose that on October 13, 1972, Mr. Buckley filed a motion for an order voluntarily dismissing his civil suit against Gore Vidal, previously mentioned. This motion was granted and the civil suit was dismissed with prejudice and without costs.

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[redacted] New York City law firm of [redacted] advised he represented Mr. Buckley in his civil suits against Gore Vidal and Esquire, Incorporated. He stated Esquire, Incorporated, made a settlement with Mr. Buckley in the amount of \$115,000 and Mr. Buckley, who felt vindicated, dropped his civil suit against Gore Vidal.

The "Publisher's Page" of the November, 1972, issue of "Esquire" magazine, states the libel suit filed against Esquire, Incorporated, by Mr. Buckley was honorably terminated upon the firm's reimbursing him for legal expenses of this action. The magazine states it is convinced Mr. Buckley is not "antisemitic; a warmonger, or in any respect whatsoever a pro-crypto Nazi."

The records of the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, disclose that on October 6, 1969, Mr. Buckley's civil suit against Traveller's Companion, Incorporated, and Ophelia Press, Incorporated, was dismissed without prejudice.

[redacted] previously mentioned, made available a letter to Mr. Buckley from [redacted] Traveller's Companion, Incorporated, and Ophelia Press, Incorporated, dated August 13, 1969. In this letter [redacted] states, "We acknowledge that Traveller's Companion, Incorporated, and Ophelia Press, Incorporated, have published defamatory statements concerning you in a book published by these corporations...." Further, "This letter will confirm that

William Frank Buckley, Jr.

these libelous statements against you were published without any investigation having been made and without any supporting evidence whatsoever." The letter goes on to offer regrets to Mr. Buckley for these corporations' having published libelous statements against him and gives assurance that such actions will not be repeated in the future.

[redacted] New York City law firm of [redacted] advised he functioned as counsel to Esquire, Incorporated, during the initial stages of Mr. Buckley's civil action against the firm. He stated he never met Mr. Buckley and dealt with him through his, Mr. Buckley's, attorney. He said he knows nothing adverse concerning Mr. Buckley's loyalty or basic integrity but feels he, Mr. Buckley, is "an arrogant egomaniac with a very overbearing personality." He declined to recommend Mr. Buckley for a position of trust and confidence, commenting he feels Mr. Buckley's "good judgment" would be clouded by his arrogance."

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Information Concerning [redacted]

During the aforementioned applicant-type investigation concerning Mr. Buckley in 1969, it was determined [redacted]

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Agency Checks

Information has been received from the following governmental agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Buckley:

Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission; House Committee on Internal Security; Office of Security,

William Frank Buckley, Jr.

Department of State; United States
Information Agency; United States Advisory
Commission on Information; United States
Secret Service; and The White House Office.

The central files of the FBI, including the files of
the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent
information concerning Mr. Buckley.

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Date: 8/22/73

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (161-6442)

FROM: SAC, WFO (161-5900) (P)

WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR.
SPI

Re WFO airtel, 8/16/73.

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On August 20, 1973, [REDACTED]
Office of U. S. Senator JACOB K. JAVITS, New York, advised
SA [REDACTED] the Senator is unavailable and he
has authorized her to state that he has known the appointee
WILLIAM FRANCES BUCKLEY, JR., since 1959. His comments
regarding the appointee would be the same as previously
given in 1969, adding he continues to believe their
political view points are very different and he did not
know anything derogatory regarding the appointee's
character, reputation, associates, or loyalty, and he
would recommend the appointee for a position of trust
and confidence.

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WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR.
SPI

Re WFO airtel, 8/22/73.

LEAD. WFO. IRSDetails at Washington, D.C.Miscellaneous

SC [] caused a search to be made of the files of the Headquarters, Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, and was advised on 8/22/73, that the files contained no additional pertinent information concerning the appointee.

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1 - [redacted]
1 - Mr. Cleveland
1 - Mr. Coleman
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August 22, 1973

BY COURIER SERVICE

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

In accordance with a request received on August 8, 1973, from [redacted] Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Security, an investigation has been conducted concerning Mr. William Frank Buckley, Jr. Transmitted herewith is a summary memorandum containing the results of this investigation, a copy of which is also being furnished to The White House.

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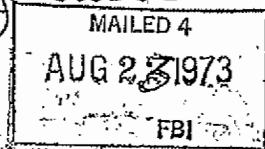
An applicant-type investigation concerning Mr. Buckley was conducted in 1969, the results of which have previously been furnished to you and The White House. The enclosed summary memorandum covers the period since June, 1969.

Information has been received indicating checks of the files of the [redacted] Internal Revenue Service, and Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, have not been completed. When these checks have been completed and Jacob K. Javits, United States Senator from New York, has been interviewed, you will be advised.

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Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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1 - Mr. Cleveland
1 - Mr. Coleman
1 - [redacted]

August 24, 1973

BY COURIER SERVICE

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to my letter dated August 22, 1973, which furnished you the results of investigation concerning Mr. William Frank Buckley, Jr.

[redacted] Office of Jacob K. Javits, United States Senator from New York, advised in Washington, D. C., Senator Javits is unavailable for interview. She stated she is authorized to advise Senator Javits has known Mr. Buckley since approximately 1959. The political viewpoints of Senator Javits and Mr. Buckley are very different; however, Senator Javits knows of nothing derogatory concerning Mr. Buckley's character, loyalty, reputation, or associates. Senator Javits recommends Mr. Buckley for a position of trust and confidence.

The foregoing information is also being furnished to The White House and when checks of the files of the [redacted] Internal Revenue Service, and Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, have been completed, you will be advised.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
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August 24, 1973

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Staff Assistant (Security)
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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The foregoing information is also being furnished to the Department of State and when checks of the files of the Internal Revenue Service, and Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, have been completed, you will be advised.

Sincerely yours, 161-6442-9209

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (161-6442)
FROM: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (161-RC) (RUC)
WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR.
SPI
BUDED: 8/15/73 WOF

Re Bureau teletype to WFO, 8/8/73.

SC [REDACTED] caused a search to be made of
the files of [REDACTED]

SC [REDACTED] was advised on 8/24/73, that [REDACTED]

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1 - Mr. Cleveland
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August 28, 1973

BY COURIER SERVICE

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

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August 24, 1973, and prior correspondence which
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Mr. William Frank Buckley, Jr.

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Mr. Buckley.

The foregoing information, which concludes
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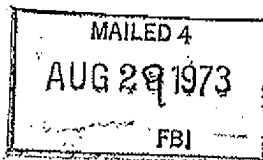
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Director

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (161-6442)
FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (161-953) RUC
WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR.
SPI

Re Richmond Nitel 8/14/73.

In connection with captioned matter, it is noted that Richmond is in receipt of a report dated 8/10/73 by SA [redacted] at Omaha, Neb. entitled "LEO BRENT BOZELL, DAMV - FALSE REPORT". It is noted that LEO BRENT BOZELL is appointee's brother-in-law.

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The above is being brought to the attention of the Bureau in order that the additional information as to BOZELL could be connected with instant case.

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Date: 9/11/73

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TO DIRECTOR (161-6442)
 FROM: SAC, WFO (161-5900) (RUC)
 WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLEY, JR.
 SPECIAL INQUIRY
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Re Bureau airtel dated 9/10/73.

DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.MISCELLANEOUS

On 9/11/73, SC [] reviewed the records of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) which reflect the following:

Name: LEO BRENT BOZELL
 DOB: January 19, 1926
 Sex: Male
 Race: White
 Height: 6'2"
 Weight: 175 pounds
 Hair: Red
 Eyes: Blue
 Address: Huntley, Virginia
 Employment: Triumph Magazine
 927 15th Street, N.W.
 Washington, D. C.
 (Editor)

Wife: []
 MPD Identification
 Number: 234 724

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BOZELL arrested on 6/6/70, at 1130 Hours at 2150 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., for assaulting a police officer, unlawful entry, and destruction of property. The following statement of facts was contained in the MPD record:

About 1130 hours, June 6, 1970, a rally was held in Washington Circle, N.W., by members of St. Stephens Catholic Church. One group disbursed from the circle and marched to the building located at 2150 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., which is used as a clinic by the G.W. Univ. Hospital. Unable to gain entrance to the front of the building, they ran to the 22nd Street entrance where they forced entry into the building past the members of the security force. The security men were pushed through the inner glass door to the building, breaking the glass. A struggle took place and the defendant struck Sergeant [redacted] across the head with a large wooden cross which he had been carrying. Defendant was arrested inside 2150 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., and transported to 2D-H. Defendant advised of his rights and refused to make statement.

MPD record reflects BOZELL was given a six-months' suspended sentence on each charge with sentences to run concurrent. He was also placed on probation for three years with probation period to run from September 28, 1970, to September 27, 1973.

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1 - Mr. Cleveland
1 - Mr. Coleman
1 - [redacted]

September 13, 1973

BY LIAISON

Staff Assistant (Security)
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear [redacted]

TO: [redacted]
REQ. REC'D 7/23/88
JAN 13 1989
ANS. [redacted]
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ANS. [redacted]
BY: EJK
Re W. S. Buckley Jr.

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Reference is made to previous communications which furnished you the results of investigation concerning Mr. William Frank Buckley, Jr.

Transmitted herewith is a copy of a memorandum dated August 6, 1973, at Omaha, Nebraska, disclosing Mr. Buckley's brother-in-law, Leo Brent Bozell, on August 4, 1973, while undergoing security inspection at an airport in Omaha, Nebraska, falsely indicated there were explosives in his carry-on luggage.

Information has also been received from the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C., disclosing Mr. Bozell was arrested on June 6, 1970, on charges of assaulting a police officer, unlawful entry, and destruction of property. These charges stemmed from activities on the part of Mr. Bozell during a rally held on June 6, 1970, by members of St. Stephen-Martyr Church who were protesting abortions at 2150 Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest, Washington, D. C., which address is a clinic utilized by George Washington University Hospital. The records disclose the participants were denied entrance to the building but forced their way inside, breaking a glass inner door. During the ensuing struggle, Mr. Bozell struck a police officer with a large wooden cross which he, Mr. Bozell, had been carrying. The records disclose he received a six months' suspended sentence on each charge and was placed on probation for three years, his probation expiring on September 27, 1973.

The foregoing information is also being furnished to the Department of State and no further action is contemplated in this matter.

DELIVERED BY LIAISON
ON 9/14/73 [redacted]

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Omaha, Nebraska

August 6, 1973

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

LEO BRENT BOZELL
DESTRUCTION OF AIRCRAFT OR
MOTOR VEHICLES - FALSE REPORT

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At approximately 11:00 a.m. Saturday, August 4, 1973, Leo Brent Bozell, a white male, date of birth January 19, 1926, approached the north security check point, Eppley Airfield, Omaha, Nebraska. and in anticipation of boarding Frontier Airlines flight number 534, departing Omaha for Kansas City, Missouri. Mr. Bozell was carrying one piece of carry-on luggage which he presented for inspection to [redacted] Wells Fargo Security Services - Airline Agent. While presenting the suitcase, Mr. Bozell made the statement, "I've got four compartments with explosives here, one, two, three, four, and they are all full of explosives."

Mr. Bozell was immediately detained by Security Officer [redacted] who overheard the comment. while security supervisors were notified. A detailed search of Bozell's bag by security personnel failed to reveal any explosives and Mr. Bozell stated that the remark was made in jest.

Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) Thomas D. Thalken, District of Nebraska, Omaha, Nebraska, was contacted and advised of the pertinent facts in this case. AUSA Thalken advised that, in his opinion, this matter does not warrant prosecution under the criminal provisions of the Statute, Title 18, United States Code, Section 35(b).

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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1* 161-6442-82

1 - Mr. Cleveland
1 - Mr. Coleman
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September 13, 1973

BY COURIER SERVICE

The Honorable
The Acting Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

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Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM ~~FRANK~~ BUCKLEY, JR.

Mrs. Buckley is not known to have been the subject of an investigation conducted by this Bureau.

O William F. Buckley, Jr.
Mr. Buckley, who you advised is Editor-in-Chief of "The National Review," 150 East 35th Street, New York, New York, was the subject of applicant-type investigations conducted by the FBI in 1969 and 1973. Attached herewith are copies of the FBI summary memoranda dated June 13 and 30, 1969, with copies of Internal Revenue Service (IRS) forms dated June 9, July 3, August 11, October 2, December 17, 1969, and June 14, 1971. Also enclosed herewith are copies of FBI and IRS memoranda each dated August 22, 1973.

(161-6442-20, 33, 36, 38, 43, 44, 49, 70, 71)

By FBI letter dated August 24, 1973, the White House was advised that [redacted] Office of Jacob K. Javits, United States Senator from New York, advised in Washington, D.C., Senator Javits is unavailable for interview. She stated she is authorized to advise Senator Javits has known Mr. Buckley since approximately 1959. The political viewpoints of Senator Javits and Mr. Buckley are very different; however, Senator Javits knows nothing derogatory concerning Mr. Buckley's character, loyalty, reputation or associates. Senator Javits recommended Mr. Buckley for a position of trust and confidence. (161-6442-76)

Under date of August 28, 1973, an FBI letter to the White House advised that the records of [redacted]

[redacted] It was reported the files of the Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, contained no record concerning the captioned individual. (161-6442-79)

A copy of the FBI letter, with enclosure, under date of September 13, 1973, concerning William Frank Buckley, Jr., is also attached.

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning captioned individuals based upon background information submitted in connection with this name check request.

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Enclosures (11)

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