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Abstract Correspondence regarding written complaint to the FBI Kansas City office that the telephone company had illegally tapped his or Joe Engressia's telephone line.

Keywords Joybubbles; Joe Engressia; wiretapping; FBI; 139-HQ-3481

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

February 27, 2008

Subject: FILE 139-HQ-3482

FOIPA No. 1105793- 000

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See additional information which follows.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hardy", with a stylized flourish at the end.

David M. Hardy
Section Chief
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Records Management Division

Enclosure(s)

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FBI

Date: 9/8/69

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (139-New) P
SUBJ: (FNU) [redacted]
Florida Bell Telephone Company;
IOC
OO MM

Re Kansas City airtel to Bureau, 8/30/69.
captioned [redacted] JOSEPH ENGRESSIA; [redacted]
[redacted] SM-ESPIONAGE; IOC OO KC."

[redacted] who was one of the multi
subjects in referenced Kansas City airtel, Kansas City
file [redacted] has sent a two page letter to the
Kansas City FBI Office. One copy of this letter is being
furnished to the Bureau and Miami. The original letter
is being retained by Kansas City.

[Large redacted area]

- 2 - Bureau (Encs. 2) (RM)
 - 2 - Miami (Encs. 2) (RM)
 - 2 - Kansas City
- RLT:dcw
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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____

Special Agent in Charge

SEP 25 1969

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KC 139-New

It is pointed out that SAs [] and [] did interview [] on 8/27/69 and a copy of that FD-302 is being furnished both the Bureau and the Miami Office. At no time during this interview, was infor-

[]

[]

[] It is pointed out that Kansas City has no information that Southwestern Bell Telephone Company has or is utilizing a pen register on telephone number []

The U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Missouri has not been contacted regarding this case because the source of the allegations is believed to be totally unreliable and his allegations are unfounded.

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The letter from [] has not been acknowledged in writing by Kansas City. UACB, Kansas City will personally contact [] in order to refute and rebut his allegations which he set forth in his letter.

LEADS:

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

If possible, will furnish Kansas City with any information which could be logically utilized to

[]

KANSAS CITY

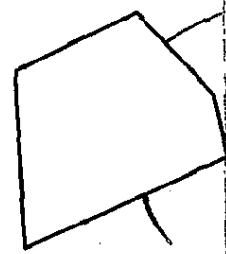
AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

Will await information from Miami prior to contacting [] if the Bureau agrees that [] should be personally contacted by the FBI.

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8:15 AM

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
FBI
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TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Bishop	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____



FBI WASH DC
550PM URGENT 9-9-69 KWC
TO DIRECTOR AND MIAMI
FROM KANSAS CITY 139-85 1P

gnd

(FNU) [redacted] FLORIDA BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY, IOC, OO MM.

RE KANSAS CITY AIRTEL SEPTEMBER EIGHT, LAST AND BUREAU TELEPHONE CALL TO KANSAS CITY SEPTEMBER NINE, INSTANT DATE.

SA'S [redacted] AND [redacted] DENY ANY INFORMATION WAS FURNISHED [redacted] DURING INTERVIEW AUGUST TWENTYSEVEN LAST CONFIRMING THAT EITHER [redacted] OR ENGRESSIA'S TELEPHONE HAD BEEN MONITORED.

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THE "STRAPPING" OF MIAMI TELEPHONE NUMBERS EIGHT EIGHT FIVE DASH TWO FIVE TWO TWO AND EIGHT EIGHT FIVE DASH TWO FIVE TWO THREE, WAS DISCOVERED BY TELEPHONE OFFICIALS IN MIAMI THROUGH VISUAL INSPECTION AND NOT THROUGH MONITORING EITHER [redacted] OR ENGRESSIA'S TELEPHONE ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM [redacted]

[redacted] SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.

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RC advised no per registration
Agents mentioned commercial & university
phone systems to probes, but J
did not request excerpts of
any transcripts of his phone calls,
per FJTB. 9/12/69 Juy

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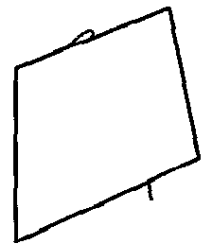
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Miss Gandy	_____

WA04
905PM URGENT 9-9-69 MAM
TO DIRECTOR AND KANSAS CITY CODE
FROM MIAMI



Jan

[REDACTED] BELL TEL AND TEL CO. IOC.

RE BUREAU TELEPHONE CALL INSTANT TO MIAMI BY BUREAU SUPERVISOR

[REDACTED] AND MIAMI LHM SEPTEMBER ONE LAST CAPTIONED

[REDACTED] ET AL: SM - ESPIONAGE; IOC.

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[REDACTED] SOUTHERN BELL TEL AND TEL
MIAMI, WHEN INTERVIEWED AUGUST TWENTYEIGHT LAST BY BUREAU AGENTS MIAMI
RE ACTIVITIES OF JOSEPH CARL ENGRESSIA, JR. AND [REDACTED] DID
NOT REVEAL TELEPHONE COMPANY HAD MONITORED TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS
BETWEEN [REDACTED] AND ENGRESSIA. ONLY INFORMATION RE MONITORING
BY TELEPHONE COMPANY SET FORTH PAGE THREE REFERENCED LHM AND
THIS CONVERSATION NOT IDENTIFIED AS BETWEEN [REDACTED] AND ENGRESSIA.

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REM FBI WASH DC

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