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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI [redacted] (ATTENTION: DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION) AND SACS BALTIMORE, BOSTON, HOUSTON, LOS ANGELES, NEW YORK, OKLAHOMA CITY AND SAN FRANCISCO

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FROM: SAC, WFO [redacted]
MC LEK. SIO - SUMMARY.

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[redacted], ADVISED

TODAY THAT HE AND ASSOCIATES CHECKED SENATOR MIKE GRAVEL'S OFFICE FOR QUOTE BUGS END QUOTE ON THE EVENING OF NOVEMBER ONE, LAST. EVERYTHING WAS CLEAN OTHER THAN RADIO FREQUENCY CARRIER ON ALL LINES CHECKED, INCLUDING THE TELEPHONE LINE OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS AND GUARDS OFFICE. [redacted] CONCLUDED HE COULD NOT SAY THAT THERE WERE ANY BUGS, HOWEVER, THE PRESENCE OF RADIO FREQUENCY CARRIER MAKES IT POSSIBLE FOR SOMEONE TO BUG THE LINES.

AMONG THE PEOPLE PRESENT DURING PORTION OF SURVEY FOR BUGS, WERE SENATOR GRAVEL, AND AIDE TO THE SENATOR, [redacted] OF THE INSTITUTE FOR POLICY STUDIES (IPS), REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PHONE COMPANY, SERGEANT AT ARMS' AND GUARD'S OFFICE.

[redacted] RECOMMENDED TO THE SENATOR'S OFFICE THAT IT REQUEST A CHECK OF THE LINES BY THE TELEPHONE COMPANY EXPERTS

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[redacted], WAS INTERVIEWED AT HER RESIDENCE [redacted] TODAY.

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WASHINGTON POST PERSONNEL WHO COULD REASONABLY BE ASSUMED TO BE
KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT THE MANNER IN WHICH THE WASHINGTON POST OBTAINED
THE PENTAGON PAPERS. REFERENCE ALSO BALTIMORE TELETYPE
SEPTEMBER EIGHTEEN, LAST, ADVISING [Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

BALTIMORE IS REQUESTED TO

RECONTACT [Redacted] FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION HE CAN FURNISH
ALONG THE LINES SUGGESTED ABOVE.

FOR THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF BALTIMORE AND RECIPIENT
OFFICES, AN ARTICLE IN THE SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER, LAST, EDITION
OF THE COLUMBIA JOURNALISM REVIEW REPORTED THAT BEN BAGDIKIAN
OF THE WASHINGTON POST WHO IS THE ASSISTANT MANAGING EDITOR
FOR NATIONAL NEWS, SAID THE POST OBTAINED A QUOTE LITTLE SLIVER
END QUOTE OF THE PENTAGON STUDY ON TUESDAY, (JUNE FIFTEEN, LAST)
AFTER THE NEW YORK TIMES BEGAN PUBLISHING BUT IT WAS DETERMINED
THE PERIOD COVERED BY THE MATERIAL WAS ALREADY BRAODLY REPORTED

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BY THE NEW YORK TIMES AND NOT UNIQUE ENOUGH TO WARRANT PUBLICA-
TION. THEN ON JUNE SEVENTEEN, LAST, BAGDIKIAN ARRIVED BY CAB
AT THE HOME OF BENJAMIN BRADLEE, EXECUTIVE EDITOR OF THE PAPER,
CARRYING FOUR THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED UNBOUND PAGES OF THE
DOCUMENTS. [REDACTED], AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OF THE WASHINGTON POST STAFF WERE THERE. THEY SORTED
THE MATERIAL ACCORDING TO TIME PERIODS AND SUBJECT MATTER.
REPORTERS WERE THEN ASSIGNED SEGMENTS WITH WHICH THEY WERE KNOW-
LEDGEABLE AND BEGAN WORKING. DISCUSSIONS WERE SIMULTANEOUSLY
CONDUCTED REGARDING LEGALITIES INVOLVED IN PUBLICATION OF THE
DOCUMENTS AND A DECISION WAS MADE TO PRINT THEM. THE WASHINGTON
POST PUBLISHED ITS FIRST STORY ON JUNE EIGHTEEN, LAST.

DURING CONTACT WITH [REDACTED], BALTIMORE IS ALSO REQUESTED
TO DETERMINE IF [REDACTED] HAS ANY INFORMATION ABOUT BAGDIKIAN'S
ACTIVITIES DURING THE PERIOD JUNE THIRTEEN TO
SEVENTEEN, LAST AND HOW HE CAME INTO POSSESSION OF THE FOUR
THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED DOCUMENTS.

CREDIT BUREAU RECORDS AT WDC DISCLOSED CREDIT INQUIRIES
BY UNION OIL COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, SHELL OIL

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COMPANY, TULSA, OKLAHOMA, AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY AND
 DINERS CLUB, NEW YORK CITY, AND TEXACO INCORPORATED, BELLAIRE,
 TEXAS, REGARDING BENJAMIN HAIG BAGDIKIAN. IN AN EFFORT TO
 DETERMINE THE ACTIVITIES AND WHEREABOUTS OF BAGDIKIAN DURING
 THE PERIOD JUNE THIRTEEN TO SEVENTEEN, LAST, HOUSTON CONTACT
 TEXACO INCORPORATED, BELLAIRE, TEXAS; NEW YORK CONTACT AMERICAN
 EXPRESS AND DINERS CLUB, NEW YORK CITY; OKLAHOMA CITY CONTACT
 SHELL OIL COMPANY, TULSA, OKLAHOMA; SAN FRANCISCO CONTACT
 UNION OIL COMPANY AT SAN FRANCISCO. DETERMINE IF THESE
 COMPANIES HAVE ANY CHARGE ACCOUNTS WITH BAGDIKIAN AND IF SO
 OBTAIN ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE REGARDING CHARGES MADE BY
 BAGDIKIAN DURING THE PERIOD JUNE THIRTEEN TO SEVENTEEN, LAST.
 INFORMATION SHOULD BE FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU, BOSTON, LOS
 ANGELES AND WFO.

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