

WORKSHEET

60630039 DLL E-11

Q 3 One Tone Master 90 mtc mp. "June 12th 1986"

- Observations: I punched tabs
- 1) Developed Tape: Note 680 found alv reflects both sides recorded in their entirety - developed - each side has one track taking up entire side of tape - ie old recorder
- 2) Content: on playback the tape is playing backward.
- 3) Beg End Comm. opened housing - tape was twisted - corrected
- 4) Intelligibility: it but wouldn't fast forward without stopping - remounted it in a Maxell
- 5) FFT: C90 housing - plays well and FFwd +
- 6) Length: Reverse well - ~~some~~ sounds like monologue
- 7) Quality: Distortion: of black male on both sides
- Reverb: easily + completely intelligible
- N/F: - initial reflects probably
- Cov-Soft & Loud passages: decentration - mentally ill

Bassy: \_\_\_\_\_

Background Noise: \_\_\_\_\_

Offspeed or Wow & Flutter: Al returned in plastic envelope in which received - no PD-504

Enh. of Q ( )

1. played back on: \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ thru \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ thru \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_ thru \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_ thru \_\_\_\_\_

6. enh copy(s) \_\_\_\_\_

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

7. PD. \_\_\_\_\_

PE \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: September 8, 1986

TO: SAC, Milwaukee (9A-1826)

Re: [REDACTED]

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HOWARD COSELL-VICTIMS;  
EXTORTION  
OO: MILWAUKEE

evidence

1. one original Tone Master 90 magnetic tape cassette  
with the tape remounted in a Maxell C90 magnetic  
tape cassette housing (Q)

Invoice of Contents

Return to Engineering Section  
Room 2105 TL Newington  
FBI File # 9-69696-1  
Case # 60630039 D/E LL VT

Mail Room: 1B327, TL 152  
(registered mail)

PSM - Supply Unit, 1B353  
(not registered)

Shipping # \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping Method \_\_\_\_\_

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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MADE IN HONG KONG  
FBI 03 60630039 D LL  
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FBI

TRANSMIT VIA:

- Teletype
- Facsimile
- Airtel (Airmail)

PRECEDENCE:

- Immediate
- Priority
- Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

- TOP SECRET
- SECRET
- CONFIDENTIAL
- E F T O
- CLEAR

Date 9/26/79

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY, LATENT FINGERPRINT AND DOCUMENT SECTIONS

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (9-NEW) (P)

UNSUB;  
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM  
EXTORTION (A)  
OO: MILWAUKEE

90928067

Re Milwaukee teletype to Bureau, 9/24/79.

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- 3- Bureau (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 1- New York (Info)
- 1- Springfield (Info)
- 2- Milwaukee

REC 20

SEP 23 1979

SEP 28 1979

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Copy and Specimens retained in Lab  
for Lab Action and Report

Approved: [Signature]

Transmitted \_\_\_\_\_ (Number) \_\_\_\_\_ (Time)

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Date 9/26/86

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
(ATTN: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT)

FROM: SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (9A-5425) (C-4) (RUC)

**[REDACTED]**  
VICTIM;

HOWARD COSTELL-VICTIM; EXTORTION;  
OO: MILWAUKEE

*9-69154-12*

RE: WFO airtel to Bureau, 9/2/86, and Milwaukee airtel  
Bureau, 7/3/86.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

Inasmuch as the UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE have  
been provided all details contained in Milwaukee airtel to the  
Director (dated 7/3/86) and considered the matter resolved,  
WFO will place incidents in RUC'd status.

However, WFO requests to be advised if prosecution  
occurs.

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2-Bureau  
2-Milwaukee  
1-WFO

*9-69154-15*

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OCT 2 1986

Approved: *[Signature]*

Transmitted \_\_\_\_\_

(Number)

(Time)

Per \_\_\_\_\_

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*11/19/86*  
*17 1987*

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REQUEST OF THE FBI LABORATORY

Latent Fingerprint Section

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Document Section

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1 - Mr. Avignone

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

*MT*

To: SAC, Milwaukee (9-NEW)

October 3, 1979

From: Director, FBI

FBI FILE NO.

Re: UNSUB: ①  
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;  
EXTORTION (A)

*DO NOT*

LAB. NO. 90928067 D MG

OO: Milwaukee



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Examination requested by: Milwaukee  
Reference: Airtel dated September 26, 1979 *9-64774-1*  
Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint  
Remarks:

*②*

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

REC-18 *9-64774-2*

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7 OCT 9 1979

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MAILED 6  
OCT - 2 1979

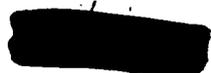


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ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

57 OCT 1979 MAIL ROOM



REPORT  
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Milwaukee (9-NEW)

October 3, 1979

FBI FILE NO.

9-64974-2

LAB. NO.

90928067 D MG

Re: UNSUB;  
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;  
EXTORTION (A)

Specimens received September 28, 1979

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "BUSHNELL, IL 61422 SEP 21 AM 1979" bearing the typewritten address "Brown County Sheriff's Office Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301"
- Q2 Accompanying typewritten letter beginning "If Howard Cosell . . ."

Result of examination:

The submitted evidence was searched through the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Appropriate copies have been added for future reference.

The type style on Q1 and Q2 most closely resembles Laboratory standards for a type style used by L. C. Smith company:

No watermarks, indented writing or other identifiable characteristics were noted.

The submitted evidence will be returned with the results of the latent fingerprint examination.

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10/1/79

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

AVIGNONE

Laboratory Work Sheet

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FBI FILE NO. 9-64774-2

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EXTORTION (A)

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① SEARCH ALP / NCC  
 ③ NO COM, IN, A OTHER IDENT CONTR  
 NOTED.

② TYPE style D, S, P, most close  
 Des. LS FOR A, T, USED BY LC SMIL.

10/1/79  
 3:12  
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L. C. SMITH (USA)

Formule

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Modele : Bureau  
Fabricant : LO Smith & Corona  
Lieu de fabrication : U S A  
Années :  
Matricule : 1362. 591 G II  
Type de caractères : PICA  
Fabrique de caractères : origine (U.S.A)

Hauteur du " M " : 2.90 mm  
Hauteur du " u " : 2.00 mm  
Motion :  
Largeur max papier : 272 mm  
Type de clavier : european  
interligne : 4 et 6 mm

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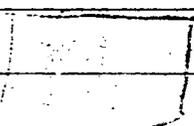
1 interligne : peut-tu m'envoyer de ce bon vieux whjsky comme celui que  
j'ai bu chez françois le frère du forgeron du village

2 interlignes: PEUX TU M ENVOYER DE CE BON VIEUX WHISKY COMME CELUI QUE  
J AI BU CHEZ FRANCOIS LE FRERE DU FORGERON DU VILLAGE

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Q1 White envelope black type one red, white  
blue US stamp 15¢  
9.5" x 4.1" .0051

Q2 Piece of white paper, black type  
5.5" x 1.5" .0031



note - letter "O" types through paper

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10/1/79

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Work Sheet

To: SAC, Milwaukee (9-NEW)

FBI FILE NO. 9-64774-2

Re: UNSUB;  
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;  
EXTORTION (A)

LAB. NO. 90928067 D MG

YOUR NO.

OO: Milwaukee

Examination by:

Examination requested by: Milwaukee

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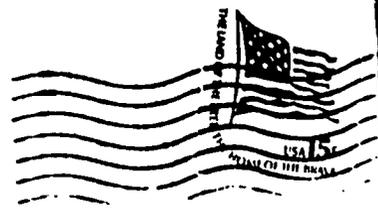
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*Spec exam LFPS + ret as encl 10/4/79*

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Brown County Sheriff's Office  
Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301

BUSHNELL, IL 61422  
SEP 21  
AM  
1979



6/24/79  
[Redacted]  
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90928067 D 01 MG

If Howard Casell comes to Green Bay  
on October 1, I'm going to kill him. And your  
sheriff's department can't stop me.

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90928067 D Q2 MG

RECEIVED  
TELETYPE UNIT

26 SEP 79 19 09z  
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FEDERAL BUREAU  
OF INVESTIGATION  
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Training	_____
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Director's Sec'y	_____

*Boyer*

UNCLAS E F I O  
 RE: [REDACTED]  
 FROM: [REDACTED]  
 TO: [REDACTED]  
 SUBJECT: [REDACTED] (9-NEW) (P)  
 [REDACTED] (PRIORITY)  
 [REDACTED] (PRIORITY)

UNCLAS E F I O  
 RE: [REDACTED] HONOR A. ROYNTON, JR.  
 SUBJECT: [REDACTED] - VICTIM: EXTORTION (A), OO: MILWAUKEE.  
 RE: TELETYPE FROM EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR HOMER A.  
 ROYNTON, JR. TO LAS VEGAS, SEPTEMBER 26, 1979.

HOMER ROYNTON WAS CONTACTED INSTANT DATE BY SUPERVISOR  
 [REDACTED] AND WAS ADVISED OF CONTENTS OF TYPE  
 LISTED EXHAUSTING HIS LIFE RECEIVED BY THE [REDACTED] COUNTY  
 SHERIFF'S OFFICE, GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN, ON SEPTEMBER 24, 1979.  
 ROYNTON WAS MOST APPRECIATIVE OF THE BUREAU'S INTEREST IN THIS  
 MATTER AND EXPRESSED A DESIRE THAT HE BE APPROPRIATELY  
 PROTECTED WHILE IN GREEN BAY AS WAS DONE IN BUFFALO IN A CIVIL  
 PROTECTION. ROYNTON HAS FURNISHED THE CASE AGENT'S NAME AND

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SEP 28 1979

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PAGE TWO AM (9-NEW) UNCLAS E F T O

SHORT NUMBER IN THE GREEN BAY RESIDENT AGENCY AND WAS ADVISED  
THAT THE BUREAU IS WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE BROWN COUNTY  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN THIS MATTER.

COSELL ADVISED THAT HE WOULD BE AT CASIERS PALACE IN  
~~THE MEGAS HOTEL~~ <sup>NV</sup> ~~SATURDAY~~, AT WHICH TIME HE WAS DEPARTING FOR  
NEW YORK. HE CURRENTLY PLANS TO ARRIVE IN GREEN BAY ON SUNDAY  
MORNING, SEPTEMBER 30, 1979. COSELL ADVISED THAT HE WOULD  
CONTACT THE LAS VEGAS OFFICE IF ANY THREATS WERE RECEIVED  
DURING HIS STAY HERE.

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FM MILWAUKEE (9-NEW) P

TO DIRECTOR ROUTINE

NEW YORK ROUTINE

SPRINGFIELD ROUTINE

RECEIVED  
TELETYPE UNIT

25 SEP 79 00 36z

FEDERAL BUREAU  
OF INVESTIGATION  
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Director	_____

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UNSUB: HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM: EXTORTION (A); OO: MILWAUKEE.

FOR INFORMATION RECEIVING OFFICES, ON SEPT. 24, 1979,  
CAPT. [REDACTED] BROWN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE,  
GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN, ADVISED BUREAU AGENT THAT HIS DEPARTMENT  
WAS IN RECEIPT OF EXTORTIONATE-TYPE LETTER.

[REDACTED] (SUPRA) ADVISED LETTER ADDRESSED TO "BROWN COUNTY  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE, GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN, 54301." ALSO, LETTER  
IS TYPEWRITTEN AND STATES "IF HOWARD COSELL COMES TO GREEN BAY  
ON OCTOBER 1, I'M GOING TO KILL HIM. AND YOUR SHERIFF'S  
DEPARTMENT CAN'T STOP ME." [REDACTED] SAID LETTER WAS PRESUMABLY  
DIRECTED TOWARD HOWARD COSELL, SPORTSCASTER WITH ABC TELEVISION.

ON SEPT. 24, 1979, AUSA MICHAEL J. TROST, EDW, MILWAUKEE

EXECUTED

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ADVISED. ON SAME DATE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] GREEN BAY PACKERS PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL TEAM, INC.,  
1265 LOMBARD I AVENUE, GREEN BAY (BROWN COUNTY), WISCONSIN,  
ADVISED. [REDACTED] STATED ON OCT. 1, 1979, A MONDAY NIGHT GAME WAS  
SCHEDULED BETWEEN GREEN BAY PACKERS AND NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS.  
HE SAID THIS WAS A NATIONALLY TELEVISED GAME BY ABC SPORTS.

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ABOVE INFORMATION FURNISHED SPRINGFIELD AS LETTER ORIGINATED  
FROM BUSHNELL (MC DONOUGH COUNTY), ILLINOIS.

MILWAUKEE ACQUIRING ORIGINAL LETTER WITH ACCOMPANYING  
ENVELOPE FOR SUBMISSION TO FBIHQ, LABORATORY DIVISION.

NEW YORK AT NEW YORK. WILL AT HEADQUARTERS, ABC SPORTS,  
ADVISE HOWARD COSELL THAT EXTORTIONATE-TYPE LETTER RECEIVED BY  
BROWN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN, IN VIEW OF  
COSELL'S ANTICIPATED APPEARANCE AT GREEN BAY ON OCT. 1, 1979,  
FOR GREEN BAY PACKERS VS. NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS, WHICH IS A  
NATIONALLY TELEVISED FOOTBALL GAME.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



## REPORT

of the

## LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

YOUR FILE NO.  
FBI FILE NO.  
LATENT CASE NO. **B-78471**

October 4, 1979

TO: SAC, Milwaukee

RE: UNSUB. *①*  
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM  
EXTORTION

REFERENCE: *Airtel 9-26-79*  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Milwaukee  
SPECIMENS: Envelope, Q1  
Letter, Q2

This report supplements and confirms Bucal on 10-1-79.

The specimens are further described in a separate Laboratory report.

Two latent fingerprints of value were developed on Q1. No latent prints of value were developed on Q2.

The specimens are enclosed.

MAILED 3  
OCT 5 1979  
FBI

- Assoc. Dir. \_\_\_\_\_
- Dep. AD Adm. \_\_\_\_\_
- Dep. AD Inv. \_\_\_\_\_
- Asst. Dir.: \_\_\_\_\_
- Adm. Servs. \_\_\_\_\_
- Crim. Inv. \_\_\_\_\_ (4)
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Enc. (2)

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EX-105

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OCT 5 1979

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

AVIGNONE

Laboratory Work Sheet

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Recorded: 10/1/79

FBI FILE NO. 9-61771-5

LAB. NO. 90928067 D MG

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HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;  
EXTORTION (X)

YOUR NO.

LC# B-78471

OO: Milwaukee

Examination by:

Examiner: [redacted]

Noted By: [redacted]

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10/1/79 [redacted]

*Specimens I-NEW - to photo  
What type of val dev on Q1 - Model of val P2  
Specimen SN - no add. let dev. ( )  
Specimen (2)  
Info to telephone call of [redacted] to SA [redacted]*

1 FC  
[redacted]  
[redacted]  
10-1-79  
[redacted]

x (Airmail)

9/26/79

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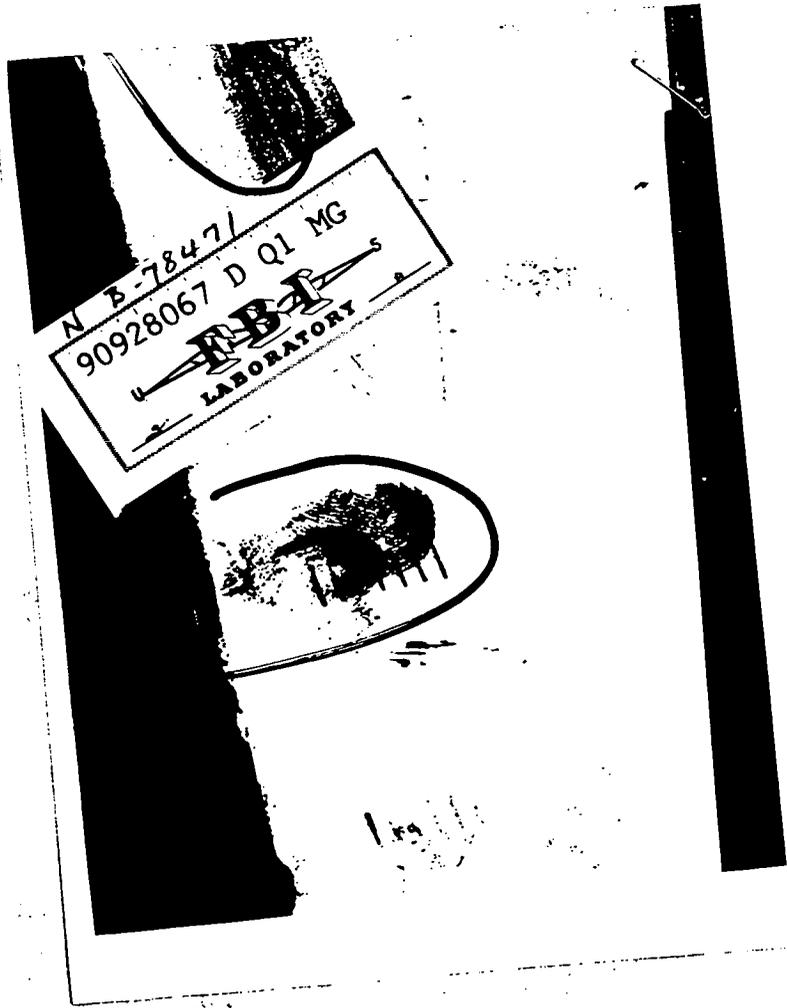
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90928067 D Q1 MG  
**FBI**  
LABORATORY



CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION  
SEPTEMBER 25, 1979

In attached teletype the Milwaukee Division advises of extortion of ABC, Television Sportscaster, Howard Cosell.

On 9/24/79, the Brown County Sheriff's Office, Green Bay, Wisconsin, received typed letter that states "If Howard Cosell comes to Green Bay on October 1, I'm going to kill him. And your Sheriff's Department can't stop me."

AUSA EDW, Milwaukee, advised of above facts.

It was determined a nationally televised game is scheduled for 10/1/79, with the Green Bay Packers playing host to the New England Patriots.

Milwaukee to acquire original letter for submission to FBI Laboratory. Postmark reveals letter mailed from Bushnell, Illinois.

The New York Division is to contact Mr. Cosell to advise of contents of letter.

- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - Mr. Colwell
- 1 - Mr. Boynton

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APPROVED: [Signature]

Director \_\_\_\_\_  
Exec. AD-Adm. \_\_\_\_\_  
Exec. AD-Inv. \_\_\_\_\_  
Exec. AD-LES \_\_\_\_\_

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REFERENCE: Milwaukee teletype to Bureau, 9/24/79.

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PROSECUTIVE REPORT OF INVESTIGATION CONCERNING

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM  
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Report of: SA [REDACTED]  
Date: 10/23/79

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## Narrative of Offense:

Official, Brown County Sheriff's Office, Green Bay, Wisconsin, advised BuAgent, Green Bay, his department was in receipt of an extortionate type letter. The letter from the State of Illinois, stated, "If Howard Cosell comes to Green Bay on October 1, I'm going to kill him. And your sheriff's department can't stop me." AUSA, Eastern District of Wisconsin, requested FBI conduct extortion investigation to identify unknown subject. Cosell appeared in Green Bay, Wisconsin, on behalf of ABC Sports, to broadcast nationally televised football game, Green Bay Packers versus New England Patriots, on 10/1/79, without incident. On 10/10/79, AUSA declined prosecution.

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PROSECUTIVE STATUS:

1. On 9/24/79, AUSA Michael J. Trost, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was advised of extortion letter received at the Brown County Sheriff's Office, making extortionate type threat toward Howard Cosell, ABC Sports, New York, New York. AUSA Trost stated because of the seriousness of the threat and because of the feasibility of Howard Cosell being in Green Bay on 10/1/79, he was desirous of having the FBI Laboratory process the original letter with envelope in an effort to identify unknown subject.
2. On 10/10/79, AUSA Trost was recontacted. He was advised that unknown person who had furnished letter from State of Illinois to Brown County Sheriff's Office threatening Howard Cosell, had not been identified. Further, Howard Cosell appeared at Green Bay, Wisconsin, on 10/1/79 to broadcast nationally televised football game, Green Bay Packers versus New England Patriots without incident. AUSA Trost stated he would decline prosecution in that subject was not identifiable and victim Cosell had appeared at Green Bay on 10/1/79 without incident.

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MISCELLANEOUS INVESTIGATION:

On 9/24/79, [REDACTED] Green Bay Packers Professional Football Team, Inc., 1265 Lombardi Avenue, Green Bay, Wisconsin, was advised of the letter which had been received by the Brown County Sheriff's Office, Green Bay. Also, on 9/24/79, Captain [REDACTED] Detective Division, Green Bay, Wisconsin, Police Department, was advised of the letter received by the Brown County Sheriff's Office.

The above-listed individuals were all aware of the fact that Howard Cosell, sportscaster, ABC Sports, New York, is tentatively scheduled to broadcast the nationally televised football game involving the Green Bay Packers and the New England Patriots.

On 9/26/79, the Las Vegas Division of the FBI advised as follows:

Howard Cosell was contacted and was apprised of the contents of typed letter threatening his life received by the Brown County Sheriff's Office, Green Bay, Wisconsin, on 9/24/79. Cosell was most appreciative of the Bureau's interest in this matter and expressed a desire that he be afforded appropriate security while in Green Bay as was done in Buffalo in a similar situation. Cosell was furnished Agent's name and phone number in the Green Bay Resident Agency of the FBI and was advised that the FBI is working closely with the Brown County Sheriff's Office in this matter.

Cosell advised that he would be at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas until Saturday, at which time he was departing for New York. He currently plans to arrive in Green Bay on Sunday afternoon, September 30, 1979. Cosell advised that he would contact the Las Vegas Office if any threats were received during his stay there.

On 9/26/79, [REDACTED] American Broadcasting Company (ABC), New York, New York, telephone 212/887-5321, advised that