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Precedence: ROUTINE
Date: 04/14/1997

To: Jackson
From: SA
Squad 7/Tupelo RA

Approved By: ___________________________
Drafted By: ___________________________

Case ID #: 174C-JN-NEW (Pending)

Title: American Family Association (AFA), Tupelo, Mississippi - victim; Bomb Threat

Synopsis: 0 and A EC.

Details: On 3/31/97 the writer was contacted by ___________ an attorney with the AFA in Tupelo, who advised that they received a bomb threat via E-mail. The threat was first noticed during the morning of 3/31/97; however, it was actually sent at approximately 7:30 PM Easter Sunday, 3/30/97, and was traced back to the Helena National Bank (HNB) in Helena, Arkansas, as the online "server."

It is noted that on 3/31/97 the writer contacted the Secret Service and notified them of this matter which was documented in a letter sent to the US Attorney Office in Oxford.

On 4/4/97 the writer contacted ___________ at the HNB in an effort to identify who sent the threatening E-mail. ___________ confirmed that the HNB had a computer server with several customers having access to it. He advised that the only way that the author of the threatening E-mail could be identified would be through the password used. He thereafter recommended contact with World Lynx of Little Rock, AR, who did the password verification for the bank.

On 4/10/97 the writer contacted ___________ of World Lynx and informed him of this matter and requested his assistance with identifying the person who sent the threatening E-mail to the AFA. On 4/11/97, ___________ recontracted the writer and advised that according to their records the person who sent the E-mail was an individual named ___________ who went by the E-mail ___________.
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User name of [Redacted] also indicated that [Redacted] address would be available from HNB.

On 4/14/97 the writer recontracted [Redacted] who advised that according to HNB's records [Redacted] address was [Redacted] Poplar Grove, AR 72374. His home telephone number was [Redacted] and worked at a company known as Computers and Networks in West Helena, AR, telephone number [Redacted].

This matter was discussed with AUSA [Redacted] Oxford, MS, who advised that in his opinion the threat sent to the AFA appeared to be a violation of Title 18, USC, Section 875C. He advised that he would consider presenting this matter to a forthcoming Federal Grand Jury following an interview with [Redacted].

Based on the information contained herein it is recommended that a 174C-JN-new be opened and assigned to the writer.
Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/14/1997

To: Little Rock

Attn: West Memphis RA

From: Jackson

Squad 7/Tupelo RA

Contact: SA

Approved By:

Drafted By:

Case In #: 174C-JN-24612 (Pending)

Title:

American Family Association (AFA), Tupelo, Mississippi - victim; Bomb Threat

Synopsis: Lead to Little Rock Division, West Memphis, Arkansas RA, to interview captioned subject.

Enclosure: One 1A envelope containing a photocopy of an E-mail received by the AFA on March 30, 1997.

Details: Reference 4/15/97 telecall of SA Jackson Division, Tupelo RA, and SA Little Rock Division, West Memphis RA.

For information of Little Rock, this matter was predicated on information furnished by [deleted] who is an attorney for the American Family Association (AFA) which is a nationwide conservative religious organization based in Tupelo, MS, that frequently receives national media exposure for their positions they take on various contemporary issues. On 3/31/97 contacted the Tupelo RA and advised that on Easter Sunday, March 30, 1997, at about 7:30 PM; the AFA received a threatening E-mail. [deleted] advised that the author of the E-mail voiced his opposition to the AFA's protest of the television sitcom "Ellen" and the fact that the show's main character will be declaring her homosexuality in an upcoming episode. The AFA documented their opinion regarding this matter in a monthly publication which is also placed on the internet. As noted in the enclosed copy of the E-mail the last line includes a reference to blowing up AFA employees' homes which prompted [deleted] call.
This matter was discussed with an Assistant U.S. Attorney in Oxford, Mississippi, who indicated that he would make his final decision with respect to prosecution after further investigation was completed.

LEAD(S):

LITTLE ROCK

AT POPLAR GROVE, ARKANSAS

Interview regarding this matter. The interview should include but not be limited to confirming use of the server at the Helena National Bank; the possibility that someone else had access to his password; his intentions with respect to the bomb threat if it is determined that he sent the E-mail; and all identifying information.
Honorable Alfred E. Moreton, III  
United States Attorney  
Northern District of Mississippi  
Post Office Drawer 886  
Oxford, Mississippi 38655

Re: Unknown Subject;  
American Family Association,  
107 Park Gate Drive,  
Tupelo, Mississippi,  
March 30, 1997;  
Bomb Threat

Dear Mr. Moreton:

On March 31, 1997, at approximately 2:30 p.m., American Family Association (AFA) Law Center, Tupelo, Mississippi, advised the Tupelo Resident Agency of the FBI that on March 30, 1997, the AFA received an anonymous bomb threat sent via E-Mail to their AFA Web Site. Further noted that the identity of the E-Mail author was not known. Further noted that this matter had been reported to the Tupelo Police Department.

On March 31, 1997, at 3:30 p.m. Special Agent, U. S. Secret Service, Oxford, Mississippi, was telephonically contacted and advised of the aforementioned information.

Sincerely yours,

James C. Frier  
Special Agent in Charge

By:

Supervisory Senior Resident Agent
Precedence: ROUTINE
Date: 06/20/1997

To: Jackson
Attn: SA Squad 7/Tupelo RA

From: Little Rock Squad 2
Contact: SA West Memphis RA, (870) 735-4633.

Approved By:
Drafted By:

Case ID #: 174C-JN-24612 (Pending)

Title: AMERICAN FAMILY ASSOCIATION (AFA), TUPELO, MISSISSIPPI - VICTIM; BOMB THREAT

Synopsis: To advise of the coverage of Lead number 1 in regards to this matter.


Enclosures: Enclosed for Jackson are the original and one copy of an FD-302 regarding an interview of a 1-A envelope containing original notes re the interview of and a 1-A envelope containing an FD-395 signed by

Details: For information of Jackson, captioned subject was located and interviewed on 06/19/1997.

No further investigation remains outstanding at the Little Rock Division.

Descriptive Data:

Main Subject
Race:
Sex:
Name -
  Last:
  First:
  Middle:
DDN:
DOB:
To: Jackson
From: Little Rock
Re: 174C-JN-24612, 06/20/1997

SSAN #:
Address -
House #:
Street Name:
City:
State:
Phone:
I was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the nature and purpose of the interview. Then I provided the following information.

Investigation on 6/19/97 at Helena, Arkansas

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by SA

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In Reply, Please Refer to

File No. 174C-JN-24612

FBI CASE STATUS FORM

Date: 12/03/1997

To: Honorable Calvin Buchanan, Post Office Drawer 886, Oxford, MS 38655
(Name and Address of USA)

From: SAC James C. Frier
(Name of Official in Charge and Field Division)

RE: [Name of Subject]
(Age) 18 M

You are hereby advised of action authorized by AUSA
(Name of USA or AUSA)

on information submitted by Special Agent [Name] on 11/06/97
(Date)

(Check One)

☐ Request further investigation
☒ Immediate declination
☐ Filing of complaint
☐ Presentation to Federal Grand Jury
☐ Filing of information
☐ Other

For violation of Title 18, USC, Section(s) 875 Bomb threat via E-Mail

Synopsis of case:

On March 31, 1997, the Tupelo Office of the FBI was notified that the American Family Association (AFA) received an E-mail that contained what could be considered a bomb threat. By tracing the origins of the E-mail, it was determined that a year old Poplar Grove, Arkansas, sent the E-mail. During an interview with him, acknowledged sending the E-mail and thereafter expressed his regrets and claimed that he never had any intentions of carrying out his threats. This

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REM: gw
(4) gw
Honorable Calvin Buchanan

information was discussed with AUSA who declined prosecution on November 6, 1997.

FBI Jackson Division has placed this matter in a closed status.
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Precedence: ROUTINE Date: 02/24/1998

To: Jackson
From: SSRA

Squad 7/Oxford

Approved By

Drafted By:

Case ID #: 145C-JN-24630 — (Pending)
194C-JN-24629 (Pending)
192B-JN-24624 (Pending)
9A-JN-24623 (Pending)
174C-JN-24612 (Pending)
87B-JN-24602 (Pending)

Title: ITOM

ET AL

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194C-JN-24629

UNSUB;
HARRAH'S CASINO,
1600 HARRAH DRIVE
ROBINSVILLE, MS-VICTIM
HOBBES ACT-COMMERCIAL INSTITUTION
192B-JN-24624

UNSUBS;

VICTIM

EXTORTION-THREATENING VICTIM
9A-JN-24623

ET AL

aka.,

ET AL

BOMB THREAT
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ET AL

ITSP
87B-JN-24602

Synopsis: CPI Codes.

Details: The above-captioned investigations have the CPI code
of: None.

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/31/1999

To: Jackson

From: Jackson
Squad 7/Oxford

Case ID #: 174C-JN-24612 (Closed)

Title: American Family Association
Et al
BOMB THREAT

Synopsis: Closing of investigation.


A bomb threat via e-mail on March 31, 1997, was received by the American Family Association. By tracing origins of the e-mail, it was determined that year old sent the e-mail. During an interview, admitted sending the e-mail and expressed his regrets and claimed that he never had any intentions of carrying out those threats.

On November 6, 1997, this matter was discussed with AUSA U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of Mississippi, Oxford, Mississippi. AUSA declined prosecution on this matter.

Based on the above, it is recommended that captioned matter be placed in a closed status.