Mr. Nash
Mr. Baker
Mr. Collin
Mr. Cleveland
Mr. Capote
Mr. Gardner
Mr. Hines
Mr. Kennedy
Mr. Rose
Mr. Barnes
Mr. Harvard
Mr. Hennessy
Mr. Conmy
Mr. Eddle
Mrs. Hogan

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

PLEASE INCREASE FEDERAL PROTECTION OF AIR WINGNUT CALIFORNIA
SINCE TO HUMANITY.

1407 105

"REO-56"

7 JUL 3 1973
REC

July 2, 1973

Columbia, Illinois 62236

Dear [Redacted]

Your communication of June 27th has been received.

Based upon the information you furnished and, in the absence of an indication that a Federal law within our jurisdiction has been violated, we have no authority to conduct an investigation. I regret being unable to be of assistance in this instance.

Sincerely yours,

William D. Ruckelshaus
Acting Director

NOTE: Dufiles contain no record of correspondent. Reply coordinated with the Accounting and Fraud and Criminal Sections of the General Investigative Division.
URGE YOU TO GIVE FBI ASSISTANCE IN PROTECTION OF UNITED FARM WORKERS AGAINST TEAHEERS. SITUATION IS EXPLOSIVE OVER COLUMBIA ILL.  

1423 EST

MAILGRAM USA
Palo Alto, California 94301

Dear [Name]

Your communication of June 27th has been received. Based upon the information you furnished and, in the absence of an indication that a Federal law within our jurisdiction has been violated, we have no authority to conduct an investigation. I regret being unable to be of assistance in this instance.

Sincerely yours,
William D. Buckelshaus

William D. Buckelshaus
Acting Director

NOTE: Bufiles reveal that in February, 1971, correspondent participated in an antiwar demonstration. Reply coordinated with Accounting and Fraud and Criminal Sections of the General Investigative Division. Address per telephone directory.

RCD: mv (3)
SUBJECT: INVESTIGATE VIOLATIONS AGAINST FEDERAL LAW.

RECIPIENT: ACTING DIRECTOR, F.B.I.

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

SUBJECT: INVESTIGATE VIOLATIONS AGAINST FEDERAL LAW.

ATTACHMENT

18 JUL 3 1973

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Detroit, Michigan 48219

Dear [Name]

Your communication of June 27th has been received. Based upon the information you furnished and, in the absence of an indication that a Federal law within our jurisdiction has been violated, we have no authority to conduct an investigation. I regret being unable to be of assistance in this instance.

Sincerely yours,

William D. Ruckelshaus
Acting Director

NOTE: Correspondents are not identifiable in Buffile. Reply coordinated with the Accounting and Fraud and Criminal Sections of the General Investigative Division.

RCD:lr (3)

8 JUL 73

MAIL ROOM  TELETYPE UNIT
WM D RUCKELHAUS ACTING FBI DIRECTOR
DEPT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON DC 20535

WE URGE AN INVESTIGATION OF TEAMSTERS VIOLENCE IN COACHELLA
CALIFORNIA AND RECOMMEND THAT THE FBI ASSIST IN PROTECTION
OF FARM WORKERS. WE ARE MEMBERS OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF
CHRIST CONCERNED FOR JUSTICE AND PEACE. DETROIT MICH.

1430 EST

MGMUSHC WSH
July 5, 1973

San Antonio, Texas 78207

Dear [Redacted],

Your communication of June 29th has been received. Based upon the information you furnished and, in the absence of an indication that a Federal law within our jurisdiction has been violated, we have no authority to conduct an investigation. I regret being unable to be of assistance in this instance.

Sincerely yours,

William D. Ruckelshaus

William D. Ruckelshaus
Acting Director

\[\text{NTP: Files reveal}\]

\[\text{Reply coordinated with the Accounting and Fraud and Criminal Sections of the General Investigative Division.}\]
URGE IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION OF ORGANIZED TERROR AGAINST UFW PICKETS IN COACHELLA.

S. ANTONIO TX 78207

1109 EST

WMWASHA WSH
July 10, 1973

Lincoln, Nebraska 68510

Dear [Redacted],

Your letter of July 2nd to Mr. Ruckelshaus has been brought to my attention. Based upon the information you furnished and, in the absence of an indication that a Federal law within our jurisdiction has been violated, we have no authority to conduct an investigation.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence R. Kelley
Director

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in files. Reply coordinated with the Accounting Fraud and Criminal Sections of the General Investigative Division.

RCD: vgw (3)

[Redacted]
July 2, 1973

Mr. William B. Ruckelshaus
Acting F.B.I. Director
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Ruckelshaus:

I have recently become aware of the Teamsters' harassment and violence toward the United Farm Workers in California. I would suggest the violence of the Teamsters be investigated and that the F.B.I. assist in protection of the Farmworkers as they seek opportunity to organize and to carry out their own activities as farm workers.

I am particularly referring to the Coachella area in California, but would also include and urge your protection of other areas in the country.

Sincerely,

[signature]

RDK:at

[Redacted]
July 12, 1973

Dayton, Ohio 45440

Dear [Redacted]

Your communication of July 9th to Mr. Ruckelshaus has been received and was referred to me. Based upon the information you furnished and, in the absence of an indication that a Federal law within our jurisdiction has been violated, we have no authority to conduct an investigation.

Sincerely yours,

C. M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

NOTE: File/Files contain no record of correspondent. Reply coordinated with Accounting and Fraud and Criminal Sections of the General Investigative Division.
WESTERN UNION

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PMB ACTING FBI DIRECTOR WILLIAM RUCKELSHAUS, FONE AND MAIL

DEPT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON DC 20535

URGE INVESTIGATION OF TEAMSTER'S VIOLENCE IN THE STRUGGLE BETWEEN

TEAMSTERS AND UNITED FARM WORKERS IN COCHELLA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA.

RECOMMEND FBI ASSISTANCE IN THE PROTECTION OF FARM WORKERS

5 JUL 13 1973

89415 WSH
Citizens Action Committee  
Post Office Box 2295  
Jackson, Mississippi 39205

Dear [Name]

Your letter of July 6th to Mr. Ruckelshaus has been referred to me. Based upon the information you furnished and, in the absence of an indication that a Federal law within our jurisdiction has been violated, we have no authority to conduct an investigation.

Sincerely yours,

M. Kelley  
Clarence W. Kelley  
Director

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in files. The Citizens Action Committee was formed by the National Council on Crime Delinquency (NCCD). NCCD is a nonprofit organization which has conducted conferences throughout the United States on organized crime matters and has received grants from philanthropic organizations and foundations. Certain members of the NCCD have been critical of the Bureau's alleged shortcomings in organized crime matters. Reply coordinated with the Accounting and Fraud and Criminal Sections of the General Investigative Division.
Citizens Action Committee  
P. O. Box 2295  
Jackson, Ms 39205  
July 6, 1973

Mr. William D. Ruckelshaus  
Acting Director of FBI  
9th & Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. Ruckelshaus:

Equal protection under the law is being reduced to a myth in Coachella Valley California.

No manifestation of local law enforcement is willing to provide proper protection to the members of the United Farm Workers, to individual farm workers, and to other individuals, who are working to better the conditions of life for some of the most oppressed working people in the country.

Goon squads of thugs are engaged in terror tactics, physical force, and violence in an effort to totally destroy the United Farm Workers' program, no matter what the cost.

We as concerned citizens who fully support the right of these working people to organize and fight to improve their conditions without being subjected to physical harassment and brutality, and with the full protection of the law, urgently request that you take immediate action to:

1. Stop the violence completely and at once.

2. Investigate, discover, and institute prosecution against those persons and organizations responsible for instigating the violence.

3. Take all necessary steps to insure proper functioning of local law enforcement agencies.

Sincerely,
July 12, 1973

Eugene, Oregon 97405

Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of July 5th has been received. Based upon the information you furnished and, in the absence of an indication that a Federal law within our jurisdiction has been violated, we have no authority to conduct an investigation. I regret being unable to be of assistance to you in this instance.

Sincerely yours,

C. M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

NOTE: Rufiles contain no record identifiable with correspondents. Reply coordinated with the Accounting and Fraud and Criminal Sections of the General Investigative Division.

RCD:las (3)
July 5, 1973

Dear Mr. Kelley,

It has come to our attention via reports of friends that much of the violence in the garbage fields of Contra Costa, California, is the result of a lack of approximability. It seems that your efforts are being thwarted by certain elements in the community. We are concerned if you are aware of this development.

Clarence Kelley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20250
July 17, 1973

[Address:
United Church Board for World Ministries
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York 10027]

Dear [Name],

Your communication of July 9th has been received. Based upon the information you furnished and, in the absence of an indication that a Federal law within our jurisdiction has been violated, we have no authority to conduct an investigation.

Sincerely yours,

[Name]
Clarence J. Kelley
Director

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Buffaloes.

[Postmark: JUL 17 1973]
July 12, 1973

Mr. Clarence Kelley, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
9th and Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20535

Dear Mr. Kelley:

Congratulations on your appointment. I am sympathetic to the difficulties presented by the atmosphere under which you will, at first, work.

As a family doctor in Louisville and a Friend of the United Farm Workers, I've heard about violence against the striking farm workers in Coachella Valley, California. It is my understanding that goons have been sent by the Western Conference of Teamsters and are among those perpetrating this violence.

I am asking you to use your good offices to stop this violence.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

EXP PROC
JUL 12 1973
July 24, 1973

ST-116
REQ A3

Louisville, Kentucky 40202

Dear [Name]

Thank you for the best wishes you expressed in your letter received on July 19th regarding my becoming Director of the FBI.

In reply to your request, based on the information you furnished and, in the absence of an indication that a Federal law within our jurisdiction has been violated, we have no authority to conduct an investigation.

Sincerely yours,

D. M. Kelley

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

NOTE: Burefiles indicate [Name] is actively involved in community organizations. Reply coordinated with the Accounting, Fraud and the Criminal Sections of the General Investigative Division.

mn: cmc (3)
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (157-10394) (C)

DATE: 10/24/73

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS,
19 WEST 34TH STREET,
TELEPHONE NUMBER 594-0694
EM - AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT

RemPai rtel to Bureau, dated 7/2/73, captioned, "RAPID CITY WELFARE RIGHTS GROUP; CIR (00: MP)."

The above-captioned name, address and telephone number was obtained by the Minneapolis Division from a notebook located in the course of the investigation of the Rapid City Welfare Rights Group. This group operated out of the Scott Mallow Community Hall, Rapid City, South Dakota, which had been used as a strategy area and starting point of a supply route for moving persons and supplies in and out of Wounded Knee.

A check of NYO indices reflected that the subject appears to be identical with New York closed file 92-3694, Bufile 92-8269, captioned, "POSSIBLE HOODLUM INFLUENCE IN THE ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC TEA COMPANY." The case file noted that numerous acts, consisting of fire bombings and damage to store windows, were suffered by the A&P Tea Company as a result of the United Farm Workers Union (UFW) Union receiving nationwide popularity and support from local political members.

The UFW office is located at 192 21st Street, Brooklyn, New York, with branch offices located in Manhattan, Bronx and Nassau County.

New York pending file 100-169939, Bufile 100-459771, captioned, "PEOPLE'S COALITION FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE (PCPJ)," indicated that the UFW attended a PCPJ meeting and had asked the PCPJ to endorse their lettuce boycott in the New York area. The PCPJ unanimously endorsed the UFW and agreed by voice to support its actions.

REC 27
7 OCT 29 1973

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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On 8/2/73, the records were checked by SC [redacted] for information concerning the UFW but negative results were obtained.

On 8/2/73, SC [redacted] caused the records of the UFW to be checked regarding the UFW with negative results.

On 8/3/73, SA [redacted] caused the records to be checked regarding the UFW and the following information was obtained:

On 4/16/72, a dinner honoring Mrs. ROMANA VANVELOS, Treasurer of the US, was held at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel. Fifty demonstrators from the UFW picketed the Park Avenue entrance of the hotel, protesting the hiring of illegal aliens at Mrs. VANVELOS' tortilla factory in California.

On 8/6/73, [redacted] a confidential source who is familiar with extremist activities in the New Orleans area, advised that on 6/19/73, an annual stockholders meeting of the A&P Tea Company was to be held at the Rivergate Hotel, New Orleans. In front of the Rivergate Hotel were demonstrators for the UFW, protesting A&P's continued policy of buying non-farm worker union lettuce.
The following sources, who are familiar with extremist activity in the New York area, were contacted during the months of August, September, 1973, for additional information they could provide concerning the UFW, with negative results:

In view of the above, the NYO is no longer conducting investigation in this case.
TO:         DIRECTOR, FBI (ATTACH: INTELLIGENCE DIVISION)
FROM:   SAN DIEGO (10/9/74)

CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE AMONG UNITED FARM WORKERS MEMBERS STRIKING,
EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA, FEBRUARY 11, 1974. IMPORTANT "INFORMATION CONCERNING:

WHAT "ARTICLE CITED AS "VIOLENT" FLAUNTS AT FARM STRIKE HEADQUARTERS"
IS REFERRED," APPEARED IN THE TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1974 ISSUE OF
THE "SAN DIEGO UNION," DAILY BY DIEGO NEWSPAPER, WHICH IS
SYNOPSISED AS FOLLOWS:

ON FEBRUARY 11, 1974, THE UNITED FARM WORKERS OF AMERICA, LTD
BY Cesar Chavez, Jr., STRIKE IN THE BEPAREDUS AND BERTHAT FIELDS
OF IMPERIAL COUNTY, CALIFORNIA. THERE WERE SCATTERED INCIDENTS OF
VIOLENCE AND 15 PERSONS WERE ARRESTED OR LOST LIVING TERMS,
IN CONNECTION WITH ASSAULTS ON COUNTERS. IMPERIAL COUNTY SHERIFF'S
DEPUTIES CLASHED WITH APPROXIMATELY 400 NEW PICKETS SIX MILES
SOUTH OF EL CENTRO IN TWO OFFICIALS WERE HURT. A WOMEN AND
CHARGED WITH VIOLENTY WERE GILBERTO ROMERO, JR., ANEL, CALIFORNIA:
END PAGE ONE

57 MAR 4 1974
IGNACIO GUEVARA, 36, OF VENECALI, B. C., MEXICO, AND RICARDO PELEJO, 35, CALITICO, CALIFORNIA, ALL IDENTIFIED AS SYMPATHIZERS OR MEMBERS OF THE UFW.

STRIKE ACTIVITY BEGAN AROUND 8:00 AM IN CALITICO AT FARM LABOR BUS PICKUP POINTS. ROVING PICKETS URGED WORKERS NOT TO BOARD BUSES AND CLAIMED TO BE 100% PERCENT EFFECTIVE IN KEEPING PEOPLE OFF THE BUSES.

Cesar Chavez said the strike, which will continue "for the next few days," is a reaction to activity planned by the UFW in other agricultural areas of California, including the Coachella Valley, to protest organizing by the Teamster Union. Chavez said the work stoppage secretly planned for several weeks was to "protect illegal organizing activities and other practices by the Teamster Union." Chavez said the strike is a renewed effort to bring about secret ballot elections by the workers to determine which union they prefer.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

SAN DIEGO INDICATES NEGATIVE REGARDING GILBERTO MORESQUI, IGNACIO GUERRERO AND RICARDO PELEJO. SAN DIEGO CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION, BUT WILL REPORT PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS TO THE BUREAU.

SIMILAR COPY TO LOS ANGELES IN VIEW OF PROJECTED dry ACTIVITIES IN THAT DIVISION.

END

FOLD
NRO15 SL PLAIN
800 PM NITEL 10-8-74 WR
TO DIRECTOR
FROM ST. LOUIS (100-23257)
PROTEST DEMONSTRATION AT FEDERAL COURT BUILDING, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, OCTOBER 10-11, 1974, SPONSORED BY ST. LOUIS CHAPTER OF UNITED FARM WORKERS (UFW); CIVIL UNREST.

ON OCTOBER 8, 1974, REV. RICHARD COOK ADVISED ST. LOUIS POLICE DEPARTMENT THAT ST. LOUIS CHAPTER OF UNITED FARM WORKERS WOULD STAGE DEMONSTRATION AT THE FEDERAL COURT HOUSE IN ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI FROM TWELVE NOON, OCTOBER 10, 1974, UNTIL TWELVE NOON, OCTOBER 11, 1974. HE STATED THE DEMONSTRATION WAS TO PROTEST AGAINST FEDERAL JUDGE JAMES H. MEREDITH.

COOK MAY HAVE REFERENCE TO THE UFW'S LACK OF SUCCESS IN GETTING JUDGE MEREDITH TO OVERRULE AN INJUNCTION AND RESTRAINING ORDER AGAINST THE UFW ISSUED BY ST. LOUIS COUNTY CIRCUIT JUDGE JOHN R. RICKHOFF. THIS LOCAL ORDER APPARENTLY PREVENTS UFW FROM PROTEST PICKETING AT LOCAL SPECIFIED LIQUOR STORES.

ADMINISTRATIVE: ST. LOUIS WILL PROMPTLY ADVISE OF RESULTS OF PROPOSED SIT-IN AND RESULTS WILL BE FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU BY DISSEMINATABLE TELETYPE OR LHM.

END

HOLD
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (100-23257) C
SUBJECT: PROTEST DEMONSTRATION AT FEDERAL COURT BUILDING ST. LOUIS, MO. 10/10-11/74 SPONSORED BY ST. LOUIS CHAPTER OF UNITED FARM WORKERS (UFW) CIVIL UNREST

Re St. Louis teletype to Bureau, dated 10/8/74

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and five copies of an LHM setting forth circumstances leading to and details of the demonstration described above.

Inasmuch as there were no arrests, no injuries, and no property damage resulting from this demonstration, which was conducted in a peaceable and orderly fashion, no further action is being taken by the St. Louis Division, and this case is considered closed.

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Copy of the enclosed LHM being furnished locally to U.S. Attorney and U.S. Secret Service, St. Louis.

U.S. Attorney DONALD J. STOHN, EDMO, advised on 10/9/74 that he felt the proposed demonstration and sit in represented a possible violation of Title 18, USC, Section 1057, and requested the FBI to make discreet observations of the demonstration.
On October 4, 1974, an article appeared in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, which is a daily newspaper with general interest, indicating that two men were jailed in St. Louis at their own request after being arrested in a protest at the Target Store at 8020 Olive Street Road, St. Louis County, Missouri. The two men were arrested on charges of trespassing and were held overnight at the University City, Missouri, Jail.

These men were part of a group of about 40 supporters of the United Farm Workers (UFW) who had been passing out leaflets at the Target Store and urging shoppers to refrain from buying certain brands of grapes, lettuce, and wine.

The arrests were made at the University City Police Station after the protest had ended. The group of protesters had marched to the police station to ask why they had been photographed while talking to customers in the Target Store.

Police said members were photographed after they refused to identify themselves after attempts to question them at the store.

Richard Cook, director of the protest and boycott, said that the same group had been picketing and passing out leaflets at various shopping centers and businesses throughout the city and county without incident, and that the above arrests were the first of their kind.
PROTEST DEMONSTRATION AT FEDERAL COURT BUILDING

Captain Ralph Tackes of the University City Police Department was quoted as saying that the store managers had complained that the protesters were disturbing shoppers.

After the protesters who chose to depart were released by the police department, the group was disbanded. Six members of the group were ordered to appear in court in University City on October 16, 1974, where, the article indicates, they could be fined up to $100.

The UFW, according to the paper, are charging that a contract signed by growers with the rival Teamsters Union is unfair. Their cause, led by Cesar Chavez, a farm labor leader in California, has attracted the support of many clergymen, according to this article.

On October 8, 1974, Reverend Richard Cook advised the St. Louis Police Department that the St. Louis Chapter of the UFW would stage a demonstration at the Federal Court House in St. Louis from 12:00 noon on October 10, 1974, until 12:00 noon, October 11, 1974. He stated that the demonstration might include a sit-in, and that the purpose of the demonstration was to protest against U. S. District Court Judge James H. Meredith. The reason for protesting against Judge Meredith was apparently for the purpose of objecting to his failure to act immediately on a complaint filed by them alleging that the University City, Missouri Police Department had violated their rights under the first and fourteenth amendments to the U. S. Constitution.

The protest and sit-in represents a possible violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 1507, which relates to interfering with, obstructing, or impeding the administration of justice or attempting to influence a Federal Judge.

On October 8, 1974, the following individuals were notified of the proposed demonstration:

[Redacted]

Federal Protective Service

Special Agent [Redacted]

U. S. Secret Service

Assistant U. S. Marshal [Redacted]

U. S. Marshal's Office
PROTEST DEMONSTRATION AT
FEDERAL COURT BUILDING

Assistant U.S. Attorney Barry Short
U.S. Attorney's Office

Clerk [redacted]
Office of the Clerk of U.S. District Courts

On October 8, 1974, an article appeared in the
St. Louis Post-Dispatch indicating that 25 supporters of the
UFW Union had filed suit challenging University City use of
its trespassing law to restrict their picketing at the Target
Store at 8020 Olive Boulevard, St. Louis County, Missouri.

The article indicates that in a suit filed recently
in U.S. District Court 25 plaintiffs contended that the U.S.
Constitution bars University City from threatening arrest or
trespassing on protesters for discussing their views with
shoppers "in a peaceful non-disrupting manner".

The article states that members of the group have
attempted to express their views to fellow shoppers at the
store on September 28 and October 3, 1974, but that they were
"continually harassed" by policemen and officers of this store.

On October 8, 1974, Office of the Clerk of U.S. District Courts, St. Louis, Missouri,
furnished a copy of a complaint filed in U.S. District Court
at St. Louis, Missouri, on October 4, 1974, under number 74-
6976 (1), which set forth information which UFW alleged was
in violation of their rights secured by the First and Fourteenth
Amendments to the U.S. Constitution.

The complaint sets forth in specific detail UFW com-
plaints regarding actions of the University City Police Depart-
ment for interfering with their peaceful demonstration at the
Target Store and "bad faith arrests" made by the University
City Police Department.

The complaint concluded by praying that the U.S.
District Court of St. Louis issue a declaratory judgement
"that application of such trespass statute to plaintiffs who
want to be able to discuss their views concerning non-U.F.W.
grapes and lettuce to other persons in a peaceful non-disrup-
tive manner in unconstitutional applications of 23-9, University
City Municipal Code and that the court issue temporary restraining order, preliminary injunction, and a permanent injunction against the defendants from enforcing Section 23-9 of the University City Municipal Code.

On October 10 and October 11, 1974, observations were made at the site of the proposed demonstration described above. At 12:00 P.M. on Thursday, October 10, 1974, between 13 and 15 people were observed at the U.S. Court and Customs Building at 1114 Market Street. These individuals were observed to be carrying signs which read, "Support Farm Workers AFL-CIO, Don't Buy Grapes, Read Lettuce, Wine" and "Honk to Show Support". One sign was seen to read, "Boycott Grapes and Lettuce". These individuals walked back and forth in front of the building and stood around on the corners adjacent to Market Street. At no time was the U.S. Court and Customs Building entered by the demonstrators, and they took no action at anytime which could be considered disobedient or destructive. No arrests were made, and no injuries resulted from the demonstration. Leaflets were passed out describing their belief that they have been denied a fair hearing in court which they claimed was the result of Judge Meredith's refusing to grant the hearing in the matter of the complaint previously filed by them. One of the leaflets read on its face, "We are standing up for justice in the fields; won't you stand up for justice in your supermarket? Support United Farm Workers... Don't buy grapes, head lettuce, or gallo wines. Non-violence is our strength".

On October 11, 1974, an article appeared in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch which indicated that supporters of the UFW entered a day-long vigil and fast in front of the U.S. District Court House in St. Louis. Richard B. Teitelman, attorney for the protesters, said that U.S. District Court Judge James Meredith had refused to schedule an immediate hearing in the case on the grounds that such a hearing would not be proper while criminal cases in the matter were pending. The article indicated that Meredith officially denied the request for a quick hearing on October 11, 1974.
MESSAGE RELAY

Date 3/2/75

FROM: Director, FBI

TO: RUEADWW/  □ The President
     RUEADWW/  □ The Vice President
     □ Att.:  
     RUEADWW/  □ White House Situation Room
     □ Att.:  
     RUEHOC/  □ Secretary of State
     RUEAIA/  □ Director, CIA
     RUEKJCS/  □ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency
               and National Indications Center
     RUEACSI/  □ Department of the Army
     RUEBGFA/  □ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)
     RUEOLKN/  □ Naval Investigative Service
     RUEADSS/  □ U. S. Secret Service (PID)
     RUEBWJA/  □ Attorney General (  □ By messenger)
               □ Deputy Attorney General (  □ By messenger)
     RUEBWJA/  □ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division
               □ and Internal Security Section
               □ and General Crimes Section
     RUEBWJA/  □ Immigration & Naturalization Service
     RUEOIAA/  □ National Security Agency (DIRNSA/NSOC (Att.: SOO))
     RUEOGBA/  □ Federal Aviation Administration

     Attention: Analysis and Evaluation Unit

Classification: [Classify if to other than Bureau Office]
UNCLASSIFIED

SUBJECT: (SEE NEXT PAGE)

( Text of message begins on next page.)

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MAR 02 1975

TELYTYPE

MAIL ROOM  □  TELEYTYPE UNIT  □
8:34 PM NITEL 3/1/75 RLB

TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: SACRAMENTO (176 NHM)

DEMONSTRATION AT MODESTO, CALIFORNIA, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS OF AMERICA, FEBRUARY 18, 1975 - MARCH 1, 1975.

CIVIL UNREST


DEMONSTRATION BY UFWA, INCLUDING A MARCH AND RALLY, HELD AS SCHEDULED WITHOUT INCIDENT.

EIGHT THOUSAND PERSONS ESTIMATED IN ATTENDANCE, MANY PERSONS ARRIVING EARLY MARCH 1, 1975, BY CHARTERED BUSES FROM VARIOUS NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREAS.

END.

NRF FBI HD 688
TRANSMIT IN PIPE via teletype the attached SURETY message. (precedence)

FROM: Director, FBI

TO: RUEADWW/☐ The President
    RUEADWW/☐ The Vice President
    ☐ Att.: __________________
    RUEADWW/☐ White House Situation Room
    ☐ Att.: __________________
    RUEHOC/☐ Secretary of State
    RUEAIIA/☐ Director, CIA
    RUEKJCS/☐ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency
    ☐ and National Indications Center
    RUEACSI/☐ Department of the Army
    RUEBGFA/☐ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)
    RUEOLKN/☐ Naval Investigative Service
    RUEADSS/☐ U. S. Secret Service (PID)
    RUEBWJA/☐ Attorney General (☐ By messenger)
    RUEBWJA/☐ Deputy Attorney General (☐ By messenger)
    ☐ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division
    ☐ and Internal Security Section
    ☐ and General Crimes Section
    RUEBWJA/☐ Immigration & Naturalization Service
    RUEOIAA/☐ National Security Agency (DIRNSA/NSOC (Att.: SOO))
    RUEOGBA/☐ Federal Aviation Administration

SACS:
LEGATS:

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SUBJECT: SEE NEXT PAGE.

(Enclosed message begins on next page.)

RECEIVED 5 MAR 1975

TELETYPE

Director Sec'y
MAR 01 1975
DEMONSTRATION AT MODESTO, CALIF., BY UNITED FARM WORKERS OF AMERICA (UFWA), FEB. 28-MARCH 1, 1975, CIVIL UNREST.

ON FEB. 28, 1975, MARCHERS REPRESENTING UFWA ARRIVED IN MODESTO, CALIF., IN CONNECTION WITH PROTEST RE LACK OF SECRET BALLOTS FOR FARM LABOR WORKERS. MARCHERS CONSIST OF TWO GROUPS, ONE OF WHICH STARTED IN FRESNO AND ONE STARTED IN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. BOTH COMMENCED MARCH FEB. 24, 1975.

DEMONSTRATION DIRECTED AGAINST E. AND J. GALLO WINERY, MODESTO, AND IS RELATED TO BOYCOTT OF GALLO PRODUCTS WHICH HAS BEEN UNDERTAKEN BY UFWA.

MARCHERS WILL HOLD RALLY AT CALIF. NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY, MODESTO, EVENING OF FEB. 28, 1975.

ON MARCH 1, 1975, MARCHERS WILL MARCH TO GALLO WINERY WHERE PETITION IS TO BE DELIVERED AND PICNIC-TYPE RALLY WILL FOLLOW IN GRACEADA PARK, MODESTO.
MARCH ORGANIZERS HAVE ESTABLISHED CLOSE LIAISON WITH LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND ARE BEING AFFORDED FULL ASSISTANCE BY THOSE AGENCIES.

CESAR CHAVEZ, LEADER OF UFWA, WILL JOIN MARCHERS IN DEMONSTRATION, AND FOLK SINGER JOAN BAEZ IS EXPECTED TO PERFORM AT RALLY AT GRACEADA PARK.

INFO HAS BEEN RECEIVED THAT USE OF CALIF. NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY, MODESTO, FOR RALLY WAS ALLOWED FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS TO DO SO FROM OFFICE OF CALIF. GOVERNOR LINDSAY G. BROWN, JR.

BUREAU WOULD LIKE DETAILED ACCOUNT OF DEVELOPMENTS.

END

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MESSAGE RELAY

Date: 6/16/75

From: Director, FBI

To: SACs

To: RUEADWW/ The President
      RUEBWJA/ Attorney General
      RUEBWJA/ Deputy Attorney General
      RUEBWJA/ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division
      RUEBWJA/ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division
      RUEBWJA/ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)
      RUEACSI/ Department of the Army
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(Use RUEVDFS if Unclassified)
RUEHSE/ U. S. Secret Service (PID)
RUEHOC/ Secretary of State
RUEBGA/ Department of Transportation

Attn: World Telegram and Cable Service

Date: 6/16/75

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MAIL ROOM
TELETYPING UNIT

57 JU 1 5 1975
DEMONSTRATIONS AND VIOLENCE IN CONNECTION WITH FARM WORKERS ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES, HIDALGO, TEXAS, CIVIL UNREST.

ON JUNE 13, 1975, [REDACTED]

ADVISER THAT INFORMANTS WITHIN UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZATION IN HIDALGO AND STARR COUNTIES INDICATE THAT ALL ACTIVITIES CONNECTED WITH UFWO STRIKES IN HIDALGO AND STARR COUNTIES, TEXAS, CEASED JUNE 12, 1975.

FURTHER ADVISED TONY ORTIZ DEPARTED RIO GRANDE VALLEY AREA TEXAS JUNE 12, 1975, EMIGRE REFFORD TEXAS AREA TO ORGANIZE STRIKES AGAINST MELON GROWERS IN THAT AREA. FURTHER ADVISED HIS SOURCES IN UFWO.
MESSAGE RELAY

Date: 6/23/75

From: Director, FBI

To: SACs:

To: RUEADWW/ The President  
                                  Attn:
RUEBWJA/ Attorney General  
                                  Attn: Deputy Attorney General  
                                  Attn: Analysis and Evaluation Unit
RUEBWJA/ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division  
                                  Attn: Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division  
                                  Attn: General Crimes Section
RUEABND/ Drug Enforcement Administration
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RUEHSE/ U. S. Secret Service (PIDS)
RUEHOC/ Secretary of State
RUEBJGA/ Department of Transportation  
                                  Attn: Director of Security

To Legats:

To: RUEANAT/ National Aeronautics & Space Admin.
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MAIL ROOM ———— TELETYPING UNIT
DEMONSTRATIONS AND VIOLENCE IN CONNECTION WITH FARM WORKERS ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES, HIDALGO, TEXAS, CIVIL UNREST.

ON JUNE 19, 1975, FBI MC ALLEN [REDACTED] ADVISED FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI) THAT TONY ORENDAIN, ORGANIZER FOR UNITED FARM WORKERS (UFW) IN STATE OF TEXAS, HAD RETURNED TO RIO GRANDE VALLEY EARLIER THIS WEEK TO VISIT FAMILY AND FRIENDS. ORENDAIN AND SIX OF HIS CLOSEST ASSOCIATES IN THE UFW ARE TO BE FETED AT EDINBURG, TEXAS, ON EVENING JUNE 21, 1975. ON MORNING OF JUNE 21, 1975, ORENDAIN AND ASSOCIATES ARE SCHEDULED TO BE LEAVING AGAIN FOR PECOS, TEXAS, WHERE THEY WILL MEET WITH CAESAR CHAVEZ WHERE THEY WILL PLAN STRATEGY AND WILL THEN TRAVEL FROM PECOS, TEXAS, TO EL PASO, TEXAS, IN COMING WEEK TO HIRE MEXICAN NATIONALS TO PICKET FARMS IN PECOS, TEXAS, AREA.
PAGE TWO
SA 157-2054
MEXICAN NATIONALS TO BE PAID $5.00 PER DAY FOR PICKETING ACTIVITIES. ADVISED HE HAS NO INDICATION OF ANY ADDITIONAL PICKETING ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR RIO GRANDE VALLEY, TEXAS, BY UFW.
FAILURE TO ADVISE USA AND SECRET SERVICE LOCALLY. INSURE THEY ARE ADVISED. TELETYPES WERE NOT IN PROPER DISSEMINATIVE FORM (REFER TO MEMORANDUM TO ALL SPECIAL AGENTS IN CHARGE 8-75 2/18/75). PARAGRAPH TWO! FIRST LINE, WORD "BY" OMITTED FROM END; LAST LINE WROTE "BOND"
3:35PM URGENT JULY 23, 1975 JRC

TO: DIRECTOR (157-6-45)

DALLAS

FROM: EL PASO (157-587) (P)

POTENTIAL DEMONSTRATIONS AND VIOLENCE IN CONNECTION WITH
FARM WORKERS ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES, CIVIL UNREST.

RE EL PASO NITEL TO DIRECTOR, AND DALLAS, JUNE 23, 1975;
EL PASO NITEL TO DIRECTOR AND DALLAS, JUNE 27, 1975.

ON JULY 23, 1975, A TOTAL OF 26 MEMBERS UFW ARRESTED
LOCAL AUTHORITIES, REEVES COUNTY, TEXAS, AND CHARGED WITH
CRIMINAL TRESPASS AS RESULT OF BLOCKING PRIVATELY OWNED FARM
ROAD ON LORING BOX FARM NEAR SARAGOSA, TEXAS, AWAY HARVESTING
OF CANTALOUPE WAS TAKING PLACE. ARRESTS WERE WITHOUT
INCIDENT OR VIOLENCE. ANTONIO ORENDAIN WAS PRESENT AT SCENE,
BUT VOLUNTARILY DEPARTED PRIOR TO ARRESTS. EIGHT JUVENILES
WERE INCLUDED IN THESE ARRESTS. THE JUVENILES HAVE BEEN
RELEASED FROM CUSTODY, HOWEVER, THE REMAINING ADULTS, NONE OF
WHOM ARE FROM THE PECOS AREA, REMAIN IN THE REEVES COUNTY
JAIL, PECOS, TEXAS, EN LIEU OF $400 EACH.

PAULA CRUZ, UFW ORGANIZER, REFERRED TO IN REFERENCED EL
PASO NITEL OF JUNE 20, 1975, WAS ARRESTED THIS DATE FOR
END PAGE ONE

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DISORDERLY CONDUCT AT THE REEVES COUNTY COURT HOUSE AFTER
ALLEGEDLY CREATING A DISTURBANCE DURING JUVENILE HEARING FOR
THE EIGHT JUVENILES REFERRED TO ABOVE. HER BOND WAS ALSO SET
AT $400.

NUMEROUS INQUIRIES RECEIVED NATIONAL WIRE SERVICES, AND
AREA NEWS MEDIA, HOWEVER, LOCAL AUTHORITIES, PECOS, TEXAS,
DO NOT ANTICIPATE ANY VIOLENCE AS RESULT OF ARRESTS THIS DATE
OR FUTURE ACTIVITIES IN THE PECOS AREA.

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ADVISER AUGUST 18, 1975, THAT ALL UNITED FARM WORKERS (UFW) ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITY AT PECOS HAS CEASED AND THAT UFW LEADERS AND STRIKING MEMBERS HAVE DEPARTED PECOS FOR THE MULESHOE, TEXAS AREA.

SAIC [REDACTED], U.S. SECRET SERVICE, EL PASO, TEXAS, AND AUSA WAYNE F. SPECK, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ADVISED THIS DATE.

INASMUCH AS UFW STRIKE ACTIVITY HAS CEASED IN THE EL PASO DIVISION, THIS MATTER WILL BE CLOSED BY EL PASO.

END

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7 SEP 9 1975
MESSAGE RELAY

Date: 8/18/25

From: Director, FBI

To: SACs:

To: RUEADWW/ The President
     The Vice President
     White House Situation Room
     Attn:

RUEBWJA/ Attorney General
     Deputy Attorney General
     Analysis and Evaluation Unit
     Attn: General Crimes Section

RUEBWJA/ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division

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RHEGOTN/ Energy Research and Development Administration
     Department of Transportation
     Attn: Director of Security

RUEOGBA/ Federal Aviation Administration

TRANSMIT IN CODE

To: Legate:

UNITED FARM WORKERS

Classification: Top Secret
     Secret
     Confidential
     Unclassified

Subject (Text begins next page):

Potential Demonstrations and Violence in Connection with Farm Workers Organizational Activities.

MAIL ROOM/ TELETYPING UNIT
RE EL PASO TELETYPING TO BUREAU AND DALLAS, JULY 23, 1975.

ADvised August 18, 1975, that all United Farm Workers
union organizational activity at Pecos has ceased and that UFW leaders
and striking members have departed Pecos for the Muleshoe, Texas area.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)
FROM: SAC, EL PASO (44-893) (P)
SUBJECT: UNSUBS;
Pecos County Sheriff's Department;
Reeves County Sheriff's Department;
UNKNOWN VICTIMS,
United Farm Workers;
CA,


Enclosed hereewith for San Antonio is one copy of referenced Bureau airtel dated 9/3/75, with the above described departmental letter and letter of Mr. ORTEGA dated 7/25/75.

Also enclosed herewith to Dallas is one copy of the above described Bureau airtel to El Paso, dated 9/3/75, with enclosures in the event United Farm Workers (UFW) are currently located in the Dallas Division and, therefore, unavailable for interview within the San Antonio Division.

It is noted that referenced Bureau airtel was received at El Paso, 9/11/75 and delay in initial investigation requested due to visit of President GERALD FORD at Midland, Texas, on 9/13/75, travel of case agent to El Paso, Texas, 9/15-16/75 for firearms training, and appearance of case agent at San Antonio, Texas, 9/18-19/75 in response to subpoena.

2- Bureau
1- Dallas (Enc. 3)(Info.) SL 114
2- San Antonio (Enc. 3)
2- El Paso
CIC/psr (7)

Approved: Special Agent in Charge
Sent 17 SEP 26 1975

58 OCT 17 1975
San Antonio should refer to their file 157-2054, Rufile 157-6-45, entitled "DEMONSTRATIONS AND VIOLENCE IN CONNECTION WITH FARM WORKERS ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES, Hidalgo County, Texas, CIVIL UNREST", which file it may be assumed contains addresses for ANTONIO GORDOIN and possibly other UFW organizers, all of which apparently reside within the San Antonio Division, principally Hidalgo County, Texas. El Paso Division advised the Bureau and Dallas by nite1 7/23/75, entitled "POTENTIAL DEMONSTRATIONS AND VIOLENCE IN CONNECTION WITH FARM WORKERS ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES, CIVIL UNREST", that 26 UFW demonstrators were arrested in Reeves County, Texas, 7/23/75, and charged with Criminal Trespass, following attempted picketing on farm owned by [redacted]. Eight juveniles were included in that number. All were released on $400.00 bond posted 7/23/75.
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Occupation: Clerk  
FBI #: 178 308 P2

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Name: TOMÁS GÜIREZ  
Address: 211 West 1st Street  
San Juan, Texas  
Date of Birth: March 6, 1916  
Place of Birth: Mission, Texas  
Occupation: Fisher  
FBI #: 12296

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Name: JOSE HERNAN ALAZAR  
Address: 11 West 1st Street, Box 619  
San Juan, Texas  
Date of Birth: December 13, 1942  
Place of Birth: El Paso, Texas  
Occupation: Reporter  
FBI #: 774 356 F

Arrest 3
Name:  
Address: 11 West 1st Street, Box 619  
San Juan, Texas  
Date of Birth: March 24, 1924  
FBI #: 179 051 F5

Arrest 4
Name: CARMELO GARCIA  
Address: P.O. Box 619  
San Juan, Texas  
Date of Birth: March 1, 1932  
Place of Birth: Mexico  
FBI #: 217 022 F7

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Name JESUS FALCON LUNA
Address Route 1, Box 67AA
San Juan, Texas
Date of Birth October 24, 1933
Place of Birth Punta, Texas
Social Security 308.753 6

Arrest # 12303
Name PAULA WADDLE CRUZ
Address 3711 Redbird
Austin, Texas
Age 27
Height 5'7"
Weight 115
Hair Brown
Eyes Brown
Date of Birth November 2, 1947
Place of Birth Dallas, Texas
Texas Driver's License 561 378 7
Offense Charged Disorderly conduct
FBI # 177 381 88

It is noted that PAULA WADDLE CRUZ is most likely identical to the law student arrested and whose interview is requested by the Department in the enclosed letter. It is noted that, as previously reported, CRUZ was arrested at the Reeves County Court House in Pecos, Texas, and charged with disorderly conduct when she allegedly created a disturbance while attending the proceedings in the office of the Reeves County Juvenile Officer when the cases concerning the eight juveniles arrested with the above listed individuals were being considered. It is noted that those juveniles were released to the custody of the Catholic Priest at Pecos that date, 7/23/75.

In addition, on 9/12/75, it was advised that the following individuals were arrested by that department on 7/23/75, charged with Criminal Trespass, and released on $100.00 bond that same date in connection with UFW picketing activities. The following is a list of those names provided by W.

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addresses were provided, and it noted that none of the individuals arrested were from Pecos County, Texas:

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SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

AT HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS

Will attempt to locate and interview Mr. ORENDAIN and comply with other interviews requested by the Departmental letter enclosed.

AT AUSTIN, TEXAS

Will, unless San Antonio Division is aware of the current whereabouts of PAULA SIMMONS, attempt to locate and interview her as requested at Will Meredith, Austin, Texas.

It is requested that the results of any investigation conducted within the San Antonio Division be provided to Bureau in report form to facilitate and expedite the investigation requested.

EL PASO DIVISION:

AT EL PASO AND FORT STOCKTON, TEXAS

Will submit report reflecting complete results of investigation conducted within the El Paso Division.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE | OFFICE OF ORIGIN | DATE | INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
EL PASO | EL PASO | 9/26/75 | 9/18 - 9/19/75

TITLE OF CASE

UNSUBS,
Pecos County Sheriff's Department; Reeves County Sheriff's Department;
UNKNOWN VICTIMS,
United Farm Workers.

CHARACTER OF CASE
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REFERENCES

Bureau airtel to El Paso, 9/16/75.
El Paso airtel to Bureau and San Antonio, dated 9/22/75.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED.

ADMINISTRATIVE

All persons contacted during the course of this investigation were advised that this investigation was being conducted at the specific request of the U.S. Department of Justice.

It is noted that all individuals arrested in Pecos and Reeves County are not residents of either county and remain overnight in custody of the El Paso Division.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED

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EL PASO DIVISION

AT MIDLAND, TEXAS

Upon receipt of report from San Antonio containing results of their investigation, will contact USA regarding this matter.
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1- USA, San Antonio, Texas

Date: 9/20/75

Field Office File #: 44-283 Bureau File #: 101-444782

Title: REEVE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT;
RIO GRANDE VALLEY,
UNION VICTIMS

Character: CIVIL RIGHTS

Synopsis:

Names and addresses of individuals arrested in Reeves County on 7/22/75 obtained from

United Farm Workers was conducted on public property.

Many of individuals arrested Reeves County on 7/22/75 obtained from

it is noted that these arrests in Reeves and Reeves County were not residents of either county.

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DETAIL

This is a limited investigation.

This investigation is predicated upon receipt of a letter from J. STANLEY PETERS, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, who requested investigation be conducted into the arrests of United Farm Workers in Reeves and Reeves Counties, Texas. Reference was made to a letter written by ANTONIO ORTIZ. A copy of that letter is attached.
Edward Levi
United States Attorney General
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Levi:

We would like to bring to your attention some disturbing events which have taken place near Pecos, Texas in the last three days. We request any assistance you can render to stop the violation of farm workers' rights that is going on there now.

On Wednesday, July 23 United Farm Workers organizers and supporters began picketing near melon fields in Reeves County, Texas. They were picketing peacefully on a public road, trying to inform field workers of the benefits of unionization, when they were arrested. More than thirty people were jailed, including three women and eight children. They were charged with criminal trespass despite the fact that the county surveyor and some of the growers in the area admit the road where picketing took place is public. A law student intern was arrested later that day when she went to the Reeves County jail to inquire about the charges.

The children, ranging in age from twelve to fifteen, were held for five hours in the adult section of the jail before bail could be raised. Nineteen men were forced to remain in jail for two days because no local bondsmen would agree to bond them. During that time the prisoners were denied breakfast in apparent retaliation for their having shouted slogans in support of a field workers' strike.

On Friday, July 25, a picket line was set up on a public road near melon fields in neighboring Pecos County. The picketers were accompanied by an attorney and several law students who hoped by their presence to prevent further arrests. Moments after picketing began all of the UFW supporters on the road, including the lawyer and law students, were arrested. They were given no warning or opportunity to leave to avoid arrest. Fifteen people are again charged with trespass, although their brief activity took place on a public road.

The actions of the Pecos and Reeves County sheriffs are clearly illegal. The sheriffs are using their powers as law officers to stop legitimate labor organizing activities and to interfere with the farm workers' First
Amendment rights. They must be called to account for their lawlessness before they succeed in crushing all UFW organizing efforts by their intimidating tactics.

We believe that national attention must be focused on the developments in Pecos and national pressure must be brought to bear on Sheriff A.B. Nail of Reeves County and Sheriff C.S. Ten Eyck of Pecos County so that the law might be observed. We ask your help in achieving these two objectives.

Sincerely yours,

Antonio Crendain

Antonio Crendain
provided a list of names
and addresses of individuals who were arrested by the
Reeves County Sheriff's Office on July 23, 1975, on
charges of Criminal Trespass. A copy of the list provided
by [blacked out] is attached.

advised that the charges
against those arrested in Reeves County are pending.
Each adult arrested by his department was released on
July 24, 1975, after posting $400.00 bond. All individuals
were charged with Criminal Trespass, with the exception
of PAULA WADDLE CRUZ, believed to be a law student at the
University of Texas, who was charged with hindering
proceedings and disorderly conduct. She also was released
on $400.00 bond on July 23, 1975, after her arrest.

In addition to those adults arrested by the
Reeves County Sheriff's Department, seven juveniles were
also taken into custody. The ages of the juveniles
range from 12 to 16. The juveniles were released after
their arrest to the custody of a local Catholic Priest in
Pecos, Texas. [blacked out] advised that because
of Texas State law, which prohibits the release of names
of juveniles involved in criminal offenses, he could not
provide any further information concerning their arrest.

[blacked out] noted that none of the
individuals arrested reside in Pecos, Texas. He further
advised that ANTONIO CREUHDA is from San Juan, Texas.

The cards obtained from [blacked out] were made out
on the day of the individual arrests and are considered
as arrest reports.

Interviewed on 9/19/75 at Pecos, Texas
by [blacked out] Date dictated 9/24/75

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advised that sometime during July, 1975, a white male and a white female came to his office and requested information concerning roads located within Reeves County. He was not certain of the exact date in July, but it was during the time of the United Farm Workers protest and picketing.

After receiving the request from the white male and female, whose names he did not remember, he showed them a county map, which reflected all roads located in Reeves County. He determined that the two individuals were associated with the United Farm Workers and their request was to determine which roads in the county were private or public. The two individuals studied the map, but were unable to pinpoint the location of the picketing and protest to be held by the United Farm Workers. He stated because the two individuals could not give the correct location and site of the protest and picketing, he could not provide them properly with the information they requested.

Further stated that he was not at the site of the picketing. He also stated that after being contacted by the two individuals described above, he received no further inquiries by any member of the United Farm Workers group.

interviewed on 9/10/75 at Pecos, Texas

by [illegible] Date dictated 9/24/75

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advised that prior to picketing and protest by the United Farm Workers in Pecos County on July 24, 1975, he met with two individuals, whose names he could not remember, who claimed to be an advance group for the United Farm Workers. The two individuals requested information concerning his policy of handling the picketing within his county. He told the individuals that he would cooperate with them as long as their picketing remains peaceful and no laws were violated.

advised that the two individuals left his office apparently satisfied with his position concerning the planned picketing which was to take place on July 24, 1975. He had explained to the individuals that as long as their picketing took place on public property, he would not interfere with them in any manner.

stated that the following individuals were arrested on July 24, 1975, for criminal trespass because they left the county road and entered private property. The names and docket number are listed as follows:

FRANCISCA CASTEDA CALDERON
Docket Number 4793

BENIGNO PENA
Docket Number 4767

RANDY JAVILO
Docket Number 4738

PAULA CRUZ
Docket Number 4799

MANUEL DANIEL
Docket Number 4790

Interviewed on 9/19/75 at Fort Stockton, Texas File # El Paso 42-835

Date dictated 9/24/75
noted that FRANCISCA CALDERON was arrested twice on the same date on the same charge of Criminal Trespass. He stated that all charges against the above individuals are pending, and that no trial date has been set in this matter. Each individual was released on July 25, 1975, after posting $500.00 bond. He added that none of the individuals listed are residents of the City of Fort Stockton. He also stated that no arrest reports were made in this matter.
REFERENCES: El Paso Airtel to the Bureau, 9/22/75.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

All individuals interviewed in this matter were advised at the outset that this investigation was being conducted at the specific request of the USDJ.

The investigative period in this matter was extended due to failure by victims to keep scheduled appointments with interviewing agents. On 10/2/75, preliminary contact was made at the United Farm Workers Headquarters, San Juan, Texas, and interviews conducted to obtain information for statements. Appointments were made at this time to

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interview individuals and have statements signed on October 6, 1975. On October 6, 1975, Agents appeared at United Farm Workers Headquarters, San Juan. Miss MERCEDES FRANCO, who is employed at the Headquarters, was the only person present. Appointments were rescheduled for October 8, 1975. Again the appointments were not kept by members of the United Farm Workers, specifically Mr. TONY ORENDAIN and [REDACTED].

On 10/10/75, Mr. ORENDAIN, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. DOUGLAS, and Mr. LUNA furnished signed statements. Appointments were scheduled to interview additional persons on Monday, 10/13/75. None appeared at the United Farm Workers Headquarters, San Juan, at 8:30 a.m., 10/13/75, to interview victims as previously scheduled and waited for one and one-half hours and departed when Miss FRANCO appeared at the Headquarters and advised that she had no information regarding whereabouts of the individuals to be interviewed except that they were apparently on picket lines somewhere near Mission, Texas.

On 10/17/75, an abortive attempt was again made to contact United Farm Workers officials to obtain home addresses of individuals arrested in Pecos County. On 10/23/75, Mr. ORENDAIN agreed to have victims available for interview at the Police Department, McAllen, Texas, at 7:30 p.m., 10/23/75. The appointments were not kept by the victims. On 10/24/75, Mr. ORENDAIN was again contacted and at that time he furnished information regarding the whereabouts of victims of the arrest in Pecos County, Texas. No further appointments were scheduled.
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Report of:  10/30/75
Office: San Antonio

Date:

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Bureau File #: 100-444762

Field Office File #:  

Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
Pecos County Sheriff's Department;
Reeves County Sheriff's Department;
UNKNOWN VICTIMS,
United Farm Workers

Character: CIVIL RIGHTS

Synopsis: [redacted] declined to be interviewed in this matter on instructions from her attorney. 
[redacted] interviewed 10/6/75, and advised she was illegally arrested on 7/25/75, on charges of criminal trespass by the Sheriff's Office, Pecos County, Texas. [redacted], San Juan, interviewed 10/10/75, and advised they had been illegally arrested on 7/23/75, for criminal trespass by the Sheriff's Office, Reeves County, Texas. [redacted] interviewed 10/10/75, at which time he stated he was arrested 7/25/75, by the Sheriff's Office, Pecos County, and he felt that the arrest was not valid under Texas law. On 10/10/75, ANTONIO ORENDAINE, Chief Organizer, United Farm Workers (UFW), San Juan, furnished a signed statement. On 10/24/75, [redacted] interviewed and advised that he had been illegally arrested on 7/23/75, by the Deputies of the Sheriff's Office, Reeves County. On 10/10/75, JAMES HARRINGTON, Attorney, American Civil Liberties Union, located in the building housing UFW, San Juan, furnished copies of the affidavits previously furnished by victims [redacted] and [redacted].

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DETAILS:

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was telephonically contacted by Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on September 30, 1975. was advised that it was desired that an interview be set up with her to interview her concerning alleged civil rights violations of law enforcement officers in Pecos County and Reeves County, Texas. advised that she desired to be interviewed at her residence at 10:45 a.m., October 1, 1975 and an interview was arranged for this time.

On October 1, 1975, telephonically contacted Special Agent at the Austin, Texas Resident Agency of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and advised that she had discussed the interview with her attorneys and inasmuch as there are pending criminal charges against her in both Pecos and Reeves County, Texas, it was the counsel of her attorney that she not be interviewed by a representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning this matter.
advised of the official identity of the interviewing Agent, and furnished the following signed statement:

"October 6, 1975
San Juan, Texas

"I, [redacted], residing at [redacted], having been advised by Special Agent [redacted] Federal Bureau of Investigation, that any statement made by me can be used in court, do hereby make the following free and voluntary statement:

"On July 25, 1975, I was in Pecos, Texas, in connection with United Farm Workers (U.F.W.) organizing activities. Our headquarters were in Pecos, Texas, and we had been sleeping at a convent of the Catholic Church in Pecos.

On July 25, 1975, we got up at about 5:00 AM and about thirteen of us met at our headquarters. One group of organizers left with Mr. Orendain, and I went with the group being led by Mr. Armando Acosta.

"Our group drove into Pecos County, Texas, and went to a melon field, located on a dirt road in Pecos County, to talk to some workers.

"We arrived at our location and were there about ten minutes when two patrol cars of the Sheriff's Office arrived. The Chief Deputy of the Sheriff's Office arrived and talked to Mr. Jim Douglas, an attorney with our group. We were then told by Mr. Douglas and the Chief Deputy to get into the patrol car. I was not told that I was under arrest. This occurred at approximately 7:00 AM.

"We were then taken to the County Courthouse"
"in Fort Stockton, Texas. Prior to arriving in Fort Stockton, we transferred to the car of the Sheriff.

"Upon arrival at the courthouse, we were processed. I was told that I was charged with criminal trespass. The Sheriff read us our rights in English as a group. We all wrote statements and gave them to the Sheriff. We remained in a group all the time.

"Some of the people did not understand English and the Sheriff refused to give them their rights in Spanish. He said he did not know Spanish, and they would have to wait until a Spanish speaker arrived. The Sheriff said that somebody in the group who was bi-lingual should tell the Spanish speakers what their rights were.

"I assumed I was under arrest when I was told to get into the patrol car that morning, but was not formally advised until I was charged at the courthouse. I was not told by any of the deputies that I was trespassing.

"When the Sheriff was asked at the courthouse why the group had not been advised that they were trespassing, he said something to the effect, 'How can you advise a group?'

"After processing at the courthouse, we were transferred to the city jail. The jail was very cold, and the blankets were still damp from having been recently washed.

"We began singing songs, and the Sheriff and deputies said we were behaving like animals.

"The officers used profane language in our presence, but it was not directed towards me personally.

"Benigno Pena and Paula Cruz were both pushed by deputies. Roger Manne, who had the videotape equipment, was pushed by a deputy and his equipment was taken.

"One of the arresting deputies grabbed at my flag at the arrest site, but I put it back in the car.
"Prior to being arrested, Armando Acosta, Benigno Pena, and Paula Cruz told us that we would be on public property. Acosta and Cruz had talked to officials in both counties to ensure that the U.P.W. would not violate any trespass laws.

"I have read the above statement, consisting of this and three other pages and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

/s/ [Redacted] 10/6/75

"Witnessed by:
/s/ "SA [Redacted] McAllen, Texas 10/6/75
/s/ "[Redacted] SA, FBI, McAllen, Texas 10/6/75

[Redacted] is described as follows:

Name
Race
Sex
Date of birth
Place of birth
Height
Weight
Hair
Eyes
Social Security No.
Occupation
Employer

Address

Telephone
had no apparent physical handicaps which would affect the information provided above.
[*redacted*] was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and furnished the following signed statement:

"October 10, 1975
San Juan, Texas

I, Jose Henry Salazar, residing at P.O. Box 1493, San Juan, Texas, having been advised by Special Agent [*redacted*] Federal Bureau of Investigation, that any statement made by me can be used in court, do hereby make the following free and voluntary statement:

"On July 23, 1975, the UFW was conducted organizing picketing in Reeves County, Texas. On the morning of July 23, 1975, I was with a group of UFW pickets, picketing an onion field several miles south of the town of Pecos, Texas. We had about thirty people when we arrived. About seventy field workers joined us.

"We then formed a second group of about thirty people and then proceeded East on the gravel road on which we picketed the first field. We drove to a cantaloupe field, about three miles east of the onion field and then began to talk with the laborers in the field. We stayed on the road and the workers came out to talk to us.

"I was with the group of strikers at the cantaloupe field.

"We had been at the cantaloupe field for approximately two hours when a farmer drove up in a white pick-up truck and talked to Benigno Pena and asked what we were doing there. The farmer left after a short time.

Interviewed on 10/10/75 in McAllen, Texas  File 64-442889

by [signature]  Date dictated 10/10/75

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"A short while later, a Reeves County Deputy Sheriff, named Jenkins, drove up in a patrol car and said that he thought we were on private land. He said that it might be a good idea to leave until it was determined whether the land was public or private. We asked to show him a map which would indicate that we were on public land, but we found that we had left the map with the original group at the onion field.

"Paula Cruz was then sent to bring the map to him.

"While Paula Cruz was gone, another deputy, name unrecollected - possibly Ingrams, drove up. He said we were on private property and should leave.

"We told this deputy what we were doing and that we could produce a map showing that we were on public land.

"The deputy then said that if we did not leave in ten seconds, we would be arrested. He then began counting. He finished counting and said we were all under arrest. There were twenty-seven of us, consisting of three women, eight or nine children, and the rest were men. About ten or fifteen of the people who were arrested were people who had been working in the cantaloupe field.

"During the two hours that we had been at the field, there had been some movement of people between the two picketing locations.

"The two deputies made all twenty-seven people get in a pick-up truck belonging to one of the strikers and we then started to drive to the Sheriff's Office in Pecos, Texas. The truck was running badly, and a short while later, about ten miles north of the picketing area, we were met by Sheriff A. B. Nail in a pick-up truck. He took about ten people in his truck. Another deputy, Orquides, drove up in a squad car, and took about four people in his car."
"We drove to the Reeves County Courthouse and were booked into the jail at approximately 11:30 AM on July 23, 1975. The charges were criminal trespass. Bond was set at $400.00 for each person. After booking, we were taken into the cell block. The men, women, and children were separated into groups.

"When we were put into the cells the men began shouting, 'Huelga!' and slogans and chants. Sheriff Nail came back into the cell-block and said, 'You can yell all day and all night, but you won't get fed all day and all night, either.' We were fed supper on the evening of July 23.

"We shouted and sang all night long after supper, and did not get breakfast on the morning of July 24, 1975. We were fed lunch on July 24, 1975.

"None of us were mistreated in any way. Benigno Pena and an old man refused to sign an Arrest Information Form and were placed in a cell together, but separate from the other prisoners.

"We were all released on bond at approximately 5:00 pm on July 24, 1975. Mr. Warren Burnett made bond for all of the men with the exception of one man who was bonded out by the Presbyterian Church in Pecos. The Odessa-Woodland Chamber of Commerce bonded out the women. The children had been released earlier into the custody of a Priest in Pecos.

"Prior to the picketing activities, the UFW had held a series of meetings to plot strategy and to make sure that all picketing would be done on public property. We had maps and knew which roads were public and which were not. So far as I was concerned, we were on public property during all of our picketing activities.

"I have read the above statement which consists of this page and five other pages and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

/s/ [Signature]

"Witnessed by:
/s/ [Signature] Special Agent, FBI, McAllen, Texas, 10/10/75."
The following description of [redacted] was obtained through observation and interview:

Name
Race
Sex
Date of birth
Place of birth
Height
Weight
Hair
Eyes
Social Security No.
Occupation

Residence

[redacted] had no apparent physical handicap which could affect the information provided above.
was advised of the official identity of the interviewing Agent and furnished the following signed statement:

"October 10, 1975
San Juan, Texas

I, [redacted], residing at [redacted], having been advised by Special Agent [redacted], Federal Bureau of Investigation (F.B.I.), that any statement made by me can be used in court, do hereby make the following free and voluntary statement.

On July 23, 1975, I was picketing with the United Farm Workers (UFW) at the Duncan Farms near Saragosa, Reeves County, Texas. We were picketing the onion fields at Duncan Farms and all of the pickers joined the strike.

I and some other organizers then drove east for about three miles on a blacktop road and found some workers harvesting melons. About twenty-three pickers joined the strike.

We were there about a 1/2 hour or 45 minutes when a Deputy Sheriff drove up and told us we were on a private road. We disagreed with him because we had a county map from the Texas Highway Department which showed that we were on a public road.

About five or ten minutes later, the Chief Deputy drove up. He told us to leave and gave us ten seconds to do so. It was not possible for us to even load up the people in ten seconds. We were all then placed under arrest by the Chief Deputy who told everybody to get into my truck, a 1964 Chevrolet 1/2 ton pick-up truck. There were four organizers and 23 workers, including seven children, under arrest.
"The Chief Deputy then left for Pecos. We proceeded north to a point about 10 or 15 miles south of Pecos where we were met by the Chief Deputy in a pick-up truck, and he took about 10 people from my truck. Two U. S. Border Patrol cars and two deputies cars escorted us.

"Upon arrival at the courthouse, the Chief Deputy used rough language towards us and herded us around during the processing.

"After processing we were placed in the cells. One of the little girls was placed with some of the men in a cell. Her father was in the cell. The deputies removed her from that cell and placed her with the other children.

"We arrived at the courthouse at about 11:30 AM but were not fed lunch because the Chief Deputy said we were yelling too much.

"We were fed supper. We were not fed breakfast on July 24, 1975, because the Chief Deputy said we had yelled too much during the night. We were fed lunch on July 24, 1975.

"We were never advised of our rights, even during the time we were arraigned.

"Benny Pena and I were singled out to fill out the personal background sheets. We refused to fill them out at first, but did so after talking to our attorney, Jim Harrington. Nobody else was required to completely fill out the forms.

"We were released at about 5:00 pm, on July 24, 1975, on $400 bond each. I feel that the bond was excessive.

"The children had been kept in jail for about three hours on the first day, and were released to the Catholic Priest, Father Jose Valadez, Pecos, Texas, pending release of their parents.
"No one was physically abused by the arresting officers, but I feel that I was wrongfully arrested and falsely accused of criminal trespass because I was on a public road at the time I was arrested.

"I have read the above statement, consisting of this page and three other pages, and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

/s/ [Signature]

"Witnessed by:

/s/ [Signature] Special Agent, FBI, McAllen, Texas, 10/10/75."

The following description of [Name] was obtained through observation and interview:

Race
Sex
Date of birth
Place of birth
Height
Weight
Hair
Eyes
Social Security No.
Marital status
Occupation

[Name] had no apparent physical handicaps which could affect the information provided above.
was advised of the official identity of the interviewing Agent and then furnished the following signed statement:

"October 10, 1975
San Juan, Texas

"I, having been advised by Special Agent Federal Bureau of Investigation, that any statement made by me can be used in court, do hereby make the following free and voluntary statement:

On the morning of July 25, 1975, I was in Pecos County, Texas, in connection with picketing activities being conducted by the United Farm Workers (U.F.W.) organization.

"There were several individuals from the U.F.W. and myself included in a group that was to picket fields located off the main highway between Cenicosa and Fort Stockton, Texas.

"My purpose in being with the U.F.W. group was to minimize confrontations between picketers and law enforcement personnel and to ensure that the picketers were aware of what the law was pertaining to the conduct of their picketing and that the law enforcement personnel enforced the law with fairness and without undue force.

"After leaving the main road, we drove along a farm road, which was maintained by the county according to the map we had obtained from the county. As we drove along, I noticed some 'No Trespassing' signs staped to some power poles alongside the road and facing the road. These, to me, indicated that the fields, which bordered the road, were posted. There were no signs indicating to me that the road was private.

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"When we came to the area we had planned to picket, Pecos County Sheriff's Deputy Paul (Last Name Unknown), was sitting in a car parked at the side of the road. It was light, but not yet sunrise. We parked about 50 yards in front of the deputy, and proceeded with the picketing activities.

"After two minutes or so, we got back into the cars and proceeded further along the road to another field and parked. Shortly after we had stopped, three Pecos County Sheriff's Office Cars arrived with their red lights flashing, and parked across the road from us. Dave Hill, the Chief Deputy, I believe, got out and told us all to get into the deputies' cars, that we were under arrest.

"I went over to remonstrate with Deputy Hill to let him know that we thought we were on public land, and if we were not, we were at least entitled to a warning so that we could leave, according to Texas statutes.

"Deputy Hill told me that he did not care who I was, to shut up and get in the car.

"Thirteen of us picketers were placed into two squad cars and were driven at high speeds, occasionally as high as 75 miles per hours, to Fort Stockton, Texas, the county seat of Pecos County. We were all charged with criminal trespass and released on the maximum bond ($400.00 for each person). We were held one day in the city jail because the county jail was being repaired.

"It appeared to me that the picketers were not arrested in accordance with Texas statutes. We were not given any warning by the deputies that we were possibly trespassing on private property, there were no signs indicating that we were on private property, and we were not given any chance to leave the property before being placed under arrest.

"It is my personal contention that the maximum bonds were placed on the strikers in an effort to
"break the strike. In effect, the maximum bonds did cause the U.F.W. to curtail some of its picketing activities, because the source of bond money had already posted approximately $14,000 in bonds and hesitated to post any more beyond that amount.

"At no time did the deputies or arresting officers cause us any physical harm, but I personally believe that the arrests were not valid under Texas law. At no time did we enter any fields. We remained on the road or the shoulder of the road at all times.

"I have read the above statement, consisting of this page and three other pages, and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

/s/ [Signature]

"Witnessed by:

/s/ [Signature], Special Agent, FBI, McAllen, Texas, 10/10/75"

The following description of [Redacted] was obtained through observation and interview:

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[Redacted] had no apparent physical handicaps which could affect the information provided above.

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Mr. ANTONIO ORENDAIN was advised of the official identity of the interviewing Agent and then furnished the following signed statement:

"October 10, 1975
"San Juan, Texas

"I, Antonio Orendain, residing at Rt. 1, Box 149-B, Alamo, Texas, which is also the headquarters for the United Farm Workers (U.F.W.), Alamo, having been advised by Special Agent [redacted] Federal Bureau of Investigation, that any statement made by me can be used in court, do hereby make the following free and voluntary statement:

"On July 23, 1975, I was in Pecos, Reeves County, Texas, in connection with organizing activities by the U.F.W. The U.F.W. had been conducting union organizing activities in the Pecos, Texas, area, since the last week of June, 1975.

"On the morning of July 23, 1975, the organizers assembled at approximately 7:30 AM, at 1003 East 3rd Street, Pecos, which was the address used as our headquarters. There were about ten or fifteen of us who met and then proceeded to a location twenty or thirty miles south of Pecos. We drove to an onion field located at the intersection of Farm Road 2448 and an unnumbered road. No Sheriff's Office vehicles were present when we arrived at the fields. We then began our picketing activities.

"Three of our organizers then proceeded due East on the same road for about three miles to a cantaloupe field.

"Simetime later we were notified that some workers in the cantaloupe field were joining the strike. I drove over to the cantaloupe field in the U.F.W. van and brought fifteen or twenty people back to the onion field.

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"I then told Armando Acosta that we would have to go get our bus which was in Pecos.

"After we got the bus, and were returning to the picketing area, we observed a Sheriff's Office car and the pickup truck of Mr. Jesus Luna proceeding north on the main highway, about ten miles north of the picketing area. Mr. Luna's truck was filled with people who appeared to be farm workers.

"We proceeded on to the picketing area. At the onion field, all of the workers had joined in the strike. No one had been disturbed at this location by deputies of the Sheriff's Office on other law enforcement officers.

"I then sent two law students to Pecos to determine what had happened. I told everybody else to go on home.

"On the way back to Pecos, I was stopped by a Highway Patrol Officer, Texas Department of Public Safety, who checked my van. Everything in the van and my driver's license was all right, with the exception of the left high beam headlight which did not work. I was cited for the headlight at approximately 11:30 AM.

"While the ticket was being written, a man, apparently a farmer, stopped and asked who spoke English. I said that I did. The farmer then said, 'If you don't leave town, we'll kill you.' I called this to the attention of the Highway Patrol Officer who told me that the COUNTY Sheriff handled problems of that nature, not the Highway Patrol. He also told me that the farmer had a right to freedom of speech.

"After being cited, I drove on back to our headquarters.

"Some reporters told us that on their police monitors they had overheard several conversations between officers which in essence, indicated that the officers which, in essence, indicated that the officers wanted to 'get Orendain.'
"I told all of my organizers to respect private property lines and to obey all instructions issued by law enforcement officers.

"I was not present when the strikers were arrested on July 23, 1975, in Reeves County, and I therefore do not know exactly what happened to cause the arrests.

"On July 25, 1975, we moved our strike and organizing activities to Pecos County, Texas, which adjoins Reeves County on the Southeast. We met at the headquarters early and then drove from Pecos, Texas, on Highway 1450 to an area four or five miles South of the town of Cayomosa, Texas. There were about fifteen or twenty of us who left from the headquarters.

"One group of organizers dropped off early to go to one field, and I continued on with the rest of the organizers to a point a few miles north of Fort Stockton, Texas. We were going to picket a melon field located alongside the main highway. When we arrived at the field, two cars from the Pecos County Sheriff's Office were already there.

"Shortly after our arrival, two other Sheriff's Office cars came by and all four cars then proceeded north on the highway.

"Some time later, two or three Sheriff's Office and state cars returned, going south on the highway. The organizers from the first group were in the cars. I later learned that the first group had been arrested for trespassing.

"On July 24, 1975, another one of our organizers, Francisca Castillo Calderon had been arrested by the Pecos County Sheriff's Office, at the location at which I was picketing on July 25, 1975.

"Again I was not present when the organizers were arrested on July 25, 1975, and cannot say what led to their arrest."
"I have read the above statement, consisting of this page and five other pages, and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

/s/ "Antonio Orendain"

"Witnessed by:
/s/ "[Redacted], Special Agent, FBI, McAllen, Texas 10/10/75"

Mr. ORENDAINE is described as follows:

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Mr. ORENDAINE had no apparent physical handicaps which could affect the information provided above.
The Honorable James Harrington, Attorney, American Civil Liberties Union, representing the United Farm Workers (UFW), San Juan, Texas, furnished a copy of an affidavit made by one on July 28, 1975. The affidavit is set forth below:

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STATE OF TEXAS    COUNTY OF HIDALGO

AFFIDAVIT

1. My name is [redacted] and my address is [redacted].

2. On Friday, July 25, 1975, I went with approximately 14 other supporters of the United Farm Workers (farmworkers, organizers, and legal personnel) and members of the press to melon fields in Pecos County for the purpose of persuading farmworkers to join a strike for better working conditions and collective bargaining agreements. We turned off Highway 1776 onto a fairly wide, gravel topped dirt road about 7 a.m. We proceeded down the road about a mile, stopped, and for about three or four minutes half of the group stood on the side of the road and tried to persuade several truckloads of farm workers leaving for the fields not to go to work.

3. We proceeded down the road again for about half a mile and stopped where the same workers were getting off the trucks and beginning to pick melons.

4. I did not see a single sign anywhere on this dirt road indicating that it was private property or that we were trespassing. I assumed it was a public road for that very reason, and because the road appeared to be well maintained and well travelled.

5. Our cars were parked off the road on the strip of land approximately eight feet wide between the road and the irrigation canal that bordered the melon fields. We stood on that same strip of land with our United Farm Worker flags and talked to the farm workers starting to work in the fields. We were there about three or four minutes.

6. I was standing at the far right end of the group. I heard cars drive up and some kind of commotion. I looked to my left and saw two cars drive up at high speed and stop near us. I also noticed other cars driving up to the left of our group, but I'm not sure how many. I saw at least five deputies there over the course of the next few minutes.

7. I saw one deputy grab the blue knapsack belonging to a member of the press. I heard Jim Douglas, an attorney, and a deputy arguing about whether we were trespassing or not. I then heard Jim Douglas say "Alright. Let's all go and get in their cars."
8. Two deputies approached me and told me to get in their car, which I did.
9. From the time they drove up until the time I entered the car was about
one to two minutes.
10. At no time was I told I was under arrest.
11. At no time was I told I was committing an offense, or what that offense
was.
12. At no time was I warned that I was on private property.
13. At no time was I given a chance to leave the property.
14. At no time did I hear anyone else in the group being given any warning
or chance to leave.
14. After we arrived at the Pecos County Courthouse to be processed, I
heard Jim Douglas and the sheriff discussing the arrests. Jim Douglas informed
the sheriff that under Texas law a trespasser was entitled to a warning before
arrest if there were no signs indicating that the property was private, and she
be allowed to leave the property first. The sheriff acknowledged both that fact
and the fact that his deputies had given no such warning by saying "How can
you warn a big group like that?", or something to that effect.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day, July 20, 1975.

[Signature]

Notary Public in and for
Hidalgo County.

Mr. JAMES HARRINGTON, Attorney, American Civil Liberties Union, representing the United Farm Workers, San Juan, Texas, furnished SA____ a copy of an affidavit made by____ on August 13, 1975. The affidavit is set forth below:

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by ___SAS____ies

Date dictated 10/10/75

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF MIDALGO

APPENDIX

I, hereby solemnly swear:

I, was arrested on July 23, 1975, in Reeves County, Texas, and taken by Chief Deputy Gary Ingram and other members of the Reeves County Sheriff's Department to the Reeves County Jail.

I was first placed in a cell with adult males. Then Deputy John F. Lewis, Juvenile Court Officer, came to remove me from that cell. I was scared and started crying. I did not want to be in jail by myself, and I did not know where Lewis was taking me. Lewis pushed and shoved me out of that cell to make me go to another cell.

Altogether, I was under arrest for approximately 4 hours and I was in jail for at least 3 hours.

Affiant

Parent

Subscribed and sworn to before me, the undersigned authority, by on this the day of , 1975.

Notary public

Ponciano Martinez
Mr. JAMES HARRINGTON, Attorney, American Civil Liberties Union, representing the United Farm Workers, San Juan, Texas, furnished SA [redacted] copy of an affidavit made by [redacted] on August 11, 1975. The affidavit is set forth below:
The State of Texas  
County of Reeves  

AFFIDAVIT  

I, [redacted], living at [redacted], do hereby solemnly swear:  

I, [redacted], was arrested on July 23, 1975, by the Reeves County Sheriff's Department under the direct supervision of Chief Deputy Gary Ingram. At no time during this arrest was I informed that I had certain rights as an arrested person, nor did anyone at anytime tell me that those rights were.  

During my imprisonment on the 3rd floor of the jail, I was placed in a cell with four toilets, none of which worked. Blankets were not furnished for the bunks, and the single shower which was provided was in filthy condition.  

Sheriff Nail denied us meals on at least 2 occasions. In all, I was fed two times in 30 hours.  

I was required to fill out a Reeves County Arrest Form which asked information, such as service in armed forces, schools attended, and names of immediate family members, which I consider to be private and irrelevant to an arrest.  

Two men with me, Jesus Luna and Benigno Peña, were isolated in a separate cell because they refused to fill out these forms.  

A deputy, whose name I did not know then and do not know now, was asked why we were denied breakfast. He replied, "If you want to act like animals, we'll treat you like animals." This was because we had yelled, "Huelga!"
APPENDIX (cont'd)

Later, a small hole in the wall of the cell, I saw someone cutting the hair of a Union worker, Ricardo Rodriguez.

By talking to the other non-Union prisoners, I learned that the cell had been emptied and readied for our arrest three days prior to the actual event. I was told that we were getting leftovers from the other prisoners for food. Some prisoners said that they had been in prison for as long as twenty months awaiting trial for such simple charges as drunkenness.

Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me, the undersigned authority, by [redacted] On this the [redacted] day of July, 1976.

[Signature]
Rotary Public In and For Reeves County, Texas

My Commission Expires June 1, 1971
Mr. JAMES HARRINGTON, Attorney, American Civil Liberties Union, representing the United Farm Workers, furnished a copy of an affidavit made by [redacted] dated August 15, 1975. The affidavit is set forth below:

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by [redacted] Date dictated 10/10/75

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STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HIDALGO

AFFIDAVIT

I, [REDACTED], was arrested by Reeves County, Texas; Chief Deputy Gary Ingram, on July 23, 1975.

Ingram did physically abuse me by pushing and shoving me into the Sheriff's Office at the Reeves County Courthouse.

At no time during the arrest did Ingram or any other officer advise me that as an arrested person I had certain rights nor did they advise me as to what those rights were.

During my incarceration, I shared a cell with three female juveniles: Maria Del Carmen Gayton, Maria Olague, and Zoetrix Olague. In addition, I saw five male juveniles, who I believe to be Jose Manuel Gaytan, Juan Lujan, Jesus Manuel Escontrias, Jose Sotelo and Francisco Gonzalez, lead in and out of a cell across the hall from the cell I was in.

[REDACTED]

Affiant

Sworn to and subscribed to before me, the undersigned authority, on this 15th day of August, 1975.

[REDACTED]

Notary Public in and for Hidalgo County

My commission expires June 1, 1977.
Mr. JAMES HARRINGTON, Attorney, American Civil Liberties Union, representing the United Farm Workers, furnished a copy of a statement made by [redacted] on July 23, 1975. The statement is set forth below:
On 7/23/75 Union organizers began picketing at Duncan Farms near Marfa, Texas at the site of an onion field. Organizers then decided to leave that site and move down the road approximately one mile to a onion field called Solomon Farm. I was arrested there for criminal trespass after a period of picketing.

Prior to the arrests I was at Solomon Farm. I was standing with other organizers and had our information from a county maintained road. We were relying on a current Texas highway Department map and the information from the county surveyor's office. I was attempting to keep some juveniles from even approaching the irrigation ditch that would normally mark the boundaries of private property.

I did at one point go a few hundred feet down a dirt road on the west side of the onion field. I went with a few other women to ask the workers whether if they wanted to come out of the fields. We left the field as soon as we were asked to do so by the man who appeared to be a field boss.

After a short while a deputy arrived. A discussion began about the public vs. private nature of the road. I left to get the above-mentioned map from a car located at Duncan Farms.

Then I returned to the onion field site, I saw about 25 people lodged in Jesus Lunez's pick-up truck. Someone yelled that they had been arrested and were on the way to the Reeves County Courthouse, so I decided to follow to observe the actions of the law enforcement officials.

We were proceeding down the road which passed by the onion field when we were stopped by the Department of Public Safety officials. I did not have my driver's license, because I was driving the car of one of the arrested people in Luna's truck. I was ticketed for failing to have a driver's license.
limited since I was not an attorney. But I was at that point the only "legal" person around.

I entered the Sheriff's office and asked Ingram what the charge was. He said it was criminal trespass. I think my next question was about the amount of bail. He then asked me if I were an attorney. I said yes. I was not because I had not previously been in that role. I remembered we well enough to call it "involuntary." Ingram, of course I was not an attorney and was not pretending to be one. I said, "You have to get out of here." He then pushed me out the door to the office and locked it.

One of the members of the film crew then advised me of the location of the juveniles. They pointed to a suite of offices I knew contained the county d.a. and county judge's offices. I found the juveniles in an adjoining room seated at a long table with forms in front of them. They were being matched by a young woman I recognized as a receptionist for the judge and d.a.

The form said at the top "Receives County Arrest Form." It was on an Estra paper with many questions on it. I told the children in Spanish not to admit their guilt to anyone. I then began looking over the form and helped them fill it out. A man came in and told me to leave. I said I would help the juveniles with the form. He then closed the door to the office, and told the receptionist to call for a deputy.

Chief Deputy Gary Ingram came in. He told me that since I was not an attorney I would have to leave. I stated that I was not there as an attorney, but as an adult and tried to help the juveniles with the form. He said that a juvenile officer would come later to do that. He told me to leave. I said I would stay until the officer arrived. He asked me if I would leave and I said I would stay. He said I was under arrest.

Ingram then shoved me out into the receptionist area across the floor of the courthouse and into the sheriff's office. He told me I was charged with disorderly conduct, took my personal belongings, and locked me to a third floor cell.

Two female strippers were in the cell. They were filthy with dust, cigarettes, beer, and trash. We were located in cells across and next to us. The door to our cell had two openings in it, which could not be closed. The urinal was located in front of that door. It was impossible for us to use the urinal without the exposure to the cell across the hallway observing us.

In a little while the three daughters of the two women joined us. We were offered lunch which the girls accepted, but I (adults) refused. The two strippers were very concerned about their children left at home. I learned that they were arrested and booked no one inquired if they had small children at home. The house was without supervision. Ingram said he was a juvenile officer, John F. Lewis (Phil) appeared later and asked the women the girls would be returned to. They knew of no one. He returned to say that the F. Fierro from Alva, a New Church with the children. He then took the girls out of the cell.

About two hours after my incarceration I was in a group of 2.
taken before Justice of the Peace Cliff Proctor for charging. I learned that I was being held for conduct interfering with a judicial proceeding that my bail was $100. In each case a woman translated the charge and the bail amount into Spanish.

When I was leaving the Sheriff's office, Capt. Jones from the El Paso Times attempted to talk to ... but the deputy would not allow.

Later I was taken to be fingerprinted and photographed. I had to fill out the Reeves County arrest form. I inquired into schooling, family, etc. As soon as I completed this process, I was taken downstairs where Kirk Purcell, rich with Odessa Chamber of Commerce money obtained my release. The officer responsible for my release was absolutely rude. He was abrupt in his speech and actions, and seemed to be personally angry with me. He at no time used abusive language. But he reinforced my feeling of relief at being out.
Mr. ANTONIO ORENDAIN, Chief Organizer, Texas United Farm Workers (UFW), San Juan, Texas, furnished the following information concerning the individuals arrested by the Sheriff’s Office (SO), Pecos County, Texas, on July 25, 1975:

FRANCISCA CASTILLO CALDERON is employed by the UFW, San Juan, and lives in Reynosa, Mexico, exact address unknown.

Mr. BENIGNO PENA works for UFW, his home address is unknown.

Mr. RANDY JARAMILLO was an observer and was from Muleshoe, Texas.

Mr. MANUEL DANIEL was an observer and was from Muleshoe, Texas.

Miss MERCEDES FRANCO is a legal secretary and is employed in the building which houses the headquarters of the Texas UFW, San Juan.

CYNTHIA DUMFREY is a law student from Boston, Massachusetts, and was an observer.

ROGER JOEL MANNE was a law student from Boston or Austin, Texas, and was an observer.

Mr. HOLLICE ANDREW SNYDER was a photographer from Austin.

IRMA HERNANDEZ is employed by the UFW, San Juan, and is from Reynosa, Mexico, exact address unknown.

MARIA FLORES was a photographer from Austin.

Mr. JAMES A. DOUGLAS is an attorney from San Benito, Texas.

ARMANDO ACOSTA is employed by UFW and is currently in Austin. He is from Muleshoe.

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by SA ies Date dictated 10/28/75

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Mr. ORENDAIN, at the outset of the interview, was made aware of the official identity of the interviewing Agent and that anything he might say could be used in a court of law. He declined to furnish a signed statement.

Mr. ORENDAIN had no apparent physical handicaps which could affect the information provided above.
was advised of the official identity of the interviewing Agent and that anything he might say could be used in a court of law. He declined to furnish a signed statement, but orally advised as follows:

There were approximately 40 people working in the fields at that time.

At approximately 8:00 a.m. on July 23, 1975, individuals representing the United Farm Workers (UFW) appeared on the road bordering the field in which he was working. They began shouting into the fields that the workers should join the strike by UFW. There were approximately 20 or 25 representatives of the UFW on the road.

Out of the crew in which he was working, everybody left and joined the strikers except about three people, they were from San Juan, Texas, name unknown. Most of the people left the field not because of the UFW urging, but because the owner of the truck began getting mad at the few workers who did leave and began swearing at them, so all of the workers left.

When the workers left the field they went out on the road and joined the strikers. They stayed on the road at all times. They moved down towards the other crew working in the field which had approximately 60 people in it and began shouting at them to join the strike. At about this time a Deputy Sheriff drove up and indicated that the road they were on was private property. The leader of the strikers, name unknown to stated that he had checked the map on the road and it was public land. Another deputy came up and said that he would give them 10 seconds to leave inasmuch as the road was private property. He counted to ten and then arrested everybody. The deputies loaded all of the people into one truck and left the area and began driving into the town of Pecos, Texas.

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by SA Yes Date dictated: 10/26/75

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About halfway to Pecos another Deputy Sheriff drove up in a pickup truck and put some of the workers into his truck. They then drove on to Pecos, Texas, where everybody arrested was booked, fingerprinted and photographed. They were then placed into a cell and everybody began shouting. A Deputy Sheriff told them that if they kept shouting they would not get any food.

The UFW representatives kept on shouting, the workers did not because they had been working all morning and had not had lunch, and were hungry. Because of the shouting by the UFW representatives, the prisoners did not get supper. They did get breakfast the next morning at which point the UFW representatives began shouting some more. A deputy came in and told everybody to be quiet or they would get no lunch. Everybody quieted down, but no lunch was served.

Everybody was bonded out at approximately 5:30 p.m. The bond was made by an attorney, name unknown, who works for the UFW.

stated that the men were placed in one cell, the women were placed in another cell and the children were placed in yet another cell. The children were released to the custody of the local priest in Pecos, Texas, at about 2:00 or 3:00 p.m. on the day that everybody was arrested. His younger sister, 12 years old, was also arrested and she was released to the custody of the priest.

stated that at no time was he personally physically abused by any of the deputies, nor did he see anyone else abused.

He stated that he originally went to the fields to work, and when he joined the strike he did so believing that he would be on public land inasmuch as the road appeared to be a public road. He stated that he does not personally have any knowledge regarding any efforts made by any member
of the UFW organization to determine whether or not the road was public or private.

stated that he had no additional information to furnish concerning this matter.

is described as follows:

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Marital status

at the outset of the interview, was made aware of the official identity of the interviewing Agent and that anything he might say could be used in a court of law. He declined to furnish a signed statement.

had no apparent physical handicaps which could affect the information provided above.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

TITLE OF CASE
UNSUSBS,
Pecos County Sheriff's Department;
Reeves County Sheriff's Department;
UNKNOWN VICTIMS,
United Farm Workers

DATE
11/14/75
11/13/75

REFERENCE:
El Paso report of SA
San Antonio report of SA
Bureau airtel to El Paso, 11/3/75.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED

CONVICTED
FUGITIVES
FINES
SAVINGS
RECOVERIES

ACQUITTED

CASE HAS BEEN:

PENDING OVER ONE YEAR
PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS

APPROVED

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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DISSEMINATION RECORD OF ATTACHED REPORT

Agency

Request Recd.

Date Fwd.

How Fwd.

By

COVER PAGE
1 - U. S. Attorney, San Antonio, Texas
Attention: JOHN M. PINCKNEY

Report of:
SA
Office: EL PASO

Date:
11/14/75

Field Office File #:
44-883
Bureau File #: 100-444762

Title:
UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
Pecos County Sheriff's Department;
Reeves County Sheriff's Department;
UNKNOWN VICTIMS,
United Farm Workers

Character:
CIVIL RIGHTS

Synopsis:

After being orally advised of the results of investigation conducted concerning this matter on 11/13/75, AUSA, San Antonio, Texas, stated that this did not appear to be a matter which would warrant executive action or any additional investigation.

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ENCLOSURE:

TO UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

One copy of report of Special Agent dated October 30, 1975, at San Antonio, Texas.

DETAILS:

On November 13, 1975, JOHN M. PINCKNEY, III, First Assistant U.S. Attorney, San Antonio, Texas, was orally advised of the results of investigation conducted concerning this matter within the El Paso and San Antonio Divisions by Special Agent . After being so advised, Mr. PINCKNEY stated that this did not appear to be a matter which would warrant executive action or any additional investigation. Mr. PINCKNEY requested that he be provided a copy of the investigative report prepared at San Antonio, Texas, for review by him and for the completion of his files.

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U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1975 0-406-448
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: LEGAT, LONDON (100-5484) (P)

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS OF AMERICA

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BUREAU (Encs. 2)
1 - Foreign Liaison Unit
1 - London
DRD: ejg

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Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

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Legat, Bonn (163-4735)
Director, FBI (100-444762) -

UNITED FARM WORKERS; FPC.

Recsent 3-19-76.

Dufiles reveal that the United Farm Workers (UFW) is affiliated with the American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO) under its president, Cesar Chavez. The UFW has furnished support to grape pickers and migrant farm workers to obtain labor contracts and better working conditions.

During 1966, the National Farm Workers Association merged with the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee and retained the latter name.

In response to an allegation that various officials of the National Farm Workers Association had subversive backgrounds, inquiries were made in 1965 which determined that while the union was not communist controlled, Communist Party members or sympathizers had furnished support to certain activities concerning a recent strike against grape growers in California.

The above information may be disseminated provided the FBI is not shown as the source.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
    (ATTN: NAME CHECK SECTION)

LEGAT, BONN (163-4735)

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS
          FPC

REQUEST OF BUREAU

Bureau is requested to conduct name check concerning United Farm Workers and furnish any pertinent information in form suitable for dissemination.
Memorandum

TO: Director, FBI

FROM: Legal Attaché, Bonn (163-4735) (RUC)

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS; FPC

DATE: 5/14/76

Reference: Bureau letter to Bonn dated 4/6/76.

Dissemination, as outlined below, was made on dates indicated to foreign agencies listed.

[ ] copies of

X: Pertinent information from above-referenced letter.

Name and Location of Agency

| 1 - Bonn |

Date Furnished 5/3/76

REC-13

3 - Bureau
   (1 - Foreign Liaison Desk)

55 JUN 1 1976
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-new) (P)
RE: TIRSO P. MELLOSA;
CESAR CHAVEZ - VICTIM
EXTORTION
OO: SF

Enclosed for the Bureau is original and one copy, and for San Francisco two copies of following described items:

Envelope addressed to "Sr. CESAR CHAVEZ, Gilroy, Cal.", postmarked at San Jose, California, 6/27/68, and at Gilroy, 6/28/68.

Handprinted letter in Spanish, undated, beginning "Sr. CESAR CHAVEZ, LIDERSILLO DE GUEBONES", ending "A SU MEJOR VIDA!", and signed "T.P.M."

Typed translation to English of above described letter allegedly by DAVID FISHLOW, Editor of "EL MALCRIADO", semi-monthly newspaper of United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO, Delano, California.

There are several obscene words in translated version of letter, therefore enclosure is marked OBSCENE.
Enclosed material was received from Postmaster, Delano, on 7/8/68 in mail with note that it was received by CESAR CHAVEZ, Head of United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), Delano. It was actually given to Postmaster by JERRY ORDEAIN, UFWOC member, 6/29/68.

For information of Bureau, numerous previous communications have been submitted captioned "COMINFIL OF UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO - SM-C", File 100-444762.

Bureau is requested to conduct appropriate examination of envelope and letter for latent prints and to translate letter to English. Results should be furnished to San Francisco and Sacramento.

After receipt of translated letter, San Francisco should immediately present matter to U.S. Attorney for prosecutive opinion. Sacramento will withhold any investigation pending further instructions from office of origin.
To: SAC, Sacramento

July 31, 1968

Re: TIRSO R. KELLOSA; CESAR CHAVEZ - VICTIM
--- EXTORTION
00: San Francisco

John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR NO. 9-New
FBI FILE NO. 9-48291
LAB. NO. D-289716137 1

Reference Airtcl dated 7/11/63

The material described below has been searched in the following file without effecting an identification: Anonymous Letter File  REC. 38

Copies have been added to this file for future reference.
The submitted material is temporarily retained.

MATERIAL SUBMITTED:

Q1 Envelope postmarked "SAN JOSE, CALIF. FM 17 Jun 1968" and second postmark "GILROY, CA JUN 28 PM 1968 95120," and addressed "Sr CESAR CHAVEZ G.A.S.A. GILROY, CAL. ("forward to Delano" written in)

Q2 Accompanying one-page letter, hand printed, beginning "Sr. CESAR CHAVEZ, LIDERSILLO DE GULDOES..."

Remarks:
Specimens Q1 and Q2 will be treated for latent fingerprints. The result of that examination and the disposition of the evidence will be furnished by separate report.
Translations of the letter Q2 were furnished to your office and San Francisco with a letter dated 7/10/68.

2 - San Francisco
Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: TIRSO P. MELLOSA
Cesar Chavez - Victim
Extortion
Co: San Francisco
Latent

Examination requested by: Sacramento (9-new) 7/11/68
Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint - Translation
Result of Examination: Translation

Examined 6/19/68 and found in San Francisco, Calif.

Examination by:

Specimens submitted for examination

Q1 Envelope postmarked "SAN JOSE, CALIF. PM 27 JUN 1968" and second postmark "GILROY, CA JUN 23 PM 1963 95029," and addressed "Sr. CESAR CHAVEZ G.A.S.A. GILROY, CAL. (Forward to Delano)" written in

Q2 Accompanying one-page letter, hand printed, beginning "Sr. CESAR CHAVES, LIDERSILLO DE GUEBONES..."
Mr. Cesar Chavez,

Little leader of the lazy ones (OBSCENE) that don't want to work nor let others work. I believe that soon you'll have your better life. Why do you want better wages and better housing if very soon you're going to fuck your mother which is what you're looking for and what you soon will achieve "you little goat, 'cuckhold!'" (OBSCENE). Even though Kennedy gave you $50,000, you came too late to live like a rich man and to be the redeemer of the poor which there aren't any because every man who works in the field makes from $15 - $20 dollars which is enough and more than enough to go and to fuck old women. Well which of the hundred will have the chance to get that association of lazy(OBSCENE) people, I hope we get the most important ones. (We'll) Try Grenades or mortars because the machine gun makes too much noise and you may run away frightened.

To your better life.

T.P.M.

NOTE: The "OBSCENE" following certain passages means that in the context of the Spanish sentence, such passages are obscene.

Translated by David Fishlow, Editor of EL MALGRADILO, semi-monthly newspaper of the UFWOC.
Se cuesta muchas lidencias en España. Si quieres trabajar en España, te diré que muy pronto vas a tener tu visa para que al redes hacia a conseguir. En 3 días te puedes llegar a vivir como rico, y a ser dueño de los pueblos. Te voy a porke todo omera trabajando aquí en el fil bajo de 15 dolares ke le acostumbran y ke has de pagar en la acier para ir a kuliar viejá así ke aver a kien de los siern nos toca acabar con esa ascension de sufrañ, ojan nos tóken los almacenes prueben las granadas o meteles fuego. No va a ser mucho ruido y puede ser más a su mejor v. T. P. M.
The envelope is addressed to:

Mr. César Chávez
Gilroy, California

and bears the notation:
forward to Delano.

It is postmarked:
San Jose, California, June 27, 1968, and
Gilroy, California, June 27, 1968.

The return address reads:

Tirso P. Melena, or Melena
C. 29/1166, or 1168
San Jose, Cal.

(No date)

Mr. César Chávez:

Little leader of fuck-offs who do not want to work or let other people work, I believe that very soon you will pass on to a better life. Why do you want better wages and better housing if very soon you will be fucking your little network. This is what you are looking for, and you will get it very soon, you silly-ass.

Mjedi was foolish to give you in thousand dollars. You got to living as a rich man late and so you became the redeemer of the poor where there are not any because every man who works here in the field earns from 15 to 20 dollars, which is enough and even more than enough, with something left over to go hugger and women.

Thus, let us see which one of us there is a bastard - will not put an end to that association of little fuck-offs. This is to hope that we are allotted the more pleasant ones!

See how you like grenades or mortars because the machine gun makes too much noise and you may pass on to your better life...scared.

T.P.M.

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SAC, Sacramento (9-now)  
Director, FBI

TIRSO D. MELLOSA;  
CESAR CHAVEZ - VICTIM  
EXTORTION

CO: SF

Attached is the translation which you requested by  
dated 7/11/68.

The contents thereof, where pertinent, must be reported  
under appropriate captions and afforded whatever investigatory  
attention is necessary.

Disposition of the foreign language material submitted in  
this connection is set forth below:

Will be returned separately upon completion of  
examination by Latent Fingerprint Section.

1 - San Francisco - Enclosure  
1 - Mr. Rosen (Attn.: Criminal Section), sent direct with  
enclosure.

RAV: cpb
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JUL 29 1968
ENCLOSURE

4 JUL 29 1968
MAIL RECEIVED - HARD COPY TYPE UNIT
The envelope is addressed to:

Mr. Cesar Chavez
Gilroy, California

and bears the notation:

Forward to Delano.

It is postmarked:

San Jose, California, June 27, 1968, and
Gilroy, California, June 27, 1968.

The return address reads:

Firso P. Melloso, or Melvosa, or Mollisa
C. 29/1100, or 1168
San Jose, Cal.

(No date)

Mr. Cesar Chavez:

Little leader of fuck-offs who do not want to work or let other people work, I believe that very soon you will pass on to a better life. Why do you want better wages and better housing if very soon you will be fucking your little mother? This is what you are looking for, and you will get it very soon, you billy-goat.

Kenedi was foolish to give you 50 thousand dollars. You got to living as a rich man late and so you became the redeemer of the poor where there are not any because every man who works here in the field earns from 15 to 20 dollars, which is enough and even more than enough, with something left over to go buy that old woman.

Thus, let us see which one of us - there is a hundred - will get to put an end to that association of little fuck-offs. This is to hope that we are allotted the more plump one.

See how you like grenades or mortars because the machine gun makes too much noise and you may pass on to your better life...scared.

TRANSLATION BY:

July 18, 1968.

ENCLOSURE
EX-103

August 8, 1968

SAC, Sacramento

RE: TIBSO P. MELLOSA
CESAR CHAVEZ - VICTIM
EXTORTION

REFERENCE:
Exhibit 7-44-33
Sacramento

1.1, envelope
C.1, one-page letter

One latent fingerprint value developed C.1. Seven latent fingerprints and one latent palm print value developed C.2.

Latent fingerprints not identical fingerprints following individuals, one of whom may be identical victim:

Cesar Estrada Chavez, FBI #328366, born
3-31-27, in Yuma, Arizona
Cesar Humberto Chavez-Sanchez, FBI #318397,
Born 4-7-42, in Mexico
Cesar Elias Chavez-Echa, FBI #293533, born
9-12-26, in Mexico

Enc. (2)
1 - San Francisco
2 - San Francisco

EM: emig

John Edgar Hoover, Director

This report is furnished for official use only
SAC, Sacramento

August 8, 1988

No palm prints are available in our Identification Division files for these individuals.

On basis information furnished, no fingerprint record located here for Tirso P. Meloza.

Specimens enclosed.

Laboratory report separate.
Examination requested by: Sacramento (9-new) 7/11/68

Result of Examination: Document - Fingerprint - Translation

Specimens submitted for examination:

Q1 Envelope postmarked "SAN JOSE, CALIF. PM 27 JUN 1963" and second postmark "GILROY, CA JUN 28 -PM 1963 95020," and addressed "Sr. CESAR CHAVEZ G.A.B.A. GILROY, CAL. (forward to Delano written in)

Q2 Accompanying one-page letter, hand printed, beginning "Sr. CESAR CHAVES, LIDERSILLO DE GUEBONES..."

2 - San Francisco

Examination completed 11:45 a.m. 8-7-68

Dictated 8-7-1968