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Subject: Governor Luis Munoz-Marin

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ENCLOSURE

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VEN. . O. . D . . G . . CORDERO
NUEVA YORK * CHICAGO

Que se puede esperar de un hombre que ha traicionado a su propio país y se ha burlado de la buena fe de los habitantes de Puerto Rico que creyeron en él cuando predicaba la Independencia?

Que sitio tendrá para él la historia sino el sitio que tienen Huey P. Long de Luisiana, Hitler y Masolini, y el tristemente celebre Quinceling?

Un hombre así no puede morir ni vivir en un lecho de rosas, por eso los hombres que componen la orden secreta del G.. Cordero, hemos decretado su muerte, para librar a Puerto Rico de la bochornosa situación de COLONIA POR CONSENTIMIENTO A DONDE HA LLEVADO ese mismo hombre a su pobre país.

Es una vergüenza que un puertorriqueño que se decía amar la libertad y que predicó la independencia de su país como la única solución a nuestros problemas, se convirtiera de la noche a la mañana en el instrumento del imperio americano, y pisoteara todos los principios de la decencia para hundir más a su propio pueblo sirviendo a los intereses de Wall Street.

Sírvate esta de aviso, estamos organizados en Puerto Rico, Nueva York y Chicago, al golpe está preparado, y caeras, como le que eres, un traidor, un mal hombre un infelís.

Firmado por el GRAN CORDERO.

PRIMER Y SEGUNDOS VIGILANTES DE LA
GRAN ORDEN DEL CORDERO ORGANIZADA
PARA LIBERTAR A PUERTO RICO.

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Chicago, Ill.

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VIA AIR MAIL

Hon. (?) Governor of Puerto Rico PAR AVION

La Fortaleza

San Juan, P.R.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON D. C.

November 6, 1951

To: SAC, San Juan

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on October 29, 1951.

Re: VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO
(VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND
LAMB)
New York - Chicago
Extortion
Internal Security - M
San Juan

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

EX - 28 YOUR FILE NO. 9-0
FBI FILE NO.
LAB. NO.

RECORDED - 76 D-139574 CJ
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Reference: Letter 10-27-51

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

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Specimens:

- Q1 Air mail envelope bearing the typewritten address "Hon. (?) Governor of Puerto Rico La Fortaleza San Juan, P.R.," postmarked "CHICAGO ILL. OCT 22 1951 7:30 PM."
- Q2 Accompanying typewritten letter in the Spanish language beginning "Que se puede esperar de un.....," bearing the handwritten initials "J. J. P."

Result of examination:

Specimens Q1 and Q2 were searched through the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification.

It was found that the typewriter impressions appearing on specimens Q1 and Q2 were prepared by means of a typewriter equipped with Royal enlarged Elite type, spaced 12 letters to the inch.

Specimens Q1 and Q2 were chemically treated for the development of latent fingerprints, but none of value was developed.

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STH:MRS

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Q1 is an ordinary white air mail envelope, measuring approximately 3 1/10 by 6 5/10 inches. Q2 is a sheet of yellow paper measuring approximately 8 1/2 by 11 inches and containing no watermark.

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the indices search requested.

Specimens Q1 and Q2 are returned herewith. Appropriate photographic copies are retained in the files of the Laboratory.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Re: VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO
(VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB)
New York - Chicago
Extortion
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Examination requested by: San Juan 9-0

Date of reference communication: let. 10-27-51 Date received: 10-29-51
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Examination requested: Doc. - Fp.

Result of Examination: Examination by: HOLLAND
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Specimens submitted for examination

- Q1 Air mail envelope bearing the typewritten address "Hon.(?) Governor of Puerto Rico La Fortaleza San Juan, P.R.," pm. "CHICAGO ILL. OCT 22 1951 7:30 PM."
- Q2 Accp. typewritten letter in the Spanish language beg. "Que se puede esperar de un.....," bearing the handwritten initials "J. J. P."

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CC, San Juan (9-)

November 8, 1951

Director, FBI (105-15933)

VENERABLE ORDER DEL GRAN CORDERO
(VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB)
NEW YORK - CHICAGO
EXTORTION
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Reurlet October 27, 1951.

Based upon the information available, no record was located in the Bureau indices for the Spanish name or the English translation of captioned organization.

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The Attorney General

November 1, 1951

Director, FBI

VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LODGE
(VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LODGE)
NEW YORK - CHICAGO
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INTERNAL SECURITY - M

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For your information, the Honorable Luis Muñoz Marín, Governor of Puerto Rico, received the following letter in an envelope postmarked Chicago, Illinois, October 22, 1951. The letter which was typewritten in Spanish is translated as follows:

VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LODGE
NEW YORK - CHICAGO

What can be expected of a man who has double-crossed his country and has ridiculed the good faith of the inhabitants of Puerto Rico who believed him when he preached in favor of independence?

What place other than the one reserved for Huey P. Long of Louisiana, Hitler and Mussolini and the infamous Weisling can history have for him?

A man like that can neither die nor live in a bed of roses; that is why we, the men who compose the Secret Order of the Grand Lodge, have decreed his death, so as to free Puerto Rico from that shameful situation of COLONIALISM BY CONSENT TO WHICH HE HAS CARRIED HIS poor country.

It is a disgrace that a Puerto Rican who once claimed that he loved freedom and advocated independence for his country as the only solution to our problems should overnight become an instrument of the American Empire and trample all principles of decency to sink his own people, serving the Wall Street interests.

Let this be your warning, ^{NOV 21 1951} who are organized in Puerto Rico, New York and Chicago, the coup has

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The Attorney General

been planned and you will fall as a traitor, a bad man, a despicable individual, which you are.

"Signed by the GRAND LAMB

S/ J. J. P.

**"FIRST AND SECOND VIGILANTES OF
THE GRAND ORDER OF THE LAMB
ORGANIZED TO FREE PUERTO RICO"**

The above information has been furnished to the U. S. Secret Service, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Intelligence Agencies of the Armed Services.

Investigation regarding the possible violation of the Federal Extortion Statute is being conducted by this Bureau.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **SAN JUAN**

FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 11/23/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/5,7,8,9/51	REPORT MADE BY MALCOLM E. SAMPLE
TITLE VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORCERO (VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB) NEW YORK - CHICAGO			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION INTERNAL SECURITY - N

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject organization not known in NYC area. No record indices NY Office. 11-1

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DETAILS:

AT NEW YORK CITY:

The following Confidential Informants, of known reliability, were contacted and advised that they had never heard of subject organization and they further advised that they had no information relative to the letter in question:

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The files of the New York Office failed to reflect the name of subject organization or any variation thereof.

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INFORMANTS:

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The above informants were contacted by SA ROBERT K. STONER on November 5, 7, 8, 9, 1951.

MISCELLANEOUS:

One copy of this report is being furnished the Chicago Office inasmuch as investigation is being conducted in that office.

REFERENCE: San Juan letter to Bureau, 10/27/51

**PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
BY SPECIAL MESSENGER**

Date: November 8, 1951

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ON 4-13-00

To: Mr. U. E. Baughman
Chief
U. S. Secret Service
Treasury Department
Washington, D. C.

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From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: ① VENERABLE ORDER DEL GRAN CORDERO
② (VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB)
NEW YORK - CHICAGO
EXTORTION
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

I thought the following data would be of interest to your service. A letter typewritten in Spanish which was contained in an envelope addressed to the Governor of Puerto Rico has been received by our San Juan Division. The envelope was postmarked Chicago, Illinois, October 22, 1951. The translation of the letter is as follows:

"VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB
NEW YORK * CHICAGO
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What can be expected of ^{EX-83} ~~even~~ who has double-crossed his country and has ridiculed the good faith of the inhabitants of Puerto Rico who believed him when he preached in favor of independence?

What place other than the one reserved for Huey P. Long of Louisiana, Hitler and Mussolini and the infamous quibbling can history have for him?

A man like that cannot nor live in a bed of roses; that is why we, the people who compose the

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Mr. U. E. Baughman
Chief
U. S. Secret Service
Treasury Department
Washington, D. C.

Secret Order of the Grand Lamb, have decreed his death, so as to free Puerto Rico from that shameful situation of COLONIALISM BY CONSENT TO WHICH HE HAS CARRIED his poor country.

"It is a disgrace that a Puerto Rican who once claimed that he loved freedom and advocated independence for his country as the only solution to our problems should overnight become an instrument of the American Empire and trample all principles of decency to sink his own people, serving the wall Street interests.

"Let this be your warning, we are organized in Puerto Rico, New York and Chicago, the coup has been planned and you will fall as a traitor, a bad man, a despicable individual, which you are.

"Signed by the GRAND LAMB

S/ J. J. P.

"FIRST AND SECOND VIGILANTES OF
THE GRAND ORDER OF THE LAMB
ORGANIZED TO FREE PUERTO RICO"

Investigation regarding the possible violation of the Federal Extortion Statute is being conducted by this Bureau.

The above is furnished for your confidential information and should not be disseminated outside your service.

cc: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

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Chief
U. S. Secret Service
Treasury Department
Washington, D. C.

cc: Director of Naval Intelligence
Department of the Navy
the Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

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cc: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
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Attention: Chief,
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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

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Honorable Oscar L. Chapman
Secretary of the Interior
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Chapman:

I thought it would be of interest to you to know that the Honorable Luis Muñoz Marín, Governor of Puerto Rico, received the following letter which was contained in an envelope postmarked Chicago, Illinois, October 22, 1951. A translation of the letter, which was typewritten in Spanish, is as follows:

HONORABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB
NEW YORK * CHICAGO

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"What can be expected of a man who has double-crossed his country and has ridiculed the good faith of the inhabitants of Puerto Rico who believed him when he preached in favor of independence?"

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Honorable Oscar E. Chapman
Secretary of the Interior
Washington, D. C.

"Let this be your warning, we are organized
in Puerto Rico, New York and Chicago, the coup has
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"Signed by the GRAND LAMB

S/ J. J. P.

"FIRST AND SECOND VIGILANTES OF
THE GRAND ORDER OF THE LAMB
ORGANIZED TO FREE PUERTO RICO"

The initials "J. J. P." were written in script.

Investigation regarding the possible violation
of the Federal Extortion Statute is being conducted.

The above is for your confidential information
and should not be disseminated outside your department.

With assurances of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Origin San Juan

Made at	Date	Period	Made by
Chicago, Illinois	1-5-52	11/3,6,7,9,16, 21,27;12/10/51	JAMES K. BUCKNER JKB/kfc
Title			Character
VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB) NEW YORK - CHICAGO			EXTORTION INTERNAL SECURITY

SYNOPSIS: Informants, sources of information and contacts unable to identify subject organization. Two contacts allege overhearing remarks by unidentified Puerto Ricans which might possibly pertain to subject organization, but unable to locate or identify that organization or individuals connected with that organization. Chicago indices negative.

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ON 4-13-00

DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On November 3, 1951 T-1, of known reliability, advised that to the best of his knowledge the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb does not exist in Chicago, nor has he ever heard of such an organization by that name.

T-1 further advised that he does not know any Puerto Rican or any individual who would use the initials "J.J.P." for a signature.

On November 6, 1951 T-2 and T-3, both of known reliability, advised that they know nothing of an organization known as the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb, nor do they know of anyone, especially of the Puerto Rican nationality, who would use the

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initials "J.J.P." as a signature. T-3 added that although he has spent considerable time in Puerto Rica he has never heard of such an organization existing in Puerto Rica.

On November 7, 1951 [REDACTED] who is acquainted with many members of the Spanish-speaking populace of Chicago, advised Special Agent DONALD M. CUMMINGS he knows nothing of an organization known specifically as the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb, nor does he know anyone connected with that organization. [REDACTED] stated, however, he is reasonably certain that he recently overheard several unidentified Puerto Rican individuals mention "The Grand Order of the Lamb" while he, [REDACTED] on South Halsted Street. [REDACTED] was unable to recall specifically what was stated by the aforementioned Puerto Rican individuals regarding the "Grand Order of the Lamb." [REDACTED] also stated he could not specifically recall the exact location where the alleged conversations took place, but he believed that [REDACTED]

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On November 9, 1951 [REDACTED] advised he had heard of the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb, but knows very little concerning the organization except that it is a "revolutionary Puerto Rican organization". He said he recently overheard some unidentified Puerto Rican [REDACTED] South Halsted Street, discussing that organization. [REDACTED] was unable to recall anything specific about the conversation he overheard, but stated it was his impression that the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb was a "revolutionary Puerto Rican organization". He stated he would attempt to identify the leaders of the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb by inquiring among the Spanish-speaking residents of that area.

On November 16, 21 and 27, 1951 [REDACTED] advised he had been unable to obtain any further information regarding the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb. He stated it is his belief, as the result of his unproductive inquiries, that the organization is highly secret and its members do not live in the South Halsted Street area.

On November 27, 1951 the following individuals listed below were contacted regarding the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb and

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these persons were unable to furnish any information concerning the organization or the identity of any individuals who might be connected with it:

- 1) NICK MAYS, cigar store operator and owner of considerable property in the 700 and 800 block on South Halsted Street.
- 2) GEORGE GOURVIS, 711 South Halsted Street, bartender at the Latin Village Restaurant.
- 3) ARMANDO ALMONTE, 711 South Halsted Street, chef, Latin Village Restaurant, and [former editor of the "ABC" Mexican newspaper in Chicago, Illinois.
- 4) FRANK MARTINEZ, 811 South Halsted Street, proprietor of the Vera Cruz Restaurant.
- 5) PRICILIANO SALAZOR, 1100 South Halsted Street, Manager of the Rio Rita Restaurant.
- 6) JOSE MARTINEZ, waiter, Rio Rita Restaurant.
- b7C 7) [REDACTED]

Special Employee ROBERT J. MC KINLEY caused a search to be made of the Chicago Credit Bureau, Inc., 14 East Jackson Boulevard, which failed to reflect any information regarding the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb.

On November 27, 1951 the directories of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company for the City of Chicago were searched but failed to reflect any information regarding subject organization.

The indices of the Chicago Office contain no information regarding the Spanish or English spelling of the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb.

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IDENTITY OF INFORMANTS

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- T-1 [REDACTED] who advised SA CHARLES I. CARTER
on 11/3/51.
- T-2 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] who advised SA JAMES K. BUCKNER on 11/6/51,
(Requested)
- T-3 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] who advised SA BUCKNER on 11/6/51. (Requested)

ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

One copy of this report is being furnished to the New York Office inasmuch as an investigation is being conducted by that office in this matter.

REFERENCE

San Juan letter to the Director dated 10/27/51.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **SAN JUAN**

FILE NO.

REPORT MADE AT SAN JUAN	DATE WHEN MADE 1/10/52	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/26, 27; 12/17-19, 26/51	REPORT MADE BY ROBERT L. BUCKINGHAM mat
TITLE CHANGED UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO (Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb) New York - Chicago, GOVERNOR LUIS MUNOZ MARIN -			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION INTERNAL SECURITY - N

Victim

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Typewritten letter containing death decree in Spanish language, with handwritten inked initials "J.J.P." appearing in signature, postmarked 10/22/51 at Chicago, Illinois, directed to the Honorable LUIS MUNOZ MARIN, Governor of Puerto Rico, San Juan, Puerto Rico. Letter bore return address "V..O..D..G..CORDERO, Chicago, Illinois" (Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb). Subject organization unidentified in New York City or San Juan areas. FBI Laboratory unable to develop latents on instant letter or effect identification of same through Anonymous Letter File.

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DETAILS: AT SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO

The title of this report is being changed by the titling of the Venerable Orden del Gran Cordero as an unknown subject inasmuch as investigation in this matter has resulted in no identification of this organization; further by the inclusion of the victim's name, Governor LUIS MUNOZ MARIN.

This investigation is predicated upon receipt in the San Juan Division from the Office of the Honorable LUIS MUNOZ MARIN, Governor of Puerto Rico, on October 26, 1951, of a typewritten letter in the Spanish language with handwritten inked initials, "J.J.P." appearing in the signature.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Robert L. Buckingham</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
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This letter was postmarked October 22, 1951 at Chicago, Illinois and was directed to the Honorable LUIS MUNOZ MARIN. The letter consisted of one page and the envelope containing instant letter bore the return address of "V..O..D..G..CORDERO, Chicago, Illinois" (Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb).

An English translation of the letter is as follows:

"VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB
NEW YORK * CHICAGO

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S/ J. J. P.

"FIRST AND SECOND VIGILANTES OF
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LUIS LABOY, Secretary to the Governor, San Juan, Puerto Rico, advised that subject organization was unknown to the Governor and his staff.

By letter, dated October 27, 1951, the original of instant letter was forwarded to the FBI Laboratory.

The Laboratory advised by letter dated November 6, 1951 that as a result of examination of evidence submitted, no identification of the letter was effected through a search of the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File. The Laboratory further advised that following chemical treatment, no latent fingerprints of value were developed on the letter which is described as a sheet of yellow paper containing no watermark. The typewritten impressions appearing on the letter and accompanying envelope were prepared by a typewriter equipped with Royal enlarged elite type, spaced twelve letters to the inch. The Bureau additionally advised that no record was located in the Bureau indices for the Spanish name or the English translation of the subject organization.

Investigation in the New York Division resulted in no identification being made of subject organization there.

Confidential Informants T-1 and T-2, of known reliability, were contacted in San Juan, Puerto Rico and advised that they had never heard of subject organization and that they had no information relative to the letter in question.

The following investigation was conducted by SA FRANK S. FERRONE:

No reference to subject organization was located in the records of Confidential Informant T-3 and T-4, other government agencies conducting personnel and intelligence investigations in the San Juan area.

No reference to the subject organization was located in the records of the Insular Police Department and the Retail Credit Company, Inc., of San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Following is description of the victim in instant investigation as obtained from Colonel ALBERTO ARRILLAGA, Military Aide to the Governor:

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Name:	LUIS MUNOZ MARIN
Position:	Governor of Puerto Rico
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	53 yrs.
Height:	6'
Weight:	210 lbs.
Hair:	Black
Eyes:	Dark Brown
Complexion:	Fair
Appearance:	Wears small mustache

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INFORMANTS

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- T-1 [REDACTED] contacted by SA CHARLES B. PECK on December 19, 1951.
- T-2 [REDACTED] contacted by SA HERBERT F. GREATHOUSE, December 26, 1951.
- T-3 G-2, USARFANT, San Juan, Puerto Rico, contacted by SA FRANK S. FERRONE, December 17, 1951.
- T-4 ONI, Tenth Naval District, San Juan, Puerto Rico, contacted by SA FRANK S. FERRONE, December 18, 1951.

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The original extortion letter, as well as a photographic copy of same is being maintained in the 1-A serial of this file.

LEADS

THE CHICAGO DIVISION

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Will follow and report results of investigation conducted at Chicago as requested in referenced San Juan letter to the Bureau dated October 27, 1951.

REFERENCE: San Juan letter to the Bureau dated October 27, 1951.
Bureau letters to San Juan dated November 6, 1951 and November 8, 1951.
Report of SA MALCOIM E. SAMPLE dated November 23, 1951 at New York.

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Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **SAN JUAN**

FILE NO.

REPORT MADE AT SAN JUAN	DATE WHEN MADE 2-15-52	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-14-52	REPORT MADE BY SA ROBERT L. BUCKINGHAM <i>mjt</i>
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRA. CORDERO (Venerable Order of the Grand Lab), NEW YORK - CHICAGO GOVERNOR LUIS MUNOZ-MARIN - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION INTERNAL SECURITY-N

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Separate investigation in Chicago, Illinois, New York, New York, and San Juan, Puerto Rico, areas resulted in non-identification of the unknown subject organization.

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DETAILS

At San Juan, Puerto Rico

A review of the file in this matter reflects that separate investigation conducted in Chicago, Illinois, New York, New York, and San Juan, Puerto Rico, areas has resulted in non-identification of the unknown subject organization being effected.

Inasmuch as all local investigation has been completed without the development of a true identity of the unknown subject organization, this case is being closed on the authority of the SAC.

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REFERENCES: Report of SA JAMES K. BUCKNER dated 1-5-52,
at Chicago, Illinois
Report of SA ROBERT L. BUCKINGHAM dated 1-10-52,
at San Juan, Puerto Rico.

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DIRECTOR AND SACS CHICAGO AND SAN JUAN

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① VENERABLE ORDEN DEL TRAN CARDERO. , ENGLISH TRANSLATION
 ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB. , EXTORTION, IS-N. REBUTEL
 FEBRUARY 20 LAST, AND CHICAGO TEL FEBRUARY 22 LAST.
 COMMITTEE OF AID TO PUERTO RICO WAS FORMED JUNE, 1951, AND
 IS CLOSELY ALLIED WITH PRO LIBERADES CIVILES. A SAN JUAN
 REPORT WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BUREAU ON THIS COMMITTEE. CAPR
 IS LOCATED AT 19 A COMMERCE ST., NYC CAPR WAS FORMED QUOTE
 PEOPLE OF PUERTO RICO THROUGH THEIR COMMITTEE PRO LIBERADES
 CIVILES, THEY CALL UPON US IN THE U.S. TO HELP THEM FREE
 THE TWO HUNDRED (POLITICAL PRISONERS) FROM PRISON AND TO
 AID IN ESTABLISHING HUMAN RIGHTS IS PUERTO RICO FOR THE
 PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE. UNQUOTE. THE CAPR IN RESPONSE TO
 THAT APPEAL BANDED TOGETHER IN A CITIZENS COMMITTEE JUNE, 1951,
 TO DEDICATE THEMSELVES TO THE AID OF HELPING TO SECURE THE
 FREEDOM OF THOSE POLITICAL PRISONERS AND TO PROCURE AID FOR
 THEIR DESTITUTE FAMILIES. THE PURPOSE, TO QUOTE AID THE
 PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE TO MAINTAIN THEIR HUMAN AND DEMOCRATIC
 RIGHTS AND HELP THEM PRESERVE THE HERITAGE OF FREEDOM,
 SECURITY AND HAPPINESS BEQUEATH TO ALL OF US BY OUR FORE-
 FATHERS IN THE BILL OF RIGHTS UNQUOTE. THE CAPR ALSO
 REQUEST DONATIONS OF FOOD, CLOTHING, AND MEDICINES TO BE
 SENT TO THE COMMITTEE PRO LIBERADES CIVILES, BOX 8883,
 SANTURCE, PUERTO RICO. CAPR IS FORMED BY FOUR PERSONS ALL
 OF WHOM ARE IDENTIFIED AS ACTIVE COMMUNISTS. PABLO MANUEL
 GARCIA, SECRETARY OF EDUCATION OF CP OF PUERTO RICO AND A
 MEMBER OF COMMITTEE PRO LIBERADES CIVILES, IS PRESENTLY IN
 NEW YORK CITY SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF VARIOUS POLITICAL PRISONERS
 IN PUERTO RICO. GARCIA HAD BEEN ACCOMPANIED BY J. MILTON WALKER,

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COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN OF THE CAPR. BESIDES J. MILTON WALKER, CAPR IS COMPOSED OF MARGUERITA GIBBONS, NORMA ARONSON, AND JOSE DAVILA SEMPRIT, ALL ACTIVE COMMUNISTS. CI [REDACTED] WHO HAS CONVERSED WITH [REDACTED] REPORTED THAT CAPR IS USED TO QUOTE SPREAD THE REAL FACTS ON PUERTO RICAN NEEDS UNQUOTE, AND IS NOT INTERESTED IN OBTAINING ANY SPECIFIC HELP QUOTE TO THE SUFFERING PEOPLE IN PUERTO RICO UNQUOTE. A REPORT ON CAPR IS UNDER PREPARATION BY THIS OFFICE AND A COPY WILL BE FURNISHED TO CHICAGO AT AN EARLY DATE. RUC.

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SAN JUAN ADVISED VIA RADIO

CC Mr. Board

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February 8th 1952

Mr Otto Kerner Jr
United States Attorney
United States Court House
Chicago Illinois

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Dear Mr Kerner,

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DATE 11/15/00 BY SP4BJP/ML

Am glad and proud to report to you this very important case.
The VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB, has been formed to make
trouble for the United States Government in Puerto Rico and to
assassinate some of the High Government Officials. This organization
is extreme Nationalist, but with these people cooperating Communist
and other Radical Organizations. The last meeting these people had
was held at 1515 West Roosevelt Road at 2 P.M on Sunday January
13th 1952. I can bring to your office documents. I have had instruct-
ions to investigate and watch these groups. And I believe it is my
personal duty living under the American Flag to report to you and
am proud of it.

Very Truly Yours

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Copy To Mr J Howard Mc Grath
To Senator Everett Dirksen
To Representative Mr King

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cc Mr. E.H. Hughes

Room 5714

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

FEBRUARY 29, 1952

Transmit the following message to: SAC, CHICAGO
SAN JUAN
NEW YORK

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VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CADERO (VENERABLE ORDER OF
THE GRAND LAMB), EXTORTION, IS DASH N. QUOTED BELOW
IS LETTER DATED FEBRUARY EIGHT LAST ADDRESSED TO OTTO
KERNER, JR., USA, CHICAGO, WITH COPIES TO J. HOWARD
MC GRATH, SENATOR EVERETTDIRKSEN AND REPRESENTATIVE
KING FROM [REDACTED]

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QUOTE. AM GLAD AND PROUD TO REPORT TO YOU THIS VERY
IMPORTANT CASE. THE VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB,
HAS BEEN FORMED TO MAKE TROUBLE FOR THE UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT IN PUERTO RICO AND TO ASSACINATE SOME OF THE
HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. THIS ORGANIZATION IS EXTREME
NATIONALIST, BUT WITH THESE PEOPLE COOPERATING COMMUNIST
AND OTHER RADICAL ORGANIZATIONS. THE LAST MEETING THESE
PEOPLE HAD WAS HELD AT ONE FIVE ONE EIGHT WEST ROOSEVELT
ROAD AT TWO P.M. ON SUNDAY, JANUARY THIRTEENTH NINETEEN
FIFTYTWO. I CAN BRING TO YOUR OFFICE DOCUMENTS. I HAVE HAD
INSTRUCTIONS TO INVESTIGATE AND WATCH THESE GROUPS. AND
I BELIEVE IT IS MY PERSONAL DUTY LIVING UNDER THE AMERICAN
FLAG TO REPORT TO YOU AND AM PROUD OF IT. UNQUOTE.

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INTERVIEWS OF [REDACTED] IN THIS MATTER ARE SET OUT IN REPORT
OF SA JAMES K. BUCKNER DATED JANUARY FIVE LAST. IMMEDIATELY
REINTERVIEW [REDACTED] FOR FULL FACTS AND BASIS FOR STATEMENTS
RE PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION. A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION
MUST BE MADE TO IDENTIFY THIS ORGANIZATION, ITS LEADERS

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: *105-1033-10*
AND MEMBERS, [REDACTED] PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT OF FBI

NO. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] YOUR FILE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND YOUR FILE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NY SEE YOUR FILE [REDACTED]

SJ SEE YOUR FILE [REDACTED] ADDITIONAL EFFORTS MUST

BE MADE TO IDENTIFY THE INDIVIDUAL OR ORGANIZATION RESPONSIBLE FOR

THE TREAT AGAINST THE LIFE OF GOVERNOR MUNOZ MARIN OF PUERTO RICO.

BUREAU MUST BE KEPT CURRENTLY ADVISED IN THIS MATTER. FURNISH FIVE

COPIES OF REPORTS TO BUREAU. [REDACTED] BY LETTER FEBRUARY FIVE, FIFTY

TWO TO THE DIRECTOR WITH COPIES TO KING AND DIRKSEM FURNISHED INFORMA-

TION ALLEGING IRREGULARITIES OF ONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND REQUESTS INVESTIGATION RE [REDACTED] CHICAGO

IN YOUR INTERVIEW ACKNOWLEDGE LETTER OF FEBRUARY FIVE, FIFTY TWO

AND ADVISE [REDACTED] MATTER REFERRED [REDACTED]

HOOVER

Note: A letter postmarked at Chicago, Ill., 10-22-51 headed Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb - New York - Chicago was received by Governor of Puerto Rico Marin stating that his death had been decreed so as to free Puerto Rico. There is pending an extortion case in this matter.

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SENT VIA _____ *3-24* M Per _____

cc: Mr. Bland, Rm.
Mr. Hughes

SAC, Chicago

March 5, 1952

Director, FBI

VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO
(VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB)
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In order to determine the reliability of [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago, Ill., you should conduct a background
inquiry concerning him. You are aware of [redacted]
[redacted]

After this has been done he should be fully interviewed to
determine the motive behind all his "letter writing", why in his
letter of February 8, 1952, to the USA, Chicago he indicated he
"had instructions" to investigate captioned group and what knowledge
and facts he has concerning the CAPR which he claims means Communist
Anarchists Party of Puerto Rico. You will note the New York Division
states it means Committee of Aid to Puerto Rico.

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You should consider that [redacted] is the only one developed
thus far by investigation who claims to know anything about the Order
of the Grand Lamb. Find out from him how and when it first came to
his attention.

You recall the original note in the Extortion aspect of this
case was typewritten and postmarked October 22, 1951, Chicago, Ill.
You may want to obtain specimens of typewriters available to him for
comparison with this note.

This matter should be given prompt attention by your Division
and the Bureau accordingly advised.

cc: San Juan

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VENERABLE ORDER DEL GRAN CORDERO (VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB), EXTORTION, IS-N. REBUTEL DATED FEBRUARY 20, 1952. [REDACTED] INTERVIEWED BY SAS FREDERICK W. GANNON AND JAMES L. PAPPAS ON FEBRUARY 21, 1952. [REDACTED] ADVISED AS FOLLOWS: THE VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB IS THE SAME ORGANIZATION AS CAPR WITH OFFICES 19 A COMMERCE STREET, NEW YORK CITY, NY. HE ALLEGED CAPR MEANS COMMUNIST ANARCHISTS PARTY OF PUERTO RICO WHICH ADVOCATES PUERTO RICO INDEPENDENCE AND WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT TRUMAN AND OTHER HIGH OFFICIALS OF GOVERNMENT WHOM HE COULD NOT IDENTIFY. THE ONLY QUOTE DOCUMENTARY UNQUOTE MATERIAL HE HAD WAS AN ISSUE OF A WEEKLY SPANISH LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER NAMED QUOTE INFORMACION UNQUOTE. THE JANUARY 12, 1952 ISSUE, PAGE 3, COLUMNS 4 AND 5, CONTAINS AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF A MEETING TO BE HELD JANUARY 13, 1952 AT 1518 WEST ROOSEVELT ROAD, CHICAGO UNDER THE AUSPICES OF CAPR 19 A COMMERCE STREET, NEW YORK CITY, NY. THIS ARTICLE IS IN SPANISH AND STATES THAT THE COMMITTEE FOR THE ASSISTANCE OF PUERTO RICO HAS BEEN CREATED IN NEW YORK TO ASSIST IN THE UNIFICATION IN THE UNITED STATES OF THE PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE WITH OTHER MINORITY GROUPS. THE ARTICLE FURTHER STATES PABLO GARCIA REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PUERTO RICO COMMITTEE FOR CIVIL LIBERTIES WAS COMING TO THE U. S. TO SPEAK UPON THE EXPLOITATION OF THE PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE AND THE VIOLATION OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF THOSE PUERTO RICANS STRUGGLING FOR INDEPENDENCE. [REDACTED] HAS NO INFORMATION RE IDENTITIES OF LEADERS OF THE VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB OR CAPR AND NO EVIDENCE ESTABLISHING THAT THESE TWO ORGANIZATIONS ARE IDENTICAL. [REDACTED] REPORTS SPANISH SPEAKING INDIVIDUALS DISTRIBUTE LEAFLETS IN THE VICINITY OF [REDACTED] CHICAGO, CALLING FOR PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE. HE DOES NOT KNOW THE IDENTITY OF THESE INDIVIDUALS AND HAS NO EVIDENCE SUPPORTING HIS ALLEGATIONS THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE MEMBERS OF EIGHT OF THE

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ABOVE ORGANIZATIONS. [REDACTED] EXPLAINED THAT WHEN HE USES THE WORD QUOTE DOCUMENTS UNQUOTE, HE HAS REFERENCE TO WRITTEN LETTERS EXECUTED AND SIGNED BY HIM. [REDACTED] HAD NO INFORMATION CONCERNING ANY THREAT AGAINST THE LIFE OF THE GOVERNOR OF PUERTO RICO.

[REDACTED] IT APPEARS THIS MAY BE THE MOTIVATION FOR HIS CHARGES OF IRREGULARITIES COMMITTED BY [REDACTED] ADVISED HE RECEIVED A LETTER FROM REPRESENTATIVE KING, HOUSE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE, U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, WASHINGTON D. C. INDICATING THAT HE WOULD SOON BE CALLED TO WASHINGTON TO TESTIFY BEFORE A HOUSE COMMITTEE ON INCOME TAX IRREGULARITIES. HE PROFESSED HE HAS BEEN OF SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES IN MANY CAPACITIES. FOR EXAMPLE HE HAS SENT ANONYMOUS LETTERS TO CHICAGO FBI OFFICE AND OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. HE EXPRESSED AN INTENTION TO VISIT THE DIRECTOR WHEN HE ARRIVES AT WASHINGTON TO ADVISE HIM OF THE FACTS HEREIN RELATED. HE WAS ADVISED HE SHOULD RELATE INFORMATION OF INTEREST TO THE FBI THROUGH THE CHICAGO OFFICE.

[REDACTED] LETTER TO BUREAU FEBRUARY 5, 1952 WAS ACKNOWLEDGED AND [REDACTED] WAS ADVISED THAT THE [REDACTED] MATTER HAD BEEN REFERRED TO INTERNAL REVENUE. [REDACTED] ADVISED HE HAS JUST COMPLETED A LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE DIRECTOR FEBRUARY 21, 1952 AND OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS INFORMING OF A FRAUDULENT SCHEME MAKING IT POSSIBLE FOR ALIEN MEXICANS TO ENTER UNITED STATES. THE SCHEME CONSISTS OF FILING A DELAYED AND FALSE BIRTH CERTIFICATE IN BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS, FOR A SPECIFIED ALIEN IN MEXICO. THE CERTIFICATE IS SENT TO THE ALIEN IN MEXICO WHO USES IT TO ENTER THE UNITED STATES AS A NATIVE BORN AMERICAN. IT APPEARS THAT [REDACTED] HAS NO DIRECT KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING HIS ALLEGATIONS. NEW YORK WILL IDENTIFY CAPR, 19 A COMMERCE STREET, NEW YORK CITY, NY AND SUTEL.

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cc: Mr. [REDACTED] 36

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-15933)

DATE: March 19, 1952

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (105-859)

ATTN: FBI LABORATORY
(No. D-139574-CJ)

SUBJECT: VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO
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Re Chicago letter to Bureau dated 3/19/52.

Enclosed herewith is the following evidence to be examined for the purpose of comparing typewriter impressions with that in the original extortion letter submitted by the San Juan Office. The results of the examination of the original letter are contained in FBI Laboratory report dated November 6, 1951.

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- Envelope bearing the typewritten address, "Mr Otto. Kerner Jr United States Attorney United States Court House Clark and Adams St Chicago Illinois." Return address is [redacted] Chicago Illinois." Envelope is dated Chicago Feb 10 6:30 PM 1952 Ill.
- Accompanying typewritten letter under letterhead [redacted] Chicago Ill., [redacted] and signed by [redacted] Chicago Illinois, Phone [redacted]

The above evidence was forwarded to the Chicago Office by United States Attorney OTTO KERNER on February 16, 1952.

When examination has been completed, the FBI Laboratory is requested to return the evidence by mail to the Chicago Division.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
 Attention FBI LABORATORY

FROM : SAC, San Juan

SUBJECT: VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO
 (VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB)
 NEW YORK - CHICAGO
 EXTORTION
 INTERNAL SECURITY - N

DATE: October 27, 1951

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Forwarded herewith is an original letter addressed to the Governor of Puerto Rico at San Juan, Puerto Rico, bearing the return address of "V.. O.. D.. G.. CORDERO, Chicago, Ill." (Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb), postmarked at Chicago, Illinois, on October 22, 1951. This letter was turned over to this office by the office of the Governor on October 26, 1951.

The letter, which is in the Spanish language, is translated as follows:

"VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB
 NEW YORK * CHICAGO

"What can be expected of a man who has double-crossed his country and has ridiculed the good faith of the inhabitants of Puerto Rico who believed him when he preached in favor of independence?

"What place other than the one reserved for HUEY P. LONG of Louisiana, HITLER and MUSSOLINI and the infamous QUISLING can history have for him?

"A man like that can neither die nor live in a bed of roses; that is why we, the men who compose the Secret Order of the Grand Lamb, have decreed his death, so as to free Puerto Rico from that shameful situation of COLONIALISM BY CONSENT TO WHICH HE HAS CARRIED his poor country.

"It is a disgrace that a Puerto Rican who once claimed that he loved freedom and advocated independence

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Enclosures: Original and photostatic copy of letter

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for his country as the only solution to our problems should overnight become an instrument of the American Empire and trample all principles of decency to sink his own people, serving the Wall Street interests.

"Let this be your warning, we are organized in Puerto Rico, New York and Chicago, the coup has been planned and you will fall as a traitor, a bad man, a despicable individual, which you are.

"Signed by the GRAND LAMB

S/ J. J. P.

"FIRST AND SECOND VIGILANTES OF THE GRAND ORDER OF THE LAMB ORGANIZED TO FREE PUERTO RICO"

It will be noted that the original of the letter is initialled "J. J. P.". Otherwise, it is typewritten throughout.

In connection with the alleged organization of the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb, it is to be noted for the information of the Bureau and the New York and Chicago offices that the grand lamb is a symbol which is the principal part of the Great Seal of Puerto Rico. It is believed that this reference is related to the presence of the lamb in the seal.

It is requested that the Laboratory compare the attached letter with the Anonymous Letter File, and that in the event of no identification, suitable copies be added thereto. It is further requested that this letter be processed for fingerprints.

It is requested that the Bureau make a search of its indices, both for the Spanish name of the organization and for its English translation of Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb, as well as the Grand Order of the Lamb and similar variations for any information of possible significance.

It is requested that the Chicago and New York offices likewise check their indices in this connection. The Chicago

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and New York Offices are further requested to contact available security informants, confidential sources and sources of information concerning Puerto Rican matters for any information of pertinence to this matter.

It is requested that this matter be given expeditious attention. //

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FORM No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

SAN JUAN

FILE NO.

REPORT MADE AT SAN JUAN	DATE WHEN MADE 4/10/52	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-27, 28, 29; 3-3, 5, 7, 12, 13, 16, 19, 21-52	REPORT MADE BY SA ROBERT L. BUCKINGHAM mjt
TITLE VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO (VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB), NEW YORK-CHICAGO GOVERNOR LUIS MUNOZ MARIN - VICTIM		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION INTERNAL SECURITY - N	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Investigation reopened to identify individual or organization responsible for writing instant extortion letter. Confidential informants throughout Puerto Rico contacted with negative results.

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DETAILS:

This investigation is being reopened for the purpose of effecting additional investigation in an effort to identify the individual or organization responsible for threats against the life of Governor LUIS MUNOZ MARIN, Governor of Puerto Rico. This threat was in the form of a typewritten letter addressed to Governor MUNOZ MARIN at San Juan, Puerto Rico, bearing the return address of "V..O..D..G.. CORDERO, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS," (Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb), postmarked at Chicago, Illinois, on October 22, 1951. Handwritten inked initials, "J.J.P," appeared in the signature of this letter.

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The following information appeared in a letter dated February 8, 1952, written by [REDACTED]

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Illinois, to OTTO KERNER, JR., United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois; J. HOWARD McGRATH, Attorney General of the United States; United States Senator EVERETT DIRKSEN; and United States Representative KING:

"Am glad and proud to report to you this very important case. The Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb has been formed to make trouble for the United States Government in Puerto Rico, and to assassinate some of the high Government officials. This organization is extreme Nationalist, but with these people cooperating Communist and other radical organizations. The last meeting these people had was held at 1518 West Roosevelt Road at 2 p.m. on Sunday, January 13, 1952. I can bring to your office documents. I have had instructions to investigate and watch these groups. And I believe it is my personal duty living under the American flag to report to you and am proud of it."

Confidential Informant T-1, of unknown reliability, was unable to furnish any information regarding the identity of the Venerable Orden Del Gran Cordero (Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb), or the individual utilizing the initials, "J.J.P." in instant extortion letter.

Confidential informants, of known reliability, were contacted throughout Puerto Rico, with none being able to furnish any information regarding the true identity of the organization known as the Venerable Orden Del Gran Cordero (Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb), or the individual using the initials, "J.J.P," as appeared in the signature of instant extortion letter.

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[REDACTED] Detective, Insular Police Department, Arecibo, Puerto Rico, advised SA RAPHAEL J. WIK, JR. on February 29, 1952, that he had never heard of the Venerable Orden Del Gran Cordero (Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb).

Lieutenant [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Insular Police Department, Ponce, Puerto Rico.

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advised SA ROLAND E. TRENT, JR. on February 29, 1952, that he had never heard of the Venerable Orden Del Gran Cordero (Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb), and that he was unable to furnish any information of possible significance to this investigation.

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Informants

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- T-1 [REDACTED] contacted by SA CHARLES P. PECK and WILLIAM M. SPENGLER on 2-28-52, at San Juan, Puerto Rico.
 - T-2 [REDACTED] contacted by SA LEMAN L. STAFFORD, at Ponce, Puerto Rico, on 3-12-52.
 - T-3 [REDACTED] contacted by SA LEMAN L. STAFFORD, at Ponce, Puerto Rico, on 3-21-52.
 - T-4 [REDACTED] contacted by SA MATTHEW D. CRAWFORD, at San Juan, Puerto Rico, on 2-27-52.
 - T-5 [REDACTED] contacted by SA GABRIEL R. MARTINEZ, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, at 3-5-52.
 - T-6 [REDACTED] contacted by SA GABRIEL R. MARTINEZ, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, on 3-5-52.
 - T-7 [REDACTED] contacted by SA HERBERT F. GREATHOUSE, on 3-16-52, at San Juan, Puerto Rico.
 - T-8 [REDACTED] contacted by SA RAPHAEL J. WIK, JR., on 3-19-52, at Arecibo, Puerto Rico.
 - T-9 [REDACTED] contacted by SA THOMAS C. BURKE, at San Juan, on 3-3-52.
 - T-10 [REDACTED] contacted by SA ROLAND E. TRENT, JR., at Ponce, Puerto Rico, on 3-3-52.
 - T-11 [REDACTED] contacted by SA DANIEL J. BRENNAN, JR., at Aguadilla, Puerto Rico, on 3-7-52.
 - T-12 [REDACTED] contacted by SA WILLIAM M. SPENGLER, at San Juan, Puerto Rico, on 2-28-52.
 - T-13 [REDACTED] contacted by SA JOSEPH F. BRENNAN at San Juan, on 3-13-52.

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Leads

The New York Division

At New York City, New York

Will report results of investigation conducted in accordance with referenced Bureau radiogram to Chicago, New York, and San Juan, dated 2-20-52, and Chicago radiogram to Bureau, New York, and San Juan dated 2-21-52.

The Chicago Division

At Chicago, Illinois

Will report results of investigation conducted in accordance with referenced Bureau radiogram to Chicago, New York, and San Juan, dated 2-20-52, and Bureau letter to Chicago dated 3-5-52.

In the event the Chicago Division has available a membership list of the Committee on Aid to Puerto Rico, Aka. American Committee on Aid to Puerto Rico, CAPR, it is suggested this list be examined for a member's name which corresponds with the initials, "J.J.P.," in an effort to develop a suspect in the writing of instant extortion letter. It is noted that [REDACTED] advised Bureau Agents on 2-21-52 that the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb is identical with an organization known as "CAPR."

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REFERENCE: Bureau radiogram to Chicago, New York, and San Juan dated 2-20-52.
Chicago radiogram to Bureau, San Juan, and New York, dated 2-21-52.
New York radiogram to Bureau, Chicago, San Juan, dated 2-25-52.
Bureau letter to Chicago dated 3-5-52.
Chicago letter to Bureau dated 3-19-52.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-15933)

DATE: May 13, 1952

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (105-859)

ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY
(#D-139574-CJ)

SUBJECT: VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO
(VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB)
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Re letter from FBI Laboratory dated March 26, 1952, to Chicago, and report of SA ROBERT L. BUCKINGHAM dated April 10, 1952, at San Juan.

Enclosed herewith is the following evidence to be examined for the purpose of comparing typewriter impressions with that in the original extortion letter submitted by the San Juan Office.

The results of the examination of the original letter are contained in FBI Laboratory report dated November 6, 1951.

- No. 1 An 8-page typed announcement addressed to [REDACTED] New York, dated April 5, 1950.

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The letterhead of this paper is "The Joseph G. Branch School of Engineering and Science, 3917 South Parkway Boulevard, Chicago, USA".

- No. 2 Letter typed in Spanish dated September 31, 1950, Chicago, Illinois.
- No. 3 An announcement in the Spanish language of a forthcoming meeting dated October 11, 1950, signed by BERNARDO S. TORRES, President.

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(VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND
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No. 4 An announcement in the
Spanish language of a
forthcoming meeting dated
October 25, 1950, and signed
by BERNARDO S. TORRES, Presi-
dent.

When examination has been completed, the FBI Laboratory
is requested to return the evidence by mail to the Chicago
Division. It is also requested that the San Juan Division
be furnished a copy of the findings of the examination.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

To: SAC, Chicago

May 23, 1952

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office May 19, 1952.

Re: VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO
(Venerable Order Of The Grand
Lamb)
Extortion
Internal Security - N

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 105-859
FBI FILE NO. 105-15933
LAB. NO. D-149021 CJ

Examination requested by: Chicago

Reference: Letter - May 13, 1952

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

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- K2 Eight-page typewritten announcement addressed to [redacted] dated 4-5-50.
- K3 Letter typewritten in Spanish dated 9-31-50.
- K4 Typewritten announcement in the Spanish language of a forthcoming meeting dated 10-11-50, signed by BERNARDO S. TORRES.
- K5 Typewritten announcement in the Spanish language of a forthcoming meeting dated 10-25-50, signed by BERNARDO S. TORRES.

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It was concluded that the questioned typewriting appearing on specimens Q1 and Q2, previously submitted in connection with this case by the San Juan office, was not prepared on any of the typewriters used to prepare specimens K2 through K5.

Specimens K2 through K5 are returned herewith. No photographic copies of this evidence are retained in the files of the Laboratory.

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- Harbo _____
- Rosen _____
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

To: SAC, Chicago

July 3, 1952

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination requested in Bureau letter dated July 1, 1952 addressed to the Chicago Office, a copy of which was received in the Laboratory on July 1, 1952.

Re: **[REDACTED]**
INFORMATION CONCERNING - EXTORTION

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO. 105-859
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Examination requested by: Bureau

Reference: Bulet. to Chicago 7/1/52

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

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K6 Envelope addressed to "Mr J. Edgar Hoover Director F.B.I. Washington.D.C.," and accompanying one-page typewritten letter dated June 23, 1952 on letterhead of the **[REDACTED]**

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the typewriting on Q1 and Q2 was not prepared on the machine used to prepare K6. Specimens Q1 and Q2 were previously submitted to the Laboratory by the San Juan Office with a letter dated October 27, 1951, under the title "Venerable Orden del Gran Cordero (Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb) Ext.;- IS - N."

It was further concluded that the typewriting on K1 was not prepared on the machine used to prepare K6. Specimen K1 was previously submitted to the Laboratory by your office with a letter dated March 19, 1952.

Since **[REDACTED]** appears to have had a typewriter available, it is suggested that there may be still typewriters in his office or home, specimens of which may be of value in further comparisons.

Specimen K6 will be retained in the Bureau's file.

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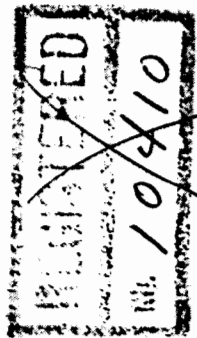
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Mr J. Edgar Hoover
Director
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Washington, D. C.

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SAC, Chicago

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Director, FBI

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INFORMATION CONCERNING - EXTORTION

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Reference your file 105-859 entitled "Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb, Extortion, IS-N."

The correspondent, [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, should be immediately contacted and his letter of June 23, 1952, to the Bureau acknowledged. He should again be advised that the matter is not within the purview of the investigative jurisdiction of the Bureau. A copy of his letter, which was sent "Registered Mail," is attached hereto. The letter was typewritten and will be compared with the anonymous letter in referenced case, which was postmarked October 22, 1951, at Chicago, Illinois.

You will be advised of the results of this examination in the FBI Laboratory.

Attachment
EHH: jlt
cc: Mr. Harbo

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NOTE: Subject is a prolific letter writer. Chicago Office by letter March 19, 1952, indicated that he suffers from a persecution complex and is interested in obtaining favorable communications from prominent public officials in order to prove his status as a patriotic citizen. He has been [redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (105-15933)

DATE: August 7, 1952

FROM : SAC, Chicago (105-859)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
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ReBulet dated July 1, 1952, instructing the Chicago Division to contact [REDACTED] acknowledge his letter to the Bureau, and advise him that the matter contained in his referenced letter is not within the purview of investigative jurisdiction of the Bureau.

Accordingly, [REDACTED] was contacted on July 17, 1952, by SA JAMES K. BUCKNER and after acknowledging receipt of his letter by the Bureau dated June 23, 1952, he was advised that his problem [REDACTED] was not within the jurisdiction of the FBI. [REDACTED] seems to be of the opinion that the Bureau should make an exception and investigate his case in view of his alleged service to the Bureau.

It was explained to [REDACTED] that the Bureau could not make special exceptions and that his particular problem was not the proper subject of an investigation by this agency. [REDACTED] added that the Chicago Civil Liberties Committee was presently handling his case.

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Title		52				Character of Case
VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO						EXTORTION;
(VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB),						INTERNAL SECURITY - N
New York - Chicago, GOVERNOR LUIS						
MUNOZ MARIN - VICTIM						

Synopsis:

[REDACTED]
 who allegedly possessed information regarding subject organization, re-interviewed. No pertinent information developed regarding subject organization. [REDACTED] unable to produce information concerning individuals, or their identities, who may be connected with the VOGL. Specimens from typewriters of known Nationalists in Chicago and [REDACTED] not identical with that of the extortion letter. No information available in Chicago Division which would connect the CAPR with the extortion letter in this case. Background information concerning [REDACTED] set forth.

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 ON 4-13-00

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By letter dated February 8, 1952, addressed to OTTO KERNER, Jr., United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois, with copies to J. HOWARD MC GRATH, Senator EVERETT DIRKSEN, and Representative KING, [REDACTED] advised that he had documents and information in his possession pertaining to the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb.

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On February 21, 1952, SAS FREDERICK W. GANNON and JAMES L. PAPPAS interviewed [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised these agents that the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb is the same organization as the CAPR with offices located at 19 A Commerce Street, New York City, New York. [REDACTED] alleged that the CAPR means Communist Anarchists Party of Puerto Rico which advocates Puerto Rican independence and was responsible for the attempted assassination of President TRUMAN and other high officials of the government whom he could not identify. The only "documentary" material that [REDACTED] had in his possession was an issue of a weekly Spanish language newspaper entitled "Informacion." The January 12, 1952, issue, Page 3, columns four and five, contains an announcement of a meeting to be held January 13, 1952, at 1518 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago, Illinois, under the auspices of the CAPR, 19 A. Commerce Street, New York, New York. This article is in Spanish and stated that the Committee for the Assistance of Puerto Rico has been created in New York to assist in the unification in the United States of the Puerto Rican people with other minority groups. The article further states that PABLO GARCIA, Representative of the Puerto Rican Committee for Civil Liberties, was coming to the United States to speak upon the exploitation of the Puerto Rican people and the violation of the civil rights of those Puerto Ricans struggling for independence.

[REDACTED] had no information regarding the identities of the leaders of the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb or of the CAPR and possessed no evidence establishing that these two organizations are identical. [REDACTED] explained that when he uses the word "documents" he has reference to written letters executed and signed by him.

[REDACTED] was again interviewed by SAS PAPPAS and JAMES K. BUCKNER on March 12, 1952, for any possible additional information that he may have had concerning the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb. In this interview, [REDACTED] stated that various members of the CAPR had been [REDACTED] date not indicated, and had told him specifically that the CAPR stands for Communist Anarchists Party of Puerto Rico. [REDACTED] further stated that these individuals would not identify themselves; that

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they used many different names, but that these same individuals were also members of the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb. [REDACTED] was unable to offer any proof of this fact and insisted that "he just knows" that they are members of the CAPR and the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb.

[REDACTED] also advised that he had [REDACTED]

The files of the Chicago Division fail to reflect the initials "J.J.P" or any individual's name whose initials would be "J.J.P" as being connected with the Committee on Aid to Puerto Rico.

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The typewritten letter and envelope by [REDACTED] dated February 8, 1952, addressed to OTTO KERNER, Jr., United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois, was submitted to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with the typewritten extortion letter in this case on March 24, 1952. The examination by the FBI Laboratory concluded that the typewriter used [REDACTED] to prepare the above letter was not identical with the typewriter used to prepare the extortion letter.

On May 19, 1952, the Chicago Division made available to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with the original extortion letter type written announcements allegedly signed by [REDACTED] and BERNARDO S. TORRES. [REDACTED] and TORRES have both been described by T-1, of known reliability, as active members and officials of the Nationalist Party of Puerto Rico. The FBI Laboratory concluded that the typewriters used to prepare the above typewritten announcements were not identical with the original extortion letter.

T-2, of known reliability, advised on March 11, 1952, that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] during a Communist May Day Rally on May 1, 1947. The

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informant also advised that [REDACTED]

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The Chicago Police Department has [REDACTED]

The Nationalist Party of Puerto Rico has been cited by the Attorney General as an organization which seeks to alter the U. S. form of Government by unconstitutional methods and as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

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IDENTITY OF INFORMANTS

T-1: *b2* [REDACTED] who advised SA JAMES K. BUCKNER on
 b7D May 10, 1952.

T-2: The Security Unit, Chicago Police Department,
 who advised SE HUGH M. BARNHARDT on May 11, 1952.

REFERENCE: Report of SA ROBERT L. BUCKINGHAM dated 4/10/52
 at San Juan.

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REPORT MADE AT San Juan	DATE WHEN MADE 8/28/52	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/26/52	REPORT MADE BY CLARK L. NEWTON
TITLE VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO (VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB), NEW YORK-CHICAGO; GOVERNOR LUIS MUNOZ MARIN, Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION INTERNAL SECURITY - N

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Investigation at New York, New York; Chicago, Illinois; and San Juan, Puerto Rico, has failed to develop the true identity of subject organization. No reliable information obtained which would indicate instant organization and CAPR are identical.

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DETAILS:

Investigation toward identifying the Venerable Order Del Gran Cordero at New York, New York; Chicago, Illinois; and San Juan, Puerto Rico, has failed to develop the true identity of instant organization.

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As previously reported, [REDACTED] has stated instant organization is the same organization as the CAPR, with offices located at 19A Commerce Street, New York, New York. [REDACTED] alleged that the CAPR means Communist Anarchist Party of Puerto Rico. Investigation at New York City has identified the CAPR as Committee Of Aid To Puerto Rico. No reliable information has been obtained which would indicate instant organization and the CAPR are identical.

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Inasmuch as all logical investigation has been completed without developing the true identity of the unknown subject organization, this case is being closed on the authority of the Special Agent In Charge.

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Reference: Report of SA ROBERT L. BUCKINGHAM, 4/10/52, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
Report of SA JAMES K. BUCKNER, 8/22/52, Chicago, Illinois.

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TO : L. B. NICHOLS *BN*

DATE: 7-26-55

FROM : D. J. PARSONS *DJP*

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
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There is attached the file which has been maintained in the Laboratory in connection with the above-captioned matter. It is desired that this file be maintained as an enclosure behind the main file in the Records Section.

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Attachment

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ENCLOSURE ATTACHED

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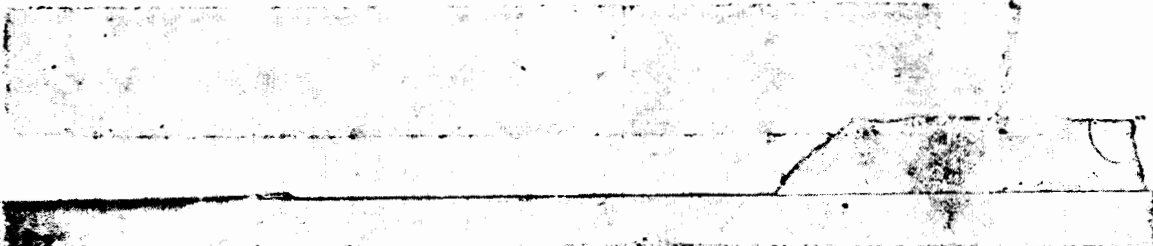
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Laboratory Work Sheet

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Re: [REDACTED]
INFORMATION CONCERNING - EXTORTION

File # 105-15933
Lab. # D-151012 BS

LAB FILE

Examination requested by: ^{(Add - Report to Chicago) (105-859)}
Bureau

Date of reference communication: ^{to Chicago} ~~to Bureau~~ Date received: 7/3/52
7/1/52.

Examination requested: Doc.

Result of Examination:

Examination by: English

TW K6 NO IDENT TW Q1 + Q2. Prev.

TW K6 NO IDENT TW ~~Q1 + Q2~~ K1 Prev. Since ~~[REDACTED]~~ ^{appears to} ~~be~~ ^{in his office or home, to my knowledge} ~~no~~ ^{specimens of which may be} ~~of value.~~ ^{of value.} K6 ~~attached~~ ^{retained} ~~Bureau file~~ ^{But not} ~~made.~~
Specimens submitted for examination

7-3-52 [Signature]

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K6 Envelope addressed to "Mr J. Edgar Hoover Director, F.B.I. dated June 23, 1952
Washington, D.C.," and accomp. one-page tw letter/on letterhead
[REDACTED]

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cc: San Juan (9-0)

Q1-2; 10/27/51 - VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO
(Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb)
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cc Hughes ~~and~~ ~~and~~

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Re: VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO
(Venerable Order Of The Grand Lamb)
Extortion
Internal Security - N

File # 105-15933
Lab. # D-149021 CJ

LAB FILE

Examination requested by: Chicago 105-859

Date of reference communication: let. 5-13-52

Date received: 5-19-52 mdp

Examination requested: Doc.

Result of Examination:

Examination by: HOLLAND

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Specimens submitted for examination

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- K2 Eight-page typewritten announcement addressed to [redacted] dated 4-5-50. - *no 2d*
 - K3 Letter typewritten in Spanish dated 9-31-50. - *no 2d*
 - K4 Typewritten announcement in the Spanish language of a forthcoming meeting dated 10-11-50, signed by BERNARDO S. TORRES. - *NI*
 - K5 Typewritten announcement in the Spanish language of a forthcoming meeting dated 10-25-50, signed by BERNARDO S. TORRES. - *NI*
- CC San Juan
Return Evidence.....

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(VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB)
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File # 105-15933-13
Lab. # D-146265 CJ

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Examination requested by: SAC, Chicago 105-859

Date of reference communication: let. 3/19/52

Date received: 3/24/52

Examination requested: Document

3/25/52
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Result of Examination:

Examination by: Holland

*K1 no short Q1/Q2 - K1 Phototype
Q1, elite*

Specimens submitted for examination

K1 Tw letter and env. , env. addressed to Mr. Otto Kerner, Jr., United States Attorney, United States Court House, Clark and Adams St., Chicago, Illinois.

Return.....

cc - San Juan

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3/26/52
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*E. H. Neuffer
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RECORDED 10-31-51 PATENT....

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Re: VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO
(VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB)
New York - Chicago
Extortion
Internal Security - N

File #
Lab. # D-139574 CJ
LAB FILE
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Examination requested by: San Juan 9-0

Date of reference communication: let. 10-27-51 Date received: 10-29-51

Examination requested: Doc. - Fp.

Result of Examination:

Enlarged
TW Royals Elite 1/2 to 2 inch.
No latent developed.

Examination by: *11/5/51*
HOLLAND
mdp
SAH

Specimens submitted for examination

- Q1 Air mail envelope bearing the typewritten address "Hon.(?) Governor of Puerto Rico La Fortaleza San Juan, P.R.," pm. "CHICAGO ILL. OCT 22 1951 7:30 PM."
- Q2 Accp. typewritten letter in the Spanish language beg. "Que se puede esperar de un....," bearing the handwritten initials "J. J. P."

cc - New York
cc - Chicago

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SAH: mrl

Q1 - one air - Mail envelope
Size 3.14 x 6.51 - no water mark
Thickness - .0021

Q2 - one sheet of yellow paper, ~~with a second~~
~~sheet or copy of~~. Size - 8.42 x 10.96
no water - mark - thickness .0032

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

October 20, 1953

To: SAC, Chicago

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The request for an examination of the evidence listed above was received in the FBI Laboratory from the Chicago Office on October 1, 1953.

Re: [REDACTED] WAS.
SECURITY MATTER - C;
FALSELY CLAIMING CITIZENSHIP

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 100-26558
FBI FILE NO. 100-396688
LAB. NO. D-173251 DL

Examination requested by: Chicago

Reference: Letter dated 9/29/53

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

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The following exhibits were submitted to the Bureau with the report of SA Louis K. Ewing made at Chicago, Illinois, on August 21, 1953:

- A-1 Photograph of page 133, Record of Births, Baptisms, and Deaths, Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 1101 South Peoria Street, Chicago, Illinois.
- A-2 Photograph of page 134, above described record book.
- A-3 Photograph of page 221, Record of Church Minutes, above described church, believed to be in handwriting of [REDACTED]
- A-4 Photograph of page 215, above described church record, believed to be in handwriting of [REDACTED]
- A-5 Photostat of delayed birth certificate No. 60557, filed in Chicago, Illinois, on March 19, 1947.
- A-6 Two typewritten notes to [REDACTED] containing handwriting of [REDACTED]

- Tolson _____
- Ladd _____
- Nichols _____
- Belmont _____
- Clegg _____
- Glavin _____
- Harbo _____
- Ames _____
- Tracy _____
- Laughlin _____
- Mohr _____
- Winterrowd _____
- Tele. Rm. _____
- Holloman _____
- Gandy _____

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The following was submitted by the Chicago Office with a letter dated September 29, 1953:

A-7 Record book of "Births, Baptisms, and Deaths" from the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 1101 South Peoria Street, Chicago, Illinois.

RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

The following observations and conclusions are set forth relative to entry #78, page 133, item A-7, a record book of births, baptisms, and deaths of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church:

1. The handwriting in entry #78 on page 133 was not prepared by the same person as the handwriting in the entries either preceding or following this entry. For the most part, the handwriting in entry #78 on page 133 is written on the blue guide lines while both the preceding and succeeding entries are written through the blue guide lines. Furthermore, entry #78 is written in a smaller style.
2. The ink used in preparing entry #78 on page 133 is different from the ink used in preparing the entries either preceding or succeeding the questioned entry. The ink used for writing the questioned entry is a deeper blue.
3. An erasure was found in the space now occupied by entry #78 on page 133. The original writing was found to be a straight line approximately 2.1 inches long, immediately below the third blue line from the bottom. The ink used for making this straight line is similar in color and physical appearance to the ink in the nearby entries which are not in question.
4. It was not possible to determine the approximate date on which entry #78 on page 133 was prepared. The questioned entry was in no way mutilated or altered during the course of this examination.

A definite conclusion could not be reached as to whether or not the handwriting on entry #78, page 133, exhibit A-7, was prepared by any of the individuals whose known handwriting and/or signatures appear on exhibits A-3, A-4, A-5 and A-6 largely because in most instances the handwriting peculiarities

are not strong enough to warrant a conclusion one way or another. The known handwriting of [REDACTED] contained in Bufile [REDACTED] serial 13, was also used for this comparison.

A definite conclusion could not be reached as to whether or not the signature [REDACTED] on subject's delayed birth certificate, A-5, was written by [REDACTED] A-6, largely because of the limited amount of handwriting available for comparison. For the same reason, it was not possible to determine whether the signature [REDACTED] on A-5 was prepared by [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] or by the person who wrote entry #78, page 133.

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It was concluded that the two notes comprising A-6 were prepared on the typewriter used to prepare 105-15933 K6. Exhibit 105-15933 K6 consists of a letter and envelope post-marked at Chicago, Illinois, on June 24, 1952, addressed "Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director FBI, Washington, D. C." This letter is signed [REDACTED] and is prepared on letterhead stationery [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Bufile 105-15933 is the case entitled "Venerable Orden Del Gran Cordero (Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb) New York-Chicago; Governor Luis Munoz Marin - Victim, Extortion, IS-N."

Exhibit A-7 is being returned to the Chicago Office under separate cover by registered mail; appropriate photographic copies are retained. Also return to the Chicago Office under separate cover by registered mail are exhibits A-5 and A-6; photographic copies are not retained.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-15933)

DATE: March 19, 1952

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (105-859)

SUBJECT: VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO
VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB)
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Rebulet dated 3/5/52.

On March 12, 1952, SAs JAMES K. BUCKNER and JAMES L. PAPPAS interviewed [redacted] Chicago, as instructed in referenced Bulet. As a result of this interview and in response to certain questions, [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] stated that he had been a citizen of the United States for [redacted] years and that during this time he has assisted "thousands of FBI Agents", furnishing them with information and cooperating with them in numerous instances, and has never asked for payment of any kind. He then stated that he had been [redacted]

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[redacted] was advised that such activity was not a function of the FBI and that no one in the FBI could assist him or intercede for him in this matter. [redacted] believes that the FBI should help him in this matter inasmuch as he has in the past furnished so much information of benefit to the FBI.

[redacted] then related that in the very near future he was going to Washington, D. C., and personally call on Director HOOVER and President TRUMAN regarding [redacted]

[redacted] added that the American Civil Liberties Union would assist him in his case.

[redacted] advised that the purpose for his "letter writing" to Director HOOVER and other public officials was to [redacted]

JKB:gh
cc: San Juan (9-164)

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Handwritten notes and signatures in a circular stamp area, including "4-2-52" and "RECEIVED".

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[REDACTED] believes that Director HOOVER is capable of doing this, despite the fact that he was advised to the contrary. [REDACTED] insisted that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] even if it is necessary to bring suit against his accusers.

In response to questions concerning the CAPR, [REDACTED] stated that various members of that organization had been [REDACTED] and told him specifically that the CAPR means Communist Anarchists Party of Puerto Rico. [REDACTED] further stated that these individuals would not identify themselves; that they used many different names, but that these same individuals were also members of the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb. [REDACTED] was unable to offer any proof of this fact and insisted that "he just knows" that the unidentified individuals are members of the CAPR and the VOGL. [REDACTED] was unable to furnish any additional information regarding these organizations.

In addition, [REDACTED] was unable to state specifically when information regarding the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb came to his attention, but that it was sometime last year, at which time he overheard some unidentified Puerto Rican [REDACTED] South Halsted Street, discussing the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb. [REDACTED] furnished this information when interviewed by SA BUCKNER on November 9, 1951, and stated he would attempt to identify these individuals at that time. SA BUCKNER asked [REDACTED] to report any information that might come into his possession concerning the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb on that date.

The files of ONI, 9th Naval District; G-2, 5th Army; and the Chicago Credit Bureau contain no information regarding [REDACTED]

T-1, of known reliability (Security Unit, Chicago Police Department, who advised SE HUGH M. BARNHARDT on March 11, 1952), advised that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] during a Communist May Day
Rally on May 1, 1947.

T-1 also advised that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

The Chicago Police Department has [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

The files of the Chicago Office reflect that [REDACTED]
a source of information of the Chicago Office and that he was
[REDACTED]

The Chicago files contain no information which can identify
[REDACTED] with the Communist movement.

It is the opinion of the interviewing Agents that [REDACTED]
suffers from a persecution complex and is interested in
obtaining favorable communications from prominent public
officials in order to prove his status as a patriotic and up-
right citizen. It is also suggested that [REDACTED] might be
under the impression that he can use his letters and replies
from these prominent public officials as "documents" in the
event that [REDACTED] decides to bring a lawsuit against his
accusers.

[REDACTED] has poor command of the English language, and his
mental stability is questionable. He states that he and his

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wife live separately and that he lives alone with only his four dogs as companions.

It is further believed that [REDACTED] was overly eager to assist the FBI in its investigation of the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb for those personal reasons previously indicated and that he has little, if any, knowledge of the Venerable Order of the Grand Lamb or the CAPR.

[REDACTED] referred to "his instructions to investigate" the VOGI, mentioned in his letter of February 8, 1952, to the United States Attorney, as a result of his contact with SA BUCKNER in November, 1951. At that time [REDACTED] was requested to report any information that may come to his attention concerning the VOGI to this office.

There is being forwarded to the Laboratory, under separate letter, the original copy of a letter dated 2-8-52 to U.S.A. OTTO KERNER, Chicago, Illinois, signed by [REDACTED] and forwarded to the Chicago Office by U.S.A. KERNER.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

To: SAC, Chicago

March 26, 1952

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on March 24, 1952.

G.I.R.-6

Re: VENERABLE ORDEN DEL GRAN CORDERO
(VENERABLE ORDER OF THE GRAND LAMB)
EXPORTION
IS-W

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 105-859
FBI FILE NO. 105-15933-15
LAB. NO. D-146265 CJ

Examination requested by: SAC, Chicago

Reference: Letter 3/19/52

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DATE 4-13-00 BY *[Signature]*

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

K1 Typewritten letter and envelope, envelope addressed to
MR. OT O KIMBER, JR., United States Attorney, United States
Court House, Clark and Adams St., Chicago, Illinois.

RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

It was concluded that the questioned typewriting appearing
on specimens Q1 and Q2, submitted to the Laboratory by the
San Juan Division under date of October 27, 1951, was not
prepared on the typewriter used to prepare specimen K1.

Specimen K1 is returned herewith. Appropriate copies
are retained in the files of the Laboratory.

Enclosure - REGISTERED MAIL

1 - San Juan

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- Ladd _____
- Nichols _____
- Balmer _____
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- Gandy _____

STH:mg

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