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PRECEDENCE:

- Immediate
- Priority
- Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 12/1/89

1 TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
 2 (ATTN: LABORATORY DIVISION FIREARMS UNIT, ROOM 3239)
 3 FROM : SAC, WMFO (163A-⁶¹⁰⁵⁵NEW) (P) (C-3)
 4 SUBJECT: UNSUB(S);
 5 MURDER OF SIX (6) JESUIT PRIESTS,
 6 SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR,
 7 NOVEMBER 16, 1989;
 8 FPC-A;
 9 OO:FBIHQ

Reference WMFO teletype to FBIHQ, dated 11/30/89.

REQUEST OF FBI LABORATORY

DIVISION, FIREARMS UNIT:

Firearms Unit is requested to analyze the enclosed spent shell casing for manufacturer, caliber and type of weapon fired from. Additionally, any breech marks should be catalogued for future possible comparisons.

For information of FBI Laboratory, on November 30, 1989, TIM RIESER, U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee, Senate Sub-Committee on Foreign Operations, turned over to WMFO one (1) spent shell casing which allegedly was retrieved from the crime scene in captioned matter.

- 6-FBIHQ
- (2-Lab)
- (2-OLIA)
- (2-CTS/CID/GU)

2-Legat, Mexico City for Legat, Panama City

② WMFO

[Redacted]

163A-61055-2

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Approved: _____

[Signature]

Transmitted _____

(Number) (Time)

Per _____

[Signature]

E The shell casing was forwarded to Mr. RIESER by [REDACTED]

At this time, this inquiry is a Foreign Police Cooperation matter and has been covered widely by all the news service.

Date
November 30, 1989

Title and Character of Case

UNSUB(S);
Murder of Six (6) Jesuits,
San Salvador, El Salvador,
November 16, 1989
FPC-A

Date Property Acquired

11-30-89

Source From Which Property Acquired

TIM RIESER, Senate Foreign Operations Sub-Committee

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

MMFO BULKY ROOM

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE/Laboratory Analysis

To Be Returned

Yes No

See Serial

Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

SA [REDACTED]

Agent Assigned Case

SA [REDACTED]

Yes No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Description of Property or Exhibit

1-Blue Box Containing a Spent Shell Casing
(Box Marked w/initials AJF & 11-30-89)

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For Valuable and/or Narcotics Evidence Only

Evidence Bag Seal # _____

Signature of Two
Special Agents
Verifying and Sealing
Bag Contents

SEMIANNUAL INVENTORY CERTIFICATION TO JUSTIFY RETENTION OF PROPERTY (Initial and Date)

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OO: FBI HQ

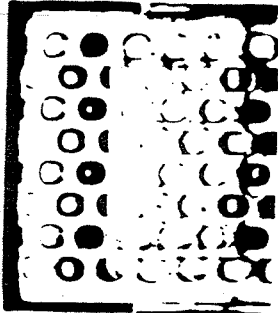
ORIGINAL (FILE COPY)

Title: Murder of 6 Jesuit Priests
(File No.) 163A-HQ-61055

Item	Date Filed	To be returned		Disposition
		Yes	No	
1	12-6-89		X	Copy of letter from [redacted] (sbm) E
2	12-8-89		X	copy of receipt for one spent shell casing SR
3	12-8-89		X	receipt for one shell casing SR
4	1-23-90		X	copy of confidential memo & statement SR
5	17 JUL 1990			MISC. NOTES (CRA)
6	7/11/91			1 CARTRIDGE CASE from crime scene

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Date Received 12-5-87
From CT-1
(Name of Contributor)

(Address of Contributor)

By S/A [Redacted]
(Name of Special Agent)

To Be Returned Yes No Receipt Given Yes No

Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure Yes No

Title: Copy of letter from [Redacted]
[Redacted]

translation:

Reference: _____
(Communication Enclosing Material)

Description: Original notes re interview of _____



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Memorandum



To : SAC, WMFO (163A-New) Date 11-30-89

From : SA [REDACTED] (C-3) P

Subject: UNSUB(S),
Murder of Six (6)
JESUITS; San Salvador,
El Salvador;
FPC-A;
OO: FBI HQ

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for assignment
JTB/2/4

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San Salvador, 21 de noviembre de 1989.

Señor
TIM RIESER
Appropriations Committee, SD -137
U. S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

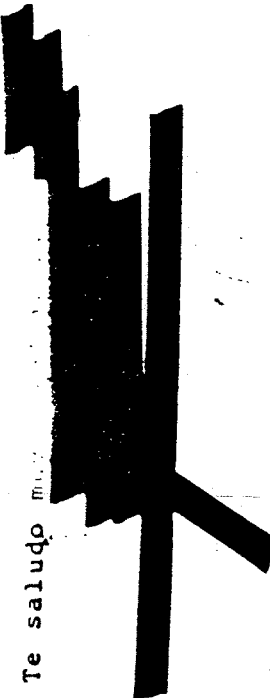
Estimado Tim:

Te estoy enviando la cápsula de un proyectil que se utilizó para asesinar a uno de los seis sacerdotes de la Compañía de Jesús. Me lo entregó un familiar de uno de ellos, quien lo recogió del lugar de este macabro hecho.

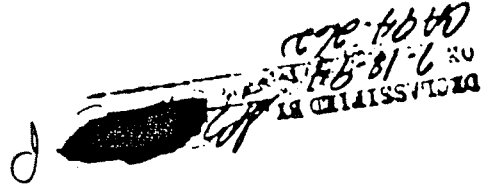
Estimo que tu tienes los contactos suficientes para averiguar a quien se le vendió este lote de municiones y así tener una idea de dónde provino este bárbaro atentado que tanto desprestigio está ocasionando a mi patria.

Comprenderás la necesidad de que todo esto se mantenga en máxima reserva, por mi seguridad y la de mi familia.

Te saludo muy



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DATE 7-18-84
BY [redacted]

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San Salvador, November 21, 1989

Mr. TIM RIESER
Appropriations Committee, S D-137
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Tim:

I am sending you the shell of a missile used in the murder of the six Jesuit priests. It was given to me by a relative of one of the priests murdered, who picked it up at the site of this shocking deed.

I imagine that you have the necessary contacts to find out who purchased this ammunitions lot and thus have an idea of who is behind this barbaric crime that has so discredited my country.

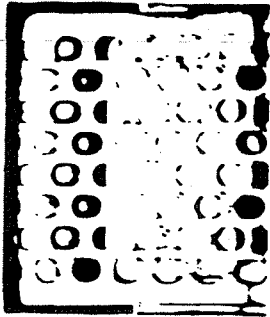
You must understand that this must be kept in the strictest confidence, for the sake of my own personal safety and that of my family.

With best regards,
(Signed)

[Redacted signature] E

Translated by:
L.S. [Redacted] P
WMFO

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From TIM RIESER
(Name of Contributor)

SENATE Subcommittee on Foreign Operations
(Address of Contributor)
WASH. DC

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By SA [REDACTED]
(Name of Special Agent)

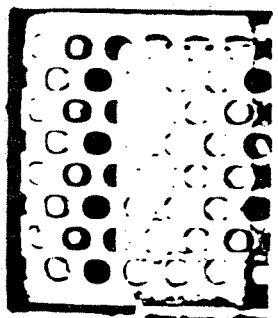
To Be Returned Yes No Receipt Given Yes No

Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure Yes No

Title: Copy of Receipt for one (1) spent shell casing.

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COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
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November 30, 1989

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On November 30, 1989, I hand-delivered to [redacted] FBI Special Agent, one spent cartridge shell identified on the base with the insignia LC 85, which I received by express mail from [redacted]

Tim Rieser

Signed:

Tim Rieser
Staff, Subcommittee on
Foreign Operations

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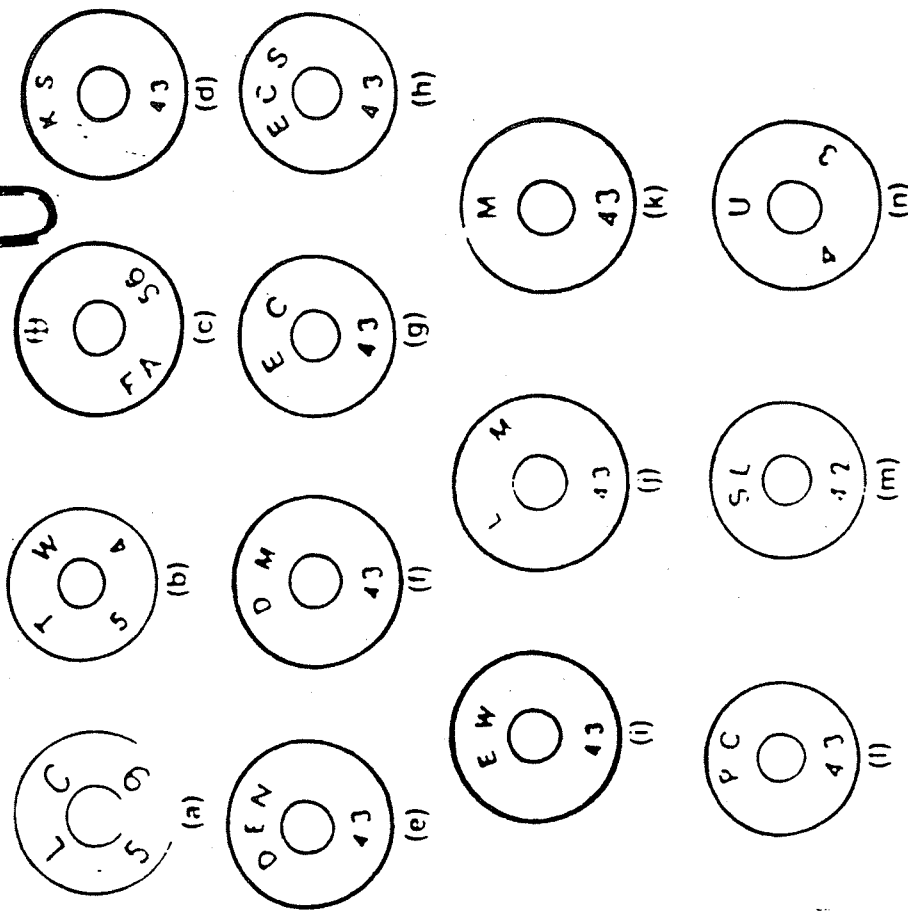
Signed:

[redacted signature]

FBI Special Agent

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letter indicated ball.
 cions, two letters can be used, eg 'PC' for
 ie 7.62 mm x 51 cartridge, the system was
 ge being given a unique model number, eg L1
 subsequent modifications to this basic model
 .L1, L1A2 etc. No type prefix letter is used,
 ook totally different model numbers; thus the
 ceer L.S. But these model numbers only apply
 62 mm x 51 L11 is a ball cartridge, whereas
 rving bullet cartridge. Note also that designs
 nomenclature, eg the 9 mm x 19 ball is still
 ing system before the adoption of the NATO
 : use of coloured varnish in the primer cap
 n use on some calibres of ammunition today.
 At the same time a bullet tip colour code also
 ended to be haphazard and it is not as reliable

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Current

Lake City Ordnance Plant, Independence, Missouri (a)
 Twin Cities Ordnance Plant, Minneapolis, Minnesota (b)

Earlier, still to be met

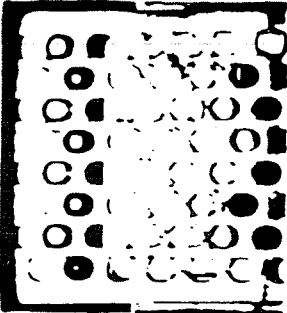
Frankford Arsenal, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (c)
 Allegheny Ordnance Plant, Cumberland, Pennsylvania (d)
 Denver Ordnance Plant, Denver, Colorado (e)
 Des Moines Ordnance Plant, Des Moines, Ohio (f)

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By SA [REDACTED]
(Name of Special Agent)

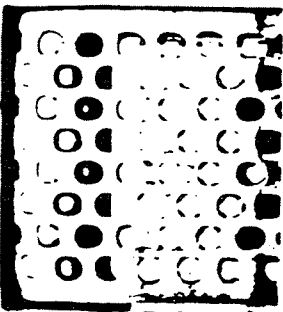
To Be Returned Yes No Receipt Given Yes No

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Title: RECEIPT FOR ONE (1) SHELL CASING

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FBI LABORATORY
Washington, D. C.



Date 12-1-84
Time 1:35 p.m.

EVIDENCE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Received from SIA [REDACTED] P of the
(Name and Title)

W.M.F. O'NEILL
(Department or Agency)

(Address) _____ (Phone Number)

_____ box(es), _____ bag(s), _____ envelope(s), _____ via(s), _____ object(s)
of sealed evidence for examination in connection with case number 100-111111
entitled MURKIN CASE SICK) FSULLS

Evidence Should Be
 Mailed Back
 Picked Up By
Contributor

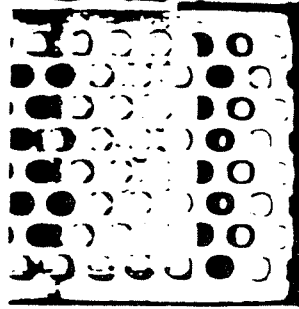
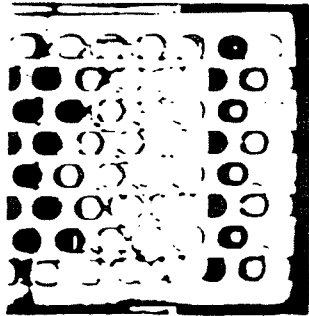
This evidence will remain in the custody of the FBI Laboratory while the examinations are being conducted. Following completion of the examinations, a report containing the results of the examinations and the disposition of the evidence will be forwarded to your department. If evidence is picked up personally, your representative should identify it with the Laboratory case number(s) assigned in the FBI Laboratory report.

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Director
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From SSA [REDACTED]
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(City and State)

By SA [REDACTED]
(Name of Special Agent)

To Be Returned Yes No Receipt Given Yes No

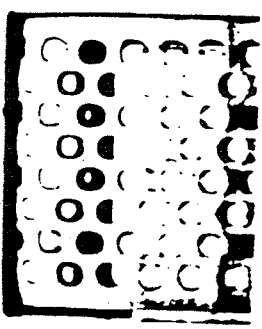
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Title: 1 - Copy of Confidential Memo to Mr. David C. Miller

1 - STATEMENT [REDACTED]

Reference: _____
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