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Investigation on 11/28/2003 at [redacted]

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File # [redacted] Date dictated 11/29/2003

by SA [redacted]

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Precedence: PRIORITY

Date: 11/16/2004

To: Washington Field
Counterterrorism

Attn: SA [redacted]

Attn: [redacted]

UC

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International Operations

Attn: [redacted]

Amman

Attn: Legat

Paris

Attn: Legat

Rome

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Vienna

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From: London

Contact: [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

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(S) Case ID #: (U) [redacted]

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(U) Title: (S)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
FALSE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO
U.S. GOVERNMENT RE: IRAQI EFFORTS
TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

(U) Synopsis: (S) To clear a lead set to London.

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(S) Reference: (U) [redacted]

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(U) Details: (S) As the recipients are aware, captioned case was predicated on a Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) request for the FBI to determine if documents provided to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) as evidence of Iraqi

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Re: (U) [redacted] 11/16/2004

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efforts to procure uranium from the Republic of Niger, were fabricated as part of a disinformation campaign. (Perception Management)

(U) (S) Recent developments in this investigation have [redacted]

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(S) Re: (U) 11/16/2004

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(U) ~~(S)~~ Based on the above, London is taking no further action in this matter.

(S) ~~(S)~~ London is clearing the lead set forth in Serial

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(S) Re: ~~(S)~~ [] 11/16/2004

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 11/17/2004

To: Counterintelligence

Attn:

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SSA

International Operations
Washington Field

Attn:

Attn: SA

From: Amman

Contact: ALAT

Approved By:

Drafted By:

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Case ID #: (S)

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(U) Title: ~~(S)~~

UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
FALSE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO
U.S. GOVERNMENT RE IRAQI EFFORTS
TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

(S) Synopsis: ~~(U)~~ Amman is administratively covering lead on this communication.

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To: Counterintelligence From: Amman
Re: (S) [redacted] 11/17/2004

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(S) [redacted] As almost two months have past, and Amman has yet to receive any additional information on this matter, Amman
(S) assumes that the lead set forth in serial [redacted] is no longer
(S) relevant. Thus, Amman is administratively covering lead [redacted] without further action.

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To: Counterintelligence From: Amman
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 11/17/2004

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 11/23/2004

To: Vienna
Counterintelligence

Attn: ALAT [redacted]
Attn: UC [redacted]
Attn: SSA [redacted]

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From: Washington Field
Squad CT-4
Contact: SSA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted] :pg

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(U) Title: (S) UNKNOWN SUBJECT (S);
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(U) Details: (S) This investigation was predicated on a 03/14/2003 letter from Senator John D. "Jay" Rockefeller, IV (D-WV) to FBI Director Mueller requesting that the FBI conduct an investigation regarding whether information provided to the U.S. Government (USG) concerning an alleged deal between Niger and Iraq for uranium (in which Niger would supply uranium to Iraq) was actually a perception management campaign to influence U.S. policy toward Iraq. This letter from Senator Rockefeller is dated exactly one week after International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Director General Dr. Mohamed El-Baradei's public report of the results of the IAEA's analysis

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Re: (S) [REDACTED] 11/23/2004

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of documents which had been provided to the USG in 10/2002, and the IAEA's conclusion that they were not authentic, and that these specific allegations (Iraq attempting to purchase uranium from Niger) were unfounded.

(U) Background:

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] In 10/2002, an Italian journalist, [REDACTED] went to the U.S. Embassy in Rome and asked if the U.S. Government could authenticate documents she had recently received from a source which indicated that there was a uranium deal between Iraq and Niger.

(U) Investigation to date:

(S) It has been established that the documents provided by [REDACTED] to the USG in 10/2002, based on all information to date, were forgeries, and that there was no deal between Iraq and Niger. What has not been established is who created the documents which were provided to [REDACTED] in 10/2002, and their motivation for doing so. [REDACTED]
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AT VIENNA, AUSTRIA

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 08/05/2003

To: Counterintelligence

Attn: [redacted]

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Washington Field

Attn: ASAC-IT

ASAC-CI

From: Washington Field

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

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Drafted By: [redacted]

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FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X);
OO: WFO

(S) Synopsis: ~~(S)~~

Documents discussions with [redacted]
[redacted] regarding analysis of the 17 pages of
questionable documents received from the Italian journalist.

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(U) [redacted]

(U) Administrative: ~~(S)~~

Reference telephone call on 08/04/2003
between [redacted] SSA [redacted] and WFO SA [redacted]

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Re: (S) [redacted] 08/05/2003

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(S) Immediately after speaking with [redacted] writer attempted to send an e-mail message to FBIHQ/CD regarding the above, however, there was a problem with the system. Writer left a voice mail message for [redacted] Unit Chief (UC) [redacted] advising of the [redacted] and that writer would be sending a more explanatory e-mail message the following day. On 08/01/2003, writer sent said e-mail message to UC [redacted] and [redacted] SSA [redacted] requesting a decision from FBIHQ as soon as possible.

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(S) On 08/04/2003, SSA [redacted] telephonically advised writer that [redacted]

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Date: 12/06/2004

To: Counterintelligence

Attn: [redacted]

SSA [redacted]

From: Washington Field

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]:cmp

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(U) Synopsis: (S) Requests FBIHQ authority to [redacted]

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(U) Details: (S) FBIHQ [redacted] is requested to [redacted]

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Re: (S) [REDACTED] 12/06/2004

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COUNTERINTELLIGENCE

AT WASHINGTON, DC

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is requested to [REDACTED]
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04 November 2004

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POSSIBLE PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY
DIRECTED AGAINST THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

As you are probably aware from media coverage [redacted]

(S) [redacted] the Government of Iraq (GOI) and the Government of Niger (GON) may have been engaged in negotiations for a Uranium purchase by Iraq.

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At the request of the United States Senate, FBI Director Robert Mueller ordered that a foreign counterintelligence investigation be opened to determine whether or not documents and related items surrounding this alleged deal could have been used in a perception management campaign by a foreign power to influence U.S. Government executive policy makers concerning Iraq.

Documents surfaced on 9 October 2002, when an Italian journalist provided them to the American Embassy in Rome. These documents purport a GOI agreement with the GON to purchase 500 tons of uranium. The documents report travel to Niamey by the then-Iraqi Ambassador Al Zahawie. On 7 March 2003, the Director of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) made a public statement to the United Nations that he believed that the documents were forgeries.

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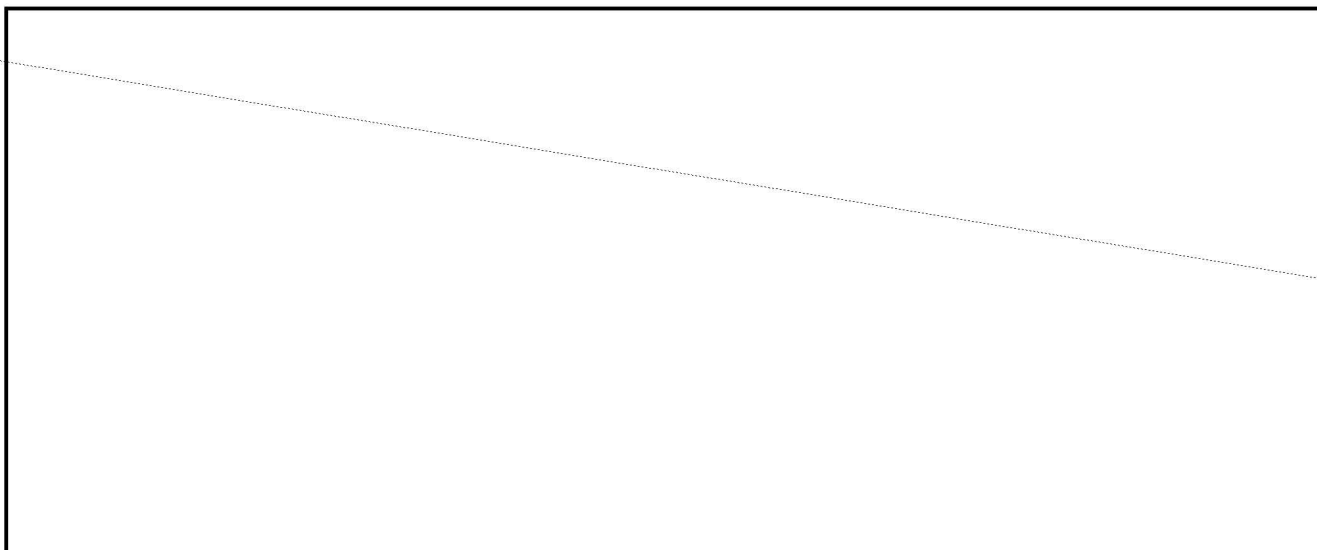
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We thank you for your ongoing collaboration.

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Date: 12/09/2004

To: Washington Field

Attn: SSA [redacted]
SA [redacted]

From: Counterintelligence

Global Section [redacted] / Room 4133

Contact: SSA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted] *AKK*

Drafted By: [redacted]

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(U) Title: ~~(S)~~ UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
FALSE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO
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TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI - PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT

(U) Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ Provide FBIHO authority to [redacted]
[redacted]

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Reference: (S) [redacted]

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(U) Details: ~~(S)~~ Due to outstanding leads/issues concerning the
captioned matter, FBIHO, [redacted]
[redacted]

(U) If there are any questions concerning this matter,
please contact SSA [redacted]

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To: Washington Field From: Counterintelligence
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 12/09/2004

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AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

(II) WFO is granted authority by FBIHQ to [REDACTED]

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 01/10/2005

To: Washington Field

Attn: SSA [REDACTED]

Counterintelligence

Attn: SA [REDACTED]
UC [REDACTED]
SSA [REDACTED]

International Operations

Attn: SSA [REDACTED]

From: Paris

Contact: [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: (S) [REDACTED]

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TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER
FCI- PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

(U) Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ To provide [REDACTED]

(U) ~~(S)~~ Derived From: ~~G-3~~
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Reference: (S) [REDACTED]

(S) Enclosure(s): ~~(S)~~ For WFO only, original serial [REDACTED]

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Re: (S) [REDACTED] 01/10/2005

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(U) Legat Paris will be providing an update on the request in the near future.

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To: Washington Field From: Paris
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 01/10/2005

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Washington, D.C. 20535
February 2, 2005

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 02/02/2005

To: Counterintelligence
Rome

Attn: SSA [REDACTED]
Attn: A/LEGAT [REDACTED]

From: Washington Field

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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(Pending) [REDACTED] (S)

(U) Title: (S)

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FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

(U) Synopsis: (S)

Provides letterhead memorandum for [REDACTED]

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(U) Enclosure(s): (S)

Letterhead memorandum dated 02/02/2005,
captioned as above.

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[REDACTED] Enclosed for [REDACTED]
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~~(S)~~ WFO greatly appreciates all of Legat Rome's assistance in furtherance of [REDACTED] and captioned investigation.

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To: Counterintelligence From: Washington Field
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 02/02/2005

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AT ROME, ITALY

(U) ~~(S)~~ Legat Rome is requested to [REDACTED]
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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 02/03/2005

To: Counterintelligence
Vienna

Attn: SSA [redacted]
Attn: ALAT [redacted]

From: Washington Field
[redacted]

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted] *mjm*

Drafted By: [redacted] cmp

Case ID #: (S) [redacted] (Pending) [redacted] (S)

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Reference: (S) [redacted]

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(U) Details: ~~(S)~~ Referenced serial outlined the basic facts of captioned investigation. On 07/07/2004, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) published a report entitled, "Report on the U.S. Intelligence Community's Prewar Intelligence Assessments on Iraq." Both a classified and unclassified/redacted version of this report was produced.

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To: Counterintelligence From: Washington Field
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The unclassified/redacted version was made available to the public.

(U) The SSCI report included a detailed section on the alleged uranium deal in 2000 between Niger and Iraq. Paragraphs 2 and 3 of page 69 of the unclassified/redacted SSCI report state:

(U) On March 3, 2003, the IAEA/INVO provided... U.S. Mission in Vienna with an analysis of the Niger uranium documents the U.S. had provided the previous month. The IAEA/INVO concluded that the documents were forgeries and did not substantiate any assessment that Iraq sought to buy uranium from Niger. Their assessment was based on analysis of the documents and interviews with Iraqi officials.

(U) On March 4, 2003, the U.S. Government learned that the French had based their initial assessment that Iraq had attempted to procure uranium from Niger on the same documents that the U.S. had provided to the INVO.

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[redacted] For the
information of Legat Vienna, Italian citizen [redacted]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ WFO appreciates Legat Vienna's assistance.
Vienna is requested to direct any questions to SA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (non-secure), or [REDACTED] (secure).

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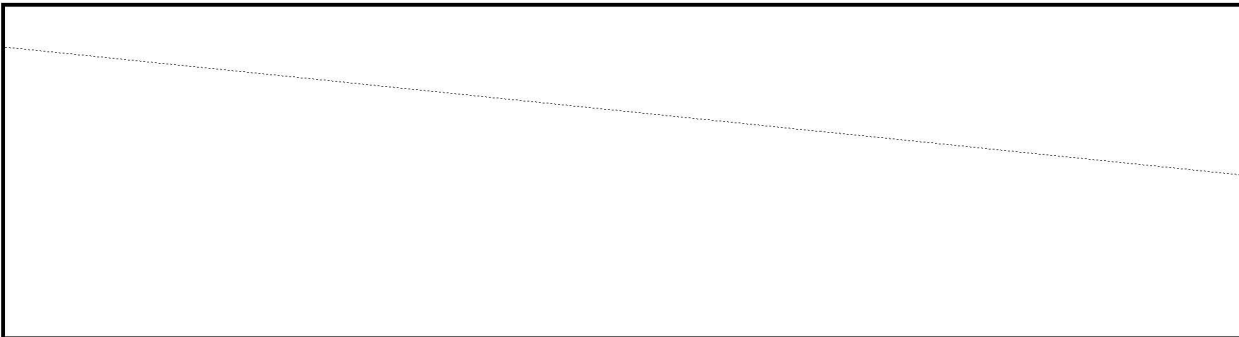
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 02/03/2005

To: Counterintelligence
Rome

Attn: SSA [redacted]
Attn: A/LEGAT [redacted]

From: Washington Field
[redacted]

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted] *mm*

Drafted By: *mm* [redacted]: cmp

Case ID #: (S) [redacted] (Pending) [redacted] (S)

(U) Title: (S) UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
FALSE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO
U.S. GOVERNMENT RE IRAQI EFFORTS
TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

(U) Synopsis: (S) Provides summary of [redacted]

(U) (S) Derived From: G-3
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(U) [redacted]

(U) Details: (S/NF/OC) [redacted]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ BACKGROUND INFORMATION/2004 PUBLIC ADMISSIONS BY [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

(U) In 08/2004, Italian citizen [REDACTED] was identified in the European press as the source of the fraudulent documents regarding the alleged uranium deal in 2000 between Niger and Iraq. It was also reported that [REDACTED] was a paid source of the French foreign intelligence service (DGSE), and that it was the DGSE which had been interested in information relating to Niger's uranium industry, as a consortium controlled by a French company(ies) maintains a controlling interest in that industry. Soon after, it was reported in the media that [REDACTED] was the subject of a criminal investigation by the Prosecutor's Office in Rome, and had been interrogated by Assistant Public Prosecutor [REDACTED]

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(U) Subsequent to his interrogation by [REDACTED] [REDACTED] gave an interview to Italian journalist [REDACTED]. This interview appeared in the 09/21/2004 edition of Il Giornale. According to Il Giornale (as translated by FBIS), the following exchange took place between [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] You speak of total good faith, but the file which you slipped to Panorama and which the weekly failed to publish after checking the affair out, was a spectacular hoax.

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[REDACTED] I did not know that it was a hoax, and there is proof of what I say. I have been engaged in intelligence for many years, offering my cooperation to various intelligence services including the French, about whom a great deal has been said and about whom we will be talking later on. The hoax began one day when a Nigerien Embassy source who had proven to be reliable on previous occasions and who had contacts also with the collaborator of a SISMI aide, passed on to me a whole lot of information. It is true that that information included some references to a uranium traffic between Niger and Iraq. What did I do at that juncture? I passed it on to the French secret service, with

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which I am in touch and by which I was remunerated. I passed it on also to Panorama (journalist [REDACTED]), which assessed it in order to study it, dispatching a reporter to Niger and turning the file over to the U.S. Embassy in Rome for cross-checking.

[REDACTED] What happened then?

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The female journalist told me that the trip to Niger had not produced any real confirmation, and also the French confirmed to me that the reports I had passed on to them were groundless. But at that juncture the beans had been spilled. The file was circulating, the reports contained in it were going around the world, and Bush and Blair were talking about those documents, albeit without actually mentioning them. I turned the television on and I did not believe my ears...

[REDACTED] The suspicion is that you may have played France's game, opposed as it was to intervention in Iraq and planning to cook up a "poisoned meat ball" to give the lie to the United States and to the United Kingdom, which were hunting around for any kind of excuse to justify the invasion of Iraq: Nigergate.

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[REDACTED] I do not know what you are talking about. These are lunatic ravings, among other reasons because the documents in question originated back in 2000, a year before the attack on the Twin Towers in New York and three years before Bush's decision to proceed with the war against Saddam.

[REDACTED] Someone may have remembered those documents, picked them up out of the waste basket, and released them back into circulation at the right moment.

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[REDACTED] Anything is possible. And in any case, I am the victim, the tool used by someone for games much bigger than me.

[REDACTED] When did you realize that you were in trouble?

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[REDACTED] When I read an article in a British newspaper that more or less called me a hardened criminal, pointing the finger of accusation at me as a double-crosser working for the French, who were clearly interested in what we were talking about just now.

[REDACTED] But you were followed, photographed, and recorded while speaking with French agents.

[REDACTED] So? I told you, I cooperate with them. And not only with them. But I did not plot against Italy or against the United States.

[REDACTED] The British 007s think otherwise.

[REDACTED] That is their business.

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[REDACTED] You told the Sunday Times in an interview that also the Italian Government and the SISMI were involved in the Nigergate affair. Then you backtracked when talking with Prosecutor [REDACTED] the other day. Where does the truth lie?

[REDACTED] I reached a preliminary agreement with the Sunday Times for an interview that was never conducted. We talked about this and that, including the SISMI, but only to say that my source on the uranium traffic was the same as the source of an Italian intelligence service aide. As far as I know, the SISMI has nothing to do with it. I never, and I repeat, never said that Forte Braschi (SISMI's Rome headquarters) was involved, and certainly not that the Italian Government was involved.

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The truth is that I have been duped, manipulated, used. I would like to figure out why they chose me; I do have some idea, but without any evidence one gets nowhere.

[REDACTED] Whom were you duped, manipulated, used by?

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If I knew that, I would dash off to report it to the magistracy, to whom indeed I have already handed over important documents and revealed the names of all the players in this murky business.

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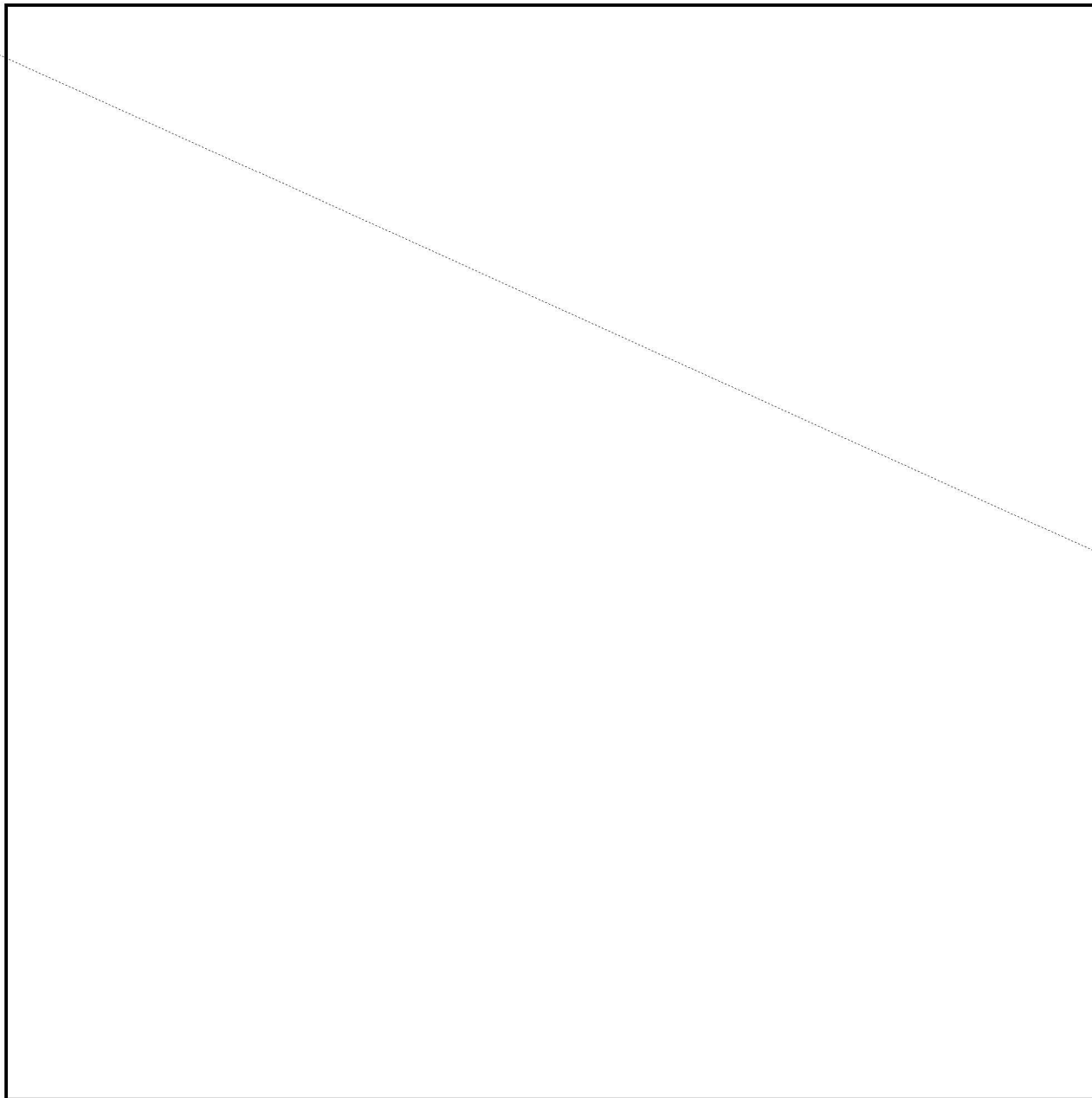
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Date: 03/07/05 Time: 06:32

Case ID: [REDACTED] (S)

Description of Document:

Type : OUTLET
Date : 02/07/05
To : [REDACTED]
From : ROME
Topic: REQUEST MEETING BETWEEN [REDACTED]

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Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 02/08/2005

To: Counterintelligence
Paris

Attn: SSA [redacted]
Attn: LEGAT [redacted]

From: Washington Field
[redacted]

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted] *mpu*

Drafted By: *OW* [redacted]

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Case ID #: (S) [redacted]

(Pending) [redacted] (S)

(U) Title: ~~(S)~~

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To: Counterintelligence From: Washington Field
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 02/08/2005

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From: [redacted] (CD) (FBI)
To: [redacted]
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Subject: RE: Iraq matter

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From: [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, January 06, 2005 1:33 PM
To: [redacted] (CD) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted] (WF) (FBI); [redacted] (CD) (FBI)
Subject: RE: Iraq matter

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[REDACTED] I will handle getting you the text tomorrow. Don't know why you
can't read it, but we'll fix it. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

It's late, so I'll get back to you all tomorrow.

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>>> [REDACTED] (CD) (FBI) 01/06/05 03:00PM >>>

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Dear [REDACTED]

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Happy New Year to you and we'll be in touch! [REDACTED]

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From [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, January 06, 2005 8:09 AM

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Cc: [REDACTED] (CD) (FBI)

Subject: Re: Iraq matter

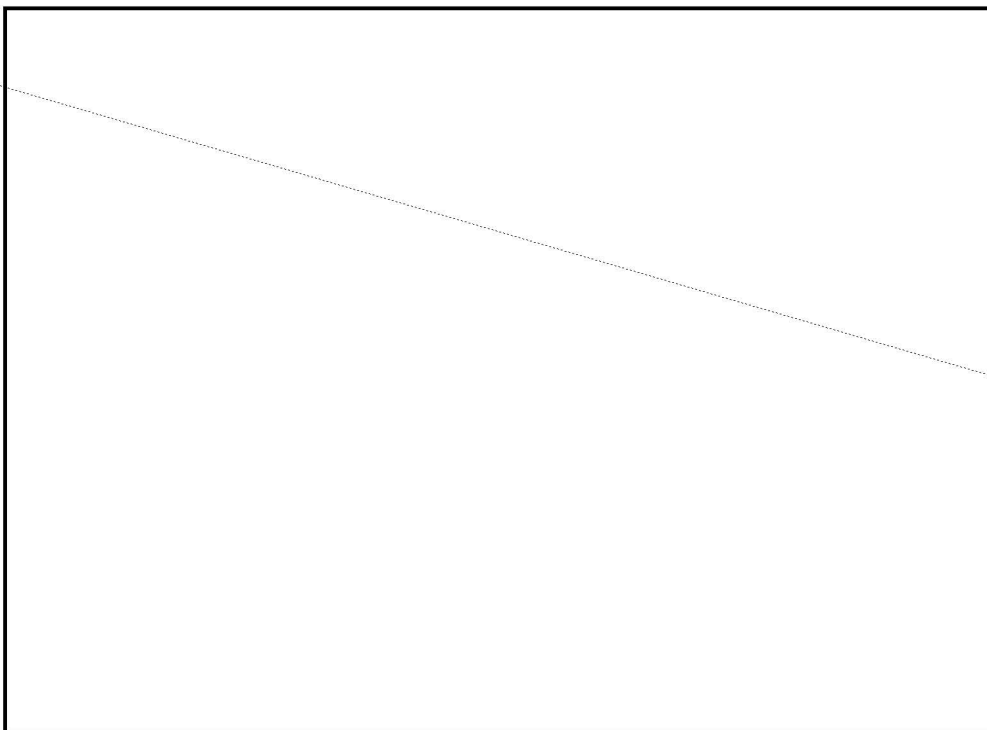
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>>> (CD) (FBI) 01/03/05 04:02PM >>>

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Happy New Year

Just wanted to let you know

Did you get my last e-mail regarding

We may be briefing Congress on or about 01/25/05, so

help. Thank you appreciate your

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[WF] [FBI]

[REDACTED]

[CD] [FBI]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: PRIORITY

Date: 03/09/2005

To: Counterintelligence
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International Operations

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Attn: A/Legat

Attn: Europe Unit

Washington Field

Attn:

From: Paris

Contact:

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Administrative: ~~(S)~~ Reference e-mail, dated 8 March 2005 to
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(U) Legat Paris considers this lead covered.

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To: Counterintelligence From: Paris
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 03/09/2005

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/09/2005

To: Counterintelligence

Attn: [REDACTED]

International Operations

Attn: Europe Unit [REDACTED]

Rome

Attn: A/Legat [REDACTED]

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Attn: [REDACTED]

From: Paris

Contact: [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: (S) [REDACTED]

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TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER
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(S) Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] This is a replacement EC for an earlier one
that could not be located in the file.

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(U) [REDACTED]

Reference: (S) [REDACTED]

(S) Administrative: ~~(S)~~ [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The details were
provided by Legat Paris to FBIHQ SSA [REDACTED]

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To: Counterintelligence From: Paris
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 03/09/2005

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] In addition, a summary was prepared by Legat Paris, upon her return to the office. For unknown reasons, this document does not appear in the file or within ACS, thus, this EC is being transmitted with the same information originally provided to clear a lead set by FBIHQ in serial [REDACTED] on February 19, 2004, three months after being informed of the interview. Legat Paris regrets any difficulties that may have been caused by this.

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To: Counterintelligence From: Paris
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 03/09/2005

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(U) Legat Paris considers this lead covered.

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To: Counterintelligence From: Paris
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 03/09/2005

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/15/2005

To: Counterintelligence
Vienna

Attn: SSA [REDACTED]
Attn: A/ALAT [REDACTED]

From: Washington Field
[REDACTED]

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

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Drafted By: *cm* [REDACTED]

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(U) Title: ~~(S)~~ UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
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(U) Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ Discontinues lead to Vienna.

(U) ~~(S)~~ Derived From: G-3
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Reference: (S) [REDACTED]

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Details: ~~(S)~~ [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] In light of recent developments in captioned investigation, this lead is no longer necessary and is being discontinued. WFO appreciates Legat Vienna's assistance.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/23/2005

To: Washington Field

From: Washington Field

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted] *Man*

Drafted By: *cm* [redacted] : cmp

Case ID #: (S) [redacted] (Pending) [redacted] (S)
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(U) Title: ~~(S)~~ UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
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FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

Synopsis: (U) Opens sub-files.

(U) ~~(S)~~ Derived From: ~~G-3~~
Declassify On: ~~X1~~

(U) [redacted]
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(U) Details: ~~(S)~~ It is requested that the following sub-files be opened:

Sub-file	Purpose
(S) [redacted]	maintains copies of documents provided by [redacted]

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To: Washington Field From: Washington Field
Re: (S) [redacted] 03/23/2005

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(S) [redacted] maintains press/Internet reports
[redacted] maintains redacted SSCI Report

(U) The above sub-files should be opened and
assigned to SA [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 02/23/2005

To: Washington Field

Attn: SA [REDACTED]

From: Counterintelligence

Global Section [REDACTED] Room 4133

Contact: SSA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED] ~~WB~~

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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(U) Title: ~~(S)~~ UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
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U.S. GOVERNMENT, RE: IRAQI EFFORTS TO
OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI - PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT

(S) Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ Provide WFO with results of a query for
information from the [REDACTED] regarding the above
captioned matter.

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(S) Enclosure(s): ~~(S)~~ For WFO is a response from the [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] regarding the above.

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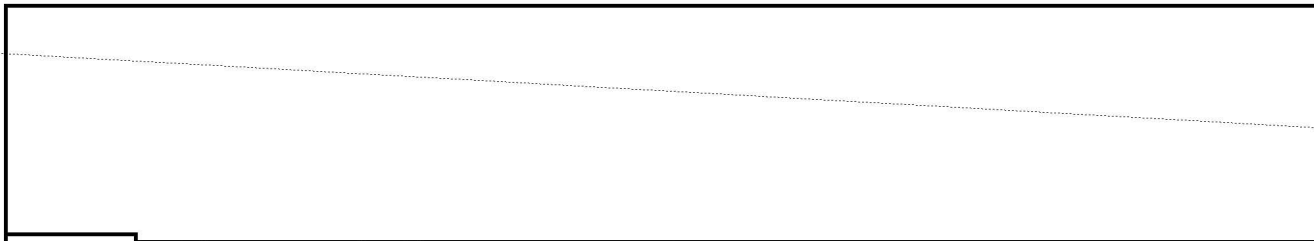
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To: Washington Field From: Counterintelligence
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 02/23/2005

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[REDACTED] (See attached)

(U) If there are any questions regarding this matter,
please contact SSA [REDACTED]

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AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/22/2005

To: Counterintelligence

Attn: SSA [redacted]

Washington Field

Attn: SA [redacted]
[redacted]

International Operations

Attn: UC [redacted]
SSA [redacted]

From: Vienna

Contact: TDY SSA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

(S) Case ID #: (U) [redacted] ending)

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To: Counterintelligence From: Vienna
Re: ~~(U)~~ [] 03/22/2005

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(S) Details: ~~(S)~~ Referenced Serial [] outlined the basic facts of captioned investigation. On 07/07/2004, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) published a report entitled, "Report on the U.S. Intelligence Community's Prewar Intelligence Assessments on Iraq." Both a classified and unclassified/redacted version of this report was produced. The unclassified/redacted version was made available to the public.

(U) The SSCI report included a detailed section on the alleged uranium deal in 2000 between Niger and Iraq. Paragraphs 2 and 3 of page 69 of the unclassified/redacted SSCI report state:

(U) On March 3, 2003, the IAEA/INVO provided ... U.S. Mission in Vienna with an analysis of the Niger uranium documents the U.S. had provided the previous month. The IAEA/INVO concluded that the documents were forgeries and did not substantiate any assessment that Iraq sought to buy uranium from Niger. Their assessment was based on analysis of the documents and interviews with Iraqi officials.

(U) On March 4, 2003, the U.S. Government learned that the French had based their initial assessment that Iraq had attempted to procure uranium from Niger on the same documents that the U.S. had provided to the INVO.

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To: Counterintelligence From: Vienna

(S) Re: (U) [REDACTED] 03/22/2005

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[REDACTED] Based upon this information, Vienna considers referenced lead covered. Vienna stands ready to provide additional assistance on this matter as needed.

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(S) To: Counterintelligence From: Vienna
Re: (U) [REDACTED] 03/22/2005

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LEAD(s) :

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/15/2005

To: Counterintelligence

Attn: AD Dave Szady
DAD Tim Berezney
SC Rick DesLauriers, [redacted]
ASC Hector Rodriguez, [redacted]
UC [redacted]
SSA [redacted]

From: Washington Field

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted] *WDM*

Drafted By: *CMP* [redacted]: cmp

Case ID #: (S) [redacted] (Closed), [redacted] (S)

(U) Title: ~~(S)~~ UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
FALSE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO
U.S. GOVERNMENT RE IRAQI EFFORTS
TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

(U) Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ Closes captioned investigation.

(U) ~~(S)~~ Derived From: ~~G-3~~
Declassify On: ~~X1~~

(U) [redacted]
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CLASSIFIED BY: NSICG F54M93K42
REASON: 1.4 (B,C,D)
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To: Counterintelligence From: Washington Field
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 03/15/2005

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(U) Details: ~~(S)~~ As recipients are aware, captioned investigation was predicated on a 03/14/2003 letter from U.S. Senator John D. Rockefeller, IV, Vice Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, to FBI Director Mueller. Below is the text of that letter:

"Dear Director Mueller:

As you know, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) has recently determined that some of the intelligence documents provided to it by the United States are forgeries. These documents were provided to the IAEA as evidence of Iraqi efforts to procure uranium from the Republic of Niger. I am writing to request that the Federal Bureau of Investigation investigate this matter.

While U.S. concerns regarding alleged Iraqi nuclear weapons development programs have not been based primarily on these forgeries, there is a possibility that the fabrication of these documents may be part of a larger deception campaign aimed at manipulating public opinion and foreign policy regarding Iraq. Hence, I believe it is important to ascertain the following: the source of the documents; the level of sophistication of the forgeries; the motivation of those responsible for the forgeries; why the Intelligence Community did not recognize the documents were fabricated; and the extent to which these forgeries may be part of a larger disinformation campaign.

A thorough investigation should, at a minimum, help to allay any concerns that the U.S. Intelligence Community, or other elements of the U.S. Government, were involved in the creation of these documents in order to build support for the Administration's policies. I hope to hear from you as expeditiously as possible. I greatly appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,
John D. Rockefeller, IV
Vice Chairman"

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To: Counterintelligence From: Washington Field
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 03/15/2005

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~~(S)~~ At the direction of FBIHQ/Counterintelligence Division, WFO initiated the captioned [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Legat London, Legat Paris, Legat Rome, and Legat Vienna. [REDACTED]

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~~(S)~~ At this point in time, after 21 months of investigation, all of the questions/points raised in Senator Rockefeller's letter can be answered:

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To: Counterintelligence From: Washington Field
Re: (S) [redacted] 03/15/2005

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(U) ~~(S)~~ Motivation of those responsible for the forgeries: [redacted]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ Why the Intelligence Community did not recognize the documents were fabricated: once the USIC finally received the documents (after [redacted] provided them to the U.S. Embassy on 10/09/2002), the documents were considered suspect at best, and likely forgeries.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ The extent to which these forgeries may be part of a larger disinformation campaign [redacted]

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(S) ~~(S)~~ While there have been numerous conspiracy theories promoted in the media, [redacted] the bottom line is that FBI investigation to date has answered all of the questions/issues posed by Senator Rockefeller's letter--the documents were not created as part of a perception management campaign to influence public opinion and foreign policy regarding the invasion of Iraq. In reading the letter, [redacted]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ The investigation conducted to date has answered the Senator's questions as stated in his letter, and WFO believes no purpose will be served by continuing with this investigation. Therefore, WFO is placing the captioned matter in closed status.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 05/10/2005

To: Washington Field Office

Attn: SSA [REDACTED]

From: Los Angeles [REDACTED]

Contact: SSA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

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Drafted By: [REDACTED] dnm

Case ID #: (S) [REDACTED] (Pending)

(U) Title: ~~(S)~~ UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
FALSE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO
U.S. GOVERNMENT RE: IRAQI EFFORTS
TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI - PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT

(U) Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ [REDACTED]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ Derived From : G-3
Declassify On: 25X1

(U) Details: ~~(S)~~ During the week of 01/18/2005, A/Legat [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SSA [REDACTED] who was then assigned to FBIHQ,
[REDACTED] SSA [REDACTED] WFO; SA [REDACTED], WFO; and SA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WFO, met with [REDACTED] in Rome, Italy. [REDACTED]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ Due to current FBI policy, per [REDACTED]
Administrative Section (via e-mail to A/SC [REDACTED])
[REDACTED]

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To: Washington Field Office From: Los Angeles
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 05/10/2005

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(U) WFO's assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.
If there are any questions regarding this matter, please contact
SSA [REDACTED]

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To: Washington Field Office From: Los Angeles
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 05/10/2005

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(U) Request [REDACTED]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 07/11/2005

To: Los Angeles

Attn: SSA [redacted]
Sq. [redacted]

From: Washington Field
[redacted]

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted] (S)

Drafted By: [redacted]:cmp

Case ID #: (S) [redacted] (Closed) [redacted] (S)

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(U) Title: (S) UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
FALSE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO
U.S. GOVERNMENT RE IRAQI EFFORTS
TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

Synopsis: (U) Covers lead.

(U) (S) Derived From: G-3
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Reference: (S) [redacted]

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(U) Details: (S) Referenced serial set a lead for WFO to
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To: Los Angeles From: Washington Field
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 07/11/2005

(U) For the information of recipient, captioned
matter was closed on 04/01/2005, [REDACTED]
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(U) WFO considers this lead covered.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 07/15/2005

To: Finance

Attn: UC [redacted]
[redacted]

From: Los Angeles
[redacted]

Contact: SSA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

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(Closed) [redacted]

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(U) Title: ~~(S)~~ UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
FALSE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO
U.S. GOVERNMENT RE IRAQI EFFORTS
TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI - PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

Synopsis: (U) [redacted]
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(U) ~~(S)~~

Derived From: G-3
Declassify On: X1

Reference: (S) [redacted]

(U) Details: ~~(S)~~ During the week of 01/18/2005, A/Legat [redacted]
SSA [redacted] and Special Agents from WFO, met with [redacted]
[redacted] in Rome, Italy. At the time of travel, SSA [redacted] was
assigned to FBIHQ, [redacted] Per the former Section Chief, Stanley
J. Borgia, SSA [redacted]
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~~(S)~~ Due to current FBI policy, per [redacted]
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To: Finance From: Los Angeles
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 07/15/2005

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LEAD(s):

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AT WASHINGTON, DC

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 07/27/2005

To: Washington Field

Attn: SSA [REDACTED]
SA [REDACTED]

From: Counterintelligence

[REDACTED] Room 4133

Contact: IA/OS [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED] *re*

Drafted By: [REDACTED] ced

Case ID #: (S) [REDACTED]

(Closed) [REDACTED] (S)

(U) Title: (S) UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
FALSE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO
U.S. GOVERNMENT RE IRAQI EFFORTS
TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

Synopsis: (U) [REDACTED]

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Enclosure(s): (U) [REDACTED]

Details: (U) [REDACTED]

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To: Washington Field

From: Counterintelligence

Re: (S) [redacted]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ Point of contact in this matter is IA/OS
[redacted] (secure), [redacted] Room 4133,
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: PRIORITY

Date: 01/04/2006

To: Rome

Attn: Legat [REDACTED]

Counterterrorism

Attn: SIOC

International Operations

Attn: SAC Thomas V. Fuentes
SC Michael S. Welch
UC [REDACTED]

Security

Attn: CADM Unit

Counterintelligence

Attn: DAD Timothy D. Berezney

Washington Field

Attn: ASAC [REDACTED]
SSA [REDACTED]
SA [REDACTED]

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From: Counterintelligence

[REDACTED] Room 4133

Contact: IA/OS [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Case ID #: (S) [REDACTED]

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(U) Title: ~~(S)~~ UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
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U.S. GOVERNMENT RE IRAQI EFFORTS
TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

(U) Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ To request Legat Rome [REDACTED]

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To: Rome From: Counterintelligence
Re: (S) [redacted] 01/04/2006

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Details: ~~(S)~~ The Counterintelligence Division, CD-2 (Global)
Section is [redacted]

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of this communication is to request [redacted]

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To: Rome From: Counterintelligence
Re: (S) [redacted] 01/04/2006

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(S) Point of contact in this matter is IA/OS

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To: Rome From: Counterintelligence
Re: (S) [REDACTED], 01/04/2006

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AT WASHINGTON, DC

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Set Lead 3: (Info)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: PRIORITY

Date: 01/09/2006

To: IT Operations

Attn: UC [redacted]
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Room G-480

Counterintelligence

Attn: SC Richard Deslauriers

Washington Field

Attn: SSA [redacted]
SA [redacted]

From: Counterintelligence

[redacted] Room 4133

Contact: IA/OS [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted] *h*

Drafted By: [redacted]:ced

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(U) Title: ~~(S)~~ UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
FALSE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO
U.S. GOVERNMENT RE IRAQI EFFORTS
TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

(U) Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ To request IITSG [redacted]

[redacted]

~~(S)~~ (U) Derived From : G-3
Declassify On: 25X1

(U) Details: ~~(S)~~ The Counterintelligence Division, CD-2 (Global)
Section is [redacted]

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[redacted] The purpose of this communication is to
request [redacted]
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To: IT Operations

From: Counterintelligence

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(U) ~~(S)~~ Point of contact in this matter is IA/OS
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To: IT Operations

From: Counterintelligence

Re: (S) [REDACTED] 01/09/2006

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Set Lead 1: (Action)

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AT WASHINGTON, DC

(S) IITSG is requested to [REDACTED]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: PRIORITY

Date: 01/10/2006

To: Washington Field

Attn: SSA [redacted]
SA [redacted]

From: Counterintelligence

[redacted] Room 4133

Contact: IA/OS [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted] *[Signature]*

Drafted By: [redacted] ced

Case ID #: (S) [redacted] (Pending) [redacted] (S)

(U) Title: ~~(S)~~ UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
FALSE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO
U.S. GOVERNMENT RE IRAQI EFFORTS
TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

(U) Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ FBIHQ authority is granted to [redacted]
[redacted]

(U) ~~(S)~~ Derived From: ~~G-3~~
Declassify On: 25X1

Details: ~~(S)~~ The Counterintelligence Division, CD-2 (Global)
Section is [redacted]
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(U) ~~(S)~~ The purpose of this communication is to advise
WFO of FBIHQ authorization to [redacted]
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To: Counterintelligence

From: Counterintelligence

Re: (S) [redacted] 01/10/2006

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(S) Point of contact in this matter is IA/OS
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: PRIORITY

Date: 01/11/2006

To: Counterintelligence
Washington Field

Attn: AD David W. Szady

Attn: SSA [redacted]
SA [redacted]

From: Counterintelligence
Room 4133
Contact: IA/OS [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

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Drafted By: [redacted] ced

Case ID #: (S) [redacted] (Pending) [redacted] (S)

(U) Title: (S) UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
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TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

(U) Synopsis: (S) To request [redacted]

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(U) (S) Derived From : G-3
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Details: (S) The Counterintelligence Division, CD-2 (Global)
Section is [redacted]

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To: Counterintelligence From: Counterintelligence
Re: (S) [redacted] 01/11/2006

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(U) ~~(S)~~ [redacted]

(U) ~~(S)~~ Point of contact in this matter is IA/OS
[redacted] (secure) [redacted] Room 4133,
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 01/18/2006

To: Washington Field

Attn: SSA [REDACTED]
SA [REDACTED]

From: Counterintelligence

[REDACTED] Room 4133

Contact: IA/OS [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED] *Jim*

Drafted By: [REDACTED] cfm

Case ID #: (S) [REDACTED]

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(U) Title: ~~(S)~~ UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
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TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

(U) Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ To advise WFO of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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~~(S)~~ (U) Derived From: G-3
Declassify On: 25X1

(U) Details: ~~(S)~~ The Counterintelligence Division, CD-2 (Global)
Section is [REDACTED]
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~~(S)~~ During the course of this investigation,
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ASSIGNED TO

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SQUAD [REDACTED]

DATE 1/18/2006

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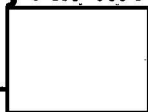
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THE ITALIAN JOB

How phony Iraq memos left a career spy out in the cold

Journalist didn't buy Mr. Martino's intelligence

By Jay Solomon
And Gabriel Kahn

FOR MUCH of the past decade, Rocco Martino floated in obscurity on the margins of the global spy game. The silver-haired Italian worked briefly for his country's military-intelligence service, was kicked out, then continued to free-lance with SISMI, as it is known. He scraped together a living selling intelligence tips under an ever-shifting list of aliases to other agencies or journalists.

Then he stumbled across something that, in the charged climate fol-

lowing the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks in the U.S., he thought could be a hot lead: 17 telexes, memos and letters purporting to show how Saddam Hussein had acquired 500 tons of "yellowcake," a processed uranium ore, from the African nation of Niger to build nuclear weapons.

Over dinner at an upscale Roman restaurant in October 2002, Mr. Martino offered them to an Italian journalist for about \$12,000.

He never got paid. The journalist concluded, correctly, that they were fakes. But she ended up unwittingly

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feeding the papers into the international intelligence machine, which turned them into part of the U.S. case for toppling Saddam Hussein.

Now, the 67-year-old Mr. Martino is at the center of a U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation counterespionage probe, according to a senior FBI official. As they seek to determine whether a foreign country intentionally misled the U.S. intelligence community about Mr. Hussein's activities, agents are trying to answer these questions: Who created the fake intelligence in the first place, and why? Was Mr. Martino actively trying to aid the case for war? Was he a pawn for others who were?

"Rocco was a set up" for someone else, contends Democratic Rep. Maurice Hinchey of New York, who failed in December to push a resolution through the House of Representatives compelling the White House to release documents related to the Niger case. "We still don't know who [the Italian] was working with."

While Mr. Martino spent much of his career peddling stories to journalists, he now won't talk to the press. He declined repeated interview requests through his Rome lawyer, Giuseppe Placidi. Mr. Placidi says he believes somebody must have forged the documents but that it wasn't Mr. Martino. SISMI has also denied forging or disseminating the dossier.

A native of the southern Italian region of Calabria, Mr. Martino spent the early years of his professional career in the carabinieri, Italy's military police force. His on-again, off-again relationship with SISMI was revealed by the current head of the agency, Gen. Nicolò Pollari, to a closed Italian parliamentary commission last year, according to Italian Sen. Luigi Malabarba, a member of the commission.

Elisabetta Burba, the journalist who met Mr. Martino that night in October 2002, says she has known him for close to a decade and had received solid information from him in the past. For some information, she paid him, a not-uncommon practice among Italian journalists.

His lawyer, Mr. Placidi, says his client has worked recently as a paid operative of France's intelligence service, the Direction Generale de la Securite Extérieure, or DGSE. A spokesperson for the DGSE declined repeated requests for comment.

According to several people who heard Mr. Martino's account, the bogus Niger documents came into his possession after a tip from his longtime handler at SISMI. The handler introduced Mr. Martino to an Italian woman who was working at the Niger Embassy in Rome. Mr. Martino called her "the signora." They had their first meeting in February 2000, according to people familiar with Mr. Martino's account. The purported handler couldn't be reached for comment.

The signora, identified in a report by Rome prosecutors as Laura Montini, began regularly passing on tidbits of information, according to Rome prosecutors and others who discussed the matter with Mr. Martino. Mr. Martino has said the Italian woman eventually began providing telexes and files depicting the sale of uranium yellowcake from Niger to Iraq, according to several people who have interviewed him.

Reached at the Niger Embassy in Rome, Ms. Montini said she has never met Mr. Martino and only learned his name from newspapers. She also declined to confirm or deny that she was questioned in relation to the probe conducted by Rome prosecutors, which was eventually dropped.

It wasn't long after receiving the documents that Mr. Martino began seeking to peddle them to potential buyers. He tried to interest France's DGSE, according to his attorney and those who interviewed Mr. Martino. He also traveled to Brussels and tried to pass them on to the British Embassy, according to Gen. Pollari's testimony. Around the same time, he sought out the wider media world, including the Italian journalist, Ms. Burba.

Ms. Burba says she spent weeks trying to verify their authenticity, even traveling as far as Niger. She ultimately concluded that the dossier was a fabrication. Some of the documents were dated before the events to which they referred; crucial details were missing; and one piece of correspondence between the Niger and Iraq governments was written, improbably, in Italian. She says Mr. Martino was upset when she refused to pay him, and sent a text message to her phone insisting the papers were legitimate.

As part of her attempts to corroborate the papers, Ms. Burba delivered the documents to the American Embassy in Rome, according to the journalist and an account of the event described by a report on pre-war intelligence by the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence.

Embassy officials never commented to Ms. Burba. But they did send the documents back to the State Department's intelligence arm in Washington, the Bureau of Intelligence and Research, or INR. A week later, on Oct. 16, State Department officials in Washington were distributing copies in a meeting of an inter-agency task force that included representatives of the Central Intelligence Agency, the Pentagon and the National Security Agency, according to the Senate report.



Rocco Martino, who made a living selling intelligence tips, is currently at the center of a U.S. probe over documents now known to be fake purporting to show how Saddam Hussein had acquired uranium ore.

This wasn't the first time American officials had heard reports that Iraq was pursuing Niger's yellowcake. SISMI had passed on tips to the CIA to that effect in late 2001 and early 2002, according to U.S. intelligence officials. But the Martino-Burba dossier was the first time they had gotten firsthand evidence.

U.S. President George W. Bush asserted in his 2003 State of the Union address that Iraq was seeking to procure uranium from Africa. The White House denies it relied on Mr. Martino's documents to make its claims, citing instead a British "white paper" that made a similar claim. But several members of the U.S. intelligence community say they are convinced that all intelligence referring to uranium purchases from Niger were related to Mr. Martino's documents.

The International Atomic Energy Agency in March 2003 publicly pronounced the documents to be fakes. And after the U.S. invasion of Iraq that same month, the CIA acknowledged that many of the claims concerning uranium purchases in Africa were based on flawed intelligence.

In the summer of 2004, Mr. Martino met with reporters for the Sunday Times of London in a cafe at the Brussels train station. He alleged that he had been set up by SISMI, according to the article that ran on Aug. 1, but demanded money for his full story.

"I sell information, I admit," he said, according to the article. Two British journalists balked at his request for cash, but not before surreptitiously snapping his photograph.

With his photo now public, it wasn't long before others in Italy recognized Mr. Martino and newspapers began to publish his name. In a string of subsequent articles that ran in the summer of 2004, everything from Mr. Martino's work with SISMI to his financial troubles were published in Italian and European publications.

Mr. Martino began courting a different set of journalists across the Atlantic: producers from the CBS show "60 Minutes II." The CBS journalists were reporting a story on the role the faked Niger documents played in the Bush administration's push for war in Iraq, according to three people who worked on the project.

CBS has yet to run the program, because of a debate over whether it is ready to air. Kevin Tedesco, a spokesman for "60 Minutes," says the news program's journalists continue to report the Niger story and that "we won't rule out airing this material in the future."

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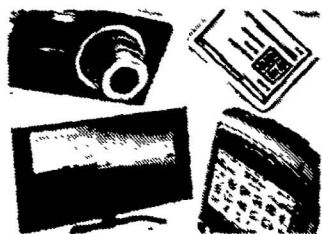
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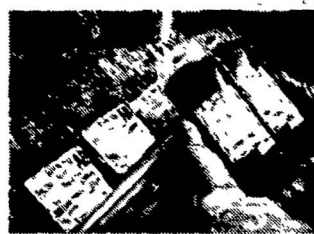
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disappointment > Page 14E.On's offer
may speedBid for \$34.7 billion
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Power giant E.On AG's surprise €29.1 billion (\$34.7 billion) offer for Endesa SA, Spain's leading electricity utility, is a bold bid to cement the German company's claim as the world's largest power-and-gas provider, and it could set off a consolidation of Europe's huge energy market just as regulators are hoping to foster more competitors in the sector.

The all-cash offer of €27.50 a share trumps an earlier unsolicited

By Mike Esterl in Frankfurt
and Keith Johnson in Madrid

cash-and-stock bid by Spain's Gas Natural SDG SA that values Endesa at about €21.20 a share. E.On's offer represents the biggest utilities takeover bid on record and, excluding debt, Europe's largest-ever cash-only deal, according to Dealogic, a financial-data service.

If E.On succeeds, the deal would be the biggest step by far in consolidating the European power industry, at a time when several aggressive and cash-rich former state monopolies are scouring the Conti-

What's News—

Business & Finance

World-Wide

■ Germany's E.On launched a \$34.7 billion offer for Spanish power firm Endesa, trumping Gas Natural's hostile bid in a move to cement its claim as the world's largest utility. **Pages 1, 19**

■ Barclays's 2005 net rose 5.9% on strong investment-banking results, but it was hurt by bad-debt provisions. **Pages 3, 19**

■ Australian buyout firm Babcock & Brown plans to launch a \$2.9 billion offer for Irish telecom operator Eircom. **Page 4**

■ U.S. stocks declined late afternoon amid a rise in oil prices. Japan's Nikkei average surged 2.96% in a rebound. **Pages 20, 26**

■ The U.S. inflation level is too high for some Fed officials, minutes to the central bank's Jan. 31 meeting show. **Page 8**

■ Deutsche Börse suggested it was ready to resume merger talks with Euronext. **Page 22**

The U.S. Congress was headed for a confrontation with the White House over a deal to transfer port management to a Dubai-controlled company. Republican lawmakers joined Democrats urging a delay on national-security concerns and threatened legislative action. Bush vowed to veto any congressional interference. **Page 3**

■ Iran painted talks with Russia over its nuclear program as "positive," but there was skepticism in Moscow that Tehran is ready for compromise on the location of uranium enrichment.

■ The EU failed to agree whether to let poultry farmers vaccinate flocks on fears it would mask bird-flu spread. Hungary and Slovakia confirmed outbreaks. **Page 9**

■ Mladic was located but the top Bosnian Serb war-crimes fugitive wasn't yet arrested, a Serbian official said, denying reports.



Italy's top curler wears Prada

At 22, Joel Retornaz is the 'skip' of
his team—and the toast of his country

> Page 16, more at WSJ.com/Olympics

■ Cadbury's net rose 46%, and the U.K. firm said cost cuts and price rises will offset rising commodity costs by 2007. **Page 4**

■ Publicis is launching a firm to advise marketers on digital technologies. It also will invest in media-technology start-ups. **Page 6**

■ Wal-Mart's earnings rose 13%, but the retailing giant said rising interest costs would constrain results this year. **Page 6**

■ France's and Luxembourg's moves to shield Arcelor from Mittal run counter to the spirit of EU law, an EU official said. **Page 7**

■ CAO Singapore's ex-finance chief was sentenced to two years in prison and fined for his role in a derivatives scandal. **Page 24**

■ China's economy is expected to grow about 9.3% this year, a government economist said. China's central bank gave no hint of a yuan-policy shift. **Page 24**

■ The EU Commission dismissed bleak French and German GDP reports, saying economic growth in the euro zone will pick up in 2006.

■ Baghdad was rocked by a car bombing that killed 22. The U.K.'s Straw was in the nation, backing U.S. calls for a unity government.

■ Christian and Muslim mobs hit two Nigerian cities in riots that killed 24 following deadly Muhammad-cartoon protests Saturday.

■ Nigerian militants called for independent mediators to negotiate the release of nine foreign oil workers they have captured.

■ The U.S. high court agreed to consider a ban on late-term abortions, with new members weighing the issue. **WSJ.com/EuroLinks**

■ Food aid may resume to North Korea, as a World Food Program official presents a plan to get limited supplies flowing. **Page 8**

■ Italy signed a deal under which the New York Met will return antiquities Rome says were looted in exchange for loans of artifacts.

■ Lawrence H. Summers will resign as president of Harvard University at the end of the academic year. **WSJ.com/EuroLinks**

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Quite a jolt

E.On's Endesa bid is just what
the EU energy market needed.
Business Europe, **Page 12**

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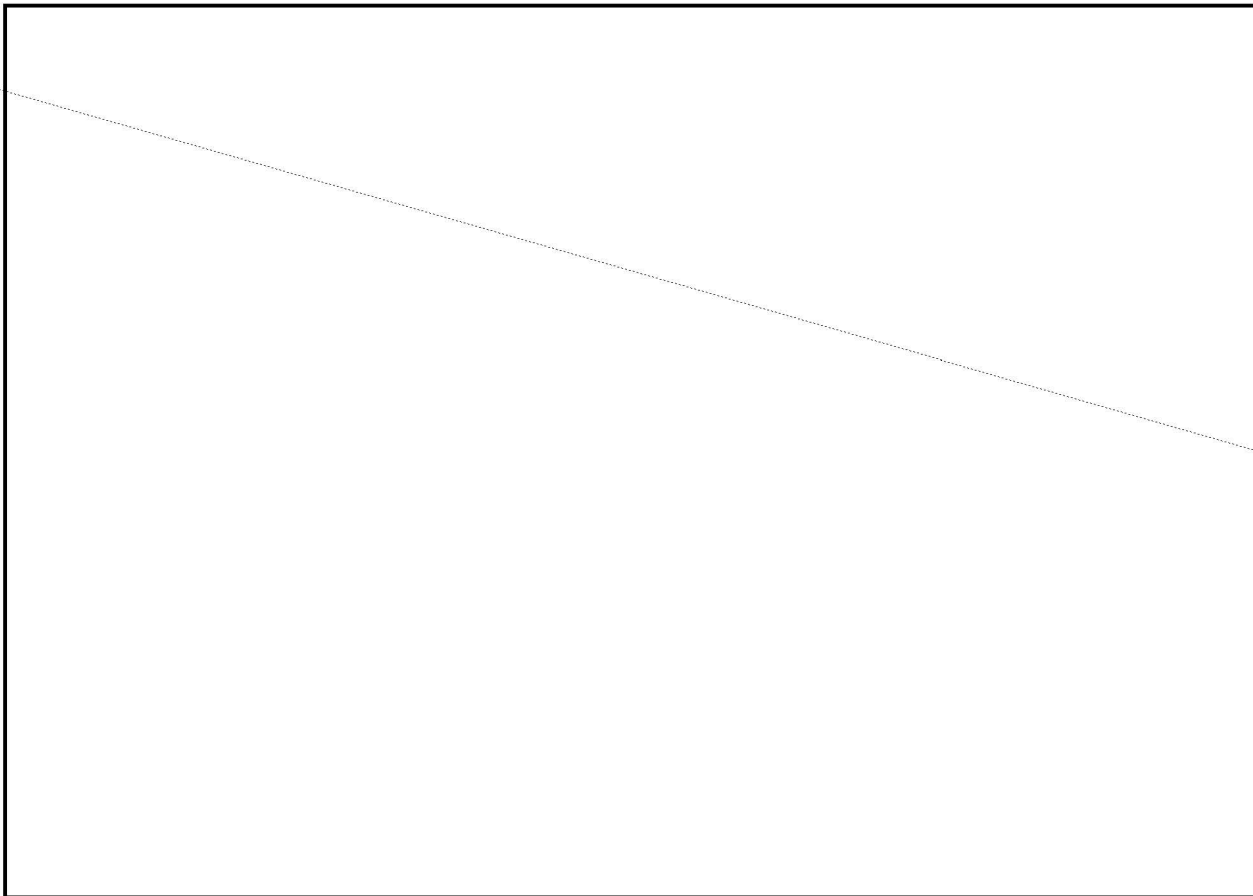
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(S) Sub-file [redacted]

(S) Purpose [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/23/2006

To: Counterintelligence

Attn: UC [redacted]

International Operations

Attn: UC [redacted]

Washington Field

Attn: Squad [redacted]

SSA [redacted]
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FOS [redacted]
SSA [redacted]
SA [redacted]

From: Vienna

Contact: A/ALAT [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

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Case ID #: (S) [redacted]

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(U) Title: ~~(S)~~

UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
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TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

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(S) Reference: (S) [redacted]

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~~(S)~~ As recipients are aware, per prior email
communication between Legat Vienna and WFO and FBIHQ personnel, WFO

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Re: (S) [REDACTED] 03/23/2006

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/23/2006

To: Washington Field

From: Washington Field

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted] *K/SC*

Drafted By: *W* [redacted] :cmp

Case ID #: (S) [redacted] (Pending) [redacted] (S)

(U) Title: ~~(S)~~ UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
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TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER;
FCI-PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT (X)

Synopsis: (U) Reassigns captioned investigation.

(U) ~~(S)~~ Derived From: G-3
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(U) Details: ~~(S)~~ Effective 03/06/2006, in accordance with the reorganization of WFO's Counterterrorism Branch, writer was transferred to Sq. [redacted] WFO management directed that captioned investigation remain assigned to Sq. [redacted] [redacted] Captioned investigation should therefore be reassigned to a Sq. [redacted] SA. Effective the date of this communication, SA [redacted] is no longer the Case Agent for captioned investigation.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: IMMEDIATE

Date: 03/30/2006

To: Counterintelligence

Attn: SC Richard DesLauriers,
Global Section

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International Operations

Attn: SC Michael Welch

A/SC Nidia C. Gamba

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Washington Field

Attn:

ASAC

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From: Rome

Contact:

Approved By:

Drafted By:

Case ID #: (S)

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(U) Title: (S)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
POSSIBLE PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT
ACTIVITY AGAINST THE UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT;
FALSE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE UNITED
STATES GOVERNMENT REGARDING IRAQI EFFORT
TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER
FCI - PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT

(U) Synopsis: (S) To advise CI Division and WFO that Legat Rome has

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Derived From : G-3

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Reference: (S)

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To: Counterintelligence From: Rome
Re: (S) [redacted] 03/30/2006

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(S) Administrative: (S) Referenced Serials # [redacted]

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(U) Enclosure(s): (S) Enclosed for WFO is the [redacted]

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(U) Details: (S) The Counterintelligence Division (CI), Office of International Operations (OIO) and Washington Field Office (WFO) are advised that [redacted]

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(U) (S) Legat Rome will continue to engage [redacted] on this matter in coordination with FBIHQ and WFO. Legat Rome will keep receiving offices apprized of all developments in this matter in a very timely manner. Investigation at Legat Rome is continuing.

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LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1: (Discretionary)

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(U) For information and any further action deemed appropriate.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: IMMEDIATE

Date: 04/13/2006

To: Counterintelligence

Attn: SC Richard DesLauriers,
Global Section
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UC [redacted]

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International Operations

Attn: SC [redacted]
A/SC [redacted]
UC [redacted] Europe
SSA [redacted] Europe
FOS [redacted]
Attn: ASAC [redacted]
SSA [redacted]
SA [redacted]

Washington Field

From: Rome

Contact: [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

Case ID #: (S) [redacted]

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(U) Title: (S)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S);
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TO OBTAIN URANIUM FROM NIGER
FCI - PERCEPTION MANAGEMENT

(U) Synopsis: (S) To document [redacted]

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SA [redacted]

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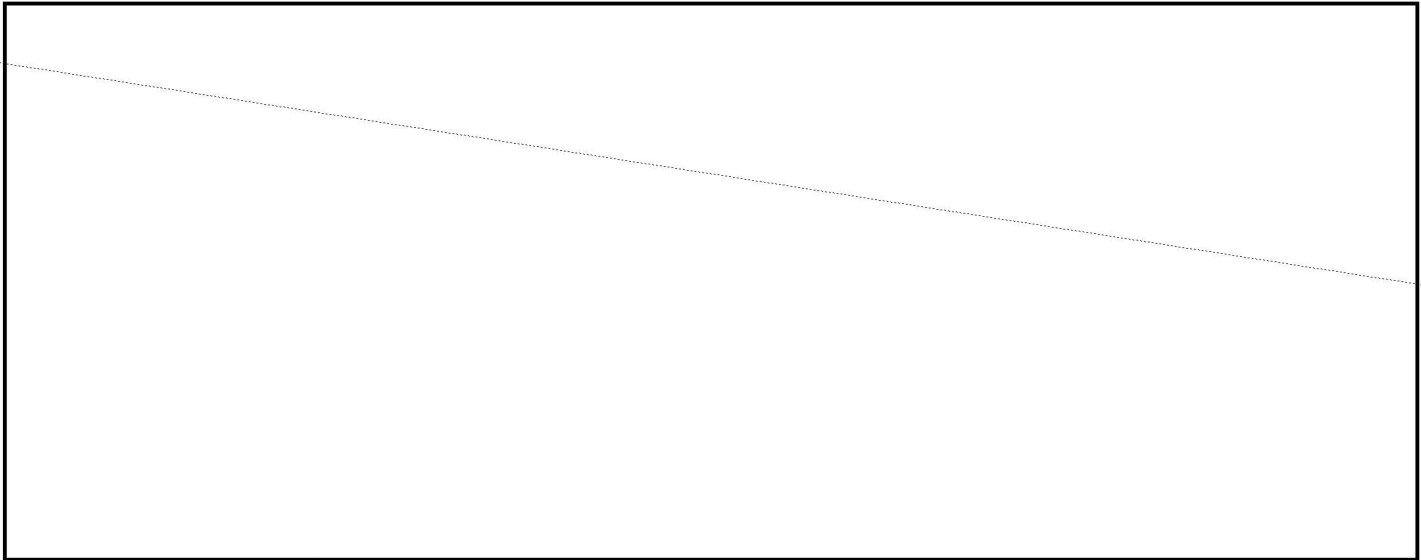
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To: Counterintelligence From: Rome
Re: (S) [REDACTED] 04/13/2006

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~~(S)~~ Legat Rome will continue to [REDACTED]

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