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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 Attn: Criminal Investigative Division
 Civil Rights Unit

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44A-CG-79486) (C) (SQ. 12))

Date: 2/16/91

1. Title: (use additional page if necessary)

UNSUBS;
 COMMANDER JON BURGE,
 CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT;
 TORTURE OF UNNAMED VICTIMS;
 CIVIL RIGHTS;
 OO: CHICAGO

BUDED:

RE:

2. Office of Origin File No: 44A-CG-79486 (include alpha)
3. Auxiliary Office File No: _____ (initial submission only)
4. X initial submission _____ Supplemental submission
5. Matter Type: (check more than one if applicable)

- A. Brutality ☒ Law Enforcement ☐ No Brutality
☐ Non-Law Enforcement ☐ Law Enforcement
☐ Non-Law Enforcement ☐ Non-Law Enforcement
- B. Violence ☐ Racial ☐ Religious ☒ Other
- C. ISS Matters ☐ Migrant Victim ☐ Other
- D. Known/Suspected Extremist Group ☐ Klan ☐ Other _____
- Use to describe above (check all applicable)
- ☐ Arson ☐ Injury ☐ Property damage
☐ Death ☐ No Injury ☐ Cross burning

6. Date of incident Unknown 7. Date of complaint 10/1/90

8. Synopsis of case: Complainant _____ who resides at _____
 _____ alleges in a letter dated
 10/1/90 addressed to Mr. FRED FOREMAN, United States Attorney (USA),
 Northern District of Illinois, 219 South Dearborn - Room 1500,
 Chicago, Illinois, that CHICAGO POLICE Commander JON BURGE and his
 officers are responsible for the torture of unnamed victims in
 Chicago. _____ has requested the USA's office conduct an
 investigation into these allegations and those responsible be held
 accountable.

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9. Significant case: ☐ Yes ☒ No (if yes, provide reason) _____

44-122967-1

Remarks/Administrative

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1-CRU, CID 3-13-91

3/19/91

19-cv-4048(FBI)-1976

FBI

TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype
☐ Facsimile
☒ AIRTEL

PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate
☐ Priority
☐ Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

☐ ~~TOP SECRET~~
☐ ~~SECRET~~
☐ ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
☐ UNCLAS E F T O
☐ UNCLAS

Date 2/27/91

1 TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
 2 (ATTN: Civil Rights Unit, Criminal
 3 Investigative Division)
 4 FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (44A-CG-79486) (C) (SQ. 12)
 5 SUBJECT : UNSUBS;
 6 COMMANDER JON BURGE,
 7 CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT;
 8 TORTURE OF UNNAMED VICTIMS;
 9 CIVIL RIGHTS;
 10 OO: CHICAGO

11 Enclosed for the Bureau are an original FD-610 and
 12 one copy and an original and two copies of a self-explanatory
 13 Letterhead Memorandum (LHM) concerning a civil rights
 14 complaint by complainant [REDACTED]

15 Chicago indices reflect the following files and
 16 information regarding Commander JON BURGE: 44-122967-2

17 Chicago file 44A-CG-3630 dated 2/89, captioned
 18 Commander JON BURGE, CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT (CPD), Alleged
 19 Police Brutality, [REDACTED] - VICTIM, CIVIL RIGHTS.
 20 Captioned matter concerned a civil suit in which plaintiff,
 21 [REDACTED] alleged that his confession to the murder of two
 Chicago Police Officers in May of 1982 was obtained through
 the use of police brutality. Contact with FBIHQ regarding
 this matter determined that the five (5) year statute of
 limitations for possible violations of Title 18, U.S. Code,
 Section 242, had run and no further investigation was to be
 conducted. Matter was, therefore, placed in a closed status
 at Chicago.

2-Bureau (Encl 5)

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Approved: DD/DNC

Transmitted

(Number) (Time)

19-cv-4048(FBI)-1977



U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Chicago, Illinois 60604

February 16, 1991

UNSUBS;
COMMANDER JON BURGE,
CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT;
TORTURE OF UNNAMED VICTIMS;
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

In a letter addressed to Mr. FRED FOREMAN, United States Attorney (USA), Northern District of Illinois, 219 South Dearborn - Room 1500, Chicago, Illinois, dated October 1, 1990, (attached) complainant, [redacted] who resides at [redacted] [redacted] alleged that CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT (CPD) Commander, JON BURGE, and officers under his command were responsible for the torture of unnamed victims as indicated by complaints against the Commander and his men.

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[redacted] goes on to state that there is no room for third world torture tactics in Chicago or in any other part of the world and those responsible should be held accountable.

The Chicago Division intends to conduct no investigation into this matter at this time. This matter is being referred to FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI) Headquarters and the DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (DOJ) for review and unless instructed to do so, no further investigation will be conducted. [redacted] has been advised by letter of this action.

Handwritten signature/initials
3/12/91

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1-Chicago
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44-122967-2

19-cv-4048(FBI)-1979

Memorandum



SSP

To : Assistant Attorney General
CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION

Date 3/13/91

Attn: Criminal Section

From : Director, FBI

Subject : UNSUBS;
COMMANDER JON BURGE,
CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT;
TORTURE OF UNNAMED VICTIMS;
CIVIL RIGHTS
OO: CHICAGO

Field Office File Number CG 44A - 79486

DOJ File Number NEW - -

Reference:

Enclosed is one copy of: Chicago LHM dated 2/16/91.

☐ Also enclosed is an Internal Affairs Report☒ A. This is the initial communication in this matter:

Type matter (Initial communication only)

- ☒ Brutality - Law Enforcement
- ☐ Brutality - Nonlaw Enforcement
- ☐ No Brutality - Law Enforcement
- ☐ No Brutality - Nonlaw Enforcement
- ☐ Racial Violence
- ☐ ISS Matter
- ☐ Death Case

☐ B. FBI Status-Pending☒ C. FBI Status-Closed☒ D. This covers the receipt of a complaint and no further action will be taken by the Federal Bureau of Investigation unless specifically requested by the Department of Justice.☐ E. Due to the nature of this matter, it should receive your expeditious attention. Please contact the Civil Rights Unit, FBIHQ, Attn: _____

NOTE: Sufficient information was not provided by complainant to conduct an investigation. No further investigation is being conducted

Enc (1) pending a review of the enclosed by DOJ.

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