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### Memorandum

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DATE: 8/19/80

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FRANK SINATRA-VICTIM EXTORTION

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On 8/15/80,

white male, date of

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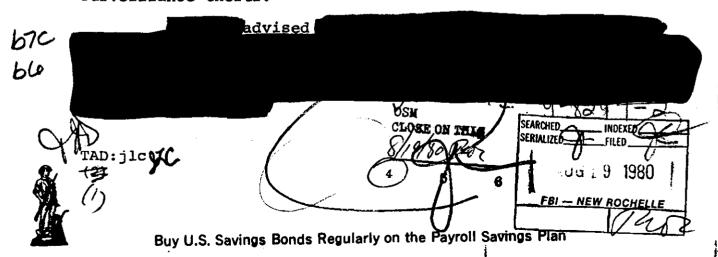
and with permanent residence of a Brooklyn, NY, was located and inter-

viewed by the writer at his address. was exhibited copies of two (2) letters dated 7/28/80 and 7/29/80, such original letters he readily admitted that he

wrote to Directof WEBSTER.

When queried as to why he had written and mailed such items, wherein threatened captioned victim, alleged that the FBI through electronic surveillance, such having occurred approximately 20 years ago when he resided at Brooklyn, NY, more than 100 musical compositions of his work "stolen". Among these compositions, stated were such songs as "Raindrops Keep Falling" and "The Shadow of Your Smile". Stated that after the theft of such compositions, the FBI had given the works to FRANK SINATRA, RICHARD ROGERS, LEONARD BERNSTEIN, etc.

stated that he has communicated by letter on several occasions in the past with all FBI Directors concerning the above. He stated that his letters of February, 1978, laid out in detail the circumstances surrounding the alleged electronic surveillance thefts.



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advised that he did not really intend any physical harm to FRANK SINATRA or anyone, as he has set forth in his letter of 7/28/80 and 7/29/80. He stated that he merely wanted to gain attention as regards to his past alleged thefts of musical compositions by means of electronic surveillance. He agreed that he would write no more such letters as those described above, and that he would seek satisfaction of this matter by means of civil action.

The writer advised officials of the Police Department on 8/15/80 regarding the matter. In view of the aforementioned circumstances, the writer portends no violation and, therefore, recommends that this matter be placed in a closed status.

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