



U.S. Department of Justice

Criminal Division

Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section

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October 6, 2014

Christopher Lee Hobbs
48/168 Sukhumit City Resort
Sukhumit Road Soi 11, Klong Toei Nua
Bangkok, Thailand 10110

Dear Mr. Hobbs:

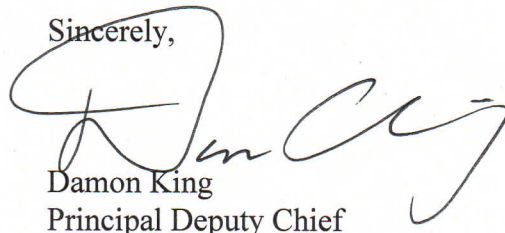
This is in response to your August 29, 2014, letter to Federal Bureau of Investigation Special Agent Randall Devine. Your letter has been referred to the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section of the Department of Justice's Criminal Division for a response.

In your letter to SA Devine, you write that you are currently being held in custody after being arrested by Thai authorities after suspicions arose regarding your alleged involvement in the sexual abuse of minors. You also write that the Legal Attaché at the United States Embassy in Bangkok, agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Royal Thai Police have all made mistakes in their investigations of you and Steven James Strike, who faces similar charges in Hawaii. You write that you have tried unsuccessfully to provide exculpatory evidentiary documents to the above mentioned agencies, but they have refused to receive any further communications from you.

The issues you raise can be resolved through the litigation of your case. The criminal justice system has mechanisms to expose any alleged investigative or prosecutorial misconduct. You should continue consulting with your attorney to determine what legal options you may have in the defense of the charges filed against you.

Thank you for your letter. We hope you found this information helpful.

Sincerely,



Damon King
Principal Deputy Chief



U.S. Department of Justice

Office of the Inspector General

Investigations Division

1425 New York Avenue NW, Suite 7100

Washington, D.C. 20530

DATE: September 17, 2014

TO: Nancy McNamara
Assistant Director
Inspection Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation

FROM: Ronald S. Powell
Special Agent in Charge
Operations Branch II
Investigations Division

SUBJECT: OIG Complaint No. 2014011763
Subject: Unidentified FBI
Location: Bangkok, Thailand
FBI Complaint No. OIG Initiated



We consider this a management matter. The information is being provided to you for whatever action you deem appropriate in accordance with your agency's policy and regulations. A copy of your findings and/or final action is not required by the OIG.

This matter is referred to your agency for investigation. Please provide the OIG with a copy of your final report on this matter.

This complaint will be investigated by the OIG.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Identifying information may have been redacted from the attached OIG Report/Referral pursuant to § 7 of the IG Act or because an individual has (a) requested confidentiality or (b) expressed a fear of reprisal. If you believe that it is necessary that redacted information be made available to your Agency, you may contact the Assistant Inspector General for Investigations.

Please be advised that, where adverse action is not contemplated, the subject of an investigation does not have a right to have access to an OIG Report/Referral or to the identities of complainants or witnesses, and that, in all cases, complainants and witnesses are entitled to protection from reprisal pursuant to the Inspector General Act and the Whistleblower Protection Act.

Attachment

Rec'd By: [REDACTED] Date Rec'd: 09/11/2014 How Rec'd: Hotline - Civil Rights/Liberties Mail

SUBJECT: Unidentified, FBI
Title: UNID
Component: FBI
Misc:
Home:
Phone:
Work:
Phone:

Pay Plan:
EOD Date:
ZIP:
ZIP:

Key: 385662 SSNO:
D.O.B.:
Alien No.:
F.B.I.No.:
B.O.P.No.:
D/L No.:
Offenses: 412
688

COMPLAINANT: Hobbs, Christopher Lee
Title: CIVIL
Component: CITZN
Misc:
Home: 48/168 Sukhumvit City Resort
Sukhumvit Road Soi 11, Klong Toei Nua, Bangkok,
Phone:
Work:
Phone:
Confidential:

Pay Plan:
EOD Date:
ZIP: 10110
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D.O.B.:
Alien No.:
F.B.I.No.:
B.O.P.No.:
D/L No.:
Authority:

Details:

The complaint was received via the OIG Hotline U.S. Mail.

In a letter dated 8/29/14, the Complainant alleged that the FBI denied him his constitutional rights due to being "overzealous" and a need to satisfy the DOS's "thirst for results in their efforts to combat human trafficking and exploitation of minors." The Complainant alleged that he has been falsely caught up in the Thailand legal system and has requested that the legal record be corrected.

The Complainant alleged that those in charge at the local level in the Legal Attache's office are the very same authorities who through their own conduct and failure to carry out their duties, directly accused the Complainant's false arrest which he is certain that they do not want to expose.

The Complainant alleged that despite assurances to the contrary, these authorities would much prefer that an innocent man spend two to five years in a prolonged legal battle and remain in a Thailand prison while awaiting trial, than expose their failings and intentional misdeeds.

The Complainant attached a copy of an 8/29/14, letter to SA [REDACTED] FBI, Los Angeles Division, in which he alleged that there have been many failures in the performance in the duties of the U.S. Embassy RSO/Legal Attache in Bangkok that have directly contributed to his false arrest as a pedophile. The complainant alleged that there have been law enforcement failures from both countries and he provides 12 examples of alleged failures by the U.S. Legal Attache (FBI) and the Royal Thai Police. (RKM)

ALLEGATIONS: 412 Job Performance Failure

Occurrence Date:

TIME:

CITY: Bangkok

State:

Zip:

DISPOSITION DATA: Disposition: M Date: 09/11/2014 Approval: BELLO, VICTOR J

Referred to Agency: FBI

Date Sent: 09/17/2014

Reviewer: [REDACTED]

OGC/FBI Whistleblower: N

Qui Tam:

PREA:

Init Ackno: 09/17/2014

Claims Whistleblower: N

Patriot Act: N

Recovery Act:

Component: FBI

Sensitive: N

Civil Rights: N

Consolidated Case Number:

Component Number:

Remarks:

9/17/14: Sent to FBI/INSD. Ackno letter forwarded to the Complainant. (RKM)



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September 17, 2014

Christopher Hobbs
chris@peneng.com

Dear Mr. Hobbs:

The purpose of this letter is to acknowledge receipt of your complaint dated August 29, 2014. After careful review, the Department of Justice, Office of the Inspector General (OIG) has determined that the matters you raised are more appropriate for review by another office or Agency. Therefore, your complaint has been forwarded to:

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Inspection Division
935 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20535
Telephone number (202) 324-3000

Any further correspondence regarding this matter should be directed to that office.

I hope this answers any questions you have relative to this matter.

Sincerely,

Office of the Inspector General
Investigations Division