The Attorney General

Director,

THOMAS RIHA INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to letter dated January 8, 1970, addressed to you from Congressman Donald G. Erotzman, Colorado, a copy of which is attached with its enclosure. The Congressman had asked for a reply by January 14, 1970.

On December 31, 1969, pursuant to the Congressman's inquiry, this Eureau advised Mr. Robert Tonsing, his administrative aide, that the FBI had conducted no investigation concerning the disappearance in March, 1969, of Taomas Riha, professor, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, since there were no indications of a violation of federal law concerning Riha's whereabouts and has conducted no investigawithin its jurisdiction. tion to locate him. On April 15, 1969, we did inquire of the Central Intelligence Agency if they had any interest in They did not.

In December, 1969, our Denver Office received a letter from Riha's mother requesting information concerning her son's disappearance. She was advised this was a matter not within the jurisdiction of the FBI. She was told, however, hat if she so desired his name would be placed on the FBI's missing persons list. She replied on January 13, 1970, and seclined to have his name placed on the list.

The Central Intelligence Agency advised this Eureau on January 13, 1970, that Congressman Brotzman upon inquiry of them had been advised that Agency was not investigating Rihago and not using him in any capacity. Central Intelligence Agency had suggested he check with the local police and the FBI but did not tell the Congressman the FBI was investigating subject.

A representative of the Bureau will personally contact Congressman Brotzman on January 14, 1970, and apprise him of the above facts.

Enclosures .

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## NOTE:

See memorandum A. W. Gray to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, dated 1/13/76, captioned as above, prepared by JWR:kml.

The enclosures attached to the AG letter have been Xeroxed since the original letter to the AG bore Bureau administrative markings. CIA information 1/13/70 obtained from John-Maury, congressional liaison, by SA Sam J. Papich.

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