

# MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW OR ACTIVITY

Case Title: JOHNSON, CARL		Case Number: 7-9804-0029	
Type of Activity: <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Interview <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephone Interview <input type="checkbox"/> Records Review <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Date:  November 10, 1998	Time:	Conducted by:  Inspector J. GORDON
Activity/Interview of (Include all necessary data): MCCRACKIN, Charles A 790 Castle Falls Dr NE Atlanta, GA 30329 (404) 633-5349		Location of Interview or Activity: 1220 S.W. Third Ave Portland, OR 97204	

## Subject Matter/Remarks

MCCRACKIN agreed to be interviewed in lieu of making an appearance before a Federal Grand Jury. A consensual tape recording was made of the interview. Prior to being interviewed, MCCRACKIN was advised of the provisions of 18 USC 1001. MCCRACKIN stated the following:

He goes by the name ALEC MCCRACKIN. Probably around three years ago he was on the Cypherpunks mailing list when he noticed mail coming from "TOTO". He thought the mail was interesting, stimulating, and controversial, and he began corresponding with TOTO directly. He never met TOTO in person and never spoke with him by phone, all of the contact was done through e-mail. TOTO used lots of names, including TRUTHMONGER and Bubba Rom Dos. Depending on what was going on TOTO would chose a name to go with it, but he always knew it was TOTO sending it.

TOTO sent him a "Magic Circle" (PGP) private and public key "and he said it was just so we could communicate more freely with each other, both having the same secret key". He also received from TOTO a SOG key pair, which TOTO told him stood for Son of Gomez. Those were the only PGP key pairs that TOTO sent him.

TOTO did not tell him what the Circle of Eunuchs was, "he made it very mysterious." He only used the secret key to communicate with TOTO. TOTO implied that there were other people in the Circle of Eunuchs, and ADAM BACK was a member. He did not have any direct contact with BACK except for an e-mail BACK sent him three or four months ago, asking if he was still around since he had not been posting. He responded to BACK's e-mail. TOTO also mentioned someone from the Soviet Union who was a Circle of Eunuchs member, but he cannot recall this person's name.

BACK is the only person that he knows of involved with TOTO and the Circle of Eunuchs. He has no reason to believe that anyone else was involved. TOTO introduced him to back (on the Internet). He never met or spoke by phone with BACK. He believes that BACK is in England.

Both he and TOTO both had PGP public keys, and he does not know what the advantage of having a shared secret key was. No one else has ever sent him a secret key. He never questioned TOTO because it was not a significant thing. He used the key to send mail to TOTO, but for no other purpose. He never gave the keys to anyone else, and never distributed them. On occasion he would post anonymous messages using the name "TRUTHMONGER 26". He also used the name Briar Rabbit. He never posted messages using the name TOTO or A Fiend.

He does not believe that he has heard from TOTO at all since March or April, 1998. Prior to being contacted by Inspectors, he was not aware that TOTO was in jail.

He believes that the public keys Dr. Roberts and Last Canadian Outlaw he received from TOTO. The SOG key had a 1989 date. TOTO had previously told him that he could change the PGP creation dates by changing the date on his computer.

TOTO did not discuss with him sharing the keys to make them untraceable as to the user.

TOTO never explained to him about SOG and Son of Gomez, but he thought it reasonable to assume that TOTO was Son of Gomez.

The only items he has relating to TOTO are the PGP keys and one file containing TOTO's address.

He was not aware of any illegal activities that TOTO was involved in. TOTO never discussed with him planting a bomb in a Canadian courthouse. TOTO did not discuss with him the RCMP Hate Page or wanting to take revenge against the RCMP.

MCCRACKIN provided a copy of his PGP Key Rings to Inspectors. It was noted that they included the SOG and Magic Circle secret keys, but did not contain the Son of Gomez key which was used to encrypt the December 9, 1997 Death Threat message.