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INTELLIGENCE OVERSIGHT BOARD (IOB) MATTER
CHARLOTTE DIVISION
IOB MATTER 2007-717 (U)

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(S) The Charlotte Division ("Charlotte") of the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI") reported via electronic communication dated February 21, 2007, that a National Security Letter was served requesting records that were beyond the permissible scope of a National Security Letter. Specifically, the FBI sought to obtain [redacted] from a state university for an individual with ties to the July 2005 London bombings. [redacted] are outside the scope of records that may be obtained with a National Security Letter. The state university recognized this error and refused to produce any records in response to the National Security Letter. Accordingly, no records were obtained as a result of the service of this National Security Letter. The FBI rescinded the National Security Letter, and instead served a Federal Grand Jury subpoena for [redacted]. The state university complied with the Federal Grand Jury subpoena and produced [redacted].

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(U) (S) The FBI's service of a National Security Letter requesting educational records was in violation of The Attorney General's Guidelines for FBI National Security Investigations and Foreign Intelligence Collection, even though no records were obtained in response to the National Security Letter. Thus, the matter is being reported to the IOB.

(U) This matter has been reported to the FBI's Inspection Division for appropriate action.

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