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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Date:

May 8, 1953

To:

Captain John A. Waters Director of Security Atomic Energy Commission

Room 805B

333 Third Street, N.W.

Washington, D. C.

From:

John Edgar Hoover, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: REPORT OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

DEPOSITED AS RESULT OF RAINSTORM

OVER WESTERN MASSACHUSETIS

May 1, 1953

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Mr. Theodore Webster, South Egremont, Massachusetts, described as a wealthy individual who devotes considerable time to electronics and radio, advised that he has noted increased reaction in his Geiger counter since a rainstorm occurred on May 1, 1953.

Mr. Webster stated that samples of dust deposited with the rain on several cars from Massachusetts and Connecticut areas produced violent reactions on his Geiger counter. Mr. Webster's allegations were substantiated by Walter Borg, President, U. E. Borg Corporation, Hartford, Connecticut; Judge Thomas Kinealy; and Chief of Police Henry McCarty; the latter two individuals residing at Great Barrington, Massachusetts. Mr. Webster expressed alarm since he feels much of this material was undoubtedly deposited in lakes, rivers and reservoirs and may have some effect on the population.

The diggre; senfiges information telephonically furnished to Mr. Earl lane, Security Diffision, Atomic Energy Commission, on May 8, 1953. No investigation is contemplated with regard to this matter. WWA 191823

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