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From: CAUTHEN, JOHN M. (SC) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, January 13, 2012 9:13 AM
To: SPRINGER, SCOTT A.. (SC)(FBI)
Cc: DRONE, WESLEY S (SC)(FBI); ANDREWS, GABRIEL F. (LA) (FBI)
Subject: Summary of Matthew Keys Investigaiton

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ASSA Springer, Per your request, here is a summary of the Keys investigation and the plan with regard to executing a search warrant and interrogation.

FOX40 News is a television station in Sacramento, CA. The station is owned by Tribune Media Company in Chicago, IL which also owns LA Times in Los Angeles, CA.

All Tribune Media Company entities, including FOX40 and LA Times, use a computer to manage email and online content. The computer is located in Los Angeles, CA.

On October 28, 2010, Matthew Keys an employee of FOX40 News, was fired. Our investigation determined that after he was fired, he hijacked the FOX40 News Facebook and Twitter accounts. He prevented FOX40 from accessing these accounts and sent communications from the accounts to the public which damaged the reputation of FOX40 News. He also deleted thousands of followers from the accounts.

Investigation also determined that in December 2010, Keys accessed, without authorization, the computer in Los Angeles and stole the FOX40 News customer e-mail list. He sent harassing emails to FOX40 News employees and customers. On December 8, 2010, Keys contacted the hacking group called "Anonymous." He gave some Anonymous group members the password to the computer in Los Angeles. The hackers used this access to access the website for the LA Times and deface the website.

The damages incurred by The Tribune Media Company due to the website defacement exceeded \$1.5 million.

In April 2011, Sacramento FBI contacted Keys who was still believed to be unemployed. Keys advised that he had records relating to his interaction with the group Anonymous. He refused to turn them over citing his journalistic privilege. (It appears he had found a job at a television station in San Francisco)

In June 2011, Sacramento recommended that the case be transferred to Los Angeles. (At the time, there was not sufficient evidence to support that Keys was involved in the above intrusions. Instead, there was only

evidence about the subject to whom Keys gave the password. So, Keys was removed from the case and the new subject, Unsub aka Sharpie, was added.)

In September 2011, Los Angeles opened the case on Unsub aka Sharpie. The old case Sacramento was transferred to Los Angeles.

In December 2011, Sacramento, while working on the HBGary computer intrusion case, located the evidence showing Keys had turned the password to the Los Angeles computer over to Unsub aka Sharpie, and others.

In January 2012, Sacramento opened a new case on Matthew Keys for trafficking in passwords. Sacramento and Los Angeles agreed to work the matter jointly. The case will be prosecuted in Sacramento against Keys. Los Angeles will prosecute the case against Unsub aka Sharpie, and others.

Keys has recently been hired by Reuters in New York City. He currently resides in Vacaville, CA. He begins work in New York on 1/19/2012. He is expected to depart Sacramento on 1/17/2012.

Sacramento and Los Angeles have probable cause that evidence is on Keys' computer containing logs regarding the trafficking in passwords and other crimes. A search warrant affidavit to seize his computer media has been prepared.

When serving the search warrant, Sacramento and Los Angeles desire to interrogate Keys about his involvement with Anonymous members and his involvement in the disruption of business at FOX40 News. Interrogation of a journalist requires Attorney General consent. The AUSA in Sacramento is seeking to obtain this consent. Once obtained, the search warrant for whatever district Keys is in will be obtained. The search/interrogation will take place in that district. It will probably be in New York City.

Sacramento Case Agent: Wesley S. Drone
Los Angeles Case Agent: Garbriel F. Andrews
AUSA in Sacramento prosecuting Keys: Matthew Segal
AUSA in New York: Thomas Brown
AUSA in Los Angeles prosecuting "Sharpie":
Los Angeles Case: 288A-LA-258500 Pending
Old Sacramento Case on Sharpie/Keys: 288A-SC-44639 Closed
New Sacramento Case on Keys: 288A-SC-New

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(I dictated this email and it sounds like the software didn't understand me fully!)

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To: ANDREWS, GABRIEL F. (LA) (FBI)
Subject: RE: Good afternoon

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Gabriel,

Everything is in the case file. I am pretty sure all the emails are on a disk in a 1A envelope. (At least I sure hope that's the case!) I might have some backups of the threatening emails to Fox40 on our CART Storage Area Network drive. But check the 1A's for CD's.

On a related note, I got a call from our CYBER AUSA, his name is Matt Segal. (We only have one in Sacramento!) I briefed him on the status and what we discussed. He was the original AUSA on the case. (He is also the same AUSA who is handling the HB Gary case which has all the IRC logs including the one where Kayla tells Laurelai that AESCracked is Matt Keys and Matt Keys gave them all the passwords.)

In any case AUSA Segal is quite upset with me for sending the case to LA. He really wants to indict Keys. (Even though at the time, I was unaware that Keys had provided the passwords to Anonymous). He wants to call your AUSA and see if he can charge Keys and let you guys charge Kayla/Sharpie et al.

It seems that all the AUSA's involved in Anonymous are going to have a conference call tomorrow to discuss. He wants to bring this issue up during that call.

Is it your thought that your case has now shifted to Matt Keys as your primary target? Or, do you still plan on going after Kayla/Sharpie?

In any case, can the AUSA in Sacramento contact your AUSA to discuss? Or your AUSA can call Matt directly. Matt's number is 916-554-2708.

Feel free to call me if you like. I am trying to keep our AUSA happy, but understand that we have already sent the case to you and therefore not in a position to make any demands.

Regards

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Hi John,

I've been reviewing the Tribune Media case file today, and wondered if you wouldn't mind forwarding me some of the victim emails you'd mentioned in your summary EC's.

Namely:

- The various emails obtained from Mercer (threatening / Keys / etc)
- Armando Caro, Tribune Media employee, Managing Director, Technology Architect, Tribune Technology, 435 N. Michigan Ave Chicago, IL 60611 (312) 222-2708
armandoCaro@Tribune.com sent writer an email detailing the investigation performed by their organization regarding a computer intrusion performed against the Los Angeles Times on 12/14/2010. The computer intrusion resulted in a webpage defacement wherein the defacer used the tag, "chippy1337."

As we discussed before, I'm hoping to have a sit-down with my AUSA soon to discuss charging Keys. I'm happy to keep you in the loop.

Respectfully yours,
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Sure, anytime is pretty good for me. I am here now, and if you want me to conference in on the call I can. From my viewpoint, the key thing you need to put this case over the top is to tie sharpie the IP 188.165.6.178 which was used to do the hack.

It would be perfect to get something on sharpie's computer showing he was acting as chippy1337 or used IP 188.165.6.178 on 12/14/2010. According to Tribune Media staff, it was noted that userID's "Anon1234" and "arseface" were unauthorized users on the system. So, these would be good key words for them to look for. Also, one of the Tribune Media employees, accessed an IRC channel called #thegibson, after the hack hosted at a server called skidsr.us. According to the chats on this channel, a person using the moniker, sharpie, claimed to be involved in the hack. Other persons involved in hack appeared to include a person called Nikon. The hackers apparently used an email account called chippy1337@gmail.com.

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Morning John,

Regarding the Tribune Media/Sharpie case, I've received the phone number of an officer in the UK who has a position on the identity of Sharpie. Was planning to speak to him shortly, but wanted to touch base with you again to be sure I have the key points of the case work you've done straight in my mind.