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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Electronic Communication

Title: (U) Opening EC for Investigation of Thomas Matthew Crooks

Date: 07/15/2024

From: PITTSBURGH

Contact: [Redacted]

Approved By: [Redacted]

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Drafted By: [Redacted]

Case ID #: [Redacted]

(U) Thomas Matthew Crooks;
Assassination Attempt Former President
Donald J. Trump
SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER

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Synopsis: (U) FBI PG is opening captioned investigation based on an articulable factual basis that reasonably indicates that on July 13, 2024, Thomas Matthew Crooks utilized a DPMS (Panther Arms) AR-style .556 rifle, serial number FH136483, to attempt to assassinate former President and current Presidential political candidate Donald J. Trump while he was speaking at a political rally at the Butler County Fairgrounds located at 625 Evans City Road, Butler, PA 16001.

Details:

FBI Pittsburgh is opening captioned investigation based on articulable factual basis that reasonably indicates: On July 13, 2024, Thomas Matthew Crooks utilized a DPMS (Panther Arms) AR-style .556 rifle, serial number FH136483, to attempt to assassinate former President and current Presidential political candidate (Former POTUS) Donald J. Trump while he was speaking at a scheduled campaign event at the Butler County Fairgrounds, located at 625 Evans City Road, Butler, PA 16001. Crooks took multiple shots at, or in the direction of, Former POTUS Trump while he was speaking. Members of the United States Secret Service (USSS) returned fire at Crooks, fatally striking him. Former POTUS Trump was

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taken to Butler Memorial Hospital where he was provided medical care for his injuries. Three other attendees were hit, one of whom is deceased.

Details:

Pursuant to DIOG Section 2.4, terrorism includes the unlawful use of force and violence against persons or property to intimidate or coerce a government, the civilian population, or any segment thereof, to further political or social objectives. In this case, the subject committed an unlawful act in potential violation of the following federal statutes:

- 18 U.S.C 115(a)(2): Influencing, impeding, or retaliating against a federal official by injuring a family member
- 26 U.S.C 5861: Prohibited acts
- 18 U.S.C 879: Threat against former presidents and certain other persons

These potential violations of federal law all involve the use of force and violence (utilizing DPMS (Panther Arms) AR-style .556 rifle, serial number FH136483) to coerce the United States government and a civilian population to potentially further a political objective. Given the circumstances, it is reasonable to believe the potential political objective was to assassinate the former President of the United States and current candidate for President. The subject chose to target the Former POTUS and nominee for President at a scheduled campaign event, therefore attempting to intimidate the civilian population and attempting to coerce the United States government by removing a nominee in the upcoming election.

Based on the information set forth within this case opening, it is requested that a [REDACTED] case be opened and assigned to SAs [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] for further investigation, such as the subject's motivation and to identify if there were any co-conspirators.

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CDC Concurrence:

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Field Office CDC has reviewed and concurred with the opening of this investigation. The investigation will be reviewed by the CDC at least semi-annually.

Pertinent Sensitive Investigative Matters:

The captioned investigation has been designated a SIM [redacted]

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Descriptive Data:

Thomas Matthew Crook is described as follows:

Name:	Thomas Matthew Crooks
DOB:	09/20/2003
POB:	n/a
Citizenship(s):	United States
Gender:	Male
Race:	Caucasian
Social Security Number:	161-82-0143
Driver's License Number:	PA DLN: 33993246
Passport Number:	n/a
FBI ID Number:	n/a
Address(es):	[redacted] Bethel Park, PA 15102
Phone Number(s):	[redacted]
E-Mail Address(es):	tmcrooks7@gmail.com
Social Media Username(s):	tom_crooks19 (Snapchat), 1146474640546484306 (Discord)
Alias(es):	n/a

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