

November 6, 1986

Mr. Terry Cates

Director

National Firearms Act Branch

Bureau of Alcohol, Firearms & Tobacco

Washington, D.C. 20226

From:

Mr. Bernard Braham

Firearms

Class 3 ATFID#6595

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In Regards to, a title two weapon, registered to me on form 3 dated April 10, 1986

Manufactured by American Research & Development Co., Salt Lake City, Utah

A180 Machine Gun, Serial #ARB0161

In compliance with a request from ATF Salt Lake City, the above registered title two weapon was today surrendered on demand, to ATF agent Mr. Jack Malooley of ATF Chicago Branch. Agent Malooley gave the following reason as to why he required that I surrender the weapon into his custody. After examining the receiver, he stated that "The receiver had been 'milled' and that the serial # and other identification markings were 'recessed', therefore, this particular firearms was regarded by ATF Salt Lake City, Utah, as evidence in their proceeding involving American Research Company, Salt Lake City, Utah."

I regard this firearm still to be my property, as it was legally purchased and transferred to me, and has not in any way been used in any illegal activity. I expect it to be handled with care, and to not be damaged. At the time of surrender, it had attached to the receiver, a 16 inch removable barrel, inscribed as follows: Serial #A00856, American International Corp., S.L.C. Utah U.S.A. This barrel was also surrendered to agent Malooley. The condition of this weapon is Mint, without any blemish. I expect it to be returned as such. It has a fair market value of \$2,500. I request it to be returned to me without delay, once its' use as evidence is satisfied.

I would like this letter to be placed by NFA in my file for future reference, and I would appreciate a response to this letter, acknowledging its content and indicating when I might expect return of my property. Surrendering this weapon does not imply any admission of any wrong doing, but only implies my willingness to aid ATF in their investigations.

If I can cooperate further, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Bernad Braham

Copies to: Director, BAFT, Salt Lake City, Utah
Director, Baft, Chicago, Chicago, IL
Atf Agent, Jack Malooley, BAFT, Chicago, IL

Hand written annotation to the letter as follows:

1. "Copy of my letter to Chief NFA Mr Terry Cates, to which I received no written reply. 'We did speak by phone, but could not give any answers.'"
2. Indication that Special Agent Mr. S. Bauer is recipient of letter in SLC Utah.
3. Indication that Special Agent in Charge J. Reeves is recipient of letter in Oak Brook, IL, Law Enforcement.