

Hon. Ron Paul Hon. Bob Barr Hon. Chuck Baldwin

March 20, 2009

Hon. Jeremiah Nixon Governor, State of Missouri P.O. Box 720 Jefferson City, MO 65102

IN RE: Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC)

Dear Governor Nixon:

The three of us write you as former presidential candidates, as concerned citizens, and in the case of Ron Paul, as a sitting Member of the U.S. House of Representatives and Bob Barr as a former Member (1995-2003). We bring to your attention a most disturbing document being circulated by the Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC) over the seal of your office and your name as governor. We respectfully demand that the following-described document be immediately removed from any and all websites associated with or maintained by the state of Missouri or any agency thereof, including the MIAC; that the said document no longer be circulated by the state of Missouri or any agency thereof or associated therewith; and that the state of Missouri repudiate its references to the three of us contained therein. The document to which we refer is identified as follows (and a copy enclosed herewith):

"MIAC STRATEGIC REPORT 02/20/09 The Modern Militia Movement"

Four names appear on the masthead of this document: "Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, Governor," "John M. Britt, Director, DPS," "James F. Keathley, Colonel, MSHP," and "Van Godsey, Director, MIAC."

The aforesaid "Report" is imprinted at the bottom of each page thereof with the following designation: "UNCLASSIFIED//LAW ENFORCEMENT SENSITIVE (U//LES)."

It would be difficult, Governor, to recount in any letter of reasonable length the nonsense and inaccurate information contained in this so-called "Strategic Report," which concerns purported analysis of the "modern militia movement." The "Report" draws links between white supremacists, anti-immigration persons, people opposed to gun control, those who do not favor the Federal Reserve Banks, and much more. Were the "Report" nothing more than a nonsensical diatribe penned by some uninformed person, we would certainly not take our time writing this letter (although we might respectfully suggest you may want to question why such nonsense is of interest to and being disseminated by an agency connected to state of Missouri).

Our concern which we believe warrants your attention, however, is found at the top of page four of this document, after the heading, "Political Paraphernalia," as follows: "Militia members most commonly associate with 3rd party political groups. It is not uncommon for militia members to display Constitutional [sic] Party, Campaign for Liberty, or Libertarian material. These members are usually supporters of former Presidential Candidate [sic]: Ron Paul, Chuck Baldwin, and Bob Barr."

If it is the intent of the state of Missouri to link three legitimate, former candidates for the office of President of the United States (who also happen to be a sitting Member of the U.S. House, a former member of the U.S. House, and a Baptist Minister) to persons who Missouri believes pose a danger to law enforcement, then this document clearly does so; and this is the basis for our demand that the document be removed, and its distribution and any actual or implied adoption of it by the state of Missouri, stop.

If it is *not* the intent of the state of Missouri to make such a link or implication by and through the appearance and distribution of this document, or if as appears unlikely, the "Report" is not a real document, then we similarly demand the document be removed from any and all websites maintained by or associated with the state of Missouri or any agency connected therewith, and that the state issue an immediate and unequivocal repudiation of the document.

In view of the fact that there are indeed real criminals present in Missouri, and many legitimate matters of public safety on which your office, the Department of Public Safety, the Highway Patrol, and even the MIAC should focus their attention and resources, we respectfully assert that spending any time, resources, or effort on the nonsense contained in or about this "MIAC Strategic Report" constitutes an irresponsible and inappropriate use of official resources.

We stand ready to discuss this matter with you at your convenience. However, the action respectfully demanded in this letter is requested within three days of your receipt of this letter. In the meantime, with kind regards, we are,

very truly yours,

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encl.: MIAC "Strategic Report"

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