



NAVAL INVESTIGATIVE SERVICE
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 ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22314

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 NIS-23P/sp
 23 June 1971

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Subj: Statistical Information on Lost, Stolen or Missing Government Equipment, Firearms, Ammunitions and Explosives for the period 1968 - 1971

Ref: (a) House of Representatives Committee on Internal Security ltr of 14 May 1971 to Legislative Affairs Office, OASD

(12) 1. The following information is provided in response to paragraph 12 of reference (a). NCIC records reflect that from 1 January 1968 to 22 June 1971 a world wide total of 4,431 weapons were reported to the Naval Investigative Service as lost, stolen, or missing. This total includes some Marine Corps weapons which were reported to NIS in conjunction with investigations. The Marine Corps is preparing a separate input to reference (a) regarding Marine Corps weapons. During this same time frame 461 weapons were recovered either by NIS or other investigative agencies, however, to report the details of each recovery would be too voluminous. The following is a breakdown by year and type and caliber of each weapon reported lost stolen or missing.

1968		1969	
Type/Caliber		Type/Caliber	
.38 cal pistol	67	.38 cal. pistol	147
.45 cal pistol	357	.45 cal. pistol	665
5.56 rifle (M-16)	160	5.56 rifle (M-16)	249
7.62 rifle (M-14)	89	7.62 rifle (M-14)	356
.22 cal. pistol	32	.22 cal. pistol	74
.30 cal. rifle	65	30 cal. rifle	178
.22 Cal. rifle	6	.22 cal rifle	13
Grenade Launcher	16	Grenade Launcher	33
9mm pistol	5	9mm pistol	15
Rifle (cal unk)	5	Rifle (cal unk)	6
Pistol (cal unk)	1	Pistol (cal unk)	6
Machine Gun	15	Machine Gun	38
Shotgun	18	Shotgun	40
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1970		1971 (1 Jan - 22 June)	
Type/Caliber		Type/Caliber	
.38 cal. pistol	238	.38 cal. pistol	56
.45 cal. pistol	575	.45 cal. pistol	92
5.56 rifle (M-16)	99	5.56 rifle (M-16)	35
7.62 rifle (M-14)	181	7.62 rifle (M-14)	27
.22 cal. pistol	52	.22 cal. pistol	19
.30 cal. rifle	158	.30 cal. rifle	20
.22 cal. rifle	20	.22 cal. rifle	13
Grenade Launcher	22	Grenade Launcher	1
9mm pistol	14	9mm pistol	2
Rifle (cal. unk)	5	Pistol (cal. unk)	8
Pistol (cal. unk)	14	Machine Gun	8
Machine Gun	41	Shotgun	20
Shotgun	55		301
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2. Lost, stolen or missing ammunition and explosives are not entered into the NCIC since they are not identifiable by serial number. Further, such losses/thefts come to the attention of NIS only when a command requests investigative assistance in determining culpability for the loss. When an investigation is requested it is conducted as a "Larceny of Government Property" investigation therefore, short of a manual search for and review of all larceny investigation losses/thefts of ammunition and explosives cannot be statistically distinguished from any other theft of government property case. Recently, a new case category was developed so that in the future losses/thefts of ammunitions and explosives can be readily separate from other larceny of government property cases. This category has not been in effect long enough to provide any meaningful statistical information. Accordingly data relative to ammunition and explosives is not available within the time frame of this request.

3. Other items of government property reported to NIS as lost, stolen or missing are entered into the NCIC provided they have a serial number. There items range from serialized hand tools to cameras, radios, and vehicles. Due to the wide variety of such items it would be impossible to arrange them into any meaningful groups. Statistically from 1 January 1968 to 22 June 1971 there were 4,519 other items of government property reported as lost, stolen or missing to the Naval Investigative Service out of which 231 items were recovered either by NIS or other investigative agencies. Again, to report the details of each recovery would be too voluminous.


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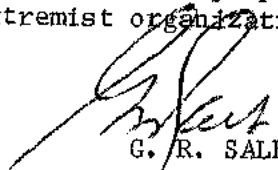
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Subj: Investigations of incidents involving damage or attempted damage to U.S. Navy property

1. During Fiscal Years 1969, 1970 and 1971, the Naval Investigative Service has conducted investigations of damage or attempted damage to U.S. Navy property as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year 1969</u>	
Sabotage	148
Arson	98
Wrongful Destruction	<u>119</u>
Total (1969)	<u>365</u>
<u>Fiscal Year 1970</u>	
Sabotage	170
Arson	111
Wrongful Destruction	<u>127</u>
Total (1970)	<u>408</u>
<u>Fiscal Year 1971 (to 6-20-71)</u>	
Sabotage	191
Arson	135
Wrongful Destruction	<u>162</u>
Total (1971)	<u>488</u>
Total (Fiscal Year 1969 - 1971)	<u>1261</u>

2. A review of the foregoing investigations has failed to disclose that any incidents of Sabotage, Arson or Wrongful Destruction of U.S. Navy property were politically motivated or perpetrated by individuals affiliated with subversive or extremist organizations.


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