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INTERVIEW OF: JOSEPH R. BONAVOLONTA

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The interview in the above matter was held in Room 2237, Rayburn House Office Building, commencing at 10:00 a.m.

Q Okay. Are you familiar with the circumstances surrounding Mr. Hill's retirement?

A No.

Q Okay. To your knowledge -- going back to January 6th, to your knowledge, did the FBI instigate the events of January 6th using confidential human sources or any other means?

A To my knowledge, no.

Q Okay. And, in fact, some have described claims that FBI somehow was behind January 6th as a conspiracy theory. Would you agree with that description?

A No.

Q You don't think think it's a conspiracy theory -- sorry. So the claim is that FBI that it was kind of a deep state effort that the FBI actually caused January 6th. Do you agree with that?

A No.

Q Okay. And that has been described as a conspiracy theory. Do you agree that that is a conspiracy theory?

A I mean, once again, you know, my level of involvement with that has been strictly from the head of the FBI Boston office. But I have never been in receipt of any information that the FBI in any way caused or generated January 6th.

Q Okay. And would it be concerning to you if FBI employees from the Boston Field Office were saying in public that they believed FBI had caused January 6th?

A Yes, it would.

Q Why would that be concerning to you?

A Well, because it undermines the incredibly important mission that I have dedicated my entire adult life to so that would be very concerning to me.