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Investigative Activity Report

Case Title	Case Number
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HUBBELL TRADING POST	Ev 2
	Related File(s) Ex. 2
Case Location	Report Date
Ganado, Arizona	February 6, 2007
Report Subject	
Interview of	
	The state of the s
On February 6, 2007, was interviewed	ed by DOI-OIG Special Agents
and at at a second	
	has known to the for over
years and has traveled to Hubbell Trading Post	(HTP) approximately once a month for those
years.	
was interviewed by NPS Special Agent	in August 2004; a few months after the
search warrant was executed at	HTP in Ganado, AZ. Market added was
also interviewed by NPS SA	uary 12, 2006 in Chinle, AZ.
stated was the one who told to	put tags on rugs so that the weaver, date and
prices could be documented. recalled helpi	
cleaning up garage and storage area at HTP and ta	gging a lot of growing rugs with old HTP tags so
that there would be some accounting of when the rug	was made, by whom, etc.
SA this information back in August 2004	and "SA was was only writing down things I
	d would help explain why there were so many rugs
at residence with HTP tags on them.	a would help outside with the word on that y ragin
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Reporting Official/Title	Sig
Special Agent	
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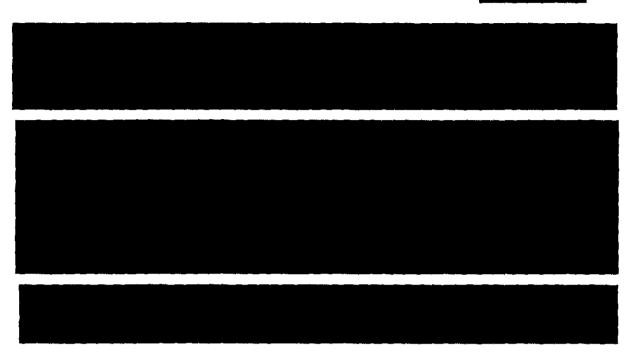
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	stated NPS and should shut down HTP during the search warrant and audit in June 2004. The was unprecedented for HTP and the entire investigation of the search warrant and audit in June 2004. The was unprecedented for HTP and the entire investigation of the search warrant and audit in June 2004. The was unprecedented for HTP and the entire investigation of the search warrant and audit in June 2004. The was unprecedented for HTP and the entire investigation of the search warrant and audit in June 2004. The was unprecedented for HTP and the entire investigation of the search warrant and audit in June 2004. The was unprecedented for HTP and the entire investigation of the search warrant and audit in June 2004. The was unprecedented for HTP and the entire investigation of the search warrant and audit in June 2004. The was unprecedented for HTP and the entire investigation of the search warrant and audit in June 2004. The was unprecedented for HTP and the entire investigation of the search warrant and audit in June 2004. The warrant and the search warrant and audit in June 2004. The warrant and the search warrant and audit in June 2004 and the search warrant and audit in June 2004. The warrant and audit in June 2004 and the warrant and audit in June 20	hat en
	reviewed two interview reports prepared by NPS. One was with NPS SA in Aug 2004 and the other was with NPS SA in February 2006. SA in had not been aware had previously interviewed since SA had not placed that interview in the case file or let SA in the know that the interview had taken place when SA is asked for all interview reports. On the interview with SA interview had taken place when SA interview had left out a lot of information that had provided to the state of the most important things left out was how and and had used old HTP tags to mark it is personal rugs; that had quite an extensive collection of Navaho rugs and jewelry at presidence that were property; the number of consignments at HTP; and Malone's trading practices which do not and are not supposed to conform to standard procedures for merchandising or sales.	}
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Indian Reservation, Ganado, AZ.	SUBJECT: Address:		
I met with at Hubbell Trading Post, on the N Indian Reservation, Ganado, AZ. I had previously spoken with by telephone to sched this interview, explaining the nature of this investigation.	Telephone:		
Indian Reservation, Ganado, AZ. I had previously spoken with by telephone to sched this interview, explaining the nature of this investigation.	Date of Interview:	February 2, 2006	
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I asked to explain the financial relationship that existed between and the National Park Service, and Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site in particular. Explained that approximately 6% sales/profits from the at HTP went into an "Interpretive Support Account" maintained by the and controlled by the National Park Service (usually the superintendent) would submit requests to spend money out of the account for specific items or projects, but the money remained to obligate and the retained ultimate discretion over expenditures. Clarified that the NPS is not able to claim those funds as their money.	
During this interview mentioned that the had already been interviewed as a part of this investigation. I noted that I had not been aware of a previous interview conducted by personnel assigned to this case, and had not been provided a copy of any reports documenting a prior interview.	

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SUBJECT: DOB: Address:
Telephone:
Date of Interview: February 12, 2006
l met with the state of the sta
stated has known I for over years, and considers a good friend. explained that is a full-time dealer in Navajo textiles and Indian art, and has traveled throughout the Navajo nation for years as a part of own business, buying rugs from weavers on the reservation.

As a part of that process, they used obsolete Hubbell Trading Post tags (of a design no longer being used at HTP, since they were not pre-numbered), and applied them to rugs with their own markings or identifiers. The tags they used had been discontinued for use at the trading several years earlier, and would otherwise have been thrown away. elected to simply use these tags to label own rugs, as a matter of convenience. rugs; and that since the project at the time was just to clean up the garage, only rugs in the garage got tagged (though not all of those rugs were tagged; only those worthy of display or those whose weaver might have recalled). noted that at this time saw that had literally hundreds of rugs just in the garage; with closets in the house also full of rugs and jewelry.	

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noted that had attempted to share virtually all of this same information when been interviewed in this case before, by Special Agent I indicated to that I was not aware had previously been interviewed, and that I had not been provided with a copy of any reports documenting such an interview. I assured him that I would make further inquiry in that regard.	ut