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Subject: RE: Seeking Confirmation of press release and copy
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John,

The posted information was not issued by the Office of the Attorney General.

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Stay connected to our office:



From: John Kraft <john@illinoisleaks.com>
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Subject: EXTERNAL: Seeking Confirmation of press release and copy

AG,

I am seeking a confirmation of and a copy of a recent “press release” or “official release” regarding a hate-crime investigation and warning against prejudicial media conduct related to the alleged hate-crime incident in Paris, Illinois (Edgar County) at White Oak Park.

Attached is what “The Boathouse Johnny’s Gone Fishing” has attributed to your office.

I doubt your office even published this release, but she certainly credited your office with it.

Please confirm or deny.

Thanks,
John Kraft
Edgar County Watchdogs

