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**National Issues**

- Super Micro Supply Chain Attack: OPA – Bloomberg inquired about an alleged supply chain attack in 2015 that hit multiple U.S. companies via server motherboards manufactured in China and integrated into products sold by Super Micro Computer Inc. Bloomberg will report that the FBI, the NSA, and the CIA were involved in the investigation of this sophisticated attack, which affected as many as 30 U.S. companies, including Apple Inc. The story will also report that the U.S. government has attributed this attack to the PLA, and that among its goals was the theft of source code and commercial secrets from U.S. companies. OPA declined to comment.
- Black Caucus/BIE: OPA – Reporters asked about a meeting between Director Wray and members of the Congressional Black Caucus to discuss a leaked intelligence assessment on Black Identity Extremists. OPA did not provide a comment, but the chairman of the caucus made a statement praising the Director’s transparency.
- FBI Radio: OPA - FBI Radio released a Wanted by the FBI podcast/vodcast in which a young daughter of Ten Most Wanted Fugitive Jesus Munguia tells him to turn himself in to authorities. Case agent [REDACTED] also speaks. Video shows photos of the fugitive, his estranged wife (the victim) and their four children. FBI, This Week also was released today and it tells the business community how to connect with the FBI through its private sector coordinators. UC [REDACTED] in the Office of Private Sector spoke about partnerships.
- Zodiac Killer: OPA – Tonight the History Channel will air part three of its five-episode documentary series “The Hunt for the Zodiac Killer.” This episode is titled “A New Code Uncovered” and looks at new ciphers related to the case.

**Local Stories**

- Charlotte - SSRA [REDACTED] participated in another news conference today with the Sheriff of Onslow County regarding a missing 3-year old.
- Detroit – Local media interviewed members of Detroit’s community outreach team as they helped organize clothing for Detroit’s largest coat drive for needy families. The FBI is working with the Detroit Police Department and Molina Healthcare on an event planned for Saturday. The goal is to outfit over 4,000 kids and adults with winter jackets.
- Los Angeles - [REDACTED] a longtime fugitive, was named today in a nine-count indictment that alleges he participated in a \$9 million loan fraud scheme that targeted Wells Fargo Bank [REDACTED] is believed to be in Venezuela after fleeing the United States approximately eight years ago. Two alleged conspirators have pleaded guilty. A photograph of [REDACTED] will be issued with the USAO press release and anyone with information as to his whereabouts is directed to contact the FBI.
- Philadelphia – A 19th century Polish painting, looted during World War II and recovered in the Philadelphia area, was formally returned to Poland today. SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and SSA [REDACTED] from the Art Crime Team took part in the handover ceremony at the Polish Ministry of Culture and National Heritage in Warsaw. PAO received local and national inquiries.
- Philadelphia – The so-called “godfather of payday lending” and his longtime lawyer were found guilty of racketeering conspiracy relating to payday lending businesses. [REDACTED] a multimillionaire former investment banker, was convicted on 17 counts, including fraud and money-laundering. He and co-defendant [REDACTED] participated in a conspiracy that violated the usury laws of Pennsylvania and other states, and

generated more than \$688 million in revenue from hundreds of thousands of customers. SAC Harpster was quoted in USAO-EDPA's press release.

- Pittsburgh - SAC Johnson attended a press conference with the U.S. Attorney's Office regarding an indictment that was unsealed against three Chinese nationals for computer hacking, theft of trade secrets, and conspiracy and identity theft directed at U.S. and foreign employees. SAC Johnson provided the following statement: "In order to effectively address the cyber threat, a threat that respects no boundaries and continues to grow in both its scope and complexity, law enforcement must come together and transcend borders to target criminal actors no matter where they are in the world."
- Phoenix - Numerous television and radio reporters attended a Tuesday briefing by SA [redacted] on Active Shooter training. Immediately following the briefing, SAC DeLeon participated in an on-the-record question and answer session with the reporters.
- Phoenix - An Arizona man was sentenced in federal court Tuesday to two years of probation and a \$2,000 fine for aiming a laser pointer at a law enforcement aircraft this spring. SA [redacted] did an interview with a Tucson newspaper about the dangers of laser pointers and how we work with our state and local partners to combat the issue.
- San Antonio - A reporter asked the FBI's position on cyber insurance for small and medium sized businesses. SA declined to weigh in and noted businesses make such decisions after considering several factors including assessments of risks and costs.
- San Francisco - A former DOJ fraud attorney, [redacted] pleaded guilty to obstruction of justice and stolen property after he stole sealed complaints before leaving DOJ and then tried to sell them to the accused companies. He also used the sealed complaints to identify companies under investigation and in turn recruit them as clients. [redacted] was arrested in a Bay Area hotel lobby when he met an FBI UC employee and tried to exchange a sealed complaint for a duffel bag full of cash. A court hearing for [redacted] is underway and is expected to generate media inquiries.
- St. Louis - BuzzFeed asked if the FBI is investigating [redacted] According to news reports, the single father has a YouTube channel called, "Toy Freaks" which has millions of subscribers. The videos feature the father playing pranks on his two young daughters. YouTube deactivated the channel for "violating policies against child endangerment." SL did not confirm or deny an investigation.
- Tampa - SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] represented FBI Tampa Division in a press conference this morning regarding the arrest in the Seminole Heights murders. The Chief of Tampa Police Department commended the FBI and other law enforcement agencies for their valuable assistance in the investigation.
- Tampa - A local TV station inquired about the reward money FBI offered in connection with the above case. After consulting with OPA, Tampa provided the following statement: "Whether or not the reward money is paid, and to whom, is not information law enforcement will share with the public. The FBI offers monetary rewards to incentivize the public to come forward with tips and information when they have information that law enforcement is seeking to further an investigation and keep the public safe. The FBI has paid and continues to pay out reward money to tipsters who have provided valuable information."

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