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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION****Electronic Communication****Title:** (U//FOUO) YOUR NAME WAS REFERRED TO FBI'S  
VICTIM NOTIFICATION PROGRAM**Date:** 01/14/2019**Drafted By:** Missing**Case ID #:** 31E-MM-NEW

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Beach, FL 33401 Phone: [REDACTED] July 23,  
2008 ALAT Robert [REDACTED] US Embassy Bogota Calle 24-BIS #48-50 Santafe  
DeBogota Colombia Re: Case Number: 31E-MM-108062 Dear ALAT [REDACTED]: You  
have requested to receive notifications for [REDACTED]. Your name  
was referred to the FBI's Victim Assistance Program as being a  
possible victim of a federal crime. We appreciate your assistance and  
cooperation while we are investigating this case. We would like to  
make you aware of the victim services that may be available to you and  
to answer any questions you may have regarding the criminal justice  
process throughout the investigation. Our program is part of the FBI's  
effort to ensure the victims are treated with respect and are provided  
information about their rights under federal law. These rights include  
notification of the status of the case. The enclosed brochures provide  
information about the FBI's Victim Assistance Program, resources and  
instructions for accessing the Victim Notification System (VNS). VNS  
is designed to provide you with information regarding the status of  
your case. As a crime victim, you have the following rights under 18  
United States Code 3771: (1) The right to be reasonably protected from  
the accused; (2) The right to reasonable, accurate, and timely notice  
of any public court proceeding, or any parole proceeding, involving  
the crime or of any release or escape of the accused; (3) The right  
not to be excluded from any such public court proceeding, unless the  
court, after receiving clear and convincing evidence, determines that  
testimony by the victim would be materially altered if the victim  
heard other testimony at that proceeding; (4) The right to be  
reasonably heard at any public proceeding in the district court  
involving release, plea, sentencing, or any parole proceeding; (5) The  
reasonable right to confer with the attorney for the Government in the  
case; (6) The right to full and timely restitution as provided in law;  
(7) The right to proceedings free from unreasonable delay; (8) The  
right to be treated with fairness and with respect for the victim's  
dignity and privacy. We will make our best efforts to ensure you are  
accorded the rights described. Most of these rights pertain to events

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occurring after the arrest or indictment of an individual for the crime, and it will become the responsibility of the prosecuting United States Attorney's Office to ensure you are accorded those rights. You may also seek the advice of a private attorney with respect to these rights. The Victim Notification System (VNS) is designed to provide you with direct information regarding the case as it proceeds through the criminal justice system. You may obtain current information about this matter on the Internet at WWW.Notify.USDOJ.GOV or from the VNS Call Center at 1-866-DOJ-4YOU (1-866-365- 4968) (TDD/TTY: 1-866-228-4619) (International: 1-502-213-2767). In addition, you may use the Call Center or Internet to update your contact information and/or change your decision about participation in the notification program. If you update your information to include a current email address, VNS will send information to that address. You will need the following

\_\_\_\_\_ ' anytime you contact the Call Center and the first time you log on to VNS on the Internet. In addition, the first time you access the VNS Internet site, you will be prompted to enter your last name (or business name) as currently contained in VNS. The name you should enter is \_\_\_\_\_. If you have additional questions which involve this matter, please contact the office listed above. When you call, please provide the file number located at the top of this letter. Please remember, your participation in the notification part of this program is voluntary. In order to continue to receive notifications, it is your responsibility to keep your contact information current. Sincerely, \_\_\_\_\_ Victim Specialist

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