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UNITED STATES
FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SURVEILLANCE COURT
WASHINGTON, D.C.

LeeAnn Flynn Hall, Clerk of Court

IN RE ACCURACY CONCERNS REGARDING
FBI MATTERS SUBMITTED TO THE FISC

Docket No. Misc. 19-02

OPINION AND ORDER

Last December, the Department of Justice's Office of the Inspector General issued a comprehensive report examining, among other things, applications to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court for authority to conduct electronic surveillance of U.S. person Carter W. Page. The OIG found that those applications contained significant factual inaccuracies and omissions relevant to whether there was probable cause to believe Page was an agent of the Russian government. There is thus little doubt that the government breached its duty of candor to the Court with respect to those applications.

The frequency and seriousness of these errors in a case that, given its sensitive nature, had an unusually high level of review at both DOJ and the Federal Bureau of Investigation have called into question the reliability of the information proffered in other FBI applications. To safeguard the integrity of its proceedings going forward, the Court ordered the government to explain how it would ensure the accuracy and completeness of future FBI applications. Acknowledging its deficiencies, the government has done so, undertaking multiple remedial measures in response to both the OIG Report and this Court's Order.