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CASE SUMMARY REPORT

To: Chief, D14 [redacted] **Date:** 10 April 2015
From: Investigator [redacted]
Subject: Unknown Subject(s), Theft of Scrap Steel and Copper Wire from the Fort Meade Recycle Center
File No: IV-15-0029 [redacted] (b) (3) - P.L. 86-36
Precedence: Routine
Purpose: To provide a summary report of investigation and to recommend that this case be closed.

Details:

- I. (U//~~FOUO~~) **Background:** On 22 January 2015, this office received a report that there have been several thefts of scrap steel and copper wire occurring over the last few months. The scrap steel and copper wire was located at the Fort Meade Recycling Center. The recycling center [redacted] The complainant estimated the theft of the government property to be 300 pounds of steel and 500-600 pounds of copper wire with an approximate aggregate value of \$7,000.
- II. (U) **Issue(s):** Is the scrap steel and copper wire being stolen or is it being properly removed?
- III. (U) **Applicable Standard(s):** 18 U.S.C. 641 – Public Money, Property or Records (Theft of Government Property)
- IV. (U) **Investigative Activity**
- A. (U) **Document Review**
- (U//~~FOUO~~) No documents reviewed.
- B. (U) **Interviews**
- (U//~~FOUO~~) On 27 January 2015, the Reporting Investigator (RI) spoke with Dan Thomas, Chief of LL, in regards to reports of theft from the recycling center on Fort Meade.

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Mr. Thomas stated he contacted NSA Security when [redacted] reported the theft to him.

(U//~~FOUO~~) On 29 January 2015, the RI spoke with [redacted] who stated throughout the past month, on weekends, his drivers have reported missing scrap steel and copper wire from the Fort Meade Recycling Center. [redacted] explained that the recycled material [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] NSA is compensated for the materials.

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(U//~~FOUO~~) [redacted] wanted to determine if thefts were occurring. He placed a large amount of scrap copper wiring at the recycling center on Friday, 2 January 2015. On Monday, 5 January 2015, the copper wiring was missing. [redacted] suspected theft. [redacted] further stated, one of his drivers was approached by an individual displaying a green contractor security badge and asked if maintenance had removed some copper piping from a building (unknown building). The driver told the individual he was not sure. [redacted] said, his driver described the individual who approached his truck as a contractor for [redacted] named [redacted] who drives a grey minivan [redacted]

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(U//~~FOUO~~) On 3 February 2015, the RI, Special Agent (SA) [redacted] SA [redacted] Defense Criminal Investigative Service (DCIS), [redacted] and [redacted] went to the recycling center. [redacted]

[redacted]

There is a sign stating "Government Use Only."

[redacted]

V. (U) Analysis:

(U//~~FOUO~~) Investigation substantiated the allegation that unidentified individual(s) have removed large amounts of scrap steel and copper wire from the recycle center. We have been unable, however, to take further steps to identify who removed the materials. [redacted]

[redacted] DCIS has

declined to assist this office with the investigation. NSA Security, Q15, has declined to assist this office with the investigation.

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¹ (U//~~FOUO~~) [redacted] stated there are 7-10 NSA authorized pick-up persons. He usually uses the same 2-3 drivers for pick-ups. The others are used if someone is out sick or off that day. Two drivers reported missing metal at least once; however, they could not quantify how many times they noticed missing metals.

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VI. (U) Conclusion(s):

(U//~~FOUO~~) This office requires but lacks investigative support to thoroughly investigate this type of allegation.

VII. (U) Recommendation(s):

(U//~~FOUO~~) Recommend that the case be closed and a recommendation to the Associate Directorate for Installations and Logistics to install a security fence and lighting at the recycle center.

VIII. (U) OGC Concurrence (as appropriate) N/A

(Attachment)

Photo of Recycle site



Photographs of
recycle center.pdf

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