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October 17, 1974

Mr. Paul I. Ernst, Manager Registration & Subscription Service Boy Scouts of America North Brunswick, N.J. 08902

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL!!!

Dear Paul:

Pursuant to your request of August 23, 1974, we have been in contact with Scoutmaster of Troop 330, Weiser, Idaho. Scoutmaster position in this matter has not changed in the last few months; that is, he insists the boy's parents not be informed of this incident apparently for the boy's own good.

When we suggested the boy might make a written statement or sign a prepared statement, we were given a flat refusal by the Scoutmaster. We were informed that the boy had dropped out of the Troop completely since summer camp and has only returned to the last two Scout meetings held during the month of October. It is the feeling of the Scoutmaster that this request for information should be dropped for the good of the boy. Because we feel the Scoutmaster is much closer to the home situation, we will not press him or the boy for any further statements or information.

We are sorry we could not obtain the information you requested. It is unfortunate that many of our 1974 Camp Staff members know something about the incident involving Mr. Krigbaum in camp. This know-ledge has led to some rumors amongst volunteer Scouters here in the District. We in the Council will not confirm or deny any of the rumors brought to our attention. We will however, continue to keep a close surveilance on Arthur N. Krigbaum's Scouting activities and notify

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your office of anything reported to us that can be substantiated.

Sincerely,

R. E. Bromley, Field Director

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cc: John Warnick Ross Taylor

August 23, 1974

Mr. John D. Warnick Scout Executive Ore-Ida Council, No.106

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL Re: Arthur N. Krigbaum

Dear John:

We are in receipt of a letter dated August 13, from Mr. Ronald E. Bromley, Field Director, advising us that the above Scouter should be placed on our confidential file. We have placed this information on file.

We do, however, need more substantiating information that will support our placing this man on the confidential file. Please try to obtain a signed statement from the people directly involved in this situation. This information is important for future reference purposes and certainly would strengthen our position of refusing to accept any future application for registration we might receive from this man.

Enclosed is a confidential record sheet, which we would appreciate your filling out and returning to us as soon as possible, together with the above requested material. Unless we receive this material it will be difficult to keep this man's name on our file.

Sincerely,

af Endl. Paul I. Ernst, Manager
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Phone (208) 342-5839

August 13, 1974

Registration & Fulfillment Boy Scouts of America North Brunswick, N. J. 08902

Dear Sirs:

This letter is to transmit to you the original information given to us by our camp director and a scoutmaster concerning one Arthur N. Krigbawn.

The signed statement is self explanatory and John Warnick (SE) and myself believe action should be taken in light of the facts it presents.

Mr. Krigbaum is a very slow individual - that is he has never really matured; this we have noted through personal observation. He is quite active with a local scout troop, registered as an assistant scoutmaster (6-106-5-49), expiration date of 1/31/75). The scoutmaster of the troop informed me that Mr. Krigbaum is an assistant in "name only" - that he lacks leadership ability and has never been allowed to take the troop out alone.

Mr. Krigbaum is also quite active with our Order of The Arrow and this of course presents a problem.

Please consider the enclosed statement and advise us as soon as possible.

Sincerely

Ronald E. Bromley

Field Director

Encl.

cc: John Warnick Ross Taylor

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August 4, 1974

To whom it may concern:

This evening, a minor of Troop 330, of Weiser, Idaho, reported to us, a homosexual act performed on him by an adult, Mr. Art Krigbaum, last evening at Troop 330's campsite in Camp Tapawingo.

Mr. Krigbaum had arrived in Camp Tapawingo on Friday, August 2, 1974, to stay with the troop he is registered with. Troop 49 of Boise, Idaho. He stayed overnight Friday, and all day Saturday.

This morning, Sunday, August 4, 1974, it was brought to the attention of the Camp Director, that Mr. Krigbaum had stayed overnight, not leaving with his troop on Saturday. He was assisting the Commissioners with camp check-in, and was invited to stay with the Eskow's in their cabin. He did leave some of his personal gear in the cabin, but deceided to stay the night in his car. It was discovered that he spent the evening from approximately 10:00 P.M. until about 1:00 A.M. in Troop 330's campsite, and in the tent of one of the Scouts, allegedly telling homosexually suggestive stories. Because of this, Mr. Krigbaum was asked to leave camp by 3:00 P.M., Sunday, which he did without question.

Later, on Sunday evening, it was brought to the attention of that more than just story telling had gone on.

After campfire this evening, the Scout involved in the act was interviewed by the Scoutmaster of Troop 330 and the Camp Director.

The Scout involved told us that Mr. Krigbaum wanted to talk to the Scouts of Troop 330, and this Scout mentioned that his back was sore. Mr. Krigbaum then told him that he would give him a massage, which he proceeded to do. As Mr. Krigbaum procedded giving the massage, his hands went lower, until he was "playing with the Scouts 'personals'". The Scout asked him to stop several times, and tried to move Mr. Krigbaum's hand. However, Mr. Krigbaum would not stop, nor would he move his hand when the Scout tried to move it. This continued until about 1:00 A.M.

Scoutmaster, Troop 330 Route 3, Box 225A Weiser, Idaho 83672

Camp Tapawingo Director 110 Scout Lane Boise, Idaho 83702

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