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Subject: DOD elsur, FYI

You had indicated an interest in the above topic, though I can't recall the time-frame you were most interested in (I think you referenced early '60s). This won't be terribly useful, but for what it's worth: in a couple of the FBI documents I saw last week (Sect. 33 62-116395-956 and Sect. 44 62-116395-1229) there are references to an investigation conducted by Sen. Edward Long (Missouri) and the Administrative Practices and Procedures Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee in 1965, re: mail covers, elsur and other investigative techniques utilized by various govt. agencies. Chief Counsel for the Subcommittee was Bernard Finsterwald, Chief Investigator was a Raymond C. Cole, Jr.. Focus seems to have been on IRS and the then-Bureau of Narcotics, not Defense agencies, but it might be worth a check of some sort. The FBI documents relate to the Bureau's efforts at making sure Long didn't aim any fire at it. Bureau was successful in convincing Long that FBI, perhaps unlike others, played by the rules and hadn't run amok with elsur, etc. One of the FBI documents (a 2/27/65 Belmont memo to Tolson) cites AG Katzenbach as saying that "he [Katzenbach] expected trouble from the possible activities of the IRS and the military in the investigative field." [emphasis added].As you may recall (as I do, though only vaguely) Steve Tilley -- ages ago -- did some chasing around because some researcher told him Sen. Long had done some investigating into the assassination. Steve never found anything, but maybe this subcommittee investigation constitutes a connection of sorts.

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