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District Attorney General
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Criminal Court Building
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Very truly yours,

A. T. Whitehead
Assistant Director
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Enclosure

cc: Dr. Edward Boling, President ✓
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TO: Chief of Detectives, Hugh A. Griffin 
FROM: Detective Sergeant, Don Hall
SUBJECT: GLF Petition signed by Attorney General Webster
RE: Attorney General Webster letter dated, June 11, 1971
DATE: June 15, 1971

Investigation was conducted this date to locate subject petition and determine its source.

The offices of the Chancellor, Dean of Students, and Student Activities were consulted and such petition has not been received or seen by Administration Authorities.

Mr. Phillip Scheurer, Director of Student Activities, advises that Judge L. D. Word received an anonymous letter, as did General Webster, expressing gratitude for his signing a petition requesting the University of Tennessee approval of the Gay Liberation Front.

After receiving a letter from Judge Word, Mr. Scheurer and Dr. Thomas B. Scott, Dean of Students, interviewed two of the foremost spokesmen for the Gay Liberation Front, Kyle McDaniel, Jr. and Laura Hoffman. Both McDaniel and Hoffman stated positively that they had no knowledge of such petition. Mr. Scheurer states they appeared sincere and he is inclined to believe both were truthful.

It is my opinion that such a petition does not exist and that the letters received by General Webster and Judge Word are of a crank nature calculated to annoy public officials.

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