## REPORT TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY



BY THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES

## FBI Domestic Intelligence Operations--Their Purpose And Scope: Issues That Need To Be Resolved

The FBI's authority to carry out domestic intelligence investigations is unclear. Legislation is needed.

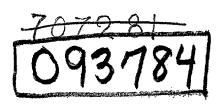
Investigations are too broad in terms of the number of people investigated and scope of investigations. Legislation is needed.

Investigations are generally passive in that information is gathered from other sources. But they are all encompassing. Questionable techniques were used infrequently, but legislation is needed limiting their future use.

The FBI adequately controlled dissemination of investigative information, but has not adequately examined its procedures for maintaining such data. The Attorney General should limit retention of investigative data.

Neither the Justice Department nor the Congress exercised adequate control and oversight over FBI domestic intelligence operations. Legislation is needed.

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