

**Questions for the Record from Senator Charles E. Grassley**  
**Hearing on “Combating the Rise in Hate Crimes”**  
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- 1) *I was very distressed about your testimony that your campus cannot be swept for each bomb threat. How can federal authorities like the FBI help fill the gap while state and local law enforcement is overburdened with the national crime spike?*

Our overall position is that the FBI has to make a priority in location and arresting those who have made the threats. Fortunately, the threats have appeared to end. The last threat occurred on March 14, 2022 at Morehouse College when they were alerted of a suspicious package. The timing of the vast majority of threats during Black History Month seems to suggest, at least for now, that this was during that time period.

News reports have indicated up to six juveniles are the suspects (<https://www.campussafetymagazine.com/news/6-juveniles-identified-as-suspects-in-spate-of-hbcu-bomb-threats/>). We want the FBI to bring some closure to this case sooner rather than later, and not allow it to drift into the summer months. The HBCU community would like to have closure before the new academic year as any lingering concerns could impact student selection for college attendance.

Again, the best way the FBI can help is to bring those responsible to justice, publicly, as it would send a powerful message that not only is this behavior not acceptable, but we have the capability to find those who engage in this behavior despite their best efforts to mask their involvement using technology.