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Arizona Subject Removed from FBI's Ten Most Wanted Fugitives List

PHOENIX, AZ - The FBI Phoenix Field Office announced today that Robert William Fisher is being removed from the FBI's Ten Most Wanted Fugitives List (TMWFL).

Fisher was added to the list on June 29, 2002, as a result of him allegedly killing his wife and two young children and then blowing up the house in which they all lived in Scottsdale, Arizona, in April of 2001.

Although Fisher remains at large, he no longer fits established criteria for continued inclusion on the TMWFL.

One of the criteria for placement on the TMWFL is the need for publicity to help locate and capture the subject. Because the extensive publicity Fisher's case received during its nearly 20 years on the list has not resulted in his successful location and/or capture, the case no longer fulfills that requirement.

Extensive investigation, as well as continued media exposure from 2001 to the present, has not resulted in establishing Fisher's whereabouts, or in his arrest. There have been no confirmed sightings of Fisher since his initial disappearance; therefore, Fisher's continued placement on the TMWFL is not expected to result in any additional information that would lead to his capture.

In addition to the need for ongoing publicity, another criterion for placement on the TMWFL is the continued danger a fugitive presents to the community if not apprehended. There is no evidence that Fisher has engaged in any additional illegal activity since his originally alleged crime.

Robert William Fisher will be the eleventh "Ten Most Wanted Fugitive" since 1950 to be removed from the TMWFL prior to apprehension, death, or the dismissal of charges.

While Fisher is being removed from the FBI's TMWFL, the active investigation will continue in order to bring closure to Mary and Robert's families.

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