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YEAR(S)	EVENT(S)	SOURCE DOCUMENT(S)
1988	Chief Minister of Sarawak, Malaysia, Abdul Taib Mahmud, takes ownership of shares of U.S. entity, Sakti , through family members acting as his trustees; same U.S. entity later manages FBI's Seattle office tower	BMF Chron Sakti Action Board of Directors 8 April 1988.pdf
1999	General Services Administration ("GSA") signs first lease for FBI's Seattle office tower, contracting with another U.S. entity run by Taib's family, Wallysons	BMF Chron GSA FOIA Final Disposition Notice Enclosures.pdf
2005-2006	Taib shifts management of FBI's Seattle office tower to a Canadian entity, Sakto , run by his son-in-law, Sean Murray	[various corporate records, available upon request]
2007	Sakti and Wallysons admit in litigation with their U.S. employee that the FBI's Seattle office tower is owned by a British Virgin Islands ("BVI") entity, Rodinmass	BMF Chron Boyert Rodinmass allegation.pdf ; BMF Chron Boyert Rodinmass admission.pdf
2011	BMF and indigenous activists, acting on leads provided by the former employee about Taib's U.S. real estate holdings, protest Taib's environmental record and his money trail at FBI's Seattle office tower	Dr. Lukas Straumann, Money Logging (2014)
2016-2017	Government Accountability Office ("GAO") auditors investigate allegations about beneficial ownership of the FBI's Seattle office tower, detecting 'Taib family' ownership, but being misinformed that the Canadian company Sakto is Wallysons' ultimate parent company; GAO reports to Congress in February 2017	BMF Chron GAO Report 2017.pdf
2017	FBI commits to renew its lease by January 2017 -- i.e., before the GAO report delivered its findings about the beneficial ownership of the property based on limited and inaccurate information received	BMF Chron Justification Procurement GSA FOIA Response.pdf
2018	U.S. Senate and House committees impose requirements prior to GSA finalizing the new lease of FBI's Seattle office tower: lessor disclosure re foreign ownership and inter-agency consultation	BMF Chron Congressional Resolutions re FOCl Seattle Office Tower.pdf

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2019	GSA finalizes renewal of lease of FBI's Seattle office tower, despite no disclosure of foreign ownership and no inter-agency consultation	BMF Chron GSA FOIA Final Disposition Notice Enclosures.pdf
2020	Taib's Canadian son-in-law Murray fails to disclose Malaysia as foreign country of ultimate beneficial ownership of FBI's Seattle office tower in a certification he submits to GSA; he now discloses only BVI as foreign country with ownership	BMF Chron March 2020 Representation re Foreign Owners hip.pdf
	Congress passes law requiring foreign ownership and control interest disclosures applicable to landlords of federal agencies	Secure Federal Leases from Espionage and Suspicious Entanglements Act, Pub. L. 116-276
2021	Pandora Papers leak includes files from BVI entity Rodinmass, which indirectly owns FBI's Seattle office tower, showing its sole record owner was Taib's deceased wife Leila (who had no income nor independent wealth); file purports to show circumstances in which Taib's Malaysian son Bekir assumed ownership	BMF Chron BVI Trust Services file Rodinmass.pdf
2022	BMF requests public records from GAO, FBI, and GSA about the lease of the FBI's Seattle office tower and the resulting controversy and audit	BMF Chron GSA FOIA Request s.pdf ; BMF Chron GAO Public Records Requests.pdf ; BMF Chron FBI FOIA Requests .pdf
	BMF's unexplained wealth analyses for Taib and his deceased wife Leila demonstrate the insufficiency of legitimate employment income from Taib's public salary to explain their reported assets	[available upon request]
2023	In response to BMF's public records request, GSA heavily redacts copy of the lease of FBI's Seattle office tower so as not to show its floorplan – on grounds of safeguarding the lives of personnel, national security, and law enforcement	BMF Chron GSA Cover Letter Response FOIA.pdf ; BMF Chron Redacted Space Classification Drawings Lease.pdf

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	In response to BMF's public records request, FBI claims that it has no records at all relating to the FBI's Seattle office tower	BMF Chron FBI Response FOI A March 7 2023.pdf
	GAO responds to BMF that it can release records relating to its prior audit of the FBI's Seattle office tower's foreign ownership only with Congress's permission	BMF Chron GAO Response Public Records Request.pdf
	BMF maps foreign exposure of FBI's Seattle office tower: Bekir's Russian wife, Elena Vasilenko , is found to have corporate interests in Russia subject to state enforcement; Taib's government in Sarawak has had a history of doing high-risk business with the People's Republic of China and with North Korea	[various open-source corporate records and media articles, available upon request]
	Wallysons, the U.S. entity directly owning title to the FBI's Seattle office tower, fails to disclose ultimate beneficial ownership on public federal procurement form as required, as it had failed to do in all years previous	BMF Chron SAM.gov Wallysons 2023-01-03 Highest Level Owner.jpeg
2024	FBI, having reversed itself on the existence of documents about the lease as requested by BMF under FOIA, maintains that it needs 41 months to process a couple hundred pages	BMF Chron FBI Response FOI A January 11 2024.pdf

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