UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

MATTHEW J. SHERVEN,)
Plaintiff,))
V.)
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY <i>et al</i> .))
)
Defendants.)

Civil Action No. 23-01293 (UNA)

MEMORANDUM OPINION

Plaintiff, appearing *pro se*, has filed a Complaint, ECF No. 1, and an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, ECF No. 2. The Court will grant the application and dismiss this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B) (requiring immediate dismissal of a case upon a determination that the complaint is frivolous).

Plaintiff is a resident of Mount Horeb, Wisconsin, who has sued the CIA. He alleges:

In November 2019 the Plaintiff reported a child pornography video the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). In response the CIA began conducting a psychological operation to get rid of the Plaintiff extrajudicially by driving him insane with mind-control and mind-reading satellites, to force him into a mental hospital. As a part of this psychological operation, the CIA recorded the Plaintiff's train of thought, with a mind-reading satellite. Then the CIA went around to video game companies and had them insert audio clips of the Plaintiff's thoughts into the soundtracks of their video games, to harass the Plaintiff. One such company was [co-defendant] Tale Worlds Entertainment. Sometime in between 2020 and 2023 the CIA had Tale Worlds insert audio clips, of the Plaintiff's train of thought, forcibly taken from the Plaintiff's brain, into the soundtrack of the video game "Mount and Blade II: Bannerlord".

Compl. at 1-2. Plaintiff seeks \$32 billion in relief. Id. at 2.

Complaints premised on fantastic or delusional scenarios or supported wholly by allegations lacking "an arguable basis either in law or in fact" may be dismissed as frivolous. *Neitzke v. Williams*, 490 U.S. 319, 325 (1989). The instant complaint satisfies this standard and therefore is dismissed. A separate order accompanies this Memorandum Opinion.

/s/ CHRISTOPHER R. COOPER United States District Judge

Date: May 16, 2023