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ATLANTA CHILD MURDERS

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UNSUB; LATONYA WILSON-VICTIM, KIDNAPPING, OO: ATLANTA

FOR INFORMATION BUREAU, VICTIM ABDUCTED FROM HER  
RESIDENCE, ATLANTA, EARLY MORNING HOURS, JUNE 22, 1966.

ENTRY TO RESIDENCE ALLEGEDLY GAINED BY REMOVING  
PANE OF GLASS FROM WINDOW PERMITTING UNKNOWN SUBJECT  
ENTRY TO BEDROOM WHERE VICTIM'S TWO BROTHERS SLEEPING.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT THEN WALKED PAST PARENTS BEDROOM TO VICTIM'S BEDROOM WHERE VICTIM AND TWO SISTERS SLEEPING.

NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION DETERMINED WITNESS WHO  
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WAS AWAKE AND CLAIMS THAT SHE OBSERVED UNKNOWN SUBJECT

ENTER VICTIM'S RESIDENCE THREE TIMES THROUGH WINDOW WHERE  
PANE WAS MISSING AND ON FOURTH OCCASION DEPART RESIDENCE  
WITH VICTIM.

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NO RANSOM DEMANDS MADE TO DATE AND PARENTS OF VICTIM  
NOT AFFLUENT AND LIVE IN LOW RENT HOUSING AREA.

INTERVIEWS OF PARENTS NEGATIVE REGARDING MOTIVE  
OF SUSPECTS.

[REDACTED]

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VICTIM DESCRIBED AS BLACK FEMALE, DATE OF BIRTH JUNE 23,  
1973, THREE TO FOUR FEET TALL, 55 TO 65 POUNDS, BLACK HAIR,  
BROWN EYES, SLIGHTLY PROTRUDING TEETH.

NO INDICATION TO DATE OF FEDERAL VIOLATION, HOWEVER,  
ATLANTA FOLLOWING CLOSELY WITH APD IN EVENT SAME DEVELOPS.

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UNSUB; EARL LEE TERRELL-VICTIM; KIDNAPING; OO: ATLANTA.

VICTIM, BLACK MALE, DATE OF BIRTH AUGUST 24, 1969, LAST  
SEEN BY FRIENDS 3:30 P.M. JULY 30, 1980, AT SOUTH HILL  
RECREATION AREA, ATLANTA. VICTIM HAD BEEN SWIMMING WITH FRIENDS.  
WAS EJECTED FROM POOL BY LIFEGUARD FOR MISBEHAVIOR AND LAST  
SEEN SITTING ON BENCH NEAR POOL AREA. Ga.

VICTIM DID NOT RETURN HOME REMAINDER OF DAY AND SEARCH BY  
PARENTS NEGATIVE TO LOCATE HIM. DE-69 7-18251-X1

VICTIM'S MOTHER ADVISED SOMETIME AROUND MIDNIGHT A NEIGHBOR,  
[REDACTED] AWOKE HER AND STATED SHE RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL  
FROM A MAN WHO SAID HE HAD VICTIM AND WANTED \$230.00. UNSUB

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TERMINATED CALL BY TIME MOTHER GOT TO THE TELEPHONE. (PARENTS OF VICTIM DO NOT HAVE A TELEPHONE).

APPROXIMATELY 12:25 A.M., JULY 31, 1982, UNSUB CALLED AGAIN AT SAME TELEPHONE SUBSCRIBED TO BY [REDACTED] [REDACTED] ATLANTA, AND [REDACTED] TALKED TO CALLER WHO STATED, "YEAH, I GOT EARL, DON'T CALL THE POLICE, DON'T CALL NOBODY," AND HUNG UP. *b7c*

APPROXIMATELY FIVE MINUTES LATER, UNSUB CALLED, [REDACTED] ANSWERED, AND CALLED STATED, "YOU STILL THERE?" [REDACTED] INQUIRE IF VICTIM WAS ALRIGHT AND REQUESTED TO TALK TO HIM. CALLER REPLIED "EARL ALRIGHT YOU CAN'T TALK TO HIM. I'LL CALL BACK TOMORROW AND LET YOU TALK TO HIM, BUT I WANT \$200.00 BY FRIDAY, EARL IN ALABAMA, DON'T CALL THE POLICE, DON'T CALL NOBODY." *b7c*

[REDACTED] ADVISED CALLER SOUNDED LIKE WHITE MALE, EARLY 40'S. NO BACKGROUND NOISE HEARD. *b7c*

VICTIM'S FAMILY VERY POOR, HOWEVER, MOTHER STATED COULD RAISE MONEY IF NEEDED.

VICTIM DESCRIBED AS BLACK MALE, DATE OF BIRTH AUGUST 24, 1959, 4 FEET 7 INCHES TO 4 FEET 9 INCHES, MEDIUM DARK COMPLEXION, 80 TO 85 POUNDS, SHORT BLACK HAIR, SCAR ON SIDE OF NOSE, DIMPLE

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TO BE LEFT LEG.

ATLANTA ARRANGING FOR PHONE TAP AND RECORDING DEVICE ON  
TELEPHONE OF [REDACTED] TELEPHONE NUMBER 622-9997 (THIS  
NUMBER KNOWN TO VICTIM), AND WILL MONITOR SAME. *b7c*

ABOVE FURNISHED BIRMINGHAM AND MOBILE IN EVENT ADDITIONAL  
INVESTIGATION NECESSARY.

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SAC, Atlanta (7-1835)

9/5/80

Director, FBI

UNSUB; *DEW 12*  
EARL LEE TERRELL  
KIDNAPPING  
(00: ATLANTA)

Re Atlanta airtel to the Bureau, 8/8/80.

Enclosed for Atlanta are two copies of a psychological profile to be forwarded to Major Morris Redding, Atlanta Bureau of Police Sciences.

SA [REDACTED] met with the Atlanta Police Department's Task Force on captioned matter during the period 8/13-15/80 at Atlanta, Georgia. SA [REDACTED] reviewed the various case files and made on-site inspections of three locations where victims had been left. As a result it was determined that psychopathology sufficient for a psychological profile was available only in the case of Angela Lanier. *JAF b7c*

Recipient law enforcement agency should be advised that the attached analysis is not a substitute for a thorough and well-planned investigation and should not be considered all inclusive. The information provided is based upon reviewing, analyzing, and researching criminal cases similar to the case submitted by the requesting agency. The final analysis is based upon probabilities noting, however, that no two criminal acts or criminal personalities are exactly alike and therefore the offender at times may not always fit the profile in every category. *7-18251-X2*  
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Letter to SAC, Atlanta  
Re: UNSUB;  
EARL LEE TERRELL  
KIDNAPPING  
(OO: ATLANTA)

Atlanta should maintain periodic contact with appropriate officials to determine and report the extent to which this profile has been of assistance in their investigation. Results are to be furnished to the Training Division, Attention: Behavioral Science Unit.

UNSUB;  
EARL LEE TERRELL  
KIDNAPPING  
(00; ATLANTA)

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Date 9/18/80

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 (ATTENTION FBI LABORATORY, SIGNAL ANALYSIS SECTION)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (7-1835) (P) (SQ. 7)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
EARL LEE TERRELL  
KIDNAPPING  
 OO: ATLANTA

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Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory, Signal Analysis Section are three originals and two copies of tapes received from the Atlanta, Georgia, Police Department.

For the information of the laboratory, over a 12 month period, ten black children have been reported missing in the Atlanta, Georgia, area. Of that number six have been homicide and four of them are still missing. The enclosed tapes were recorded by the Atlanta Police Department Communication Section and contained the voices of anonymous callers reporting the murders and also claiming responsibility for same. The Signal Analysis Section of the FBI Laboratory is requested to analyze the enclosed original tapes [REDACTED] and

any other information that may assist the Atlanta Police Department in identifying a suspect. The copies are submitted for assistance in determining the correct calls. *7-18251-X3*

The questioned call on the tapes dated 7/6/80, is the evening watch, position number 5, on the tape dated 8/21/80, the morning watch, position number 3, and on the tape dated 9/12/80, position number 10, 0154 hours.

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Enclosed tapes should be returned to Atlanta upon completion of the examination.

It is requested that this matter be handled as expeditiously as possible due to the fact that it is a highly publicized matter and the Atlanta Police Department needs the information.

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Date 8/8/80

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 ATTN: TRAINING DIVISION

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (7-1835)

SUBJECT: UNSUB: EARL LEE TERRELL  
 KIDNAPPING

Reference Atlanta telephone call to Assistant Director James McKenzie 8/6/80.

On 8/6/80, Deputy Director Morris G. Redding (NA), Atlanta Bureau of Police Services, telephonically requested assistance of the FBI Behavioral Science Unit in a matter of deep concern to the department. Director Redding advised that the Atlanta Bureau of Police Services was investigating cases involving twelve young black children. Four of the children's bodies have been recovered and eight children are still missing. According to Redding, all of the deaths are different and there was no known sexual molestation. The victims are all young black children from low income families. As a result of this concern by the police department and the Atlanta community, a task force of one Sergeant and four investigators have been assigned exclusively to this matter. Previous telephone contact has been established with the Behavioral Science Unit and the Bureau of Police Services concerning a psychological profile of subject and/or subjects.

Director Redding advised his department on 8/14/80 will hold a conference at the Atlanta Bureau of Police Services wherein police departments from the Atlanta Metropolitan area have been invited to discuss this matter and ascertain if other departments have similar cases which may possibly have a connection in this matter under investigation by his department. In this connection, Director Redding requested [REDACTED] who he has been dealing with telephonically concerning this matter be present in Atlanta during the conference 8/14/80 to assist this investigation and furnish results of his analysis of the crimes under investigation. b7c

The purpose of this communication is to confirm oral approval of SA [REDACTED] attendance at the afore mentioned conference in Atlanta 8/14/80. b7c

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 1-Atlanta (7-1835)

Approved: [REDACTED] b7c

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SAC, Atlanta (7-1835)

10/31/80

Director, FBI

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UNSUB;  
EARL LEE TERRELL  
KIDNAPPING  
(OO: ATLANTA)

ReBulet to Atlanta, 9/5/80. *212*

Enclosed for Atlanta are two copies each of two psychological profiles to be forwarded to Major Morris Redding, Atlanta Bureau of Police Sciences.

SA [REDACTED] met with the Atlanta Police Department's Task Force on captioned matter during the period 10/14-16/80 at Atlanta, Georgia. At this time two additional bodies had been discovered and SA [REDACTED] prepared the enclosed psychological profiles on these two victims (Clifford E. Jones and Charles Stephens). *b7c*  
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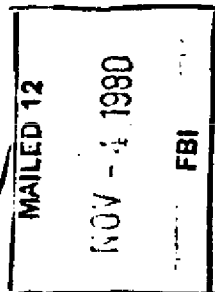
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Attached Atlanta teletype advises that since 7/20/79, fifteen black children, aged seven years through fifteen, have been reported missing in Atlanta, Georgia. Eleven of these children have been discovered murdered.

A special task force comprised of officers from the Atlanta Police Department and Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI) Agents has been formed to investigate these murders. The Atlanta Division of the FBI has covered numerous leads outside the State, and the facilities of FBIHQ, including the Laboratory and the Behavioral Science Unit, have been utilized to provide assistance in the investigation.

The Mayor of Atlanta, Maynard Jackson, is of the opinion that the FBI should have a legal basis for entering this investigation and has contacted the White House and the U. S. Department of Justice (DOJ) regarding this matter.

On 11/3/80 George Napper, Chief of Police (COP), Atlanta, Georgia, contacted the SAC of the Atlanta Division, John D. Glover, to request additional investigative assistance. SAC Glover advised the COP the facts to date have not determined a Federal violation; therefore, no additional FBI assistance could be forthcoming at this time.

SAC notes that political pressure has prompted local leaders to react to this tragic situation in an emotional manner. As a result, they are creating the impression that the FBI is being less than cooperative in this matter.

The U. S. Attorney, Northern District of Georgia, is attempting to schedule a meeting on 11/4/80 or 11/5/80 with the Atlanta City Attorney, the Public Safety Commissioner and the COP to once again explain the position of the FBI and the DOJ in this matter.

- 1 - Mr. Mullen
- 1 - Mr. Steel
- 1 - Mr. Young
- 1 - Mr. Revell

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FBI/DOJ

November 4, 1980

JUDGE:

SAC Glover was to meet with local authorities at 4 p.m. today. I have discussed with Revell the possibility of he, Charlie Monroe or I going to Atlanta to assess the current situation in regard to the murders and to determine whether or not the FBI is doing all that they can to assist in the investigations. I do want to get Glover's thoughts and assess whether or not such a trip would be beneficial prior to making a recommendation.

*[Signature]*  
BUD MULLEN

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FM ATLANTA (7A-1835) (P)

TO DIRECTOR (7-18146) (PRIORITY)

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UNSUB; EARL LEE TERRELL; KIDNAPPING; OO: ATLANTA.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, SINCE JULY 20, 1979, FIFTEEN BLACK CHILDREN, RANGING IN AGE FROM SEVEN THROUGH FIFTEEN, WERE REPORTED MISSING IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA. ELEVEN OF THESE CHILDREN HAVE SUBSEQUENTLY BEEN DISCOVERED MURDERED. THE LATEST VICTIM WAS DISCOVERED ON NOVEMBER 2, 1980. THIRTEEN OF THE CHILDREN WERE MALES AND TWO WERE FEMALES. OF THE ELEVEN DEATHS, ONE WAS DUE TO GUNSHOT WOUNDS, TWO WERE STABBED, TWO ASPHYXIATED AND FOUR WERE STRANGLED. TWO BODIES WERE BADLY DECOMPOSED AND THE CAUSE OF DEATH COULD NOT BE DETERMINED. THERE DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE ANY EVIDENCE OF SEXUAL MOLESTATION IN THESE CASES.

A SPECIAL TASK FORCE COMPRISED OF ATLANTA POLICE

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OFFICERS AND GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (GBI) AGENTS HAS BEEN FORMED TO INVESTIGATE THESE MURDERS. NUMEROUS SUSPECTS HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED, ADDED TO THE POLICE COMPUTER AND ARE CURRENTLY BEING INVESTIGATED. THE FBI, ATLANTA, HAS BEEN PROVIDING ASSISTANCE WITH AN AGENT ASSIGNED IN A LIAISON CAPACITY. A LARGE NUMBER OF OUT-OF-STATE LEADS HAVE BEEN COVERED FOR THE SPECIAL TASK FORCE AND NUMEROUS ITEMS OF INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM VARIOUS FBI FIELD DIVISIONS HAVE BEEN DISSEMINATED TO THE TASK FORCE.

IN ADDITION, [REDACTED] BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE UNIT, FBI ACADEMY, HAS BEEN IN ATLANTA ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS ASSISTING THE TASK FORCE WITH POSSIBLE PROFILES AND MOTIVES OF THE KILLER OR KILLERS. THE FBI LABORATORY HAS BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO THE TASK FORCE AND AT PRESENT, IS ANALYZING A NUMBER OF TAPES CONTAINING VOICES OF POSSIBLE SUSPECTS. INVESTIGATION TO DATE HAS NOT DETERMINED ANY FBI JURISDICTION IN THESE CASES. *b7c*

MAYNARD JACKSON, MAYOR, ATLANTA, HAS MADE SEVERAL ATTEMPTS TO HAVE FBI ASSUME JURISDICTION. HE HAS INDICATED HE HAS CONTACTED THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT, AS WELL AS ATLANTA FBI IN THIS REGARD. IT IS HIS OPINION THAT THE

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FBI SHOULD BE ABLE TO FIND SOME LEGAL REASON TO ENTER THE CASE.

ON NOVEMBER 3, 1980, GEORGE MAPPER, CHIEF OF POLICE, ATLANTA, TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED SAC, ATLANTA, TO REQUEST FBI ASSISTANCE ON A FULL-TIME INVESTIGATIVE BASIS. HE INDICATED THAT TECHNICAL SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE WITH OUT-OF-STATE LEADS WERE OF SOME HELP; HOWEVER, HE WANTED FBI INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANCE. ADDITIONALLY, CHIEF MAPPER REQUESTED THAT SA [REDACTED] BE ASSIGNED TO THE TASK FORCE ON A FULL-TIME BASIS. HE WAS ADVISED BY SAC, ATLANTA THAT GIVEN PRESENT FACTUAL SITUATIONS REGARDING THE MISSING AND MURDERED CHILDREN, NO ADDITIONAL FBI INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANCE COULD BE FORTHCOMING AT THIS TIME. HE WAS FURTHER ADVISED THAT SA [REDACTED] COULD PROBABLY PROVIDE SOME ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE, BUT DUE TO THE NATURE OF HIS ASSIGNMENTS AT THE FBI ACADEMY, HE COULD NOT BE PERMANENTLY DETAILED TO THE TASK FORCE. SA [REDACTED] WAS CONTACTED AND CONSENTED TO RETURN TO ATLANTA ON NOVEMBER 5, 1980 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL AID TO THE ATLANTA POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR A DAY OR TWO. THIS INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED TO CHIEF MAPPER. *b7c*

ALSO, ON NOVEMBER 3, 1980, LEE P. BROWN, PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSIONER, ATLANTA, PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED SEVERAL ADDITIONAL *b7c*

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STEPS BEING TAKEN IN WAKE OF DISCOVERY OF BODY OF LATEST VICTIM, (NOVEMBER 2, 1988), INCLUDING HRKING FOR FULL-TIME FBI ASSISTANCE IN THESE CASES. THIS WAS APPARENTLY A FOLLOW-UP TO CHIEF NAPPER'S REQUEST.

SAC, ATLANTA, HAS REPEATEDLY INFORMED MAYOR JACKSON, COMMISSIONER BROWN AND CHIEF NAPPER THAT THE FBI LACKS JURISDICTION IN THIS MATTER AND THEREFORE, IS UNABLE TO PROVIDE THE KIND OF INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANCE THEY REQUEST. SAC, HAS MADE IT CLEAR THAT IF THEY COULD PROVIDE INFORMATION THAT WOULD INDICATE FBI JURISDICTION, THEY SHOULD PRODUCE SAME. TO DATE, NO SUCH INFORMATION HAS BEEN DISCLOSED. UNFORTUNATELY, POLITICAL PRESSURE HAS PROMPTED LOCAL LEADERS TO REACT TO THIS TRAGIC SITUATION IN AN EMOTIONAL MANNER. AS A RESULT, THEY ARE CREATING THE IMPRESSION THAT THE FBI IS LESS THAN COOPERATIVE IN THIS MATTER. CONSEQUENTLY, SAC, ATLANTA, AND UNITED STATES ATTORNEY (USA), NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA (NDGA), IS ATTEMPTING TO SCHEDULE A MEETING ON NOVEMBER 4, 1988 OR NOVEMBER 5, 1988 WITH ATLANTA CITY ATTORNEY, COMMISSIONER BROWN AND CHIEF

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WAPPER IN AN ATTEMPT TO ONCE AGAIN EXPLAIN THE BUREAU'S AND  
THE DEPARTMENT'S POSITION IN THIS MATTER.

THE BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF PERTINENT INFORMATION.

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ATKID; MAJOR CASE NO. 30, KIDNAPING (A), OO: ATLANTA.

THE FBI IS INSTITUTING A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER FOUR BLACK CHILDREN MISSING IN ATLANTA ARE BEING HELD IN VIOLATION OF TITLE 18, U. S. CODE, SECTION 1201. FIFTEEN CHILDREN HAVE DISAPPEARED IN THE ATLANTA AREA, ELEVEN OF WHOM HAVE BEEN FOUND DEAD, DURING THE PAST FIFTEEN MONTHS.

SA [REDACTED] PITTSBURGH DIVISION, AND SA [REDACTED] NEWARK DIVISION, ARE BEING DETAILED TO THE ATLANTA DIVISION TO ASSIST IN THIS PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION. THEY HAVE BEEN SELECTED BASED ON THEIR PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE AS

- 1 - MR. MC KINNON (ATTN: MR. FITZPATRICK)  
 1 - MR. REVELL  
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 1 - MR. [REDACTED]

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO NEWARK DATED NOVEMBER 6, 1980.

SA [REDACTED] WILL TRAVEL FROM NEWARK, NEW JERSEY,  
TO ATLANTA, GEORGIA, ON SATURDAY,, NOVEMBER 8, 1980. AGENT WILL  
TRAVEL ON DELTA AIRLINES, FLIGHT 1111, LEAVING NEWARK 5:55 P.M.,  
ARRIVING IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA AIRPORT 8:06 P.M., NOVEMBER 8, 1980.

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RE DIRECTOR'S TELETYPE NOVEMBER 13, 1980, AND ATLANTA  
TELETYPE NOVEMBER 14, 1980. *DET 19*

IN RESPONSE TO REFERENCED TELETYPES, SAS [REDACTED]

AND [REDACTED] OF THE MEMPHIS DIVISION WILL DEPART  
FOR ATLANTA ON NOVEMBER 16, 1980, AND REPORT TO THE ATLANTA  
OFFICE 8:00 A.M., NOVEMBER 17, 1980. *b7c*

SAS [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] WILL ARRIVE VIA BUREAU AUTOMOBILE. *b7c*

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REBUTEL, NOVEMBER 13, 1980. *per*

SA [REDACTED] MOBILE DIVISION, WITH BUCAR, WILL

REPORT TO ATLANTA BY 8:00 AM, NOVEMBER 17, 1980. HE WILL PROCEED  
TO HABERSHAM HOUSE, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1980.

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RE COLUMBIA TELEPHONE CALL TO ATLANTA, NOVEMBER 14, 1980,  
AND ATLANTA TELETYPE, NOVEMBER 14, 1980, REQUESTING INVESTIGATION  
ANDERSON, S.C., OF AN ALLEGED ATTEMPTED KIDNAPING OF A YOUNG  
BLACK GIRL AT THE NORTH FANT GRAMMAR SCHOOL ON NOVEMBER 13, 1980.

BY REFERENCED COLUMBIA TELEPHONE CALL, ATLANTA WAS ADVISED  
THAT VARIOUS ANDERSON CITY PD AND ANDERSON COUNTY SO OFFICIALS  
WERE CONTACTED ON NOVEMBER 14, 1980. THESE OFFICIALS ADVISED  
THAT THERE WERE NO REPORTED ATTEMPTED KIDNAPINGS IN ANDERSON  
CITY OR ANDERSON COUNTY ON NOVEMBER 13, 1980, NOR HAVE THERE  
BEEN ANY INCIDENTS SIMILAR TO THAT DESCRIBED IN REFERENCED  
ATLANTA TELETYPE WHICH OCCURRED IN ANDERSON CITY OR COUNTY IN  
THE RECENT PAST. THE OFFICIALS REPORTED THAT THEIR RESPECTIVE

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AGENCIES HAVE RECEIVED SEVERAL INQUIRIES FROM VARIOUS CITIZENS CONCERNING STORIES OF KIDNAPINGS AND/OR KILLINGS IN THE ANDERSON AREA THAT ARE DESCRIBED AS SIMILAR TO THE INCIDENTS WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT OF THIS INVESTIGATION. HOWEVER, AS FAR AS CAN BE DETERMINED, THESE STORIES ARE ONLY BASELESS RUMORS.

ON NOVEMBER 17, 1980, THE ANDERSON CITY PD AND ANDERSON COUNTY SO OFFICIALS WERE RECONTACTED. THEY ADVISED THAT THE INQUIRIES PERSIST BUT THEY HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO DEVELOP ANY INFORMATION TO INDICATE THE STORIES ARE ANYTHING OTHER THAN BASELESS RUMOR.

ON NOVEMBER 17, 1980, [REDACTED] SOUTH FANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ANDERSON, S.C., ADVISED THAT THERE HAVE BEEN NO INCIDENTS INVOLVING ATTEMPTED KIDNAPING AT HIS SCHOOL. HE ADVISED THAT ON NOVEMBER 4, 1980, [REDACTED] AN 18 YEAR OLD BLACK FEMALE, WAS ACCOSTED IN THE AREA OF THE SCHOOL BUT MANAGED TO ESCAPE. *b7c*

ON NOVEMBER 17, 1980, [REDACTED] AND HER MOTHER, [REDACTED] WERE CONTACTED. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT DURING THE NIGHT OF NOVEMBER 4, 1980, SHE WAS WALKING IN THE AREA OF THE SOUTH FANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. SHE WAS APPROACHED BY TWO *b7c b7D*

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BLACK MEN WHO MADE SUGGESTIVE REMARKS TO HER AS THEY PASSED.

[REDACTED] CONTINUED TO WALK AND THE TWO MEN TURNED AROUND  
AND GRABBED HER POCKETBOOK, TORE HER BLOUSE, AND WERE ATTEMPTING  
TO GRAB HER PANTS WHEN [REDACTED] BROKE LOSE AND RAN AWAY.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT THE TWO MEN APPEARED TO BE IN THEIR  
LATE TEENS OR EARLY 20'S. HOWEVER, AS IT WAS VERY DARK, SHE  
COULD NOT GET A GOOD DESCRIPTION. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT  
THE TWO MEN SMELLED OF MARIJUANA AND WINE AND WERE LAUGHING  
DURING THE INCIDENT AS IF THEY WERE INTOXICATED. THE INCIDENT  
WAS REPORTED TO THE POLICE, BUT THEY HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL IN  
DOING ANYTHING BECAUSE OF A COMPLETE LACK OF DESCRIPTION. IT  
WAS [REDACTED] BELIEF THAT THE TWO MEN KNEW HER.

BASED ON THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT COLUMBIA REGARDING  
CAPTIONED MATTER, THE ABOVE INCIDENT DOES NOT APPEAR RELATIVE  
TO THE ATLANTA KIDNAPINGS. THEREFORE, COLUMBIA WILL MAKE NO  
FURTHER INQUIRY REGARDING THE [REDACTED] ATTACK UNLESS REQUESTED  
TO DO SO. IT IS NOTED THAT THERE IS NO NORTH FANT GRAMMAR  
SCHOOL IN ANDERSON, S.C. THERE HAD BEEN A NORTH FANT GRAMMAR  
SCHOOL BUT IT WAS TORN DOWN YEARS AGO.

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RE SAN ANTONIO TELETYPE TO BUREAU, DALLAS, EL PASO AND  
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REATEL DATED NOVEMBER 7, 1980.

FOR INFORMATION OF RECIPIENTS, SINCE JULY 20, 1979,

FIFTEEN BLACK CHILDREN, AGED SEVEN YEARS THROUGH FIFTEEN, HAVE

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BEEN REPORTED MISSING IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA. ELEVEN OF THESE  
CHILDREN HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED MURDERED.

A SPECIAL TASK FORCE COMPRISED OF OFFICERS FROM THE  
ATLANTA POLICE DEPARTMENT (APD) AND GEORGIA BUREAU OF  
INVESTIGATION (GBI) AGENTS HAS BEEN FORMED TO INVESTIGATE  
THESE MURDERS. THE ATLANTA DIVISION HAS COVERED NUMEROUS LEADS  
OUTSIDE THE STATE OF GEORGIA AND OTHER FACILITIES OF THE FBI  
HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO AID IN THE INVESTIGATION.

ON NOVEMBER 6, 1980, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AUTHORIZED A  
PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION BY THE FBI TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE  
FOUR MISSING BLACK CHILDREN ARE BEING HELD IN VIOLATION OF  
TITLE 18, U. S. CODE, SECTION 1201 (KIDNAPING).

RETEL REQUESTED ADDITIONAL MANPOWER TO AUGMENT THE SPECIAL  
AGENT COMPLEMENT OF THE ATLANTA DIVISION TO ASSIST IN THIS  
INVESTIGATION.

CHARLOTTE AND MEMPHIS DIVISIONS ARE DIRECTED TO FURNISH TWO  
SPECIAL AGENTS FOR THIS INVESTIGATION. THE COLUMBIA AND MOBILE  
DIVISIONS WILL EACH FURNISH ONE SPECIAL AGENT. EACH OFFICE,  
CHARLOTTE, MEMPHIS, COLUMBIA AND MOBILE WILL FURNISH A BUREAU  
VEHICLE. THESE SPECIAL AGENTS WILL REPORT FOR DUTY IN THE

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ATLANTA DIVISION BY 8:00 A.M., MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1980.

THE SPECIAL AGENTS CHOSEN FROM YOUR OFFICE FOR THIS ASSIGNMENT SHOULD BE A SELF-MOTIVATED, MATURE INVESTIGATOR, AND IF POSSIBLE, EXPERIENCED IN HOMICIDE AND/OR SEX-RELATED OFFENSES AND FAMILIAR WITH THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA. THE AGENT MUST NOT BE THE SUBJECT OF RECENT SEVERE ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION NOR BE ON PROBATION. *b7c*

*b7c* PRESENTLY SAS [REDACTED] PITTSBURGH DIVISION, AND [REDACTED] NEWARK DIVISION, ARE ASSISTING IN THIS MATTER IN ATLANTA. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THIS ASSIGNMENT WILL BE FOR A MINIMUM OF THIRTY DAYS BEGINNING NOVEMBER 17, 1980.

IN ADDITION THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL AGENTS CURRENTLY UNDER TRANSFER OUT OF THE ATLANTA DIVISION WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL JANUARY 12, 1981, FROM ARRIVAL AT THEIR NEW OFFICES OF ASSIGNMENT. |

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 IN RESPONSE TO ATLANTA TELETYPE DATED 11/7/80 AND WAS PREPARED TO  
 ADVISE OFFICES AFFECTED BY A TEMPORARY MANPOWER INCREASE BY THE  
 ATLANTA DIVISION. THIS MATTER HAS BEEN COORDINATED WITH SA [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED], SPECIAL AGENT TRANSFERS UNIT, [REDACTED]  
 SELECTIVE OPERATIONS UNIT, [REDACTED], WHITE COLLAR CRIMES  
 SECTION, AND [REDACTED] ORGANIZED CRIMES SECTION. *b7c*

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 (ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (7A-1835 SF 10) (P) (SQ. 7)

SUBJECT: ATKID;  
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Re Atlanta airtel to the Bureau, dated 11/19/80.

Enclosed herewith for the FBI Laboratory are four (4) plastic containers described as follows:

Q1 Container marked, "number one" contains shavings from the molding strip on the floor next to and to the left of the heating vent referred to in referenced airtel which contains reddish colored stains.

AS Container marked, "number two" contains test control shavings from the molding strip next to and in close proximity of the shavings contained in container number one.

Q2 Container marked, "number three" contains scrapings and shavings from the floor, which have a reddish colored stain under a brown paint and which were obtained directly in front of and to the left of the heating vent mentioned in referenced airtel.

AS Container marked, "number four" contains control samples of floor shavings and scrapings which is painted brown for test purposes.

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The FBI Laboratory is requested to examine the contents and the reddish colored stain, which are contained in containers marked, "number one" and "number three" to determine if these stains are blood. If blood, further determine if they are human blood. If human blood is detected, will conduct the same investigation as requested in referenced airtel.

The Laboratory is further requested to use the shaving and scraping samples contained in containers "number two" and "number four" for test purposes.

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ATTENTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

ATKID; MAJOR CASE NUMBER 30; KIDNAPPING; OO: ATLANTA.

REFERENCE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, 11/17/80.

REFERENCED TELETYPE REQUESTED TEXAS FIELD OFFICES ATTEMPT  
TO FURTHER IDENTIFY [REDACTED] FBI NUMBER

FOR INFORMATION ATLANTA AND RECEIVING OFFICES, COMPUTER

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Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
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\* THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE ALL  
TEXAS OFFICES IN THE EVENT AN FBI IDENTIFICATION RECORD FOR  
SUBJECT INDICATES ANY ARRESTS WITHIN THE TEXAS FIELD DIVISIONS  
IN ORDER TO MORE FULLY IDENTIFY AND LOCATE [REDACTED]  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION INDICES NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED]  
INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT AUSTIN, TEXAS.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI PRIORITY

FBI ATLANTA (7A-1835) PRIORITY

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FBI SAN ANTONIO PRIORITY

FBI OKLAHOMA CITY PRIORITY

FBI KANSAS CITY PRIORITY

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UNCLAS

ATKID; MAJOR CASE NUMBER 30; KIDNAPPING; OO:ATLANTA.

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO BUREAU, 11/15/80; RE SAN ANTONIO TELCAL  
TO DALLAS, 11/17/80.

OKLAHOMA CITY BEING FURNISHED VIA FACSIMILE COPY RE TELE-  
TYPE IN THE EVENT INVESTIGATION FAIRVIEW, OKLAHOMA REQUESTED.

ON 11/17/80 [REDACTED] GRAYSON COUNTY

SHERIFF'S OFFICE (GCSO) ADVISED REVIEW OF HIS DEPT. FILES

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TO DIRECTOR ROUTINE

ATLANTA (7A-1835) (SQUAD 7) ROUTINE

DALLAS ROUTINE

EL PASO ROUTINE

HOUSTON ROUTINE

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UNCLAS

ATKID; MAJOR CASE NUMBER 30; KIDNAPPING; OO: ATLANTA.

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE NOVEMBER 17, 1980.

ON NOVEMBER 18, 1980, RECORDS OF TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (DPS) DISCLOSED THAT [REDACTED] HAS DPS NUMBER [REDACTED] HE IS A WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED] HEIGHT 5'11", WEIGHT 170, HAIR AND EYES BROWN; [REDACTED]

DPS RECORDS DISCLOSE [REDACTED]

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ON NOVEMBER 18, 1980, [REDACTED] STATE BOARD OF PARDON AND PAROLES, ADVISED THERE IS NO RECORD OF [REDACTED] UNDER TRUE NAME OR ALIASES AS HAVING BEEN ON PAROLE OR PROBATION IN THE STATE OF TEXAS. b7c

NO ARREST RECORD LOCATED AT AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT.

NO DRIVER'S LICENSE LOCATED IN THE STATE OF TEXAS.

DALLAS AT SHERMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. WILL DETERMINE CIRCUMSTANCES OF ARREST ON [REDACTED] b7c  
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DALLAS PRIORITY

EL PASO PRIORITY

SAN ANTONIO PRIORITY

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RE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, NOVEMBER 17, 1980.

HOUSTON INDICIES NEGATIVE ON [REDACTED] OR [REDACTED]

ON NOVEMBER 18, 1980, DETECTIVE [REDACTED] HOUSTON  
POLICE DEPARTMENT ADVISED THEIR CRIMINAL RECORDS, CHILD ABUSE OR  
SEX OFFENDER SUSPECT FILES AND HOMICIDE DIVISION HAVE NO INFORMATION  
IDENTIFIABLE WITH [REDACTED] OR [REDACTED] AND CAPTIONED MATTER. 7-18251-12  
ADMINISTRATIVE:

HOUSTON WILL KEEP CASE PENDING IN VIEW OF [REDACTED]  
LOCATION IN TEXAS AND PROBABLE FORTHCOMING LEADS.

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TO DIRECTOR PRIORITY

DALLAS PRIORITY

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ATTENTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

ATKID; MAJOR CASE NUMBER 30; KIDNAPPING; OO: ATLANTA.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF RECEIVING OFFICES WHO MAY NOT  
HAVE RECEIVED ANY PRIOR COMMUNICATIONS IN THIS MATTER, OVER  
THE PAST 16 MONTHS, 15 YOUNG, BLACK CHILDREN HAVE BEEN REPORTED  
MISSING IN THE ATLANTA AREA. ELEVEN OF THESE CHILDREN HAVE  
BEEN LOCATED MURDERED. THE REMAINING FOUR CHILDREN HAVE NOT  
BEEN FOUND TO DATE.

FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND RECEIVING OFFICES, ON NOV 18 1980

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NOVEMBER 12, 1988, [REDACTED] FULTON COUNTY, GEORGIA,  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, ATLANTA, ADVISED HE HAS  
RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT AN INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFIED AS  
[REDACTED] WHITE, MALE, FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]  
IS A FORMER SEX OFFENDER CONVICTED OF SEVERAL CHILD SLAYINGS. b7c

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] IS CURRENTLY ON RELEASE FROM  
PRISON, NAME AND LOCATION OF PRISON UNKNOWN, RESIDES AT  
UNKNOWN ADDRESS IN TEXAS AND TRAVELS BACK AND FORTH TO  
ATLANTA. GA

THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION IS REQUESTED TO SEARCH [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] FBI NUMBER [REDACTED] THROUGH THE FILES  
OF THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION AND FACSIMILE [REDACTED]  
ARREST RECORD AND BACKGROUND DATA TO ATLANTA. b7c

DALLAS, EL PASO, HOUSTON AND SAN ANTONIO DIVISIONS. WILL  
SEARCH OFFICE INDICES. WILL FURTHER CONTACT MAJOR POLICE  
DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER LOGICAL AGENCIES IN YOUR RESPECTIVE  
TERRITORIES IN AN EFFORT TO FULLY IDENTIFY [REDACTED] AND TO  
ESTABLISH CURRENT WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] b7c

SAN ANTONIO DIVISION. IN ADDITION TO ABOVE, WILL,  
AT AUSTIN, TEXAS, CONTACT STATE BOARD OF PRISONS AND PAROLE

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FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED]

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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COMMUNICATION MESSAGE FORM

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FM DIRECTOR FBI

TO FBI ATLANTA

PERSONNEL ATTENTION

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ATKID; KIDNAPPING

PROGRAM ANALYST [REDACTED] WILL ARRIVE IN ATLANTA ON  
NOVEMBER 28, 1980, TO BEGIN VISUAL INVESTIGATIVE ANALYSIS (VIA)  
NETWORKING IN THE CAPTIONED CASE. ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE  
WITH OSM [REDACTED] ATLANTA, REGARDING [REDACTED] STAY IN  
ATLANTA.

DURING TRAVEL TO FIELD OFFICES, PERSONNEL USE INDIVIDUAL  
CLERICAL REGISTERS (FD-420) TO SIGN IN AND OUT DAILY. WHEN  
OVERTIME IS PERFORMED, APPROPRIATE CERTIFICATION ON THE  
CLERICAL REGISTER SHOULD BE MADE BY THE SQUAD SUPERVISOR.

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1 - MR. [REDACTED]  
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NOTE: THE ATKID INVESTIGATION STEMS FROM THE DISAPPEARANCE  
OF 15 BLACK CHILDREN IN THE ATLANTA AREA, OF WHICH 11 HAVE BEEN  
FOUND DEAD AND FOUR ARE STILL MISSING. [REDACTED] b7c  
PROGRAM ANALYSIS OFFICER, CID, HAS MADE AN ON-SITE PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS  
AND DETERMINED THAT VIA APPLICATION WOULD BE VALUABLE TO THIS CASE.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Director _____	Adm. Serv. _____	Legal Coun. _____
Exec. AD Adm. _____	Crim. Inv. <i>[Signature]</i>	Plan. & Insp. _____
Exec. AD-Inv. _____	Ident. _____	Rec. Mgmt. _____
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*[Signature]*

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TO DIRECTOR (ROUTINE)

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DALLAS (ROUTINE)

HOUSTON (7A-994) (ROUTINE)

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ATKID; MC 30; KIDNAPPING, OO: ATLANTA.

RE ATLANTA TEL TO BUREAU AND EL PASO, NOVEMBER 17, 1980; EL PASO TEL TO DIRECTOR, NOVEMBER 19, 1980.

ON NOVEMBER 24, 1980, THE FOLLOWING RECORD CHECKS WERE CONDUCTED IN THE MIDLAND - ODESSA AREA RE [REDACTED] WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS:

RECORD CLERK [REDACTED] CONDUCTED RECORD CHECK AT ECTOR CO. SO, ODESSA, TEXAS; CLERK [REDACTED] CONDUCTED RECORD CHECK, MIDLAND PD, MIDLAND, TEXAS; RECORD CLERK [REDACTED] CONDUCTED RECORD CHECK, MIDLAND CO. SO, MIDLAND, TEXAS.

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DALLAS DIVISION AT SHERMAN, TEXAS: IF NOT ALREADY DONE, CONDUCT APPROPRIATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY CHECKS RE MURDER AND ESCAPE CHARGE AT SHERMAN, TEXAS, FOR ADDITIONAL INFO.

THE ABOVE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES HAVE REQUESTED THAT ANY INFO THEY FURNISH, WHETHER WRITTEN OR ORAL, BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE FOI-PA. THESE REQUESTS HAVE BEEN GRANTED BY THE EL PASO OFFICE OF THE FBI AND THEREFORE ANY AGENCY RECEIVING THIS INFO IS CONSIDERED BOUND BY THESE REQUESTS.

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

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## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
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Date 11/19/80

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 (ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (7A-1835 SF 10) (SQ. 7) (P) 01125-26

SUBJECT: ATKID;  
 MAJOR CASE #30  
 KIDNAPPING...  
 OO: AT

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Re Atlanta telephone call of SA [REDACTED] to SA  
 [REDACTED] Unit Chief, Serology Unit, FBI Lab, 11/18/80.

Q3 Enclosed herewith for the FBI Laboratory is one  
 pill box containing scrapings from a heating vent, which  
 are believed to be blood stains.

Q4 Transmitted, under separate cover, is one heating  
vent from which above enclosed scrapings were obtained and  
 which vent contains other stains believed to be blood.

For the information of the FBI Laboratory, over  
 the past 16 months, 15 black children in the Atlanta area  
 ranging in ages from 7 to 15, have been abducted and/or  
 murdered. Eleven of these children have been located murdered  
 and four are still missing. Two of the 15 children are  
 females and 13 are males.

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The enclosed pill box, containing above-described  
 scrapings, and the heating vent being submitted under separate  
 cover, were obtained from Apartment #9, 890 West End Avenue,  
 Atlanta. This was the residence of Anthony Bernard Carter,  
 black; male; dob 8/31/70; reported missing 7/6/80; found  
 murdered on 7/7/80; cause of death determined to be multiple  
 stab wounds of the back and chest.

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AT 7A-1835 SF 10

Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI), Division of Forensic Sciences, report dated 7/15/80, case #80-15919, regarding Anthony Carter, reveals two test tubes containing blood which was submitted by investigating officer for examination with the request of BA blood alcohol. Results were positive for ethyl alcohol, 0.15 grams. Results were noted as unreliable, due to putrefaction.

[REDACTED] Technician, GBI, Division of Forensic Sciences, has advised that when blood samples of Carter were received, samples were in extreme state of putrefaction and therefore, could not type. She also advised that no swatches from Carter's blood samples were prepared. *b7c*

The FBI Laboratory is requested to examine the enclosed scrapings and also the stains on the heating vent, which is being submitted under separate cover, to determine if these stains are blood. If determined to be blood, determine if it is human blood. Conduct ABO Grouping, Rh, MN and enzyme typing systems, if determined to be human blood.

The Atlanta office will conduct logical investigation through school, birth, etc., records in an effort to locate medical records and blood types for Anthony B. Carter.

# Memorandum



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 Telephone Rm. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Director's Sec'y \_\_\_\_\_

To : Mr. Revell *W.R.G.*

Date 11/7/80  
 1 - Mr. Revell  
 1 - Mr. Monroe  
 1 - Mr. Gilbert  
 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]  
 1 - Mr. Finzel  
 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]  
 (Attn: [REDACTED]) *67c*

From : W. R. Gilbert *W.R.G.*

Subject : PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION INTO  
 THE DISAPPEARANCE OF FOUR BLACK  
 CHILDREN IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA  
 KIDNAPING (A)

*ATKID*

PURPOSE: To request that a major case file number and code name be approved for captioned investigation.

RECOMMENDATIONS: 1. That "ATKID" be approved as the code name for captioned investigation.

*W.R.G.*

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Adm. Serv. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Crim. Inv. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Director \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. That the Cost Analysis Unit (CAU), Administrative Services Division (ASD), assign captioned investigation Major Case #30.

*W.R.G.*

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DETAILS: On 11/6/80 the Attorney General authorized preliminary investigation by the FBI to determine whether four black children missing in Atlanta are being held in violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 1201 (Kidnaping). Given the publicity surrounding this case and its unique circumstances, it is anticipated it will be most useful to have the capability of ascertaining in the future the cost of the investigation. The proposed code name "ATKID" was coordinated with the Atlanta Division and has been searched through FBIHQ and Atlanta Division indices.

The CAU has advised the next major case number available is #30. *NOV 24 1980*

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*W.R.G.*

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(SEE (ASD) ADDENDUM PAGE 2.)

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ADDENDUM OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION

11/15/80

The Personal Crimes Unit Chief advised that 22 Agents have been assigned to work the ATKID case on a full-time basis. Some of these Agents are being transferred in from other field offices.

The Administrative Services Division agrees that the ATKID case should be considered a major case. The major case number assigned to the case will be number 30.

The Criminal Investigative Division should advise Atlanta that Agents working the ATKID case should record their time to major case number 30 on their #3 cards in accordance with the Manual of Administrative Operations and Procedures (MAOP) Part II, Section 3-2.3.1 page 361. Also, that the title of the case should include the major case number in all communications as shown below:

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Major Case 30

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TO DIRECTOR (PRIORITY)

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ATTENTION SECTION CHIEF, JOHN MILTON JONES, LATENT FINGERPRINT  
SECTION

ATKID; MAJOR CASE #30; OO: ATLANTA.

RE ATLANTA TELEPHONE CALL OF SA [REDACTED] TO  
SECTION CHIEF JOHN MILTON JONES, LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION,  
NOVEMBER 12, 1980, REGARDING CAPTIONED CASE.

THE LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION IS REQUESTED TO HAVE  
A LATENT EXAMINER EXPERIENCED IN LIFTING PRINTS FROM THE  
HUMAN BODY ON A TWO HOUR STANDBY TO COME TO ATLANTA IN THE  
EVENT ANOTHER MISSING CHILD IS LOCATED.

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Mr. Tele. Room	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

FM EL PASO (7A-552) (P)

TO DIRECTOR ROUTINE

ATLANTA (7A-1835) (SQ 7) ROUTINE

DALLAS ROUTINE

HOUSTON (7A-994) ROUTINE

SAN ANTONIO ROUTINE

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ATKID; MAJOR CASE NO. 30; KIDNAPPING; OO: ATLANTA.

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO THE DIRECTOR, NOVEMBER 17, 1980;

DIRECTOR TELETYPE TO SAN ANTONIO, NOVEMBER 18, 1980.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF RECIPIENTS, ON NOVEMBER 18, 1980,

[REDACTED] CLERK, IDENTIFICATION AND RECORDS DIVISION, EL PASO  
POLICE DEPARTMENT (EPPD), ADVISED A REVIEW OF HER RECORDS FAILED TO  
DISCLOSE ANY INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH [REDACTED]

ON NOVEMBER 18, 1980, [REDACTED] CLERK, IDENTIFICATION  
AND RECORDS DIVISION, EL PASO SHERIFF'S OFFICE (EPSO), PROVIDED FOR

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ON NOVEMBER 17, 1980, A REVIEW OF THE EL PASO OFFICE INDICES FAILED TO REFLECT ANY INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH [REDACTED]

ON NOVEMBER 18, 1980, A REVIEW OF THE 1980 EL PASO POLK'S CITY DIRECTORY, THE APRIL, 1980, MOUNTAIN BELL TELEPHONE DIRECTORY, FAILED TO DISCLOSE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING [REDACTED]

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INASMUCH AS REFERENCED BUREAU TELETYPE DATED NOVEMBER 18, 1980, REFLECTED THAT [REDACTED] WAS INCARCERATED [REDACTED]

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ON NOVEMBER 19, 1980, [REDACTED] CLERK, U.S. PROBATION  
OFFICE (USPO), EL PASO, TEXAS, ADVISED THAT THE PROBATION FILE  
REGARDING [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

LEADS REGARDING THE REVIEW OF [REDACTED] PRISON FILE AND PROBA-  
TION FILE ARE BEING LEFT TO THE DISCRETION OF ATLANTA. b7c

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT MIDLAND AND ODESSA, TEXAS.

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TO DIRECTOR ROUTINE

CHICAGO ROUTINE

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ATKID; MAJOR CASE NO. 30; KIDNAPING; OO: ATLANTA.

RE HQ TEL TO AT, ET AL, 11/13/80, WITH COPY TO CG.

FOR INFO CHICAGO, RE TEL SETS FORTH BACKGROUND THIS MATTER.

ON 11/25/80, MORRIS REDDING, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, ATLANTA PD,  
ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] W/M, DOB [REDACTED] 6'1", 175 LBS.,

HAS COME TO THE ATTENTION OF SAPD AS A POSSIBLE SUSPECT IN THIS  
MATTER. [REDACTED] CURRENTLY RESIDES AT [REDACTED]

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FBIHQ REQUESTED TO SEARCH NAME OF [REDACTED] DESCRIBED  
ABOVE, THROUGH FILES OF IDENTIFICATION DIVISION FOR ANY RECORD  
OF [REDACTED] AND ADVISE ATLANTA OF RESULTS. b7c

CHICAGO REQUESTED TO CONDUCT INDICES, IDENT AND BACKGROUND  
INFORMATION RE [REDACTED] ALSO DETERMINE IF ABOVE DRIVERS LICENSE  
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ATTENTION: SPECIAL AGENTS TRANSFERS AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT  
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RE BUREAU TELETYPE, NOVEMBER 26, 1980, AND NEW ORLEANS  
TELCALL TO ATLANTA, NOVEMBER 28, 1980.

SA [REDACTED] NEW ORLEANS DIVISION, HAS BEEN  
ASSIGNED TO THE ABOVE MATTER PER RE BUREAU TELETYPE. SA  
[REDACTED] WILL TRAVEL BY BUCAR FROM NEW ORLEANS TO ATLANTA  
TO ARRIVE IN THE ATLANTA AREA AT APPROXIMATELY 6:00 P.M.,  
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REBUREAU TELETYPE DATED NOVEMBER 26, 1980.

PER REQUESTED TELETYPE, SPECIAL AGENT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WILL REPORT TO ATLANTA DIVISION WITH BUCAR AT

8:00 A.M., MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1980.

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REBUTEL DATED 11/13/80. *11*

FOR INFORMATION OF CHICAGO, DETROIT, NEW ORLEANS AND WFO,  
SINCE JULY 20, 1979, FIFTEEN BLACK CHILDREN, AGED SEVEN YEARS  
THROUGH FIFTEEN, HAVE BEEN REPORTED MISSING IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA.  
ELEVEN OF THESE CHILDREN HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED MURDERED. *(W-d)*

ON NOVEMBER 6, 1980, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AUTHORIZED A  
PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION BY THE FBI TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE  
FOUR MISSING BLACK CHILDREN ARE BEING HELD IN VIOLATION OF

- 1 - DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
- 1 - MR. COLWELL
- 1 - MR. MULLEN
- 1 - MR. REVELL (ATTN: MR. [REDACTED])
- 1 - MR. [REDACTED]
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TITLE 18, U. S. CODE, SECTION 1201 {KIDNAPING}.

PRESENTLY, SIX FBI FIELD OFFICES HAVE FURNISHED EIGHT SPECIAL AGENTS TO ASSIST IN THIS INVESTIGATION, WITH BUREAU VEHICLES; IN ADDITION TO ASSIGNED PERSONNEL FROM FBI HEADQUARTERS WORKING ON THIS SPECIAL.

THE SAC, ATLANTA, ON 11/25/80 REQUESTED FOUR ADDITIONAL SPECIAL AGENTS FOR THIS INVESTIGATION DUE TO EXIGENT DEMANDS PLACED UPON HIS OFFICE.

ACCORDINGLY, THE FOLLOWING OFFICES ARE DIRECTED TO FURNISH ONE SPECIAL AGENT EACH, TO ASSIST IN THIS SPECIAL. THEY WILL REPORT FOR DUTY 8:00 A.M., MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1980 AT ATLANTA.

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NEW ORLEANS AND WFO WILL FURNISH BUREAU CAR.

THE SPECIAL AGENTS CHOSEN FROM YOUR OFFICE FOR THIS ASSIGNMENT SHOULD BE A SELF-MOTIVATED, MATURE INVESTIGATOR, AND IF POSSIBLE, EXPERIENCED IN HOMICIDE AND/OR SEX-RELATED OFFENSES AND FAMILIAR WITH THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA. THE

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AGENT MUST NOT BE THE SUBJECT OF RECENT SEVERE ADMINISTRATIVE  
ACTION NOR BE ON PROBATION.

THE ADDITIONAL AGENTS ALLOCATED TO THIS SPECIAL WILL  
REMAIN UNTIL 12/17/80. PRIOR TO THAT TIME, CONTINUED USE OF  
THIS ADDITIONAL MANPOWER WILL BE EVALUATED TO DETERMINE IF  
THEIR CONTINUED PRESENCE IS NECESSARY.

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ATTENTION SUPERVISOR [REDACTED] PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT.

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THE FOLLOWING IS A SYNOPSIS OF THE INVESTIGATION DONE TO DATE  
IN EACH OF THE MISSING/MURDERED CHILDREN CASES. (1) EDWARD  
HOPE SMITH, CORONER INTERVIEWED, AND MEDICAL RECORDS REVIEWED.  
INTERVIEW WITH PATROLMEN WHOSE BEAT COVERS WHERE VICTIM  
FOUND, INDICATES SMITH MAY HAVE BEEN SHOT BY VICTIM #2, ALFRED  
EVANS AS A RESULT OF A DISPUTE AT A DRUG PARTY. (2) ALFRED  
JAMES EVANS, CORONER INTERVIEWED AND MEDICAL RECORDS REVIEWED,  
INTERVIEW WITH PATROLMEN WHOSE BEAT COVERS WHERE VICTIM FOUND,  
INDICATE EVANS MAY HAVE BEEN KILLED BY FRIENDS OF VICTIM SMITH  
AFTER EVANS SHOT SMITH. PATROLMEN PROVIDED NAME OF INDIVIDUAL  
FURNISHING THIS INFORMATION. (3) MILTON HARVEY, NEIGHBORHOOD

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COMPLETED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. BACKGROUND REGARDING VICTIM AND FAMILY BEING DEVELOPED. NO SUSPECTS DEVELOPED TO DATE.

(4) YUSEF BELL, NEIGHBORHOOD CONDUCTED BACKGROUND REGARDING

[REDACTED] (SEE CHRISTOPHER RICHARDSON WRITE-UP BELOW)

CONDUCTED. (5) ANGELA LANIER, CRIME SCENE AND SURROUNDING AREA SEARCHED. NEIGHBORHOOD CONDUCTED. REVIEW OF PD FILES SUGGESTS POSSIBLE SUSPECT NAMED [REDACTED] WHO LIVES IN NEIGHBORHOOD

WHERE LANIER'S BODY FOUND, AND WAS ARRESTED SEVERAL DAYS AFTER LANIER'S BODY FOUND, WEARING BELT FASHIONED OF SAME TYPE OF ELECTRICAL CORD USE TO BIND LANIER'S HANDS. BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION REGARDING [REDACTED] BEGUN. (6) JEFFREY LAMAR

MATHIS, NEIGHBORHOOD CONDUCTED AND INDIVIDUAL CONTACTED WHO IS WILLING TO ASSIST BUREAU IN THIS MATTER. NO SUSPECTS DEVELOPED.

(7) ERIC MIDDLEBROOK, CORONER INTERVIEWED AND MEDICAL RECORDS REVIEWED. ACQUAINTANCE OF VICTIM INTERVIEWED: VICTIM MAY HAVE BEEN MURDERED AS A RESULT OF HIS TESTIMONY IN A ROBBERY.

BACKGROUND REGARDING SUBJECTS IN THIS ROBBERY CASE BEING DEVELOPED. (8) LATONYA WILSON, CORONER INTERVIEWED MEDICAL

RECORDS REVIEWED. NO SUSPECTS DEVELOPED. (9) CHRISTOPHER RICHARDSON, THE DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA, POLICE DEPARTMENT

HAS ADVISED THAT ON NOVEMBER (10) 1980, AN INDIVIDUAL SUBSEQUENTLY,

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IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED] CAME UP TO A DEKALB COUNTY POLICEMAN AND BLURTED OUT THAT HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATHS OF THE CHILDREN IN ATLANTA. [REDACTED] SUBSEQUENTLY ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH ASSULTING AN OFFICER, APPARENTLY WAS IN THE MIDST OF A PSYCHOTIC EPISODE. HE IS CURRENTLY COMMITTED AT THE PSYCHIATRIC WARD OF GRADY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, ATLANTA, UNDER MEDICATION. HE WILL BE INTERVIEWED BY DR. LLOYD BARCHUS, NOTED CRIMINAL PSYCHIATRIST, TO DETERMINE IF HE IS CAPABLE OF COMMITTING CRIMES WHICH HE ALLEGES HE HAS COMMITTED, WHEN HE COMES BACK TO REALITY. IN THE MEANTIME, ATLANTA DEVELOPING COMPLETE BACKGROUND REGARDING [REDACTED] AND TREATING HIM AS SUSPECT IN THIS, JACKSON, STEPHENS, JONES AND GLASS CASES, AS WELL. (10) ANTHONY CARTER, CRIME SCENE SEARCH REDONE, NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED. TWO MINOR CHILDREN DEVELOPED AS POSSIBLE EYEWITNESSES. VICTIMS' MOTHER DEVELOPED AS STRONG SUSPECT. (11) EARL L. FERRELL, CONTACT MADE WITH GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AGENT (GBI) HANDLING THIS CASE. HE HAS DEVELOPED SEVERAL SUSPECTS INCLUDING VICTIMS' MOTHER. (12) CLIFFORD E. JONES, SEE CHRISTOPHER RICHARDSON SUPRA. [REDACTED] CONSIDERED SUSPECT IN THIS CASE. (13) DARRON GLASS

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SEE CHRISTOPHER RICHARDSON SUPRA. ~~REDACTED~~ CONSIDERED  
SUSPECT IN THIS CASE. 14. CHARLES STEPHENS, CRIME SCENE  
SEARCHED ~~NEIGHBORHOOD~~ CONDUCTED, FRIENDS AND  
ASSOCIATES OF VICTIM INTERVIEWED. NO SUSPECTS DEVELOPED.  
15. AARON JACKSON, JR., CRIME SCENE SEARCHED NEIGHBORHOOD  
CONDUCTED, FRIENDS AND ASSOCIATES OF VICTIM INTERVIEWED.  
NO SUSPECTS DEVELOPED.

ATLANTA WILL HOLD IN ABEYANCE ITS REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL  
INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL AT THIS TIME. CURRENTLY 21  
AGENTS WORKING THIS CASE FULL TIME IS SUFFICIENT.  
HOWEVER, FUTURE COURSE OF INDIVIDUAL CASES MAY REQUIRE SUB-  
STANTIAL INVESTIGATIVE RESOURCES. ATLANTA WILL CLOSELY  
MONITOR THIS AND WILL ADVISE BUREAU SHOULD MORE PERSONNEL  
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President Jimmy Carter  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

Let me first express my sympathy for your loss in the Presidential election. What I am writing about deeply concerns the citizens of metropolitan Atlanta, and should concern the citizens of this nation. I am speaking of the recent string of murders of the children of Atlanta. I strongly urge your assistance in enlisting the full support of the Justice Department, Federal Bureau of Investigation in this matter. We must solve and stop these criminal acts.

Thank you for your help, and welcome back to Georgia.

Sincerely,

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REFERENCE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, NOVEMBER 3, 1980,  
AND ATLANTA TELEPHONE CALL TO THE BUREAU, NOVEMBER 4, 1980, BOTH  
CONCERNING THIS MATTER.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, ON NOVEMBER 4, 1980,  
A MEETING WAS HELD IN THE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES  
ATTORNEY (USA), NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA (NDGA). IN  
ATTENDANCE WERE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSIONER, ATLANTA, LEE P.  
BROWN; DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE, ATLANTA POLICE DEPARTMENT (APD),  
MORRIS REDDING; ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY, ATLANTA, ROY MAYS;  
USA, NDGA, WILLIAM HARPER; AUSA, NDGA, BOB CASTELLANI;  
ATLANTA FBI SUPERVISOR [REDACTED] AND SAC, ATLANTA.  
THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING WAS TO DISCUSS MISSING AND MURDERED

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CHILDREN MATTER, FBI JURISDICTION PERTAINING THERETO, AND  
TO DETERMINE WHAT FURTHER ASSISTANCE, IF ANY, COULD BE  
PROVIDED THE APD BY THE FBI.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT FBI HAS ASSISTED APD IN  
THIS TRAGIC MATTER WHERE POSSIBLE, SHORT OF ASSUMING  
INVESTIGATIVE JURISDICTION. ALL REQUESTS MADE BY APD HAVE  
BEEN HONORED TO SOME DEGREE. FURTHER, ATLANTA FBI HAS  
VOLUNTEERED FBI RESOURCES IN THE TECHNICAL AND SUPPORT AREA  
NOT PRESENTLY BEING UTILIZED IN THESE CASES.

AT THE OUTSET OF THE MEETING, COMMISSIONER BROWN  
MADE AN EMOTIONAL APPEAL TO THE FBI FOR ASSISTANCE, RELATING  
THAT THE MATTER OF FIFTEEN MURDERED AND MISSING BLACK CHILDREN  
IN ATLANTA BEING UNSOLVED DWARFS INSIGNIFICANT MOST INVESTIGATIVE  
PROBLEMS FACING OTHER CITIES, INCLUDING CASES BEING WORKED BY  
THE FBI. HE REQUESTED FBI PROVIDE VIA TO AID IN THE CHARTING  
OF LEADS, AS WELL AS AN FBI EMPLOYEE TO COORDINATE THE VIA.  
HE INDICATED THAT DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE REDDING, AT FBI REQUEST,  
HAD CONTACTED ONE BURGOINE (PH), CALIFORNIA CONSULTANT WHO  
DEVELOPED THE VIA SYSTEM, TO SEE IF HE COULD BE OF ASSISTANCE.  
BURGOINE (PH) DID VOLUNTEER HIS SERVICES, BUT ADVISED HE WOULD

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ONLY SET UP THE SYSTEM AND TRAIN PERSONNEL OF THE APD IN ITS OPERATION. HE WOULD THEN DEPART. REDDING STATED HE KNOWS FBI HAS PERSONNEL TRAINED IN VIA SYSTEM AND DESIRED BUREAU ASSISTANCE. HE FEELS FBI PERSONNEL TO BE EQUALLY QUALIFIED TO BURGOINE (PH) AND MAY BE ABLE TO STAY LONGER IN ATLANTA, THUS PROVIDING GREATER ASSISTANCE TO THE TASK FORCE.

COMMISSIONER BROWN'S SECOND REQUEST WAS THAT SA [REDACTED] FBI ACADEMY, BE ASSIGNED TO THE TASK FORCE ON A FULLTIME BASIS. HE STATED [REDACTED] HAD COME TO ATLANTA PREVIOUSLY REGARDING THIS MATTER AND IN ADDITION TO DEVELOPING PROFILES ON POTENTIAL SUSPECTS, PROVIDED INVALUABLE LEAD MATERIAL STILL BEING INVESTIGATED AS WELL. DEPUTY COP REDDING ADVISED THAT HE HAS HAD PERSONAL EXPERIENCE OF WORKING WITH [REDACTED] AND CONSIDERS HIM AMONG THE BEST IN THE COUNTRY AT WHAT HE DOES. HE STATED [REDACTED] EXPERTISE AND PERSONALITY IS SUCH THAT HE IS GREATLY RESPECTED BY APD OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THE TASK FORCE; CONSEQUENTLY, [REDACTED] WOULD BE A WELCOMED ADDITION TO THE TASK FORCE AND REDDING CAN FORESEE NO FBI-APD CONFLICT DEVELOPING IN THIS REGARD. HOWEVER, REDDING INDICATED HE DOES NOT KNOW OTHER PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO THE BEHAVIORAL

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SCIENCE UNIT AT FBI, QUANTICO, AND IS IN NO POSITION TO ASSESS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THEIR WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH APD OFFICERS.

THE NATURE OF [REDACTED] DUTIES AT THE FBI ACADEMY WAS ALSO EXPLAINED TO REDDING, AT WHICH TIME REDDING MADE ANOTHER OF MANY EMOTIONAL APPEALS, STATING THAT THIS INVESTIGATION HAS TO RANK AS ONE OF THE MAJOR INVESTIGATIVE PROBLEMS FACING LAW ENFORCEMENT IN THIS COUNTRY AND HE WOULD HOPE THE FBI COULD MAKE [REDACTED] AVAILABLE. b7c

SAC, ATLANTA, ADVISED THESE REQUESTS WOULD BE TRANSMITTED TO FBIHQ AND WHEREVER POSSIBLE, FBI WILL PROVIDE ASSISTANCE CONSISTENT WITH OTHER INVESTIGATIVE PRIORITIES.

DURING THE MEETING COMMISSIONER BROWN ACKNOWLEDGED THAT EXPERIENCED APD HOMICIDE INVESTIGATORS ARE SUFFICIENTLY COMPETENT TO CONDUCT THIS COMPLICATED MISSING AND MURDERED CHILDRENS MATTER WITHOUT FBI INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANCE. AS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED, HIS REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IS LIMITED TO ASSIGNMENT OF TWO MORE EMPLOYEES TO THE TASK FORCE TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL AND SUPPORT AID. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT A SPECIAL AGENT IS PRESENTLY ASSIGNED TO THE TASK FORCE ON A FULLTIME BASIS. HIS WORKLOAD IS CONTINUALLY REVIEWED AND THERE

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IS NO NEED FOR ASSIGNMENT OF ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL AT THIS TIME. ALSO, SA [REDACTED] IS ALREADY IN ATLANTA PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO THE TASK FORCE. b7c

ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY MAYS CONTRIDICTED COMMISSIONER BROWN'S STATEMENT CONCERNING THE NEED FOR FBI INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL. HE PROPOSED AN INVESTIGATIVE THEORY FOR CONSIDERATION BY USA HARPER. HE ADVISED THAT SEVERAL OF THE MISSING AND MURDERED CHILDREN ARE ON WELFARE AND RECEIVED FOOD STAMPS AND THE KILLING OF THEM DEPRIVED THEM OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS GOVERNMENT FUNDED FOOD STAMP PROGRAM WHICH COULD BE INTERPRETED AS A VIOLATION OF THE FEDERAL CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS. USA HARPER THOUGHT IT A NOVEL IDEA, HOWEVER, HE FELT IT WAS "STRETCHING THE LAW." HARPER DID ADVISE MAYS THAT HIS OFFICE, ALONG WITH THE CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, WOULD RESEARCH THE THEORY AND PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATE RESPONSE. ALSO CONTRADICTING COMMISSIONER BROWN'S LIMITED REQUEST FOR FBI ASSISTANCE WAS DEPUTY COP REDDING, WHO STATED THAT HIS DEPARTMENT WAS DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO GET THE FBI INVOLVED IN THE CASE ON AN INVESTIGATIVE BASIS. SAC, ATLANTA, ADVISED THAT HIS KNOWLEDGE OF THE FACTUAL SITUATION

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CONCERNING THESE CASES FAILED TO INDICATE FBI JURISDICTION AND FURTHER, THAT IN HIS OPINION, THE FBI COULD NOT NECESSARILY ADD ANYTHING MORE TO THE BASIC INVESTIGATION THAT WAS NOT PRESENTLY BEING DONE BY APD.

DUE TO THE EMOTIONAL NATURE OF THIS CASE AND ITS IMPACT UPON THE COMMUNITY, IT WAS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER ON A LOGICAL BASIS. HOWEVER, BOTH COMMISSIONER BORN, AND DEPUTY REDDING ADVISED THEY WERE APPRECIATIVE OF THE ASSISTANCE ALREADY PROVIDED BY THE FBI, BUT NEEDED FURTHER HELP. THE MEETING ENDED ON AN AMICABLE NOTE.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

CONSIDERING THE IMPACT AND IMPORTANCE OF THIS CASE, BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO CONSIDER MAKING SA [REDACTED] b7c AVAILABLE TO THE APD TASK FORCE ON EITHER A FULLTIME BASIS FOR A SHOL PERIOD OF TIME, DEPENDING UPON HIS AND SAC, ATLANTA'S ASSESSMENT OF HIS CONTINUING VALUE, OR MAKING HIM AVAILABLE FROM TIME TO TIME AS A NEED ARISES.

BUREAU IS ALSO REQUESTED TO MAKE [REDACTED] OR b7c OTHER PERSONNEL FAMILIAR WITH VIA AVAILABLE TO APD TASK FORCE FOR ASSESSMENT OF VALUE OF THAT SYSTEM IN THESE CASES.

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ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR REVELL, ROOM 5012, JEH BLDG.

ATKID; MAJOR CASE NO. 30; KIDNAPPING (A); OO:AT

RE BUTEL TO ATLANTA, NOVEMBER 7, 1980.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS TELETYPE IS TO REQUEST THE TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 17, 1980, OF 14 SPECIAL AGENTS AND AN INVESTIGATIVE SUPPORT INFORMATION SYSTEM (ISIS) TEAM TO ATLANTA TO WORK CAPTIONED SPECIAL, TO REQUEST DELAY IN REPORTING DATE TO OTHER DIVISIONS FOR SIX SPECIAL AGENTS UNDER TRANSFER OUT OF ATLANTA AND TO REQUEST THAT ATLANTA IMMEDIATELY BE BROUGHT UP TO TARGET STAFFING LEVEL (TSL). 7-18251-

ON NOVEMBER 7, 1980, ATLANTA SAC MET WITH ATLANTA POLICE OFFICIALS AND REVIEWED CAPTIONED MATTER IN DETAIL. AFTER CAREFUL AND THOROUGH ANALYSIS, IT WAS DETERMINED THAT 33 SPECIAL AGENTS AND ONE SA SUPERVISOR FROM ATLANTA WILL BE REQUIRED TO ADEQUATELY ADDRESS THIS CASE. TO DATE, THERE HAVE BEEN 11

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CHILDREN MURDERED AND FOUR ARE STILL MISSING. THEREAFTER, 15 TWO MEN INVESTIGATIVE TEAMS (ONE TEAM TO BE ASSIGNED TO EACH SEPARATE CASE), ONE ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR, ONE INVESTIGATIVE COORDINATOR, AND ONE CASE AGENT ARE REQUIRED FOR THIS EFFORT.

THE SERVICES OF THE NEEDED 33 SAS SHOULD BE OBTAINED AS FOLLOWS:

ONE SA CASE AGENT FROM ATLANTA; ONE SA ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR FROM ATLANTA; ONE SA INVESTIGATIVE COORDINATOR FROM ATLANTA; EIGHT SA INVESTIGATORS FROM ATLANTA; ONE SA [REDACTED] FROM PITTSBURGH DIVISION; ONE SA [REDACTED] FROM NEWARK DIVISION; SIX - THE FOLLOWING SAS ARE UNDER TRANSFER OUT OF ATLANTA, AND THEIR ARRIVAL IN OTHER DIVISIONS SHOULD BE DELAYED UNTIL JANUARY 12, 1981: [REDACTED] TRANSFERRED FROM ATLANTA TO NEW YORK ON JULY 21, 1980; [REDACTED] TRANSFERRED FROM ATLANTA TO NEW YORK ON OCTOBER 8, 1980; [REDACTED] TRANSFERRED FROM ATLANTA TO NEW YORK ON OCTOBER 9, 1980; [REDACTED] TRANSFERRED FROM ATLANTA TO NEW YORK ON OCTOBER 20, 1980; [REDACTED] TRANSFERRED FROM ATLANTA TO CHICAGO ON OCTOBER 21, 1980; [REDACTED] TRANSFERRED FROM ATLANTA TO LOS ANGELES ON OCTOBER 30, 1980: 14 SAS FROM CONTIGUOUS

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OFFICES TO BE ASSIGNED TO ATLANTA WITH THEIR BUREAU CARS FOR AN INITIAL PERIOD OF 60 DAYS TO BE RE-EVALUATED AT THE END OF THAT TIME: 33 - TOTAL.

THIS COMMITMENT OF SA PERSONNEL FROM ATLANTA WILL SEVERELY HAMPER THE INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS OF THIS DIVISION, PARTICULARLY IN THE WHITE COLLAR CRIME AREA. ATLANTA'S TARGET STAFFING LEVEL IS CURRENTLY 119, AND THERE ARE CURRENTLY 109 SAS ASSIGNED TO ATLANTA, FIVE OF WHOM ARE UNDER TRANSFER IN AND HAVE NOT YET ARRIVED. THEREFORE, IT IS NECESSARY THAT ATLANTA IMMEDIATELY BE BROUGHT UP TO TSL, REALIZING THAT IT WILL BE AFTER THE FIRST OF THE YEAR BEFORE ANY AGENTS TRANSFERRED IN THE NEAR FUTURE ACTUALLY ARRIVE.

IT IS FURTHER REQUESTED THAT OF THE 14 AGENTS TO BE ASSIGNED TO ATLANTA, FIRST PREFERENCE WOULD BE FOR MINORITIES, AND/OR AGENTS PREVIOUSLY ASSIGNED TO ATLANTA, OR FROM THE ATLANTA AREA.

THE SERVICES OF AN ISIS TEAM WILL ALSO BE REQUIRED TO EFFECTIVELY MANAGE THIS INVESTIGATION. CONTACT WITH SUPERVISORS [REDACTED] DIVISION EIGHT, AND [REDACTED] DIVISION THREE, ON NOVEMBER 7, 1980, INDICATED THIS WOULD ENTAIL THE TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT OF SIX SUPPORT EMPLOYEES FROM THE FIELD *b7c*

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TRAINED IN THE ISIS SYSTEM IN ADDITION TO THE ISIS HEADQUARTERS TEAM.

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL ON A TEMPORARY BASIS WILL BE FORTH COMING AFTER FURTHER EVALUATION.

REQUESTS OF THE BUREAU: 1) ASSIGN FOURTEEN ADDITIONAL SAS TO ATLANTA ON A TEMPORARY BASIS EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 17, 1980, FOR SIXTY DAYS TO BE RE-EVALUATED AT THE END OF THAT PERIOD. 2) DELAY THE REPORTING DATES UNTIL JANUARY 12, 1981, OF THE SIX SAS IDENTIFIED HEREIN WHO ARE UNDER TRANSFER OUT OF ATLANTA. 3) IMMEDIATELY BRING ATLANTA DIVISION UP TO TSL OF 119. 4) ASSIGN AN ISIS TEAM TO ATLANTA EFFECTIVE, NOVEMBER 17, 1980.

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ADDENDUM: CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION (CID) [REDACTED] 11/13/80

It is CID's view that it is premature at this time to commit the amount of Agent manpower from other field offices as requested by SAC, Atlanta. It is noted that although it will undoubtedly be necessary to conduct investigations into those cases where the victims have been found, the initial scope of this FBI commitment is a "preliminary investigation" to determine whether a Federal kidnaping violation exists with regard to the four missing children. Therefore, at the outset it should not be necessary to assign the number of Agents to the murder investigations as envisioned in SAC, Atlanta's plan of attack.

Given the foregoing, CID makes the following recommendations:

1. That a total of eight Special Agents be temporarily assigned to the Atlanta Division to aid in the investigation of the four missing children. SAs [REDACTED] Newark Division, and [REDACTED] Pittsburgh Division, former homicide detectives have previously been dispatched to Atlanta. Therefore, an additional six Agents from selected offices will be necessary. CID agrees with SAC's request that these Agents should be experienced in homicide investigations and, if at all possible, familiar with the City of Atlanta, Georgia. b7c

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2. That the transfers of six First Office Special Agents, [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and [REDACTED], be delayed one month. These individuals have made no financial commitment to their transfers according to Atlanta. b7c

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3. That no consideration be given at this time to furnishing an Investigative Support Information System (ISIS) Team.

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4. That two Special Agents each from the Charlotte and Memphis Divisions and one Special Agent each from the Mobile and Columbia Divisions be temporarily assigned to the Atlanta Division. One Bureau vehicle from each Division will be required.

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5. That Atlanta reassess its manpower needs for the investigation two weeks after the arrival of the additional six Agents. At that time it should reassess its request for ISIS.

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# Mayor says FBI refuses to give help

By FRED HIATT

Mayor Maynard Jackson bitterly criticized the FBI today for refusing to lend its agents to help solve the city's string of child murders.

Although the local FBI office has been cooperative with Atlanta police, Jackson said, top Washington officials have consistently refused to provide help that Atlanta needs, the mayor said.

"The FBI is slighting Georgia and is not doing for Atlanta what it can do and what it ought to do," Jackson said. "I now call, as I have four times on the telephone and in person, for the FBI to find who is killing our children and to stop slighting the city of Atlanta."

Spokesmen for the FBI could not be reached for comment, although they have said in the past that they do not have jurisdiction to enter the Atlanta cases because no interstate crimes are involved.

During the past year and a half, 11 black children have been slain and another four are missing. No motives have been established for the slayings, but a police task force is assuming that at least some of the murders may be related.

Sen-elect Mack Mattingly, meeting with the press and his supporters today to discuss his victory over Herman Talmadge, alluded to the child murders in Atlanta even before talking about the election. He said some way must be found to solve the murders and he pledged to do "all in my power" to help the families of the victims and solve the case.

Public Safety Commissioner Lee P. Brown Monday added an additional 10 investigators to the task force, one day after the body of the 11th victim was found, and Jackson said "we're going to turn Atlanta upside down" trying to find the murderers or murderers and make Atlanta safe for its children.

But he also said the city needs more help, in the form of manpower, from the FBI. He said local special agent in charge John Glover has helped as much as he can, providing two agents at home, but is hindered by his Washington office.

Jackson said the FBI found a "bizarreness" — that two victims had visited public places

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shortly before their murders — to allow them to intervene in the investigation of six slayings of black men in Buffalo, and he demanded to know why the same effort was not being applied here.

"I demand to know the answer," Jackson said. "I have sent my message clearly, in one case using language that was most pointed and uncharacteristic for Maynard Jackson."

Jackson said he has spoken with Glover, with FBI director William Webster and with officials in the Justice Department; he would not name. He said the only response had been "stroking" from one of Webster's deputies.

"He responded by stroking me and saying the FBI was watching the situation," Jackson said. "We don't need the FBI watching the situation alone."

"We want more people," he said. "We want them to send every living agent they can afford to spare to help solve these cases."

Atlanta clergymen called for a minute of silence today for the 15 black children slain or vanished over a 16-month period.

The Interfaith Association of Greater Atlanta, comprised of about 25 religious leaders from the Christian, Jewish and Muslim faiths, set up a noon prayer rally in Central City Park, asked for a minute of silence over the entire city at noon, and urged churches to ring their bells at that time.

"We are calling on the whole city of Atlanta to express its concern for those who suffered directly from these tragedies," said the Rev. Joseph Lowery, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

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The Department of Justice announced today the initiation of a preliminary investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation to determine whether four black children missing in Atlanta are being held in violation of the federal kidnapping law.

Attorney General Benjamin R. Civiletti said he is authorizing the step after a review with his advisors of the disappearance of 15 black children, 11 of whom were subsequently found dead during the past 15 months.

Mr. Civiletti stressed that his decision to involve FBI agents directly in the investigation was designed not to supplant or duplicate but rather to supplement and reinforce the local investigation. He said the federal investigation was being launched at the request of Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson and Public Safety Commissioner Lee Brown.

Since August, the FBI has been providing Atlanta investigators with a variety of technical and expert assistance to ensure that the federal government was fully supportive of their efforts to solve the crimes.

More specifically, the FBI's Behavioral Sciences Unit, forensic laboratory and fingerprint data bank have been at the disposal on an expedited basis to the City of Atlanta. The FBI has arranged for the Atlanta Police Department Task Force to use the services of an expert in visual investigative analysis, a technique that uses visual display media to chart investigators' progress in handling leads and other aspects of a complex case.

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The FBI also has assigned an experienced agent to assist in the investigation in a liaison capacity.

"It is my sincere hope," Mr. Civiletti said, "that the initiation of an official federal inquiry will hasten the day when the person or persons responsible for these shocking actions are identified, arrested and prosecuted."

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Judge

Senator Nunn called at 12:00 noon and spoke to me because you were unavailable.

He just wanted to pass along to you his thoughts on the Atlanta murders. He advised that he knows you are beginning to work on the kidnap theory. He thought that if you could find a way to put a maximum number of Agents there, even if no formal jurisdiction is established, this would be a help to the Atlanta PD. He said it was a matter of having the extra resources rather than taking over the complete investigation of the murders.

Senator Nunn indicated he was leaving his office at this time, but if you had any questions or wanted to talk to him, he would be at his home this evening.

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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

November 6, 1980

## MEMORANDUM TO FILE

RE: ATLANTA DEATHS AND MISSING PERSONS

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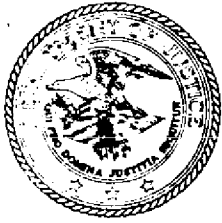
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# Office of the Attorney General

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM H. WEBSTER,  
DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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During the past fifteen months, fifteen black children have disappeared in Atlanta, Georgia. Eleven of those children have been found dead, one most recently over the last weekend. While I am aware of the support already being provided Atlanta officials by the Bureau in their attempt to solve these deaths and disappearances, I have concluded that a higher level of federal involvement is now appropriate.

More specifically, I am now authorizing and requesting that the Bureau initiate immediately a preliminary investigation, predicated on 18 U.S.C. 1201, to determine whether the four missing black children are being held in violation of the federal kidnapping law. In connection with that investigation, it is my expectation that the Bureau will, of necessity, be required to examine the circumstances surrounding the disappearances of the eleven children whose bodies have been recovered. You are authorized to devote whatever resources you deem appropriate, in addition to those presently assigned to this matter, to ensure that the investigation is conducted in an expeditious yet thorough fashion. FBI efforts in this regard should be designed, however, not to supplant or duplicate but rather to supplement and reinforce the local investigation.

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*Benjamin R. Civiletti*  
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Dear [REDACTED]

Your November 5th letter to President Carter regarding the tragic incidents in Atlanta has been referred to FBI Headquarters for a response.

On November 6th, the Attorney General instructed the FBI to initiate a preliminary investigation to determine whether four black children missing in Atlanta are being held in violation of the Federal Kidnaping Statute.

You may also be interested in knowing that since August, the FBI has been providing Atlanta investigators a variety of technical and expert assistance such as the use of our Fingerprint and Laboratory resources. We are working with the authorities in Atlanta in any way that we can and we hope that these tragic matters may be solved. (wdu)

Sincerely yours,

Oliver B. Revell  
Assistant Director  
Criminal Investigative Division

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To : Mr. Revell *R/C*

Date 11/14/80

From : W. R. Gilbert

- 1 - Mr. Revell
- 1 - Mr. Gilbert
- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - Administrative Service Division

Subject : ATKID  
 KIDNAPPING  
 [REDACTED]  
 RICO

REFERS TO ANOTHER INVESTIGATION

**PURPOSE:** To advise that SAC Atlanta, in a telephone call to CID Unit Chief [REDACTED] 11/12/80, has requested Visual Investigative Analysis (VIA) assistance in Atkid investigation and that Tampa, in a 10/15/80 airtel to the Financial Crimes Unit, CID, has also requested VIA assistance [REDACTED]

REFERS TO ANOTHER INVESTIGATION

**RECOMMENDATION:** That Program Analyst [REDACTED] CID, travel to Tampa beginning 11/17/80 for approximately one week to consult with Tampa personnel familiar with [REDACTED] and to begin a preliminary analysis of the investigation. Also, that [REDACTED] after completion of his work in Tampa, travel to Atlanta to begin networking the Atkid investigation.

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## DETAILS:

[REDACTED]

The Atkid investigation stems from the disappearance of 15 black children in the Atlanta area, of which 11 have been found dead and four are still missing. [REDACTED] Program Analysis Officer, CID, has made an on-site preliminary analysis and determined that VIA application would be valuable to this case.

W. R. Gilbert to Mr. Revell Memorandum

RE: ATKID KIDNAPPING,

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[REDACTED] RICO

*b7c* Supervisors [REDACTED] White Collar Crimes Section,  
and [REDACTED], Personal and Property Crimes Section, both Criminal  
Investigation Division, concur regarding their respective matters.



**AIRTEL**

To: Director, FBI

(Att: Photographic Operations Unit, Rm. 1B903)

Date: 11-17-80

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Subject: **ATKID**  
**MAJOR CASE #30**  
**OO: AT**

## 1. ENCLOSED PHOTOGRAPHIC WORK RELATES TO:

☒ Current Investigation    ☐ Mug Shot Program    ☐ Other

## 2. ENCLOSURE(S)

1 Roll 3m CP400

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Size	Color	B&W	Quantity
4 X 5			
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Slides			

## Movie Film or Microfilm

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16mm			
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8(super)			
70 mm AHU			

## Negatives To Be Printed

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## Other

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## 3. WORK REQUESTED

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(From 135, 126, and 110)

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 (From 120 and 4 X 5)  
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## 4. REMARKS

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**AIRTEL**

Date: 11

From: Director, FBI  
 Att: Photographic Operations Unit, Rm. 1B903  
 To: SAC, ATLANTA (7A-1835) (PMY)

Subject: ATRID  
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1 - Mr. [REDACTED] b7c  
11/28/80

Director, FBI

SACs, Atlanta  
Chicago

ATKID;  
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ReATAirtel dated 11/25/80.

Enclosed for Atlanta is one copy each of three Minneapolis reports made by SA [REDACTED] dated 5/24/65, 7/19/65, and 9/29/65, captioned "[REDACTED]", aka; [REDACTED] aka - Victim, WSTA, (OO: Minneapolis)," MP file 31-4997; Bufile 31-90793. b7c

Bufile 95-123272, captioned "[REDACTED]", aka, et al, ITSP (MCC); ITSMV, (OO: Chicago)." Chicago file 87-25221 reflects that [REDACTED], FBI [REDACTED], was suspect in the case, however, early in the investigation he was deleted from the title. He was an associate of [REDACTED] and he was further described as, Male, Negro, Date of Birth: [REDACTED], Place of Birth: [REDACTED], Height: 6'0", Weight: 175 lbs, Address (in 1965) [REDACTED]. b7c

This information submitted by FBIHQ, since the field office files may have been destroyed.

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TO DIRECTOR (7A-18146) (IMMEDIATE)

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ATTENTION DEPUTY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MONROE; HAND CARRY TO  
SUPERVISOR [REDACTED] ROOM 5096. *b7c*

ATK ID; MAJOR CASE NUMBER 30; KIDNAPING; OO: ATLANTA

REFERENCE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, NOVEMBER 7,  
1980; BUREAU TELETYPE TO ATLANTA, NOVEMBER 13, 1980; AND  
ATLANTA TELEPHONE CALL FROM SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (SAC)  
ATLANTA TO DEPUTY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MONROE, NOVEMBER 25,  
1980.

THIS TELETYPE WILL SERVE TO UPDATE THE BUREAU REGARDING  
MANPOWER UTILIZATION WITHIN THE ATLANTA DIVISION REGARDING  
CAPTIONED BUREAU SPECIAL.

OF THE FIFTEEN REPORTED HOMICIDES OR MISSING PERSON  
MATTERS BEING INVESTIGATED UNDER CAPTIONED CASE, EACH MATTER  
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HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO VARIOUS INVESTIGATIVE TEAMS AS FOLLOWS:

FOUR HOMICIDES MAY BE RELATED, YUSEF BELL, CLIFFORD JONES, AARON JACKSON, AND CHARLES STEPHENS. CLIFFORD JONES, AARON JACKSON, AND CHARLES STEPHENS ARE THE MOST RECENT HOMICIDES AND HAVE IDENTICAL MODUS OPERANDI. ACCORDING TO THE BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE UNIT, FBIHQ, THESE KILLINGS MAY HAVE BEEN IN REACTION TO MEDIA COVERAGE OF PREVIOUS KILLINGS, AND FURTHER KILLINGS BY PERPETRATOR MAY BE FORTHCOMING. YUSEF BELL IS A POSSIBLE SIMILAR HOMICIDE; HOWEVER, VARIANCE IN MODUS OPERANDI AND LACK OF SUFFICIENT INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL TO APPROPRIATELY ATTEND THIS MATTER HAVE PREVENTED AN INDEPTH INVESTIGATION OF THIS CASE. SIX SPECIAL AGENTS (SAS) (THREE TEAMS) ARE ASSIGNED TO THE ABOVE FOUR CASES WITH ONLY THE JONES, JACKSON, AND STEPHENS MATTERS RECEIVING INVESTIGATIVE ATTENTION DUE TO INSUFFICIENT MANPOWER.

VICTIMS EDWARD HOPE SMITH AND ALFRED JAMES EVANS WERE FOUND SIMULTANEOUSLY WITHIN 150 FEET OF ONE ANOTHER, AND ASSOCIATES INDICATE POSSIBLE DRUG ACTIVITY AND STREET RIVALRY MAY HAVE LED TO THE HOMICIDES. ANONYMOUS CALLS WITH FACTUAL SUBSTANCE INDICATE FRIENDS OR ASSOCIATES HAVE DETAILS

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REGARDING THE CRIME. TWO SAS (ONE TEAM) ARE ASSIGNED THESE TWO CASES.

THE CASES OF ANTHONY CARTER AND LATONYA WILSON ARE ALSO ASSIGNED TO ONE TEAM, TWO SAS. THE CARTER CASE HAS JUST DEVELOPED TWO JUVENILE WITNESSES TO THE KILLING OF CARTER. EXTENSIVE PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION WAS REQUIRED TO OBTAIN THESE STATEMENTS, AND SUBSTANTIAL FOLLOWUP INVESTIGATION TO CORROBORATE THIS INVESTIGATION IS REQUIRED.

THE WILSON CASE CANNOT BE PURSUED BY THIS OR OTHER TEAMS IN ATLANTA WITH THE PRESENT MANPOWER ALLOCATION SET FORTH FOR THIS CASE AT THIS TIME.

THE INVESTIGATION OF ERIC MIDDLEBROOK'S DEATH HAS DEVELOPED SIX SUSPECTS, MOTIVE AND METHOD OF KILLING POINTING TO THE ABOVE SUSPECTS. THE VICTIM DIED FROM BLUNT TRAUMA TO THE HEAD, AND SEVERAL KNIFE PUNCTURE WOUNDS OF LITTLE DAMAGE WERE ALSO NOTED. VICTIM'S BICYCLE TIRES WERE ALSO FLATTENED. SUSPECTS ARE A GANG OF SMALL-TIME THIEVES, AND THE VICTIM WAS TO TESTIFY ABOUT THEIR CRIMINAL ACTIVITY HE OBSERVED DURING A LOCAL ROBBERY. THE VICTIM HAD RECEIVED NUMEROUS THREATS FROM THESE INDIVIDUALS. SEVERAL OF THE ABOVE

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SUSPECTS HAVE JUVENILE RECORDS AND ARE KNOWN TO CARRY KNIVES. EXTENSIVE BACKGROUND INFORMATION MUST BE DEVELOPED REGARDING EACH SUSPECT AND THEIR ASSOCIATES, AS WELL AS FRIENDS AND ASSOCIATES OF THE VICTIM. THIS ONE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER IS BEING HANDLED BY ONE TEAM.

THE DEATH OF MILTON HARVEY IS ASSIGNED TO ONE TWO-MAN TEAM. TWO MONTHS LAPSED BETWEEN THE MISSING PERSONS REPORT AND THE RECOVERY OF HARVEY'S SKELETAL REMAINS. BEFORE THAT PERIOD OF TIME, HARVEY WAS WORKED AS A MISSING PERSON. THE ENTIRE INVESTIGATION MUST BE RE-DONE AND WORKED UP COVERING A TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD. ATLANTA HAS DEVELOPED A SUSPECT WHO IS KNOWN TO HAVE LOANED THE VICTIM HIS BICYCLE, WHICH THE VICTIM WAS RIDING ON THE DAY HE DISAPPEARED.

THE CASES OF JEFFREY LAMAR MATHIS AND EARL LEE TERRELL ARE ALSO ASSIGNED TO ONE INVESTIGATIVE TEAM. THE TERRELL CASE INVOLVES A RECEIPT OF A \$200.00 DEMAND FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED CALLER STATING THE CHILD WAS IN ALABAMA. [REDACTED]  
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TERRELL IS STILL MISSING AND THIS INVESTIGATION MUST BE WORKED UP FROM THE RECEIPT OF THE COMPLAINT TO THE PRESENT DAY. THIS MUST INCLUDE ALL KNOWN FRIENDS AND ASSOCIATES OF THE FAMILY, BACKGROUND, AND SCHOOLING REGARDING THE VICTIM, AS WELL AS RUNNING THROUGH LEADS GENERATED DURING THE COURSE OF THE INVESTIGATION.

THE MATHIS CASE IS SIMILAR TO THE TERRELL CASE IN THAT THE VICTIM IS STILL UNACCOUNTED FOR. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF THE GENERAL SOCIO-ECONOMIC BACKGROUND OF THE CHILDREN, THEIR GENERAL SIZE, AND PHYSICAL APPEARANCE THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT THEY MAY BE RELATED. HOWEVER, EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION WILL BE REQUIRED TO SUBSTANTIATE THAT. BOTH CASES WILL REQUIRE A THOROUGH HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION WITH THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE VICTIMS ARE DEAD.

THE REMAINING TWO INVESTIGATIVE MATTERS, THOSE BEING CHRISTOPHER RICHARDSON AND DARRON GLASS ARE BOTH ASSIGNED TO ONE TEAM OF AGENTS. INVESTIGATION REGARDING GLASS INDICATES HE MAY POSSIBLY STILL BE ALIVE AND RESIDING WITH EITHER FRIENDS OR RELATIVES. THIS IS BASED UPON CONTACT WITH WITNESSES WHO HAVE REPORTED SEEING VICTIM GLASS WITHIN



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THE PAST SEVERAL WEEKS. HE WAS REPORTED MISSING DURING MID SEPTEMBER, 1980. RICHARDSON WAS REPORTED MISSING DURING JUNE, 1980, AND LIKE SEVERAL OF THE OTHER MISSING INDIVIDUALS WAS LAST SEEN UNDER ROUTINE CIRCUMSTANCES PRIOR TO ANY UNUSUAL OCCURRENCES AND WAS THEN NEVER SEEN AGAIN.

BOTH THE WILSON AND BELL CASES ATLANTA FEELS ARE SOLVABLE; HOWEVER, THE LACK OF MANPOWER BEING AFFORDED THESE INVESTIGATIONS AT THIS TIME HAS PRECLUDED DEVOTING NECESSARY INVESTIGATIVE TIME TO THESE MATTERS. ATLANTA HAS ASSIGNED THE VARIOUS CASES TO SPECIFIC TEAMS, EACH TEAM BEING ESSENTIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN INDIVIDUAL INVESTIGATION. PROGRESS TO DATE SUPPORTS THIS TECHNIQUE. ATLANTA DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT REDIRECTING ANY OF THE INVESTIGATIVE TEAMS TO THE ABOVE TWO MATTERS WOULD BE PRODUCTIVE. CONSEQUENTLY, ADDRESSING THE PROBLEM OF THE BELL AND WILSON MATTERS DOES NOT APPEAR EMINENT. ATLANTA DOES NOT HAVE THE INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL AT THIS TIME TO SUFFICIENTLY ADDRESS THESE INVESTIGATIONS.

ATLANTA HAS ADDRESSED ONLY IN THIS COMMUNICATION THE SPECIFICS OF EACH CASE BEING CURRENTLY HANDLED. THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED WORKLOAD DOES NOT INCLUDE LEADS GENERATED WHICH

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APPLY IN A GENERAL WAY TO THIS INVESTIGATION THROUGH THE PUBLIC SECTOR IN ATLANTA OR THE HANDLING OF LEADS CONCERNING SUSPECTS FURNISHED ATLANTA BY OTHER DIVISIONS.

ATLANTA IS REQUESTING THAT THE BUREAU APPROVE AN ADDITIONAL FOUR AGENTS TO BE ASSIGNED THIS MATTER IN TEMPORARY STATUS EFFECTIVE 8:15 A.M., DECEMBER 1, 1980. SHOULD APPROVAL BE GRANTED, AT LEAST TWO OF THE AGENTS ASSIGNED SHOULD BE ADVISED TO BRING BUREAU CARS FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE DIVISIONS.

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FM DIRECTOR, FBI  
TO FBI ATLANTA IMMEDIATE  
FBI CHICAGO IMMEDIATE  
FBI DETROIT IMMEDIATE  
FBI NEW ORLEANS IMMEDIATE  
FBI WFO IMMEDIATE

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ATKID; MAJOR CASE NUMBER 30. KIDNAPING. OO: ATLANTA.

REBUTEL DATED 11/13/80.

FOR INFORMATION OF CHICAGO, DETROIT, NEW ORLEANS AND WFO,  
SINCE JULY 20, 1979, FIFTEEN BLACK CHILDREN, AGED SEVEN YEARS  
THROUGH FIFTEEN, HAVE BEEN REPORTED MISSING IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA.  
ELEVEN OF THESE CHILDREN HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED MURDERED.

ON NOVEMBER 6, 1980, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AUTHORIZED A  
PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION BY THE FBI TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE  
FOUR MISSING BLACK CHILDREN ARE BEING HELD IN VIOLATION OF

RF:WAP (8) 11/26/80 6011/3 4101

- 1 - DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
- 1 - MR. COLWELL
- 1 - MR. MULLEN
- 1 - MR. REVELL (ATTN: MR. [REDACTED])
- 1 - MR. [REDACTED]
- 1 - [REDACTED] *bx*

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TITLE 18, U. S. CODE, SECTION 1201 (KIDNAPING).

PRESENTLY, SIX FBI FIELD OFFICES HAVE FURNISHED EIGHT SPECIAL AGENTS TO ASSIST IN THIS INVESTIGATION, WITH BUREAU VEHICLES; IN ADDITION TO ASSIGNED PERSONNEL FROM FBI HEADQUARTERS WORKING ON THIS SPECIAL.

THE SAC, ATLANTA, ON 11/25/80 REQUESTED FOUR ADDITIONAL SPECIAL AGENTS FOR THIS INVESTIGATION DUE TO EXIGENT DEMANDS PLACED UPON HIS OFFICE.

ACCORDINGLY, THE FOLLOWING OFFICES ARE DIRECTED TO FURNISH ONE SPECIAL AGENT EACH, TO ASSIST IN THIS SPECIAL. THEY WILL REPORT FOR DUTY 8:00 A.M., MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1980 AT ATLANTA.

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CHICAGO

DETROIT

NEW ORLEANS

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NEW ORLEANS AND WFO WILL FURNISH BUREAU CAR.

THE SPECIAL AGENTS CHOSEN FROM YOUR OFFICE FOR THIS ASSIGNMENT SHOULD BE A SELF-MOTIVATED, MATURE INVESTIGATOR, AND IF POSSIBLE, EXPERIENCED IN HOMICIDE AND/OR SEX-RELATED OFFENSES AND FAMILIAR WITH THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA. THE

AGENT MUST NOT BE THE SUBJECT OF RECENT SEVERE ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION NOR BE ON PROBATION.

THE ADDITIONAL AGENTS ALLOCATED TO THIS SPECIAL WILL REMAIN UNTIL 12/17/80. PRIOR TO THAT TIME, CONTINUED USE OF THIS ADDITIONAL MANPOWER WILL BE EVALUATED TO DETERMINE IF THEIR CONTINUED PRESENCE IS NECESSARY.

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NOTE: THIS MATTER COORDINATED WITH CID, PERSONAL CRIMES SECTION AND EACH OFFICE INVOLVED HAS BEEN CONTACTED CONCERNING AGENTS ASSIGNED THIS SPECIAL.

CLARENCE J. BROWN  
7TH DISTRICT, OHIO

URBANA, OHIO

COMMITTEES:  
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS  
INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE  
JOINT ECONOMIC

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
Washington, D.C. 20515

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

November 17, 1980

Office of Congressional Affairs  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Department of Justice  
10th and Pennsylvania Ave., NW  
Washington, D.C. 20535

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter I have received from my constituent, [REDACTED] concerning the numerous murders of black children in Atlanta and the request by Atlanta authorities for FBI assistance. I believe you will find the enclosed to be self-explanatory.

I will greatly appreciate the benefit of your advice and comment concerning the views as expressed in the enclosed letter.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely yours,

*Clarence J. Brown*  
Clarence J. Brown, M. C.  
Seventh Ohio District

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November 11, 1980

Rep. Clarence J. Brown, Jr. (R), Ohio  
House Office Building  
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Rept. Brown,

Congratulations on your victory at the polls last Tuesday. You do a fine job representing the people of our district.

My letter today is not mainly for the purposes of saying congratulations, however. I am dismayed at the happenings in Atlanta regarding the murders of the black children there. From the radio and newspaper accounts it seems the local authorities are putting forth maximum efforts to locate the person or persons responsible.

At one point a comment was made that the F.B.I. had been asked to provide expert assistance, but the request was not granted because it was not within their jurisdiction. Could not another look be taken to allow the F.B.I. to enter the case on the presumption that murder is the ultimate denial of one's civil rights?

I would appreciate hearing from you that you have used your personal and official influence in helping stop these horrid happenings in our country.

In appreciation,

Sincerely,  b7c

# Memorandum



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To : Mr. Revell *oaa/da*

Date 11/18/80

From : W. R. Gilbert *[Signature]*

Subject : ATKID;  
 MAJOR CASE #30  
 KIDNAPING  
 OO: ATLANTA

- 1 - Mr. Revell
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- 1 - Mr. Gilbert
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- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED] *b7c*
- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - Administrative Services Division

**PURPOSE:** To set forth request of SAC, Atlanta for Investigative Support Information System (ISIS) assessment for utilization in captioned case.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That Technical Services Division (TSD) arrange for a representative of Software Operational Support Unit, familiar with ISIS, to travel to Atlanta for approximately two days and conduct requested assessment. *TEC*

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**DETAILS:** Captioned case involved apparent abduction of 15 black children within the past several months in the city of Atlanta, Georgia. The bodies of 11 of these children have been recovered in Atlanta and four remain missing as of this date. The FBI has entered the investigation of the four missing children as possible kidnappings and it is presently being worked by eight Agents from other Divisions and six Agents from within the Atlanta Division. It has been assigned Major Case #30 and is being followed very closely by FBIHQ. *30*

On 11/17/80, a conference was held between Deputy Assistant Director Charles P. Monroe, Criminal Investigative Division (CID), SAC John D. Glover, Atlanta, and Section Chief Wayne R. Gilbert, Personal and Property Crimes Section (PPCS), CID, regarding the use of ISIS in this case. It was generally agreed that institution of ISIS at this point would be somewhat premature due to the lack of a data base at this time. CID has instituted the use of Visual Investigative Analysis (VIA) but SAC Glover expressed some concern that if a decision is made in the near future to enter the data from this case into ISIS that it would not be in the proper format. He requested that FBIHQ send an appropriate individual familiar with ISIS to Atlanta in the near future to assess the suitability of ISIS application in this case, either on-line or off-line. *B*



W. R. Gilbert to Mr. Revell Memorandum  
RE: ATKID

It is felt that the assessment could also include any recommendations by TSD regarding the current organization of the investigation that would facilitate the application of ISIS at a later date.

It was agreed that CID would request that TSD detail appropriate personnel to Atlanta for a preliminary assessment as requested by SAC Glover. CID believes that the potential investigative burdens generated by 15 simultaneous homicide investigations will in all probability lend itself to the application of ISIS.

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ATTENTION SUPERVISOR [REDACTED] PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT.

ATKID; MAJOR CASE #30: 00: ATLANTA.

DURING THE PAST 14 MONTHS, 15 CHILDREN, ALL BLACK, HAVE BEEN ABDUCTED/REPORTED MISSING IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA. ELEVEN OF THE CHILDREN HAVE BEEN FOUND MURDERED. FOUR ARE STILL MISSING. THE CHILDREN HAVE BEEN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 7 AND 15, AND COME FROM LOWER SOCIOECONOMIC ENVIRONMENTS. TWO OF THE VICTIMS ARE FEMALES, 13 ARE MALE. ALL 11 MURDERED CHILDREN WERE FOUND WITHIN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THEIR HOMES AND NONE APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN SEXUALLY MOLESTED EXCEPT IN ONE INSTANCE.

IN RESPONSE TO THESE KILLINGS, A SPECIAL TASK FORCE, CONSISTING OF GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI) AGENTS AND ATLANTA POLICE DEPARTMENT DETECTIVES WAS SET UP TO INVESTIGATE THESE

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KILLINGS. TO DATE, THE TASK FORCE HAS NOT SOLVED ANY OF THE KILLINGS BUT HAS DEVELOPED SOME SUSPECTS. THE ATLANTA OFFICE OF THE FBI HAD INITIALLY ASSIGNED ONE AGENT AS A LIASON WITH THE TASK FORCE. ADDITIONALLY, SERVICES OF FBI LABORATORY AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE UNIT WERE PROVIDED WHEN ASKED FOR.

SINCE JUNE, 1980, EIGHT CHILDREN HAVE DISAPPEARED, FIVE HAVE BEEN FOUND DEAD. THE ENVIRONMENT HAS BECOME EMOTIONALLY CHARGED. MANPOWER ASSIGNED TO TASK FORCE HAS BEEN GREATLY INCREASED. DEMANDS HAVE BEEN MADE BY CHIEF OF POLICE AND MAYOR FOR MORE ACTIVE FBI ROLE IN CASE. ON NOVEMBER 7, 1980, ATTORNEY GENERAL BENJAMIN CIVILETTI ORDERED FBI INTO CASE UNDER PROVISIONS OF THE FEDERAL KIDNAPPING STATUTE.

AFTER DESIGNATION OF MAJOR CASE, FIVE SAS REVIEWED PD RECORDS DURING WEEK OF NOVEMBER 10 - 14/80, AND SYNOPSIS OF INDIVIDUAL CASES SET OUT BELOW.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED AT THIS POINT, THAT PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF 15 FILES OF CHILDREN BY ATLANTA AGENTS AND EXPERTS FROM THE BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE UNIT, FBI ACADEMY, QUANTICO, INDICATES ALL OF THE MURDERS/DISAPPEARANCES ARE NOT RELATED. LAST THREE MAY VERY POSSIBLY BE CONNECTED, BUT MOTIVES FOR THE OTHER TWELVE ARE UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.

THE FOLLOWING IS A BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF EACH MISSING/MURDERED

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CHILD.

1. EDWARD HOPE SMITH, BLACK MALE, AGE 14. LAST SEEN ON JULY 20, 1979, AT A SKATING RINK, FOUND SHOT TO DEATH JULY 28, 1979. TASK FORCE RECORDS REVIEWED AND INDICATE DEATH MAY HAVE RESULTED FROM DISPUTE AT DRUG PARTY. POLICE THEORIZE VICTIM #2, ALFRED EVANS, SHOT SMITH.

2. ALFRED JAMEES EVANS, BLACK MALE, AGE 13, LAST SEEN JULY 25, 1979, AND FOUND JULY 28, 1979, STRANGLED WITHIN 150 YARDS OF VICTIM SMITH. POLICE THEORIZE THAT FRIENDS OF SMITH KILLED EVANS AFTER EVANS SHOT SMITH.

3. MILTON HARVEY, BLACK MALE, AGE 14. LAST SEEN SEPTEMBER 4, 1979. BODY DISCOVERED NOVEMBER 11, 1979. CAUSE OF DEATH UNKNOWN DUE TO DECOMPOSITION OF BODY. NO SUSPECTS AT THIS TIME.

4. YUSEF BELL, BLACK MALE, AGE 9. LAST SEEN OCTOBER 21, 1979, ON WAY TO GROCERY STORE. BODY FOUND NOVEMBER 8, 1979, CAUSE OF DEATH STRANGULATION. [REDACTED] b7c  
[REDACTED]

5. ANGELA LANIER, BLACK FEMALE, AGE 12. REPORTED MISSING MARCH 4, 1980, BODY WAS FOUND MARCH 10, 1980. CAUSE OF DEATH, LIGATURE STRANGULATION. VICTIM APPEARED TO BE SEXUALLY MOLESTED.

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POLICE STILL INVESTIGATING SUSPECT.

6. JEFFREY LAMAR MATHIS, BLACK MALE, AGE 10. LAST SEEN MARCH 11, 1980, AND IS STILL MISSING. VICTIM REPORTEDLY LAST SEEN BY ONE OF HIS CLASSMATES GETTING INTO A BLUE VEHICLE. POLICE HAVE NO SUSPECTS.

7. ERIC MIDDLEBROOKS, BLACK MALE, AGE 15. LAST SEEN MAY 19, 1980. BODY FOUND MAY 20, 1980. VICTIM DIED AS A RESULT OF NUMEROUS STAB WOUNDS. POLICE THEORIZE VICTIM MAY HAVE BEEN MURDERED AS A RESULT OF HIS TESTIMONY IN A ROBBERY CASE.

8. CHRISTOPHER RICHARDSON, BLACK MALE, AGE 11. LAST SEEN JUNE 9, 1980, AND STILL MISSING. POLICE HAVE NO SUSPECTS IN THIS CASE.

9. LATONYA WILSON, BLACK FEMALE, AGE 7. VICTIM ABDUCTED FROM HER BEDROOM JUNE 22, 1980. REMAINS OF VICTIM DISCOVERED OCTOBER 18, 1980. [REDACTED] b7c

10. ANTHONY CARTER, BLACK MALE, AGE 9. LAST SEEN JULY 7,

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1980. BODY FOUND JULY 7, 1980, WITH MULTIPLE STAB WOUNDS.  
NO SUSPECTS AND NO MOTIVE DEVELOPED TO DATE.

11. EARL LEE TERRELL, BLACK MALE, AGE 10. LAST SEEN  
JULY 30, 1980, AND IS STILL MISSING. RANSOM CALL FOR \$200  
MADE ON DAY OF VICTIM'S DISAPPEARANCE, BUT NO SUBSEQUENT CONTACT  
MADE. POLICE DID NOT THINK THIS WAS A LEGITIMATE RANSOM  
DEMAND.

12. CLIFFORD E. JONES, BLACK MALE, AGE 13, LAST SEEN  
AUGUST 20, 1980, BODY FOUND AUGUST 21, 1980. CAUSE OF DEATH  
STRANGULATION. NO SUSPECTS DEVELOPED, BUT THIS CASE COULD  
POSSIBLY BE RELATED TO THE STEPHENS AND JACKSON CASES. POLICE  
EXPLORING POSSIBILITY DEATH HOMOSEXUAL RELATED.

13. DARRON GLASS, BLACK MALE, AGE 10. LAST SEEN  
SEPTEMBER 14, 1980, AND STILL MISSING. GLASS, WHO WAS  
SLIGHTLY RETARDED, LIVED WITH FOSTER PARENTS AND HAD RUN AWAY  
BEFORE. POSSIBILITY EXISTS GLASS MAY STILL BE ALIVE.

14. CHARLES STEPHENS, BLACK MALE, AGE 12, LAST SEEN  
OCTOBER 9, 1980, BODY DISCOVERED OCTOBER 10, 1980.  
CAUSE OF DEATH ASPHYXICATION. POLICE HAVE NO SUSPECTS.  
COULD BE RELATED TO JONES AND JACKSON CASES.

15. AARON JACKSON JR., BLACK MALE, AGE 9. LAST SEEN

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NOVEMBER 1, 1980, BODY FOUND NOVEMBER 2, 1980, CAUSE OF DEATH ASPHYXIATION. NO SUSPECTS BUT COULD BE RELATED TO STEPHENS' AND JONES' CASES SUPRA.

IT IS OPINION OF SA [REDACTED] BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE UNIT THAT JACKSON'S, STEPHENS' ANZIJONES' MURDERS MAY HAVE BEEN COMMITTED BY SAME INDIVIDUAL DUE TO SIMILARITIES IN MANNER OF DEATH, PLACEMENT OF BODY AND CONDITION OF BODIES. ALSO ARTICLE OF CLOTHING MISSING FROM EACH OF THESE THREE VICTIMS' BODIES. *b7c*

INVESTIGATION INTO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED ABDUCTIONS/ DISAPPEARANCES AND HOMICIDES INITIATED BY ATLANTA DIVISION NOVEMBER 17, 1980.

WEEKLY TELETYPE SUMMARIES WILL BE PROVIDED FBIHQ EACH FRIDAY.

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ATTENTION MR. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RICO, OO: TAMPA (TPFILE 183D-737).

*P* ATKID, KIDNAPING, OO: ATLANTA.

PROGRAM ANALYST [REDACTED]

VISUAL INVESTIGATIVE

ANALYSIS, CID, PRESENTLY ON DUTY IN TAMPA IN CONNECTION WITH THE [REDACTED] INVESTIGATION, WILL LEAVE TAMPA ON NOVEMBER 26, 1980 AT 3:10 P.M., ABOARD EAL 660, ARRIVING IN ATLANTA AT 5:00 P.M. SINCE NOVEMBER 27, 1980, IS A HOLIDAY, [REDACTED] WILL REPORT TO THE ATLANTA FIELD OFFICE AT 8:00 A.M., ON NOVEMBER 28, 1980, TO BEGIN ANALYTIC WORK ON THE ATKID INVESTIGATION. *b7c*

A PRELIMINARY ORGANIZATIONAL CHART WAS COMPLETED BY [REDACTED] IN TAMPA. ADDITIONAL VISUAL INVESTIGATIVE ANALYSIS WORK ON THE [REDACTED] INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN AS SOON AS TIME AND [REDACTED] CASE LOAD PERMITS. *b7c*

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

November 28, 1980

Honorable Clarence J. Brown  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

ATKID

Dear Congressman Brown:

Your November 17th inquiry on behalf of your constituent, [REDACTED] has been referred to me for response.

We in the FBI share [REDACTED] concern regarding the recent incidents in Atlanta. On November 6th the Attorney General instructed this Bureau to initiate a preliminary investigation to determine whether any of the four black children missing in Atlanta is being held in violation of the Federal Kidnaping Statute.

Also, since August, we have been providing Atlanta investigators a variety of technical and expert assistance such as the use of our fingerprint and laboratory resources. I want to assure [REDACTED] that we are doing everything that we can in order that these tragic matters can be resolved.

Sincerely yours,

Oliver B. Revell  
Assistant Director  
Criminal Investigative Division

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*C* ATKID; MAJOR CASE NUMBER 33; OO: ATLANTA.

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, DATED NOVEMBER 21, 1980. *123*

THE FOLLOWING IS A SYNOPSIS OF THE INVESTIGATION TO DATE IN EACH OF THE MISSING/MURDERED CHILDREN CASES: *(Signature)*

1. EDWARD HOPE SMITH AND 2. ALFRED JAMES EVANS - BOTH THESE CASES APPEAR RELATED. INVESTIGATION TO DATE HAS CONCENTRATED IN AREA WHERE VICTIMS FOUND. RESIDENCE, NOW VACANT, LOCATED WHERE VICTIM SMITH FREQUENTED AND PRACTICED KARATE. EFFORTS NOW BEING MADE TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE FORMER RESIDENTS OF HOUSE. EFFORTS TO DETERMINE LOCATION AND IDENTITIES OF PERSONS PRESENT AT ~~DRUG PARTY~~ REFERRED TO IN REFERENCED TELETYPE HAVE BEEN NEGATIVE. *2 DEC 8 1980*
3. MILTON HARVEY - DUE TO FACT THAT ADEQUATE BACKGROUND AND

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NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION WAS NOT DONE INITIALLY BY THE ATLANTA POLICE DEPARTMENT, IT HAS BEEN NECESSARY TO DO SUCH AN IN-DEPTH INVESTIGATION IN THIS CASE. IT HAS REVEALED THAT HARVEY WAS FROM A GOOD HOME WITH CARING, CONCERNED PARRENTS, WAS WELL-LIKED IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND AT SCHOOL, AND WAS NOT INVOLVED IN ANY GANG ACTIVITY. IT APPEARS HE MAY HAVE BEEN SNATCHED OFFF THE STREET AND KILLED. NO SUSPECTS DEVELOPED TO DATE.

4. YUSEF BELL - DUE TO SHORTAGE OF MANPOWER, ONLY PRELIMINARY BACKGROUND HAS BEEN DONE IN THIS CASE. NO SUSPECTS DEVELOPED TO DATE.

5. ANGEL LANIER - INDIVIDUALS IN APARTMENT COMPLEX WHERE VICTIM LIVED HAVE BEEN INTERVIEWED RE VICTIM'S MOVEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES AND SEVERAL POSSIBLE SUSPECTS DEVELOPED. BACKGROUND INFORMATION RE [REDACTED] STILL BEING DEVELOPPED AND TO DATE *etc* HE APPEARS TO BE STRONGEST SUSPECT IN THIS CASE.

6. JEFFREY LAMAR WATKINS - VICTIM IS ONE OF THE FOUR MISSING CHILDREN. EXTENSIVE BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION REQUIRED AND IN PROCESS OF BEING CONDUCTED. NO SUSPECTED DEVELOPED.

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7. ERIC MIDDLEBROOK - VICTIM DIED FROM BLUNT TRAUMA TO HEAD. VICTIM MAY HAVE BEEN KILLED BECAUSE OF HIS TESTIMONY AGAINST NEIGHBORHOOD YOUTH GANG OF PETTY THIEVES. SIX POSSIBLE SUSPECTS HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED. CURRENTLY, BACKGROUND ON THESE SIX SUSPECTS BEING DEVELOPED.

8. LATONYA WILSON - DUE TO SHORTAGE OF MANPOWER, ONLY PRELIMINARY BACKGROUND HAS BEEN DONE IN THIS MATTER.

9. CHRISTOPHER RICHARDSON - BACKGROUND RE [REDACTED] b7c  
[REDACTED] STILL BEING DEVELOPED. [REDACTED] HAS NOT BEEN INTERVIEWED TO DATE BY PSYCHIATRIST.

10. ANTHONY CARTER - [REDACTED] WHO ARE POSSIBLE b7c  
WITNESSES TO MURDER OF CARTER. ONE VICTIM INTERVIEW BY [REDACTED]  
WHO WORE BODY RECORDER AND RECORDED ENTIRE INTERVIEW. BOTH  
JUVENILES LATER INTERVIEWED BY BUREAU AGENTS AND SOME DOUBT  
NOW EXISTS THAT THEY SAW CARTER KILLED. OTHER JUVENILE WITNESS  
LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED AND CASTS DOUBT ON JUVENILE'S STORY.  
HYPNOSIS NOW BEING CONSIDERED [REDACTED] TO ELICIT STORY FROM b7c  
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11. EARL LEE TERRELL - ONE OF FOUR MISSING CHILDREN. THIS

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INVESTIGATION MUST BE WORKED UP FROM THE RECEIPT OF THE INITIAL COMPLAINT TO THE PRESENT DAY. INVESTIGATION INTO FRIENDS AND ASSOCIATES OF FAMILY, BACKGROUND AND SCHOOLING REGARDING THE VICTIM BEING CONDUCTED. SUSPECTS INCLUDE

[REDACTED] b7c

12. CLIFFORD JONES - EYEWITNESS TO MURDER OF JONES LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED. TWO OTHER POSSIBLE EYEWITNESSES IDENTIFIED AND NOW BEING SOUGHT. SUSPECT DEVELOPED.

13. DARRON GLASS - ONE OF MISSING CHILDREN, WHO MAY IN FACT STILL BE ALIVE, RESIDING WITH FRIENDS OR RELATIVES. CONTACT WITH WITNESSES REPORTED SEEING GLASS WITHIN THE PAST SEVERAL WEEKS.

14. CHARLES STEPHENS - MEDICAL EXAMINER AND ATLANTA POLICE DEPARTMENT TASK FORCE CONTACTED RE BACKGROUND IN THIS CASE. NEIGHBORHOOD CHILDREN INTERVIEWED AND TWO POSSIBLE SUSPECTS DEVELOPED.

15. AARON JACKSON - SEE CHARLES STEPHENS, SUPRA. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: SAC, Atlanta (7A-1835 SF 10) (SQ. 7)

December 5, 1980

From: Director, FBI

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Re:

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MAJOR CASE #30;  
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OO: Atlanta

Examination requested by: Atlanta

Reference: Airtels dated November 20, 1980 and  
November 19, 1980 *per 117*

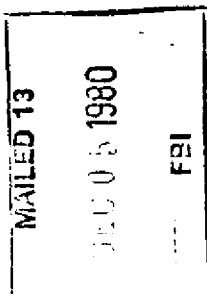
Examination requested: Chemical Analyses

Remarks:

*b7c* The serological analyses were conducted by Special Agent  
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The submitted specimens are being returned under  
separate cover by registered mail.

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## Specimens received

November 24, 1980 under cover of communication  
dated November 20, 1980 (01124124 S TA):

- Q1 Shavings from molding strip
- Q2 Scrapings and shavings from the floor

## ALSO SUBMITTED:

- Control shavings from molding strip
- Control samples from floor

Specimens received November 23, 1980 under cover of communication  
dated November 19, 1980 (01125036 S TA):

- Q3 Scrapings from heating vent cover
- Q4 Heating vent cover

## Result of examination:

Specimens Q1 through Q4 were examined for the presence  
of blood; however, none was identified.

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