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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE:

DATE: 4/14/76

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The following investigation was conducted by SA JERRY G. WILSON:

On 11/20/75,  Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Roseburg, Oregon, advised that  Oregon,  age and during that time, had opportunity to meet

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After viewing a composite drawing of D. B. COOPER,   stated that it is his recollection that there would be a striking resemblance between  and the composite drawing of D. B. COOPER.  stated that Douglas County Resident  who is  Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Roseburg, Oregon, during the afternoon of 11/20/75, and will most likely be familiar with

Later on 11/20/75, Douglas County   viewed a composite drawing of D. B. COOPER and stated that there is a "startling resemblance" between  and the composite drawing of D. B. COOPER.  described  as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Age	Approximately 40 years of age
Height	5'9" - 5'10"
Weight	150 - 160 Pounds

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Lead

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Complexion  
Hair

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Dark, receding in front

[redacted] stated that [redacted] has worked [redacted] for a least the [redacted] through approximately [redacted] and spends [redacted] at an unknown location. [redacted] then telephonically contacted [redacted] and was advised by [redacted] Social Security No. [redacted] and [redacted] have a permanent address of [redacted] Oregon, however, are believed to be [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that he further recalls that neither [redacted] seem to have any financial problems as he recalls that [redacted] of some sort.

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[redacted] and [redacted] Roseburg, Oregon Police Department, stated that the files of their respective agencies disclose no references identifiable with [redacted]

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The following investigation was conducted by LEROY R. ELLIOTT:

[redacted] who resides at [redacted] Oregon, on 12/10/75, viewed the composite drawing of D. B. COOPER and stated there is a strong resemblance to [redacted]

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In addition, [redacted] also viewed the composite drawing and stated they could not eliminate [redacted] on basis of the drawing.

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[redacted] was not available as he had returned [redacted]

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[redacted] know little about [redacted] background. [redacted] They [redacted] He [redacted] He lives [redacted] while at [redacted] and they understand [redacted] drive [redacted] claims to be [redacted] [redacted] do not know [redacted] They think [redacted] he receives some sort of pension [redacted] in the [redacted] that he receives any monthly checks. They seem to be financially independent but are not extravagant and have never flashed money. [redacted] is about 40 - 45, 5'10", slender, brown hair. Military experience is unknown.

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[redacted] resides in [redacted] Has telephone listing. [redacted]

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About two weeks ago [redacted] [redacted] was at [redacted] inquiring about a forwarding address for [redacted]

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

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On 12/1/75, the following individuals advised that a search of their respective files did not disclose any record of [redacted]

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Josephine County Sheriff's Office  
Grants Pass, Oregon

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[redacted]  
Grants Pass Police Department

On 12/8/75, [redacted] Credit Bureau of Grants Pass, advised that a search of their files did not disclose any record identifiable with [redacted] [redacted] They do, however, have a file for a [redacted] age [redacted] address [redacted] [redacted] has been employed for [redacted]

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[redacted] and is [redacted].  
[redacted] stated that [redacted] in no way resembles the composite  
of D. B. COOPER.

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On 12/17/75, [redacted]  
[redacted] viewed the composite drawing of D. B.  
COOPER and stated that same resembles [redacted] very  
much. He stated that [redacted]

[redacted] years and  
is currently in [redacted] address unknown. [redacted]  
said he has [redacted]

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[redacted] He said [redacted]  
[redacted] to be particular [redacted] to  
have [redacted] a comfortable living. He said  
[redacted] and a [redacted]  
He mentioned that the [redacted] will [redacted] in  
approximately [redacted]  
[redacted]

On 1/5/76, [redacted]  
[redacted] was contacted at his place of employment,  
[redacted] He viewed the composite drawing  
of D. B. COOPER and stated that same does vaguely  
resemble [redacted] He stated that he could see  
why someone would notice a resemblance. [redacted] was not  
positive but he believes [redacted]

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[redacted] in November, 1971. [redacted] said that [redacted]  
[redacted] Oregon, and got a  
[redacted] He also men-  
tioned that [redacted] worked [redacted] years and  
[redacted] for several years  
have [redacted] work a few

[redacted] year and [redacted]  
According to [redacted] currently reside  
in [redacted] at [redacted]  
[redacted] has a  
[redacted]

[redacted] described [redacted] as being  
a white male, American, age [redacted] 5'10", 155 pounds, dark  
hair, receding hairline.

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He does not believe that [redacted] is identical with D. B. COOPER; however, if the FBI is not convinced, [redacted] contacted personally [redacted] return on approximately [redacted] and will [redacted]

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PORTLAND

AT [redacted] OREGON. Will, subsequent to [redacted] 76, contact suspect, [redacted] and interview concerning his possible involvement in this violation.

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Airtel

5/5/76

To: SACS, Seattle (164-81)  
Las Vegas (164-60)  
Los Angeles (164-797)  
(Portland) (164-41)  
San Francisco (164-220)

From: Director, FBI (164-2111)

KORJAK;  
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Representatives from receiving offices were in attendance at the Korjak seminar held at San Francisco, 4/8-9/76, where a suggestion was made to institute a publicity campaign for release in early November, 1976, widely publicizing a reward for any twenty-dollar bill turned in from the ransom list published in various media periodicals and possible local newspapers. This suggestion was approved at FBIHQ and efforts to initiate appropriate groundwork steps are now being taken.

Receiving offices should, at this time, contact major newspapers within their Divisions in an effort to determine if first they would participate in this publicity venture by printing on a one-time, daily, or weekly basis the list of ransom bill serial numbers and second if they agree to printing these, is there a particular form in which the numbers could be provided to facilitate easier printing of same. Newspaper officials should be advised that calls from individuals concerning the fact that they possess a twenty-dollar bill of interest will be directed to the nearest FBI Office.

Seattle should immediately set out leads for Minneapolis to contact officials at Northwest Airlines in an effort to determine their interest in possibly pro-

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[Redacted Box]

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DB Cooper-1217

Airtel to SACS, Seattle  
Las Vegas  
Los Angeles  
Portland  
San Francisco

Re: MORJAK;

viding the necessary reward money, which could be \$5,000 for the first bill turned in or \$1,000 each for the first five bills turned in. Final determination re reward offer is being left to the discretion of Seattle and, of course, Minneapolis based on Northwest's receptiveness to this campaign effort. If Northwest is not particularly interested in becoming reinvolved, Seattle should consider contacting other possible donor sources to the reward offer. It is felt that several organizations might be interested in the publicity that could be obtained by offering a reward of this type, however, discretion should be utilized in the choices considered and Seattle should advise the Bureau prior to accepting a source other than Northwest.

Seattle should also obtain a list of all publications previously utilized for publicity in this case, as well as, parachute associate publications, pilot publications, numismatic magazines and others that might possibly be interested in publishing serial number listings. The name and place of publication should be obtained so that at the appropriate time leads can be set out to offices covering the place of publication instructing them to make contact and request their assistance.

Seattle will prepare for eventual dissemination, an all SAC airtel requesting field-wide assistance in the contacting of local area newspapers to ask for their participation in this program. A brief synopsis of facts surrounding captioned matter should be prepared and submitted to FBIHQ for approval. This synopsis will then be included in the all SAC airtel and will be afforded interested newspapers as a lead-off story in the printing of ransom list serial numbers.

It is imperative for this program to be at all effective that we insure that the maximum amount of publicity is obtained. Therefore, if receiving offices have additional suggestions as to how this can be accomplished, they should promptly submit same to the Bureau and Seattle.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 5/11/76

FROM : SA JERRY G. WILSON

SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE: [Redacted]

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Re Portland letter to Seattle, 4/14/76.

On 5/10/76, [Redacted] Oregon, was telephonically contacted by SA WILSON. [Redacted] stated that the [Redacted] is due to open within [Redacted] however, feels certain that [Redacted] will not be [Redacted]. [Redacted] stated that he heard [Redacted] approx. [Redacted] ago, at which time [Redacted] stated that he was in Florida and was going to [Redacted] that is going to [Redacted] explained [Redacted] that [Redacted] is going to be the [Redacted] will be traveling to various [Redacted] on the [Redacted] during the summer of [Redacted]. [Redacted] stated that [Redacted] come to the [Redacted] however, [Redacted] that was not necessary. [Redacted] stated that [Redacted] in his letter to him indicated that he would be coming to the [Redacted] Oregon area in [Redacted] 1976. [Redacted] stated that he presumed [Redacted] Oregon and had relatives in the [Redacted] Oregon area.

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LEAD

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AT [Redacted] OREGON. Will recontact [Redacted] concerning present location of [Redacted]. Set forth leads to have [Redacted] located and interviewed concerning his possible involvement in instant matter.

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DESK NOTE: Lead agent at [Redacted] needs copy of serial #1526, re Portland letter to Seattle, 4/14/76.

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*Lead to [Redacted] with serial 1526*

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

DATE: 5/13/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On [redacted] 1976, [redacted]  
[redacted] Salem, Oregon, confirmed that he was the  
individual who wrote a letter to the Portland Office of  
the FBI advising that he could help solve the "D. B.  
COOPER Case." [redacted] stated he is [redacted] at  
[redacted] and has [redacted]  
[redacted] in the State of  
Washington.

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[redacted] stated since writing his letter to the  
FBI, he has reconsidered his position and no longer  
desires to provide information in connection with this  
case. He stated he did not want to get another individual  
involved and felt that the information he had would not be  
of use to the FBI after all. He declined to provide any  
additional information.

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② Portland

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FBI

Date: 5/12/76

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_ AIRMAIL  
(Precedence)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAK  
 OO: SEATTLE

Re Bureau airtel to Seattle et al, dated 5/5/76.

Enclosed for Minneapolis Office is one (1) copy of referenced communication.

Minneapolis is requested to immediately contact officials at Northwest Orient Airlines in effort to determine their interest in possibly providing the necessary reward money referred to in referenced communication. In contacting Northwest Orient Airlines officials concerning this reward, Minneapolis should bear in mind that the greater the reward the more public interest generated. If Northwest Orient Airlines is not interested in providing such a reward, the insurance carrier that reimbursed Northwest for the \$200,000 taken by Unsub in this matter should be contacted in a discreet manner and their interest in possibly providing this reward determined.

All other receiving offices should make and forward to Seattle a list of the names and places of publication of all magazines and newspapers that might possibly be interested in publishing serial number listings.

- 2 - Bureau (164-2111)
- 2 - Las Vegas (164-60)
- 2 - Los Angeles (164-797)
- 2 - Minneapolis (164-73) (Encl. 1)
- 2 - Portland (164-41)
- 2 - San Francisco (164-220)
- 3 - Seattle (164-81)

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-1221

SE 164-81

For the information of the Bureau, Seattle will prepare an all SAC airtel and a brief synopsis of facts surrounding captioned matter which will be submitted to FBI Headquarters for approval when the reward information is known.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

5/18/76

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK

RE: Suspect

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Re Kansas City letter to Portland, 1/2/76.

Enclosed for Seattle are xerox copies of relet and enclosure thereto, as well as investigative insert prepared by Portland in this matter.

Above for completion of Seattle file.

2 - Seattle (Enc. 4)  
2 - Portland

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 5/21/76

FROM : SC [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Portland)

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Re in office visit of [redacted] 12:30 PM,  
5/21/76.

[redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted] advised a man named FNU [redacted] immediately [redacted] and although he has been there since [redacted] the two of them have really had very little contact with each other.

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[redacted] stated that he knew [redacted] and he offered to have [redacted] taken care of [redacted] would approve of it, and aside from that has had little dealing with the man except to greet him from a distance or in passing. He apologized for not remembering the mans first name.

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[redacted] stated he realizes he should have come in earlier and advised this office that the man named [redacted] has a look-a-like appearance of D. B. COOPER and seems to have plenty of money. He [redacted] is located from [redacted] named [redacted] Oregon, [redacted] realizes [redacted] may be from from being COOPER but the more he saw and thought of the man the more he felt that there could be something else other than just a look-a-like.

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[redacted] advised he could be contacted at [redacted] above or his residence phone [redacted]

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SA [redacted] was advised of [redacted] visit.

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[redacted]  
*RHD*  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

DATE: 6/9/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Portland memo of SC [redacted] 5/21/76  
(serial 1532).

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On 5/27/76, [redacted]  
[redacted] Oregon, business address [redacted]  
[redacted] Oregon, was physically observed by  
this Agent and does not appear to be identical to subject.  
[redacted] is a white male, date of birth [redacted] 5'11", 155 pounds,  
black hair, brown eyes. [redacted] would have only been [redacted] years  
old at the time of NORJAK.

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6/10/76

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

NORJAK  
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Re Bureau airtel to Seattle, etc., 5/5/76.

Representatives of the "Oregonian" and "Oregon Journal," Portland, Oregon, daily newspapers, have been contacted regarding the possibility of again publishing the serial numbers of the extortion money received in this matter.

On 6/7/76, the city editor of each paper stated that due to the production problems involved it was simply not possible to assist with this project. In each instance they stated they did not wish to appear uncooperative and that they would be most happy to publish any further information regarding the possibility of rewards or other such material.

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1 Seattle (164-81)  
1 Portland

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 7/10/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 7/10/76 an individual who identified himself as [redacted] telephonically contacted the Portland Office. He stated that if we wish to locate D. B. COOPER that COOPER was identical to MARION MOONEY, Route 1, Box 140, Jasper Road, Springfield, Oregon.

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[redacted] stated that he [redacted] [redacted] meet with Agents in Eugene, Oregon. He stated that a contact with him can be arranged through [redacted] [redacted] He stated he was calling from [redacted] at the time.

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He made no further remarks as to why he considers MOONEY identical to the unsub known as D. B. COOPER.

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PORTLAND

*wilson*

AT SPRINGFIELD, OREGON. Conduct investigation to determine if MARION MOONEY is possibly identical to unsub.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 7/8/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE: [redacted]

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Re: Memo of SA JERRY G. WILSON, 5/11/76.

After negative attempts on 6/10 and 6/18/76, [redacted] was contacted at [redacted] Oregon on [redacted] 76. [redacted] advised that [redacted] currently resides in [redacted] He has P. O. Box [redacted] and can also be reached through telephone number [redacted] believes that he is employed by [redacted] (Phoenetic). [redacted] went [redacted] where [redacted] and should [redacted] now or in the immediate future. After returning from [redacted] he will be in [redacted] approximately [redacted] the [redacted] understands that [redacted] will be [redacted] which will [redacted]

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DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
(ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION)

7/16/76

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

On 7/10/76, an individual who identified himself as [redacted] telephonically contacted the Portland Office, advising that he believed that D. B. COOPER was identical to an individual known to him as MARION MOONEY, who resided at Route 1, Box 140, Jasper Road, Springfield, Oregon.

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At that time, [redacted] stated that he [redacted]

[redacted] meet with Agents in Eugene, Oregon. He stated that contact with him can be arranged through [redacted]

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He stated he was calling from [redacted] at that time.

[redacted] made no further remarks as to why he considers MOONEY identical to the unknown subject known as D. B. COOPER.

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On the morning of 7/14/76, an individual identifying himself as [redacted]

[redacted] Oregon, personally appeared at the Eugene Resident Agency and advised that an individual known as MARION MOONEY, [redacted]

[redacted] is very similar in appearance to the individual who hijacked a plane in Seattle, Washington, in 1971, using the name of D. B. COOPER. [redacted] stated that MOONEY [redacted]

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[redacted] further stated that he had seen photographs of the artist conception of the individual known as D. B. COOPER, and he believed that MARION MOONEY is very similar in appearance to this individual. He described MARION MOONEY as being a white male adult, approximately 60 years old, 6' tall, 175 pounds, muscular build, gray hair.

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2- Seattle (164-81)

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[redacted] further stated that he did not know what type of occupation MOONEY had been involved in in the past, and he believes at the present time MOONEY is retired. He stated that [redacted] and [redacted] stated that MOONEY [redacted]

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[redacted] could provide no additional information regarding MARION MOONEY and could provide no additional information which would indicate that MARION MOONEY was identical with D. B. COOPER.

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On 7/15/76, the records of the Area Information Records System (AIRS), the computerized record keeping system for all law enforcement agencies in Lane County, Oregon, were examined and revealed that MARION HENRY MOONEY, with a date of birth of November 15, 1913, height 6', weight 175, hair gray, eyes blue, address Route 1, Box 140, Springfield, Oregon, was cited by the Springfield Police Department on November 19, 1975, for violation of the basic rule/radar. He was again cited by the Lane County Sheriff's Office on 5/24/76, for violation of the basic rule/radar.

On 7/16/76, the Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles, Salem, Oregon, advised via State Teletype that MARION HENRY MOONEY, Route 1, Box 140, Springfield, Oregon, was issued Oregon license 140300 on 11/14/75. He is described as 6', 175 pounds, DOB 11/15/13.

#### REQUEST OF THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

The Identification Division is requested to compare the known fingerprints of MARION HENRY MOONEY, DOB 11/15/13, if available, with the latent fingerprints previously submitted in this case to determine if any are identical to those of MOONEY.

#### LEADS

##### PORTLAND

[redacted]  
AT SPRINGFIELD, OREGON. Will interview MARION HENRY MOONEY at Route 1, Box 140, in an effort to determine if he is identical to the unknown subject known as D. B. COOPER.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 7/26/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 7/7/76, [redacted] visited the Portland Office to furnish the following information:

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She is [redacted] became acquainted with one [redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted] Approximately [redacted] ago, [redacted] began hinting to her that he had information regarding a [redacted] and he revealed to her that he knew the identity of UNSUB, aka "D. B. COOPER" in this matter. [redacted] told her the individual responsible is [redacted] who [redacted] Oregon. [redacted] told [redacted] that [redacted] was known to him through [redacted] He said that [redacted] once told him [redacted] after the hijacking in this matter that [redacted]

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[redacted] continued that she had determined that [redacted] residing in [redacted] Oregon, and is in the [redacted] He has recently been living in [redacted] telephone [redacted] where he was employed for [redacted] telephone [redacted] Further, [redacted] was reported to have been in the Portland area on the date of the hijacking, was active in [redacted] at [redacted] was known to be [redacted] was believed to be [redacted] and had [redacted] She said [redacted] had been [redacted] a former friend.

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[redacted] also furnished a copy of a photograph of [redacted] which she felt bears a resemblance to the artist's conception of UNSUB in this matter.

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[redacted] advised that she would readily grant ~~her~~ permission for direct contact with [redacted] and for the

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② - Portland

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discussion with him of the fact she had attributed the allegation in this matter to him.

On 7/10/76, [redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted] was interviewed at his residence at which time he furnished the following information:

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[redacted] ago he became acquainted with [redacted] then a resident of [redacted] Oregon, as they were both [redacted] at the time and were both [redacted] was known as [redacted] [redacted] stated that [redacted] was [redacted] great deal of money and [redacted] plenty of money to spend. [redacted] had been [redacted] At some point after the hijacking in this matter, date or even year not recalled, [redacted] mentioned [redacted] had formerly had one million dollars and now had nothing. [redacted] stated that because of this statement and because [redacted] and generally fits the public's description of the hijacker, [redacted] would speculate that [redacted] might be the hijacker. He said that he had even [redacted] occasions. He stated further that when he had told [redacted] she pressed him for details [redacted] was the hijacker. He said [redacted] had reported the matter to the FBI, gave the FBI his evidence and documents proving [redacted] to be the hijacker, and the FBI had asked him to keep the matter confidential. He admitted that he had made up this story about furnishing information to the FBI, but that he still felt it possible that [redacted] may be the hijacker.

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[redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted] advised on 7/9/76, that he was closely associated with [redacted] [redacted] at the time [redacted] in early [redacted] He said that [redacted] is [redacted] Oregon, and is [redacted] in the State of Oregon. He said that he saw a Dunn and Bradstreet report several years ago [redacted] stated that in 1971, at the [redacted]

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time of this hijacking. [redacted] close to [redacted]

[redacted] He said further, it is inconceivable to him that [redacted] would jump from an airplane in a parachute, as this would be incompatible with [redacted] personality, although he acknowledged that [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that he is personally unable to recall either [redacted] or his own activities on the day before Thanksgiving, November 24, 1971, the day of the hijacking in this matter.

[redacted] furnished [redacted] current employment as [redacted]

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[redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted]

On 7/16/76, an attempt was made to contact [redacted] at the above [redacted] address, but it was determined that he was unavailable there and was out of town. Subsequently, on the same date, [redacted] telephoned the writer long distance to determine the nature of the writer's attempt to contact him. An appointment was made for an interview on 7/19/76.

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On 7/19/76, [redacted] was interviewed at [redacted] Oregon, by SA [redacted] at which time he furnished background and descriptive information concerning himself. [redacted] could not recall his precise activities and location on 11/24/71, but it was noted his personal description differs greatly from that of UNSUB in this matter.

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It is believed the above investigation eliminates [redacted] as a logical suspect in this matter, but a request will be made of the FBI Identification Division to compare his fingerprints with the unidentified latents developed in the hijacked aircraft in this matter.

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543PM NITEL JULY 29, 1976 SKS

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (RUC)

NORJACK; OO: SEATTLE.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF PORTLAND, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, PROVIDED THIS OFFICE WITH A COPY OF A LETTER WHICH WAS SENT TO NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OREGON, TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] THE LETTER DATED JULY 22, 1976, REQUESTED INFORMATION IF A REWARD WAS STILL AVAILABLE SHOULD THE HIJACKER OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305 OF NOVEMBER 24, 1971, BE LOCATED. [REDACTED] ALSO INDICATES IN THIS LETTER THAT HE IS IN POSSESSION OF INFORMATION REGARDING THE IDENTITY OF THE HIJACKER BUT HE WISHED TO PURSUE THIS MATTER WITH GREAT CAUTION AND WANTED TO KNOW THE STATUS OF THE REWARD BEFORE HE DID ANYTHING FURTHER. [REDACTED] RESPONDED TO [REDACTED] LETTER ON JULY 27, 1976, AND ADVISED [REDACTED] THAT HE WAS OFFERED A REWARD OF \$25,000 FOR THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE HIJACKER.

[REDACTED] ALSO TOLD HIM THE REWARD WOULD REMAIN VALID THROUGH

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DECEMBER 31, 1976. [ ] ALSO ADVISED [ ] IN THIS LETTER TO CONTACT THE FBI IN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, WITH ANY INFORMATION HE HAS.

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PORTLAND AT [ ] OREGON, WILL CONTACT [ ] TO DETERMINE ANY INFORMATION HE HAS REGARDING NORJAK.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

DATE: 8/4/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 7/30/76, [redacted]  
[redacted] Portland, was telephonically advised that based on  
[redacted] an investigation had been completed  
regarding [redacted] as a possible suspect in this matter.  
She was advised that the results indicate that [redacted] is not  
identical to the unknown subject.

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She was told she was being given this information  
[redacted] in the matter and because  
[redacted] source of the information concerning  
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She was furnished only the above information and  
neither [redacted]  
[redacted] were discussed or made known  
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No further information was given to her because of  
the Privacy Act as it relates to [redacted]

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Date: AUGUST 2, 1976

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Via TELETYPE NITEL  
(Precedence)

TO: MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 11:00pm MRH  
SEATTLE (164-81) 9:22p BTM  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

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RE SUSPECT [redacted] (SUGGESTED BY COMPLAINANT  
[redacted])

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RE MINNEAPOLIS NITEL TO PORTLAND AND SEATTLE,  
JULY 29, 1976.

COMPLAINANT [redacted] OREGON, INTER-  
VIEWED JULY 30, 1976, IDENTIFIED [redacted]  
[redacted] OREGON, [redacted]

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[redacted] OREGON [redacted] AS POSSIBLE  
SUSPECT HE HAS IN MIND AS SET FORTH IN HIS LETTER TO  
VICTIM AIRLINE. [redacted] REASONS FOR SUSPECTING [redacted] ARE  
VERY GENERAL, AND HE HAS NO EVIDENCE LINKING [redacted] WITH  
THIS MATTER.

PORTLAND IS CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION TO FULLY IDENTIFY  
[redacted] AND RESOLVE POSSIBILITY OF INVOLVEMENT IN THIS MATTER.

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Approved: Jwo  
Special Agent in Charge

See Above Per JMB

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Date: 8/4/76

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Precedence)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

For information Bureau and Seattle, captioned individual has been suggested by [redacted] as a possible suspect in this matter. Investigation by Portland appears to eliminate [redacted] However, in view of [redacted] source of lead, the following lead is set forth:

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

Compare fingerprints of [redacted] WMA, DOB [redacted] POB [redacted] Oregon, 6'0", [redacted] pounds, brown hair and eyes, [redacted] residence [redacted] Oregon, with the unidentified latents in this matter.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

## REPORT

of the

## IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

### LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION



YOUR FILE NO. 164-41  
FBI FILE NO. 164-2111  
LATENT CASE NO. A-45410

August 3, 1976

TO: SAC, Portland

RE: NORJAK

REFERENCE: Letter 7-16-76  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Portland  
SPECIMENS:

The previously reported latent prints, remaining unidentified in this case, are not identical with the fingerprints of Marion Henry Mooney, born November 15, 1913 in Leona, Oregon, Army serial #39305403. No palm prints are available here for this individual for comparison with the previously reported latent palm prints and latent impression in this case.

2 - Seattle (164-81)

*Clarence M. Kelley*  
Clarence M. Kelley, Director

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Date of transcription 7/27/76

[redacted] residence address [redacted]  
[redacted] Oregon, furnished the following information:

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[redacted] was advised by Special Agent [redacted]  
[redacted] of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that the  
purpose of the interview was regarding an allegation that  
[redacted] the individual known as D. B. COOPER.

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[redacted] advised he was not the individual known  
as D. B. COOPER, nor was he responsible for the hijacking  
of any aircraft. [redacted] stated he could not recall exactly  
what he was doing on November 24, 1971, and further stated  
he believed he was residing at the time somewhere in the  
State of Oregon, however, the exact location unknown.

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[redacted] stated that in 1971, he was [redacted]  
[redacted] and in no way was in need of  
any monies. [redacted] further stated he has never smoked  
cigarettes [redacted]  
[redacted] further stated he is currently  
[redacted]  
[redacted] further stated he  
did not smoke in 1971.

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It was noted during the interview that [redacted]  
shows very little resemblance to the composite drawing of  
the individual known as D. B. COOPER, and it was not felt  
that he was identical with this individual.

The following descriptive information regarding  
[redacted] was obtained through observation and  
interview:

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Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of birth	[redacted]
Place of birth	[redacted]
Height	6'0"
Weight	[redacted] (in 1971 weight approximately [redacted] pounds)

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Interviewed on 7/19/76 at [redacted] Oregon File # PD 164-41-513

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by SA [redacted] jtl Date dictated 7/21/76

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Hair

Brown, slightly receding, parted  
on left side.

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Eyes  
Complexion  
Tattoos  
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Date of transcription 8/9/76

[redacted] Oregon, voluntarily appeared at the Portland FBI Office. He advised he had received a telephone call that date from [redacted] who stated [redacted]

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investigated by the FBI [redacted] in the hijacking of the Northwest Airlines flight 305 on November 24, 1971, and [redacted]

[redacted] he had no knowledge of the hijacking and did not [redacted] concerning it or anything else, inasmuch as [redacted]

SA [redacted] advised [redacted] of the general provisions of the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act.

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[redacted] stated he is quite concerned that any public release of information relating to [redacted] will jeopardize his right to privacy. He pointed out that he had cooperated fully in the investigation [redacted] that he feels [redacted] published artist's conception of the hijacker, and that [redacted] to [redacted] disguise or hide.

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Interviewed on 8/2/76 at Portland, Oregon File # PD 164-41-1546

by SA [redacted] SA [redacted] RPH:jtl Date dictated 8/3/76

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 8/19/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re memo of SA [redacted] 8/4/76.

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On 8/6/76, [redacted]  
[redacted] Portland, was telephonically contacted by SA [redacted]  
[redacted]

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This contact was precipitated after it was determined that SA [redacted] had inadvertently furnished incorrect information to [redacted] during a conversation which occurred on 7/30/76 pertaining to [redacted]

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While the results of the investigation as pertains to [redacted] were not discussed during the conversation of 7/30/76, there were comments during the conversation referring to the description of [redacted] being similar to that of unsub D. B. COOPER except [redacted] than the unsub. At the time of the conversation, SA [redacted] was under the impression that [redacted] After discussing this matter with the case AGent, it became apparent that there was a discrepancy and that in actuality, [redacted] [redacted] was then recontacted to rectify this point.

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[redacted] stated on 8/6/76 that although [redacted] [redacted] is not identical to D. B. COOPER, [redacted] [redacted] been investigated by the FBI."

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



## REPORT

of the

## IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

### LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 164-41  
FBI FILE NO. 164-2111  
LATENT CASE NO. A-45410

August 20, 1976

TO: SAC, Portland

RE: NORJAK

REFERENCE: Airtel 8/4/76  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Portland  
SPECIMENS:

Eight latent fingerprints from tips, sides, and lower joint areas of fingers, and one latent impression, which is either a fingerprint or partial palm print, previously reported this case were compared comparable areas available fingerprints of [redacted] but no identification was effected. Major case prints of [redacted] are necessary for conclusive comparisons with these latent prints and for comparison with the previously reported latent palm prints. Remaining previously reported latent fingerprints are not identical with the fingerprints of [redacted]

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*Clarence M. Kelley*  
Clarence M. Kelley, Director

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Date of transcription August 23, 1976

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MARION HENRY MOONEY, who resides at Route 1, Box 140, 4855 Jasper Road, was contacted and advised of the identities of SA [redacted] and SA [redacted]. MOONEY furnished the following:

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He is a self-employed individual, who for many years has been cutting Christmas trees and speculating in land investments.

Mr. MOONEY advised that in November, 1971, he and his wife and children were residing at Route 8, Box 360, Pleasant Hill, Oregon. Mr. MOONEY stated that he recalled that during Thanksgiving evening and Thanksgiving day, 1971, he was at home at his address in Pleasant Hill, Oregon, due to the fact that this was his busy season for cutting Christmas trees, and he was quite busy during that time with his business. Mr. MOONEY further advised that he has never flown in commercial airliners, and that the only time he has ever flown is in private planes on a few occasions around the State of Oregon. MOONEY advised that he did not take any commercial plane flights during the Thanksgiving holidays in 1971 or at any other time.

MOONEY advised that he was in the U. S. Armored Infantry from January 5, 1941, through November, 1944, and that his service number was 39305403.

It was noted at that time that MOONEY's right front tooth was surrounded by a gold filling, and he advised that he had the dental work done on his right front tooth approximately 15 years ago.

Mr. MOONEY advised that he was aware of the case involving the individual known as D. B. COOPER, who hijacked an airliner and received a large sum of money and subsequently bailed out of the plane he hijacked. Mr. MOONEY stated that he could provide no information regarding that incident, nor did he have any information as to the identity of the individual known as D. B. COOPER.

At this time MOONEY was asked if he would consent to being photographed by the interviewing Agents. MOONEY

Interviewed on 8/19/76 at Springfield, Oregon File # SE 164-81  
PD 164-41-1549

by SA [redacted] PRK:lan Date dictated 8/19/76

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advised that he has never been in any trouble in all of his life and was willing to cooperate in the fullest with the FBI and would consent to be photographed at that time. At this time SA [redacted] photographed MARION HENRY MOONEY.

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The following description of MOONEY was obtained from observation and interview:

Name	MARION HENRY MOONEY
Date of birth	November 15, 1913
Place of birth	Leona, Oregon
Height	6'
Weight	175 pounds
Eyes	Blue
Hair	White - black streaks
Social Security Account Number	544-01-9080
Scars and marks	6" scar on right knee
Peculiarities	Large nose



SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

8/27/76

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

Re Portland letter to Bureau, 7/16/76; and FBI  
Identification letter to Portland and Seattle, 8/3/76.

Enclosed for Seattle is the original and two  
copies of an FD-302 reflecting results of interview of  
MARION HENRY MOONEY at Springfield, Oregon.

For the information of Seattle, MARION HENRY MOONEY,  
Route 1, Box 140, Springfield, Oregon, was interviewed by  
BuAgents on 8/19/76, and at that time, after a physical  
observation of MOONEY, it was determined he has a very  
prominent nose and a gold front tooth. It was determined  
that MOONEY does not appear to be identical to the unknown  
subject of this case known as D. B. COOPER. In view of  
the above, no further investigation is being conducted in  
regards to MOONEY.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/30/76

On August 25, 1976, [redacted] of Royal Globe Insurance Company, 150 William Street, New York City, was contacted at his place of employment. He furnished an anonymous letter which was received by Royal Globe Insurance on August 20, 1976, wherein the writer alleges to know the identity of D. B. COOPER, hijacker of Northwest Airlines Flight 305 on November 24, 1971. Attached to the letter was a newspaper clipping from the January 26, 1975 edition of the Register-Guard, Eugene, Oregon.

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[redacted] stated that Royal Globe was the insuring agent for Northwest Airlines and paid out \$100,000 in this matter.

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Interviewed on 8/25/76 at New York, New York File # NY 164-627

by SA [redacted] jmj Date dictated 8/30/76

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8-26-76

Sir.

Can you send me some information on this Cooper who bailed out of an airplane some place between Oregon & Idaho with all that money a few years ago? Also, can you tell me when this so called "big foot" was first seen and where at. do you have a date on both of these!

My reason for this is i believe they are one of the same. if you would think about it long enough it could very well be. I dont know of any one who has ever been in range of it for a true answer.

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Thank you

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Crown Plaza Building  
Portland, Oregon

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# Judges feel bill scants Lane courts

Two bills introduced in the Legislature would give Lane County one additional Circuit Court judge and one more District Court judge — but that's fewer than Lane Courts feel they need.

Sponsored by the Oregon State Bar Assn. HB 2221 would add one new circuit judge each to Lane, Marion and Clackamas counties, and provide an additional circuit judge for the district made up of Crook, Deschutes, Gilliam, Grant, Jefferson and Wheeler counties.

HB 2216 would provide one district

# Hijack loss ruled insured

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — The Minnesota Supreme Court has ruled that an insurance company must reimburse Northwest Airlines for \$180,000 of the \$200,000 lost in the "D. B. Cooper" hijacking in 1971.

The company carried a "blanket crime policy" with Globe Indemnity Co., New York, with a \$20,000 deductible.

A passenger identified as D. B. Cooper hijacked Northwest Flight 105 on Nov. 24, 1971, threatening to blow up the plane unless he was given \$200,000 and a parachute.

The money was furnished at Seattle, Wash., and Cooper apparently parachuted from a rear door of the plane between Seattle and Portland. Neither Cooper nor the money has been located.

One portion of the insurance policy covered loss of

money within the company premises or while being conveyed by a messenger.

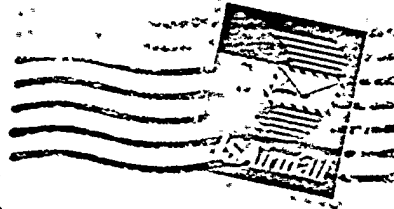
The insurance company argued that its policy was intended to cover funds from ticket sales and other money normally in company coffers, not money borrowed to meet a threat. The airline borrowed the \$200,000 from a Seattle bank.

The court held that extortion was covered by the broad language of the policy and that the plane was part of the airline "premises."

Writing for the court, Justice Lawrence Yetka said that even though hijacking was not envisioned, it is covered since it was not specifically excluded by the insurer.

Yetka said it is a "well settled" rule of law that ambiguous language in an insurance policy will be strictly construed in favor of the insured party.

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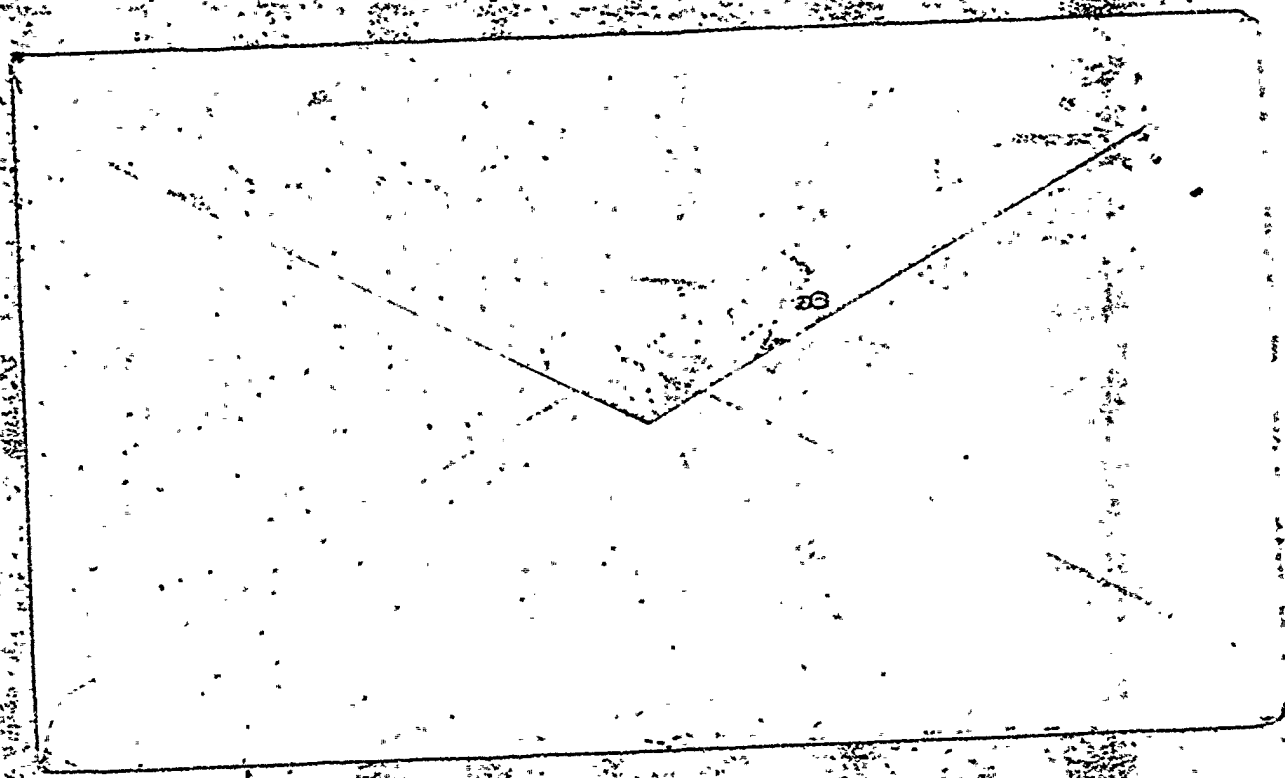
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7/30/76.

If you, at this late date, are still interested to find "D.B. Cooper", he is Marion Mooney and lives at Rt. 1, Box 140 on Jasper Road, Springfield, Ore. He has [redacted] living in [redacted]

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[redacted] is supposed to live in [redacted] Ore. When he parachuted with the loot, he came down East of [redacted] area and had an arm and/or leg injured and was nursed back to health by [redacted] of [redacted] Ore. [redacted] this present home which was [redacted]

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[redacted] place from his allegedly deceased [redacted] who was not buried but merely plaid "possum". What was in the coffin was not a man but a wax effigy. [redacted] seen him with [redacted] as late as 4/7/73 and 12/25/73, respectively. And he allegedly "died" on 9/19/72. ( By the way, another man, 31 years old "died" in the same manner with the same circumstances. His name is [redacted] Ore, who [redacted] since he was knee-high to a grass-hopper but is now [redacted] Imagine my shock when I saw him on the [redacted] on [redacted] Street only recently. [redacted]

[redacted] members of the West Coast Syndicat So is a another [redacted] I believe. [redacted] who deals in [redacted] who moved to [redacted] before the disappearance of [redacted] Ore.

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Mooney himself came here [redacted]

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[redacted] Ore.

He and [redacted] Washington, D.C. [redacted] is going to move to [redacted] where he will live in a home with Swimming pool.

During the(not too long ago ) Canadian multi-million dollar robbery in Ontario ( I believe, There was an unusual amount of activity that was indeed suspicious, [redacted] but I can not prove anything definite.

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In my opinion, however, his ( Mooney's ) Fingerprints in his army-records will prove to be the same as D.B.Cooper's. [redacted] intensely interested in parachuting and flying, [redacted] in the Air-force, though [redacted] tha

in Eugene

I have gone to the FBI with a lot more information than I am giving here but have the feeling they are not interested enough to put much stock in my story and probably consider the case closed.

I am not going to give up though, until I find somebody who is willing to listen to me, if it's the last thing I do. For I am sure Mooney is their man as I am sure that this is a typewriter I am writing this on. Someday the truth will come out and my story will be vindicated because I know I am telling the truth. I could tell a lot more about the set-up and workings of the Syndicate and who the members are than I have let on so far. But [redacted] here at home and

[redacted] on Main Street and [redacted] when I was still driving a car - so, I may not live long enough to tell much more. Let me just say here now that in spite of their nice smiles, Mooney and cohorts are brutal, cruel and a menace to society to whom the lives of their ~~friends~~ enemies and those who "know too much", whether they are partners or not, do not mean anything. There's entirely too much shooting going on in and around the "Nest", which includes and area of I don't know how many miles around [redacted]. It stretches half across the country in all directions. The "Syndicate" enjoys the protection of all local law-enforcement agencies around here and has members in the police forces as spies and protectors, one of which is

[redacted] capos in the Syndicate but may not be [redacted] any longer and may have retired [redacted]

I can't tell you my name. If I would, my life wouldn't be worth two cents. I may not even be found dead but simply disappear without a trace, buried in a gravel quarry or in a 30-ft. deep watery grave with a cement block tied to my bones, ~~wash~~ in a nearby [redacted] [redacted] just as others have disappeared here, over the years.

Thank you for listening. Believe me, I have told you the truth and know what I am talking about.

8/31/76

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: ADIC, NEW YORK (164-627)

*Ru(c)*

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Hijacking of Northwest Airlines Flight 305, 11/24/71; CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT - HIJACKING (OO:SE)

Enclosed for information of Seattle is the original and three copies of an FD-302 reflecting contact with [redacted] Royal Globe Insurance Company. Also enclosed is one copy of a newspaper clipping from the Register-Guard, Eugene, Oregon, dated 1/26/76, and an anonymous letter dated 7/30/76, which was received at the Royal Globe Insurance Company, 150 William Street, New York, New York.

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Enclosed for information of Portland are four copies of an FD-302 reflecting contact with [redacted] Royal Globe Insurance Company. Also enclosed is one copy of a newspaper clipping from the Register-Guard, Eugene, Oregon, dated 1/26/76, and an anonymous letter dated 7/30/76, which was received at the Royal Globe Insurance Company, 150 William Street, New York, New York.

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Anonymous writer purports to know identity of "D. B. COOPER", hijacker of Northwest Airlines Flight 305 on 11/24/71.

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- 1 - New York

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Writer states that he has been in contact with the FBI, Eugene, Oregon. In view of this fact, Portland will evaluate contents of letter and determine if any investigation is warranted.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

DATE: 9/16/76

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

RE:

Re Portland letter to Seattle dated 4/14/76.

Referenced communication set forth lead for the Portland Division to conduct an investigation at  Oregon. To date Seattle has not received results of that investigation. Portland is requested to forward Seattle results of investigation at  Oregon.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 9/23/76

[redacted]  
Oregon, advised that while coyote hunting in eastern Oregon on August 29, 1976, he found a white parachute with the rigging having been cut off of same. The parachute was located in Warner Valley at the northwest corner of Hooker Jim Ridge on Hart Mountain.

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[redacted] made available the parachute and stated that when the FBI has completed their investigation, he would like to have it back.

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Examination of the aforementioned parachute disclosed that it has serial no. 63-1570 and the date of manufacturing is June, 1963.

Interviewed on 9/9/76 at [redacted] Oregon File # PD 164-41-1557  
by SA [redacted] cam Date dictated 9/16/76

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10/1/76

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BuFile: 164-2111

For information of Seattle,   
 Oregon, has made available to  
Portland a white nylon parachute canopy he found in Warner  
Valley, at the Northwest corner of Hooker Jim Ridge on  
Hart Mountain in eastern Oregon on 8/29/76. This canopy  
which had no shroud lines, harness, or cover, bore Serial  
No. 63-1570 and date of manufacture of June, 1963.

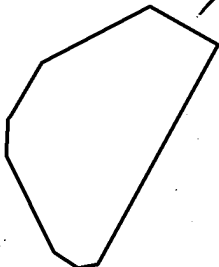
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Seattle is requested to advise whether this  
parachute can be eliminated as possibly involved in captioned  
hijacking based on above information.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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2 - Portland

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DB Cooper-1268

164-41-1558



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, MOBILE

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BuFile (164-2111)

DATE: 10/4/76

Re [redacted]

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Re Portland letter to Seattle dated 4/14/76.

On 5/10/76, [redacted]

[redacted] Oregon, advised SA JERRY G. WILSON that the [redacted] was scheduled to open within [redacted]. However, [redacted] felt certain that [redacted] would not be [redacted].

[redacted] stated that he heard [redacted] approximately [redacted] previously at which time [redacted] stated he was in the State of Florida, and was going to work for [redacted] that is going to [redacted].

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[redacted] explained [redacted] is going to be the [redacted] and will be traveling to various [redacted] on the [redacted] during the summer of [redacted] the [redacted].

[redacted] stated that [redacted] come to the [redacted] How-  
ever [redacted] that would not be necessary. [redacted] stated that [redacted] in his letter to him indicated that he would be coming to the [redacted] Oregon, area.

After negative attempts on 6/10 and 6/18/76, SA [redacted] contacted [redacted]

[redacted] at [redacted] Oregon. [redacted] advised that [redacted] currently resides in [redacted] where he has P. O. Box [redacted] and can also be reached through telephone number [redacted]. [redacted] believes that [redacted] is employed by [redacted] (phonetic) a firm which [redacted] went to [redacted] where these [redacted] and should be back [redacted] in approximately [redacted] or in the immediate future.

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  - 2 - Seattle (164-81)
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- RPH:egc  
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[redacted] understands that after returning from [redacted] will be [redacted] approximately [redacted] and will then travel [redacted] equipment. [redacted] understands that [redacted] will be traveling [redacted] the company.

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For information of Mobile and by way of background, [redacted] has been suggested as a possible suspect in the NORJAK investigation due to an alleged physical resemblance to Unsub.

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LEADS

MOBILE

AT [redacted] ALABAMA. Will locate [redacted] P. O. Box [redacted] telephone number [redacted] or through [redacted] and interview him as a possible suspect in this matter. Will obtain complete physical description and photograph of [redacted] Will determine his whereabouts on 11/24/71, and if appropriate attempt to verify same.

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Date: 10/6/76

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
Bufile: 164-2111

Re: UNSUB;  
PARACHUTE FOUND BY [REDACTED]

Re Portland airtel to Seattle, 10/1/76.

The information contained in re communication is insufficient to make a determination as to whether the parachute found by [REDACTED] is identical to the one used by unsub in this matter. Portland is requested to measure the canopy to determine its diameter and to forward to Seattle a small piece of the canopy.

In addition, Portland is requested to furnish to Seattle any additional copies of the ransom list that Portland may possess in view of the fact that Seattle has completely exhausted its supply of this list.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

10/19/76

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

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METHOD OF PAYMENT REG AM

NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BuFile 164-2111

Re Parachute found by

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Re Seattle airtel to Portland, 10/6/76.

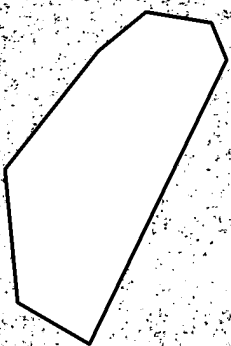
Being transmitted to Seattle separately by registered parcel post is the parachute canopy furnished Portland by  Also in package is half of Portland's remaining supply of copies of the ransom list in this matter.

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Upon completion of examination of parachute by Seattle, it should be returned to Portland for return to the contributor if not identical with parachute used by Unsub.

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Date: 10/19/76

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
(ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION)  
  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)  
  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

For the information of the Bureau and Seattle,  
[redacted] Oregon, tele-  
phone [redacted] appeared at the Eugene Resident Agency on  
10/15/76, advising that in the early 1960's [redacted]  
whom he would not identify, [redacted] individual named [redacted]  
[redacted] described [redacted] as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Height	5'10"
Build	Slight
Weight	155-165 pounds
Age	Mid-40's
Hair	[redacted]
Eyes	[redacted]
Clothing	Wears suits and leisure suits
Characteristics	Soft spoken, always wears sunglasses

[redacted] stated that at the time the airline was hijacked by an individual named D. B. COOPER, he and [redacted] had been residing in [redacted] noticed a striking similarity between the individual depicted in the artist conception photograph which they had observed in the local

- 3- Bureau
- 2- Seattle (164-81)
- 3- Portland

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[redacted] lead to [redacted] *[signature]*  
c/A [redacted] 164-41-1562

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newspaper and [redacted] stated that he and [redacted] thought for a while of contacting authorities regarding the close similarity between [redacted] and the artist conception photograph, however, have never contacted any agency regarding this matter.

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[redacted] stated that at the current time [redacted] in Seattle, Washington, and he has recently [redacted] While there, there was a lengthy story in the Seattle newspaper describing the events of the hijacking by D. B. COOPER, and once again, the artist conception photograph was in the newspaper. Both [redacted] [redacted] remarked on the close similarity between the artist conception photograph and [redacted] [redacted] does not want to become involved in this matter, and therefore, he decided to furnish the information to the FBI.

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[redacted] stated that while in [redacted] [redacted] was [redacted] which was an [redacted] Oregon area. He stated that this company was associated with [redacted] [redacted] however, it is no longer in business in this area.

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[redacted] further stated that sometime in the late 1960's [redacted] moved from the area, and he believes that he moved back to Portland, Oregon, where he [redacted] [redacted] advised that he believes that [redacted] is [redacted] in the Portland, Oregon area with [redacted] [redacted] could furnish no information regarding [redacted]

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[redacted] further stated that he had recently con-  
tacted [redacted]  
who is retired [redacted]  
[redacted] that approximately [redacted] ago, while  
[redacted] he saw [redacted] did not  
say what [redacted] or any other information  
regarding him.

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[redacted] stated that he would attempt to obtain some photographs of [redacted] and would furnish them to the FBI.

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On 10/15/76, the records of the Area Information Records System (AIRS), the computerized recordkeeping system for all law enforcement agencies in Lane County, Oregon, were examined, and no record for [redacted] could be found.

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On 10/15/76, the Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles advised via State Teletype that [redacted] with an address of [redacted] Portland, Oregon, was issued Oregon license [redacted]. This license expired on [redacted] is described as DOB [redacted] 5'11", 165 pounds.

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On 10/15/76, the Washington Department of Motor Vehicles, Olympia, Washington, advised via State Teletype that their records revealed that [redacted] was issued Washington driver's license [redacted] is described as DOB [redacted] 5'11", 165 pounds. This license expires in [redacted] address is listed as [redacted] Washington [redacted]

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#### REQUEST OF THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

The Identification Division is requested to determine if there is any identification record for [redacted] DOB [redacted] and if so, will compare his fingerprints with all latent prints developed in this case.

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#### LEADS

##### SEATTLE

AT VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON. Will conduct appropriate background investigation regarding [redacted] and will thereafter interview.

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##### PORTLAND

AT [redacted] OREGON. Will maintain contact with [redacted] for all additional information, and attempt to obtain photographs of [redacted]

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON. Will conduct all appropriate agency checks for [redacted] in an effort to determine his whereabouts in November, 1971.

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10/29/76

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MOBILE

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

Re Portland airtel to Mobile, 10/4/76.

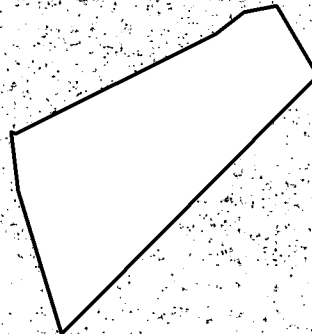
Mobile discontinued. Suspect   
located at  Oregon, and interviewed by Portland  
and eliminated as suspect in this matter.

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- 2 - Seattle (164-81)
- ② - Portland

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC PORTLAND 164-41

DATE: 10/29/76

FROM : SPC [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK; POSSIBLE SUSPECT  
OO: PORTLAND

At 5:35 instant date writer was telephonically contacted by [redacted] tel [redacted] (work [redacted] Oregon who related the following.

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[redacted] believes that a [redacted] Oregon, may possibly be D B Cooper subject of captioned case. [redacted] gave a description of [redacted] as follows; Slender partly bald, 5"8" to 5"9", dark medium length hair, fair complexion.

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[redacted] stated that he has [redacted] and has come to know him well. In a conversation with [redacted] said to [redacted]

[redacted] also advised that [redacted] worked at [redacted] in Portland for [redacted] moved to [redacted] about the time the NORJAK incident happened. [redacted] is known to carry lots of money [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] looks identical to the artists conception on D B Cooper when [redacted] wears sunglasses.

Writer advised [redacted] that he would be contacted by the FBI in the near future regarding above matter.

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Indices negative regarding [redacted]

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[redacted] [signature]

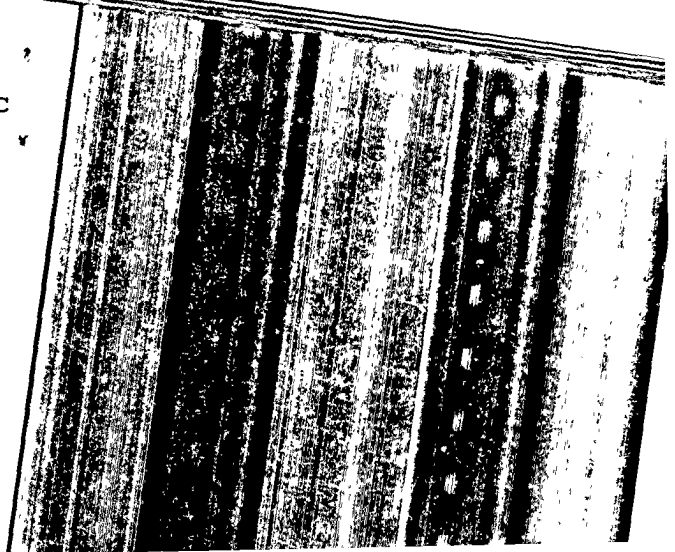
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DB Cooper-1278

Dear Julius Mattson,  
My name is [redacted]

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[redacted] just read an account of D. B. Coopers hijack and to find its unsolved I have a very logical solution.

It goes like this: At 7:50 P.M. on Nov. 24 1971 D. B. opened the rear boarding door part way, waiting, watching for his accomplice to come in the helicopter specially chosen because the sound of the engine can be turned off. Then at approximately 8:09 D. B. saw the copter coming opened the rear ramp all the way open and now the copter flew almost all the way into the plane, picked up D. B. and flew off to a wonderful, and glorious ending. Thanks for your giving.

Please write and tell me what you think.

Thank You,

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[redacted] DB Cooper-1279



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Julius Mattson  
F. B. I.  
Portland Oregon

DB Cooper-1280

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DB Cooper-1281

11/3/76

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, SAN DIEGO  
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (164-34) (RUC)  
RE: NORJAK  
(OO: SEATTLE)  
BUFILE 164-2111

RE: [redacted]

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Re Portland letter to Mobile, 10/4/76 and  
Seattle report of SA [redacted] 5/30/73.

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Enclosed for San Diego is a copy of re  
Portland letter.

On 11/1/76, [redacted]  
[redacted] Alabama,  
advised as follows:

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[redacted] is employed by  
[redacted]  
[redacted] can be reached through  
[redacted]  
California, [redacted] telephone number [redacted]

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LEAD:

SAN DIEGO DIVISION

AT [redacted] CALIFORNIA

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Will locate and interview [redacted] in accordance with lead set forth in referenced Portland letter.

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It is suggested that referenced report be referred to prior to interview with [redacted] and "Investigation Steps To Process Norjak Suspects" on cover pages be reviewed.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

## REPORT

of the

## IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

### LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION



YOUR FILE NO. 164-41  
FBI FILE NO. 164-2111  
LATENT CASE NO. A-45410

November 4, 1976

TO: SAC, Portland

RE: NORJAK

REFERENCE: Airtel 10/19/76  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Portland  
SPECIMENS:

The latent impressions previously reported in this case are not identical with available fingerprints of [redacted]

[redacted] born [redacted]  
[redacted] and [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Since some of the latent prints previously reported are sides and tips of fingers and palm prints, major case prints are necessary for conclusive comparisons.

A search conducted through our name indices does not disclose any criminal identification record for [redacted]

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2 - Seattle (164-81)

Assistant Director, Identification Division



FBI

Date: 11/10/76

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Precedence)

TO: SAC, SAN DIEGO  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BuFile 164-2111

Re Mobile airtel to San Diego, 11/3/76.

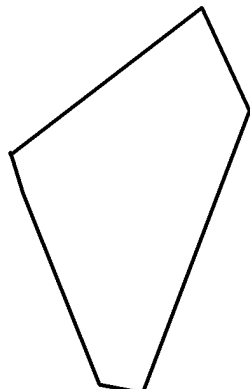
San Diego discontinue. Suspect [redacted] located and eliminated as suspect this matter by Portland at [redacted] Oregon.

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- 2 - San Diego
- 2 - Seattle (164-81)
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Special Agent in Charge

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FBI

Date: 11/12/76

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Precedence)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BuFile 164-2111

UNIDENTIFIED SUSPECT SUGGESTED BY  
COMPLAINANT [redacted] WASHINGTON

On 11/9/76, [redacted]  
[redacted] Washington, telephone [redacted] telephonically  
contacted the Portland Office.

[redacted] stated that for several years he has had  
an individual in mind who may be identical with Unsub.  
He stated that he was very reluctant to reveal the identity  
of the suspect because of [redacted]

[redacted] advised among his reasons for suspecting  
this individual are that the suspect has [redacted]  
[redacted] fits the published description of the hijacker,  
and resembles the artist's conception published in the newspapers.

[redacted] was interested in knowing whether a reward  
is still available for the identification and apprehension  
of Unsub. He advised that he was unwilling to reveal the  
identity of his suspect just at this time but would be willing  
to talk with an agent about it. He said he is [redacted]  
[redacted] Washington.

On 11/10/76, [redacted]  
[redacted] confidentially  
advised he had been contacted by telephone by [redacted]  
was interested in knowing whether a reward was offered

2 - Seattle  
2 - Portland

Approved: RPH  
RPH: lbn Special Agent in Charge  
(4) lln

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[redacted] in this matter and stated to [redacted] he was afraid if he furnished information concerning a suspect to the FBI, the FBI would cheat him out of the reward money. [redacted] stated he got the impression from conversation with [redacted]

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LEAD

SEATTLE

AT [redacted] WASHINGTON. Will contact [redacted] [redacted] telephone [redacted] for the identity of his suspect in this matter. In view of [redacted] statement that he is frequently away, it is suggested he be contacted by telephone first.

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FBI

Date: 11/10/76

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO : SAC, SAN DIEGO (164-91)

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

RE:

Re Mobile airtel to San Diego, dated 11/3/76;  
Portland airtel to Mobile, dated 10/29/76.

San Diego discontinue. Subject   
located at  Oregon, and interviewed by Portland,  
and eliminated as suspect in this matter.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- 2 - San Diego
  - 1 - Portland (164-41)
  - 3 - Seattle
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Special Agent in Charge

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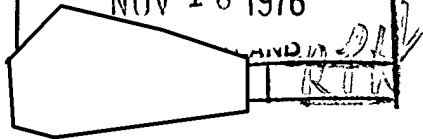
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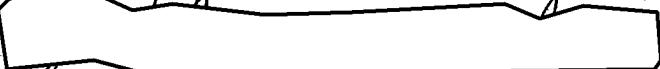
Sirs. am writing you in regards to the Hijacking of a plane approx 7 1/2 years ago. at Seattle. and a payment of \$500,000 which has never been found. - was the man that did that job.

The time is almost up you know. If you are interested maybe I can help you.

If the money hid in tree or swamps I can locate it if some one has found and did not turn it in. I think I can locate it but it would take a search warrant to take it and if the person that Hijacked it is alive I can locate him and if he is dead I can do likewise.

If I can get a certain thing so if interested call me at [redacted] any  
time between [redacted] [redacted] b6  
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between [redacted] in Oregon or if

calling from out of state at would  
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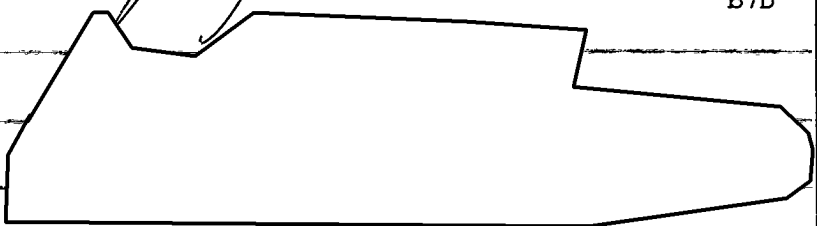
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I don't want my name used if  
I locate it or not.

so help me to help you  
so if interested call it sure  
will do you good.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
F.B.I.  
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Portland  
Oregon 97207

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, INDIANAPOLIS

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BUfile 164-2111

DATE: 11/19/76

Re report made by SA [redacted] 5/30/73,  
at Seattle.

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On 11/5/76, the following quoted anonymous letter, hand printed in ball point pen, on plain white paper was received at the Portland Office, addressed to former SAC JULIUS MATTSON:

"I think I saw a man that resembles this picture. told this man was called. [redacted]

[redacted] Wears an [redacted] Wears aviator's glasses, rumored he is [redacted] has unlimited use of [redacted] reported living [redacted] [redacted] Indiana, west, near [redacted]"

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The writer enclosed a clipping from the Chicago Tribune, Sunday, November 24, 1974, captioned "D. B. COOPER, \$200,000 Leap Still a Mystery." The clipping contained a copy of the 1971 FBI composite sketch of the hijacker.

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INDIANAPOLIS

AT [redacted] INDIANA Will conduct appropriate investigation to locate, identify and eliminate the individual described in this anonymous letter.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

- 2- Seattle (164-81)
- 2 - Indianapolis
- 1 - Portland

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[redacted] *RPH*

164-41-1576

[redacted]



SAC, PORTLAND (80-501-Sub 1)(P)

11/18/76

SA [REDACTED]

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**MEDIA RELATIONS**

In anticipation of news inquiries concerning NORJAK, Portland file 164-41, [REDACTED] Public Information Officer, Internal Revenue Service, Portland, Oregon, was contacted by SA [REDACTED] and requested to furnish information as to the tax liability of anyone claiming to be D. B. COOPER after 11/24/76. It is commonly known that the Statute of Limitations in this particular matter is expected to run on 11/24/76, the fifth anniversary of the crime.

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On 11/8/76, [REDACTED] furnished the following information which would apply to anyone coming forth and stating that they, in effect, were D. B. COOPER.

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The original amount received in the extortion was \$200,000. The adjusted gross income for the year 1971 would be \$197,825.00. The tax liability on the first \$100,000 of this amount would be \$53,090.00. The tax liability on the remaining \$97,825.00 would be \$68,478.00 for a total tax liability for 1971 of \$121,568.00.

In addition to the above, the penalty for not having paid an estimated income tax withholding for the last quarter of 1971 would be \$1,459.00. The penalty for failure to pay this estimated tax withholding would be \$27,352.00.

Since the extortionist did not file a return for the year 1971, the penalty for failure to file would be \$30,392.00.

The interest on the above taxes and penalties as of 11/24/76, will be \$36,752.00.

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(1-164-41)

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DB Cooper-1299

PD 80-501-Sub 1

The total taxes owed by any individual who should come forward and state that they are D. B. COOPER after 11/24/76, would be \$217,523.00. This amount would continue to grow at interest.

In addition to the taxes and penalties owed, there is a possible civil penalty which can run as much as 50% of the original taxes owed or approximately \$60,000.00.

stated that the above information could be furnished to the media and that he will confirm the information in writing at a later date.

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Date: NOVEMBER 24, 1976

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Via \_\_\_\_\_  
(Precedence)

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FR PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111) PRIORITY 11:13p

SEATTLE (164-81) PRIORITY 12:26 A 11-25-76

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NORJAK; OO: SEATTLE

FOR INFORMATION BUREAU AND SEATTLE, U. S. GRAND JURY,  
PORTLAND, OREGON, RETURNED INDICTMENT APPROXIMATELY 5 P.M.,  
NOVEMBER 24, 1976, CHARGING UNSUB AS "JOHN DOE, ALSO KNOWN  
AS DAN COOPER AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BELOW."

INDICTMENT CHARGED TWO COUNTS, COUNT ONE BEING AIR PIRACY  
AND COUNT TWO BEING HOBBS ACT, EXTORTION. BOND FIXED AT  
\$500,000. WARRANT REQUESTED BY AUSA [REDACTED] FOR  
DISTRICT OF OREGON.

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Approved: PHH/WPS  
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
 Portland, Oregon

In Reply, Please Refer to  
 File No.

November 24, 1976

PRESS INQUIRY

Any press inquiries concerning the possible indictment of the man known as D. B. or Dan Cooper are to be referred to the office of the U. S. Attorney, Portland, Oregon.

Any press inquiries concerning a pair of trousers recovered in southern Washington State that may have belonged to Cooper are to be referred to the Seattle Office of the FBI, telephone 206-622-0460.

- 1 - 80-501 Sub 1
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- 1 - 80-9 Sub 1
- 1 - Switchboard

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )  
 )  
 ) Plaintiff, )  
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 ) v. )  
 )  
 ) JOHN DOE, also known as )  
 ) DAN COOPER, and more )  
 ) particularly described )  
 ) below, )  
 )  
 ) Defendant. )

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I N D I C T M E N T

(49 U.S.C. §1301(15) and (34),  
§1472(i) and 18 U.S.C. §1951)

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

COUNT I

On or about the 24th day of November, 1971, in the District of Oregon, JOHN DOE, also known as DAN COOPER, a male Caucasian, age mid-Forties; height 5'10"-6'; weight 170-180 lbs.; physical build average to well built; complexion olive, medium smooth; hair dark brown or black, parted on left, combed back, of greasy appearance; sideburns at low ear level; eyes brown or dark; voice low without particular accent using an intelligent vocabulary; and a heavy smoker of cigarettes, defendant, did knowingly commit and attempt to commit aircraft piracy.



1 within the special aircraft jurisdiction of the United States by seizing  
2 and exercising control by force and violence and by threats of force  
3 and violence and with wrongful intent, of a civil aircraft of the United  
4 States while such aircraft was in flight, that is, a civil aircraft  
5 then being operated by Northwest Orient Airlines as Flight No. 305  
6 between Portland, Oregon, in the District of Oregon, and Seattle-Tacoma  
7 International Airport in the Western District of Washington, all in  
8 violation of Section 902(i) of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958,  
9 49 U.S.C. §1301(15) and (34) and §1472(i).

10 COUNT II

11 On or about the 24th day of November, 1971, in the District  
12 of Oregon, JOHN DOE, also known as DAN COOPER, a male Caucasian, age  
13 mid-Forties; height 5'10"-6'; weight 170-180 lbs.; physical build aver-  
14 age to well built; complexion olive, medium smooth; hair dark brown or  
15 black, parted on left, combed back, of greasy appearance; sideburns at  
16 low ear level; eyes brown or dark; voice low without particular accent  
17 using an intelligent vocabulary; and a heavy smoker of cigarettes,  
18 defendant, did knowingly and wilfully attempt to obstruct, delay and  
19 affect commerce and the movement of articles and commodities in com-  
20 merce, that is, a Boeing 727 three engine jet airliner, aircraft  
21 passengers, their baggage, freight and U.S. Mail, known as and included  
22 within Northwest Orient Airlines Flight No. 305 between Portland,  
23 Oregon, in the District of Oregon, and Seattle-Tacoma International  
24 Airport in the Western District of Washington, by extortion, that is to  
25 say, defendant attempted to obtain and did obtain the sum of \$200,000  
26 in the form of United States currency from and with the consent of

1 Northwest Orient Airlines, such consent induced by a wrongful use of  
2 actual and threatened force, violence and fear in that defendant did,  
3 while on board the aircraft, display to members of the aircraft crew a  
4 device claimed by defendant to be a bomb coupled with defendant's  
5 demand that the sum of \$200,000 be delivered to him in order to assure  
6 the continued safety of the aircraft and its contents, all in violation  
7 of 18 U.S.C. §1951.

8 Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of November, 1976.

9 A TRUE BILL.

10 \_\_\_\_\_  
11 Foreman.

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15 SIDNEY I. LEZAK  
16 United States Attorney  
17 District of Oregon

18 *[Handwritten Signature]*  
19 JACK G. COLLINS  
20 First Assistant United States Attorney

FBI

Date: 11/26/76

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Precedence)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

Re Portland teletype to Bureau, et al, 11/24/76.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau and Seattle is one copy each of the indictment returned 11/24/76, by U. S. Grand Jury, Portland, Oregon, charging Unsub as JOHN DOE, aka DAN COOPER, with violations of Aircraft Piracy and Hobbs Act Statutes.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 1)
- 2 - Seattle (164-81)(Enc. 1)
- 2 - Portland

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Special Agent in Charge

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Sept Nov. 26, 1976

Dear Sir,

I believe that I know who  
Dan Cooper is [redacted]

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[redacted] I am enclosing a  
picture of him. Compare it to the  
printed drawings you have, as you  
can see they do look alike. Compared  
to the FBI similitude, the man [redacted]

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[redacted] the name  
[redacted] but shortly  
after [redacted] found out his  
real name was [redacted]. This  
name may have been false also but  
[redacted] Also the  
man [redacted] was [redacted] and  
knew how to [redacted] during  
the [redacted] He

[redacted] sunglasses and  
wore thick dark frames on the  
kind that fit over regular glasses.  
He was about 6ft. 1in and was  
a little heavy [redacted]

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[redacted] but he could of lost a little  
weight. He was always trying to  
think of ways to get a large  
amount of money without working.  
When [redacted]

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[redacted] fraud for money. His  
voice [redacted] over the left  
side. He could really make people  
like him. [redacted]

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[redacted] He  
was finger pointed at [redacted].  
[redacted] Jail has a record  
on him. [redacted]

The man I knew also likes the  
area where the Don Cooper went  
down in [redacted]

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[redacted] was in the  
area for this purpose. He has  
[redacted] California. somewhere  
around [redacted] California but he  
never [redacted]

I am sorry I haven't wrote sooner.  
I realize he may be far away.  
If you need any more information  
and I can help you I will be  
glad to.

Sincerely  
[redacted]

[redacted]

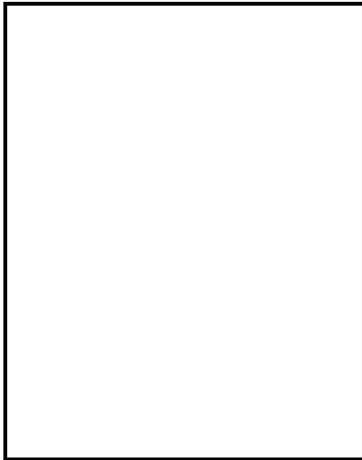
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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland, ~~Washington~~ Oregon

Important D.B. Cooper



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BuFile 164-2111

DATE: 12/3/76

Re: Suspect [redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois

Rerep of SA [redacted] dated 5/30/73, at  
Seattle.

On 12/1/76, source in position to have such information  
advised telephonically that the artist's conception of Unsub  
in this matter very closely resembles a man with [redacted]

[redacted] Source related  
that his suspect is [redacted] who is currently a  
[redacted] Illinois.  
[redacted] present [redacted]  
[redacted] for this [redacted]  
[redacted]

Source related that he recalls that [redacted] was in  
Portland on Thanksgiving Day, 1971, and very strongly resembles  
the artist's conception.

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CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will through the above information  
fully identify suspect [redacted] and conduct appropriate  
investigation under guidelines set forth in referenced report  
to eliminate him.

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- 2 - Seattle (164-81)
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[redacted] *RPH*

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[REDACTED] Oregon, [REDACTED]

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SAC, PORTLAND (80-501 Sub 1)

11/29/76

SA [REDACTED]

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MEDIA RELATIONS

On 11/1/76, [REDACTED] "Portland Daily Journal of Commerce," Portland, Oregon, telephonically inquired as to whether or not he could arrange an appointment to interview the Special Agent responsible for the hijacking of the aircraft in the Portland file referred to as NORJAK. Arrangements were subsequently made for [REDACTED] to meet with SA [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] at the Portland Office on 11/10/76.

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On 11/10/76 [REDACTED] did, in fact, meet with SAs [REDACTED] at which time he conducted an interview of SA [REDACTED] regarding NORJAK. It was obvious that [REDACTED] had prepared himself very well for this interview and he stated it was his intention to publish it in "The Portland Daily Journal of Commerce."

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On 11/15/76, SA [REDACTED] was interviewed by [REDACTED] for KYXI Radio, Oregon City, Oregon. The subject of this interview was the Bureau's continuing investigation into the hijacking of the Northwest Airlines flight in the case entitled NORJAK. [REDACTED] stated he intended to break this interview up into several segments that would be broadcast as a series on KYXI Radio during the Thanksgiving week of 1976.

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FBI

Date: 12/2/76

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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AIRTEL AIRMAIL

Via \_\_\_\_\_  
(Precedence)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE, (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BuFile 164-2111

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Enclosed herewith for Seattle is the original and one Xerox copy of a letter from [redacted] received at the Portland Office, 11/30/76.

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Portland indices are negative regarding [redacted]

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SEATTLE

AT EVERETT, WASHINGTON. Will conduct appropriate investigation to fully identify and eliminate suspect [redacted]

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Special Agent in Charge

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Portland, Oregon

December 3, 1976

[Redacted]

Chicago, Illinois [Redacted]

Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your letter to Special Agent [Redacted] of this office offering your services searching the ground area of Southwest Washington into which hijacker Dan Cooper parachuted on November 24, 1971.

I must tell you that it will not be possible for the FBI to take advantage of your offer of services since there is no authority or funds available for such an arrangement.

I am sorry to have to disappoint you, but I hope you will understand.

Very truly yours,

JOHN G. DEVINE  
Special Agent in Charge

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1-Portland (164-41)  
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Portland, Oregon

December 3, 1976

[Redacted]  
[Redacted] Oregon [Redacted]

Dear [Redacted]

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Thank you for your letter of November 14, 1976, offering your services and assistance in attempting to locate the man known as Dan Cooper, who parachuted from an airliner over Southwest Washington on November 24, 1971, with \$200,000 ransom.

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I must tell you that it will not be possible for the FBI to take advantage of your offer of services inasmuch as no authority exists and there are no funds available for such an arrangement.

I am sorry to have to disappoint you, but I hope you will understand.

Very truly yours

JOHN G. DEVINE  
Special Agent in Charge

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1 - Portland (164-41)  
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FBI

Date: 12/8/76

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Precedence)

TO: SAC, NEW ORLEANS  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BuFile 164-2111

Re report of SA [redacted] dated 5/30/73,  
at Seattle, Washington.

On 12/3/76, [redacted]  
[redacted] Louisiana telephone [redacted] tele-  
phonically contacted SA [redacted] at the Portland  
Office to advise as follows:

A number of years ago [redacted]  
[redacted] the  
FBI. [redacted] She recently  
saw an article concerning captioned hijacking and she believes  
she knows the identity of the individual who committed this  
hijacking. She declined to furnish any information concerning  
the identity of her suspect and she requested that if an Agent  
contacts her to get her information that he not tell [redacted]  
[redacted] Louisiana about any contact  
with her as [redacted] holds a grudge against her.

During this telephone call [redacted] on several  
occasions mentioned [redacted] and inquired  
concerning possible payment to her for information furnished.  
No commitment of any kind was made to her.

Portland indices are negative concerning [redacted]  
[redacted]

- 2 - New Orleans
- 2 - Seattle (164-81)
- 2 - Portland

Approved: *[Signature]*  
Special Agent in Charge

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NEW ORLEANS

AT [REDACTED] LOUISIANA. Will contact [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] for the identity of the suspect she has in mind and will  
thereafter conduct appropriate investigation pursuant to  
guidelines set forth in referenced report to involve or  
eliminate her suspect

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FBI

Date: 12/8/76

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Precedence)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BuFile 164-2111

On 12/7/76, [redacted] Portland, Oregon, advised that on [redacted] the [redacted] area where instant hijacking ended in 1971 [redacted]. While there he talked with a [redacted] and [redacted] developments known to her in the case. [redacted] replied in the negative and then said that [redacted] at telephone number [redacted] contacted a woman at the above number who identified herself as [redacted] and she told him [redacted] Washington. She related that on the night of the hijacking in 1971, [redacted] was at work. During the time [redacted] she heard a low flying jet airplane. She mentioned this to [redacted] along an [redacted] [redacted] had seen a well dressed man walking along the road and thought it strange to see such an individual in that area at that time of the night. [redacted] had not reported this to the authorities and she advised that [redacted] had not even heard about the hijacking for a period of [redacted] after it happened and had felt that law enforcement officers were so busy they would not be interested in this information. [redacted] said he attempted to get in touch with [redacted] report of the incident but had not been able to contact him.

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- ② - Portland

[redacted] *RPR*

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PD 164-41

LEAD

SEATTLE

AT [REDACTED] WASHINGTON. Will contact  
[REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED]  
for full details of the above alleged incident.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

DATE: 12/8/76

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
Bufile: 164-2111

Re: PARACHUTE FOUND BY  
[redacted]

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Re Portland letter to Seattle, 10/19/76.

Being transmitted to Portland separately by registered parcel post is the parachute canopy furnished Portland by [redacted] and subsequently furnished to the Seattle Division.

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On 11/10/76, [redacted] Washington, advised after viewing the canopy furnished by [redacted] that it was not identical to the one used by unsub in this matter. [redacted] the parachute used by unsub. [redacted] advised that the canopy furnished by [redacted] is a 24 foot canopy and COOPER's canopy was 28 feet.

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In view of this information, no further investigation will be conducted concerning this aspect of this case.

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PARACHUTE  
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-1326

SE 164-81  
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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]

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AT EUGENE, OREGON

On November 1, 1976 and again on November 12, 1976, [redacted] who resides at [redacted] Oregon, was recontacted, and on each occasion [redacted] stated that he had been in contact with [redacted] in Seattle, Washington, and [redacted] in an effort to determine [redacted] had a photograph of the individual who she knew as [redacted] stated that as soon as [redacted] regarding any possible photographs of [redacted] he would immediately notify the FBI.

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On November 22, 1976, [redacted] was recontacted, and he advised that [redacted] recently advised that [redacted] could find no photograph taken of the individual she knew as [redacted] Oregon. [redacted] stated he could provide no additional information regarding [redacted]

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[redacted] [signature]

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DIRECTOR, FBI

12/7/76

SAC, PORTLAND (80-501 Sub 1)

MEDIA RELATIONS

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of an article appearing in the "Sunday Oregonian" newspaper, Portland, Oregon, on 11/14/76. The article is captioned, "Alive or Dead, Skyjack Pioneer Came Out Loser."

On 11/24/71, Northwest Airlines Flight #305 was hijacked between Portland, Oregon, and Seattle, Washington, by an individual who has commonly come to be referred to as D. B. COOPER. This matter was investigated under the code name NORJAK and Bureau file 164-2111, Portland file 164-41. Each year since the hijacking, Portland has received numerous press inquiries during the early portion of November with regard to the progress of the investigation and since 1976 was the fifth anniversary, it was expected that an exceedingly large number of press inquiries would be forthcoming. Both the public and many members of the media were under the impression that the statute of limitations would run in this matter on 11/24/76. In anticipation of these inquiries, contact was made with the Internal Revenue Service at Portland, Oregon, on 11/8/76, at which time [redacted] advised that the IRS had calculated the tax liability which would be payable on the \$200,000 ransom paid at the time of the hijacking. This would amount to \$217,523 on 11/24/76. [redacted] stated that it would be permissible to furnish this information during any media inquiries.

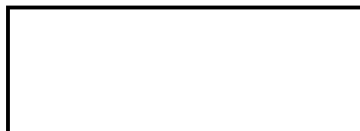
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In further anticipation of numerous press inquiries, a conference was held during early November, 1976, between

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 2)
- 2 - Portland
  - (1- 80-501 Sub 1)
  - (1- 164-41)

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(4) *[Signature]*

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*[Handwritten signatures and stamps]*

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SAC JOHN G. DEVINE, Media Relations Coordinator [redacted] and Special Agent [redacted] It should be noted that SA [redacted] has been assigned to the NORJAK matter during the entire period it has been under investigation in the Portland Office. During this conference, SAC DEVINE instructed that since SA [redacted] was fully familiar with the investigation from its inception and since SA [redacted] is a mature, experienced Agent, that he should respond to media inquiries concerning the NORJAK matter during the coming months. SA [redacted] was instructed to coordinate his replies to the inquiries with MRC [redacted] and to be assisted as needed by MRC [redacted]

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During the period 11/8-24/76, SA [redacted] participated either in person or by telephone in interviews by the following persons:

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[redacted] Associated Press, Portland, Oregon. This interview by [redacted] resulted in a lengthy Associated Press article, which according to [redacted] has received national and international use in various newspapers.

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[redacted] reporter, Oregonian Newspaper, Portland, Oregon. This article, two copies of which are enclosed for the Bureau, is representative of the information generally included in the interviews of SA [redacted]

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[redacted] reporter, Portland Daily Journal of Commerce

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[redacted] reporter, Sacramento, California

[redacted] CBS News, Chicago, Illinois

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[redacted] columnist, Washington, D.C.

[redacted] ABC News, New York, New York

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[redacted] WHAM Radio, Rochester, New York. During this interview, SA [redacted] responded to direct

questions from [redacted] via long distance telephone on his program "Direct Line." This program was being broadcast live.

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b6 [redacted] news commentator, KPTV-TV, Portland,  
b7C Oregon. SA [redacted] appeared in a thirty  
minute live broadcast, talk show setting, with  
[redacted] during the late evening news broadcast of  
KPTV.

[redacted] reporter, KEX Radio, Portland, Oregon

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b6 [redacted] National Public Radio, San Francisco,  
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[redacted] KBOY-TV, Medford, Oregon

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b6 [redacted] CBS News, Los Angeles, California  
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[redacted] WSB Radio, Atlanta, Georgia

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b6 [redacted] KGW Radio, Portland, Oregon  
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[redacted] KNX Radio, Los Angeles, California

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b6 [redacted] KATU-TV, Portland, Oregon  
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[redacted] KYXI Radio, Portland, Oregon

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b6 [redacted] KGW-TV, Portland, Oregon  
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It should be noted that the television segments recorded for KGW-TV and KATU-TV were utilized on the national networks. KATU is an ABC affiliate. KGW is the NBC affiliate at Portland, Oregon.

It should further be noted that the recording for KYXI Radio, Portland, an NBC affiliate, the recording for KNX Radio, Los Angeles, a CBS affiliate, ABC News, New York, and the recording for National Public Radio, San Francisco, California, all were utilized on national syndicated broadcasts.

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An article similar to that prepared for the "Oregonian" newspaper was prepared by [redacted] reporter for the Oregon "Journal" newspaper at Portland, Oregon. The "Journal" contributes to United Press International and according to the staff of the "Journal," this article also received widespread distribution.

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Numerous highly complimentary comments have been received from members of the media in the Portland area concerning the cooperation of the Portland Office in making SA [redacted] available for interview in this matter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

DATE: 12/14/76

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
(BUfile 164-2111)

RE: [REDACTED]

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For the information of the Portland Division, a [REDACTED] source has furnished information that suggests that [REDACTED] Oregon, telephone [REDACTED] should be considered a suspect in this matter.

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[REDACTED] according to the source, is a white male, currently wearing a beard, however, without the beard resembles the composite of unsub in this matter. In addition, [REDACTED] has had [REDACTED] is supposed to be well-known in the [REDACTED] area as being [REDACTED]

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LEADS:

PORTLAND DIVISION

At [REDACTED] Oregon



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Will conduct appropriate investigation to process [REDACTED] as a suspect in his matter.

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[REDACTED]

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

On 12/15/76, [redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted] advised the following:

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He has [redacted] is very friendly with a man who [redacted] Washington. [redacted] he [redacted] at this time.

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According to [redacted] told him that [redacted] had advised him that recently [redacted] was, in fact, D. B. COOPER.

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According to the [redacted] is [redacted] is [redacted] did not hijack the airliner for the money. He did it only as a challenge.

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[redacted] stated he was unwilling to pursue the matter any further with [redacted] in an effort to obtain more specific information concerning the identity of this individual. In addition, [redacted] was unwilling to identify [redacted] or indicate where he was employed.

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In view of the above, Portland will conduct no further investigation unless advised to do so by the office of origin.

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②- Portland

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SEATTLE

AT ABERDEEN, WASHINGTON. Will conduct appropriate investigation.

12/21/76

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AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, ANCHORAGE

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BUfile 164-2111

On 12/20/76, [redacted]

[redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted] telephonically furnished the following information to SA [redacted]

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In approximately November of 1972, a year after the hijacking in this matter, [redacted] State of Montana [redacted] by the name of [redacted]

At that time, the annual publicity surrounding the anniversary of the hijacking in this matter caused some discussion of the hijacking among [redacted] At that time, [redacted] made the statement that he felt he knew the identity of the hijacker. He said that he felt the man to be a [redacted] acquaintance, who had been a [redacted] that the incident sounded just like something this [redacted] would do and he pointed out the fact that [redacted]

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[redacted] said that he asked [redacted] why he did not report it and [redacted] shrugged his shoulders and indicated he was not about to do such a thing. [redacted] said he did not know whether [redacted] had ever reported the matter.

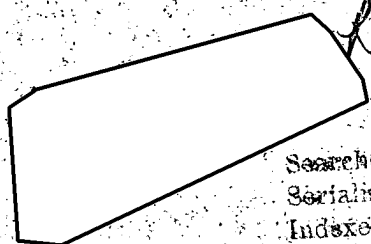
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[redacted] stated that [redacted] is now located in the [redacted] Alaska.

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- 2 - Seattle (164-81)
- 2 - Portland

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[redacted] also requested that the fact that he had suggested [redacted] as a possible source of information in this matter be concealed from [redacted]

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AT [redacted] ALASKA. Will contact [redacted] [redacted] for any possible suspects he can suggest in this matter and then cause appropriate investigation to be conducted to involve or eliminate this suspect.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

DATE: 12/17/76

FROM : SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (164-62) (RUC)

*J. W.*

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BUfile 164-2111

Re Portland letter to Indianapolis, 11/19/76.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on 12/10/76, at [redacted] Indiana:

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[redacted] Indiana, told SA [redacted] that [redacted] was his [redacted] years, and [redacted] did not hijack any airplane. [redacted] from [redacted] and resides [redacted] Indiana.

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In view of the above information, Indianapolis is conducting no further investigation.

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1-Indianapolis

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

12/23/76

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[redacted]  
Oregon, telephone [redacted] was interviewed in the Portland  
FBI Office, and he provided the following information:

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[redacted] stated he is [redacted]  
[redacted] for Pacific Power and Light Company, 920  
SW Sixth Avenue, Portland, telephone 243-4796. On December 14,  
1976, [redacted] was working in Saddle Dam Park, which is  
located at the lower end of Yale Reservoir in Clark County,  
Washington, and he found a piece of nylon cord, approximately  
twelve feet eight inches long, which he believes appears to be  
parachute line. [redacted] provided the cord to the interviewing  
Agent, and it was noted that the cord had a knot tied in one  
end, and both ends of the cord were frayed.

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[redacted] stated the cord was hanging in a fence which  
is in a northerly direction from the restroom facility at Saddle  
Dam. The cord was not tied to the fence, but it was draped  
around the fence as though it had been blown there. [redacted]  
explained that the cord was located approximately 800 feet from  
the stairway, which is located near the restroom. He also drew a  
map for the interviewing Agent to show where the cord had been  
found. [redacted] did not know how long the cord had been on  
the fence and was unable to provide any additional information.

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12/15/76 Portland, Oregon PD 164-41-1598  
Interviewed on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ File # \_\_\_\_\_  
by SA [redacted] lbn Date dictated 12/16/76

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Post Office Box 709  
Portland, Oregon 97207

December 29, 1976

[redacted]  
[redacted] Virginia [redacted]

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Dear [redacted]

This is in answer to your letter dated December 1, 1976, to Special Agent [redacted] of this office requesting information concerning the November 24, 1971, incident involving the hijacking of a Northwest Airlines airliner by an unidentified individual known as "Dan Cooper".

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The detailed questions you ask concerning this investigation are logical ones. However, anyone knowing the answers to those questions would either have had to be very close to the investigation or be involved in the violation itself. The processing of suspects developed in a complex investigation is much more difficult if all the minute details of the violation are made known to the general public. The courts have also established guidelines for the commenting on pending prosecutive cases by attorneys, investigators, and others in a position to have facts about the cases.

Since this matter is currently an active pending investigation, and since the responsible individual has now been indicted by a United States Grand Jury at Portland, Oregon, on November 24, 1976, it will not be possible for us to supply you with the details you request.

Some of the material you are seeking pertains to areas of the investigation which have been researched

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- ②-Portland (164-41) (P)

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and accurately reported in the press. This office is unaware of any book published so far providing accurate detailed coverage of the incident.

I am sorry not to have been able to furnish the information you requested, and I hope you will understand.

Very truly yours,



JOHN G. DEVINE  
Special Agent in Charge



SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/29/76

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK  
(OO:Seattle)  
BuFile 164-2111

UNIDENTIFIED SUSPECT, [REDACTED] COMPLAINANT

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Enclosed herewith for Seattle is a letter received at Portland, 12/3/76, from [REDACTED] Washington [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] appears to have a suspect for the violation in this matter in mind and offers to cooperate in providing additional information if desired.

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Portland indices are negative concerning [REDACTED]

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The letter is not being acknowledged by Portland.

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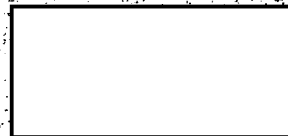
AT [REDACTED] WASHINGTON. Will contact [REDACTED] for full information concerning her suspect in this matter.

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2-Portland

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

DATE: 1/3/77

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE: 164-2111

Re:

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Re Minneapolis nitel to Portland, 7/29/76; Portland nitel to Minneapolis, 8/2/76.

In Portland's nitel to Minneapolis dated 8/2/76, Portland advised investigation was continuing to fully identify  and resolve possibility of his involvement in this matter. To date Seattle has not received results of that investigation. Portland is requested to furnish Seattle with results of investigation conducted by Portland by appropriate communication.

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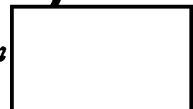


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FBI

Date: 11/15/76

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

Via \_\_\_\_\_  
(Precedence)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-91)  
FROM: ADIC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)  
RE: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

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On 11/5/76, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ California, telephone \_\_\_\_\_ telephonically contacted the Los Angeles Office of the FBI and related as follows:

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\_\_\_\_\_ made reference to a hypothetical situation concerning a crime which occurred about five years ago, was very newsworthy, and on which the Statute of Limitations would run in about three weeks. He stated \_\_\_\_\_ was concerned with the criminal liability

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the crime was committed. \_\_\_\_\_ stated he did not know the validity of the information \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ attempt to obtain some type of written immunization to protect \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ stated he believes \_\_\_\_\_ would voluntarily come forth, identify himself

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2 - Los Angeles

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Special Agent in Charge

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and submit to interview if such immunization were received. During this contact [redacted] stated he was not, at this time, at liberty to discuss details, names, or places but realized specific data would have to be made available if the United States Attorney (USA) was to arrive at a prosecutive opinion concerning the criminal liability [redacted]

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On 11/9/76, [redacted] telephonically contacted the Los Angeles Office and was advised by SA C. ROBERT STRANGER that this matter had been discussed with Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) [redacted] Los Angeles, and AUSA [redacted] said he could grant no form of written immunization to Federal prosecution based on a set of hypothetical facts, however, he would be quite willing to discuss specific details with [redacted] At this time [redacted] stated [redacted] the hijacker, who used the name of COOPER while committing the crime [redacted]

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[redacted] information being furnished [redacted] COOPER may now be dead.

He said that his sole concern in this matter is protection [redacted] against Federal prosecution [redacted]

He felt the only way to insure this is to have some written document from the Government assuring they will not be subject to Federal prosecution [redacted]

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[redacted] COOPER. He understood the facts as presented to him indicated [redacted] COOPER took place after the crime was committed, [redacted]

On the afternoon of 11/9/76, [redacted] telephonically contacted the Los Angeles Office and advised [redacted] the following

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On the same date [redacted] appeared in the office of AUSA [redacted] Los Angeles, with Special Agents of the FBI present.

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[redacted] advised AUSA [redacted] and he desired some prosecutive opinion as to the criminal liability [redacted]

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[redacted] man known as COOPER, who hijacked airplane in Seattle in 1971.

[redacted] stated he realizes [redacted]

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[redacted] stated he believes he could arrange to have [redacted] come forth, identify himself, and relate details concerning [redacted]

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hijacker if he could obtain some written document immunizing [redacted] from prosecution. He continued stating information he has [redacted]

[redacted]

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[redacted] stated he does not know the validity of his information stating it could be [redacted]. He added that he has not [redacted]

[redacted]

AUSA [redacted] advised [redacted] he would decline to furnish any form of written immunization for anyone based on a set of hypothetical facts. He advised [redacted] that if [redacted] desires to voluntarily come forth, identify himself, and discuss the details of [redacted] and these facts as presented did not warrant Federal prosecution, he would so advise [redacted] at that time. AUSA [redacted] stated that if [redacted] desires to prepare written specific details concerning [redacted] and submit it to him for prosecutive consideration he would respond in writing.

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On departing the USA Office, [redacted] inquired of SA STRANGER as to whether there had been [redacted]

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[redacted] the airplane. He was advised that the FBI could not respond to specific questions regarding details of the hijacking as the results of investigation in this matter are necessarily confidential.

On 11/11/76, [redacted] telephonically advised he was in the process of formulating a letter to submit to the USA, Los Angeles setting forth the conditions under which he believes [redacted] submit to interview regarding this matter. At this time [redacted] advised he has now

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[REDACTED]

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On 11/15/76, AUSA [REDACTED] advised SA STRANGER he had been contacted on 11/12/76, by [REDACTED] [REDACTED] indicated during this contact that the

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AUSA [REDACTED] advised in his opinion this matter should be handled through the USA, Seattle.

He stated that, prior to being advised that the [REDACTED] he had drafted a letter to be sent to [REDACTED]. AUSA [REDACTED] states he believes the conditions, under which [REDACTED] [REDACTED] might voluntarily present himself without being subject to prosecution, are set forth in this letter. He is of the opinion the conditions set forth in the letter would be mutually satisfactory to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and the Government.

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AUSA [REDACTED] advised he will not submit this letter since the USA, Los Angeles has no jurisdiction, however, he would willingly discuss his views and the contents of the letter with the AUSA, Seattle.

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AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON: Discuss the above facts with USA and apprise USA, Seattle of AUSA [REDACTED] willingness to furnish information from written document he has prepared but not submitted to [REDACTED]

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AIRTEL

TO : ADIC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
Bufile 164-2111

Re: UNSUB;



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Re Los Angeles airtel to Seattle, 11/15/76.

Enclosed for the Portland Division is one copy of referenced communication.

On 12/23/76, this matter was discussed with Assistant United States Attorney [redacted] Seattle, Washington, at which time [redacted] advised that it appeared to him that the most appropriate office to handle this particular facet of the case would be the United States Attorney's Office in Portland in view of their recent indictment of the subject.

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LEADS:

PORTLAND DIVISION

At Portland, Oregon

Discuss the facts contained in re communication with USA's Office in Portland and advise the U. S. Attorney's Office in Portland of Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] willingness to furnish information from written document he has prepared, but not submitted to [redacted]

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AIRTEL AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

Re Seattle letter to Portland, dated 1/3/77.

RE: [redacted]

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For information Seattle, investigation at Portland identified [redacted] Oregon. [redacted] is WMA, DOB [redacted] 6', 155 pounds, thin build, brown eyes and hair, [redacted] Oregon driver's license

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[redacted] has reportedly [redacted] area, which were eventually [redacted] He has not been known to have ever shown any signs of affluence. No arrest record has been located, although [redacted] has had [redacted]

Persons well acquainted with [redacted] advise that he does not bear a facial resemblance to Unsub this matter.

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Based upon the above, Portland feels [redacted] to be eliminated as suspect in this matter.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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2 - Portland

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[redacted] [redacted]  
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164-41-1604

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) DATE: 1/4/77

FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

Re Honolulu airtel to Las Vegas, 12/7/76.

For the information of receiving offices, the Las Vegas Division, since the Summer of 1976, has received information from various sources that an individual identified as [redacted] wherein he claimed to [redacted] the captioned case and claiming that he knew the identity of D. B. COOPER.

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On 12/10/76, [redacted] Nevada, was interviewed by SA ROBERT J. MC KINLEY and SA [redacted]. In a long and rambling discourse, [redacted] related as follows:

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He stated in the [redacted] He stated he [redacted] and indicated [redacted] that prior to [redacted] He did not state the reason for [redacted] He stated that during this period [redacted] He stated that [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that [redacted]

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  - 1 - Honolulu (164-85)
  - 2 - Portland (164-41)
  - 1 - Las Vegas
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[redacted] He stated that on one occasion [redacted]

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[redacted] He stated that [redacted] the captioned case [redacted]

[redacted] He stated in [redacted]

[redacted] He said [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that he is continuing to investigate the matter, however, he has found nothing to date that would substantiate the information [redacted] He has contacted [redacted] regarding this matter but none have [redacted] to date since nothing has been substantiated.

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[redacted] declined to identify the individual that he thinks may have been D. B. COOPER. He did state that this individual [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that in the event he obtains any substantiating information he will cooperate with the FBI but until that time he will not disclose the name of the individual. He did know that [redacted]

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On 12/21/76, [redacted] [redacted] acknowledged to SA MC KINLEY that [redacted]

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[redacted] He stated that [redacted]

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On 12/28/76, [redacted]  
[redacted] in Las Vegas acknowledged this also. [redacted]  
further acknowledged that [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] regarding the D. B. COOPER matter. He said [redacted]  
had also requested [redacted]  
[redacted] attempt to establish the  
[redacted]

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Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD)  
Las Vegas, Nevada, records and Nevada State Drivers license  
records are negative regarding a BRYANT COFFELT.

LEADS:

PORTLAND DIVISION

AT BEND, OREGON

Through appropriate public records attempt  
to further identify BRYANT COFFELT in an attempt to determine  
if he could possibly be involved in this matter.

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SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

1/11/77

SA [redacted]

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NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

Re [redacted]

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Re Seattle letter to Portland, 12/14/76.

On 1/3/77, investigation at North Albany, Oregon, determined that [redacted] is actually located in the city of [redacted] which is in Linn County, Oregon.

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On 1/3/77, Corvallis-Benton County Central Law Enforcement Records were checked. No information identifiable with [redacted] was found.

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AT [redacted] OREGON. Will conduct appropriate investigation to process [redacted] as a subject in this matter as requested in referenced Seattle letter.

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DESK NOTE: Salem Agent covering [redacted] should be furnished serial 164-41-1594.

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FBI

Date: 1/12/77

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Precedence)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
ATTN: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (80-501-SUB 1)(P)  
SUBJECT: MEDIA RELATIONS

Re Portland airtel to Bureau, 12/7/76.

Referenced Portland airtel set forth the details of extensive media contacts during November, 1976, with regard to the case entitled "NORJAK, BuFile 164-2111, PD file 164-41, 00: Seattle." These inquiries were generated as a result of the fifth anniversary of the crime, 11/24/76.

Following the publicity attached to the anniversary, the Portland and Los Angeles Offices were contacted by [redacted] ALLEN LANDSBERG PRODUCTIONS, Los Angeles, California, regarding the possibility of producing a documentary concerning the case. [redacted] expressed his desire to use the story as a pilot program for a series to be entitled "Still at Large." The series would deal with still uncaptured criminals and would feature a reward offer of \$10,000. He stated that no additional information would be needed in addition to that which has already been published.

The request was outlined telephonically to Deputy Assistant Director HOMER BOYNTON by SA [redacted] Portland Media Relations Coordinator, on 12/23/76, and Inspector BOYNTON gave permission for Portland to assist the production company.

- 3 - Bureau (2 - External Affairs)
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- 2 - Portland (1 - 80-501-Sub 1)
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On 12/27/76, a conference between ASAC and the production crew was held at the Portland Office. The production crew indicated a strong desire to interview the Special Agent most knowledgeable and experienced with investigation; in this case, SA [redacted] Deputy Assistant Director FRANK J. ILLIG, External Affairs Division, agreed with SAC and ASAC, Portland, recommendations that SA [redacted] should be used on the program. SA [redacted] had previously been interviewed live and on film concerning the Norjak matter with SAC permission.

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On 12/27 and 12/28/76, SA [redacted] assisted the production crew. This included a taped narrative filmed in an aircraft flying over the suspected bail-out area and other taped interviews.

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The Portland Office has been advised by [redacted] [redacted] Allen Landsberg Productions, that in the event the series "Still at Large" is not marketed that this particular program will be aired as a part of a present series "In Search Of" starring LEONARD NIMOY. [redacted] will attempt to provide Portland with a copy of the tape and a prospective distribution date.

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FBI

Date: 1/7/77

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

Via \_\_\_\_\_  
(Precedence)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: ADIC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)  
RE: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle  
RE: UNSUB:  
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Re Los Angeles airtel to Seattle dated 11/15/76,  
and Minneapolis letter to Seattle dated 12/22/76.

For the information of Portland, on 12/16/76,

[Redacted]  
[Redacted] in this matter, advised the Minneapolis  
FBI that on [Redacted] 76, [Redacted]  
individual who identified himself as [Redacted]  
[Redacted] Los Angeles, California. [Redacted]

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[Redacted]  
[Redacted] advised that  
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stated [Redacted]

[Redacted] thought the above  
call may have been a prank, but thought it should be reported.

On 1/3/77, [Redacted] Alan Landsburg  
Productions, 9200 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, advised he  
knew of no one by the name of [Redacted] and no one by this  
name was working on a television documentary entitled, "Still  
At Large," which Warner Brothers is currently making regarding  
the Hijacker, D. B. COOPER. [Redacted] also stated the  
documentary is not being filmed at Warner Brothers and does  
not maintain office space at Warner Brothers.

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On 1/3/77, [redacted] Burbank Studios of Warner Brothers - Columbia Studios, 4000 Warner Boulevard, Burbank, California, advised he had never heard of [redacted] and a review of available records failed to identify anyone by this name as being an employee or tenant on the studio lot. Through inquiry [redacted] he determined that the Legal Department of Warner Brothers possibly had information concerning this person.

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On 1/3/77, [redacted] Warner Brothers, advised that about the middle of November 1976, [redacted] came to Warner Brothers accompanied by [redacted] telephone [redacted] [redacted] could locate COOPER. He said the Statute of Limitations ran against COOPER in November 1976, and did not want to divulge COOPER's location until the statute had run. [redacted] wanted to know if Warner Brothers was interested in buying his story and had requested a substantial amount of money.

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[redacted] stated Warner Brothers was not interested in his story and declined his offer as they were aware that law enforcement agencies had thoroughly investigated the D. B. COOPER hijacking case apparently without developing a suspect, and it was seriously questioned that [redacted] [redacted] could locate COOPER. [redacted] stated he was concerned that [redacted] claim was fraudulent.

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He stated that for the above reasons, Warner's had rejected [redacted] offer. He added that he had no further information regarding [redacted]

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Above information being furnished to each division inasmuch as it appears [redacted] the Los Angeles Division may well be the individual identified [redacted]

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Los Angeles file [redacted] captioned, [redacted] indicates that in [redacted] a Chevrolet Corvette owned by General Motors Corporation, Los Angeles, was recovered stripped and abandoned in Chicago, Illinois. Investigation revealed that a theft report was filed with the Lyons, Illinois, Police Department by [redacted] Chicago. [redacted] advised that Police Department that the vehicle had previously been reported stolen to the Los Angeles Police Department and [redacted] had recovered it, however, he failed to notify LAPD of this first recovery.

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Investigation at Los Angeles revealed the vehicle had been loaned by General Motors Corporation [redacted] on several occasions in [redacted] for use [redacted]. In [redacted] [redacted] obtained loan of the Corvette from General Motors and after several weeks, General Motors tried unsuccessfully to recover the vehicle. Subsequent investigation by General Motors at that time revealed [redacted] had no affiliation with [redacted] and had [redacted] over all areas of the United States. Negotiations by [redacted] to purchase the vehicle were never consummated. He never owned the vehicle per his claim to Lyons, Illinois, Police Department. Assistant U. S. Attorney Chicago, declined prosecution of [redacted] and there is no indication in the Los Angeles file that he was interviewed.

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California Law Enforcement Teletype System (CLETS) was checked and revealed a [redacted] California Driver's License [redacted] and had an address of [redacted] California, effective [redacted]. He was described as male, born [redacted] 175 pounds, [redacted] eyes, [redacted] hair. [redacted] is registered owner of a 1966 Mercedes bearing license [redacted]. There are no warrants and no criminal history is indicated. He had two traffic citations in [redacted] at which time he was driving a 1965 Lincoln bearing license [redacted] which is registered to [redacted] in [redacted] California.

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LEAD

LOS ANGELES

AT [REDACTED] CALIFORNIA: Will attempt to  
locate and interview [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] regarding any knowledge of D. B. COOPER.

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SAC, PORTLAND (80-501-Sub 1)

1/6/76

SA [redacted]

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**MEDIA RELATIONS**

For the past several weeks writer has been contacted several times by [redacted] for the Allen Landsberg Productions, Los Angeles, California. This producing company is planning a television series captioned, "Still at Large," and intends to use the Bureau's NORJAK case (PD file 164-41), as the subject of its pilot production. This company also produces the "In Search Of" television series and if the "Still at Large" pilot does not sell, that production will be marketed as a segment of the "In Search Of" series. [redacted] requested an interview with the writer concerning the FBI investigation conducted by the Portland Division in connection with the NORJAK case.

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Permission for the writer to cooperate in this production was given by the Bureau through the External Affairs Division and on Monday, December 27 and Tuesday, December 28, the writer was interviewed before a recorder and television cameras in the Portland Office and on location at Lake Merwin, Washington.

During the portion of the filming in the Portland Office on 12/28/76, a brief scene was filmed which included [redacted] interrogating the NCIC computer concerning a \$20 Federal Reserve Note.

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It is understood through [redacted] for Allen Landsberg Productions, that this production will be shown on television sometime during 1977. If it is marketed with the "Still at Large" series, it is anticipated that it will be shown in September, 1977. If it is shown in

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connection with the "In Search Of" series it should be shown sometime during the spring of 1977.

agreed to attempt to make available to the Portland Division a videotape cartridge of the show in its final form when it is completed.

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The above for information.

FBI

Date: 1/19/77

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
(Precedence)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: ADIC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P) (13)  
RE: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle  
Re: UNSUB;



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Re Los Angeles airtel to Seattle, 11/15/76, and Seattle airtel to Los Angeles, 1/3/77.

For the information of Seattle and Portland, the information previously provided by [redacted] as set forth in referenced Los Angeles airtel, 11/15/76, referred to [redacted] allegedly associated with D. B. COOPER.

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On 1/17/77, this matter was discussed with [redacted]

[redacted] in the presence of [redacted] During this discussion [redacted] was identified as [redacted] who currently resides in Las Vegas. [redacted] advised that [redacted] had been recently interviewed by the FBI in Las Vegas, Nevada, concerning this matter. [redacted] indicated they have spent considerable time and money in [redacted] regarding [redacted]

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[redacted] belief that the hijacker in this matter was [redacted]

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- ② - Portland (164-41)
- 2 - Los Angeles

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in Charge

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Inasmuch as all information concerning this matter originated from the Las Vegas Division and telephonic contact with Las Vegas has revealed that [redacted] was interviewed, information provided by [redacted] [redacted] is not being set forth and any leads concerning the possibility that [redacted] may be identical to the subject of the matter, is left to the discretion of the office of origin. In view of the above it does not appear necessary that Portland contact the U.S. Attorney's office regarding information previously furnished [redacted] as set forth re Seattle airtel.

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AIRTEL

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Portland airtel to Seattle, 12/17/76.

The Portland Division is requested to reinterview [redacted] Oregon, and ascertain the name of either [redacted] who formerly [redacted] Washington, or [redacted] [redacted] in order that the Seattle Division may identify this individual and conduct appropriate investigation to determine if he is identical with D. B. COOPER.

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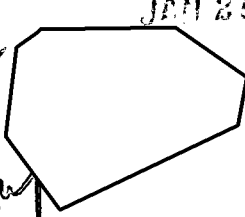
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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SAC, ANCHORAGE (164-59) (RUC)

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(OO: SEATTLE)  
Bufile 164-2111

Re Portland airtel to Anchorage, 12/21/76.

Enclosed for Seattle is the original and one copy of an FD-302 reflecting interview of [redacted] Alaska. One copy of the FD-302 and this communication are designated for information of Portland due to their pending investigative interest in this matter.

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[redacted] Anchorage Office indices negative regarding [redacted]  
[redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (80-501-Sub 1)

DATE: 1/19/77

FROM : SA

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SUBJECT: MEDIA RELATIONS

This will advise that on 1/17/77,  reporter for the Oregonian newspaper, telephoned the writer to ask whether the publicity surrounding the 5th anniversary of the NORJAK skyjacking had generated any worthwhile leads. He was advised that many leads had been received and were being processed, but that no significant progress toward solution of the case had been made.

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wrote an article which was published in the Jan. 18, 1977 issues of the Oregonian.

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On 1/19/77, the writer received a release form from the Alan Landsburg Productions, Inc., Beverly Hills, Calif., in connection with the filming and recording of interviews for use in the production of the "D.B. COOPER" documentary for the "AT LARGE" television series. The writer executed and returned the form, a copy of which is attached hereto.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-1368

Re: Series "AT LARGE"

Program D.B.Cooper

Date 1/19/77

ALAN LANDSBURG PRODUCTIONS, INC.  
110 North Doheny Drive  
Beverly Hills, Calif. 90211

Gentlemen:

I hereby grant permission to you to photograph me and record my voice, conversation, and sounds (either alone or with others) for and in connection with the above Program of the Series.

I agree to cooperate with you for such photography and recording and to participate, alone or with others, in interviews, which are photographed and recorded hereunder.

You shall be the exclusive owner of the results and proceeds of such photography and recording, with the right, forever and throughout the world, to use all or any portion thereof and reproductions thereof, and my name, voice, likeness, and biographical material concerning me, as well as editorial comments concerning me in the Program and the Series and in books and publications based upon or adapted therefrom, and in and in connection with the unlimited use and sale thereof, including theatrical, television, radio, video-cassettes, and any other form of use or sale thereof; and in the advertising, sale, publicizing, and exploitation thereof.

I hereby release and discharge you, and your assignees and licensees, of and from any and all claims, demands, or causes of action that I may hereafter have against you, whether for libel, violation of my right of privacy, or any other matter arising out of or in any manner connected with the use and exercise of any of the rights granted you herein.

FBI Office  
SEQUENCE \_\_\_\_\_

If Minor, parents or guardian must sign.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parents or Guardian

SIGNATURE

[Redacted Signature]

NAME

[Redacted Name]

(Print)

ADDRESS

[Redacted Address]

CITY/STATE

[Redacted City/State]

Oregon

"AT LARGE"  
Personal Release 9/76

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FBI

Date: 1/24/77

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
(Precedence)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
ATTN: Identification Division

FROM: ADIC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P) (13)

RE: NORJACK  
OO: Seattle

RE: UNSUB:



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Re Los Angeles airtel to Seattle dated 11/15/76; Seattle letter to Bureau dated 12/20/76; Minneapolis letter to Seattle dated 12/22/76; Los Angeles airtels to Seattle dated 1/7/77, and 1/19/77; Los Angeles telephone call to Las Vegas dated 1/12/77; and Las Vegas letter to Los Angeles dated 1/18/77.

Enclosed for each receiving office are two copies each of photographs of BRYANT COFFELT reportedly taken in 1974.

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- 2 - Alexandria (Enc. 2)
- 2 - Honolulu (Enc. 2)
- 2 - Kansas City (Enc. 2)
- 2 - Las Vegas (164-60) (Enc. 2)
- 2 - Portland (164-41) (Enc. 2) *Sum*
- 2 - Seattle (164-81) (Enc. 2)
- 2 - Washington Field (Enc. 2)
- 2 - Los Angeles

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Approved: *[Signature]*  
Special Agent in Charge

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For the information of the Bureau and receiving offices, information has recently come to the attention of the Seattle, Minneapolis, Las Vegas, and Los Angeles Divisions concerning a television documentary, "Still at Large" by Alan Landsburg Productions, Los Angeles, concerning the skyjacker as D. B. COOPER. It has recently been ascertained through investigation at Las Vegas and Los Angeles that this production is based on [redacted] in Las Vegas, Nevada.

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[redacted] has been interviewed in Las Vegas and advised he was [redacted] refused to identify. [redacted]

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Subsequent investigation by Las Vegas revealed that [redacted]

Subsequent investigation at Los Angeles reveals

[redacted] believes to be D. B. COOPER is one [redacted]

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On 1/17/77; [redacted]

[redacted] were interviewed by SAs C. ROBERT STRANGER and JOSEPH C. ALSTON in the presence of [redacted]

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[redacted] advised he has [redacted]

[redacted] based on the activities of

"D. B. COOPER," [redacted] in Las Vegas. [redacted] stated he is convinced that [redacted]

believes [redacted] the skyjacker known as COOPER.

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While making references to notes [redacted] explained were taken [redacted] and information related to him by [redacted] related as follows:

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[redacted] related the following information, which allegedly was [redacted]

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Making references to his notes at this point,

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but he was not certain of this. [redacted]

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Both [redacted] advised that they did not understand [redacted] at this time.

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It is recognized that a great deal of public information is available concerning this matter and that some license has possibly been taken with the facts set forth

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above between the time they were allegedly provided by

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and the Los Angeles FBI.

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However, as actual activities of the skyjacker

[REDACTED]

the following investigation is being recommended by the Los Angeles Division to ascertain if COFFELT is possibly identical to the unknown subject in this matter.

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REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The Identification Division is requested to compare all unidentified latents in this matter with the known fingerprints of BRYANT COFFELT, FBI number 590 868, Atlanta Penitentiary number 69305, and advise Seattle, Portland, Las Vegas, and Los Angeles of the results of this comparison.

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LEADS

ALEXANDRIA

AT [REDACTED] VIRGINIA: Conduct appropriate investigation [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

HONOLULU

AT HONOLULU, HAWAII: Check records at Bureau of



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Vital Statistics in an effort to verify the death of BRYANT COFFELT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Obtain any pertinent information regarding cause of death and next of kin.

KANSAS CITY

AT PITTSBURG, KANSAS: Will check records of the Pittsburg, Kansas, Police Department, number A9860, for JACK BRYANT COFFELT as FBI identification records indicate he was arrested 9/29/74, for felony theft. Obtain any pertinent information, for example, any obvious scars or data at time of arrest indicating COFFELT suffered a crippling injury in 1971 in the groin or leg area.

LAS VEGAS

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA: Reinterview [REDACTED] concerning alleged [REDACTED]

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PORTLAND

AT PORTLAND, OREGON: Conduct investigation as set forth in Las Vegas letter dated 1/4/77.

WASHINGTON FIELD

AT WASHINGTON FIELD, WASHINGTON, D.C.: Check employment records and display photographs of COFFELT to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Washington, D.C., which firm COFFELT listed as his prior employment from 1963 to 1970 on the records of the Northern Virginia Doctors Hospital. It is noted [REDACTED]

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LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will maintain contact  
with [REDACTED] for any additional pertinent  
information regarding this matter.

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FM LOS ANGELES (164-497) (13) (P)

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111) ROUTINE

PORTLAND (164-41) ROUTINE

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CLEAR

NORJAK, OO: SEATTLE.

RE LOS ANGELES AIRTEL TO BUREAU, JANUARY 24, 1977, AND  
PORTLAND TELCALL TO LOS ANGELES AND LOS ANGELES TO PORTLAND,  
JANUARY 31, 1977.

ON JANUARY 31, 1977, [REDACTED] WAS RECONTACTED

AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CONCERNING THE HIGHJACKING. [REDACTED] STATES THIS

[REDACTED]

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Recd. 5:59  
WJS [REDACTED] Advised  
6:33  
WJS

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATES HE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IN THE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

THE ABOVE IS BEING PROVIDED TO CLARIFY INFORMATION IN REFERENCED LOS ANGELES AIRTEL, JANUARY 24, 1977, INDICATING

[REDACTED]

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AIR MAIL COPIES FURNISHED ALEXANDRIA, HONOLULU, KANSAS CITY, LAS VEGAS, SEATTLE AND WASHINGTON FIELD.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (p)

DATE: 1/31/77

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJACK

On 1/8/77, [redacted]  
 [redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted]  
 advised that [redacted] resembled  
 the artist's conception of the individual who hijacked the  
 airliner. She stated that [redacted]  
 [redacted] and that  
 [redacted] in the State of Oregon,  
 driving [redacted] car with Oregon license [redacted]  
 She stated that she could furnish no further information con-  
 cerning the description of this car but has also seen him driving  
 [redacted] vehicle, description unrecalled.

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She provided the following description of [redacted]

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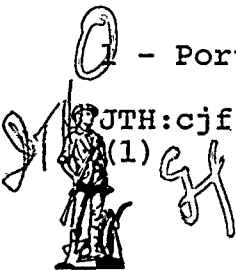
Full name	[redacted]
Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Date of birth	[redacted]
Height	5'5"
Weight	135 - 150 pounds
Hair	Balding, what is left is black
Eyes	[redacted]
Peculiarities	[redacted]
Scars and marks	Scar on [redacted] unknown: [redacted] on
Occupation	[redacted]

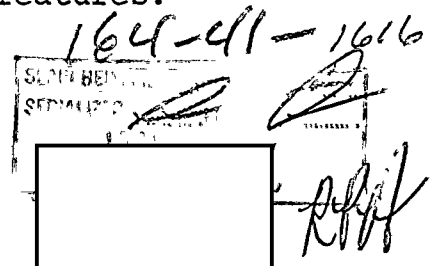
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In view of the above differences and the description of  
 the unknown subject and [redacted] mainly the height discrepancy and  
 the fact that [redacted] it appears that no investigation  
 should be conducted as all the complainant has in the way of  
 evidence is that [redacted] bears a distinct similarity to  
 the artist's conception meaning his facial features.

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FM SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111) ROUTINE

ALEXANDRIA (164-72) ROUTINE

LOS ANGELES (164-497) ROUTINE

PORTLAND (164-41) ROUTINE

BT

CLEAR

NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

RE BRYANT JACK COFFELT, SUB 869.

RE ALEXANDRIA TEL DATED FEBRUARY 8, 1977.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE PORTLAND DIVISION, EFFORTS  
ARE BEING MADE TO OBTAIN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AUSA [REDACTED] EDVA, ALEXANDRIA,

VIRGINIA, ADVISED THAT DUE TO LACK OF VENUE IN THE EDVA,

SUBPOENA RECORDS FOR [REDACTED]

SHOULD BE OBTAINED BY SEATTLE.

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ON FEBRUARY 8, 1977, ASSISTANT U. S. ATTORNEY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, ADVISED THAT IT WAS HIS OPINION  
THAT A SUBPOENA FOR THESE RECORDS SHOULD COME OUT OF THE  
PORTLAND DIVISION INASMUCH AS THEY HAVE OBTAINED A FEDERAL  
GRAND JURY INDICTMENT FOR THE SUBJECT.

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PORTLAND AT PORTLAND: OBTAIN AND FORWARD TO ALEXANDRIA  
APPROPRIATE SUBPOENA FOR [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] DIRECT SUBPOENA TO  
[REDACTED]

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United States District Court

FOR THE

DISTRICT OF OREGON

To

[Redacted Name]

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You are hereby commanded to appear in the United States District Court for the

District of Oregon at 506 U.S. Courthouse in the city of Portland on the [ ] day of [ ] 19 77 at [ ] to

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testify before the Grand Jury and bring with you<sup>1</sup> [ ]

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[Redacted]

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Your appearance before the Grand Jury to produce these records may be obviated if you wish to avoid this appearance by turning the records over to the FBI agent who serves this subpoena upon you, The agent acting as an agent of the Grand Jury, who will present them to the Grand Jury for you. If you have any questions please call [ ] Assistant United States Attorney at [ ]

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This subpoena is issued on application of the United States of America.

ROBERT M. CHRIST

Clerk.

Date February 10, 1977

AUSA [ ]

By

[Redacted Signature]

Deputy Clerk.

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1. Strike the words "and bring with you" unless the subpoena is to require the production of documents or tangible things, in which case the documents and things should be designated in the blank space provided for that purpose.

RETURN

Received this subpoena at [ ] on [ ] at [ ] I served it on the [ ] within named [ ] and tendering<sup>2</sup> to [ ] the fee for one day's attendance and the mileage by delivering a copy to [ ] and tendering<sup>2</sup> to [ ] the fee for one day's attendance and the mileage allowed by law.

Date [ ], 19 [ ]

By [ ]

Service Fees

Travel \$
Services
Total \$

<sup>2</sup> Fees and mileage need not be tendered to the witness upon service of a subpoena issued in behalf of the United States or an officer or agency thereof. 28 USC 1825, or on behalf of a defendant who is financially unable to pay such costs (Rule 17(b), Federal Rules Criminal Procedure).

FBI

Date: 2/11/77

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Precedence)

TO: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BuFile 164-2111

Re BRYANT JACK COFFELT, SUB 869

Re Seattle teletype to Bureau, et al, dated 2/10/77.

Enclosed herewith for Alexandria are the original and two copies of a subpoena; enclosed for Seattle is one copy of a subpoena.

On 2/10/77 a subpoena for [redacted]

[redacted] was prepared and issued by First Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] for the District of Oregon.

AUSA [redacted] instructs that this subpoena be served on [redacted] and that the agent serving the subpoena execute the return portion of the original and return it with the records produced to Portland to be turned over to AUSA [redacted]. A copy of the subpoena is to be left with [redacted] and a copy may be retained in the Alexandria file.

AUSA [redacted] advises that it is not permissible to use the Grand Jury for investigation of cases in which

- 2 - Alexandria (Enc. 3)
- 2 - Seattle (164-81) (Enc. 1)
- 2 - Portland

RPH: lbn  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_

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indictments have already been returned and since subject in this matter has already been indicted for crime aboard aircraft, aircraft piracy and Hobbs Act violations, the alleged violation under consideration at this point is the Interstate Transportation of Explosives.

LEADS

ALEXANDRIA

AT [REDACTED] VIRGINIA. Will serve enclosed subpoena on [REDACTED] and obtain the requested records which should then be forwarded immediately to Portland.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on January 19, 1977:

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AT ALBANY, OREGON

[redacted] Oregon, Police Department, advised he was well acquainted with [redacted] of that city. [redacted] whose date of birth is [redacted] is a white male, 5'8", 162 pounds, gray hair, and brown eyes. He has worn [redacted] years and embraces a [redacted] philosophy. [redacted] stated that [redacted] is definitely not a physical individual, and in no way resembles the unknown subject in this case.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

DATE: 2/18/77

Re Suspect [redacted] suggested by complainant

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Portland Office is in receipt of postcard mailed at [redacted] Oregon, addressed to Portland case agent SA [redacted]. Card is quoted as follows:

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"Dear Mr. H: Have you investigated [redacted] Washington in connection with the COOPER case?"

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"I believe he resembles the DAN COOPER of hijacking fame. [redacted]"

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LEAD

SEATTLE

AT [redacted] WASHINGTON. Will, if not already done, conduct appropriate investigation to involve or eliminate suspect [redacted]

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② - Portland

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*RPH*  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

DATE: 2/18/77

On 2/11/77, [redacted] Washington State Patrol, Goldendale, Washington, contacted the Portland Office by telephone requesting that a flyer concerning "D.B. COOPER" be sent to him at P.O. Box 224, Goldendale, Washington.

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Portland does not have available copies of an appropriate flyer for dissemination to [redacted]

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SEATTLE

[redacted] AT GOLDENDALE, WASHINGTON. Will provide [redacted] with background information concerning this case and determine from him whether he has any information pertinent to the possible solution.

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[redacted] *RPH*

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 2/24/77

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furnished the interviewing agent the following items pursuant to a subpoena which was served [Redacted]

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Interviewed on 2/23/77 at [Redacted] Virginia File # SE 164-81  
AX 164-72

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by SA [Redacted] :kar Date dictated 2/23/77

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This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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- Teletype
- Facsimile
- Airtel

PRECEDENCE:

- Immediate
- Priority
- Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

- TOP SECRET
- SECRET
- CONFIDENTIAL
- E F T O
- CLEAR

Date 2/24/77

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
 FROM: *K/BA* SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72) (RUC)

NORJAK  
 (OO: SE)  
 Bufile: 164-2111

Re: BRYANT JACK COFFELT\*

Re Portland airtel to Alexandria, 2/11/77.

Enclosed for the Portland Division are the following items:

- 1) An FD-302 reflecting results of service of subpoena on [redacted]
- 2) The original subpoena issued by the U. S. District Court for the District of Oregon with executed return.

[redacted]

The above enclosures are self-explanatory and are furnished for the investigative assistance of the Portland Division.

It is noted that [redacted]

[redacted] and the enclosed copies are, in fact, accurate duplicates of [redacted] and the best copies available. Additionally, [redacted] was Xeroxed in the presence of SA [redacted] of the Alexandria Division, and the enclosed Xeroxed copy is a true and accurate representation of [redacted]

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[redacted] The original microfilm  
[redacted] are being maintained [redacted]  
[redacted]

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FBI

Date: 3/1/77

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL - \_\_\_\_\_  
(Precedence)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

Re information from [redacted]  
[redacted]

On 2/22/77, [redacted]  
Seattle, Washington, was interviewed at [redacted]  
[redacted] by SA [redacted] furnished  
the following information:

On the night of 11/24/71, during the hijacking in  
this matter, [redacted]  
[redacted] Seattle, Washington, and Portland, Oregon.  
He became aware of the hijacking [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] Northwest  
Flight 305, which was being hijacked, and that [redacted]  
[redacted] flown by Northwest Flight 305 [redacted]  
[redacted] the Northwest flight when it arrived at  
Portland.

[redacted] advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] he recalls that night of 11/24/71, as being  
[redacted]

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[redacted] *RPH*

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[redacted] advised that he has thought considerably about the hijacking in this matter and has concluded that it is not realistic to assume that the hijacker survived the jump. He said that in view of the very dense terrain in the drop zone area, he can understand why the hijacker's remains have not been found. He suggested that one way this might be facilitated

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Information available to Portland indicates the wind believed to be in effect in the drop zone area at the time the hijacker parachuted was coming from the southwest. If that is the case and the Northwest engineers who computed the location of the drop zone and the prime line along which UNSUB presumably fell were using southwest wind information, then the calculations of the location of the drop zone may not be accurate. A shift of wind from the west to the south would push the east end of the prime line to the north in a counter-clockwise direction. It could cause previously unsearched territory to the west of the drop zone to be included in a new amended drop zone.

LEAD

SEATTLE

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. Will consider causing a discussion of this matter with the Northwest Airlines engineers who computed the drop zone in this matter to determine whether the information from [redacted] is of any significance.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

2/28/77

SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) RUC

NORJACK  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau, 1/24/77.

On 2/23/77, [redacted]  
Las Vegas, Nevada, was reinterviewed by SAs ROBERT J. MC KINLEY  
and EDWARD J. GALLAGHER.

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At this time [redacted] that the individual  
he feels to be D. F. COOPER [redacted] He stated that

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] He said that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] could offer no further information regarding  
this at this time.

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  - ① - Portland (164-41) (Info)
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Date: 3/4/77

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Precedence)

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

RE:

Re Seattle letter to Portland dated 12/14/76.

A review of the Seattle file fails to reveal the results of investigation requested in referenced communication. Portland is again requested to expeditiously furnish Seattle results of the above described investigation.

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The following investigation was conducted by

SA [redacted]

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AT EUGENE, OREGON

On March 2, 1977, [redacted]

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[redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted] voluntarily appeared at the FBI Resident Agency where they furnished the following information:

At the time of captioned highjacking, they were [redacted]

[redacted] adjacent to [redacted] Washington.

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Shortly after the highjacking, composite pictures of D. B. COOPER were run in the local newspapers. The first time they saw these pictures they were struck by their absolute resemblance to [redacted]

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[redacted] recalled that [redacted] not only looked exactly like the picture, but also that prior to the highjacking, he was a compulsive chain cigarette smoker and always wore either sun glasses or tinted glasses. Neither [redacted] could recall the brand of cigarettes [redacted] smoked.

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After the highjacking however, quite suddenly, [redacted] gave up smoking, and was never again seen wearing such glasses.

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[redacted] further advised that at the time of the highjacking, and while [redacted]

[redacted] lived [redacted] Washington, and was [redacted] Although he usually [redacted] Seattle, sometime prior to the highjacking, [redacted]

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[redacted] was having

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[redacted] [redacted]

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Later, however, after the highjacking, [redacted] b6  
[redacted] seemed to disappear. According to [redacted] b7C  
at the time it was [redacted] b7D

[redacted] thought that at one time [redacted] b6  
[redacted] aircraft that was highjacked, b7C  
[redacted] not sure. It was also [redacted] b7D

[redacted] stated that [redacted] b6  
Washington, [redacted] and knew that part of Washington b7C  
like the back of his hand. He theorized that if D. B. COOPER had b7D  
[redacted] landed  
in that general area.

[redacted] further stated that [redacted] b6  
[redacted] friend of [redacted] b7C  
heard, he was on an [redacted] b7D  
he turned [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] stated that [redacted] never made any b6  
statement [redacted] in any way connected b7C  
with D. B. COOPER or the highjacking incident. b7D

In conclusion, [redacted] advised that when they first b6  
saw the picture of D. B. COOPER in the newspaper, and noted b7C  
the resemblance to [redacted] b7D  
[redacted] Washington. [redacted] stated something to the effect  
that although the resemblance was striking, it was impossible  
to think [redacted] would be involved in anything  
like this. According to [redacted] as far as they know,  
nothing further was ever said or done concerning their suspicions.

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Date: 3/4/77

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Precedence)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

Re Seattle airtel to Portland dated 1/17/77.

Enclosed for Seattle are two copies of an insert reporting investigation by SA [redacted] at Eugene, Oregon.

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Between 1/25 and 2/25/77, several contacts were made with [redacted] Oregon. On each of these occasions, [redacted] was reluctant to provide the source of his information. Also, on each occasion, [redacted] stated that he would attempt to obtain additional information concerning the true identity of D. B. COOPER.

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On 2/25/77, [redacted] advised that the source of his information was [redacted]

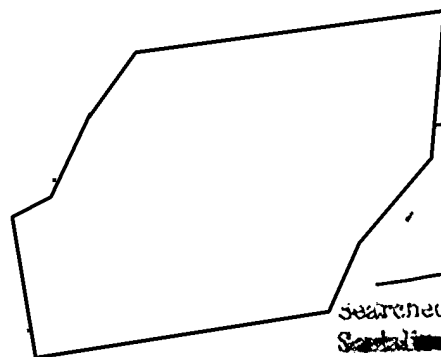
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Subsequent investigation determined that [redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted]

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Special Agent in Charge

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SEATTLE

AT ABERDEEN, WASHINGTON. (1) Will conduct appropriate investigation to further identify [redacted]

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(2) Will conduct appropriate indices check concerning [redacted]

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(3) If deemed appropriate, will conduct additional investigation to determine if [redacted] [redacted] is identical to D. B. COOPER.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

3/7/77

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

RE: [redacted] SUSPECT

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[redacted] Portland, Oregon, [redacted] appeared at the Portland Office 3/2/77, and advised [redacted] in this case. He said that [redacted] who previously was residing [redacted] was contacted and furnished [redacted] in regard to [redacted] recently contacted the Chicago Office in an effort to retrieve this material but was advised [redacted] were sent to Portland.

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A review of Portland Office file fails to locate this material.

Seattle Office is requested to review its file and if these [redacted] can be located that they be furnished [redacted] Advise Portland results of review.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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SAC, CHICAGO (164-297)(RUC)

NORJAK  
OO:SEATTLE

Re: Suspect [redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois

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Re Portland letter to Chicago dated 12/3/76.

Enclosed for Seattle is one photograph of

[redacted]

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On 3/10/76, [redacted]

[redacted] Chicago, Illinois, advised that he is [redacted]

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[redacted]

[redacted] described [redacted] as a white male, DOB [redacted] 5'11", [redacted] lbs., light brown hair, [redacted] complexion, wears eyeglasses, SSAN [redacted] address [redacted] Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] advised that [redacted] has been [redacted]

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[redacted] since [redacted] and that [redacted] travels [redacted]

[redacted] viewed the two artist's conceptions of the unsub in this matter and stated that in his opinion it does not resemble COOPER.

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[redacted] described [redacted] as a nervous, energetic individual who chain smokes very heavily. [redacted] did not know what brand of cigarettes [redacted] smokes. He further advised that [redacted]

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[redacted] although [redacted] did not know exactly what [redacted] occupation was. He further advised that [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] and further that [redacted] with no apparent financial problems.

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[redacted] advised that he could not locate any [redacted] indicate [redacted] whereabouts on 11/24/71 but that as a [redacted] [redacted] during Thanksgiving week.

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[redacted] furnished a photo of [redacted]

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Inasmuch as the description and mannerisms of [redacted] do not appear to be identical with the Unsub, Chicago will leave the setting out of any further leads to the discretion of the office of origin.

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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111) ROUTINE

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LAS VEGAS (164-60) ROUTINE

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NORJAK, OO: SEATTLE.

RE LOS ANGELES AIRTEL TO BUREAU, JANUARY 24, 1977,  
WASHINGTON FIELD AIRTEL TO BUREAU, MARCH 2, 1977, AND HONOLULU  
AIRTEL TO BUFFALO, MARCH 10, 1977.

RE: UNSUB; [REDACTED]

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU AND RECEIVING OFFICES, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA, HAS VOLUNTEERED INFORMATION  
CONCERNING SUSPECT [REDACTED] DURING EXTENSIVE  
INTERVIEW AT LOS ANGELES.

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[REDACTED] RELATED THAT ABOUT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] INFORMATION  
BEING FURNISHED [REDACTED]  
INDICATING THAT [REDACTED] WAS POSSIBLY HIGHJACKER KNOWN AS D. B.  
COOPER. [REDACTED] TRAVELED [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] PAST ASSOCIATES OF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] INFORMATION PROVIDED BY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] STATES, [REDACTED] IT WAS  
ASCERTAINED THAT [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] EFFORTS TO DETERMINE IF  
[REDACTED] HIGHJACKER, IN FACTUAL AND ORGANIZED MANNER. STATED  
[REDACTED] WAS PROBABLY NOT HIGHJACKER

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BASED ON FOLLOWING FACTS:  
DURING PERIOD OF HIGHJACKING, [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] RECALLED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ALSO DETERMINED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] VERIFIED THAT DURING PERIOD OF HIGH-

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JACKING AND ON DAY OF HIGHJACKING, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AT TIME OF HIGHJACKING.

BASED ON ABOVE INFORMATION AND IN ORDER TO BRING MATTER TO LOGICAL CONCLUSION WITH MINIMUM INVESTIGATION, FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE CONDUCTED:

HONOLULU, CONTACT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DURING PERIOD OF HIGHJACKING.

SET OUT LEAD FOR WASHINGTON FIELD TO VERIFY [REDACTED]

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WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

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- Routine

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- SECRET
- CONFIDENTIAL
- E F T O
- CLEAR

Date 3/29/77

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, WFO (164-169) (P)

NORJACK  
(OO:SE)

RE: UNSUB;



Re WFO airtel to Bureau dated 3/2/77 and Los Angeles nitel to Bureau dated 3/19/77.

Enclosed for Seattle is the original and one copy of an FD-302 reflecting results of an interview of [redacted]

[redacted] Enclosed for Bureau and other receiving offices is one copy each of the FD-302.

WFO is holding in abeyance an interview with [redacted] pending results of Honolulu's interview with [redacted]

[redacted] Honolulu, Hawaii. If as a result of this interview with [redacted] it is determined that additional investigation is necessary at Washington, D.C., WFO will handle.

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- ①-Portland (164-41)(Enc. 1)(Info)
- 2-Los Angeles (164-497)(Enc. 1)
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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] Washington, D.C. (WDC), telephone  
[redacted] was interviewed and furnished the following  
information:

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[redacted] stated that [redacted]  
[redacted] She said  
that in about [redacted] was introduced

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In late [redacted] introduced

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[redacted] advised that the last known contact

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Interviewed on 3/16/77 at Washington, D.C. File # WFO 164-169

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Date dictated 3/18/77

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[REDACTED] indicated that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] indicated that approximately [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] indicated that [REDACTED]

is believed to currently reside at the following address:

[REDACTED]

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4/11/77

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle  
Bufile 164-2111

Re: [redacted]

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Re Seattle airtel to Portland dated 3/4/77.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at Albany, Oregon.

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[redacted] Albany, Oregon Police Department, advised he was [redacted] whose date of birth is [redacted] is a white male, 5'8", [redacted] pounds, [redacted] hair, and brown eyes. He has worn [redacted] for the past [redacted] years and [redacted] stated that [redacted] is definitely not a physical individual and in no way resembles the unknown subject in this case.

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2 - Portland

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle  
Bufile 164-2111

Re: BRYANT JACK COFFELT

Re Alexandria airtel to Portland dated 2/24/77.

Enclosed herewith for Seattle is an envelope containing  
copies of [redacted]

[redacted]

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It is especially noted that this material has been subpoenaed from [redacted] U.S. Grand Jury at Portland, Oregon. AUSA [redacted] for the District of Oregon advises that this material may be utilized for investigative purposes, however, he admonished against any further duplication of the material and against the release of any of the material outside the Bureau. He further instructed that any dissemination of the material within the Bureau should be accompanied by clear notation that this material has been subpoenaed before the Grand Jury and may not be disseminated.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]

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AT BEND, OREGON

The below listed individuals and their respective agencies were contacted regarding BRYANT COFFELT, date of birth February 20, 1916, and each advised they were unable to locate a record identifiable with that individual.

- (1) [redacted] Deschutes County Sheriff's Office, January 26, 1977.
- (2) [redacted] Bend Police Department, January 27, 1977.

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On January 26, 1977, a review of the 1977 Pacific Northwest Bell Telephone Book for the communities of Bend, Gilchrist, Crescent, La Pine, Silver Lake, Fort Rock, Christmas Valley, Prineville, Madras, Warm Springs, Antelope, Culver, Mitchell, Paulina, Redmond, Sisters and Spray, Oregon, failed to reveal any listing for BRYANT COFFELT. The Bend City Directory had a listing for a [redacted] Oregon, telephone number [redacted]

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Also on January 26, 1977, a review of the 1976 Polk City Directory for the above communities also failed to reveal a listing for BRYANT COFFELT, however, [redacted] resided at [redacted] Oregon, [redacted] resided at [redacted] telephone number [redacted]

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On February 16, 1977, [redacted] date of birth, [redacted] was interviewed at his residence [redacted] Oregon, and he at that time advised that [redacted]

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[redacted] Oregon, and that he himself is not acquainted with anyone by the name of BRYANT COFFELT, date of birth February 20, 1916.

[redacted] stated [redacted] added however, he does have relations residing in [redacted] area, however, he does not know if any of them may be BRYANT COFFELT.

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON

The below listed individuals and their respective agencies advised they were unable to locate a record identifiable with BRYANT COFFELT, date of birth February 20, 1916.

(1) On January 31, 1977, the Oregon State Department of Motor Vehicles, Salem, Oregon (via state teletype), advised no record regarding vehicle registrations or an Oregon driver's license.

(2) On January 28, 1977, Oregon State Police, Salem, Oregon, (also via state teletype).

(3) On January 28, 1977, Columbia Region Information Sharing System (CRISS).

(4) On January 28, 1977, the Credit Bureau, Inc., Regional Center, Portland, Oregon.

(5) On January 28, 1977, the Oregon State Bureau of Vital Statistics revealed no record regarding the birth of BRYANT COFFELT from 1902 to 1924. On January 28, 1977, the Oregon State Bureau of Vital Statistics, revealed no record of a death of a BRYANT COFFELT from 1903 to 1977.

(6) On January 28, 1977, the Oregon State Bureau of Vital Statistics revealed no record regarding a marriage of BRYANT COFFELT from 1921 to 1977.

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SAC, CHICAGO (164-297) (RUC)

NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

Re Seattle letter to Chicago, 3/30/77.

RE: [REDACTED] SUSPECT.

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Efforts were made periodically during the period April 12 through 27, 1977, to return the evidence submitted to Chicago in referenced letter, with negative results.

On April 28, 1977, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Illinois, was contacted at which time [REDACTED] furnished by FBI, Seattle were returned to her, advising that they would no longer be needed in the FBI investigation.

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No further investigation remains outstanding at Chicago.

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- ① - Portland (164-41)(info)
- 1 - Chicago

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FM LOS ANGELES (164-497) (13) (P)

TO SEATTLE (164-81) ROUTINE

PORTLAND (164-41) ROUTINE

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CLEAR

NORJAK, OO: SEATTLE.

RE: [REDACTED] SUB 853; JACK BRYANT

COFFELT.

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO WASHINGTON FIELD, APRIL 18, 1977; AND LOS ANGELES TELEPHONE CALL TO PORTLAND, MAY 6, 1977.

FOR INFORMATION RECEIVING OFFICES, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REGARDING CAPTIONED MATTER

[REDACTED] WAS RECONTACTED MAY 6, 1977 AT HIS REQUEST.

[REDACTED] CONVINCED COFFELT IS SUBJECT OF NORJAK

[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

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*SAC [Signature]*

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[REDACTED] STATED BUREAU AGENTS ARE WELCOME TO  
JOIN SEARCH. NO COMMITMENT MADE.

AT CONCLUSION OF INTERVIEW, [REDACTED] STATED THAT IF NO  
BUREAU AGENT JOINS THEM, THE FBI WILL BE ADVISED OF ANY  
PERTINENT ITEMS LOCATED AFTER INFORMING LOS ANGELES TIMES.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>SEATTLE</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>SEATTLE</b>	DATE <b>5/31/77</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>11/24/76-4/11/77</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>NORJAK</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 150px; height: 15px;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>deh</b>
CHARACTER OF CASE <b>CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION</b>			

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REFERENCES:

Seattle report of SA  11/30/76.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The purpose of this report is to advise the Bureau and other offices of pertinent facts concerning this major case other than the routine investigation of numerous suspects currently being processed.

Because of the recent indictment of unsub in this matter by the Portland Division, copies of this report are being designated for Portland and for the U.S. Attorney's Office in Portland.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN: PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
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There are currently 908 suspects, 880 of whom have been eliminated. New suspects are being developed and appropriate investigation is being instituted. No promising suspects are under consideration at this time.

Leads concerning individual suspects are being set out by separate communication. The results of these investigations are not being set forth in this report since all results to date have been negative. Positive results will be immediately forwarded to the Bureau by appropriate communication.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Seattle  
1 - USA, Portland

Report of: SA  Office: Seattle, Washington

Date: 5/31/77

Field Office File #: 164-81 Bureau File #: 164-2111

Title: NORJAK

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Character: CRIME ABOARD AN AIRCRAFT-  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION

Synopsis: All investigation to identify unsub to date has been negative. On 11/24/76, a U.S. Grand Jury in Portland, Oregon, returned an indictment charging unsub as JOHN DOE, aka Dan Cooper, with violations of aircraft piracy and Hobbs Act statutes. Bond fixed at \$500,000. The \$5,000 reward formerly offered by the Seattle Post Intelligencer newspaper was withdrawn as of 12/31/76. A manual search of the missing persons indices at FBI Headquarters was conducted based on the presumption that unsub may have perished during the jump and a missing persons report may have been filed with the FBI. Twenty-one possible suspects were developed as a result of this search and they are currently being processed as suspects. Investigation continuing at Seattle and other divisions. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

All investigation to identify unsub to date has been negative.

On 11/24/76, a U.S. Grand Jury in Portland, Oregon, returned an indictment charging unsub as JOHN DOE, aka Dan Cooper with violations of aircraft piracy and Hobbs Act statutes. A bond was fixed at \$500,000.

By letter, dated 11/30/76, ROBERT E. THOMPSON, Publisher and Editor of the Seattle Post Intelligencer newspaper, advised that he was withdrawing his previous offer of a \$5,000 reward for the arrest and conviction of unsub, aka D. B. Cooper. THOMPSON stated the reward would be with-

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drawn as of 12/31/76.

The Bureau advised by airtel, dated 4/11/77, that a manual search of the missing persons indices at the FBI Headquarters was conducted based on the presumption that unsub may have perished during the jump and a missing persons report may have been filed with the FBI. Twenty-one possible suspects were developed as a result of this manual search and they are currently being processed as suspects at the present time.

On the same date, the Bureau advised by letter that there are eight latent fingerprints connected with this case that were obtained from and around the seat occupied by unsub. The eight latent fingerprints were made by the tip and lower joint areas of fingers and a latent impression, which is a fingerprint or a palm print, was also developed.

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BuFile 164-2111

Re Portland airtel to Seattle, 4/11/77.

Re: BRYANT JACK COFFELT, Sub 869

Enclosed herewith for Seattle is an insert containing results of investigation conducted by Portland Division at Bend, Oregon, and Portland, Oregon.

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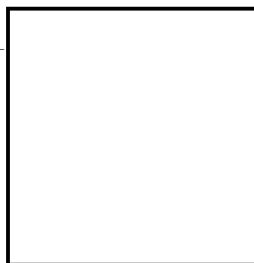
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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BuFile 164-2111

Re: Suspect

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Re Portland airtel to Bureau, et al, 10/19/76.

Enclosed herewith for Seattle are two copies of an insert prepared at Portland in this matter.

For further information of Seattle, Portland indices were negative concerning  Likewise a search of appropriate city and telephone directories for Portland was negative concerning  In addition a search of  name through the Columbia Region Information Sharing System (CRISS) and Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS) failed to develop information identifiable with

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 8/4/77

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[redacted] appeared at the FBI Office,  
Las Vegas, Nevada, and was made aware of the identities of  
SAs [redacted] and ALVIN J. ZIMMERMAN by display of  
credentials. [redacted] he was living in

[redacted]

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On 8/2/77 at Las Vegas, Nevada File # LV 164-60

by SA [redacted] and SA ALVIN J. ZIMMERMAN AJZ/kmf Date dictated 8/3/77

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reflected by the press.

[Redacted]  
[Redacted] this past year with [Redacted]  
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[Redacted] California.

According to [Redacted]  
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LV 164-60

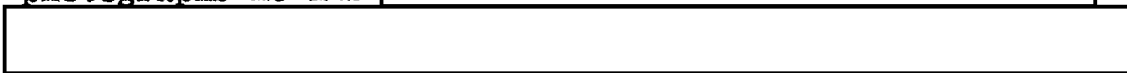
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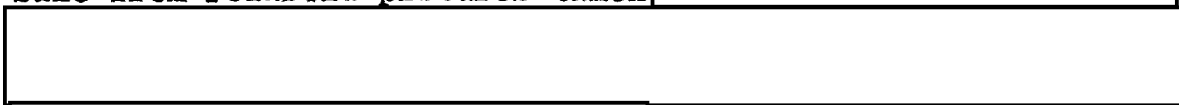
[redacted] made available for photographing. the  
photographs he has [redacted]

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[redacted] different  
photographs of [redacted]  
size from Polaroid pictures taken [redacted]

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[redacted] the man who hijacked the  
airplane using the name of D. B. COOPER.

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8/4/77

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) RUC

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

Enclosed for Seattle are the following:

- 1) 4 photographs of [redacted] b6  
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- 2) 4 photographs of [redacted] b6  
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- 3) 5 photographs each of blown up Polaroid photos [redacted] b6  
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- 4) Original and one copy of FD-302 reflecting interview of [redacted] b6  
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An information copy of this airtel and FD-302 are being sent to Portland inasmuch as [redacted] is within the Portland Division. b6  
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For information of Seattle, [redacted] advised that [redacted] the FBI to the place [redacted] b6  
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All leads pertaining to information furnished by [redacted] are being left to the discretion of the Office of Origin. b6  
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1 - Portland (Enc. 1) (Info)  
1 - Las Vegas  
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8/16/77

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO:Seattle)  
BuFile 164-2111

Re: Suspect [redacted] Washington

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On 8/16/77, [redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted] furnished the following information to SA [redacted] on a confidential basis:

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He is [redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted]

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Until approximately [redacted] included that area of southwest Washington into which unsub parachuted on 11/24/71, with the ransom in this matter. [redacted] has been aware of this investigation since its inception, and has been interested in it.

Approximately [redacted] became aware that [redacted] Washington, who had previously had [redacted]

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He did not connect any possible significance with this case until it occurred to him recently that possibly [redacted] in this matter.

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[redacted] emphasized that he desired that the fact  
he suggested [redacted]  
[redacted] in this matter be kept completely confidential.

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LEAD

SEATTLE

AT [redacted] WASHINGTON. Will conduct appropriate  
investigation concerning [redacted]

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.



FBI

Date: 8/25/77

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_

(Precedence)

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT: *Armed* NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

RE: [Redacted]

Re Seattle letter to Portland dated 5/5/77.

Enclosed for the Portland Division is a copy of [Redacted] State Driver's License.

On 8/16/77, a check of the Vancouver, Washington, Telephone Directory revealed there was a listing for [Redacted] telephone [Redacted]

On the same date, a check of the Vancouver Reverse Directory revealed a [Redacted] telephone [Redacted]. Further, the Reverse Directory revealed a [Redacted] residing at [Redacted] telephone [Redacted]

On 8/18/77 and 8/19/77, a check with the Vancouver Police Department, Vancouver, and the Clark County Sheriff's Office, Vancouver, failed to reveal any record whatsoever concerning [Redacted] except for the fact that he was booked as [Redacted]. There was no other information in the Clark County files concerning [Redacted]

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Special Agent in Charge

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SE 164-81

On 8/22/77, a check at 3315 E. Fourth Plain Blvd., Vancouver, Washington, revealed there was a U-Haul business there. Contact with the individuals inside this establishment revealed that it had been in place there since May 20, 1977, and, prior to that time, there was a Shell Service Station.

On 8/22/77, contact was attempted with [redacted] at [redacted] Washington, with negative results, as no one was home. A message was left requesting [redacted] to contact the Vancouver Office of the FBI. A check with the [redacted] [redacted] in Portland, Oregon.

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On 8/23/77, [redacted] telephonically contacted the Vancouver Office of the FBI and stated that he was [redacted] He stated he could be reached at telephone number [redacted] in Portland.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

During the conversation with [redacted] [redacted] the FBI's interest in him.

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LEAD:

PORTLAND DIVISION

At Portland, Oregon

Will contact [redacted] Portland, telephone [redacted] and thereafter resolve this matter as it relates to NORJAK.

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FBI

Date: 8/30/77

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO : SAC, ANCHORAGE (164-59)  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

RE: [Redacted]

Re Seattle letter to Anchorage, dated 4/11/77;  
Anchorage letter to Seattle, dated 6/10/77.

For the information of the Anchorage and Portland Divisions, [Redacted] has been identified as the true name of former suspect [Redacted] (Protect), of [Redacted] Washington, advised that he [Redacted] at the [Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted] advised that [Redacted] apparently was [Redacted]

he worked [Redacted] a couple of weeks before the statute of limitations ran out on the hijacking in question, [Redacted] the effect that it was only a couple of weeks until the statute of limitations runs out on D. B. COOPER. [Redacted] comments were apparently [Redacted]

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Special Agent in Charge

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[redacted] was shown artist's composites of the subject in this matter and advised that it could be [redacted] A current photograph of [redacted] [redacted] was provided with the detailed description of the subject and he stated he thought that [redacted] would fit the general description.

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[redacted] stated that he had an address for [redacted] which was somewhat old. This address was [redacted] [redacted] Oregon [redacted] telephone [redacted] [redacted]

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Following initial contact with [redacted] [redacted] persons who were [redacted] [redacted] said that [redacted] [redacted] cigarettes which he smoked. However, persons contacted could not remember what brand cigarettes were smoked by [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that while [redacted] [redacted] would make regular remarks about him [redacted] in the hijacking case. According to [redacted] make the remarks concerning [redacted] would lead one to believe that he had some information in the case. However, [redacted] could not remember anything specific other than the one about the statute of limitations running out in a short time.

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Person who might have additional information on [redacted] the following:

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[redacted] [redacted] stated [redacted] [redacted] telephone number is [redacted]

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On 8/18/77, [redacted] advised that [redacted] used to wear wraparound sunglasses [redacted] He advised that since previously being contacted by the FBI, he had [redacted] who is [redacted]

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[redacted] the FBI contact [redacted] concerning information on [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that there is some rumor that [redacted] may be [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] should have more information on this.

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LEADS:

ANCHORAGE DIVISION

At [redacted] Alaska

Will locate and interview [redacted] [redacted] telephone [redacted] [redacted] to obtain additional information and description concerning [redacted] as well as his present location and if possible, a current photograph.

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Will contact [redacted] who is [redacted] [redacted] for any additional information he may have concerning this matter.

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PORTLAND DIVISION

At [redacted] Oregon

Will attempt to determine background information and additional descriptive information by conducting appropriate neighborhood investigation in the vicinity of [redacted] In addition, will determine former subscriber to telephone number [redacted] and conduct appropriate credit and criminal checks.

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Portland is directed to make background information available to Seattle and Anchorage.

SEATTLE DIVISION

At Seattle, Washington

Will contact appropriate personnel at [redacted] [redacted] upon receipt of additional descriptive information and attempt to obtain background information on [redacted] who supposedly [redacted]

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9/6/77

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile 164-2111

RE [redacted]

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Re Seattle airtel to Portland, 8/25/77.

[redacted]  
[redacted] which is located in the [redacted]  
[redacted] was interviewed by  
SA [redacted] on 9/2/77 concerning this matter.

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It was obvious from the outset that [redacted] could not be identical with Unsub in this matter for the following reasons:

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[redacted] is only [redacted] years of age at this time being approximately [redacted] years younger than the median age of Unsub, aka DAN COOPER. [redacted] has [redacted] eyes, [redacted] complexion, light brown, very thin straight hair, and is 5'11" in height. In addition, he has [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that during the hijacking in this matter, he was [redacted]

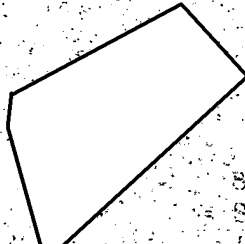
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In view of the above information, no further investigation regarding this lead appears indicated.

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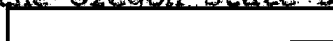


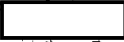
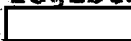

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SUBJECT: NORJAK  
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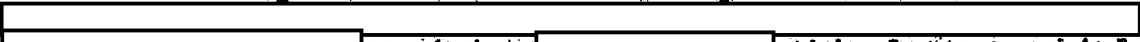

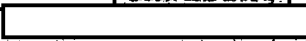

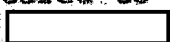


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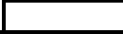

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Re Seattle airtel to Anchorage dated 8/30/77.

Current records of the Oregon State Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) identify  DOB  residence  Oregon  as current registered owner of a 1975 Volkswagen two-door sedan, titled  and expiring  is listed as co-owner. They are also listed as registered owners of

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 expiring  this latter vehicle being titled  at  Oregon. A third vehicle registered to them is a 1971 Volkswagen, two-door sedan, Oregon license  expiration date  and also registered to  Oregon.

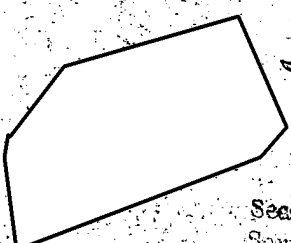
DMV records further disclose  is 5'9", 165 pounds, and his driver's license is currently 

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The driving record shows 

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[redacted] County.

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[redacted] Oregon Police Department, advised on 9/7/77, that [redacted] several years. He advised that [redacted] is a white male, short and [redacted] brown hair. [redacted] drives a Volkswagen that has been [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] has no known arrest record in this area.

A crime report filed with [redacted] Police Department [redacted] DOB [redacted]

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The crime report involved [redacted] [redacted] subsequently having been cleared.

[redacted] advised that he did not consider [redacted] would bear any resemblance to the artist's conception of unsub in this matter.

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[redacted] advised on 10/18/77, that [redacted] is a white male in his [redacted] who is about 5'7", 150 - 160 pounds, [redacted] dark brown hair (graying), [redacted] eyes. He advised that [redacted] resides in [redacted]

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[redacted] from time-to-time. He stated he last saw [redacted] did not see any resemblance between the artist's conception of unsub in this matter and [redacted]

ADMINISTRATIVE

[redacted] Oregon, (protect identity) [redacted] advised on 10/18/77, that they are not acquainted with [redacted] records contain no information pertaining to them.

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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] Oregon, (protect identity) advised on 9/7/77,  
that [redacted] records disclose [redacted]  
[redacted]  
Oregon. The record discloses that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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It appears to Portland that [redacted] does not  
match the physical description of unsub in this matter, being  
younger, shorter, [redacted] complexion and  
eyes, and [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 10/17/77

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BUfile 164-2111

Re Portland letter to Seattle, 8/29/77.

Reference is made to an investigative insert reflecting investigation conducted at [redacted] Oregon.

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LEAD

PORTLAND

AT [redacted] OREGON. Will complete background investigation regarding [redacted] and thereafter consider him for interview.

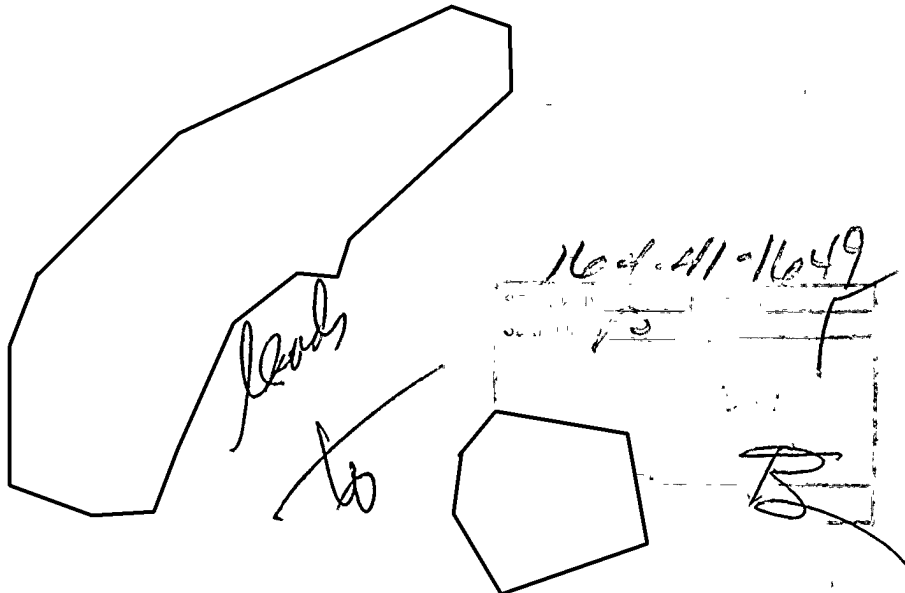
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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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# memorandum

DATE: 10/18/77

REPLY TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

TO: SAC, ANCHORAGE (164-55)

RE:

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Re Seattle airtel to Anchorage, dated 8/30/77.

Referenced communication set forth leads for the Anchorage Division at  Alaska, and the Portland Division at  Oregon. To date, results of that investigation has not been received by the Seattle Division of the FBI.

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Anchorage and Portland are directed to forward results to Seattle expeditiously so that this important hijacking case can be brought to a logical conclusion.

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4 - Seattle (164-81)

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

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AT [redacted] OREGON

On September 9, 1977, [redacted]

[redacted] Sheriff's Office [redacted] advised that

[redacted] stated that [redacted] approximately

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[redacted] resides in [redacted] Oregon area. [redacted] advised that [redacted] is a white male American, 5'11", 170 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes, Social Security No. [redacted] address [redacted]

[redacted] Oregon. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was arrested [redacted]

[redacted] provided a date of birth of [redacted] at the time of his arrest. [redacted] advised that he would attempt to determine [redacted] current address and would provide the same to the FBI.

On September 13, 1977, [redacted] advised that

[redacted] was residing at [redacted] located

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[redacted] Oregon. [redacted] stated that [redacted] is believed to be [redacted]

AT [redacted] OREGON

On September 13 and September 28, 1977, attempts were made to locate [redacted] at [redacted]

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Oregon. It was determined that [redacted] was not located [redacted] did reside [redacted]

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TRANSMIT VIA:

- Teletype
- Facsimile
- Airtel

PRECEDENCE:

- Immediate
- Priority
- Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

- TOP SECRET
- SECRET
- CONFIDENTIAL
- E F T O
- CLEAR

Date DECEMBER 14, 1977 *008*

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TO BUTTE ROUTINE

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NORJAK, OO:SEATTLE.

MR. A. M. ROBINSON, POST OFFICE BOX 58, PECK, IDAHO 83545, CORRESPONDED WITH "THE OREGONIAN", MAJOR PORTLAND, OREGON, NEWSPAPER, TO ADVISE THAT HE HAS A SUSPICIOUS \$20 BILL AND WANTED IT CHECKED AGAINST THE RANSOM MONEY IN THIS CASE. ROBINSON, WHO APPEARED TO BE AN ELDERLY MAN, DID NOT FURNISH THE SERIAL NUMBER OF THIS BILL.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT BUTTE PROMPTLY CONTACT MR. ROBINSON TO CHECK OUT THIS MATTER AND ADVISE PORTLAND AND SEATTLE OF RESULTS.

AM COPY FURNISHED SEATTLE.

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1-Seattle (AM) (164-81)  
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SAC, PORTLAND (80-501) (P)

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SA [REDACTED]

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MEDIA RELATIONS

On 11/28/77, [REDACTED] ALAN LANSBURG, Productions Incorporated, Los Angeles, California, telephone [REDACTED] telephonically contacted SA [REDACTED] and stated that the production concerning the hijacking of a Northwest Airlines jet at Portland on Thanksgiving Eve, 1971, is being finalized for airing in the near future. She had a number of questions she needed answered in order to make sure their script was accurate.

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[REDACTED] further stated that negotiations are presently being conducted with a sponsor which should result in the airing of this program in the very near future.

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① - 164-41)

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PORTLAND (154-41) ROUTINE

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NORJAK (A), OO: SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO BUTTE, DECEMBER 15, 1977.

DECEMBER 15, 1977, A. M. ROBINSON, BOX 98, PECK, IDAHO, 52 YEARS OLD, ADVISED SAW NEWSPAPER ARTICLE IN "ORLEGORIAN" NEWSPAPER APPROXIMATELY NEAR END NOVEMBER, 1977, INDICATING ANY \$22.20 BILL HAVING SERIES 1971 OR EARLIER COULD BE SUSPICIOUS AND POSSIBLY CONNECTED WITH COOPER KIDNAPPING IN 1971.

ROBINSON ADVISED OBTAINED \$22.20 BILL FROM FIRST SECURITY BANK, OROFINO, IDAHO, HAVING SERIES 1969C, SERIAL C29137434A, AND THOUGHT AUTHORITIES SHOULD BE ADVISED.

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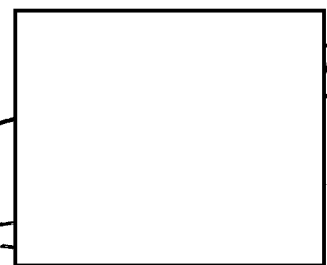
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File—Serial Charge Out  
FD-5 (Rev. 6-17-70)

e48-16-83475-1 GPO

File 164-41 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Class. Case No. Last Serial

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Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ Description of Serial \_\_\_\_\_ Date Charged \_\_\_\_\_

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Serial

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Employee \_\_\_\_\_

RECHARGE

Date \_\_\_\_\_

To \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_

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DB Cooper-1449

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 1/5/78

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: MORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile: 164-2111

Reference Portland Memo of SA [redacted] 10/17/77.

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Continued efforts to locate and interview [redacted] Oregon have met with negative results. On 1/4/78, [redacted] Oregon, advised her records contained no information identifiable with [redacted] stated that he did reside at [redacted] when [redacted] who resides at [redacted] noted that [redacted] until approximately [redacted] when she has no [redacted] She advised [redacted]

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On 1/4/78, [redacted] advised she was acquainted with [redacted] advised that [redacted] for approximately [redacted] She advised [redacted] because [redacted] advised that [redacted] reside in [redacted] possibly in Portland, Oregon. [redacted] stated that [redacted] considered [redacted] had [redacted]

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It should be noted that complainant [redacted] indicated [redacted]

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the Morjak matter. In view of the above information, it is felt that further efforts to locate/interview [redacted] warranted and no further investigation to locate him is being conducted.

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1-Portland (164-41)

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1/13/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile: 164-2111

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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In November, 1977, [redacted] Portland Police Bureau, advised SA [redacted] that he was acquainted with an individual whom he preferred not to identify who had advised him he had a suspect in mind who might possibly be identical with unsub in this matter. [redacted] stated that his source was very reluctant to reveal his suspicions but that he, [redacted] was attempting to persuade the individual to come forth with whatever information he had. [redacted] agreed to attempt to arrange an interview of the source with a Bureau Agent.

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On 1/3/78, [redacted] advised that he had been in touch again with his source who continued to decline to be identified or to meet with a Bureau Agent. The source did advise [redacted] however, that the suspect he has in mind is [redacted] white, male, American, approximately [redacted] years of age, [redacted]

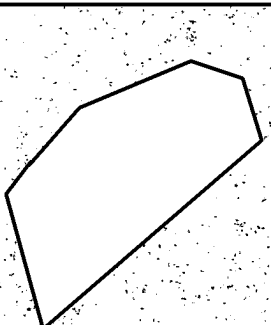
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[redacted] Washington.  
The source told [redacted]  
[redacted] since the time of the hijacking in this matter. Another piece of identifying information is that [redacted]  
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[ ] stated that as a professional police officer, he realized the above information is minimal, but that his source is adamant and refuses to provide any additional information.

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AT [ ] WASHINGTON. Will through records of [ ] identify suspect [ ] and conduct logical investigation to involve or eliminate him in this matter. Note that Portland indices are negative concerning [ ]

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File - Serial Charge Out  
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The following investigation was conducted by

SA [redacted]

AT [redacted] OREGON

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On January 4, 1978, [redacted]  
[redacted] Oregon, advised her records contained no information  
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[redacted] noted that  
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possibly in Portland, Oregon. [redacted]  
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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

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AT [redacted] OREGON

On September 9, 1977, [redacted]

[redacted] Sheriff's Office [redacted] advised that

[redacted] stated that [redacted] approximately

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[redacted] resides in [redacted] Oregon area. [redacted] advised that [redacted] is a white male American, 5'11", 170 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes, Social Security No. [redacted] address [redacted]

[redacted] Oregon. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was arrested [redacted]

[redacted] provided a date of birth of [redacted] at the time of his arrest. [redacted] advised that he would attempt to determine [redacted] current address and would provide the same to the FBI.

On September 13, 1977, [redacted] advised that

[redacted] was residing at [redacted] located

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[redacted] Oregon. [redacted] stated that [redacted]

is believed to be [redacted]

AT [redacted] OREGON

On September 13 and September 28, 1977, attempts were made to locate [redacted] at [redacted]

Oregon. It was determined that [redacted] was not located [redacted]

[redacted] did reside [redacted]

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1/13/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile: 164-2111

Re Portland letter to Seattle, 8/29/77.

Enclosed herewith for Seattle are two copies each of two separate investigative inserts prepared at Portland and concerning investigation at [redacted] Oregon.

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It should be noted that the complainant suggesting [redacted] may have information in this matter in August, 1977, indicated [redacted]

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[redacted] the Norjak case. In view of the above information, it is felt that further efforts to locate and interview [redacted] are not warranted and no further investigation to locate him is being conducted.

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2 - Portland

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Jan. 12, 1978

(I started this letter to you on Nov. 26, 1977 and did not finish it. I have lost the article I was going to send you. but inclosing another one.)

he answered "hello."

[redacted] He never looked me in the eye, but down to the floor as he was walking. He walked about five feet to my left from where I was [redacted] [redacted] with his back to me. He stood there and I saw he was acting very nervous. On his left, where he was standing is an open stairway, going up stairs [redacted] (However he wouldn't know that). He repeated to look up the stairs and the front door. I was watching him from his back, and after about five minutes or so, I was wondering what was on his mind, if he was thinking of going up stairs to get away from <sup>some</sup> one, as he kept looking towards the front & then up the stairs again. About that time I got nervous my self and was going to find out just what he had on his mind. I went to his right side &

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[redacted] that time he never moved an inch. He looked at me then and ~~said~~ <sup>said</sup> in a very low tone voice, [redacted] Then suddenly, again in very low tone voice, he said [redacted]

[redacted] He thanked me very politely. But he still stood there. I could see there was some thing very strange, he looked very, very, scared. His face showed it.

DB Cooper-1458

I had [redacted] when he came in.

[redacted]

As I finished & turned around [redacted] the tallest of these two men were right right at [redacted] near the the two was holding [redacted] so he took the [redacted] while I still had my back to them [redacted] I walked in back of them to get to [redacted] All the while I was still trying to figure out this man at [redacted] still never moved. I asked these two men [redacted] that it was

[redacted] then the shorter man picked up [redacted]

something & asked [redacted] that. (I do not remember now what it was) But I do remember telling him, [redacted]

Anyway it too was [redacted] I had it figured these two men were stalling for time or something like it. Be- cause they asked me again [redacted] Again I told them it was [redacted]

About that time this man at [redacted] slowly walked towards the door in a different aisle. Doing so squeezed behind a couple who was [redacted] His coat brushed against something & it knock it off of a table & it fell. All the while I

was watching him. He turned around & picked it up & gently placed it back on the table, then slowly went out [redacted]

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Then these two men said, or one of them said, and it was the tallest man, who said, [redacted]

[redacted] However I did noticed that these two men were sorta looking sideways at the man at [redacted] Like they didn't want me to notice they were half way looking his way. I felt there was a connection some how.

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After every one left [redacted] I was still rather shook up about this man at [redacted] Then it hit me like a ton of bricks, that this man at [redacted] looked like a composite picture I saw of D.B. Cooper either on T.V. or in the newspaper, or both at that time. I do remember, however reading at that time, that one article said he was wearing a dark rain coat, and another article said he (D.B. Cooper) was in a light rain coat.

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The man at [redacted] had a rather sallow type complexion. broad shoulders, [redacted] straight hair, about [redacted] or so. Had either black or real dark blue rain coat on. I do not recall now, but seems to me he had dark glasses on when [redacted] And yet I remember looking at his eyes [redacted] & they were [redacted] eyes. He may have removed his glasses, when he was [redacted]

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I am not very good at people's ages, could be any where from 42 - 50 years old. He was heavy set for his height, maybe around 180 lbs or more. He was very neat looking, I do believe he had on a tie. Had dark or black oxfords on.

The two men were both tall, very handsome or good looking. [redacted] suits

that shows they were used for [redacted]

At first I thought they [redacted] men. They wore [redacted] would wear. I am not sure

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now, but seems like [redacted] The suits [redacted]

The color could be more like [redacted] Hard to say, but it was not a real [redacted]

The coat was a [redacted] the waist line, if I remember correctly. Also don't know if it was a zipper jacket or buttons. The taller man seemed more talkative than the shorter one. But both were tall men, six foot more or little less. Perhaps in their [redacted]

I had [redacted] yet, after these three men left. I was sorry I didn't go out to check on what type of car they were driving if they were driving. I had never seen these men before nor since. None of these men went about or around [redacted]

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[redacted] It certainly seemed to me these 2 men were trailing the older man.

I repeat, that I am sorry I didn't make a note of the day I called & the detectives came over, when I told them, what I have written here. It could of been in late Dec. of 1971 or Jan. of 1972. That is why I wrote if you contact ~~our~~ local detectives and see if they have the notes they took from me on their records yet. I often wondered if they ever contacted your office. They told me that they thought that it was just a coincident. I felt that they didn't think there was any connections with, that, it was D.B. Cooper. Over the years, I keep thinking its passable that they were here.

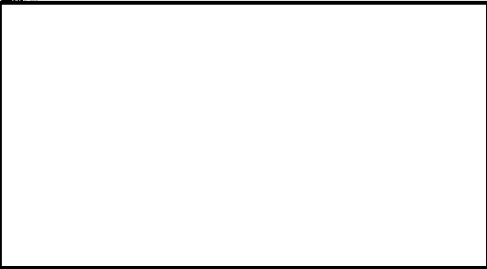
[redacted] have taken any time away from [redacted] about the time I mentioned above. You could use the detector test on [redacted] leave from [redacted] that time. Also give a lie detector test to [redacted] D.B. Cooper could of [redacted] Especially if [redacted] some of the parachutes were no good.

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I have no more to add, hoping you will forgive me for so much detail. I felt it was necessary that I did. This has been on my mind for many years now. Now that I have written I feel better about it. It could be a lead. Who knows? Hope to hear from you in the future.

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*Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland, Oregon*

DB Cooper-1463

# memorandum

DATE: 1/10/78

REPLY TO ATTN OF: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT: *gms/E*  
NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

RE:

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Re Portland airtel to Seattle dated 8/29/77.

Referenced communication set forth lead for the Portland Division at Wheeler, Oregon. To date results of that investigation have not been received by the Seattle Division. Portland is requested to expedite forwarding results of that investigation to Seattle.

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- 3 - Seattle
- RNN:skh
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*Already handled under record*

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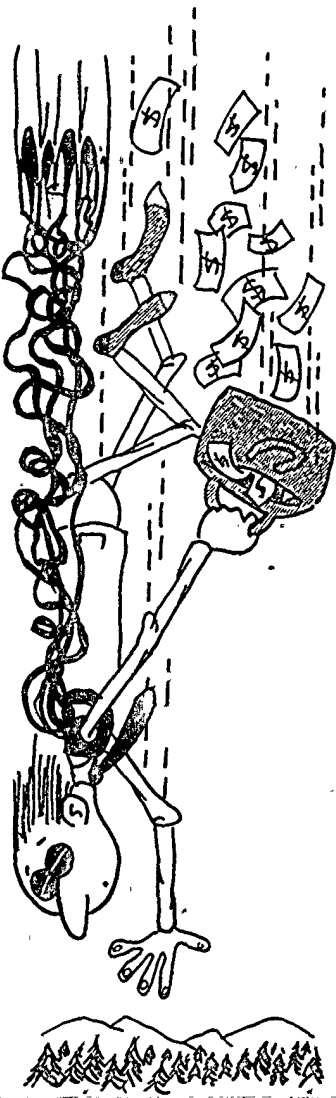
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# Skyjacker Cooper's 'night' recalled



What was perhaps the most famous skyjack in history began in Portland on Thanksgiving eve six years ago.

The man identified as Dan Cooper parachuted out of a Northwest Airlines plane on Nov. 24, 1971. He had boarded the 727 jet a few hours earlier at Portland International Airport.

En route to Seattle, threatening the crew with a gun and a bomb, he exhibited a note demanding four parachutes and \$200,000.

When the plane landed in Seattle, the 36 passengers got off. The money and parachutes were rounded up by Northwest, and the craft took off with only a flight crew of four and Cooper.

Somewhere over the rugged, brushy terrain east of Woodland, Wash., Cooper jumped out.

"It was a stormy night, with freezing rain at the high altitude and winds gusting up to 40 mph at Portland International Airport, maybe stronger along the Lewis River where he bailed out," says Ralph Himmelsbach of the FBI.

The plane continued to Reno where it landed, the stair door of the rear exit through which Cooper jumped still open.

He took the 10,000 \$20 bills with him in a small satchel. He left behind two of the parachutes, including the best for his purpose, a sky diver's chute.

Cooper had no hat nor goggles. He was dressed in a business suit and oxford street shoes.

"His shoes would have been snapped off his feet when he stepped out into the 196 mph slipstream," Himmelsbach said he was told by parachute experts.

"His eyes would have been blacked by the force of the wind and he probably tumbled out of control. He would have landed in his

stocking feet, blinded by the slipstream and the raging storm."

With the 28-foot canopy on his chute, the FBI agent said, Cooper "would have descended 26 mph vertically."

"Add a 30 to 50 mph wind and he would have hit at a speed of 50 to 70 mph," the agent estimated. "The experts say it is inconceivable that he could have escaped serious injury or instant death — even assuming his parachute opened."

When Cooper parachuted out, he took with him the note in which he threatened to blow up the plane if his demands were not met.

But he left behind the "bomb" he carried in an attache case. It turned out to be nothing but some highway flares and a battery.

## Party to celebrate 'Cooper's Landing'

ARIEL, Wash. — D.B. Cooper, mark your calendar. You're invited to a party Nov. 26.

And your \$20 bills will also be welcome.

That's the invitation going out to the skyjacker who reputedly landed near this small community six years ago.

The organizers of the annual "Coopers Capers" say the shindig will kick off at noon at the Ariel Tavern and Store.

Hope to see you at "Cooper's Landing."

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**Journal**

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clearing the highway took time because the numerous abandoned vehicles had to be towed before sanding and plowing equipment could start working. "There was too much junk along the road," he said.

One motorist voluntarily accepted a traffic citation in exchange for driving on the closed portion of the freeway. He told police he had to tend his livestock and was willing to take a traffic ticket to be with his animals.

More than 40,000 Pacific Power & Light Co. customers from Medford to Albany lost power because of the storm.

By Wednesday, service had been restored to most of the customers, but some in the vicinity of Elmira and Noti did not get their power back until Thursday.

The outages resulted from snow-laden trees falling into power lines and by lines breaking under heavy ice.

About 9,000 customers in Medford, Grants Pass and Roseburg were without power for up to 10 hours.

# cloudy' skies rough Friday

of night will be between 35  
and 45.

In Portland, the chance  
for measurable rain is 80  
percent through Friday.

HIGH TIDES, ASTORIA DISTRICT  
PACIFIC STANDARD TIME  
Nov. 25—1:13 a.m. 7.2.. 12:48 p.m. 8.8  
Nov. 26—1:54 a.m. 7.2.. 1:21 p.m. 8.7  
Nov. 27—2:31 a.m. 7.2.. 1:56 p.m. 8.6  
Nov. 28—3:09 a.m. 7.1.. 2:28 p.m. 8.4  
Nov. 29—3:48 a.m. 7.1.. 3:00 p.m. 8.2  
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November 26, 1977

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland, Oregon

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Dear [redacted]

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Enclosed find an article from the Sunday Oregonian dated November 14, 1976. I meant to write to you soon after I read the article. Somehow I kept putting it off. Now almost six years ago and no leads to the hijacker, D.B. Cooper.

First of all, I am not seeking any phony fame. I am wondering if it's possible, what I am about to write could be of any value to you. Reading the article over several times makes me wonder if D.B. Cooper really did jump from that plane. Furthermore, the two Air Defense Command F106 jet interceptors which followed the 727 saw nothing. Or he could of jumped some other place if he did jump other than near the Lewis River. The door could of been left open on purpose to mislead, or Cooper could have left it that way and also threw out the no good parachutes to give a person the idea he did jump. Or maybe one can give D.B. Cooper an "E" for effort—he may not be so dumb as one may think. If he didn't use the good parachutes, maybe after seeing they were no good, he decided the others were also no good. So perhaps he then did the next best thing and decided not to jump not knowing what the other parachutes were like. He still could have jumped elsewhere, or he then could have made a deal with the pilot officers on the plane. Also, he could have hidden in the plane until they got to Reno and kept the money with him.

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[redacted]

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I did not make a note of the date when a situation took place [redacted] but it was shortly after D.B. hijacked the plane. However, I did call our local police, and they sent over two local detectives to [redacted] They have the date when this occurred. I gave them my story and they wrote it down, so if you think this incident is worth checking you could contact our local detectives and get the date, as I think the date will be very important to this incident.

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[redacted] in line with the front door. This certain day, a man [redacted] walked [redacted] near where I was [redacted]

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Post Office Box 709  
Portland, Oregon 97207

January 25, 1978

[Redacted]

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Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your thoughtful letter to this office concerning the hijacker known as "D. B. Cooper." The information you furnished about a possible suspect is being evaluated.

The ultimate solution to difficult cases such as this one would not be possible without the assistance of civic minded citizens such as yourself and you may be sure your consideration is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

ARTHUR G. BARGER  
Special Agent in Charge

By: [Redacted]

Assistant Special Agent in Charge

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1 - addressee  
1 - Portland (164-41)  
RPH:ja (2)

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DB Cooper-1468

PD 164-41  
SM:ja  
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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] Oregon:

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On January 9, 1978, [redacted] telephone  
number [redacted] advised that in recent months he [redacted]  
[redacted] Washington, at the

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[redacted]  
[redacted] advised to get there [redacted]

[redacted] advised the area  
[redacted]

He further indicated it would not take [redacted]  
[redacted] He further indicated to his knowledge  
[redacted] of the D. B. COOPER  
aircraft.

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[redacted] advised that while he [redacted]  
[redacted] in the above area, [redacted]  
quite funny and rather strange. [redacted]

[redacted] He wanted  
[redacted] advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] in the area, as well as other  
[redacted]

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FBI - PORTLAND	
[redacted]	[signature]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC PORTLAND 164-41 \* DATE: Feb 5, 1978

FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

NORJAK;  
OO:PD

AT APPROXIMATELY 10:00/AM THIS DATE WRITER WAS PHONED BY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS BEING:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] OREGON, PHONE [REDACTED]

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CALLER ADVISED THAT AFTER VIEWING AN ARTISTS DRAWING OF D.B. COOPER IN HIS DALY NEWSPAPER THIS DATE, HE IS OF THE OPINION THAT SAID INDIVIDUAL WAS VERY LIKELY THE SAME INDIVIDUAL WHO UNTIL SATURDAY 2/4/78 WAS [REDACTED] HE BELIEVES TO BE COOPER. PRESENTLY HAS A BEARD, AFTER SHADING ONE IN ONE THE DRAWING, CALLER AND OTHERS HE SHOWED THE DRAWING TO ALL SEEM TO BE OF THE OPINION THAT [REDACTED] AND COOPER ARE VERY POSSIBLY IDENTICAL.

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CALLER ADVISED THAT THE NAME USED BY [REDACTED] SAID TO HAVE [REDACTED] IN HIS POSSESSION. CALLER FURTHER ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] BEFORE [REDACTED] ADVISED CALLER THAT HE WOULD [REDACTED] WITH NO DATE GIVEN.

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[REDACTED] SOME NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED CONCERNING [REDACTED] MODE OF TRAVEL. CALLER THOUGHT [REDACTED] DESTINATION UNKNOWN FOR SURE.

Caller was advised that he would be contacted by an agent and should he learn of [REDACTED] present location for him to again call.

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Consider Armed & Dangerous because of possession of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DOC 5/68 [REDACTED] \* NIDES  
WMA DOB [REDACTED] 164-41-1666

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SEE FO 160 FOR FURTHER REF'S

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DB Cooper-1470

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



TO: CHIEF CLERK

Date: 2/15/78

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

Aliases: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace: \_\_\_\_\_ Race: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex:  Male  Female

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Exact Spelling       Main Criminal Case Files Only       Restrict to Locality of \_\_\_\_\_

All References       Criminal References Only

Main Subversive Case Files Only       Main Subversive (If no Main, list all Subversive References)

Subversive References Only       Main Criminal (If no Main, list all Criminal References)

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Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_ Squad: \_\_\_\_\_ Extension: \_\_\_\_\_ File No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Searched by: [Signature] 2/15/78  
(date)

Consolidated by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

File Review Symbols

I - Identical      ? - Not identifiable  
NI - Not identical      U - Unavailable reference      ☆G.P.O. 1972-471-961

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

DATE: 2/9/78

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJACK  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile: 164-2111

Re Portland memo SPC [redacted] dated 2/5/78.

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On 2/6/78, [redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted] provided the following information:

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He read the 2/7/77, issue of the "Star," and noticed an article on page 42, captioned "FBI Man Vows To Hunt Down America's Parachute Skyjacker." This article contained a composite drawing of the individual known as D. B. COOPER. He stated that after seeing this article, he believed that an individual who has [redacted]

[redacted] could be identical to D. B. COOPER. He stated the individual he is speaking of is [redacted] He stated that he [redacted] for approximately [redacted]

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[redacted] around [redacted] 1977, and [redacted] 78, [redacted]

[redacted] his address as [redacted] town believed to be [redacted] California, however, [redacted] His vehicle was [redacted]

[redacted] advised that [redacted] is a very unusual individual who has provided differing accounts of his background. He has at one time stated that [redacted] and has on other occasions claimed to [redacted]

[redacted] always has [redacted] although on the [redacted] according to [redacted] He advised that [redacted]

[redacted] saw a [redacted] and as it was a [redacted] reported the incident to [redacted] Police Department. He stated at the same time [redacted] was attempting to [redacted]

② - Portland

DRP:sey

(2) *sey*



164-41-1667  
[redacted box]  
[handwritten initials]

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[redacted]  
 [redacted] He has never caused any trouble [redacted]  
 [redacted] He has mentioned  
 to [redacted] On [redacted]  
 [redacted] he was using [redacted]  
 [redacted] name unrecalled, was contacted  
 [redacted] were informed that the [redacted]  
 [redacted] When [redacted] 78, he  
 was [redacted] Oregon, and [redacted]  
 in approximately [redacted] He stated [redacted] Police Department  
 would have information regarding [redacted]  
 He provided the following descriptive information regarding  
 [redacted]

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	[redacted]
Height	5'7" to 5'10"
Build	[redacted]
Weight	155 to 160 pounds
Hair	Brownish, possible reddish tint with full beard
Eyes	Dark
Tattoos	[redacted]

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On 2/6/78, [redacted] Oregon  
 advised that his department is well acquainted with [redacted]  
 He stated that he has been [redacted]  
 [redacted] the police department when in the area.  
 He was last arrested by his department on [redacted]  
 [redacted] was taken to the station and  
 photographed and fingerprinted. At that time, the following  
 description was obtained:

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Name	[redacted]
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Place of Birth	[redacted]
Height	5'10"
Weight	165 pounds

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Hair  
Eyes  
Social Security Account No.  
Address

Brown  
Brown



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Occupation

[redacted] advised that he only observed him for a moment at the time of his arrest, but it was his belief he was not identical to the composite in the "Star" magazine. He stated [redacted] was the arresting officer.

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On 2/6/78, [redacted] Oregon, Police Department, advised he was the arresting officer regarding [redacted] 78. He stated it was his opinion that [redacted] is not identical to the composite drawing in the "Star" magazine.

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On 2/6/78, [redacted] County Sheriff's [redacted] Oregon, advised that he has had numerous contacts with [redacted]. He stated after viewing the composite drawing appearing in the "Star" magazine, it was his belief that [redacted] is not identical to the individual portrayed. He stated that [redacted]

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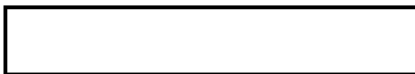
[redacted] He stated [redacted] informed him that [redacted] recently died and left him with a [redacted]. He advised that [redacted] Oregon, area to [redacted]. He stated that when [redacted] last [redacted] Oregon, he gave [redacted] Oregon. He stated that [redacted] individual, that he was sure that should he return to the area, there will be contact between [redacted] and various law enforcement agencies.

On 2/6/78, NCIC inquiry regarding [redacted] disclosed no NCIC want, and no identifiable NCIC criminal record.

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On 2/6/78, inquiry of the California CII resulted in the following information:

Name  
CII No.  
Race  
Sex  
Date of Birth  
Height  
Weight  
Hair  
Eyes  
FBI No.



White  
Male

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5'9"  
170 pounds

Brown  
Brown



PD 164-41

His arrest record includes [REDACTED]

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Inasmuch as [REDACTED] does not match the physical description of the individual responsible for NORJAK, it is recommended that he be eliminated as the suspect with the above provided for information for the file.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

2/15/78

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile: 164-2111

RE [redacted]

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Re Portland letter to Seattle dated 1/13/78.

On 1/31/78, an individual who identified himself only as [redacted] telephoned the Portland office to talk to SA [redacted] Portland NORJAK case agent. [redacted] stated that he thought he might have some information pertinent to the NORJAK case. He declined to furnish any further identifying information concerning himself other than that he was [redacted]. He inquired as to the status and amount of any rewards currently offered for information leading to the identification and apprehension of UNSUB in this matter. He also expressed concern that his identity as a source of information might be disclosed. [redacted] furnished no information whatever on that occasion, but stated he would recontact the agent in a few days to discuss the matter further.

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On 2/14/78, [redacted] again telephonically recontacted SA [redacted] and advised that the name of a person who should be checked out in this matter is [redacted]. Upon being pressed for further information, [redacted] furnished the first name [redacted]. He declined to furnish any other information whatever.

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It is believed probable that [redacted] was referring to suspect [redacted] who was subject of investigation in this matter at [redacted] Oregon, during [redacted].

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2 - Seattle  
② - Portland

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(4) *sey*

*Handwritten signatures and scribbles:*  
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*Hand*  
*to*

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PD 164-41

Since it appears that the name of [redacted] is going to reappear in connection with this matter, it is believed prudent to attempt to resolve his possible connection with this case as soon as possible. Accordingly, the following lead is being set forth:

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LEAD

PORTLAND

AT [redacted] OREGON. Will locate and interview [redacted] concerning his possible knowledge of this case and any suspects he may have in mind.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

2/17/78

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile 164-2111

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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Enclosed herewith for Seattle is the original and two copies of an investigative insert prepared at Portland in this matter, and concerning suspect [redacted] of the [redacted] Washington, vicinity.

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[redacted] Portland Office indices are negative concerning [redacted]

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LEAD

SEATTLE

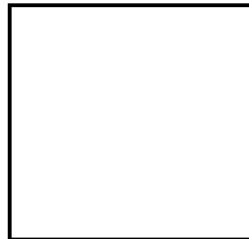
AT [redacted] WASHINGTON. Consider [redacted] as a possible suspect in this matter.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2 - Seattle (Encs. 3)  
2 - Portland

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RPH: cab  
(4) *cab*



*RPH*

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Indexed \_\_\_\_\_  
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SAC, TAMPA

2/27/78

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile 164-2111

Enclosed herewith for Tampa and Seattle are copies of a letter received at Portland from [redacted] Tampa Florida.

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For information of Tampa and Seattle, an article written by BARRIE WATTS, World News Service, New York City, concerning captioned skyjacking, appeared in the 2/7/78 issue of the "Star," a weekly supermarket newspaper of widespread circulation. This article mentioned the name of SA [redacted] Portland case agent. The article stimulated several individuals to correspond with SA [redacted] and enclosed letter is one of the contacts.

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[redacted] requests in her letter that she be contacted by SA [redacted] or by another FBI agent, and she states she has [redacted]

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LEAD

TAMPA

AT TAMPA, FLORIDA. Will contact [redacted] [redacted] for any information she may have relating to captioned case.

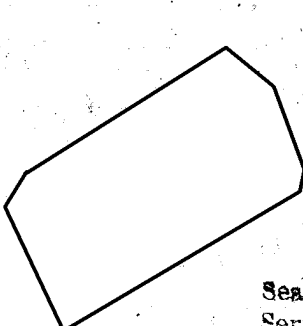
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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- 2 - Tampa (Enc. 1)
- 2 - Seattle (164-81)(Enc. 1)
- 2 - Portland

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*RPH*

164-41-1671

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 Filed \_\_\_\_\_

DB Cooper-1479

Post Office Box 709  
Portland, Oregon 97207

February 28, 1978

[Redacted]  
[Redacted] California [Redacted]

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Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your thoughtful letter concerning the parachute hijacking on November 24, 1971.

The solution of difficult cases such as this one may ultimately rest upon the contributions of concerned citizens such as yourself. You may be sure your suggestion is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

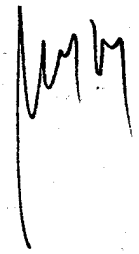
ARTHUR G. BARGER  
Special Agent in Charge

By: [Redacted]  
Supervisory Special Agent

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- 1 - Addressee
- ① - Portland (164-41) (P)

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RPH:sey  
(2) *Self*



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Indexed \_\_\_\_\_  
Filed \_\_\_\_\_



Post Office Box 709  
Portland, Oregon 97207

February 28, 1978

[Redacted]  
[Redacted] New York [Redacted]

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Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your thoughtful letter concerning the November 24, 1971, skyjacking.

The successful solution of difficult cases such as this one may ultimately rest upon information furnished by concerned citizens such as yourself. You may be sure that your letter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

ARTHUR G. BARGER  
Special Agent in Charge

By: [Redacted]  
Supervisory Special Agent

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- 1 - Addressee
- 1 - Portland (164-41) (P)

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(2) *sey*

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SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

2/28/78

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile 164-2111

For information of San Francisco and Seattle, an article concerning captioned case written by BARRIE WATTS appeared in the February 7, 1978 issue of the "Star," a weekly supermarket newspaper. The article mentioned the name of Portland case agent SA [redacted]. Since the article appeared, several people have written personal letters to SA [redacted] offering leads and suggestions.

By letter dated 2/10/78, [redacted]

New York [redacted]

advised as follows:

"Dear [redacted]

After reading about your wanting to catch D. B. COOPER, I [redacted] You can take it for what it is worth, but this is what I found out.

He has [redacted] the newspaper picture, wears a great deal of gray, coat, hat black, suit gray, brown or tan shoes, drives a [redacted] Someone obtained his license for him. Lives on [redacted] San Francisco, eats at [redacted] restaurant on [redacted] or down street at [redacted]

I admire your not giving up your man. If this information will lead you to your man, I have helped. I expect nothing in return.

- 2 - San Francisco
- 2 - Seattle (164-81)
- 2 - Portland

RPH:sey  
(6) *Self*



*RPH*  
164-41-1674

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PD 164-41

Wishing you and your travels safety and success. I remain,

Sincerely,

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[Redacted]

P.S. If you do catch him, please let me know, [Redacted]

[Redacted]

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Portland indices are negative concerning [Redacted]  
Portland has acknowledged [Redacted] letter.

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LEAD

SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. Will evaluate the above information furnished by [Redacted] and conduct a logical investigation to involve or eliminate the suspect suggested.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

X Airtel

2/24/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile 164-2111

RE SUSPECT [redacted] WASHINGTON

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For information of Seattle, during December, 1977 and January, 1978, [redacted] New York City, contacted Portland case agent SA [redacted] by telephone from New York on several occasions for background information concerning captioned matter. [redacted] article which appeared in the 2/7/78 issue of the "Star," a weekly supermarket newspaper.

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On 2/21/78, [redacted] appeared at the Portland Office and advised that as a result of the above-mentioned article, he had [redacted]

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Washington, area, whom he declined to identify, but whom he said claimed to have information concerning a possible suspect. [redacted] the source or sources.

On 2/23/78, [redacted] telephonically advised SA [redacted] from Seattle that he had interviewed a person or persons [redacted] Washington, and that he had [redacted] logical suspect in this matter. [redacted] identified [redacted] as the [redacted]

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[redacted] closely resembles the description and artist's conception of UNSUB in this matter and is thought by the source to have committed

- 2 - Seattle
- 2 - Portland

RPB:sey  
(4) *sey*

164-41-1675

[redacted]

*RPB*

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this hijacking [REDACTED]

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Portland indices are negative concerning [REDACTED]

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LEAD

SEATTLE

AT [REDACTED] WASHINGTON. Will, if he has not been  
previously eliminated, consider [REDACTED] as a suspect in this matter.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

x Airtel

3/6/78

TO: SAC, DENVER

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile 164-2111

RE SUSPECT [REDACTED] LAKEWOOD, COLORADO

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Enclosed herewith for Denver and Seattle is one copy each of a letter received by SA [REDACTED] Portland case agent.

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For information of Denver and Seattle, an article written by BARRIE WATTS, reporter for World News Service, New York City, New York, concerning captioned case, appeared in the February 7, 1978 issue of the "Star," a weekly supermarket newspaper. The article mentioned the name of Portland case agent, SA [REDACTED] and since the article appeared, SA [REDACTED] has received several personal letters from individuals across the country suggesting logical suspects. The original of enclosed letter was received at Portland, 3/6/78, and suggests [REDACTED] Lakewood, Colorado [REDACTED] as a suspect in this matter. The letter enclosed a clipped portion of a snapshot, partly displaying an adult male who appears to have [REDACTED] hair. A Xerox copy of this snapshot is set forth in enclosure, but did not copy very well.

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LEAD

DENVER

AT LAKEWOOD, COLORADO. Will fully identify suspect, [REDACTED] and conduct logical investigation to involve or eliminate him in this matter.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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- 2 - Denver (Enc. 1)
- 2 - Seattle (164-81) (Enc.)
- 2 - Portland

RPH:sey  
(6) *self*

*[Handwritten signature]*  
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DB Cooper-1486

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

3/14/78

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BUfile 164-2111

RE SUSPECT [redacted] OREGON

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On 3/13/78, [redacted] Oregon State Police, [redacted] Oregon, advised SA [redacted] that he had a visitor in his office who claimed to have some information possibly identical with this matter. [redacted] put the complainant on the line and he furnished the following information:

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Complainant identified himself as [redacted] [redacted] who stated he did not wish his identity revealed or to become further involved in this matter. He stated that for some time he has suspected [redacted] [redacted] Oregon, as possibly being identical with UNSUB, aka DAN COOPER. He stated that [redacted] generally fits the physical description of UNSUB, resembles the artist's conception of UNSUB and reportedly has [redacted] He furnished the following description of [redacted]

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Name	[redacted]
Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	Approximately 50 years
Height	6'1"
Build	Slender
Hair	[redacted]
Complexion	[redacted]
Remarks	[redacted]
Employment	[redacted]

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Residence [redacted]

2 - Seattle  
① - Portland  
RPH:cam cam (4)

*Lead to Wilson*

Searched	[redacted]	b6
Serialized	[redacted]	b7C
Indexed	[redacted]	
Filed	[redacted]	

DB Cooper-1487

PD 164-41

LEAD

PORTLAND

AT [REDACTED] OREGON. Will conduct appropriate investigation to involve or eliminate suspect [REDACTED]. Will note that [REDACTED] Oregon State Police, [REDACTED] advised he will begin assembling full identifying information concerning suspect [REDACTED].

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS



xx Airtel

3/20/78

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
BUfile 164-2111

Re Portland letter to San Francisco, dated 2/28/78.

By letter dated 3/5/78, complainant [redacted] New York, furnished additional information pursuant to the lead in this information, including the following:

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"I trust the additional information will be of some help.

"His name [redacted] Lives at [redacted]  
[redacted] I am not sure if it is [redacted] Lives on [redacted]

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"Also in [redacted] lives [redacted] at [redacted] San Francisco police. COOPER alias [redacted]

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"My information [redacted] best of luck in getting your man.

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AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. Will carefully evaluate the above information for whatever action, if any, is deemed necessary.

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Date 3/28/78

TO: SAC, CHARLOTTE

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (164-0)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

OO: PORTLAND

On 3/24/78, [redacted] San Antonio, Texas, telephone [redacted] residence [redacted] telephone [redacted] telephonically contacted the San Antonio Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [redacted] advised that he had recently read an article concerning captioned matter, which appeared in the January 29, 1978 edition of the San Antonio Star. [redacted] stated that this article contained a composite drawing of unknown subject, also known as D. B. COOPER.

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[redacted] related that this drawing strongly resembled an individual who had been [redacted]

[redacted] advised that this individual's name is [redacted] and described him as being a white male, 6', 180 pounds, medium build, dark hair, approximately [redacted] years old (in [redacted] further stated that he believes that [redacted] and also that he feels that [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] and stated that [redacted] were considered to be [redacted] further advised that the last he heard of [redacted]

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[redacted] which was back in [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he had no further information to provide.

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AT FAYETTEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA. Will at [redacted] b6  
attempt to develop information concerning [redacted] specifically b7C  
his whereabouts in late November, 1971.

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4/4/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-31)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
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Re San Antonio airtel to Charlotte dated 3/26/78.

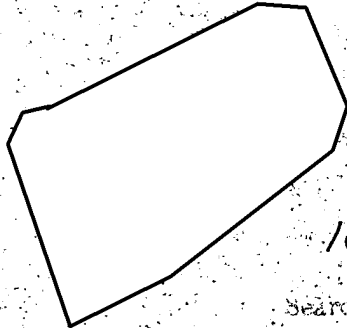
Enclosed herewith for Seattle is one copy of referenced San Antonio airtel to Charlotte setting forth a lead for investigation in this matter at Fayetteville, North Carolina.

For information of Charlotte and San Antonio, Seattle is origin in captioned matter.

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TO: SAC, PITTSBURGH

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
 (OO: Seattle)  
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Enclosed herewith for Pittsburgh is the original of a letter received 4/17/78 by Portland. Enclosed herewith for Seattle is a xerox copy of that letter.

For information of Pittsburgh, an article concerning the Norjak case appeared in the 2/7/78 issue of "The Star" a nationwide supermarket newspaper. This article mentioned the name of Portland case Agent SA [redacted]

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The enclosure was sent to SA [redacted] by [redacted] [redacted] Pennsylvania, [redacted] The letter encloses a photograph of an unidentified young man and suggests him as a possible suspect in captioned matter. The writer of the letter stated that the last she heard of this suspect [redacted] in San Francisco, California. She also stated that if anymore information were needed and she could help, she would gladly do so.

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AT [REDACTED] PENNSYLVANIA. Will contact [REDACTED] for additional identifying information concerning her suspect and set out appropriate leads for investigation considered necessary. In this respect it is noted that Unsub was described as being in his 40's or early 50's in 1971 at the time of captioned hijacking and it may be possible to eliminate this suspect based upon age alone.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland Oregon.

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Dear Sir;

After seeing the composite picture and reading the article in the star sometime ago. It has haunted me until I finally found my picture of a man that to me is a younger version of your picture.

So I called the star and had them give me your name and where you were located I called 4-8-78 to your office and talked to a [Redacted] and he told me to send the picture.

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I am doing this in hopes that it might be what you are looking for. The last I heard

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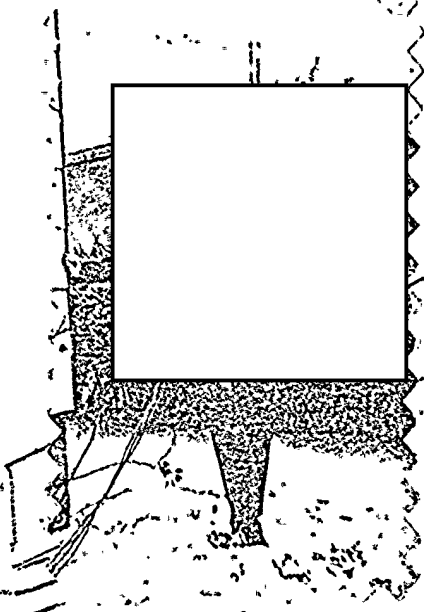
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of this man he was [redacted]  
[redacted] San Francisco, Cal.

If you need any more information  
and I can help I will gladly do so.

Sincerely

[redacted]



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U.S. Dept of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Portland, Oregon 97207

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-41)

DATE: 4/27/78

FROM : SAC ARTHUR G. BARGER

SUBJECT: NORJAK

At approximately 12:31 p.m., PST, 4/27/78, a telephone call was received in the Portland Division from MIKE WALLACE, CBS, New York.

By way of background, WALLACE called for SA [redacted] on 4/25/78, at 10:37 a.m. and again on the morning of 4/26/78. [redacted] was engaged in a police school which prevented a return of either of these telephone calls. On the occasion of the second call, I was informed of the receipt of the telephone calls in the absence of SA [redacted]. Having had previous knowledge of the interest of MIKE WALLACE of "60 Minutes" in the D. B. COOPER matter and the story which was being prepared for "60 Minutes," I had discussions with SAC, Seattle, and FBIHQ Press Office, [redacted]. During these conversations, I learned of WALLACE's attempt to get information from the FBI with respect to his story. [redacted] informed me that TOM COLL had handled the inquiry and had, for all practical purposes, declined to furnish information to WALLACE.

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Upon receipt of advice of WALLACE's attempts to reach [redacted] I concluded that WALLACE's interest obviously related to the "60 Minutes" program. I therefore contacted TOM COLL directly and discussed my intentions with respect to WALLACE's inquiry at Portland, advising COLL that I felt it was necessary from a business and professional point of view to return WALLACE's call but that WALLACE would not be permitted to ask any questions of [redacted] if it related to [redacted]. COLL was in agreement and it was also decided that if WALLACE was persistent, he should be referred to TOM COLL in Washington.

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At 8:30 a.m., 4/27/78, with SA [redacted] in my office, I placed a telephone call to MIKE WALLACE through the New York Office, NY telephone 975-2997. Upon talking to Mr. WALLACE's assistant, I was informed that WALLACE was unavailable, and he would return my call within two hours. I asked that WALLACE call me direct, identifying myself by name and title. When WALLACE called at approximately 12:31 p.m., he asked for [redacted] was at that time busy on another telephone call and the switchboard, having had been previously alerted to the call from WALLACE's office, routed the call to me. When I was connected with WALLACE, he advised initially that he had determined that the [redacted] was a complete hoax, that he had quite a bit of television footage shot on this story, and they had quite a bit of information but wanted to talk to the FBI to get answers to several other questions. I asked him specifically if it related to [redacted] and he obliquely deferred, suggesting to the contrary; however, he did not definitely disavow that this was his intentions. I then informed him that I had been apprised of his detailed conversation with TOM COLL at Headquarters, and I had personally talked to Mr. COLL of his impending interest in the Portland Office, and since it all had been discussed with COLL, no further contact would be made by the Portland Division. He then asked if it were therefore impossible for him to talk on the telephone with SA [redacted] and I advised him that was the case. He then became belligerent making remarks such as, "This sounds like the old Bureau, not the new Bureau, that we were in a police state," etc. I told WALLACE that he knew better than that and that the Bureau had cooperated, but if he felt that further discussion was necessary on this matter, he should direct his inquiries to TOM COLL in Washington. At his request, I gave him the telephone number 324-3691 which was Mr. COLL's extension at Bureau Headquarters.

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A few minutes after termination of this call I tried to telephone Mr. COLL only to discover that he was at that moment on the telephone with MIKE WALLACE. The party answering the telephone in Mr. COLL's office said he did overhear COLL saying on the telephone, "MIKE, we have been through all of that, let's not rehash it." When I asked if I could hold for COLL, the person said that he was in a listening mode at that time and it might be some time before he would be free to talk to me. COLL will return my call as soon as he completes his conversation with MIKE WALLACE.

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TOM COLL returned my call advising that he had finished having an extensive conversation with WALLACE in which they regurgitated the conversation that they had previously, with WALLACE also advising him that he was satisfied that the original story was a hoax.

Bureau has decided as a consequence of a series of telephone calls and previous interviews granted to members of the media by [redacted] (with Bureau concurrence) that MIKE WALLACE or one of his staff will be permitted to interview [redacted] as background only. The interview will not be conducted over the telephone and will not be conducted on camera. COLL said that the information furnished by [redacted] would be background in nature concerning the investigation and was to be used by WALLACE only as background and ~~not~~ retribution. I told him we had only minor reservations with respect to this in that the office of origin has not kept us informed of the full extent of the investigation, particularly with respect to the outcome of numerous suspects. COLL said that would be no particular problem, that should [redacted] get to a position where he does not have the information being sought, that he could merely state that in all likelihood the information would be known to the Seattle Office, who was coordinating the whole investigation. I pointed out that this reservation was accompanied by the overall reservations we had considering the treatment afforded to the FBI by "60 Minutes" on an earlier matter. In this regard, I desired a copy of the recording of the interview so that we would be in a position to dispel any slanted or perverse reporting. COLL responded by saying that the interview by WALLACE or his associate was not to be recorded by WALLACE or his associate except in note-taking form. He concluded by saying that he would telephone WALLACE and inform him that the interview was approved; however, that all arrangements must be made through the SAC of the Portland Division personally.

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ADDENDUM: 4/28/78

[redacted] called today, identifying himself as being associated with MIKE WALLACE's "60 Minutes," and advised that he is currently in the city of Phoenix, Arizona. He advised that he had talked to TOM COLL this morning and COLL had OK'd his coming to Portland to conduct a general background interview in the NORJAK case. He said he expects to finish his present assignment on Monday or Tuesday of next week, anticipates coming to Portland perhaps Tuesday and will be in the office Wednesday to conduct the interview. He said he would call on Tuesday to

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confirm his arrival. I informed him I may be out of town at that time; however, he can confirm his arrival and the availability of [redacted] through ASAC [redacted] or my [redacted]

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Addendum 5/5/78 by SAC:

[redacted] did appear at SAC's office at 8<sup>38</sup> AM 5/4/78 and after introductory ground rules were discussed, [redacted] was permitted to interview SA [redacted]. [redacted] was denied identity of [redacted] any witnesses and no mention was made by [redacted] re any heretofore unreleased evidence and certainly no mention was made of any by SA [redacted]. Likewise no discussion was had concerning <sup>specific</sup> suspects developed. Although [redacted] did allude to the speculative theories advanced by others he did not press any <sup>59</sup> [redacted] for ~~any~~ responses.

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SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

4/27/78

SA JERRY G. WILSON

NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

Re suspect [redacted] Oregon.

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On 4/18/78, [redacted] Oregon State Police, [redacted] Oregon, telephone [redacted] advised that he had written a report concerning [redacted] and had furnished same to Oregon State Police Headquarters in Salem, Oregon, after conversing with complainant [redacted] who resides at [redacted] telephone [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that his department was conducting no further investigation, as he was of the opinion that [redacted] had absolutely no basis or justification to believe that [redacted] who is [redacted] Oregon, and resides at [redacted] Oregon [redacted] is identical to or in any way resembles D. B. COOPER.

On 4/19/78, [redacted] telephone [redacted] was contacted, and at that time stated that [redacted] approximately age [redacted] resides [redacted] He stated that [redacted] Oregon, and believes he previously [redacted] unknown. He stated that [redacted]

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[redacted] and is described as a white male, approximately 6'0", [redacted] pounds, with dark colored, [redacted] neat hair. He said that there is nothing that he can put his finger on concerning why he believes [redacted] might be D. B. COOPER, other than he had seen an artist's conception several years ago and felt there was some resemblance. He stated that [redacted] however, he does not believe [redacted] He feels more than [redacted] that [redacted] would make. He stated that [redacted]

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person, and there is no other reason for his feeling that [redacted] D. B. COOPER. He indicated that [redacted] [redacted] which is usually [redacted] [redacted] his residence.

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On 4/19/78, visual observation of the [redacted] [redacted] disclosed a 1970 Ford station wagon, bearing Oregon license [redacted]

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On 4/20/78, an inquiry was made to the Department of Motor Vehicles, Salem, Oregon, via State Teletype concerning Oregon license [redacted] and via return State Teletype, the Department of Motor Vehicles advised that this plate appears on a 1970 Ford four-door wagon, VIN [redacted] license expiring [redacted] registered to [redacted] DOB [redacted] and [redacted] DOB [redacted] residing at [redacted] [redacted] Oregon.

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On 4/20/78, a second State Teletype was sent to the Driver's License Section of the Department of Motor Vehicles concerning [redacted] born [redacted] and via return State Teletype, the Department of Motor Vehicles advised that [redacted] residing at [redacted] [redacted] Oregon, holds Oregon driver's license number [redacted] which was issued [redacted] and expires [redacted] DOB was given as [redacted] and he was described as a male, 6'0" tall, [redacted] pounds. As of 4/20/78, the operator's license was valid, and there were no entries of citations.

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AT [redacted] OREGON. Will locate and interview [redacted] concerning his whereabouts on or about 11/24/71, in an effort to eliminate him as a possible suspect in captioned matter.

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TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES ROUTINE

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THE FOLLOWING SUMMARY OF FACTS REPRESENTS WHAT SEATTLE CONSIDERS THE ONLY INFORMATION THAT SHOULD BE RELEASED TO THE PRESS:

"A LONE WHITE MALE BOARDED NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER 305 AT PORTLAND, OREGON, ON NOVEMBER 24, 1971. AT APPROXIMATELY 3:22 PM, WHILE THE FLIGHT WAS EN ROUTE TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, HE INDICATED TO A STEWARDESS THAT HIS BRIEFCASE CONTAINED A BOMB WHICH WOULD BLOW UP THE PLANE UNLESS HIS DEMANDS WERE MET.

"THE HIJACKER DEMANDED \$200,000 AND FOUR PARACHUTES IN

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EXCHANGE FOR THE SAFETY OF THE 36 PASSENGERS ABOARD THE PLANE. WHEN THE AIRCRAFT LANDED AT SEATTLE, NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES COMPLIED WITH HIS INSTRUCTIONS. AFTER HE RECEIVED THE PARACHUTES AND MONEY, THE HIJACKER ALLOWED ALL PASSENGERS AND TWO OF THE AIRLINES STEWARDESSES TO DEPLANE.

"HE THEN ORDERED THE REMAINING CREW MEMBERS INTO THE FIRST CLASS SECTION OF THE AIRCRAFT AND INFORMED THEM HE DESIRED TO FLY TO MEXICO CITY. THE HIJACKER INSTRUCTED THAT THE PLANE PROCEED IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION AND FLY AT A LOW ALTITUDE AND SLOW SPEED WHICH ENABLE THE REAR DOOR OF THE PLANE TO BE OPEN DURING THE FLIGHT.

"THE HIJACKER APPARENTLY BAILED OUT SOMEWHERE BETWEEN SEATTLE AND RENO, NEVADA, WHERE, WHEN THE PLANE LANDED, IT WAS DETERMINED THE HIJACKER, AND THE RANSOM MONEY, HAD DISAPPEARED.

"ARTIST CONCEPTION DRAWINGS OF THE HIJACKER WERE PREPARED BY THE FBI EXHIBIT SECTION. HE IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

"WHITE MALE, AGE MIDDLE 40S, HEIGHT 5'10" TO 6'2", WEIGHT 170 TO 180 POUNDS, COMPLEXION OLIVE, LATIN APPEARANCE, MEDIUM SMOOTH, HAIR DARK BROWN OR BLACK, PARTED ON THE LEFT AND COMBED BACK, EYES POSSIBLY BROWN. DURING LATTER PART OF FLIGHT HE

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PUT ON DARK WRAP AROUND SUNGLASSES WITH DARK RIMS, VOICE LOW, SPOKE INTELLIGENTLY, NO PARTICULAR ACCENT, POSSIBLY FROM THE MID-WESTERN PART OF THE UNITED STATES; CHARACTERISTICS SMOKER OF RALEIGH FILTER TIP CIGARETTES, WEARING APPAREL: BLACK OR BROWN SUIT; NARROW BLACK TIE, BLACK DRESS SUIT; BLACK RAIN-TYPE OVERCOAT OR DARK TOP COAT; DARK BRIEFCASE OR ATTACHE CASE, CARRIED A PAPER BAG 4 X 12 X 14 INCHES; BROWN SHOES. REMARKS: VERY POLITE AT ALL TIMES.

"ANYONE HAVING ANY INFORMATION OR KNOWLEDGE BELIEVED TO PERTAIN TO THIS INDIVIDUAL, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE OF THE NEAREST FBI FIELD OFFICE, THE TELEPHONE NUMBER OF WHICH APPEARS ON THE FIRST PAGE OF MOST LOCAL TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES."

THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE AT FBIHQ ADVISED SEATTLE THAT THEY DESIRED TO BE PRECLUDED FROM RESPONDING TO PRESS INQUIRIES CONCERNING THIS MATTER.

ANY ADDITIONAL PRESS INQUIRIES CONCERNING THIS HIJACKING, SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE SEATTLE DIVISION. SEATTLE IS ESPECIALLY DESIROUS TO LIMIT ALL SPONTANEOUS PRESS RELEASES BY OTHER FIELD DIVISIONS OTHER THAN SEATTLE BECAUSE IT IS DURING THESE PRESS RELEASES THAT CONTRADICTIONS OCCUR AND CONFIDENTIAL

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INFORMATION IS MOST LIKELY TO BE RELEASED INADVERTENTLY.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
 ATTN. PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

MEDIA MATTERS

ReButel to all Field Divisions dated 5/5/78, captioned, "NORJAK."

Referenced airtel instructs that any additional press inquiries concerning this 6 1/2 year old investigation be referred to the Seattle Division for handling and sets forth the text of what Seattle considers the only information that should be released to the press.

Portland concurs in the theory that all media inquiries be handled by one Bureau spokesman in any investigation which has national or regional interest. Certainly NORJAK falls within this area and Seattle, as office of origin, should indeed respond to all media inquiries to the extent deemed appropriate by Seattle and the Bureau.

Portland feels, however, that its media credibility will not be enhanced with this posture in this case at this point in time. As the Bureau and Seattle are aware, Portland, at Bureau instructions, has been responding since NORJAK began to the national media inquiries, including cooperation in a 30-minute TV documentary. Further, Portland case Agent, again at Bureau request, responded to a background type

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interview by [REDACTED] MIKE WALLACE for "60 Minutes," CBS, New York, on 5/4/78, just prior to the issuance of retel.

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For the Portland Division at this point in time to take a non-cooperative posture with the media can only diminish the credibility of this Division's media relations, not to mention the overall Bureau credibility with the media. I am confident that the information released prior to my arrival in the Portland Division and am equally certain that the information released subsequent to my arrival in the Portland Division has in no way invaded the privacy of witnesses or otherwise had any adverse affect on the prosecutive potential of this case. To the contrary, it has been the notoriety generated by Portland's cooperation with the media that has maintained a steady flow of information coming from the general public. It can be readily understood that the failure to solve this case is not the type of publicity which any individual office of the Bureau as a whole would be soliciting. With the lack of positive investigative leads, the cooperation of the public is for all practical purposes the only source of information which may lead to the solution of the case. The text of the release suggested by Seattle certainly does not give the public (our source of leads in this matter) a full profile of "D. B. COOPER."

It is Portland's recommendation that the Bureau adopt the general policy of one Bureau spokesman in any investigation which has national or regional interest and that the information to be released be coordinated by the SAC of that office and the Public Affairs Office at FBIHQ, and that this practice and procedure be established at the outset of the investigation to preclude the very reasons that are articulated by Seattle in retel. Obviously, it then becomes the responsibility of the spokesman office to meet the entire media responsibilities for the Bureau as a whole for the life of the investigation.

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 TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
 FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (164-101) (RUC)

NORJAK (A)

(OO: PORTLAND)

Re San Antonio airtel to Charlotte, 3/28/78.

On 5/12/78, [redacted]

[redacted] N. C., advised he has been [redacted] and recalls an individual named [redacted] being in [redacted]

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[redacted] and apparently has [redacted]. He stated all [redacted] were [redacted] St. Louis, Missouri.

[redacted] advised he was the only other [redacted] at the time [redacted] who was [redacted] at the [redacted]. He stated [redacted] and when he [redacted] to his [redacted] He stated he has no idea of the [redacted] but that it could be [redacted] St. Louis, Missouri.

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Information copy is being forwarded to San Antonio in the event inquiry from [redacted] is made regarding [redacted] the information contained in referenced airtel.

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RE IMMEDIATE BUEL TO ATLANTA PORTLAND AND SEATTLE,  
MAY 18, 1973.

FOLLOWING TELETYPE WAS FURNISHED TO BUREAU IN REPLY TO  
BUREAU TELCALL TO SEATTLE AND IS FURNISHED YOUR OFFICE FOR  
BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

rec'd 8:40 <sup>p</sup>, 5/18/73 sot

CIA [redacted] advised 9:20 <sup>p</sup>, 5/18/73 sot

SAC advised 9:25 <sup>p</sup>, 5/18/73 sot

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TO DIRECTOR (164-2411) IMMEDIATE

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ATTENTION: PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE; GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE  
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NORJAK (A). OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE AIRTEL TO BUREAU, MAY 15, 1976; SEATTLE TEL  
TO BUREAU, JULY 22, 1977; LITTLE ROCK TEL TO BUREAU, JULY  
20, 1977; DENVER TEL TO BUREAU, JULY 23, 1977; SEATTLE TEL TO  
BUREAU, JULY 19, 1977; ATLANTA AIRTEL TO BUREAU, MAY 13, 1977;  
WFO AIRTEL TO BUREAU, MARCH 2, 1977; LOS ANGELES AIRTEL TO  
BUREAU, JANUARY 24, 1977.

IT IS NOTED ABOVE REFERENCES ARE PERTINENT TO THE  
QUESTIONS RAISED BY MIKE WALLACE OF CBS "60 MINUTES" TO BUREAU  
OFFICIALS WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO PRINCIPALS INVOLVED.

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CONCERNING MIKE WALLACE'S CLAIM THAT [REDACTED]

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TO LITTLE ROCK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, JULY 26, 1977, WHICH

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 BY THE FBI.

BECAUSE OF PASSAGE OF OVER SIX YEARS SINCE INCIDENT OCCURRED,  
LACK OF PHYSICAL RESEMBLANCE TO UNSUB AND BECAUSE OF OTHER  
REASONS SET FORTH HEREINAFTER.

CONCERNING THE "DROP IN CABIN PRESSURE", SEE SEATTLE  
REPORT OF SA CHARLES E. FARRELL, FEBRUARY 16, 1972, EXPERIMENT  
WITH AIRSTAIRS, PAGES 232-235. THE CREW DID NOT NOTICE A DROP  
IN PRESSURE WHEN THE DOOR TO AIRSTAIRS WAS OPENED BUT NOTED  
AN INCREASE IN PRESSURE WHEN AIRSTAIRS CLOSED DUE TO AIR  
PRESSURE AGAINST THEM WHEN UNSUB JUMPED FROM THE STAIRS. THIS  
WAS DISCUSSED WITH  OF CBS DURING RECENT INTERVIEW  
AT SEATTLE.

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SEATTLE FILE REFLECTS THAT COPPELT HAS MADE NUMEROUS CLAIMS  
THAT HE KNEW PROMINENT PERSONS INCLUDING FORMER FBI DIRECTOR  
J. EDGAR HOOVER. THE CURRENT INDICATION THAT HE ALSO KNEW

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FORMER SEN. RUBERT HUMPHREY IS BRAND NEW. COFFELT'S ARREST RECORD AND BACKGROUND WOULD TEND TO DISCREDIT SUCH GRANDIOSE CLAIMS. THERE IS ALSO NO INDICATION IN SEATTLE FILE OF WHO VISITED COFFELT WHEN HE WAS IN PRISON IN ATLANTA AND WALLACE'S ALLEGATION THAT SAC, ATLANTA WAS COFFELT'S ONLY VISITOR IS HIGHLY DOUBTFUL AND BORDERS ON THE LUDICROUS.

SEATTLE FILE DOES NOT REFLECT ANY FACTS THAT WOULD



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COFFELT HAS BEEN PRINCIPALLY ELIMINATED AS A SUSPECT BECAUSE OF A NUMBER OF FACTORS: (1) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WOULD PRECLUDE PARTICIPATION IN AN ACTIVITY SUCH AS KORJAK. [REDACTED]

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SEE WFO AIRTEL TO BUREAU,

JUNE 21, 1977.

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(3) ON DECEMBER 6, 1971, APPROXIMATELY 12 DAYS AFTER

NORJAK, [REDACTED]

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THIS IN SPITE OF [REDACTED]

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ACCOUNT THAT

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THE PARACHUTE FALL THAT [REDACTED]

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(4) COFFELT'S FINGERPRINTS WERE COMPARED TO NORJAK PARTIALS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS; AND (5) THERE IS NO INDICATION OF ANY PARACHUTE TRAINING IN COFFELT'S BACKGROUND.

OBSERVATIONS: THE INQUIRY BY "60 MINUTES" IS BASED ON

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[REDACTED] IT IS NOTED INSTRUMENTATION OF THE NORJAK PLAN INDICATES UNSUB EXITED FROM PLANE OVER SOUTHERN WASHINGTON WITH NO CHANGE OF LANDING IN OREGON. IN 1976, AFTER COFFELT'S DEATH, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AT THAT TIME, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] MORE DETAILS ARE CONTAINED IN  
A REPORT BY [REDACTED] WHICH IS REFERRED TO  
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BUREAU SHOULD NOTE THAT [REDACTED]

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SINCE THAT TIME, [REDACTED]

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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111) IMMEDIATE

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NORJAK (A). OO: SEATTLE.



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APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN ALTERED TO MORE CLOSELY FIT KNOWN NORJAK  
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POSSIBLY IN THE HOPE OF OBTAINING ADDITIONAL PERTINENT OR

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IN ADDITION,

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SEATTLE CONSIDERS COFFELT A VERY POOR SUSPECT AND ALL

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EVIDENCE TO DATE POINTS TO THE FACT THAT COFFELT IS NOT IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB.

IN A CASE SUCH AS THIS, THE BUREAU WILL RECOGNIZE IT IS NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TO REFUTE CERTAIN STATEMENTS, PARTICULARLY CONCERNING PROMINENT DECEASED PERSONS. IT IS EQUALLY VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO POSITIVELY ELIMINATE MANY SUSPECTS AND INDEED SEATTLE HAS REOPENED SEVERAL PREVIOUSLY "ELIMINATED" SUSPECTS BECAUSE NEW EVIDENCE HAS COME TO LIGHT. AT THE PRESENT TIME WE HAVE INVESTIGATED A TOTAL OF 939 SUSPECTS WITH ONLY 13 STILL UNDER INVESTIGATION; HOWEVER, THIS FIGURE INCREASES AS THE ANNIVERSARY DATE IS APPROACHED EACH YEAR.

BY SEPARATE COMMUNICATION, SEATTLE IS FORWARDING A CONFIDENTIAL REPORT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] INFORMATION ALSO DEVELOPED THAT OTHER MAJOR NETWORKS AND STUDIOS HAVE TURNED THIS STORY DOWN FOR THE

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SAME REASON.

BUREAU SHOULD ALSO NOTE THAT THE QUESTIONS RAISED BY  
WALLACE ARE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IT IS FELT CBS WILL CONTINUE  
TO RAISE MORE OF THESE SAME QUESTIONS IN AN ATTEMPT TO  
UPDATE THE SCRIPT BY OBTAINING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM  
THE BUREAU OR TO "MUDDY THE WATER" BY CLAIMING A "COVER UP"  
BY THE BUREAU AS TO COFFELT'S ALLEGED ASSOCIATION WITH THE  
FBI.

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NORJAC. OO: SEATTLE.

RE BUTEL TO ATLANTA, SEATTLE AND PORTLAND, MAY 19,  
1978, SEATTLE TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, MAY 19, 1978, ATLANTA  
TELCALL TO BUREAU, MAY 19, 1978.

REVIEW OF ATLANTA FILE REFLECTS

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ATLANTA AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR, MAY 13, 1977. THIS AIRTEL REFLECTS

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PENITENTIARY FILES ALSO DISCLOSE DAVID BRYANT COFFELT RECEIVED AT PENITENTIARY APRIL 28, 1949, TO ELEVEN YEARS ON CONVICTION IN WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE AT MEMPHIS ON CHARGES OF ITSMV AND ATTEMPTED ESCAPE. ON JANUARY 11, 1954, HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO USP AT LEAVENWORTH. RECORDS AT LEAVENWORTH REFLECT HE WAS GRANTED CONDITIONAL RELEASE FROM THAT INSTITUTION JULY 20, 1955, AND FURTHER RECORDS HAVE BEEN FORWARDED TO GSA, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.

THIS INFORMATION OBTAINED AS RESULT OF INTERVIEW OF

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[REDACTED] THIS AIRTEL FORWARDED TO LAS VEGAS

[REDACTED]

THE ATLANTA FILE FURTHER REFLECTS TELETYPE FROM LITTLE ROCK TO DIRECTOR, DATED JULY 22, 1977, CONTAINS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING COFFELT [REDACTED] AS DO OTHER TELETYPES AS FOLLOWS: SEATTLE TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, DATED JULY 22, 1977; SAN DIEGO TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, DATED

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JULY 19, 1977; ATLANTA TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, DATED JULY 27,  
1977 WHICH CONTAINS ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING  
INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [REDACTED]

WASHINGTON FIELD TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, DATED AUGUST 2, 1977;  
AND ATLANTA AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR, DATED AUGUST 24, 1977.

OTHER SERIALS IN FILE CONTAIN NO REFERENCE TO EITHER  
COFFELT [REDACTED] RECENT SERIALS ARE THOSE FORWARDED FROM  
DIRECTOR TO ALL FIELD OFFICES CONCERNING ANY FACTS TO BE  
RELEASED TO THE PRESS.

BASED ON INFORMATION IN THE ATLANTA AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR,  
DATED MAY 13, 1977, IT IS APPARENT THAT [REDACTED]

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# Memorandum



To : SAC, PORTLAND

Date 6/7/96

From : FOIPA PARALEGAL SPECIALIST (190-PD-40822)

Subject: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS (FOIPA)  
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RE: D. B. Cooper

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To : SAC, PORTLAND

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From : LEGAL SECTION (190- 564)

Subject : FREEDOM OF INFORMATION-PRIVACY ACTS (FOIPA)  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI - 10 AM  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.



SEATTLE-TACOMA AIRPORT (SEA-TAC) CALLED AT APPROXIMATELY THREE TWENTYTWO PM, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR INSTANT, ADVISING THAT A MAN ABOARD INSTANT PLANE AT PORTLAND, OREGON, PASSED WORD TO THE PILOT THAT HE HAD A BOMB IN HIS BRIEFCASE AND DEMANDED TWO HUNDREDTHOUSAND DOLLARS. HE INSTRUCTED THE PILOT TO GET THIS MONEY READY BY FIVE PM, AND ALSO TO FURNISH HIM TWO PARACHUTES. SUBJECT INSTRUCTED PILOT TO HAVE NO ONE MEET THE AIRCRAFT; NO ONE WAS TO APPROACH THE AIRCRAFT AND THAT HE WOULD ADVISE LATER WHAT HIS FLIGHT PLANS WERE.

SUBSEQUENTLY THE PILOT CIRCLED THE FIELD AT SEA-TAC UNTIL FIVE FORTYTHREE PM, WHEN THE PLANE LANDED. THE TIME WAS CONSUMED IN OBTAINING THE TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND IN OBTAINING PARACHUTES. IT IS NOTED THAT SUBJECT, DURING THIS TIME, CHANGED HIS REQUEST FOR PARACHUTES TO FOUR IN ALL, TWO BACK PACKS AND TWO ~~SEAT~~ <sup>chest</sup> PACKS.

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SUBJECT'S INSTRUCTIONS FOR HANDLING THE MONEY AND THE PARACHUTES TO THE PLANE WERE THAT NO ONE WAS TO APPROACH THE PLANE EXCEPT ONE REFUELING TRUCK; A BUS TO TAKE OFF THE PASSENGERS AND THE MESSENGER WITH THE MONEY AND THE PARACHUTES. THE SUBJECT STATED THAT HE WOULD ALLOW ONE OF THE STEWARDESSES TO LEAVE THE PLANE; GET THE PARACHUTES AND THE MONEY AND DELIVER THEM TO HIM. HE STATED HE WOULD RELEASE THE REST OF THE PASSENGERS AND THE OTHER TWO STEWARDESSES AFTER THE PARACHUTES AND MONEY WERE ON BOARD. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE PLANE CARRIED THIRTY<sup>SEVEN</sup>~~SIX~~ PASSENGERS; THREE MALE CREW MEMBERS AND THREE STEWARDESSES.

PILOT AND NORTHWEST AIRLINES OFFICIALS WERE POSITIVE IN THEIR STATEMENT THAT THEY WANTED NO ONE ELSE TO GO NEAR THE PLANE WHICH WAS PARKED ON A FAR CORNER OF THE FIELD AND WANTED NO INTERFERENCE IN THE REFUELING OPERATION AND DELIVERY OF THE MONEY AND PARACHUTES.

THE MONEY AND PARACHUTES WERE DELIVERED BY   NORTHWEST AIRLINES AT SEATTLE. THIRTY<sup>SIX</sup>~~FIVE~~ OF THE PASSENGERS AND TWO STEWARDESSES LEFT THE PLANE AND CAME INTO THE TERMINAL. THE PLANE WAS REFUELED TO FULL

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CAPACITY. THE SUBJECT GAVE INSTRUCTIONS TO THE PILOT THAT  
 THE PLANE WAS TO FLY WITH THE LANDING GEAR ~~DOWN~~ <sup>REAR HATCH</sup> DOOR OPEN AND THE FLAPS  
 AT A FIFTEEN DEGREE ANGLE. IT IS NOTED THAT INSTANT PLANE  
 IS A BOEING SEVEN TWO SEVEN WHICH HAS A LOWER REAR DOOR  
 UNDERNEATH THE AIRPLANE. NORTHWEST OFFICIALS ADVISE THAT  
 WITH THE FUEL ON HAND AND FLYING IN THIS CONDITION AT  
 APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY KNOTS, THAT THEY HAD  
 SUFFICIENT FUEL TO FLY TO SACRAMENTO OR RENO. PLANE WAS  
 AIRBORNE AT SEVEN THIRTYSEVEN PM, FLYING IN A SOUTHERLY  
 DIRECTION, UNDER THE SURVEILLANCE OF TWO PLANES FROM  
 MC CHORD AIR FORCE BASE.

THE NAME DAN COOPER APPEARED ON A MANIFEST OF  
 PASSENGERS BOARDING AT PORTLAND, OREGON. THE SUBJECT  
 IN THIS CASE MADE HIS FIRST APPROACH TO THE STEWARDESS JUST  
 AS THE PLANE WAS LEAVING THE FIELD AT PORTLAND, OREGON.  
 DAN COOPER WAS NOT AMONG THE PASSENGERS DEPLANING AT  
 SEATTLE.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SUBJECT OBTAINED BY INTERVIEW  
 WITH STEWARDESSES AS FOLLOWS:

WHITE, MALE, AMERICAN, OLIVE COMPLEXION, LATIN

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APPEARANCE, BLACK HAIR, NORMAL HAIR STYLE, PARTED ON LEFT, AGE MIDDLE FORTIES, SIX FEET TALL, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY TO SEVENTYFIVE LBS., AVERAGE BUILD, BROWN EYES, BLACK SUIT, WHITE SHIRT, NARROW BLACK TIE, BLACK RAIN-TYPE OVERCOAT, BLACK DRESS SUIT, DARK BRIEFCASE.

SUBJECT WAS NOT KNOWN TO BE ARMED HOWEVER, WHEN HE FIRST APPROACHED THE STEWARDESS, HE TOLD HER HE HAD A BOMB IN THE BRIEFCASE AND EXHIBITED THE CONTENTS OF THE BRIEFCASE. STEWARDESS [REDACTED] SAID THAT THE SUBJECT DISPLAYED THE CONTENTS OF A BLACK VINYL BRIEFCASE TO HER WHICH CONTAINED A BUNDLE OF RED COLORED STICKS, SIX TO SEVEN INCHES LONG, ABOUT ONE INCH IN DIAMETER. SUBJECT STATED THAT THE STICKS WERE DYNAMITE. SHE SAID THAT THESE STICKS WERE WRAPPED IN A BUNDLE WITH WHAT APPEARED TO BE RED PLASTIC TAPE. SHE SAID THAT A RED WIRE LED FROM THE BUNDLE BUT WAS NOT ATTACHED TO ANYTHING. SHE STATED THAT THE MAN HELD THE WIRE IN HIS HAND AS THOUGH HE COULD DETONATE THE DYNAMITE BY MAKING A CONNECTION WITH THE WIRE. SHE SAID THAT THERE WAS SOMETHING ELSE IN THE BRIEFCASE WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN A BATTERY, ALTHOUGH SHE DID NOT KNOW.

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INTERVIEWS OF ALL PASSENGERS AND TWO STEWARDESSES  
COMPLETED AT SEA-TAC.

*SOME* PASSENGERS REALIZED HIJACKING IN PROGRESS ABOUT  
TEN MINUTES OUT OF PORTLAND. HIJACKER BOARDED AT PORTLAND  
AS ONE OF THE LAST PASSENGERS AND TOOK MIDDLE SEAT IN  
RIGHT REAR ROW OF COACH SECTION. HIJACKER CARRIED  
DARK COLORED ATTACHE CASE AND PAPER BAG ABOUT FOUR INCHES  
BY TWELVE INCHES BY FOURTEEN INCHES. PASSENGER OBSERVED  
STEWARDESS AND HIJACKER CONVERSING THROUGHOUT FLIGHT.  
IMMEDIATELY UPON LANDING AT SEA-TAC, HIJACKER ENTERED REST  
ROOM, REMAINED THERE ABOUT ONE MINUTE AND THEN RETURNED TO  
SEAT PREVIOUSLY OCCUPIED.

ONE PASSENGER SCUFFLED BRIEFLY WITH HIJACKER.  
SECOND PASSENGER PULLED FIRST PASSENGER AWAY FROM HIJACKER.  
NO OTHER UNUSUAL INCIDENTS OCCURRED BETWEEN PASSENGERS AND  
HIJACKER.

INFORMATION CONCERNING THE HIJACKING WAS FURNISHED  
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PARACHUTES FURNISHED TO SUBJECT ARE DESCRIBED

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TWO FRONT CHEST CHUTES, TWENTYFOUR FEET IN DIAMETER, ALL WHITE NYLON, MODEL T-SEVEN A, WHITE SHROUDS, ABOUT FOURTEEN FEET LONG. NUMBER ONE CONTAINER HAS QUOTE

[ ] ENQUOTE WRITTEN ON IT, AND IS ABOUT TEN BY THIRTEEN

INCHES, OLIVE DRAB. NUMBER TWO CONTAINER HAS [ ]

[ ] WRITTEN ON A WHITE PATCH WHICH IS SEWN TO CONTAINER. CONTAINERS

TWO BACK PACK/SHUTES/WERE ORDINARY MILITARY TYPE

OLIVE DRAB IN COLOR, TWO TO THREE FEET LONG, FIFTEEN TO

EIGHTEEN INCHES WIDE. ~~XX~~

*Spent on chutes, see above. Chutes being replaced. Routine will be advised.*  
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NUMBER ONE BACK PACK CHUTE DESCRIBED AS CIVILIAN LUXURY TYPE, TAN SOFT COTTON MATERIAL OUTSIDE, TWENTY SIX FOOT white CANOPY INSIDE, AND HAS A MILITARY CHUTE INSIDE OF IT, ALSO ONE OR TWO BURP SACKS, AND USUAL LEAD SEAL.

NUMBER TWO BACK PACK CHUTE WAS A MILITARY NYLON TYPE,

OLIVE DRAB GREEN OUTSIDE, TWENTY EIGHT FOOT WHITE CANOPY INSIDE,

WITH TWO BURP SACKS IN BACK, LEAD SEAL. SEALS HAD NOT BEEN PULLED.

[ ] CAN IDENTIFY BOTH. INV CONTINUEING

TO OBTAIN SERIAL NUMBERS.

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NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT LOG REVEALS THAT AT EIGHT ZERO FIVE PM, WHILE IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON, CAPTAIN ATTEMPTED TO COMMUNICATE WITH UNSUB ON TWO OCCASIONS, AT WHICH TIME UNSUB ADVISED QUOTE <sup>8:12 P.</sup> EVERYTHING IS OK ENQUOTE. AT EIGHT TWELVE PM, WHILE FLYING SOUTH OF PORTLAND, OREGON, CRFW REPORTED GETTING SOME OSCILLATION IN THE CABIN AND ADVISED QUOTE MUST BE DOING SOMETHING WITH AIR STAIRS. ENQUOTE. NO FURTHER ENTRIES ON LOG AT SEATTLE.

TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS OBTAINED BY NORTHWEST AIRLINES FROM SEATTLE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, WHO HAD EARLIER MICROFILMED ENTIRE CONTENTS. MICROFILM BEING OBTAINED AM OF TWENTYFIFTH INSTANT, AT WHICH TIME WILL BE FORWARDED TO BUREAU BY PILOT COURIER.

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5:10 AM NITEL 11/25/71 SWD

TO DIRECTOR

PORTLAND

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FROM SEATTLE (164-NEW) 8P

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR,  
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5:57 AM NITEL 11/25/71 SWD

TO DIRECTOR

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FROM SEATTLE (164-NEW) 8P

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR,  
SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-

DATE: 11/24/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - EXTORTION

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I called the Bureau and furnished this information to ROBERT PETERSON on duty in Division 6. I told the Bureau I would call them back as soon as the plane was on the ground. ~~At approximately 10 minutes later, I was advised by Northwest that the plane was on the ground.~~

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I called the Bureau again and told them the plane was not going to land immediately, but that the pilot was going to circle the field until the hijacker made up his mind just what he wanted done. The Bureau requested that we set up an open line with them and with the SAC when he arrived at the airport and this was done. At the request of HANK SHUTZ of the Bureau, I had agents telephone all of the Western FBI offices and have them have personnel standby to take care of this situation if their office was involved. A list of those offices are as follows:

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CP - Dispatch office  
Flight operations  
NW hanger 2nd. floor CH 2-2141 x481



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NW Flight 305

Boeing 727

Originated at Wn. D.C.

Made stops at: Minneapolis, St. Paul, Great Falls, Montana,  
Missoula, Spokane, Wn., Portland, Oregon.

UNSUB got on at Portland.

There are 36 passengers and a crew of 6.

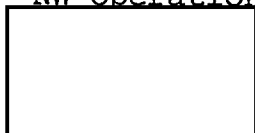
UNSUB wants two back pack shutes;  
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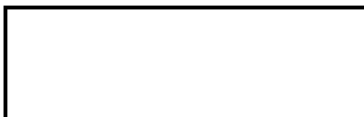


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NW Operations telephone CH 3-8000




CH 3-4500  
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Money will be ready at 5:00; coming from downtown bank  
all requests for UNSUB will be honored

 N.W. employee will be carrier

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*Money to be avail at 5pm.  
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# KING COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY CASE REPORT

DIST. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

CASE NO. 71-89202

FBI

TYPE OF OFFENSE AIRCRAFT HI-JACK DATE 11-24-71 RC: 1520 AT: \_\_\_\_\_

VICTIM North West Orient Airlines AGE \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ BUS. PHONE CH-3-8000  
(If business, give name of premises)

ADDRESS OF VICTIM Seattle-Tacoma Int'l Airport TIME AND DATE OF OFFENSE 1520 11-24-71

ADDRESS OF OFFENSE In flight to Sea/Tac/Int'l Air. TYPE OF PREMISES Airport  
(House, service station, etc.)

REPORTED BY \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ BUS. PHONE CH-3-8000

HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ RELATIONSHIP \_\_\_\_\_  
(Owner, Manager, Employee, etc.)

TYPE OF VEHICLE USED N/A LIC. NO. \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONS ARRESTED None  
(Name, Address, etc.)

SUSPECTS: (1) _____	(2) _____
Age _____ Height _____ Weight _____	Age _____ Height _____ Weight _____
Build _____ Comp. _____	Build _____ Comp. _____
Hair Color _____ Eyes color _____	Hair Color _____ Eyes color _____
Marks/Dress _____	Marks/Dress _____
Add. _____	Add. _____

JUVENILE SUSPECTED: Yes None No \_\_\_\_\_ WHY SUSPECTED: \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESSES: (1) _____	(2) _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
Home Phone: _____	Home Phone: _____
Bus. Phone: _____	Bus. Phone: _____

FACTS OF INVESTIGATION: (Reconstruct the crime, summarize details, list and describe property taken, serial nos. etc., give valuation. Describe physical and other evidence at scene, where found, and disposition of evidence.)

Complainant called via phone stating that a company aircraft, NWA 727, Flt #305 en route from Portland, Oregon was due, ETA at Sea/Tac at 1536 hrs this date and that a hi-jacker was on board.

\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ was immediately advised. Operations contacted by \_\_\_\_\_ Calls were made to Tower, POS Fire Dept., FBI and all Police agencies concerned. (County, U.S. Marshall, WSP)

NWA advised that Flt #305 had 36 passengers on board, seven crew members.

Complainant advised that two (2) back pack & two (2) chest pack parachutes were in demand by the hi-jacker. Also in demand was a sum of \$200,000 and fuel trucks to re-fuel the 727 in question. The hi-jacker directed that he would permit the aircraft to land at Sea/Tac when all conditions were met. No police marked vehicles would be involved. Escort for fuel trucks would be handled by one (1) vehicle. A bus would be permitted to approach the aircraft between both runways to pick up passengers from the hi-jacked aircraft.

\_\_\_\_\_ arranged for chutes from Issaquah, Wn. WSP transported chutes to NWA Freight Bldg for further disposition. (CONT'D)

INVESTIGATING OFFICERS: All Shift- Airport Police, Sea/Tac/Tx+CAR Airport PATROL

CHEM. TEST: YES  NO  REFUSED

FURTHER FOLLOW-UP INVESTIGATION INDICATED: YES  NO

REASON: \_\_\_\_\_

FINGERPRINTS: YES  NOT AVAILABLE  APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

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## HI-JACKED AIRCRAFT- NWA Orient Airlines

- 1645 - WSP called this station. Chutes en route from Issaquah, Wn.
- 1700 - Hi-jacker desires lighted area for operation at Sea/Tac
- 1720 - Tower called - aircraft holding until all conditions are met.  
(Chutes still en route)
- 1722 - Asst Chief directed car #97 to meet WSP vehicle on 188th w/chutes
- 1727 - WSP veh arrived w/chutes - escorted to NWA Air Freight Bldg.
- 1730 - Flt #305 on final to land on Runway 16 R.
- 1735 - NWA dispatching fuel truck as directed w/escort.
- 1742 - Touchdown NWA Flt #305.
- 1746 - Aircraft all stop - south on runway 16 R
- 1753 - Commenced deplaning passengers
- 1757 - One stewardess picked up chutes as directed
- 1759 - Chutes aboard aircraft - fueling operation to commence
- 1800 - One stewardess off aircraft
- 1801 - Stewardess back on aircraft
- 1805 - Stewardess to cabin of aircraft w/package
- 1812 - 2nd fuel truck en route to aircraft for fueling operations
- 1815 - Bus positioned between active runways to pick up passengers
- 1826 - Bus directed to B-2 VIP Room. FBI on board bus. Bystanders cleared as directed.
- 1832 - Hi-jacker directed 3rd fuel truck for re-fueling operation
- 1843 - One stewardess permitted to deplane from aircraft
- 1844 - 3rd fuel truck to aircraft
- 1847 - 4th fuel truck standing by
- 1849 - two stewardesses entered cab of fuel truck
- 1850 - 4th fuel truck moving to aircraft
- 1858 - 3rd fuel truck mal-function. Could not pump fuel. 4th fuel truck resumed operations. 5th truck standing by.
- 1920 - Doors on 727 Flt #305 closed.
- 1925 - Navigation lights on. Prepared for taxi and take off
- 1927 - Aircraft taxiing
- 1936 - Flt #305 - hi-jacked aircraft air borne.

Aboard aircraft are: three (3) crew members  
one (1) stewardess  
hi-jacker

INVESTIGATING OFFICER	INVESTIGATING OFFICER	SERIAL	UNIT
ALL AIRPORT POLICE (SHIFT DAY/Swing)	Airport Police		SPD/KCDPS/WSP

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Manpower responded to the emergency from the following agencies:  
FBI, US Marshal, US Customs, WSP, KCDPS, and Airport Police.

Further Investigation will be handled by the FBI.

LATE ENTRY - Aircraft en route to Reno, Nevada - landing for re-fueling  
operation. Destination unknown.

INVESTIGATING OFFICER  
[Redacted]  
All Airport Police (Shifts day and re [Redacted])

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TO DIRECTOR

PORTLAND

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IN SUMMARY, CREW DESCRIBED HIJACKING AS OBVIOUSLY WELL PLANNED BY INDIVIDUAL KNOWLEDGEABLE RE THIS AIRCRAFT AND FLYING GENERALLY AND BY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS AT ALL TIMES COOL AND CALCULATING. ALSO SPECULATED SUBJECT WELL AQUAINTED WITH SEATTLE -- PORTLAND AREA GENERALLY, AND PROBABLY PARACHUTED FROM PLANE EITHER WITHIN OR IN PROXIMITY OF PORTLAND OREGON. PRIOR TO LEAVING PLANE HIJACKER TOLD CREW HE WOULD EITHER TAKE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WITH HIM OR WOULD DISARM SAME.

PRESS INQUIRY IN RENO AND LAS VEGAS ANSWERED TO EFFECT THAT HIJACKER DEPARTED PLANE PROBABLY BY REAR DOOR AND BY PARACHUTE SOMEWHERE BETWEEN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON AND PORTLAND, OREGON. PRESS INFORMED FBI CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY AND APPREHEND HIJACKER.

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CAPT. ADVISED THAT PLANE WOULD DEPART RENO, NEVADA NINE FORTY FIVE AM FOR SEATTLE AND ALL BAGGAGE WOULD BE UNLOADED AT SEATTLE.

PORTLAND TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED OF RESULTS OF INTERVIEWS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SAME.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING LAS VEGAS DIVISION AND ALL LEADS WILL BE GIVEN IMMEDIATE ATTENTION.

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BY HIJACKER DEPARTING FROM AIRCRAFT VIA REAR DOOR. OSCILLATION REPORTED BY RADIO TO NORTHWEST HEADQUARTERS MINNEAPOLIS AT TIME.

IN SUMMARY, CREW DESCRIBED HIJACKING AS OBVIOUSLY WELL PLANNED BY INDIVIDUAL KNOWLEDGEABLE RE THIS AIRCRAFT AND FLYING GENERALLY AND BY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS AT ALL TIMES COOL AND CALCULATING. ALSO SPECULATED SUBJECT WELL AQUAINTED WITH SEATTLE -- PORTLAND AREA GENERALLY, AND PROBABLY PARACHUTED FROM PLANE EITHER WITHIN OR IN PROXIMITY OF PORTLAND OREGON. PRIOR TO LEAVING PLANE HIJACKER TOLD CREW HE WOULD EITHER TAKE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WITH HIM OR WOULD DISARM SAME.

PRESS INQUIRY IN RENO AND LAS VEGAS ANSWERED TO EFFECT THAT HIJACKER DEPARTED PLANE PROBABLY BY REAR DOOR AND BY PARACHUTE SOMEWHERE BETWEEN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON AND PORTLAND, OREGON. PRESS INFORMED FBI CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY AND APPREHEND

HIJACKER.

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CAPT. ADVISED THAT PLANE WOULD DEPART RENO, NEVADA NINE FORTY FIVE AM FOR SEATTLE AND ALL BAGGAGE WOULD BE UNLOADED AT SEATTLE.

PORTLAND TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED OF RESULTS OF INTERVIEWS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SAME.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING LAS VEGAS DIVISION AND ALL LEADS WILL BE GIVEN IMMEDIATE ATTENTION.

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END

SWD FBI SEATTLE CLR

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Date: 11/25/71

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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
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TO: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER  
TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

RE SEATTLE TELEPHONE CALL THIS DATE.

MINNEAPOLIS REQUESTED TO OBTAIN ELIMINATION PRINTS FROM  
ALL MEMBERS OF CREW OF HIJACKED PLANE AND FORWARD TO BUREAU  
IMMEDIATELY.

MINNEAPOLIS ALSO REQUESTED TO EXHIBIT FACSIMILE OF  
ARTIST'S CONCEPTION PREPARED BY BUREAU TO WITNESSES FOR  
EVALUATION AND ADVISE BUREAU IMMEDIATELY. P.

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*Farvell - [Signature]*

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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Per *OCA*

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3:45 PM URGENT 11/25/71 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

MINNEAPOLIS

FROM SEATTLE (164-NEW) 1P

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

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SAC, PORTLAND

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER  
TWENTY-FOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION.

RE SEATTLE NITEL TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER TWENTY<sup>FIVE</sup>~~FOUR~~,  
SEVENTYONE.

INVESTIGATION IN SEATTLE DISCLOSED THAT PARACHUTES  
WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN USED BY SUBJECT, DESIGNATED AS CHEST  
CHUTE NO. ONE AND BACK CHUTE NO. ONE IN REFERENCED NITEL,  
ARE DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

NO. ONE CHEST PACK TYPE TWENTY-FOUR FOOT, WHITE NYLON  
CANOPY, WHITE NYLON SHROUDS, ABOUT FOURTEEN FEET LONG,  
MODEL T-SEVEN A. CHUTE CONTAINER WAS OLIVE DRAB GREEN WITH  
[REDACTED] INSCRIBED CONTAINERS, DIMENSIONS OF TEN INCHES BY  
FOURTEEN INCHES BY SIX INCHES.

NO. ONE BACK PACK TYPE CHUTE, TWENTY-EIGHT FOOT, WHITE  
CANOPY, FLAT CIRCULAR MILITARY TYPE. CHUTE CONTAINER IS  
OLIVE DRAB MILITARY. CHUTE HARNESS IS CIVILIAN LUXURY TYPE

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Special Agent in Charge

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MADE OF SOFT TAN COTTON MATERIAL. P.

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NR004 SE PLAIN

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

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PORTLAND

FROM SEATTLE (164-NEW) 1P

MUNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR,  
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NR004 SE PLAIN

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

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AIR SEARCH NOT AUTHORIZED BY MILITARY.

INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION CONTINUING INCLUDING CONTACT  
WITH SKY-DIVING CLUBS AND SIMILAR GROUPS. P.

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 5:10 PM Per Oca

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5:10 PM NITEL 11/25/71 DCA:

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SEATTLE (164-NEW) 1P

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE 164 New

DATE: 11/25/71

FROM : SA REESE H. CHIPMAN

MEMO NO 2

SUBJECT: UNSUB: NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305,  
NOVEMBER 24, 1971  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE 164 New

DATE: 11/25/71

FROM : SA REESE H. CHIPMAN

SUBJECT: Unsub: NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305,  
November 24, 1971.

**MEMORANDUM number 3**

CAA - HIJACKING ; ~~REX~~ EXTORTION

Re: Memorandum No 2, this date of SA CHIPMAN setting forth instructions received from [redacted] Div 6, Bureau.

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SAC was advised of above instructions and instructed following be done

RE No 1 Telephone [redacted] NorthWest Airlines Flight Operations Office CH-2-2140, or at home Tel [redacted]

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A - Ascertain from him who can furnish the flight route of Flight 305

B - Then contact SA [redacted] Tacoma RA and have him arrange if possible for helicopter to survey the above mentioned route with an Agent [redacted] aboard .

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RE No 2. Bureau request re preparation of FD 388 forms with respect to each witness. Contact Mr. BIBLER who is to handle .

Re No 3. Re Submission of data concerning recorded Money.

Read Section 66, Volume 3, M of I, Pages Re Kidnapping - "Ransom Money, See pages 10,11 and 11A.

Advise Mr. MILNES what instructions are.

*8:30 AM I called [redacted] - NW Flight Operations - for flight plan of 305. He advised to call Flight Dispatch (NW) Ch-3-6497. I gave this info to [redacted] [signature]*

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC SEATTLE (164-NEW)

DATE: November 25, 1971

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB:  
NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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SAC SEATTLE (164-NEW)

November 25, 1971

SA [redacted]

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UNSUB:  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-new)

DATE: 11/25/71

FROM : SA MAX L. WILSON

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NW FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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According to the unknown caller, [redacted] may be the unknown subject.

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SA ED ANDERSON CHECKED WITH  
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FOUND NO RECORD CONCERNING

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

11/25/71

SA MAX L. WILSON

UNSUB;  
Northwest Flight 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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DATE: 11/25/71

FROM : SAC J. E. MILNES

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

At 2:00 p.m. on November 25, 1971, I advised SA [redacted] of the Washington Field Office that the microfilm in this case was delivered to [redacted] of United Airlines Flight 150, departing Sea-Tac 1:05 p.m., arriving Friendship Airport 10:10 p.m. tonight and asked him to deliver it to Division 6.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

DATE: 11/25/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Flight 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER contacted [redacted] of the Minneapolis Division who advised that he would handle details in obtaining the crew's schedule [redacted] Stewardess for Northwest Airlines, for the next check.

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[redacted] advised ASAC BIBLER that he would advise the Bureau and Seattle of the details of [redacted] schedule.

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UNSUB;  
Northwest Flight 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER contacted [REDACTED] of the  
Minneapolis Division who advised that he would handle details  
in obtaining the crew's schedule [REDACTED] Stewardess  
for Northwest Airlines, for the next check.

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[REDACTED] advised ASAC BIBLER that he would advise the  
Bureau and Seattle of the details of [REDACTED] schedule.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

DATE: 11/25/71

FROM : SAC J. E. MILNES

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

11/25/71

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

11/25/71

SAC J. E. MILNES

UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACING; EXTORTION

At 1:25 p.m. on November 25, 1971, I called SA [redacted] at the Bureau. I advised him that thus far we had been unable to get the services of the Army or the Air Force to participate in the search and that we were seeking permission of a general officer at Scot Air Force Base to accomplish this, when we learned that an Agent by the name of [redacted] at the Bureau was attempting to make similar arrangements with the Pentagon. He advised that a Brigadier General HIXON at the Pentagon had called the Bureau and referred to a law enacted on June 18, 1878 precluding the use of the military forces for this purpose without the permission of the White House. I told him in view of this, we would forget it and try to make other arrangements. I advised him that Northwest Airlines had triangulated the location of the aircraft at 8:05 p.m. on November 24, 1971, which was the latest time the subject was known to be in the air plane and had established this location in the vicinity of Merwin, Washington. In view of this, we were having the helicopters of the Air National Guard move to that area and we would try to get additional equipment for the search.

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In addition, we have sent Agents down to do a ground search. He wanted us to get the prints of the crew for elimination purposes and I told him this was being done by Minneapolis. I then advised that we wanted to make a press release, releasing the description of the Unsub along with the artist's conception which the Bureau was preparing and notify the press of the area of search, urging all to be alert for a parachutist in that area. He advised this was satisfactory. Permission was later obtained from SA DON HANNING of the Crime Records Section to get this release.

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SA [ ] advised that we would have to contact a variety of organizations, i.e. a parachutists club, VFW, American Legion, survival wilderness groups, and any group who may have knowledge of a person of this description.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SPC [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST FLIGHT #305  
11/24/71  
CSA - HIHACKING; EXTORTION

[redacted] telephone  
[redacted] telephonically contacted this office at 3:25 A.M.  
this date to advise of the following:

[redacted] had learned from [redacted]  
that [redacted]

[redacted] alleges to [redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted] Washington, area. It was further advised by  
[redacted]  
morning and has not been heard from since. [redacted] was  
described as being in his late 40's.

[redacted] advised that he may be reached at his  
residence the entire day.

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Susp File - [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-new)

DATE: 11/25/71

FROM : SA MAX L. WILSON

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

SRA THOMAS MANNING on this date advised that he would use Police Department, Woodland, Washington, as his base of operations and that he and his RAs could be located through that department.

SA MANNING further advised that Weirhauser Company will have a "chopper" in the area tomorrow. He will also contact the US Forest Service for their assistance in searching the terrain.

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11/25/71

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE

DATE: 11-26-71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT SKYJACKING

On 11-24-71, Agent [redacted] Butte Office was advised at 4:53 PM, that an individual by the name of [redacted] was to have boarded NWAL flight 305 at Missoula, Montana earlier that day.

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Information received from the Bureau identified [redacted] [redacted] He was further advised that one D. COOPER boarded the plane at Portland, Oregon, enroute to Seattle, although [redacted] if any, is not known at this time.

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[redacted] was requested to immediately ascertain from NWAL and/or [redacted] the possibility of [redacted] being identical with UNSUB. He was furnished physical description of UNSUB as available at that time.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164- )

DATE: 11-26-71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NWA FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11-24-71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO:SE

The following passengers on Northwest Airlines Flight 305 from Portland, Oregon to Seattle, Washington, on November 24, 1971. were interviewed by SA [redacted] and all stated they had no knowledge of the hijacking of that plane, the ~~information~~ the person committing the hijacking or any other data relating to the incident:

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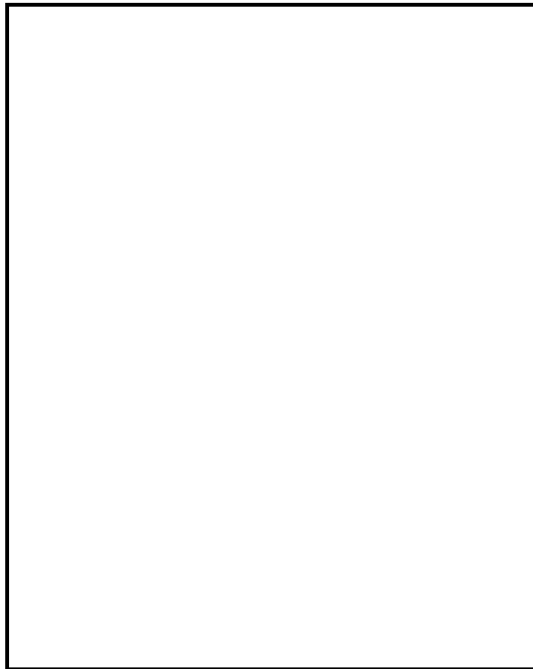
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UNSUB; NWA FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11-24-71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SA

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

Based on descriptions furnished by best witnesses available, subject is described as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Mid 40's
Height:	5' 10" to 6'
Weight:	170 to 180
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Black, medium length parted on left side
Eyes:	Brown
Complexion:	Olive
Dress:	Wearing a black business suit, white shirt, narrow black tie, black overcoat, black dress shoes

Subject had dark frame sunglasses with brown lenses. He was carrying a black business-like briefcase described as very ordinary. Subject. Subject believed to have used parachutes described as follows:

1. Chest pack type 24 foot white nylon canopy, white nylon shrouds, about 14' length, model T-7A. Chute container was olive drab green with  inscribed. Container dimensions are 10" by 14" by 6".

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2. Back-pack type chute, 28 foot, white canopy, flat circular military type. Chute container is olive drab military. Chute harness is civilian luxury type made of 50 foot tan cotton material.

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UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11-26-71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11-24-71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: SEATTLE

During the course of the hijacking, NWAL employee [redacted] telephone [redacted] maintained a complete log of communications between flight control, Seattle; flight control, Minneapolis and the aircraft.

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[redacted]  
Western Region, NWAL, Seattle Tacoma Airport, CH. 3-4500, Ext. [redacted] and [redacted] advised that this log will be turned over to [redacted] telephone CH. 3-4500 and that if copies are required they should be requested through [redacted]

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SA [redacted]

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UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11-24-71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

*ac* [redacted] [redacted]  
*Suspect*  
[redacted]

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SA [redacted] called from Las Vegas. He said that at 6:50 PM, DAN PERRINE, called from Special Investigative Section. PERRINE suggested one [redacted] as a suspect in this case. [redacted]

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[redacted] He has Seattle file [redacted] LVfile [redacted] They want him checked out. HE was [redacted] Nevada.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

*Sub T*  
Re: AIRLINE TICKET USED BY SUBJECT

Investigation should be instituted to learn where subject purchased the ticket he used to board the above captioned aircraft prior to its hijacking. Investigation should then be conducted to back track to develop any possible information concerning the subject.

Inquiry should be started with Northwest Airlines at Seattle, to determine if they can provide this information or where it should be obtained.

Based on the findings at Northwest, the Agent handling this lead should pursue it and set out appropriate leads for the field division such as Portland, who might have that information.

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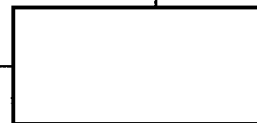
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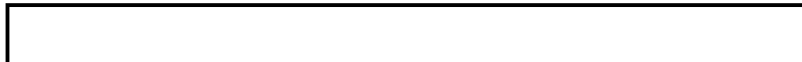
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI, SACS, LAS VEGAS AND MINNEAPOLIS  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)  
UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SE  
RE LV TELECALL THIS DATE.

FOR INFO MINNEAPOLIS, LAS VEGAS ADVISED THAT BUREAU  
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AS POSSIBLE SUSPECT THIS CASE, BASED ON FACT THAT



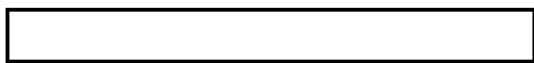
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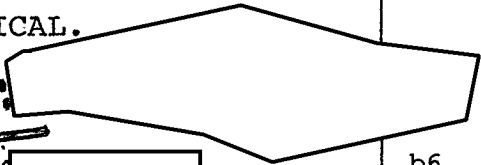
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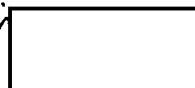


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Special Agent in Charge

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10:34 AM URGENT 11/26/71 JJT

TO DIRECTOR

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MINNEAPOLIS

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE  
RE LV TELECALL THIS DATE.

FOR INFO MINNEAPOLIS, LAS VEGAS ADVISED THAT BUREAU  
HAD SUGGESTED [REDACTED]

AS POSSIBLE SUSPECT THIS CASE, BASED ON FACT THAT [REDACTED]

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MP, UTILIZING IO [REDACTED] EXHIBIT

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NR002 SE PLAIN

10:38 AM URGENT 11/26/71 JJT

TO DIRECTOR

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MINNEAPOLIS

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE  
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Date: 11/26/71

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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI AND  
SAC, MINNEAPOLIS

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

WITNESS  SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, ADVISED  
THAT THE FOLLOWING MODIFICATIONS SHOULD BE MADE TO IMPROVE  
COMPOSITE DRAWING: LIPS CHANGED TO KE NINE DASH ONE THREE,  
SUBJECT HAD SLIGHTLY DOUBLE CHIN, HAIR SHOULD BE COMBED MORE  
TOWARD REAR THAN ACROSS AS IN DRAWING, NOSE SLIGHTLY NARROWER  
AT THE BASE. - P -

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Approved: *[Signature]*  
Special Agent in Charge

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NR001 SE PLAIN

9:50E AM URGENT 11/26/71 JJT

TO DIRECTOR

MINNEAPOLIS

FROM SEATTLE (164-NEW)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

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NR001 SE PLAIN

9:13 AM URGENT 11/26/71 JJT

TO DIRECTOR  
MINNEAPOLIS

FROM SEATTLE (164-NEW)

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HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

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TOWARD REAR THAN ACROSS AS IN DRAWING, NOSE SLIGHTLY NARROWER  
AT THE BASE. - P -

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7:06AM 11-26-71 DCW

5:55AM 11-26-71 URGENT MHR

TO DIRECTOR CINCINNATI LAS VEGAS MEMPHIS  
PORTLAND (;8-/// VIA WASHINGTON) SEATTLE (VIA WASHINGTON)  
! FROM LITTLE ROCK (164-NEW)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR,  
SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS FURNISHED TO SA EUGENE F.

GLENN AT [REDACTED] ARKANSAS EARLY MORNING HOURS OF NOVEMBER  
TWENTYSIX, INSTANT: [REDACTED]

ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] SHOULD  
BE CONSIDERED A SUSPECT FOR THE CAPTIONED HIJACKING. HE STATED THAT  
[REDACTED] AN EX-CONVICT, WHO RESIDED IN [REDACTED] FOR APPROXIMATELY

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[REDACTED]  
HIJACKINGS THAT WAS DISCUSSED ON TV NEWS, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
FOLLOWING REGIONS IN THE WEST PORTION OF THE UNITED STATES: THE  
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NEVADA AREA.

[REDACTED] WOULD SPEND LONG PERIODS OF TIME  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] TO PORTLAND, OREGON IN [REDACTED]  
RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM [REDACTED] HE  
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[REDACTED] SAW HIM, HE WOULD [REDACTED]  
HE ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] WAS ON PAROLE FROM  
[REDACTED] A PAROLE OFFICER IN [REDACTED] HE HAD  
DONE TIME [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] REGARDING THE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] STATED THAT DURING THE SPRING OF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] WAS INVOLVED IN [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] RELATED THAT [REDACTED] MADE LONG DISTANCE  
TELEPHONE CALLS TO UNKNOWN INDIVIDUALS [REDACTED] IN THE UNITED  
STATES AND [REDACTED] CONTACTED AN UNKNOWN PERSON IN  
[REDACTED] HE DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS  
WHITE MALE, ABOUT FOUR SEVEN YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FOOT TEN IN HEIGHT,  
ONE HUNDRED SIXTY POUNDS IN WEIGHT, HAIR GRAYING, COMPLEXION AS  
[REDACTED] AND CHARACTERISTICS OF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] RESIDED AT THE  
[REDACTED] ARKANSAS.

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CRIMINAL RECORDS, [REDACTED] ARKANSAS PD REFLECT THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS ARRESTED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RELEASED NEXT DATE. PHYSICAL

DESCRIPTION FROM [REDACTED] PD RECORDS REFLECT THE FOLLOWING:

NAME: [REDACTED] SEX: MALE, RACE: CAUCASIAN, HEIGHT: FIVE  
FEET ELEVEN, WEIGHT: ONE HUNDRED SIXTYFIVE POUNDS, EYES [REDACTED]  
HAIR: MIXED GRAY, COMPLEXION: [REDACTED] NO SCARS OR MARKS, SSAN:

[REDACTED] POB: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NO DOB LISTED.

ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT PAROLE OFFICER FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARKANSAS NEGATIVE TO DATE.

INDICES LITTLE ROCK AND MEMPHIS NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED] NCIC

CHECK NEGATIVE RE SSAN FOR [REDACTED]

LEADS:

SEAT OF GOVERNMENT AT IDENTIFICATION DIVISION WILL CONDUCT  
NAME CHECK OF IDENT RECORDS ON SUSPECT [REDACTED] OF ALL  
PERSONS WITH APPROXIMATE DESCRIPTION.

CINCINNATI DIVISION AT COLUMBUS, OHIO WILL CHECK APPROPRIATE  
PROBATION OR PAROLE OFFICE FOR BACKGROUND INFORMATION RE SUSPECT

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IN CAPTIONED MATTER.

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MEMPHIS DIVISION CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION REGARDING

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[REDACTED]  
PORTLAND DIVISION WILL CONSIDER [REDACTED] SUSPECT  
IN CAPTIONED MATTER.

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SEATTLE WILL PROVIDE DESCRIPTIVE DATA FOR UNSUB IN THIS MATTER.

LITTLE ROCK DIVISION AT [REDACTED] ARKANSAS WILL CONDUCT  
NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION AT FORMER RESIDENCE OF SUSPECT [REDACTED]  
AND WILL OBTAIN ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION RE SUSPECT FROM  
PAROLE OFFICER, [REDACTED]

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AT LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS WILL CHECK STATE PAROLE OFFICE  
RECORDS RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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LITTLE ROCK WILL PROMPTLY FURNISH ALL RECEIVING OFFICES  
FURTHER DATA DEVELOPED.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI  
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FROM MINNEAPOLIS 164-NEW 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE,  
SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO MINNEAPOLIS ELEVEN TWENTYFIVE  
SEVENTYONE AND MINNEAPOLIS TELEPHONE CALL TO BUREAU AND  
WFO ELEVEN TWENTYFIVE SEVENTYONE.

ELIMINATION PRINTS TAKEN FROM ALL CREW MEMBERS OF  
HIJACKED PLANE. ELIMINATION PRINTS AND COPY OF FACIAL IDENTIFICATION  
FACT SHEET BEING HAND DELIVERED BY PILOT, UNITED AIRLINES  
FLIGHT FIVE SIX TWO, DEPARTING MINNEAPOLIS EIGHT FIFTY AM CST  
ELEVEN TWENTYSIX SEVENTYONE ARRIVING NATIONAL AIRPORT,  
WASHINGTON, DC ELEVEN FIFTYEIGHT AM EST ELEVEN TWENTYSIX  
SEVENTYONE.

ARTIST'S CONCEPTION PREPARED BY BUREAU EXHIBITED TO  
PLANES CREW. ALL AGREE THAT ARTIST CONCEPTION IS EXCELLENT  
WITH EXCEPTION OF [REDACTED] WHO DOES NOT  
AGREE WITH ARTIST'S CONCEPTION BUT THINKS THAT UNSUB LOOKS  
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IDENTICAL TO KK FIVE ONE IN THE FACIAL IDENTIFICATION CATALOG  
EXCEPT EARS ARE TOO WIDE AND HAIR SHOULD COME DOWN MORE IN  
FRONT. OTHER MEMBERS OF CREW AGREE WITH BUREAU CONCEPTION BUT THINK  
THAT MORE HOLLOW BELOW CHEEK BONES SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN DRAWING.

SEATTLE TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FACIAL IDENTIFICATION.

WFO MEET UNITED AIRLINES FLIGHT FIVE SIX TWO, ELEVEN  
FIFTYEIGHT AM, NATIONAL AIRPORT ELEVEN TWENTYSIX SEVENTYONE  
TO PICK UP ELIMINATION PRINTS AND COPY OF FACIAL IDENTIFI-  
CATION FACT SHEET FROM CREW AND DELIVER TO BUREAU.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

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TO SEATTLE AND PORTLAND  
FROM LAS VEGAS 164-60



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UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR,  
SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

RE LV TEL NOV, TWENTYFIVE INSTANT.

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED UNSUB AS FOLLOWS:

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WHITE MALE, FIVE FT. TEN INCHES TO SIX FT.; ONE EIGHT ZERO  
LBS.; WELL BUILT; DARK BROWN HAIR - COMBED BACK; SIDE BURNS -  
LOW EAR LEVEL; COLOR EYES UNKNOWN; WORE DARK GLASSES - DARK RIM  
AND WRAP AROUND, CONCEALED EYES; MEDIUM SMOOTH COMPLEXION; LOW  
VOICE; TALKED INTELLIGENTLY; HEAVY SMOKER OF RALEIGH FILTER TIP  
CIGARETTES.

UNSUB WEARING DARK TOP COAT, BROWN SUIT, BROWN SHOES, NO  
ACCENT, POSSIBLY FROM MIDWEST SECTION USA.

BLACK TIE AND TIE TACK FOUND ON PLANE BELIEVED TO HAVE  
BEEN LEFT BY UNSUB.

[REDACTED] MEMBER OF

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CREW WHO SAW UNSUB ON FLIGHT INTO RENO, NEVADA.

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TO SEATTLE AND PORTLAND

FROM LAS VEGAS 164-60

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DESC. of SUB.

RE LV TEL NOV. TWENTYFIVE INSTANT.

[REDACTED]

DESCRIBED UNSUB AS FOLLOWS:

*APPROXIMATELY*

WHITE MALE, FIVE FT. TEN INCHES TO SIX FT.; ONE EIGHT ZERO LBS.; WELL BUILT; DARK BROWN HAIR -- COMBED BACK; SIDE BURNS - LOW EAR LEVEL; COLOR EYES UNKNOWN; WORE DARK GLASSES - DARK RIM AND WRAP AROUND, CONCEALED EYES; MEDIUM SMOOTH COMPLEXION; LOW VOICE; TALKED INTELLIGENTLY; HEAVY SMOKER OF RALEIGH FILTER TIP CIGARETTES.

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[REDACTED]

MEMBER OF

CREW WHO SAW UNSUB ON FLIGHT INTO RENO, NEVADA.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-new)

DATE: 11/25/71

FROM : SA MAX L. WILSON

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

SRA THOMAS MANNING later advised that Weinrouser would have two "choppers" coming from Tacoma to the Woodland, Wn., airport at dawn tomorrow. Also the US Forest Service would have a small chopper there. He asked that the US Navy choppers meet them at the same airport. To reach him through the Woodland PD ask the operator for the Woodland City Hall number.

According to him a high wind was blowing at Merwin Dam last night. At about 11:30pm there was a burglary of a grocery store located roughly 10 miles South of the dam. Survival rations were taken including beef jerky, cigarettes, gloves, etc. The person who broke in was wearing military type boots with a corrugated sole.

Local lawenforcement in the area has been alerted and neighborhoods are being conducted starting the vicinity of this burglarized grocery.

MANNING will coordinate with Portland.

*Portland advised 4/3 1/1m  
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*cc Sub. E.*

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE 164-

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SA REESE H. CHIPMAN

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
NOVEMBER 24, 1971  
CAA-HIJACKING-EXTORTION

At 6:50AM, BOB KENT, ASAC, Minneapolis telephoned and advised they are sending us two things that may be of interest and assistance to us. These were received from [redacted] Northwest Operations, who is in Minneapolis at present time.

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[redacted] furnished them the following:

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- 1- A log of everything that happened during the flight from Seattle to Reno, all conversations etc. This should reflect the exact time the pilot mentioned the change pressure, oscillation in the plane etc.
- 2- A vector chart (radio range chart), which also may be helpful in locating the spot where subject bailed out.

KENT advised that their relations with NW Airlines have been most cordial and cooperation from them has been outstanding and MPLS is anxious to maintain this good relationship.

Therefore, they would like us to cut them in on all teletypes and to keep them advised as to progress of investigation, in order that they may release to NW facts and data which can appropriately be disseminated.

He requested that you telephone him this morning, and bring him up to date.

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Date: 11/26/71

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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, PORTLAND  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX, SEVENTYONE AUTHORITIES AT NORTHWEST AIRLINES, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, ADVISED UNSUB HAD PURCHASED TICKET FOR FLIGHT TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON AT NORTHWEST TICKET COUNTER, PORTLAND, OREGON, AND THAT TICKET AGENT HAD BEEN INTERVIEWED BY PORTLAND FBI.

PORTLAND AT PORTLAND, OREGON. WILL SUTEL RE INTERVIEW OF NORTHWEST TICKET AGENT ISSUING TICKET TO UNSUB AND ALSO SUBMIT RESULTS OF ANY FURTHER INVESTIGATION PERTAINING TO INDIVIDUALS HAVING CONTACT WITH UNSUB PRIOR TO HIS BOARDING AIRCRAFT.

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 11:00 AM M

Per [Signature]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)-

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FROM :

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA\*HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On instant date   
Seattle, Wn., telephonically contacted this office.   
advised that he knew a man who fits the description of the  
unsub, including the ~~MAN~~ olive colored skin.  advised  
that the mans name is   
 has an arrest record  stated  
that  Wn.

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UNSUB;  
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11/24/71  
CAA\*HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : ALL AGENTS (#75)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SAC J.E. MILNES

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

The following information is being furnished for the assistance of all Agents in covering any leads which might be assigned to them and to properly evaluate any information which might be received from a citizen.

The UNKNOWN SUBJECT apparently boarded the above captioned flight at Portland, Oregon, and since the only person who was not available for interview when the plane arrived in Seattle, was a DAN COOPER, who boarded at Portland, it is assumed this is the name used by the subject.

Shortly after the plane left Portland, the UNSUB approached Stewardess [redacted] and gave her a note telling that the plane was being hijacked. UNKNOWN SUBJECT retrieved that note. [redacted] then told Stewardess [redacted] who thereafter sat with the subject and transmitted his instructions to the Captain.

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When he first announced the hijacking, the UNSUB asked for two parachutes. He later changed his instructions and asked for four parachutes, two back chutes and two chest chutes, plus the \$200,000.00. Further, the subject wanted everything collected at SEA-TAC Airport before he would allow the plane to land and he wanted all this done by 5:00 PM. The plane circled SEA-TAC Airport for approximately 1½ hours during which time the parachutes and money was collected and brought to the Airport.

The plane landed at SEA-TAC at approximately 5:45 PM and after the subject knew the money was being brought to him and the gas trucks were at hand, he allowed all the passengers as well as the other two stewardesses to leave the aircraft. [redacted] was ordered to remain and he had her bring the parachutes, money, etc., into the aircraft to him.

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The three male members of the crew remained in the cabin.

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Sex:	Male
Age:	Mid 40s
Height:	5'10" to 6'
Weight:	170-180 lbs.
Build:	Average to well

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Complexion:	Olive, Latin appearance, medium smooth
Hair:	Dark brown-black, normal style, parted on left, combed back, side burns, low ear level
Eyes:	Brown to unknown Wore dark glasses w/dark rim, wrap around, much or most of the time.
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# Memorandum

TO : ALL AGENTS (#75)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SAC J.E. MILNES

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

The following information is being furnished for the assistance of all Agents in covering any leads which might be assigned to them and to properly evaluate any information which might be received from a citizen.

The UNKNOWN SUBJECT apparently boarded the above captioned flight at Portland, Oregon, and since the only person who was not available for interview when the plane arrived in Seattle, was a DAN COOPER, who boarded at Portland, it is assumed this is the name used by the subject.

Shortly after the plane left Portland, the UNSUB approached Stewardess [redacted] and gave her a note telling that the plane was being hijacked. UNKNOWN SUBJECT retrieved that note. [redacted] then told Stewardess [redacted] who thereafter sat with the subject and transmitted his instructions to the Captain.

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1159 AM URGENT 11-26-71 JMJ

TO DIRECTOR

PORTLAND SEATTLE

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-NEW) 3P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWO FIVE, NINETEEN SEVEN ONE, CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

RE MINNEAPOLIS TELETYPES TO DIRECTOR AND SACS NOVEMBER TWO FIVE, LAST, AND MINNEAPOLIS TELEPHONE CALLS TO SEATTLE AND PORTLAND, NOVEMBER TWO FIVE, LAST.

[REDACTED]

NORTHWEST

AIRLINES, BASED ON REVIEW OF NOTES MAINTAINED WHILE IN COMMUNICATION WITH HIJACKED AIRCRAFT FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PLUS MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATION, ADVISES POSSIBLE AREA OF LANDING OF HIJACKER COULD BE EITHER SIDE OF A LINE BETWEEN TWO POINTS: THE FIRST POINT BEING APPROXIMATELY TWO MILES SOUTH SOUTHWEST OF THE FACE OF THE DAM ON LAKE MERWIN, WASHINGTON; WITH THE SECOND POINT BEING A POINT ONE MILE  
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NORTH NORTHWEST OF HEISSON, WASHINGTON. THESE COMPUTATIONS WERE ARRIVED AT BASED ON THE ALTITUDE, DIRECTION AND SPEED OF THE AIRCRAFT WHICH WAS THEN FLYING VECTOR BETWEEN SEATTLE AND PORTLAND WHEN A PRESSURE BUMP AND OSCELATION OF THE AIRCRAFT WAS NOTED BY THE CREW. TO THOSE FAMILIAR WITH THE AIRCRAFT, IT WOULD INDICATE THE REAR DOOR WAS OPENED, CAUSING THE PRESSURE TO DROP AND WOULD BE A VERY LIKELY TIME FOR UNSUB'S DEPARTURE FROM THE AIRCRAFT.

HIS NOTES INDICATE THAT AT MINNEAPOLIS TIME TWENTY ONE FORTY ONE A STEWARDESS WAS ORDERED TO THE COCKPIT BY THE HIJACKER. AT TWENTY ONE FORTY TWO THE HIJACKER ADVISED BY INTER-PHONE THAT HE WAS HAVING DIFFICULTY GETTING STEPS DOWN. AT TWENTY TWO ZERO FIVE THE COCKPIT WAS IN COMMUNICATION WITH THE HIJACKER, AND AT TWENTY TWO TEN THE PRESSURE BUMP AND OSCELATION OCCURRED. NO FURTHER COMMUNICATION WAS HAD WITH THE UNSUB SUBSEQUENT TO THIS TIME.

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[REDACTED] WAS INFORMED BY [REDACTED] PORTLAND AIRPORT,  
THAT TWO CHASE PLANES WHICH WERE FOLLOWING FIVE MILES BEHIND  
HIJACKED AIRCRAFT SUDDENLY VEERED TO THE EAST AND THEREAFTER  
MADE A RIGHT TURN. THE POINT OF THEIR CHANGE OF COURSE WOULD  
HAVE BEEN IN CLOSE PROXIMITY IN TIME AND LOCATION TO THAT  
BELIEVED WHERE UNSUB DEPARTED THE AIRCRAFT.

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[REDACTED] ALSO POINTED OUT THERE IS A SMALL AIR FIELD  
SUITABLE FOR PARACHUTE JUMPING AND SO MARKED ON A SECTIONAL  
MAP IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO AREA WHERE UNSUB IS BELIEVED TO  
HAVE DEPARTED THE AIRCRAFT.

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# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: November 26, 1971

FROM : SAC J. E. MILNES

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: Seattle

RE: Suspect

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On November 26, 1971, at 11:20 AM, I called Assistant Director WALTERS at the Bureau and requested that he forward a facsimile of the identification record under number  to Las Vegas, Portland, Seattle and Minneapolis. I also told him that Las Vegas had dusted the airplane for prints, that latents were being sent via  and immediately upon receipt, I asked that they be processed and results furnished to me.

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On November 26, 1971, I contacted SA CAMPBELL in Las Vegas. He advised that they had dusted the airplane for latent fingerprints but he doubted that they would be good enough for identification. I advised him to forward by currier to the Bureau immediately these fingerprints.

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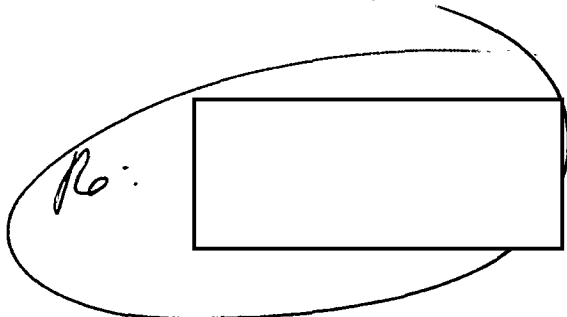
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FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
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Re SETel 11/26/71 to Little Rock.

On 11/26/71 I called ASAC ART WELLS in Little Rock, referred him to this teletype, asked him to have their source reinterviewed at once to determine specifically the

[redacted] Determine any peculiarities that he had, mentioning to him that the hijacker was smoking Raleigh filter tip cigarettes, is supposed to have had a midwestern accent.

I asked him to develop all information he possibly could about [redacted] concerning his finances, employment, etc.

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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At 12:05 p.m., on 11/26/71, I called ASAC ROBERT KENT in Minneapolis. I told him about [REDACTED] being a suspect. He has received a facsimile photograph from Cleveland of [REDACTED]. He now has Agents showing picture and will notify me when completed.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SA REESE H. CHIPMAN

SUBJECT: UNSUB: Northwest Airlines Flight 305,  
Nov 24, 1971  
CAA-HIJACKING - EXTORTION

At 7:08AM this morning HENRY SCHUTZ (Ext 3581) Bureau called and advised Bureau has been having some problems with the Military at the Pentagon, over use of military aircraft (helicopters) being used in the terrain search.

He indicated that while there will probably not be serious problem with them, military is concerned somewhat over costs, co-ordination and use of their personnel and equipment etc.

Bureau would like you to call them as soon as possible concerning the following:

- 1 What are we doing on the terrain search?
- 2- How many copters will we be using? What Branch of Mil Service?
- 3- How long? Estimate of Hours.
- 4- Do we plan to have SAs aboard.
- 5- Plans for coordinating with the military.

SCHUTZ requested that you call him first. Do not this with military here first.

ADDENDUM: I also took a call from Las Vegas, who advised Bureau called out to them (DON PERRINE Special Investigative Section) suggesting one certain individual on whom Las Vegas and Se have main 88 files and an IO, a suspect.

I gave this to Mr. BIBLER.

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# Memorandum

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FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

At 8:15 AM on 11/26/71 I called SA HENRY SHUTZ at the Bureau.

I advised him we were directing our search generally in the vicinity of an area approximately 15 miles north of Woodland, Washington, this being the northernmost point of the flight where the Unsub was known to have been in the airplane. I told him that we were using Sheriff's officers from Cowlitz and Clark Counties, as well as our own agents.

The Army was sending 2 helicopters, we were getting 2 helicopters from the Weyerhaeuser Co. and then we were using 1 helicopter from the International Guard in Portland.

In response to his questions, set forth in SA CHIPMAN's memorandum of 11/26/71, I told him that we would be using the military helicopters approximately 7 hours and that we would not have agents aboard.

He said that the Pentagon had called and wanted to charge us \$250 an hour per unit, and the cost is too high, estimating it would run approximately \$2,000 a day. I told him I thought we could hire private ones cheaper than that.

While talking to SHUTZ, I talked to SA MANNING, who advised that Bonneville Power Administration had 5 helicopters at Bonneville and that possibly we could get them. I advised SA SHUTZ that we would take steps at once to do this,

He told me that the Bureau was sending the artist to Minneapolis where the entire crew is located so that they could be interviewed to finalize the artist's conception. I advised him I thought we had sent in the revision but in talking to ASAC BIBLER learned we hadn't but would do so immediately.

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SA SHUTZ wanted to know generally what area we were planning on searching. I told him we would search the area which is approximately 20 miles square, approximately miles north of Woodland, Washington. I advised him that we were doing this today and then we would continue the search on the air flight pattern approximately to Eugene, Oregon, which is approximately 100 miles, this being largely a valley, but beyond that there was some question in my mind as to the wisdom of the search since it was entirely over mountains, most of which is probably covered with snow now and at 10,000 feet, the parachute could drift in many directions. Further, with a white parachute it would be extremely difficult to locate in snow-covered mountains.

I advised him I would be sorry about that part when I finished what seemed to be more urgent.



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# Memorandum

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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ASAC RUEHL, Portland, called and advised that [redacted] had been arrested in [redacted] County, Oregon, [redacted] traffic violation, at which time he gave the address of [redacted] Portland, while driving a 1960 Dodge with Washington license [redacted]

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A check of DMV records reveals this license is issued to [redacted] Washington, who is the legal owner of the same.

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This information was furnished to ASAC RUEHL.

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FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING- EXTORTION

On 11/26/71 at 1:20 PM SA JAMES BLAND at the Bureau called, and advised that Mr. HOOVER had noted on one of the UPI dispatches that the Seattle and Portland should be advised that we should make no additional comments to the press.

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PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

On 11/26/71 SAC CAMPBELL from Las Vegas, advised that when they entered the airplane there was an open parachute in the plane, draped over one of the seats in the vicinity where the hijacker was located, which parachute was white.

Examination of this parachute reveals there was no drøuge chute on it.

The stewardess on the plane when interviewed said that the hijacker was upset when the money was not delivered in a knapsack. As a result she saw him wrap this money in some white material.

SAC CAMPBELL speculates that the money was wrapped in the drøuge chute. He advised that the second parachute in the plane is a backpack, which has never been opened. It is pink and it is being taken to the National Guard in Reno at once to see if it is in workable condition.

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FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

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PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

[redacted] of a German newspaper, called and wanted to know if the pilot had been requested to go up to an altitude with the plane unpressurized, which would be sufficiently high where it would be injurious to the hijacker. I told him I had no knowledge to that effect.

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He also wanted to know if it had been considered to give the UNSUB a defective parachute so he would die if he tried to use it. I told him I had no comment to make about this.

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CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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Re Little Rock teletype to the Bureau, Cincinnati, Las Vegas, etc., 11/26/71 re captioned suspect.

from Cleveland

On 11/26/71 SAC CUSICK called, referred to this teletype, advised that [redacted] [redacted] Portland, Oregon.

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A facsimile photograph of [redacted] is being forwarded via facsimile to Seattle and Minneapolis at once.

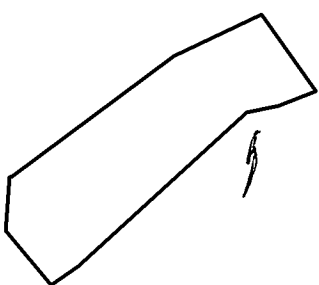
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The actual photograph of [redacted] is being placed on Northwest Flight 27 out of Cleveland at 4:10 PM today and will arrive in Seattle at 8:09 P.

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The pilot of this plane should be met and the photograph obtained.

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FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HØJACKING; EXTORTION

SA [redacted] Columbus, called re suspect  
[redacted] and advised that he had a photograph  
obtained from [redacted] in Columbus, and  
would forward it to the office by facsimile at once.

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He is reviewing a very extensive file and will  
send a teletype containing the resume of the contents.

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1:35 P.M. URGENT 11/26/71 AZW

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) PAGES 2

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UNSUB; HIGHJACKING OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE; NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR SEVENTY ONE; OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TEL TO PORTLAND, NOVEMBER TWENTY SIX SEVENTY ONE.

[REDACTED] NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, ADVISED THAT AT APPROXIMATELY TWO P.M., NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR SEVENTY ONE, WHITE MALE CAME UP TO HIM IN REGULAR ROTATION IN A LONG LINE OF CUSTOMERS AND SAID SOMETHING TO THE EFFECT, "CAN I GET ON YOUR FLIGHT TO SEATTLE?" NO NERVOUSNESS OR FIDGETING NOTED. [REDACTED] ASKED IF HE WANTED ONE WAY COACH AND HE SAID "YES." PAID WITH TWENTY DOLLAR BILL, PROBABLY WITH RIGHT HAND FOR TWENTY DOLLAR FARE. SOURCE OF MONEY FROM POCKETS NOT NOTED. WHEN ASKED NAME, PERSON SAID "COOPER, DAN COOPER." WHEN ASKED IF HE HAD BAGGAGE, HE SAID "NO." UNNOTICED WHETHER OR NOT HE WAS CARRYING ANYTHING. AFTER RECEIVING INSTRUCTIONS TO FLIGHT AREA, PERSON DEPARTED FROM TICKET COUNTER AREA DIRECTION UNNOTICED. NEVER SEEN BEFORE NOR SINCE.

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DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE AMERICAN, MID THIRTIES, POSSIBLY  
OLDER, FIVE FEET TEN OR ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY POUNDS,  
MEDIUM BUILD. SOFT VOICE, SLIGHTLY DARKER POSSIBLY OLIVE COMPLEXION,  
DARK HAIR, NO GRAY NOTED, DARK CLOTHING, BUT ONLY RECALLED WHAT  
HE BELIEVED TO BE A CASUAL JACKET, HEADWEAR UNNOTICED, NOT NOTED  
WEARING GLASSES, OVERALL IMPRESSION OF LABORING TYPE MAN AS  
OPPOSED TO OFFICE WORKER.

UNSURE IF HE WOULD RECOGNIZE AGAIN AS THIS MAN WAS ONE  
OF MANY HE HANDLED THAT DAY.

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11/26/71

Date \_\_\_\_\_

[redacted] home address [redacted]  
 [redacted] home phone No. [redacted] advised that she is employed as a Stewardess by Northwest Orient Airlines (NWA) and was serving in that capacity on NWA Flight 305 on November 24, 1971. [redacted] furnished the following information:

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[redacted] said that she was standing at the rear entrance to the plane, checking passengers onto NWA Flight 305 in Portland, Oregon. She said that the man, who she later learned was the hijacker, was next to the last person to board the plane. She said that the man did not appear suspicious and did not attract her attention.

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[redacted] said that after everyone had boarded the plane, she began serving refreshments, while the plane was still parked at the terminal area. She said that the hijacker was the first person she served. She said that he was sitting in Row 18, the last row of seats in the plane. She said that the hijacker sat on the righthand side of the plane in the middle seat of three seats on the righthand side.

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[redacted] said that she asked the man if he cared for anything to drink. She said the man replied that he would like Bourbon and 7-up; She fixed the drink for the man and was given a \$20 bill. She said that she asked the man if he had anything smaller, and he replied, "No, I'm sorry."

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[redacted] said that he was very polite, and she told him that she could not give him change, until she served the rest of the people in the section. He replied that it would be alright. She said that after serving the entire tourist section, she returned to the man and gave him change for his \$20 bill. She said that the man thanked her.

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[redacted] said that she then gave the routine oxygen mask usage and escape route demonstration. She said that the take-off announcement was then given, and she checked the passengers in the tourist section to be sure

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that their seatbelts were fastened. She then sat in the Stewardess seat located in the rear of the plane behind the hijacker's seat.

[redacted] said that after she had been seated for about 30-seconds, and as the plane started taxiing toward the runway. The hijacker turned around and handed her an envelope. She said that at first she thought he was making a pass at her and did not open it immediately. She said the man turned around and looked at her several times, and she felt that he was indicating that he wanted her to open the envelope immediately.

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[redacted] said that she opened the envelope while the plane was still taxiing toward the runway. She said that the note inside the envelope was written in black felt-tip type pen and read as follows:

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"MISS -

I have a bomb here and I would like you  
to sit by me."

[redacted] said that "MISS" was printed, but the remainder of the note was written in neat legible handwriting. She said that the envelope was a plain, white letter-type envelope with no writing on the outside. She said the note was written on plain white unlined paper.

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[redacted] said that she read the note twice, and then looked up at the man. She said he was looking directly at her, and she asked if he was kidding. She said that the man replied, "No, Miss, this is for real," in a serious but calm voice.

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[redacted] said that another Stewardess, [redacted] came to the rear of the plane at this time. [redacted] said that she stood up and handed the note to [redacted] as she moved up and sat in the aisle seat beside the hijacker. She said that [redacted] read the note and went to the phone in the rear of the plane.

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[redacted] said that after sitting beside the man,

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she looked at him and asked again if he was kidding. The man replied, "No Miss."

[redacted] said that the man then took a briefcase which was sitting in the window seat and placed it on his lap. She said that he opened the briefcase and showed her a bundle of red sticks, which she believed was dynamite. She said that the bundle consisted of six or eight reddish colored sticks, which were about six or eight inches long. She said that there was no writing on the outside of the red sticks, and she believed they were bundled as though they were taped together.

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She said that there was a small wire leading from the bundle of sticks, which the man held in his hand, as if to indicate he could detonate the bomb by touching the bare end of the wire to a contact. She said that there was also a battery in the briefcase, which was cylindrical in shape and about eight-inches long. She said that she could not describe the battery, as she paid more attention to the dynamite sticks.

[redacted] said that after she sat down, she asked the man what she should do. He replied, "Take this down." She said she reached into her purse and got a pen and note pad. She said that man dictated the following request to her:

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"I want \$200,000 by 5:00 PM in cash. Put it in a knapsack. I want two back parachutes and two front parachutes. When we land, I want a fuel truck ready to refuel. No funny stuff, or I'll do the job."

[redacted] said that she stopped writing and looked at the man, and he calmly said, "No fuss." She said that she also wrote this down on the note, although she did not know if he had intended it to be part of the note. She replied, "Okay."

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She said that the hijacker replied, "After this, we'll take a little trip."

[redacted] said that as the plane was taking off, she told the man that she would have to go to the cockpit, or she could not relay this information. He said, "Alright, go ahead." She asked as she got up, "Sir, is this all you want?" He replied, "Yes."

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She said that when she got up, she went to the rear of the plane, where [redacted] was talking on the phone and took the note which the hijacker had initially given to her and went forward to the cockpit.

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She said that she gave the Captain the information, and was told by the Captain to stay in the cockpit. She said that she remained in the cockpit until shortly before the plane landed. She said that the pilot instructed her to go to the tourist section and make sure that no one walked back into the area where the hijacker was sitting.

She said that after the plane landed, [redacted] who was then sitting in the aisle seat next to the hijacker, stood up and walked to the forward exit of the plane. She said that all the passengers remained seated, and [redacted] returned to the plane carrying a large bag, which [redacted] assumed was the \$200,000. She said that [redacted] went to the rear of the plane and gave the money to the hijacker.

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[redacted] said that the passengers began to de-board, and she remained standing at the entrance to the tourist section.

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[redacted] said that after all the passengers had deboarded the plane, she, [redacted] the other Stewardess on the flight, began talking to the man. He instructed [redacted] to go out again and pick up the parachutes. She said that while [redacted] made several trips to bring in all four parachutes, she conversed with the hijacker.

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She said that the hijacker talked about how heavy the money was and asked her to lift it. She said that she picked up the bag of money and remarked as to how heavy it was.

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She said that at this point, she felt as though the hijacker was acting very childish. She said that she felt as though she was humoring him. She said that the man offered her and the other stewardesses on the flight, money which was change from the \$20 bill he had given her for the drink. She told him that they did not accept tips. She said that he did not appear to resent this and said no more about it.

[redacted] said that the man spoke of going to Mexico City, Phoenix or San Francisco. She said that he did not appear to know exactly where he was destined for. She said that she asked the man if they were going to go with him, but he did not reply. She said that she asked if the stewardesses could leave the plane, and the man replied, "Sure go ahead," in a calm, uninterested manner.

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[redacted] said that by this time the man had begun putting on one of the back parachutes, and at some-time during their conversation had put on a pair of sun-glasses.

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[redacted] said that she and [redacted] turned and walked toward the forward exit of the plane. She said that [redacted] went to the rear of the plane and picked up the telephone. She said that as she was walking out of the plane, she recalled that she had left her purse on the stewardess seat on the rear of the plane. She said that she returned to the plane, and when she approached the hijacker, said, "Sir, I forgot my purse." She said that he smiled and told her she could go ahead and get it. She said that after getting her purse, she left the plane while [redacted] was still talking on the phone.

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[redacted] described the hijacker as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	Mid-40's
Height	6'0"
Weight	170 - 175 lbs.
Build	Average
Eyes	Brown

Hair	Black, medium length, straight, parted on left side
Complexion	Olive-type
Clothing	Black business suit, white shirt, thin black tie, black overcoat, black shoes. Subject was carrying a black businessman's type briefcase, described as ordinary. Had a pair of dark-framed sunglasses with dark brown lenses.

[redacted] said that the man appeared to be Latin descent. She said that there were no distinguished characteristics, such as scars, marks or tattoos. She said that the man had no mustache or beard and spoke in a normal calm voice. She said that she did not recall the man wearing any rings.

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[redacted] said that after she delivered the demand note the hijacker had written, and the note she had written at his direction to the cabin, the Captain instructed her to remain seated in the cockpit of the plane. [redacted] said that she began taking notes concerning the events that transpired during the remainder of the flight.

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[redacted] said that after she delivered the demand notes to the Captain, and had been seated in the cockpit for a few minutes, Stewardess [redacted] advised by telephone that the hijacker wanted both the note he had written and the note [redacted] had written at his direction returned to him. [redacted] said she took both notes back to him.

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[redacted] furnished 13 pages of notes which she took during the course of the flight.

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[redacted] home address [redacted]  
 [redacted] Washington, home phone [redacted]  
 furnished the following information:

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[redacted] stated that he boarded Northwest Flight #305 at Portland, Oregon. He said that he sat on the left-hand side of the plane in the row of seats second from the rear of the plane. He said that the man who he believes was the hijacker of the plane was sitting on the right-hand side of the plane in the last row of seats.

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[redacted] said that he first was aware of some problem about ten minutes after takeoff. He said at that time a dark-haired stewardess came from the front of the plane and handed a note to a blonde-haired stewardess who was sitting in the seat next to the hijacker. He said that the dark-haired stewardess then returned to the front of the plane and the blonde stewardess got up and went to the phone at the rear of the plane.

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[redacted] said that while in flight the pilot made several announcements that they were experiencing mechanical difficulty. He said that he was suspicious when the plane circled over Seattle for about two hours. He said that during this time the blonde-haired stewardess who was seated next to the hijacker, made numerous phone calls from the rear of the plane. He said that during the period when the plane was circling Seattle he left his seat and moved to a seat several rows forward.

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[redacted] said that when the plane made its landing approach, the pilot announced that they were about to land and due to mechanical problems it was "emphatic" that the passengers remain in their seats with seat belts fastened until the pilot advised otherwise.

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[redacted] said that after the plane landed the blonde stewardess, who had been sitting next to the hijacker, got up and went forward and out of the forward exit of the plane. He said she returned through the same door after several minutes carrying a package which was made of off-white canvas. He said

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that the package was about two feet by one foot by one and one-half feet in dimensions. He said that the stewardess took the package back to the hijacker and then the passengers were instructed to deboard.

[redacted] said that sometime during the flight the hijacker put on a pair of dark sunglasses.

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[redacted] described the hijacker as follows:

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Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	50 years old
Height:	5'10"
Build:	Medium-heavy
Hair:	Dark brown or black hair parted on left side
Facial Characteristics:	Square jawline
Dress:	Dark suit and tie, wearing no hat; wore dark sunglasses.

[redacted] said that he could recognize the hijacker again.

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Date: 11/26/71

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Via TELETYPE URGENT (Priority)

TO : SAC, SACRAMENTO

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,

NOVEMBER 24, 1971, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

THIS DATE,

SEATTLE RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL/FROM [redacted]

[redacted] CALIF., TELEPHONE

[redacted] SHE ADVISED A MAN

NAMED [redacted] MIGHT BE A SUSPECT BECAUSE

[redacted] OREGON. [redacted] WHO IS

[redacted] SAID THAT [redacted] SUP-

POSED TO HAVE BEEN [redacted] AT THE TIME OF THE HIJACKING.

SHE STATED THAT THE DESCRIPTION OF THE UNSUB FITS [redacted]

SACRAMENTO PROMPTLY INTERVIEW [redacted] TO

OBTAIN ALL DETAILS AND DETERMINE IF [redacted] IS SUSPECT.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM :

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305  
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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
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TO: SAC, LITTLE ROCK  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE LITTLE ROCK TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX, SEVENTYONE.

THE FOLLOWING IS A COMPOSITE DESCRIPTION OF THE UNSUB:

WHITE, MALE, AMERICAN, AGE MIDFORTIES; FIVE FEET TEN INCHES TO SIX FEET; ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY POUNDS TO ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY POUNDS; BUILD AVERAGE TO WELL, OLIVE COMPLEXION, LATIN APPEARANCE MEDIUM SMOOTH; HAIR, DARK BROWN TO BLACK NORMAL STYLE, PARTED ON LEFT, COMBED BACK, SIDEBURNS LOW EAR LEVEL; EYES, BROWN TO UNKNOWN, WORE DARK GLASSES WITH DARK RIM WRAPAROUND MUCH OR MOST OF THE TIME; VOICE, LOW SPOKE INTELLIGENTLY, NO PARTICULAR ACCENT, POSSIBLY FROM MID-WEST SECTION OF UNITED STATES; CHARACTERISTICS HEAVY SMOKER OF RALEIGH FILTER TIP CIGARETTES; WEARING APPAREL BLACK OR BROWN

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BLACK RAIN TYPE OVERCOAT OR DARK TOPCOAT, DARK BRIEFCASE OR  
ATTACHE CASE, CARRIED PAPER BAG FOUR INCHES BY TWELVE INCHES  
BY FOURTEEN INCHES, BLACK OR BROWN SHOES. (P)

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Special Agent in Charge

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TO LITTLE ROCK

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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RALEIGH FILTER TIP CIGARETTES; WEARING APPAREL BLACK OR BROWN  
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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest flight 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

Re Seattle teletype, 11/25/71.

Enclosed herewith is one box of Recordak Microfilm (developed) for use in a Recordak Reliant 600K microfilm viewer.

On November 25, 1971, [redacted] Seattle-First National Bank, 4th and Madison, Seattle, Washington, provided SA [redacted] with a microfilm canister containing photographs of the serial numbers of \$250,000 worth of notes, in various denominations. [redacted] advised that the Bureau should only be concerned with the serial numbers of the \$20 bills. The extortion package which was given to the hijacker contained only bills of \$20 denomination. [redacted] said the microfilm contained the serial numbers of \$230,000 of \$20 bills. He provided a list of serial numbers of the \$20 bills which were on the microfilm, itself, but were not included in the extortion money package which the Unsub received. These \$20 bills are packed in packets of 100 bills; and [redacted] provided the first and last serial numbers in each of these packets of 100 bills. He advised that these serial numbers

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as well as the 98 serial numbers contained between each of these first and last serial numbers should be subtracted from the rest of the \$20 serial numbers to obtain the serial numbers of the \$200,000 worth of \$20 bills which the Unsub actually received. These serial numbers are as follows:

E 50344994A through E 50344506A  
B 07656937B through L 05419634A  
E 22084591A through L 66634223B  
L 52807604A through L 01043096  
L 19538120A through L 72860402B  
G 98535159A through L 14348843A  
L 34429987A through L 19556442A  
L33474929A through L 09819218A  
L 38139808A through L 00934693  
L 34346374A through L 33449321A  
L 41197159A through E 12561828B  
L 33639577A through L 20458572A  
J 02051511 through I 00466866  
L 33410247A through L 32378753A  
C 05722105A through G 16813690A



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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

On instant date, [redacted]  
[redacted] Washington, advised the writer that he had [redacted]  
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[redacted] stated that he [redacted]  
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is there. [redacted] in that location.

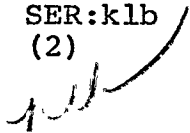
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[redacted] stated that [redacted]  
he feels that the UNSUB in this matter was a qualified  
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Via TELETYPE URGENT

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)(P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
 NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE  
 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
 OO: SEATTLE

WITNESS  WASHINGTON STATES

ARTIST'S COMPOSIT SKETCH OF SUBJECT BEARS GOOD RESEMBLANCE. SUGGESTS FOLLOWING CHANGES. REFER TO FACIAL IDENTIFICATION CATALOG.

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MOUTH AS IN KE ONE DASH SIXTEEN, PAGE SIXTY ONE.

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Special Agent in Charge

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2:27 PM URGENT 11-26-71 LJO  
TO: SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION,  
OO SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES,  
PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ADVISED COULD NOT RECOGNIZE NAME  
DAN COOPER AS IDENTIFIABLE WITH ANY PERSON BOARDING AIRCRAFT AT  
PORTLAND. [REDACTED] STATED HE RECALLS LONE WHITE MALE, AGE FIFTY,

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HEIGHT SIX FT. ONE IN. PLUS, ONE SEVENTYFIVE LBS., SLENDER BUILD,  
BLACK WAVY HAIR, SMARTLY DRESSED IN BLACK RAINCOAT, CARRYING  
BLACK ATTACHE CASE. THIS INDIVIDUAL DID NOT MIX WITH OTHER  
PASSENGERS AND SEEMED UNCONCERNED ABOUT BAD WEATHER. FD THREE

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HIS HEIGHT SHOULD BE SIX FT

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3:05P.M. URGENT 11-26-71 BSA

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: BUTTE (164-26) (P)

UNSUB HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINE FLT NO. 305,  
NOVEMBER 24, 1971 CAA-PIRACY 00: SEATTLE

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] OREGON, NAMED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OREGON, AS POSSIBLE SUSPECT. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DURING PUBLICIZED HIJACKING [REDACTED]

REMARKED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MAY BE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NO KNOWN

CRIMINAL RECORD. ADDRESS [REDACTED] UNKNOWN; RESIDED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WMA, AGE THIRTY THREE TO THIRTY FIVE,

FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, MEDIUM BUILD, [REDACTED] RECEDING HAIR,

WORE GLASSES, [REDACTED] MAY HAVE [REDACTED]

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that PD handling*

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cc [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] OREGON, AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MAY KNOW [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS

IF NOT LOCATED [REDACTED]

PORTLAND AT [REDACTED] CONSIDER ESTABLISHING [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS

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ON DATE OF HIJACKING.

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FILE (164-81) (P)

November 26, 1971

SAC J. E. MILNES

UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

At 8:20 PM on November 24, 1971, I talked to SA DON HANNING at the Bureau. I told him there was a substantial number of the members of the press in the immediate vicinity of the airport and they were extremely anxious to have a statement from the Bureau. I advised him that I proposed that I go to them and outline the essential facts of the case so far as sequence of events are concerned and the present status. In this, after checking with Northwest Airlines officials I would advise them that \$200,000 had been paid to the kidnapper by Northwest Airlines, that four parachutes had been furnished to him, and that the plane was then aloft enroute to either Reno, Nevada, Sacramento, California or Medford, Oregon.

He advised this would be satisfactory.

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On November 24, 1971, Special Agent [redacted] Federal Bureau of Investigation, Seattle, Washington, obtained from [redacted]

[redacted] Northwest Airlines, Seattle - Tacoma International Airport, Seattle, the passenger lists of persons who boarded Northwest Flight 305 at Great Falls, Montana; Missoula, Montana; Spokane, Washington, and Portland, Oregon on November 24, 1971. These lists are being submitted as an exhibit concerning the hijacking of this flight on November 24, 1971.

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[redacted] also made available the timetable for this flight as follows:

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Leave Washington, D.C., 8:30 a.m., EST (point of origin)

Arrive Minneapolis - St. Paul, 9:50 a.m. CST

Leave Minneapolis - St. Paul, 10:35 a.m. CST

Arrive Great Falls, 11:49 a.m., MST

Leave Great Falls, 12:10 p.m., MST

Arrive Missoula, 12:50 p.m., MST

Leave Missoula, 1:10 p.m., MST

Arrive Spokane 12:49 p.m., PST (time change)

Leave Spokane, 1:15 p.m., PST

Arrive Portland, 2:09 p.m., PST

Leave Portland, 2:45 p.m., PST

Arrive Seattle, 3:21 p.m., PST

Interviewed on 11/24/71 at Seattle, Washington File # Seattle 164-81-65

by SA [redacted] jlb Date dictated 11/26/71

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TO : FILE (164-81)

FROM : SAC J. E. MILNES

DATE: November 26, 1971

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305  
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00: Seattle

At 10:30 AM I advised SA MANNING that one helicopter from the BPA, two from the Air National Guard in Portland were on their way to Woodland now; that those three, together with the one supplied by Weyerhaeuser seemed to me to be enough and in view of this he should advise Army pilots that they were being relieved. I furnished this information to SA [redacted] at the Bureau and told him that since we would very likely have to pay for them anyway pending the decision as to whether we would continue their use, we utilize them but were in the process of relieving them at once. I furnished him the details of the replacement helicopters.

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[redacted] from Fort Lewis called and I advised him that since we had found other helicopters we were relieving his men and thanked them very much.

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
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11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

00: Seattle

RE: Suspect [redacted]

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On November 26, 1971, SA [redacted] at the Bureau advised me that the suspect had [redacted] Oregon in [redacted] and that the Police Department and Sheriff's Office in Portland had photographs of him. He advised the Bureau had not communicated with Portland concerning this matter. I told him I would.

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I made a call to ASAC VINCENT E. RUEHL in Portland and suggested that he have [redacted] photograph displayed to leading agent at Northwest immediately. In addition, obtain photograph of him from the available sources and run a background check on [redacted] in Portland but that I would not contact [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;

Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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On 11/26/71, [redacted]

[redacted] called and advised that [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] Washington. He was

[redacted] and currently lives [redacted]

[redacted] He is [redacted]

[redacted]

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advised that [redacted]

[redacted]

during which time he [redacted] He describes [redacted] as being about 5'9", 165 to 175 pounds, square face, [redacted] dark brown eyes but he is very light complected and in no way could be thought to be a Mexican or a Latin. He requested that the photograph being made available be returned to him when we are no longer needing it and that under no circumstances should he be identified as the source of this information. I told him we would display [redacted] picture to the witnesses first before conducting any other investigation.

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SAC J. E. MILNES

UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

AKA [redacted]

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On 11/26/71, [redacted]

[redacted] called and advised that [redacted]

[redacted] Washington. He was

[redacted] currently lives [redacted]

[redacted] He is [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that [redacted]

during which time he [redacted]

He describes

[redacted] as being about 5'9", 165 to 175 pounds, square face,

[redacted] dark brown eyes but he is very light

complexioned and in no way could be thought to be a Mexican or a Latin. He requested that the photograph being made available be returned to him when we are no longer needing it and that under no circumstances should he be identified as the source of this information. I told him we would display [redacted] picture to the witnesses first before conducting any other investigation.

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
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CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

00: Seattle

RE: Suspect [redacted]

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I received a call from Cleveland who advised that a photograph of [redacted] was being placed [redacted] Northwest Flight 723 scheduled to arrive in Portland at 5:26 PM today. That flight, under number 27, would depart to Seattle from Portland, arriving in Seattle at 8:09 PM. The photograph would be with [redacted] I told him I would tell Portland.

*11/26/71*  
*ASA*  
*Pres advised*  
*12:10 P.*  
*Jan*

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*Seattle file*  
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353PM IMMEDIATE 11/26/71 CNK

*Suspect*

TO DIRECTOR

SEATTLE

PORTLAND

LAS VEGAS

FROM SALT LAKE CITY (164-24)

UNSUB; 8'-: (HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES SEVEN TWENTY SEVEN JET, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST..

THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTION IS BEING MADE AS TO POSSIBLE IDENTITY OF UNSUB IN CAPTIONED MATTER.

[redacted] AKA, IS SUBJECT BUFILE [redacted]

[redacted] PORTLAND FILE [redacted]

[redacted] LAS VEGAS FILE [redacted]

SEATTLE FILE [redacted] IDENTIFICATION

ORDER NUMBER [redacted] DATED [redacted]

[redacted] PLACED ON TOP TEN WANTED FUGITIVE LIST [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] IS BEING SUGGESTED AS SUBJECT IN THIS MATTER IN VIEW

OF HIS [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] AS WELL AS POSSIBILITY SINCE HE WAS

END PAGE ONE cc - [redacted]

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IT IS NOTED [REDACTED] PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION IS NOT DIS-  
SIMILAR TO UNSUB.

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ABOVE IS FURNISHED FOR POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE IN THIS MATTER.

SALT LAKE CITY DIVISION WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW

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[REDACTED] SALT LAKE CITY, IN EFFORT TO  
DETERMINE [REDACTED] LOCATION NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST.

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NR 004 PD PLAIN

5:25 PM NITEL 11/26/71 TLA

TO: SACRAMENTO

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)(P) 2P

SUB

SUSP

Robert KEELEY

UNSUB; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE;  
NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR SEVENTY ONE; CAA - HIGHJACKING; EXTORTION;  
OO: SEATTLE.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTY SIX SEVENTY ONE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED

PORTLAND OFFICE ROBERT KEELEY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CONSIDERS

KEELEY POSSIBLE SUSPECT SINCE KEELEY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FURTHER, KEELEY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FITS DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB. KEELEY DESCRIBED AS

WHITE MALE AMERICAN, ABOUT FIFTY YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FEET TEN AND  
ONE HALF INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE POUNDS, SLENDER BUILD,  
DARK COMPLEXION, BLACK HAIR, NEATLY TRIMMED, REGULAR SIDEBURNS,  
DEEP VOICE, SOFT SPOKEN. KEELEY COULD APPEAR TO BE OF SPANISH,  
MEXICAN, OR ITALIAN DESCENT AND HAS WORN BLACK SUIT AND BLACK

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TOPCOAT THAT LOOKS LIKE A RAINCOAT. KEELEY HAS BEEN IN SACRAMENTO

[REDACTED] HE

[REDACTED] KNOWS WASHINGTON

AND OREGON TERRITORY. KEELEY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE DEPARTED SACRAMENTO IN MOTOR VEHICLE, TYPE AND  
DESCRIPTION UNKNOWN TO [REDACTED] HE HAS NO CHILDREN AND IDENTITIES  
OF RELATIVES NOT KNOWN TO [REDACTED] KEELEY HAS ADDRESS OF TWO  
SIX THREE THREE EL SEGUNDO RANCHO CORDOVA. CALIFORNIA. HE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] DESIRES HIS IDENTITY AS SOURCE BE

CONCEALED.

SACRAMENTO THROUGH DLR SECURE COPIES OF KEELEY'S DRIVER'S  
LICENSE PHOTOGRAPH AND EXPEDITIOUSLY FORWARD COPIES TO SEATTLE  
AND PORTLAND FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES. IN THE EVENT LICENSE CANNOT  
BE LOCATED THROUGH NAME AND ADDRESS, SUGGEST CHECK OF FEDERAL  
COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION RECORDS AT LOS ANGELES FOR BIRTH DATA.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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R4:50PM URGENT 11-26-71 LCH  
TO SEATTLE  
PORTLAND  
FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) (2P)

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UNSUB; HIJACKING OF A NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN FLIGHT  
FROM SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE,  
CAA 00: SE.

ON INSTANT DATE SOURCE OF THE SACRAMENTO OFFICE ADVISED THAT  
THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL HAD BEEN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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NAME ROBERT H. KEELY, TWO SIX THREE THREE EL SEGUNDO,  
RANCHO CORDOVA, CALIFORNIA, WM, FIFTY YEARS, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES,  
ONE HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE POUNDS, DARK OLIVE COMPLEXION, WEARS GLASSES,  
BLACK HAIR, [REDACTED] KEELY REPORTED, TO WEAR DARK SUITS, NARROW  
TIES WITH WHITE SHIRTS, RECENTLY PURCHASED BLACK RAINCOAT. WAS

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[REDACTED]  
ADDITIONALLY, KEELY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
HE WAS [REDACTED] BUT REPORTEDLY HAD [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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DMV CHECK REFLECTS KEELY HAS CALIFORNIA DRIVER'S LICENSE  
P EIGHT ZERO ONE NINE THREE FOUR WITH DOB JANUARY FOUR, SEVENTEEN,  
FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE POUNDS, GREEN EYES,  
BROWN HAIR, FULL NAME ROBERT HAMPTON KEELY.

SACRAMENTO IS OBTAINING PHOTOGRAPHS OF KEELY WHICH WILL BE  
FORWARDED TO SEATTLE AND PORTLAND BY SEPARATE COVER.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO DIRECTOR  
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LAS VEGAS  
MEMPHIS  
PORTLAND  
SEATTLE

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FROM LITTLE ROCK (164-22) 5P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-  
FOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. SEATTLE ORIGIN.  
RE MYTEL OF NOVEMBER TWENTY-SIX, SEVENTYONE.

ON INSTANT DATE, PAROLE RECORD FOR [REDACTED]

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REVIEWED WITH THE FOLLOWING BACKGROUND INFORMATION OBTAINED:

NAME: [REDACTED] SEX: MALE, RACE: CAUCASIAN,  
DOB: [REDACTED] POB: [REDACTED] FBI  
NUMBER [REDACTED] FINGERPRINT

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CLASSIFICATION: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SSAN: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HEIGHT: SIX FEET, WEIGHT: ONE

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SEVEN ZERO. RELATIVES:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DATE OF FINAL RELEASE FROM PAROLE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OCCUPATIONS LISTED: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MILITARY SERVICE

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RECORD: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] EDUCATION: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

ARREST RECORD ATTACHED TO PAROLE REPORT INDICATED NUMEROUS  
ARRESTS DATING FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DATE OF LISTED ARRESTS BY PD,

[REDACTED] DATE OF LISTED

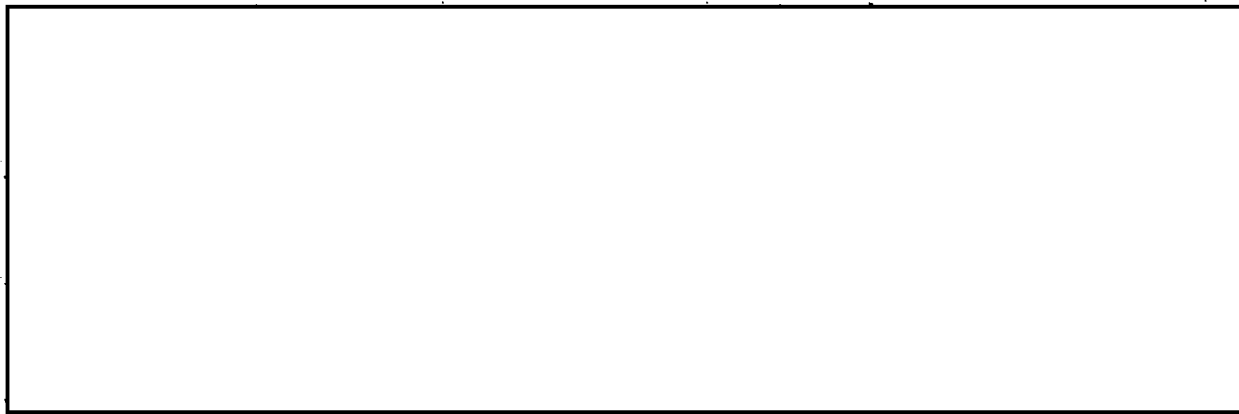
ARRESTS BY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS SENTENCED TO

[REDACTED]

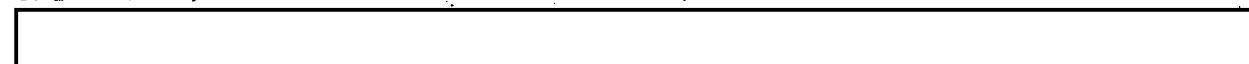
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RECORDS, [REDACTED] POST OFFICE, CHECKED  
THIS DATE, REVEAL A FORWARDING ADDRESS FOR [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] PORTLAND, OREGON.

CINCINNATI DIVISION AT COLUMBUS, OHIO. WILL FROM ABOVE  
INFORMATION REVIEW PRISON RECORDS OF [REDACTED] OBTAIN RECENT  
PHOTOGRAPH OF SUSPECT, AND SUBMIT RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION TO  
OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

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PORTLAND DIVISION AT PORTLAND, OREGON. WILL CONTACT  
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND PD OFFICIALS, PORTLAND, OREGON, TO  
REVIEW [REDACTED] ARREST RECORD FOR BACKGROUND INFORMATION,  
OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH, AND SUBMIT RESULTS TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

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WILL ALSO CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] PORTLAND, CONCERNING SUSPECT:

LITTLE ROCK DIVISION AT WEST MEMPHIS, ARKANSAS. WILL  
CONTINUE LOGICAL INVESTIGATION.

PENDING

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NR013 MP PLAIN  
733PM URGENT 11-26-71 AGL  
TO DIRECTOR, FBI 164-2111  
SEATTLE  
FROM MINNEAPOLIS 164-73 1P

DESCRIPTION

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

INSTANT DATE SEVEN PHOTOGRAPHS AND SEVEN FACSIMILES OF MALES SHOWING SIDE AND FRONT VIEWS WERE SHOWN TO THE THREE STEWARDESSES, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO WERE ON CAPTIONED FLIGHT. INCLUDED IN THE PHOTOGRAPHS AND FACSIMILES DISPLAYED WAS A PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED] FBI NUMBER [REDACTED] AND

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A FACSIMILE OF [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] SSAN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PD NUMBER [REDACTED] ALL STEWARDESSES ADVISED THAT NONE OF THE DISPLAYED PHOTOGRAPHS OR FACSIMILES RESEMBLE THE HIJACKER.

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Date: 11/26/71

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT  
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via FACSIMILE URGENT  
(Priority)

TO: SAC PORTLAND  
SEATTLE  
FROM: SAC MINNEAPOLIS (164-NEW)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE, CAA DASH  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE RECORDED NOTES TAKEN DURING  
COMMUNICATIONS WITH HIJACKED FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR - TWENTYFIVE,  
NINETEEN SEVENTYONE. THESE ARE THE NOTES OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES, INC., MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

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The attached information was taken primarily from manually recorded notes during communications connected with the hijacking of Northwest Airlines Flight 305, November 24/75, 1971.

The primary method of communication with the flight was direct between MSPYO (Flight Operations) and SEADD (Flight Dispatcher), the flight, SEA and SFO ARINC, and Tower.

Due to the inability to copy everything exactly--and as rapidly--as it occurred, there may be some errors in the following. It is not believed that they are likely to be large or significant.

The following also includes additional information that developed during the incident that appeared relevant.

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*[Handwritten signature]*  
DB Cooper-1723

3304 Airplane landed SEA after crew and HJ advised that money and  
phones were available and in position.

Crew requested car park at 10 to 11 o'clock position to air-  
plane so they could see it properly.

Notes indicate HJ indicated at one time that airplane was open  
to "any number of vehicles as long as no 'funny stuff' pulled."

Direct communications between crew and MSPFO maintained at  
all times. Coordination between Tower, vehicles, and air-  
plane on ground at SEA were on Ground Control frequency 121.7.

First fuel truck apparently ran out of fuel. Crew requested  
second truck, with third one to be standing by. Considerable  
delay in getting full load of fuel and HJ was getting "nervous",  
saying that you must "get the show on the road".

HJ specified that he wanted to go to Mexico City non-stop,  
that the aircraft configuration must be gear DOWN, flaps at  
15°, that the aft entry door must be open at all times, and  
that the aft stairs be extended after take-off. Later speci-  
fied that stairs must be fully extended before take-off.  
MSPFO advised crew (1) that non-stop SEA-MEX impossible with  
gear DOWN, flaps 15°, (2) that take-off with air-stairs full  
down impossible due to inability to rotate airplane. When  
HJ advised of this he asked that air-stairs be partially ex-  
tended prior to take-off. MSPFO advised this also impossible  
since stairs could not be held in any intermediate position.

HJ had previously stated that no landing within continental  
U.S. would be permitted "for fuel or anything else". When  
advised of range limitation in his specified configuration,  
he agreed to something short of the border. Asked about ZHX,  
advised by MSPFO that this might be within range but that  
RIO would be better as far as range was concerned. Agreed  
to this without much, if any, objection.

136 Airplane OFF at SEA.

140 14 DME S SEA VOR at 7000'. Gear DOWN, flaps extending to  
30°.

141\* Stewardess  allowed to go to cockpit.

142\* HJ advised (by inter-phone) that he was having difficulty get-  
ting steps down.

143 aft air-stair warning light ON (stairs apparently now partially  
extended.) Crew had been furnished briefing procedure for exten-  
ding stairs in flight. Airplane now 19 DME S SEA VOR on V23,  
with gear DOWN, flaps at 30°, and at APPROACH speed.

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The following information is from various sources, primarily the radio and phone-taped communications between the NSP Flight Operations Office "Logline" and the flight crew.

Time (CST)\*

1658 FLIGHT OFF PDX. High-jacker (HJ) apparently made his demands known shortly after this time.

Preliminary information received from NSP Planning Office (NSPPO):

HJ demanding \$200,000 (denomination not restricted), 2 chest-pack parachutes, 2 back-pack parachutes. All to be available and ready at airplane parking site before landing will be permitted at SEA.

HJ apparently has a bomb in briefcase. Passenger apparently boarded at PDX.

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Crew advised they would hold over Lofall intersection until all material available. No info yet on destination HJ desired after SEA T.O. HJ had said there was to be no "funny stuff" at any time or he would detonate the bomb. Specified that only the fuel truck, air-stair truck, and automobile with the money and 'chutes approach the airplane. That airplane be parked in an "isolated" position. Gave a deadline of 1900 CST for all demands to be met. HJ remained in tourist cabin with one stewardess sitting next to him and aware of what appeared to be a bomb (dynamite sticks, wire, battery). Passengers not advised that high-jacking in progress, but that reason for the holding was "minor mechanical problem".

Crew described passenger as white, 6' 1", black hair, 175#, approximately 50, black suit, black rain coat, black brief case. (All information between cockpit and HJ being relayed by "captive" stewardess [redacted] by cabin/cockpit interphone.)

HJ specified that no vehicles with beacons or flashing red lights or any other were to approach airplane. NSPPO agreed that captain was in full command and all his requests and wishes would be honored. Crew taking pains likewise to gain HJ's confidence by giving him full information and cooperation.

HJ also specified that, after SEA landing and parking:

- Fueling to start as soon as engines shut down.
- Stewardess [redacted] would leave airplane (and only her) and pick up money, then return for 'chutes. He must see knapsack with money before any other steps taken.
- Passengers will be allowed off after money and 'chutes are in his possession and fueling under way.

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WPA Chief Performance Engineer had been called to field to help calculate range, etc. Boeing Company had been contacted for assistance in range problem, flight characteristics with air-stairs extended, whether opening (stairs extend about 20° in flight, possibly more with man's weight on them) would be large enough for a man to exit. Boeing assured us there would be no controllability problem, that they would get experts working on range problem also, that they had dropped 2-300# boxes out air-stair opening in flight and that man could probably get out.

WPA Communications people also had arrived at field to assist in required phone-patching, other communications problems.

[redacted] four supervisory pilots, 1 performance engineer, many others on the scene (MSPFO) for assistance.

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Flight at 7000', 160KIAS, fuel flow (FF) 4500#/engine, flaps 30° gear DOWN. MSPFO advised they would have even more severely limited range in the flaps 30° position. Crew given preliminary information on optimum range TAS (170K), weather, airports available between SL and RIO, minimum obstruction clearance altitudes, etc.

MSPFO asked for stewardess best recollection of exact content of HJ briefcase. She got on radio and gave following basic information:

- Eight red sticks, about 5" x 1" in left corner of brief case, "look like big firecrackers." Two rows of sticks, four on top of four.
- Wire attached to dynamite with red insulation.
- Battery "like flashlight battery, but about 6" high and as big around as my arm".
- Red sticks are about the color "of my uniform".

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Crew called HJ and asked him if everything was O.K. and he replied that it was. This was apparently the last communication the crew had with the HJ.

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Crew reported oscillation of cabin rate of climb indicator. This probably due to HJ weight now on stairs, stairs extending further, resultant effect on cabin pressure. May be best estimate of when he exited airplane.

MSPFO advised crew that range to RIO now looked good (airplane now at 10,000', 170K, gear DOWN, flaps 15°, FF 4000#/hour/engine. TAT -7°C. MSPFO calculated TAS and range from this data.



Cabin lights ON in forward cabin, OFF in aft cabin. Curtain between first class and tourist section was closed; crew could not see whether HJ was still aboard.

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Lost communications on N/A communications frequency (131.9); 'phone-patch with SEA ARINC established. Flight now 23 DIZ S VOR at 10,000', 40,000' fuel aboard, 165KIAS, FF and configuration remained the same. Crew had previously been advised to switch to ARINC on 131.8 when N/A communications lost. MSPFO and MSPED communicated with flight and SEA ARINC thereafter on this 'phone-patch arrangement. SEADD had been monitoring all communications with flight and assisting in all other matters.

SEA [redacted] Western Region [redacted] [redacted] had also been very actively participating throughout the hijacking. He had taken money and 'chutes to airplane at SEA, coordinated with crew, fuel trucks, etc.

[redacted] later called UAL at RNO and briefed them on all of the HJ's demands, procedures to be followed at RNO, etc.

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Flight over EUC VOR, 10,000', 170KIAS, fuel aboard 33,500', FF and configuration remained the same. Advised that they had had no communications with the HJ for "about the last 55 minutes" despite several attempts on cockpit-to-cabin inter-phone and PA system. Crew was assured that fuel was more than adequate to get to RNO, that RNO weather was good, etc. SEADD had also been actively following, and participating in these events.

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Over MFR, 10,000', TAT -5°, 170KIAS, fuel aboard 27,500', FF and configuration the same. Some airframe icing being experienced. Engine anti-icing ON for appreciable length of time, wing AI on "intermittently". Crew seemed slightly concerned about this, but were assured that it was no problem.

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[redacted] at MSP; coordinator for all Air Marshals on N/A) [redacted]

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- 142 When flight was in RBL area, direct communications between MSPFO and the flight were interrupted. UAL 4331 and WAL 328 relayed messages to and from the flight for us.
- 147 Flight now at 11,000', DAT -1°, all other factors essentially the same.
- 105 SB DKS N RBL VOR, 11,000', fuel aboard 22,000#. Only evidence from cabin was aft entry door and air-stair warning lights still ON.
- 130 Flight switched to SFO AIRINC on 130.6. MSPFO put on 'phone-patch this frequency at same time.
- 117 Fuel aboard 17,300#.
- 139 Descent from 11,000 to 9,000' started.
- 149 Flight advised they were holding at HNO OM until they had everything "in order".
- 100 Flight 1 mile out on final approach. (At this time, we-- MSPFO--were on telephone conference call. Other parties apparently on the same line were HNO Tower, FAA SEA, FAA Washington, FBI Washington. Not known whether anyone else might have also been tuned in.)
- 101 Tower "talked us through" his touchdown, subsequent taxiing. Door did not appear to go to full down position until relatively low speed on roll-out. Flaps appeared to be "U". Parked at E (?) corner of terminal ramp.
- 116 Tower reported crew had exited airplane; with FBI at this time.
- Unknown after parking, crew had advised on SFO AIRINC that one of them had gone back in cabin and found no sign of HJ. They had apparently last tried to contact him via interphone/PA at about 0046CST with no response. At that time they were going to advise him that the air-stair would have to be retracted for landing or that damage during landing, roll-out would probably prevent subsequent take-off.
- Two "little" chutes gone, one "big" one cut up, apparently to tie the money with shroud lines to HJ. One "big" chute apparently still on the airplane.
- Guard requested around airplane, FBI apparently searching airplane.
- 128 Was advised (all on conference call) at this time that matter was now under the jurisdiction of FBI in Washington.



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you, and that [redacted]

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33 - N/AFO advised conference call participants that it would  
hang up if they were no longer needed on that line. Was  
placed on standby by either FBI or FBI Washington, etc.

35 - FAA/FBI advised N/AFO that no further conference call info  
was required of N/A at that time. Hang up. (Prior to our  
hanging up, [redacted] advised FBI Washington on same line  
that he also was "signing off".)

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Throughout the flight from the time it was known that the hijackers desired  
destination was MEX, preparations were made for a landing at YUM, and  
Mexico, as would have been necessary due to the limited range  
of the hijackers' specified configuration. Prior to the RNO landing N/AFO  
suggested that crew negotiate with hijackers to pull gear and flaps UP after  
take-off, that a non-stop flight to MEX would then be possible.  
This, of course, proved unnecessary.

Throughout the whole operation, excellent cooperation was received  
from all concerned (except hijackers), including The Boeing Company, SEA and  
DARRING, ATC, SEA and RNO Towers, local FBI and Air Marshal person-  
nel, and all the experts that furnished help.

There is no doubt but that the flight crew did a truly excellent job  
throughout.

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Times marked with an asterisk (\*) are approximate, but believed to be  
accurate within approximately  $\pm 3$  minutes. All other times are be-  
lieved to be accurate within  $\pm 1$  minute.

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12/10/71

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AIRMAIL

TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

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If Minneapolis has not already forwarded Xerox copies of the recorded notes of [redacted] it is requested that copies be forwarded as the facsimile copy is of poor quality.

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NR 005 SF PLAINTEXT

6:35PM URGENT 11/26/71 JAK

TO DIRECTOR  
SEATTLE

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 3P

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**PUB.**

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, FLIGHT  
THREE ZERO FIVE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR LAST, CAA - AIR PIRACY.

RE BUREAU TELCALLS, NOV. TWENTYSIX INSTANT.

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U.S. PARACHUTE

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ASSOCIATION, SIX FIVE ONE CANNERY ROW, MONTEREY, CALIF., CONTACTED  
THIS DATE, AND HE ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

THERE ARE SIXTEEN THOUSAND MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION AND  
THERE ARE NO PHOTOGRAPHS OF MEMBERS IN THE FILE. NAMES OF  
MEMBERS ARE KEPT ALPHABETICALLY AND THERE IS NO REGIONAL  
BREAKDOWN OF MEMBERS. THIS ASSOCIATION PUBLISHES A MONTHLY  
NEWSPAPER CALLED, "THE PARACHUTIST," AND THE MAILING LIST FOR  
THIS PAPER IS BROKEN DOWN BY STATES. ANYONE INTERESTED CAN  
BELONG TO THIS ASSOCIATION REGARDLESS OF

■ WHETHER THEY ARE

PARACHUTISTS OR NOT, AND THE MEMBERSHIP FEE IS FIFTEEN DOLLARS  
FOR THE FIRST YEAR AND TWELVE DOLLARS FOR EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER.

THE ASSOCIATION HAS APPROXIMATELY A FIFTY PER CENT ATTRITION RATE  
ANNUALLY. THE ASSOCIATION IS MADE UP MOSTLY OF

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OF COURSE, FIRE FIGHTERS COULD BE MEMBERS AND PROBABLY A LOT OF FIRE FIGHTERS ARE SKYDIVERS TOO. THERE ARE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY AFFILIATED CLUBS. THERE IS NO RECORD IN HIS FILES FOR THE NAMES OF D.B. COOPER, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HIS ASSOCIATION IS OFFICIALLY CLOSED UNTIL MONDAY, NOV. TWENTYNINE NEXT, BUT HE WOULD BE WILLING TO RE-OPEN AND FURNISH THE LISTS REQUESTED WHICH CONSISTS OF THE SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE PARACHUTIST" FOR THE STATES OF CALIF., WASHINGTON, OREGON, IDAHO, NEVADA, AND ARIZONA, AS WELL AS A LIST OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY AFFILIATED CLUBS. HOWEVER, HE HAS TWO CLERKS THAT HANDLE THIS, [REDACTED]

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DOES NOT KNOW HOW TO OPERATE THE ADDRESSOGRAPH MACHINES AND IS NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE SYSTEM OF FILING. THE ABOVE LISTS WILL BE OBTAINED MONDAY MORNING AND WILL BE FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU AND SEATTLE.

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WHICH ARE FILED ALPHABETICALLY, DO INDICATE DATE OF BIRTH,  
HEIGHT, WEIGHT, COLOR OF EYES, AND HAIR, BUT MAILING LIST FOR  
"THE PARACHUTIST" DOES NOT CONTAIN ANY DESCRIPTIVE DATA.

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TO DIRECTOR

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CLEVELAND

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UNSUB, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO:SE.

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# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST FLIGHT #) %  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] of U. S. Parachute Association, Monterey, California,  
advised as follows:

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The U. S. Parachute Association maintains a membership list for the entire country. All parachutists are not, in fact, members of USPA; however, the overwhelming majority of them are members.

In addition to membership lists, the USPA carries a list of parachute instructors and if UNSUB had taken parachute lessons within the past year, it might be possible to identify him through the list of instructors maintained by USPA.

It should be emphasized that instructors would probably remember most parachutists above the age of 40 since the majority of new students are younger.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

*FLASHING LIGHTS  
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No observation of objects dropping from plane reported at this time.

The Lake Merwin area has been searched to an intense boat search by the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office with negative results, except for the sighting of a white

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It is felt that the pilot and crew of the hijacked aircraft should be questioned concerning the lights on the plane going off, from 8:00 to 8:15 PM, to determine if this was in fact the hijacked aircraft. Further, it is felt that the crew of this plane should be asked a specific question of why they continued the flight to Reno, when the feeling of the pilot and crew was that the subject exited the plane at or about the Lake Merwin vicinity.

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Intensive search with four helicopters will be resumed at approximately 8:30 AM, 11/27/71, with concentration of search area being in the vicinity of the east side of plotted line per conversation with SAC.

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/26/71

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*Jan 12/72*

TO : SAC, SEATTLE

DATE: November 25, 1971

FROM : SA REESE H. CHIPMAN

MEMO NO 1

THIS # IS PACIFIC AVIATION #403 PERIMETER RD So

SUBJECT: UNSUB: NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, 1971.  
CAA - HIJACKING ; EXTORTION.

The following investigation was conducted by SA CHIPMAN to identify and obtain descriptive data concerning the two back pack chutes which were delivered to the hijacker:

At 12:25 AM contacted [redacted] Boeing Flight Service at [redacted] (Business tel RO-2-2554).

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He advised the two small chest packs were obtained at Issaquah, and were brought to the Air Freight Terminal by the Washington State Patrol. [redacted] observed them when they were in the vehicle in which he transported all of the chutes and the money to Sea-Tac Airport.

He described the chest pack chutes as being in containers about 15 inches long, 8 inches wide and eight inches thick.

The two back pack chutes which he observed, but did not examine closely, appeared to be in ordinary military olive drab green containers, approximately two to three feet long, 15 to 18 inches wide. To the best of his knowledge they did not have emergency beepers.

At 2:00AM contacted [redacted] who advised he had talked with one [redacted] Pacific Aviation, Boeing Field, in order to secure Chutes (RO-2-2554). [redacted] indicated the back pack chutes were obtained from [redacted] (PH) [redacted] Wn. Tel No [redacted]

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At 2:50AM [redacted] advised the two back pack chutes were [redacted] to deliver them to Boeing Flight Service. [redacted] described the two back pack chutes as follows:

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Number One: Civilian luxury type, tan soft Cotton material outside, 26 ft white canopy inside. Has a military chute inside of it. One or two burp sack in folds. Has foam pad cushion, and a frayed mark down the rib on the back, from rubbing on metal.

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Number two: Military back pack chute, standard military olive drab green on outside. 28 foot white canopy on inside, two burp sacks in back. Foam pad cushion.

Both packs had lead seals which had not been pulled. Seal embedded in lead, and may have confidential number, such as riggers number.

These packs were assembled [redacted] [redacted] Tel [redacted] said [redacted] Sky Sports, at the small airfield just west of Issaquah, Tel EX-2-3050, and could furnish exact data concerning the two chutes, including any serial numbers.

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[redacted] can positively identify both of the above mentioned back pack chutes. He expressed the opinion it would be very hazardous to jump from a 727 at night.

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At 2:20AM ASAC from Las Vegas called and advised they have had numerous inquiries from the press, and gave the answer that when the plane landed at Reno, no one other than the crew was found aboard, and that investigation is being conducted to identify and locate the hijacker. He said the plane will leave Reno at 9:00AM 11/25/71 to return luggage to Seattle.

He said it was indicated to him from SAC in RENO, that a check should be made with respect to one [redacted] [redacted] who may be a good suspect, possibly the hijacker. He did not have the reasons why this individual might be suspect.

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At 2:25AM [redacted] Division 6, Bureau telephoned and advised he had just had a call from SAC CAMPBELL from Reno, Nev. CAMPBELL reportedly advised two bright orange chutes were missing from the plane; also no trace was found of the attache case or any wiring etc. The plane was dusted for latents. [redacted] said he would call Portland and advise them. The information that two bright orange chutes were missing from the plane is not clear, in view of the descriptive data we have on the four chutes.

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SA CHIPMAN telephoned SA [redacted] duty Agent of Portland Office and furnished him descriptive data concerning the chutes.

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At 4:40AM, BBC, British Broadcasting Corp, London called for information. It was learned they already had about the same information as the press in USA. They were advised the same as ASAC Las Vegas indicated; he was telling press. Also inquiries from NBC News, New York, and CBS News Chicago. They were only informed we had no further information to release at this time.

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At 5:00AM [redacted] residing [redacted] Wn..  
Tel [redacted] telephoned and advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] and is of the opinion that  
if an individual jumped out of a forward door, he would  
probably be sucked into the engines, and that if he jumped out a  
rear door, the back blast from the engines might kill him.  
He said the pilot should know immediately if one of the doors  
is opened by a warning light in the cockpit.

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Article in the Seattle PI, Page A2, contains Photo of [redacted]  
[redacted] in commenting about Passengers aboard  
the plane.

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Numerous attempts were made to telephonically contact [redacted]  
at his residence Tel [redacted] but no one answered.

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At 6:00 AM telephoned Sky Sports, Issaquah Airfield, EX 2-3050.  
and he advised CORRECT NAME IS [redacted]  
[redacted] and may show up today. He said [redacted] was  
[redacted] the Chest Chutes which were given to State  
Patrol to deliver.

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He was advised to have [redacted] immediately contact this office  
if and when he shows up today. He had no idea where [redacted] would be  
if not at home. He said he would advise [redacted]

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[redacted] EX 2-3050

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Will interview [redacted] and obtain detailed descriptive data  
concerning the two back pack chutes, and any additional data he  
may be able to furnish concerning the two front chest chutes.

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 11/27/71

FROM : SAC J. E. MILNES

SUBJECT: NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305  
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CAA - HIJACKING;  
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RE: [redacted] - INFORMANT

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[redacted] of the Washington State patrol,  
called and advised that [redacted] Telephone [redacted]  
[redacted]  
Washington, called and described [redacted]  
[redacted] that on the night in question [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] I told [redacted] that we would have someone  
interview [redacted] I called SA WICK and told him to  
get ahold of [redacted] immediately.

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SAC J. E. MILNES

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11/24/71  
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RE: [redacted] - INFORMANT

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APB STATE OF WASHINGTON

THE FOLLOWING IS A COMPOSITE DESCRIPTION OF THE UNSUB  
SKYJACKER WHO BAILED OUT OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES PLANE THIS  
WEEK:

WHITE MALE, AMERICAN, AGE MID-FORTIES; HEIGHT, 5 FEET 10  
INCHES TO 6 FEET; WEIGHT, 170 LBS TO 180 LBS; BUILD, AVERAGE  
TO WELL, OLIVE COMPLEXION, LATIN APPEARANCE MEDIUM SMOOTH;  
HAIR, DARK BROWN TO BLACK, NORMAL STYLE, PARTED ON LEFT, COMBED  
BACK, SIDEBURNS LOW EAR LEVEL; EYES, BROWN TO UNKNOWN, WORE  
DARK GLASSES WITH DARK RIM WRAP-A-ROUND MOST OR MUCH OF TIME;  
VOICE, LOW SPOKE INTELLIGENTLY, NO PARTICULAR ACCENT, POSSIBLY  
FROM MID-WEST SECTION OF UNITED STATES; CHARACTERISTICS,  
HEAVY SMOKER OF RALEIGH FILTER TIP CIGARETTES; WEARING APPAREL,  
BLACK OR BROWN SUIT, WHITE SHIRT, NARROW BLACK TIE, BLACK  
DRESS SUIT, BLACK RAIN TYPE OVERCOAT OR DARK TOP COAT, DARK  
BRIEF CASE OR ATTACHE CASE, CARRIED PAPER BAG 4 INCHES BY 12  
INCHES BY 14 INCHES, BLACK OR BROWN SHOES.

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REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

REQUEST ANY AND ALL INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON DESCRIPTION OF  
RECENT SKYJACKER WHO BAILED OUT OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES PLANE  
THIS WEEK.  
REQUESTING THIS INFORMATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

REFER [REDACTED]  
PD OLYMPIA [REDACTED]

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11/26/71

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71,  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: PUBLICITY

In an effort to achieve wide spread publicity for the purpose of identifying the above UNSUB, the following is being offered for the consideration of the SAC and BUREAU:

1. When the artist's sketch of the UNSUB is finalized, sufficient flyers should be printed up immediately for:

Portland Division Mailing List  
Seattle Division Mailing List, and  
3,000 extra copies, each, for Seattle  
and Portland.

Other copies of the sketch can be forwarded to all other Divisions for their distribution at a later time.

2. The above extra copies for Seattle and Portland should be sent to:

All aircraft flying schools;  
All airports;  
All sky diving schools and clubs;  
All VA hospitals;  
All VA offices;  
All Army, Air Force and Navy installations for posting.  
All Airlines.

3. Give consideration to a reward, having in mind the possibility that Northwest Airlines might be interested in offering a reward of \$25,000 or \$50,000.

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4. When sketch is finalized, have enough good copies for use of the press and television showing and have a press conference called at Seattle, with sufficient notice to get the best possible coverage.

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*Search*  
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On November 26, 1971, I called SA [redacted] at the Bureau. I advised that we had two helicopters in the air today and were searching the same general area where we had searched yesterday. I told him that we wanted to get the artist's conception here as soon as possible. He suggested that we contact the Minneapolis Office since the artist may have left a copy of the picture there. Inquiry of Minneapolis revealed that telecopier was not working and no copy was retained. I called SA [redacted] back, told him that we wanted to have the normal number of copies of the artist's conception as would be necessary for the law enforcement mailing list plus 1,000, and the same number should go to Portland for immediate distribution. I asked him to arrange for this work to be done today and the material sent out by pilot courier at the first opportunity.

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FROM : SAC J. E. MILNES

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SUBJECT: NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305  
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At 8:15 a.m. on November 27, 1971, I received a call from SA [redacted] at the Bureau. He advised that the UPI Wire Service in Washington carried a story with a Woodland, Washington dateline quoting SA MANNING as saying "We are going to interview every sky jumper in Southwest Washington" and "We look at what happened a man jumps from a plane in the middle of a dark stormy night, he is either an experienced jumper or he is crazy. We've got to check both angles". [redacted] advised that since the Director had said we were to make no additional comments on the matter why MANNING had made this statement. I told him that I don't think that MANNING made it and I would check and let him know.

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At 11:15 I called [redacted] back and told him that those remarks were common remarks among many many people in the search area but that MANNING had made no such remark to any newspaper person and that MANNING had been told not to make any.

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SA [ ] from the Bureau advised the Seattle Office shipment of the artist's conception would arrive on United Airlines Flight 175 from Dulles arriving Sea-Tac, 12:36 p.m., November 28, 1971. It should be picked up at the Air Freight Depot.

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SA C. MATSON advised me at 4:05 p.m. on November 26, 1971, that they had made arrangements for two helicopters from the Army Reserve and two light planes to fly the search pattern tomorrow from Portland to Eugene, weather permitting.

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
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SEARCH

On November 26, 1971, at 2:15 p.m., I talked to SAC MATSON regarding the air search of the area from Portland to Eugene, Oregon, and pointed out to him that we were through with the air search in the area in Washington, and I had suggested to SA MANNING that he have the Bonneville Power Administration and the Weyerhauser Helicopter pilots contacted to see if they would be willing to assist in the air search in Oregon. If so, then I told him to contact SAC MATSON. SAC MATSON advised that the weather south of Portland now is closing in very rapidly and it did not appear feasible to conduct an air search now, but that they would do it at the first opportunity.

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DATE: 11/27/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
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RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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Investigation concerning captioned suspect has resulted in obtaining a good photograph of him which has been shown to witnesses [redacted]

[redacted] Both witnesses say that he does not resemble the subject.

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Further investigation showed that subject was in custody of [redacted] Police Department since early morning of November 24, 1971, and is therefore, definitely eliminated.

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Other offices having leads to investigate this suspect have been advised to discontinue.

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SA [redacted] (A)

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT NO. 305  
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This refers to lead to identify [redacted] alleged owner of 1960 Dodge, Washington license No. [redacted] address of [redacted] Washington.

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On November 26, 1971, [redacted] Police Department, [redacted] advised that [redacted] is a reputable [redacted] who has [redacted] for many years. [redacted] Police Department received a teletype on Tuesday of this week, November 23, 1971, from the [redacted] Washington, Police Department requesting verification of sale of above car [redacted]

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The [redacted] Police Department had in custody [redacted] who apparently had custody of vehicle [redacted] and unable to prove ownership.

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At request of [redacted] Police Department, the [redacted] Police Department determined that on October 28, 1971, this vehicle was [redacted] had taken the vehicle on a trade [redacted] and had not changed the registration. [redacted] furnished the address to [redacted] Portland, Oregon, telephone No. [redacted] He said he [redacted] in Portland and was [redacted]

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[redacted] He was described as a white male, approximately 55 years, 5'10", 150 lbs, short gray hair, no glasses. He lived at [redacted] and was friendly with a young black man, whose identify was not known by the [redacted] Police Department. [redacted] on the car.

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According to [redacted] i  
apparently the same man as the one [redacted] Police D  
partment had in custody. He did not know the reason  
for the arrest by [redacted] Police Department and  
had no further information regarding this matter.

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