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REPORTING OFFICE <b>SEATTLE</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>SEATTLE</b>	DATE <b>5/26/78</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>11/29/77-5/16/78.</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>NORJAK (A)</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA [REDACTED]</b>	TYPED BY <b>ljt</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION</b>	

REFERENCE: Seattle report of SA [REDACTED] 11/28/77;  
Butel to all offices, 5/5/78; and  
Seattle airtel to Bureau, 5/16/78.

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							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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SE 164-81

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

## Copy to:

Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: SEATTLE  
Date: 5/26/78  
Field Office File #: 164-81 Bureau File #: 164-2111  
Title: NORJAK

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
☐ Facsimile  
☒ Airtel

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 5/25/78

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

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In order that the office of origin in this important matter be fully aware of what information has been released to the press by the Portland Division, the following lead is being set out:

LEAD:PORTLAND

Will forward to Seattle a copy of all press releases as well as all newspaper clippings contained in Portland's NORJAK file.

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2 - Bureau  
2 - Portland (164-41)  
3 - Seattle  
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6/7/78

SAC, SAN DIEGO (164-91) (P)

NORJAK

SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

Re Las Vegas letter to San Diego dated 5/30/78;  
Seattle letter to Las Vegas dated 1/20/78, and San Francisco  
letter to Seattle dated 1/12/78.

For information of Los Angeles, investigation by  
the Las Vegas Division at Panaca, Nevada, determined that  
[redacted] is in California with [redacted]  
and can be located at telephone number [redacted]

Review of San Diego telephone directory determined  
above listed number in the Los Angeles, Riverside, California,  
area.

LEADS:

LOS ANGELES

AT RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA. Will locate, identify  
and interview [redacted] through [redacted]  
telephone number [redacted] to determine if identical  
with [redacted] date of birth [redacted]  
[redacted] It should be noted that [redacted] owns a [redacted]  
[redacted] bearing Nevada License Number [redacted]

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2-Los Angeles  
①-Seattle (164-81)  
2-San Diego

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



## REPORT

of the

## IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

## LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 164-81 (P)

June 1, 1978

FBI FILE NO. 164-2111

LATENT CASE NO. 

TO: SAC, Seattle

RE: NORJAK

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1A (15-1-1-1)

REFERENCE: Airtel 5-16-78  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Seattle  
SPECIMENS:

Computer searches have previously been conducted with several of the latent fingerprints without effecting an identification. The computer searches were based on the fingerprint classification, finger sequence and available description of the unknown subject.

Photographs of seventy-eight unidentified latent fingerprints and one latent impression in this case are enclosed.

164-81-1A (51)

Enc. (51)

Robert E. Kent

Assistant Director, Identification Division

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☐ Teletype☐ Facsimile☒ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate☐ Priority☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 5/18/78

TO: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (164-22)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Little Rock letter to Seattle dated 4/27/78.

Enclosed for Seattle and Little Rock is one copy each of the following:

1. State of California, Department of Justice, Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (CII) record of [redacted]

2. CII application form for public employment of [redacted]

3. CII criminal history of [redacted]

4. CII application form of [redacted]

5. CII fingerprint classification card for [redacted]

A review of records maintained by the California Department of Justice, Organized Crime and Criminal Intelligence Branch by SA [redacted] revealed the enclosed documents. [redacted] Criminal Intelligence Analyst, Organized Crime and Criminal Intelligence Branch, advised that a stop will be placed on the above individuals files so

2 - Little Rock (Enc. 5)  
2 - Seattle (164-81) (Enc. 5)  
2 - Sacramento  
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SC 164-50

that the Sacramento Division, FBI, will receive notification of subsequent entries, should any occur.

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## memorandum

DATE: 5/24/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:

SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT:

NORJAK (A)

OO: SEATTLE

BUFILE 164-2111

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

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He advised

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[REDACTED] the D. B. COOPER incident occurred.

He advised that [REDACTED] was from California.

[REDACTED]  
was currently working [REDACTED]b6  
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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(REV. 7-76)  
GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6  
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## memorandum

DATE: 5/24/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:

SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT:

NORJAK (A)

OO: SEATTLE

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
☐ Facsimile  
☒ Airtel

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 6/16/78

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

Enclosed for the Alexandria Division is one (1) copy of an FD-302 reflecting interview with [redacted] dated 5/19/78, and one (1) copy of WFO teletype to the Bureau dated 8/2/77.

For the information of the Alexandria Division, JACK COFFELT has been suggested as a suspect in this matter and has been processed and eliminated. The television show "60 Minutes" is interested in doing an expose' in which they claim the FBI is covering up the fact that COFFELT is really identical to Unsub in this matter.

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The [redacted] allegedly lived at the [redacted] [redacted] and had telephone number [redacted]

In order that it might be possible to answer some of the questions that "60 Minutes" might come up with prior to their "60 Minutes" segment on JACK COFFELT, the following leads are set out.

2 - Bureau  
 2 - Honolulu (164-85)  
 3 - Alexandria (164-72) (Enc. 2)  
 (3) - Seattle  
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SE 164-81

LEADS:

HONOLULU DIVISION

At Honolulu, Hawaii

Will obtain, if possible, a copy of any photograph  
[redacted] of JACK COFFELT.

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ALEXANDRIA DIVISION

At Arlington, Virginia

Will conduct the following investigations:

1. Conduct a complete and thorough neighborhood investigation at [redacted] to include an interview of any resident at that address who was living there at the time [redacted] lived there and also to include an interview of [redacted]

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2. Will conduct long distance toll records of telephone number [redacted] after verifying that telephone number to have been subscribed to by JACK [redacted] [redacted] (Alexandria advise Seattle if a subpoena will be necessary for this information as well as whether the information is still available.

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3. Conduct credit and criminal checks concerning [redacted] and determine if possible perhaps through the records of the [redacted] [redacted] was paid and if by check, which bank it was drawn on. Thereafter contact the appropriate bank to determine financial information which may indicate [redacted] presence in the Alexandria, Virginia, area on November 24, 1971. (Alexandria advise Seattle if a subpoena will be necessary for these bank records)

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4. Conduct any and all leads in the vicinity of [redacted] in Arlington that may indicate any information concerning [redacted] and possibly lead to information which would indicate where JACK COFFELT was on November 24, 1971.

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SE 164-81

JACK COFFELT is described as follows:

Name:	BRYANT ARTHUR JAMES COFFELT
Alias:	JACK COFFELT BRYAN COFFELT
Sex:	Male
Race:	Caucasian
Height:	6'2"
Weight:	195 pounds
Hair:	Brown
Eyes:	Gray
Date of Birth:	2/20/16
Place of Birth:	Carthage, Missouri
SSAN:	513-26-2480.

is described as follows:

Name:	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 200px; height: 100px; margin: 0 auto;"></div>
Alias:	
Nee:	
Race:	
Sex:	
Date of Birth:	

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6/15/78

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-21111)  
FROM: SAC, SAN DIEGO (164-91) (RUC)  
NORJAK (A)  
(OO: Seattle)



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Re Seattle letter to the Bureau dated 5/13/78.

After numerous attempts to contact [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
an interview was arranged for [REDACTED]

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On 6/13/78, [REDACTED] was furnished five black and white photographs of one JAMES BRYANT COFFELT in an effort to determine if COFFELT is identical to the unknown subject of captioned case.

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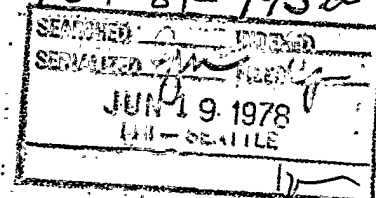
[REDACTED] reviewed the photographs and advised she has been shown the photographs before in [REDACTED] by [REDACTED] whose names she can not remember.

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She stated that even though all of the photographs are of the same person, only two resemble the unknown subject. She advised that the two most resembling the unknown subject are the ones of the person in the photograph smoking a cigarette and in the photograph of a side-face view which was

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1-San Diego

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apparently taken outside. She stated she can not make a positive identification.

[ ] advised that to this date, she has not been contacted by anyone from CBS News, but that if she should be contacted, she would immediately contact the FBI.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, Seattle (164-81) (P)

DATE: 6/13/78

FROM : Director, FBI (164-2111)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE



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Reurairtel dated 5/23/78.

Enclosed as requested is one copy of the videotape of Alan Lansbury's production, "Still At Large."

Since this is one film in a pilot series to be aired in the future, it should not be shown to other than FBI personnel. When finished with videotape, return to the Bureau, Attention: Public Affairs Office.

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Enclosure *per'd*



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6/16/78

TO : SAC, ST. LOUIS (164-63)  
FROM : SAC, DENVER (164-640)(P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SE



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RE: Suspect [redacted] aka.,  
[redacted]

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Re St. Louis airtel to Seattle, dated 5/9/78.

On 6/15/78, after numerous attempts, [redacted]  
[redacted] was located at his residence, [redacted] Pueblo,  
Colorado. [redacted] advised after reviewing enclosures to  
reairtel, that [redacted] had been at [redacted]  
with an organization known as [redacted] He  
stated [redacted] was at [redacted] from 1961 through 1963.  
Thereafter, he again saw [redacted] between 1963 and 1964  
at a small town near [redacted] and he believed  
the name of this town was [redacted]  
recalled that [redacted] may possibly have been in a  
[redacted]  
[redacted] stated that in 1964 or 1965, [redacted] went to  
[redacted] further advised [redacted] was never in  
any organizations the same as [redacted]

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LEAD:

ST. LOUIS DIVISION

2 - St. Louis (RM)  
2 - Seattle (164-81)(RM)  
2 - Denver  
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DN 164-640

At NPRC, St. Louis, Missouri:

Attempt to locate records for [ ] noting  
additional spellings of the name [ ] as set forth  
by [ ]

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## memorandum

DATE: 6/20/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SA [REDACTED]SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

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

RE: [REDACTED]

A review of [REDACTED] sub file indicates the following discrepancies in his physical appearance which tend to indicate he is not identical with the Unsub in this matter.

[REDACTED] was suggested as a suspect by [REDACTED] of Pueblo Colorado [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] had a [REDACTED] and in addition [REDACTED] had not seen [REDACTED] since 1965. [REDACTED] date of birth is [REDACTED] which would mean that he would have been [REDACTED] years old at the time of Norjak. [REDACTED] has a noticeable [REDACTED] at least 1959..

In view of these discrepancies in [REDACTED] physical appearance compared to Unsub in this matter, no further investigation will be conducted concerning him at this time.

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## memorandum

DATE: 6/20/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SA [REDACTED]b6  
b7CSUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

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

RE: [REDACTED]

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A review of [REDACTED] sub file indicates the following discrepancies in his physical appearance which tend to indicate he is not identical with the Unsub in this matter.

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[REDACTED] was suggested as a suspect by [REDACTED] of Pueblo, Colorado. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] had a [REDACTED] and in addition, [REDACTED] had not seen [REDACTED] since 1965. [REDACTED] date of birth is [REDACTED] which would mean that he would have been [REDACTED] years old at the time of Norjak. [REDACTED] has a noticeable [REDACTED] at least 1959.

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In view of these discrepancies in [REDACTED] physical appearance compared to Unsub in this matter, no further investigation will be conducted concerning him at this time.

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b7CARMED AND DANGEROUS.RNN:ecf  
(3) *[Signature]*

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

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/17/75 *Sub A*b6  
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[redacted] El Paso, Texas, was interviewed at the Chamizal National Memorial, U.S. Department of Interior, National Park Service, 800 San Marcial, where he is employed [redacted]

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[redacted] by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] who immediately identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). [redacted] was advised of the purpose of this interview and voluntarily furnished the following information:

On September 10, 1975, he read the article in the El Paso Times, captioned "Suspected Skyjacker Calls Similarity 'Kind of Scary'" with date line, Washington, which reflected that an acquaintance of his, [redacted] might possibly be identical with D. B. COOPER, the airline hijacker who parachuted with \$200,000 ransom money from a Northwest Orient, 727 Jet on Thanksgiving Eve, 1971, and was never seen again.

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On September 10, or September 11, 1975, he attempted to contact [redacted] through [redacted] and eventually spoke with [redacted] who stated that "they" were having a hard time remembering what [redacted] did on or about Thanksgiving Eve, 1971, until he [redacted] refreshed her memory.

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On Thursday morning, Thanksgiving Day, date unknown, 1971, at approximately 3 A.M., he drove from his residence at [redacted] Alexandria, Virginia to [redacted] east of Fairfax City, Virginia where he awoke [redacted] and himself were joined by [redacted] and proceeded in [redacted] automobile on Highway 81 or Highway 66 to Gainesville, Virginia, turning off to Route 55, heading west towards

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On 9/12/75 at El Paso, Texas File # EP 164-52 *3/*  
by SA [redacted] *mgm* Date dictated 9/17/75

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Marshall, Virginia. They were unable to reach Marshall, due to the heavy snow and traffic tie-ups so they turned around and went back to Hay Market, Virginia on Route 15, stopping at Frostie's Diner at Warrington, Virginia to have coffee. Not being able to get out of the Warrington area to the area they had selected to hunt in, they then proceeded to Quantico, Marine Corps Base, Quantico, Virginia and en route on Highway 66, found a car "wrapped around a tree" and deserted. They then proceeded on Highway 66 to Vinthill Farms turn off and proceeded to Quantico.

He noted that it is a requirement in Quantico Marine Base, Quantico, Virginia, that one must register at the Marine Corps Base as a hunter and must receive an instruction at an unrecalled building, prior to hunting. [redacted] on Thanksgiving Day, 1971, at Quantico, Marine Corps Base for hunting at Quantico. He did not see [redacted] during the day inasmuch as [redacted] hunted in one sector of the Marine Corps Base and he hunted in another sector of the base. At the end of the day, [redacted] did return to [redacted] residence together.

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He was then working for Brentwood Maintenance Yard for National Capitol Parks and he did not take the day off and he noted this was the only time he ever hunted in Virginia on Thanksgiving Day.

He noted that he had known [redacted] since approximately 1963 when they [redacted] at Falls Church, Virginia.

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[redacted] moved from Falls Church, Virginia in 1965 to North Madison, Ohio.

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In approximately 1966 to 1967, the [redacted] came to North Madison, Ohio and lived with him until they found a house of their own. While in Ohio, he recommended [redacted] for a job at Cleveland Crane and Engineering and would not recommend [redacted] for another job, inasmuch as [redacted] worked for only a short while before he [redacted] walked out on the job.

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In approximately 1967 or 1968, the [redacted] left Ohio and moved back to Virginia.

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In approximately 1971, [redacted] moved back to Virginia and he noted that in approximately 1973 the [redacted] left Virginia to move out west, possibly Phoenix Arizona noting that within a few months the [redacted] returned back to Virginia.

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On July 7, 1974, he left Virginia for El Paso, Texas and has not heard from or spoken with [redacted] since that date.

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[redacted] (names unknown), who reside somewhere in Florida and [redacted] has made several trips to visit them.

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The most money he has ever known [redacted] to have was approximately \$1200.

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He believes [redacted] who resides in some unknown town in Oklahoma.

[redacted]  
in San Antonio, Texas.

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He noted that [redacted]

[redacted] while there in Ohio, so [redacted] could buy [redacted] did not pay off the note.

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He was exhibited color and black and white artist's conceptions of unknown subject and advised that none of them resembled [redacted] but noted that they best resembled himself if he lost approximately 40 pounds.

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[redacted] is described as follows:

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Citizenship:	American
Date of Birth:	[redacted]
Place of Birth:	[redacted]
Height:	5 feet 11 inches
Weight:	200 pounds
Scars and Marks:	[redacted]

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[REDACTED]  
Military  
Service;

Discharge:  
Military  
Specialty:  
Present Employer:

[REDACTED]  
US. Army Serial Number  
[REDACTED]

Honorable.  
[REDACTED]

Department of Interior,  
National Park Service,  
since April, 1971.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription January 3, 1974

[redacted]  
[redacted] was contacted and advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent as well as the nature of the inquiry. Subsequent to this, he freely and voluntarily furnished the following information:

Prior to coming [redacted]  
[redacted] he had been [redacted]  
[redacted] prior to and after a hijacking occurred in the northwest section of the United States, approximately 1½ years ago, in which a man known as D. B. COOPER is responsible for that hijacking. [redacted] advised that [redacted] there was a [redacted]  
[redacted] and who prior to the hijacking in which D. B. COOPER is suspected of committing, was frequently [redacted] This man by the name of [redacted]  
[redacted] stated that he is positive that this [redacted] just before this hijacking occurred and did not return [redacted] until after the hijacking had occurred. When [redacted] Also after returning [redacted]  
[redacted] done prior to [redacted] remembers that he asked [redacted] what he was going to do when he went on leave and [redacted] laughingly told [redacted]  
[redacted]

Interviewed on 12/27/73 at [redacted] File # El Paso 164-52-26  
by SA [redacted] /psr [redacted] Date dictated 1/2/74



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After returning [redacted]  
continued to [redacted] was told by  
[redacted] identities unrecalled, that they  
had seen a [redacted]

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[redacted] After returning [redacted]  
[redacted]  
stated that [redacted]  
would have [redacted]

Also after returning [redacted]  
[redacted]  
something [redacted] never did prior to [redacted]

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At the time the hijacking occurred, [redacted] advised  
that [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] However, [redacted] did state that the hijacking  
was a favorite topic of conversation [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] this man named D. B.  
COOPER had been successful in what he had done and even  
after the interest in the matter died down, it was not  
unusual for [redacted] of D. B. COOPER  
any chance he had the opportunity. In fact, [redacted] advised  
that [redacted] and it  
was not unusual for [redacted] to refer to D. B. COOPER as  
[redacted]. Additionally, [redacted] advised that in his  
opinion [redacted]  
[redacted]

To the best of [redacted] knowledge, [redacted]  
[redacted] is presently assigned to the [redacted]

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[redacted] seems to recall that [redacted] is presently assigned to [redacted] [redacted] has not seen [redacted] since August, 1973, when he left [redacted] and stated that he became initially [redacted] continued to talk about the hijacking and how [redacted] over the fact that D. B. COOPER successfully perpetrated a hijacking. He then began [redacted]

[redacted] when he returned from leave. He stated that [redacted] this matter until recently and then thought of the possibility that there might be a reward offered for information leading to the identity of the individual who is D. B. COOPER and this is why he desired to speak about the matter. He did request that this be kept as confidential as possible and that he was only doing this because he thought there might possibly be a reward issued for the identification of this D. B. COOPER.

follows: [redacted] described [redacted] as

Race	Caucasian
Sex	Male
Age	Approximately 35
Hair	Light colored, more blond than brown
Eyes	Blue
Height	6'3" to 6'6"
Weight	Over 200 pounds
Build	

Military Training

[redacted]  
and was therefore familiarized with parachute and airborne training



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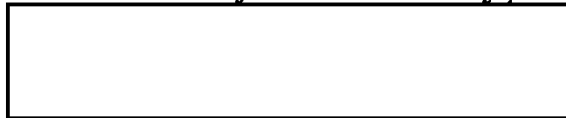
Scars or Tattoos

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Complexion

Normal, except when on field  
maneuvers his face would  
occasionally become ruddy;

A rectangular black box used to redact information, likely a photograph or further description of complexion.



## Memorandum

TO : SAC, *Seattle*

FROM : SAC, EL PASO

DATE: *5-15-78*

SUBJECT: SEE ATTACHED

☐ RUC☒ File Destruction Program *MR*

(Title)

Enclosed are 2 items.

These items are forwarded your office since:

☐ All logical investigation completed in this Division☒ You were OO at the time our case was RUC'd.

Enclosures are described as follows:

2 FD 340(s)

FD 302(s)

Lab Report(s)

Enc.

NOTE: DO NOT BLOCK STAMP ORIGINAL ENCLOSURES. *164-81-7958*

DB Cooper-16720



XX Airtel

6/16/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile 164-2111

Re Seattle airtel to Portland dated 5/25/78. *Sub B.*

Enclosed herewith for Seattle is a packet consisting of xerox copies of all press clippings contained in the Portland file concerning captioned matter.

For information of Seattle, Portland has issued no press releases concerning captioned matter.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2 - Seattle (Enc. 1)  
2 - Portland

RPH:cab  
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XX AIRTEL

6/16/78

TO : SAC, DETROIT (164-115)  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
Bufile 164-2111

Re:

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Re Seattle letter to Detroit dated 3/30/78.

Re communication set forth a lead for Detroit at Detroit, Michigan. To date results of that investigation has not been received by the Seattle Division.

Detroit is directed to forward results of that investigation to Seattle expeditiously in order to bring this very important hijacking matter to a logical conclusion.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2 - Detroit  
3 - Seattle  
RNN/tcs  
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164-81-7960

DB Cooper-16722



6/8/78

SAC, DETROIT (164-115) (RUC)

NORJAK (A)

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(OO: SEATTLE)

(Bufile 164-2111)

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) [REDACTED]

RE: [REDACTED]

Re Seattle letter to Detroit, 3/30/78.

On 5/18/78, [REDACTED]

Essex Automotive Parts, 6233 Concord, Detroit, Michigan,  
advised that the records of Essex Automotive reflect that  
[REDACTED] was employed from 9/11/72 until 6/3/77.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

(2) - Seattle  
1 - Detroit  
OJZ:mjd  
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164-81-7961

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date of transcription 5/22/78

[redacted] Roseburg, Oregon, telephone [redacted] was contacted at Burness Oldsmobile, 1735 N.E. Diamond Lake Boulevard, where he is employed [redacted] [redacted] was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and purpose of the interview prior to his furnishing the following information:

[redacted] was previously employed by Northwest Orient Airlines, [redacted] at Minneapolis, Minnesota, from 1966 through 1972, however, during the month of June, 1971, [redacted] during October, 1971, at St. John's Hospital, in Red Wing, Minnesota. He believes that during November, 1971, he was [redacted] which was located at [redacted] Minnesota. He stated he was [redacted] and never did go back to work for Northwest Orient [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he moved to Roseburg, Oregon, in June, 1977, and [redacted] he took a job [redacted] with Burness Oldsmobile, his present position.

[redacted] is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Date of birth	[redacted]
Height	6'
Weight	210 pounds
Hair	Receding in front, dark brown roots mostly graying on top
Characteristics	Wears prescriptive frame glasses
Oregon driver's license number	[redacted]
Residence address	[redacted] Roseburg, Oregon
Telephone	[redacted]

Investigation on 5/22/78 at Roseburg, Oregon File # PD 164-41

by SA [redacted] IGW:pjm Date dictated 5/22/78



## memorandum

DATE: 6/16/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

TO: [REDACTED]

RE: [REDACTED]

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

Re memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 5/24/78.

[REDACTED] has been suggested as a suspect in this matter by [REDACTED] (phonetic), [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] from 1968 to 1970.

[REDACTED] supposedly was a former pilot and skydiver and

[REDACTED] Within [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NORJAK occurred. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]

was from the California area, but could no further information concerning his identity.

[REDACTED] did provide information concerning himself, saying he [REDACTED]

LEADS:

SEATTLE DIVISION

At Tacoma, Washington

Will through appropriate liaison with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] attempt to determine complete name and descriptive information concerning [REDACTED] so

[REDACTED] for background information to process him as a NORJAK suspect.

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RNN/SK  
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## memorandum

DATE: 6/16/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:

SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT:

NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

TO:

RE: [REDACTED]

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

Re memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 5/24/78.

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[REDACTED] has been suggested as a suspect in  
this matter by [REDACTED] (phonetic) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] from 1968 to 1970.  
[REDACTED] supposedly was a former pilot and skydiver and

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[REDACTED] Within [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] NORJAK occurred. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]  
was from the California area, but could no further  
information concerning his identity.

[REDACTED] did provide information concerning  
himself, saying he [REDACTED]

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b7DLEADS:SEATTLE DIVISIONAt Tacoma, Washington

Will through appropriate liaison with [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] attempt to determine complete  
name and descriptive information concerning [REDACTED] so  
[REDACTED] for background  
information to process him as a NORJAK suspect.

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④ Seattle  
RNN:skh  
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164-81-7964

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

DB Cooper-16726

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(REV. 7-76)  
GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6  
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## memorandum

DATE: 6/16/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

TO: RE: [REDACTED]

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

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Re memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 5/24/78.

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[REDACTED] has been suggested as a suspect in this matter by [REDACTED] (phonetic), [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] from 1968 to 1970.

[REDACTED] supposedly was a former pilot and skydiver and [REDACTED]

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Within [REDACTED]

NORJAK occurred. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]

was from the California area, but could no further information concerning his identity.

[REDACTED] did provide information concerning himself, saying he [REDACTED]

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b7DLEADS:SEATTLE DIVISION

At Tacoma, Washington

Will, through appropriate liaison with [REDACTED]

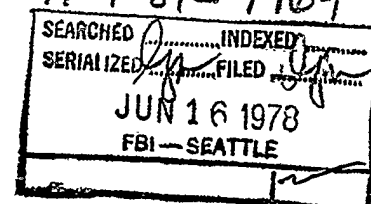
[REDACTED] attempt to determine complete name and descriptive information concerning [REDACTED] so

[REDACTED] for background information to process him as a NORJAK suspect.

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④ - Seattle  
RNN:skh  
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-16727

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10  
(REV. 7-76)  
GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6  
5010-112



XX Airtel

6/16/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile 164-2111

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Re Portland letter to Seattle dated 3/14/78.

Enclosed herewith for Seattle are two copies of FD-302 interview of [redacted] Roseburg, Oregon.

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On 4/18/78, [redacted] Oregon State Police, Roseburg, 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] [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 employed [redacted] [redacted] in Roseburg, Oregon, and resides at [redacted] Roseburg, Oregon [redacted] is identical to or in any way resembles D. B. COOPER.

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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] is presently employed [redacted] for Burness Oldsmobile in Roseburg, Oregon, and believes he previously worked for Northwest Orient Airlines capacity [redacted]

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2 - Seattle (Encs. 2)  
2 - Portland

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in late 1977 or early 1978, [redacted]  
residence where he [redacted]

When [redacted]

[redacted] continued that [redacted]

He stated that [redacted]

While [redacted] in Portland, he once  
drove to Seattle to [redacted] and  
he also made a trip to Boise, Idaho, where [redacted]  
[redacted] He also claimed to be well-acquainted  
with a [redacted] (ph.) who [redacted] KING  
radio station in Seattle, Washington.

Arrest, motor vehicle and driver's license record  
checks have failed to locate any information identifiable with  
[redacted]

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AT BOISE, IDAHO. Will attempt to locate [redacted]  
[redacted] through general checks and if successful, interview  
or set out leads for interview of [redacted] concerning his  
knowledge of instant matter.

SEATTLE

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. Will consider interview of  
[redacted] KING Radio, for any information in her possession  
concerning [redacted]

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unknown. He stated that [ ] apparently moved from Minnesota this past summer and is described as a white male, approximately 6'0", 200 pounds, with dark colored, graying, curly, neat hair. He said that there is nothing that he can put his finger on concerning why he believes that [ ] 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 [ ] apparently [ ] however, he does not believe he is using it in his employment [ ] He feels that [ ] more than [ ] He stated that [ ] is a likeable person, and there is no other reason for his feeling that [ ] might be D. B. COOPER. He indicated that [ ] which is usually parked in the drive in front of his residence.

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On 4/19/78, visual observation of the [ ] residence disclosed a [ ] bearing Oregon license [ ]

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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 [ ] and via return state teletype, the Department of Motor Vehicles advised that this plate appears on a [ ] license expiring [ ] registered to [ ] DOB [ ] residing at [ ] Roseburg, 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 [ ] and via return state teletype, the Department of Motor Vehicles advised that [ ] residing at [ ] Roseburg, Oregon, holds Oregon driver's license number [ ] which was issued [ ] and expires [ ] DOB was given as [ ] and he was described as a male, 6'0" tall, 210 pounds. As of 4/20/78, the operator's license was valid, and there were no entries of citations.

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# Memorandum

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
☐ Facsimile  
☐ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 6/23/78

TO : SAC, CHARLOTTE (164-101)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
 OO: SEATTLE  
 BU file 164-2111

Re Charlotte's airtel to Portland dated 5/16/78  
 and St. Louis letter to Seattle dated 6/19/78.

Enclosed for the Charlotte Division is one copy  
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 descriptive data. As is indicated in referenced communication,  
 data needed includes date and place of birth, name utilized  
 in military service, branch and military service number,  
 dates of service, or specific organization to which assigned  
 with date of assignment and Social Security number.

LEAD:CHARLOTTE DIVISIONAt Fort Bragg, North Carolina

Will attempt to obtain any or all of the above  
 information so that  military record might be  
 obtained and reviewed by the Seattle Division.

ARMED & DANGEROUS.

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## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 6/23/78

TO : SAC, CHARLOTTE (164-101)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
 OO: SEATTLE  
 BU file 164-2111

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## memorandum

DATE: 7/5/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:

SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111  
TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81 SUB G) (P)

RE: SUB G  
EVIDENCE

The Bureau Identification Division recently forwarded to the Seattle Division approximately 70 photographs of partial latent prints obtained from the NORJAK aircraft shortly after the captioned crime.

LEADS:SEATTLE DIVISION

Throughout the State of Washington, will contact local law enforcement agencies that have identification bureaus capable of processing latent prints and request that they process the appropriate latent prints through their system for identification purposes.

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## memorandum

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DATE: 7/5/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:SA 

SUBJECT:

NORJAK (A)

OO: SEATTLE

BUFILE 164-2111

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

6/20/78

SA [REDACTED]

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NORJAK

RE: [REDACTED]

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On 6/20/78, [REDACTED] Washington, employed at McKee Organ and Piano, 408 N. Tower, Centralia, Washington, phone [REDACTED] telephonically contacted the writer and advised that several years ago he owned two houses in [REDACTED] Washington, one of which he rented to [REDACTED] whose name he ~~couldn't~~ couldn't recall, but who had [REDACTED] by the name [REDACTED]. He recalled that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] lived with the [REDACTED] Washington, his rental unit, but later [REDACTED] and moved out of town, address unknown. He concluded by stating he had read a recent article in the "P-I" which recalled the hijacking incident, and he just wondered if [REDACTED] had ever been considered as a suspect.

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LEAD

SEATTLE

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON Will review file to determine if any [REDACTED] Washington, had ever been considered in this matter. Will set forth leads for further investigation if necessary.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 5/20/75

[redacted] was located at his residence - [redacted] North Litchfield Beach, South Carolina, at which time he was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the nature of the inquiry. [redacted] provided the following information:

Although a resident of North Litchfield Beach he is [redacted] in Miami, Florida. In addition to [redacted] in Beaverton, Oregon, a suburb of Portland, Oregon. Approximately two or three years ago a Beaverton [redacted] in Beaverton, Oregon, and is now possibly hospitalized in the Veteran's Administration (VA) Hospital, Portland, Oregon. At the time [redacted] the [redacted] an individual whom he knows as [redacted] seemed like an exceptionally intelligent man to be [redacted] claimed that it was important that he obtain a good paying job since he was a [redacted] He stated that he was [redacted] In addition to claiming [redacted] also claimed to have had [redacted] also claimed to have been employed with a Vancouver, Washington, [redacted] While with this Vancouver firm he made [redacted] to Alaska.

[redacted] advised that he is very familiar with the sky-jacking of the Northwest Airline Flight from Portland, Oregon, to Seattle, Washington, on November 24, 1971. Last year (September 1974) after he terminated [redacted]

[redacted] he began thinking that [redacted] could quite conceivably be responsible for the hi-jacking of this plane. [redacted] provided the following reasons why he suspected [redacted] of this sky-jacking:

Interviewed on 5/14/75 at North Litchfield, S. C. File # CO 164-48-35

by SA [redacted] <sup>may</sup> <sub>jap</sub> Date dictated 5/15/75



1. [ ] claimed to have pilot and sky-diving experience. He also claimed to have been in the Air Force. [ ] told him that he had been a commercial pilot and while employed [ ]

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[ ] stated that he has flown with [ ] and [ ] appeared to use good judgement, however, did not seem to be up on the latest SAA requirements. [ ] stated he [ ] and this was easily discernible to him.

2. [ ] has indicated he was in the Portland, Oregon, area during the time of the sky-jacking. On November 24, 1971, [ ] was in Tucson, Arizona. [ ] was allegedly working in Tucson, Arizona, at this time, however, when he was first employed [ ] sometime in 1972 he told him [ ] that he had just terminated his employment in Vancouver. [ ] advised that throughout conversation with [ ] he was never able to determine whether [ ] was actually in Vancouver or in Tucson on November 24, 1971.

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3. [ ] appeared to cover [ ] While employed [ ] advised he always felt that [ ] reason [ ]

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4. [ ] claim to be impoverished, however, at the same time appearing to have a large amount of money. [ ] kept two heavy safes at [ ]

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He claimed that these safes contained [ ] advised that he has in fact seen a [ ] further advised that he felt [ ] was paranoid about burglars. [ ]



[redacted]  
it from burglars. [redacted]

[redacted] stated he was unable  
to identify the [redacted]

When [redacted]  
September, 1974, he left several

[redacted]  
(not further described) [redacted]

[redacted] When [redacted]  
[redacted] he took one of the safes with  
him to [redacted]

[redacted] in  
Beaverton, Oregon. The second safe  
was moved from [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] advised he has not seen [redacted] since  
October 1974 at which time [redacted]

[redacted] in Beaverton, Oregon, and residing at [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] reviewed the FBI artist's conception of the  
individual responsible for hi-jacking the Northwest Airline  
Flight from Portland to Seattle on November 24, 1971. [redacted]  
stated that there is a striking similarity between the facial  
features of [redacted] and the man in the artist's concep-  
tion.

[redacted] provided the following description and  
background information on [redacted]

Name:	[redacted]
Aliases:	None known
Race:	Caucasian
Sex:	Male
Height:	5'10"
Weight:	170 lbs.
Age:	35 to 37



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Hair: Dishwater blonde  
to brown in color  
(full beard)  
Eyes: Very blue  
Facial Features: Square face

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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
retired architect out of Cleveland,  
Ohio, currently residing [redacted]  
[redacted] in Sugar Loaf Key, Florida;

[redacted] described [redacted] as being extremely intelligent  
with an IQ of approximately 150, soft-spoken and a loner. [redacted]  
was not a smoker, however, had stated that he had quit smoking  
at one time. He appeared to be in rather good physical shape,  
however, [redacted]

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[redacted] handles  
money very cautiously and does not trust banks. He pays his  
bills with cash and protects his private safes or vaults with  
[redacted] appears to be the type of individual that  
[redacted]

[redacted] never had any social acquaintances although  
he frequently talked of having several friends. [redacted] never  
used any type of curse words, however, would say  
goddam or dammit. His voice was very soft spoken or middle  
range. His dress when not working was always casual and  
very seldom would he wear good clothes.



7/14/78

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

NORJAK

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)



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Re Portland airtel to Butte, 6/16/78.

[redacted] KING Broadcast-  
ing, 320 Aurora Avenue North, Seattle, Washington, was  
contacted on July 14, 1978, and advised she is acquainted  
with [redacted] She furnished the following infor-  
mation concerning him:

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[redacted] occasionally stops by her office  
in Seattle and [redacted]

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[redacted] She has seen him once within  
the past six months, and he was only in her office for ap-  
proximately one minute. She stated she [redacted]  
[redacted] and described him as [redacted]

[redacted] She went on to say she has never seen him  
away from her office, but the last time he came in to see  
her he showed her a [redacted] and  
mentioned his interest in this. She also recalled he claims  
to be [redacted] however, she has never seen his  
work.

[redacted] could furnish absolutely no infor-  
mation as to his whereabouts but did state the next time  
he is in she will attempt to find out how to reach him.

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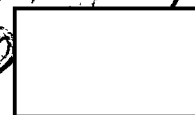
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

NORJAK

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

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2 - Portland  
③ - Seattle  
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7/5/78

TO: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile 164-2111

RE: ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW  
SUB NUMBER 933

Re Sacramento airtel to Seattle, 5/5/78; Seattle airtel to Portland, 5/24/78.

Contact with USA SIDNEY I. LEZAK, District of Oregon, Portland, Oregon, on 6/12/78, determined that USA LEZAK wished to have the matter of the means of obtaining RACKSTRAW's palm prints researched before taking any action. He advised he would have the matter researched and advise.

On 6/26/78, USA LEZAK advised he had turned the matter over to First AUSA [redacted] District of Oregon.

On 7/3/78, First AUSA [redacted] advised that he wishes to explore the possibility of obtaining RACKSTRAW's palm prints through some other means than a subpoena or a court order. He accordingly requested that the identity of the District Attorney of the locality in which RACKSTRAW is to be tried for murder be obtained and furnished to him, so that he may contact that District Attorney and discuss the matter with him.

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

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LEAD

SACRAMENTO

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA. Will obtain the name of the District Attorney prosecuting RACKSTRAW on local charges, and forward same to Portland Division to furnish to First AUSA [REDACTED] Will note that it is not clear from referenced Sacramento airtel to Seattle whether this would be the District Attorney of San Joaquin County or the District Attorney of Calaveras County.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.



## memorandum

DATE: 6/28/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SA [REDACTED]SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

RE: [REDACTED] *already*

Re memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 6/20/78.

Referenced communication indicated that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], Washington,  
telephonically advised that he had rented a house to  
[REDACTED] whose name he couldn't recall but who had  
[REDACTED] by the name of [REDACTED]

Based on information  
contained in the memorandum, Seattle was unable to  
determine if [REDACTED] is identical to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] that have been processed and eliminated  
as suspects in this matter.

In order that this identification might be  
made, the following lead is set out:

LEAD:SEATTLE DIVISION

At [REDACTED] Washington

Will contact [REDACTED] either at his home  
or through his employment at McKee Organ & Piano, 408  
North Tower, Centralia, Washington, phone 736-3822,  
and determine from him any and all background information  
concerning [REDACTED] including a physical description  
of him in order that he may be processed as a suspect  
in this matter.

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## memorandum

DATE: 6/20/78

REPLY TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (RUC) (3)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
CAA (A)  
OO: SEATTLEXX:  
TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

Re San Diego letter to Los Angeles, dated 6/7/78.

The following investigation was conducted at  
[redacted] California, by SA MARK LAFE THOMPSON:

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On 6/13/78, [redacted]  
[redacted] was interviewed at his residence. [redacted]  
[redacted] telephone [redacted] stated  
that he has never heard of a [redacted] He  
produced a California drivers license number [redacted] in the  
name of [redacted] showing he is a white male,  
born [redacted] 5'10", 170 pounds, white  
hair and blue eyes.

[redacted] stated that he owns an automobile  
registered in the State of Nevada and he also [redacted]  
[redacted] located at [redacted] Nevada; however,  
his permanent residence is in [redacted] California. He  
stated he had no knowledge of any hijacking attempt by anyone  
by the name of [redacted] or participating in any such activity  
himself.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

- ② Seattle  
1- Las Vegas (164-60) (Info)  
1- San Diego (164-91) (Info)  
1- San Francisco (164-220) (Info)  
1 Los Angeles

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on 6/14/78:

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At [redacted] Washington

[redacted] Driver Services  
Division, Washington State Department of Licensing, furnished  
a copy of Washington Driver's license [redacted]  
which was issued to [redacted]  
[redacted] Washington, and is to expire [redacted] This  
license bears a photograph of [redacted] along with the  
following description:

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Sex	Male
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Eyes	Blue
Weight	162 pounds
Height	6'2"

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The above mentioned copy of Washington Driver's  
license was placed in the 1A exhibit section of this file.

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## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
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☐ CLEAR

Date 7/6/78

TO : SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50)  
 FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
 OO: SEATTLE  
 BuFile 164-2111

Re: 

Re Sacramento airtel to Little Rock, dated 5/18/78;  
 and Little Rock letter to Seattle, dated 4/27/78.

LEADS:LITTLE ROCK DIVISIONAt Russellville and Dover, Arkansas

Will report results of investigation set forth in  
 Little Rock's letter to Seattle, dated 4/27/78.

SACRAMENTO DIVISIONAt Sacramento, California

Will through appropriate DMV sources attempt to  
 obtain photograph of  and forward same to Little Rock  
 and Seattle.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2 - Sacramento (164-50)  
 4 - Little Rock (164-22)  
 3 - Seattle (164-81)  
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TO : SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BuFile 164-2111Re: 

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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## CLASSIFICATION:

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Date 6/28/78

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

RE: [REDACTED]

In an attempt to determine if [REDACTED] might possibly be identical with UNSUB in this matter, the following leads are set forth and Las Vegas is requested to furnish the results of all investigation to the Bureau and Seattle:

LEADS:LAS VEGAS DIVISIONAt Las Vegas, Nevada

1. Will discreetly obtain credit and criminal information concerning [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED]

2. Will attempt to obtain a photograph of [REDACTED] either through Department of Motor Vehicle sources or from local police files.

3. Will determine if possible after obtaining sufficient descriptive data concerning [REDACTED] if he has any training as a pilot through records maintained by the Federal Aviation Administration and/or through his military record which should be on file in the military archives and available to the St. Louis Division.

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2 - Bureau  
 2 - Las Vegas  
 ③ - Seattle

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 FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
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7/18/78

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJACK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
Bufile 164-2111

Re: 

Re Portland's letter to San Francisco, 2/28/78;  
Portland airtel to San Francisco, 3/20/78.

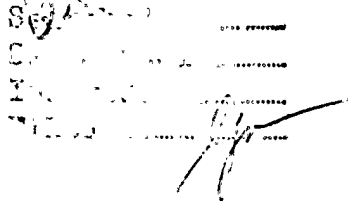
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requested to advise Seattle of the results of any investi-  
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7/18/78

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJACK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
Bufile 164-2111

Re:

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Portland airtel to San Francisco, 3/20/78.

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## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate☐ Priority☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET☐ SECRET☐ CONFIDENTIAL☐ E F T O☐ CLEARDate 7/18/78

TO : SAC, DENVER (164-98)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
Bufile 164-2111

Re: 

Re Portland airtel to Denver, 3/6/78.

Re communication set forth lead at  Colorado, to fully identify suspect  and conduct logical investigation to involve or eliminate him in this matter. To date, results of that investigation have not been received by the Seattle Office. Denver is requested to immediately forward results of that investigation to Seattle so that this very important hijacking case can be brought to a logical conclusion.

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## PRECEDENCE:

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TO : SAC, DENVER (164-98)  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
Bufile 164-2111

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## memorandum

DATE: 7/7/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:

SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT:

NORJAK (A)

OO: SEATTLE

BUfile 164-2111

TO:

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

RE: [REDACTED]

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Re Detroit letter to Seattle dated 6/8/78.

A review of [REDACTED] sub file reveals the following records of employment:

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Hastings Manufacturing Co.  
(Hastings Piston Ring Co.)  
Northwest Engine Service Co.  
(Piston Service, Inc.)  
Replacement Parts Warehouse  
(Gordon Buttles & Co.)  
Evergreen Warehouse  
Essex Automotive Parts  
(United Technology)

[REDACTED] (Approximate)

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Will contact appropriate personnel at the Gordon Buttles & Company, 4000 Aurora Building, telephone 632-1085, and determine if their employment records reflect if [REDACTED] was employed on [REDACTED] by their company.

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## memorandum

DATE: 7/7/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:

SA [REDACTED]

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

TO:

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

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## memorandum

DATE: 7/18/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SA [REDACTED]SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
Bufile 164-2111

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

RE: [REDACTED] aka [REDACTED]

Re memo of SA [REDACTED] 4/10/78; Seattle  
letter to Bureau, 4/10/78.

On 7/6/78, a copy of the driver's license photograph of [REDACTED] Washington, was obtained. Information on the driver's license indicated that [REDACTED] was born [REDACTED] sex - male, eyes - blue, weight - 162, and height - 6'2". Upon comparing the photograph of [REDACTED] to the artist's conceptions of the subject in the Norjak investigation, it is observed that [REDACTED] bears little resemblance to the unknown subject.

On 3/29/78, [REDACTED] Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office, advised that a [REDACTED] (protect), [REDACTED] is an individual [REDACTED] and may know of some more information concerning [REDACTED]

On 7/12/78, [REDACTED] (protect), supra, was discreetly contacted concerning [REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] was displayed a copy of the artist's conception for the unknown subject and the Norjak investigation. He advised that the individual depicted in the drawing in no way resembles [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] surmised that he was being questioned concerning a possible suspect in the Noriak investigation and he further advised [REDACTED] [REDACTED] further advised [REDACTED]

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that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] provided the above information in confidence and requested that his identity be protected.

[REDACTED] In light of the above information and the fact that fingerprints were not identified with the latent fingerprints developed in captioned investigation, it is suggested no further investigation be conducted concerning [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] This investigation indicates that [REDACTED] is most likely not the subject of the Norjack investigation.

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## memorandum

DATE: 7/19/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:

SA [REDACTED]

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

TO:

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

RE: SEARCH AREA - SUB E

On March 22, 1978, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Kirkland, Wash-  
ington, advised telephonically, that he was currently  
on Lake Merwin using his equipment and that he would  
call the Seattle Office of the FBI in a few days with  
results. [REDACTED] further advised that he was on Channel  
16 and his vessel number was [REDACTED] His call  
number was [REDACTED]

On 4/26/78, [REDACTED] again telephonically  
advised the Seattle Office that he had found in Lake  
Merwin what he thought was a body. [REDACTED] stated he  
was [REDACTED] to reach this unknown object  
and had to call off his search temporarily. [REDACTED] advised  
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up to date [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
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continue his search and would immediately advise the  
Longview RA or the Seattle Office of the FBI if any items  
of evidentiary nature were found. [REDACTED] was provided the  
following information at his request: The color of the  
parachute canopy used by D. B. COOPER; the description of  
his clothes and the approximate heading of the Norjak aircraft. [REDACTED] stated he was being aided in his underwater

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search by an [redacted] advised that [redacted] and he expected that [redacted] would be able to make any further dives into the water to determine what the unknown objects were if they were found by his electronic exploration activities in Lake Merwin.

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## memorandum

DATE: 7/19/78

REPLY TO  
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SA [REDACTED]

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

TO:

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SAC, DENVER (164-640)(P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
(BUFILE: 164-2111)

DATE: 8/15/78

RE:

COLORADO

Re Denver letter to Seattle, 7/28/78.

Enclosed herewith for the Seattle Division is one Colorado driver's license photograph, [redacted] which inadvertently was not furnished as enclosure to referenced Denver letter.

Investigation continuing Denver Division regarding additional suspects.

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2 - Seattle (Enc. 1)(RM)  
2 - Denver  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO :

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE:

7/28/78

FROM: *R/ym*

SAC, DENVER (164-640)(P)

SUBJECT:

NORJAK (A)  
OO: Seattle  
Bufile 164-2111

RE: [redacted] Colorado.

Re Portland airtel to Denver, dated 3/6/78.

Colorado driver's license number [redacted] reflected [redacted] residence address [redacted] [redacted] Colorado, was born [redacted] [redacted] is a Caucasian Male, 5'8" tall, 174 pounds, brown hair and eyes, Social Security Number [redacted]

On 5/22/78, [redacted] AMAX, Inc., Henderson Mine, Empire, Colorado, advised payroll records indicating dates employees worked are maintained at the AMAX Golden Office.

On 6/13/78, [redacted] AMAX, Inc., Golden, Colorado, advised she would attempt to locate payroll records for [redacted] on 2/17/68. She advised it would probably take several weeks to locate these records due to the age of the records.

On 7/6/78, [redacted] advised she had located the payroll records for [redacted] and according to the records, on 2/17/68, [redacted] was paid for an 8 hour shift which began at 12 midnight and ended at 8:00 AM. She advised records indicate that [redacted] during February of 1968, was working a graveyard shift all month.

Investigation continuing at the Denver Division regarding additional suspect.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- ② - Seattle (RM)  
2 - Portland (164-41)(Info)(RM)  
2 - Denver  
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The following investigation was conducted by SA

AT BOISE, IDAHO

On July 25, 1978, [ ] B & W ADVERTISING COMPANY, 1106 West State Street, advised his son, [ ] has been living in [ ] Oregon, since 1975. [ ] called him once or twice during that time. He has not seen his son nor received any mail from him since 1975. His son had been [ ] in [ ] which closed down, but was to start up again.

[ ] described his son as an exceptionally brilliant individual with outstanding writing and artistic abilities. His son won a full scholarship to [ ] but at last minute decided to [ ] instead of going to college. [ ] was always a very imaginable type of person, even to the point of fantasy. During his time in Vietnam, he developed a much deeper sense of imagination and could definitely be classified as "a BS" artist.

[ ] said his son never contacts him and he has no idea where his son can be reached. His only suggestion is that [ ] probably is living somewhere along the Oregon Coast.

On July 26, 1978, [ ] Boise State University, advised she was married to [ ] on [ ] and [ ] They have [ ] She said when [ ] The last time she heard anything from [ ] was when he [ ] They talked very briefly, and he left. He said nothing about what he was doing or where he was going. She has no idea where he can be reached, but suspects he is living somewhere in Oregon. She said she had no way of knowing if anything at all she learned about [ ]



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On July 26, 1978, [REDACTED]  
ST. ALPHONSUS HOSPITAL, and [REDACTED]  
advised she has not heard from her brother for approximately  
one year. Generally, [REDACTED] lives in Oregon and preferably  
on the coast. He comes to Boise occasionally to visit  
relatives, but lately he has limited his visits to his  
mother. He feels the family has turned against him. She  
has always been courteous to him and treated him well. Four  
years ago, she loaned him a substantial amount of money  
and never received a cent in repayment. [REDACTED] could be [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] She said he is [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and anyone who does not know him would immediately  
like him and believe everything he says.

When he visited with her, it was always a brief  
visit, after which he would say he had to go to keep an  
important appointment. She said she does not know where  
he is and does not expect him to visit her again, at least  
not in the near future.

On July 26, 1978, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] is her son,  
and he has been the source of many problems and heartaches  
for the family for years. She said she feels he may have  
[REDACTED] In fact, she took him  
[REDACTED] Washington, in  
1963, [REDACTED] is [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He is [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He is a talented painter and writer.  
He was commissioned to paint a portrait and was paid in  
advance, but he never produced. He last visited her  
during the latter part of June, 1978, at which time he  
said he had been living "up in the mountains" during the  
past winter. He had been on active duty with the U. S.  
Air Force for about three years. When he returned, he  
said he was in the [REDACTED] and that he  
was working with the [REDACTED] in Vietnam.  
[REDACTED] said she does not believe any of that.  
[REDACTED] left the Boise area and possibly went to Seattle,

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Washington, where he may be living with [REDACTED]  
a long-time friend, who is [REDACTED] possibly  
at Garfield School in or near Seattle. She said she  
would notify the FBI in the event she hears from him,  
but she would never be able to encourage him to contact  
the FBI direct, because he would become very irate and  
run away.

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## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 7/31/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
 FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26) (RUC)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
 OO: Seattle  
 Bufile #164-2111

Re Portland airtel to Butte, 6/16/78.

Enclosed for Seattle and Portland is an insert  
 disclosing investigation conducted at Boise, Idaho, by  
 SA

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The following investigation was conducted by SA

AT BOISE, IDAHO

On July 31, 1978,

[redacted] Boise (temporary address) voluntarily appeared at the Boise Resident Agency after he learned from his mother the Federal Bureau of Investigation was interested in talking to him. He said he was in Boise visiting his family for a week, after which he will travel to Seattle to work there. He has no specific address or job in Seattle as of this date.

He advised that he had lived in Stanley, Idaho, in a mountain cabin during the past winter and traveled to Seattle in early June, 1978. He stated that he is a creative writer and artist and during the past winter he spent his time painting for a living. He formerly was associated with the "North Coast Times" in Eagle, Oregon, which has folded.

[redacted] said that he has always been intrigued by this matter and considered it to be a matter suitable as the basis of a novel. He was always interested in why the individual hijacked the plane and how he could be successful.

[redacted] said that in 1974, he contacted a man named [redacted] (no address) in Portland, Oregon, because while he considers himself to be a creative writer he is more of a reporter than a novelist. [redacted] is a novelist. He discovered that [redacted] had a [redacted] therefore, he, [redacted] backed out of the deal with [redacted] to write a novel.

[redacted] said he has no "inside" story regarding the hijacking and was merely interested in the matter from a writer's point of view.

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He confirmed he lived with [REDACTED]  
and he was personally responsible for her being hospitalized  
for treatment of alcohol. For this, he fell into the  
bad graces of the [REDACTED] family.

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He emphatically [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	5'11"
Weight	170#
Hair	Brown, curly, collar-length
Eyes	Brown
Social Security Account #	[REDACTED]
Relatives	[REDACTED]
Mother	
Father	
Sister	
Ex-wife	

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## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 8/3/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
 FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26)(RUC)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
 OO: Seattle

Re Butte airtel to Seattle, 7/31/78.

Enclosed for Seattle are the original and one copy  
 of an investigative insert disclosing interview of   
 at Boise, Idaho, on 7/31/78.

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## memorandum

DATE: 7/11/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:

SAC, CHARLOTTE (164-101) (RUC)

SUBJECT:

NORJAK (A)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

(OO: SEATTLE)

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Re Seattle airtel to Charlotte, 6/23/78.

All logical investigation to locate the military record for the date of birth, place of birth, dates of service or Social Security Number of [redacted] who, approximately five years ago was an [redacted] in the [redacted] course at Fort Bragg, N. C., was done and reported in Charlotte communication dated 5/16/78. There are no records available at Fort Bragg, N. C., to reveal the needed information as set forth by the St. Louis Division.

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[redacted] Fort Bragg, N. C., was contacted on 7/6/78, and after checking her records for the year 1974, advised she was unable to locate any record for an individual by the name of [redacted] as ever residing during that period of time on the military reservation on Fort Bragg.

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On 7/6/78, [redacted] Fort Bragg, N. C., advised he has no records at this location on [redacted] but did state there is a possibility that a name check could be made if a dossier exists at the U. S. Army Intelligence Record Repository (USAIRR) at Fort Meade, Maryland. He stated it is possible a name check could be made which may contain either a date of birth, place of birth or Social Security Number if the individual, [redacted] had a background investigation or a dossier exists.

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[redacted] stated he knows of no other location at Fort Bragg, N. C., where the needed military information could be obtained and that the only other place that he knows of is the 201 file which would be at the National Personnel Record Center at St. Louis, Missouri, if in fact [redacted] has been discharged.

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Charlotte is unable to ascertain the date and place of birth, branch of service, military service number, dates of service or Social Security Number of [redacted] as stated above and also as shown in the communication of 5/16/78. Seattle may desire to furnish background information on this matter to Baltimore to have, if the possibility exists, a name check made of [redacted] through the U. S. Army Intelligence Record Repository at Fort Meade, Maryland. There is no other record available at Fort Bragg or in the Fayetteville, N. C., area whereby additional identifying or descriptive data of [redacted] could be obtained. As stated in Charlotte communication there were only two Instructors left at Fort Bragg who were here at the time [redacted] and as further shown in that communication one of the Sergeants presently at Fort Bragg advised that [redacted] was from either North or South Dakota and was discharged and upon his discharge he was reportedly returning to his home [redacted]

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In view of the above information no further inquiry is being made by the Charlotte Division.



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## TRANSMIT VIA:

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☒ Airtel

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ E F T O  
☐ CLEAR

Date 7/14/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
 FROM: *K/w* SAC, ST. LOUIS (164-63) (RUC)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAK  
 OO: SE

Re: Suspect  aka,

Re Denver airtel to St. Louis, 6/16/78.

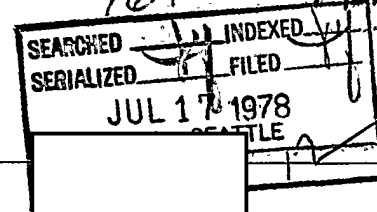
On 7/13/78, Personnel of the National Personnel Records Center (Military Branch), St. Louis, Missouri, advised that extensive search of morning reports to locate an organization known as

during period 1961 through 1963 met with negative results. Also, that the morning reports searched failed to disclosed the name  or variations thereof. Above personnel further advised efforts were made to locate a

during 1964 and 1965, however this search also met with negative results.

All persons contacted were apprised of the provisions of the Privacy Act and those requesting confidentiality have been so noted when confidentiality was granted. When limited confidentiality was granted, the limit of the grant has also been noted.

② - Seattle  
 1 - Denver (164-640) (Info.)  
 1 - St. Louis  
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## memorandum

DATE: 7/26/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:

SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT:

NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81 SUB G) (P)

RE: SUB G  
EVIDENCE

Re memo of SA [REDACTED] 7/5/78.

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On this same date 7/25/78, the photographs of 78 latent prints and one latent impression were furnished to the [REDACTED] of the Seattle Police Department for search in their computerized file. She stated that she would notify the agent as to when the search was completed.

LEADS:SEATTLE DIVISIONAt Seattle, Washington

Maintain contact with Seattle Police Department, Identification Section, for the results of a search in their file and thereafter obtain all photographs of latents previously furnished so that they may be furnished another agency for search of a similar file.

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## memorandum

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DATE: 7/26/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SA [REDACTED]

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

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81 SUB G) (P)

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*[Handwritten signature]*

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# Memorandum

TO :FILE (164-81)

DATE: 8/24/78

FROM :SAC JOHN M. REED

SUBJECT:NORJAK

*164-81-7136**Sub E*

[redacted] Kirkland, Wa. (telephone [redacted], telephonically contacted me and advised that he [redacted] Globe Insurance Company, which has the insurance policy for Northwest Airlines in this matter. He said he has been working on the possibility that UNSUB may have landed in Lake Merwin as he has, through use of [redacted] [redacted] located what he thinks is a body in 100-150 feet of water. He says he has been working on this theory and has searched a number of areas of Lake Merwin, and wanted specific information as to the possible landing area.

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I informed him that insofar as I could recall, the entire matter of exactly where he landed is conjecture due to a number of variables, i.e., wind on the night in question; size of chute; weight of the individual; period of time before UNSUB released parachute, etc.

This matter was referred to SA [redacted] in an attempt to resolve any of the questions which [redacted] may have.

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(1) *[initials]**Attnd DIC 9/5(N)*

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## memorandum

DATE: 8/22/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF

SAC, HONOLULU (164-85) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
(OO: SEATTLE)  
BUFILE 164-2111

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

Re Seattle airtel dated 5/23/78.

Photographs provided by Seattle Division with referenced airtel displayed to [redacted] Honolulu, 7/24/78. [redacted] advised only photograph possibly resembling [redacted] JACK COFFELT is the single photograph predominantly of the face and collar area. [redacted] advised the other photographs displaying the upper body and facial area did not resemble JACK COFFELT.

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② - Seattle  
1 - Honolulu  
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7/31/78

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)  
SUBJ: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Seattle airtel to Director, 6/28/78.

Attempts to locate [redacted] negative until 7/31/78, when a party at telephone number [redacted] answered the telephone and stated that the [redacted] had moved and that their location was not known.

The records of Las Vegas Metropolitan PD were reviewed on 7/13/78, and they are negative on [redacted]

In the State of Nevada, a photograph is displayed on the driver's license of each driver, however, no duplicate copy of that photograph is maintained by DMV.

SA [redacted] recalled that [redacted] in previous conversations, had indicated that he had been a military pilot in World War II. [redacted] also told [redacted] in some conversation some months ago that he planned to return to the State of Missouri.

Las Vegas will continue attempts to determine a new address for [redacted]

2 - Bureau  
1 - Seattle (164-81) (Info)  
1 - Las Vegas  
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DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

8/7/78

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

NORJAK (A)  
OO: Seattle

Re Las Vegas airtel to Director, 7/31/78.

A removal notice was filed with the U. S. Post Office, Las Vegas, Nevada, on 5/31/78, indicating that [redacted] had filed a change of address notice to [redacted] Oregon, as of 5/31/78.

Any information Seattle required from [redacted] Las Vegas feels [redacted] will readily admit. Leads to contact [redacted] in [redacted] Oregon, are being left to the discretion of the Office of Origin.

2 - Bureau  
② - Seattle (164-81)  
1 - Las Vegas  
DSG:arw  
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☐ Immediate  
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☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
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☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
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AIRTEL

Date 7/27/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
 FROM: *REU/RAC* SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (RUC)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
 OO: SEATTLE  
 BUFILE 164-2111

Re ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW Sub Number 933  
 [redacted]

Re Seattle airtel to Sacramento, 7/6/78.

On 7/26/78, [redacted] Calaveras County SO advised that he expected the trial of ROBERT RACKSTRAW was in its final stages and expected to be completed in two weeks.

The following investigation was conducted by SC  
 [redacted]

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA:

On 7/21/78, [redacted] California Department of Motor Vehicles, Driver's License Section, advised that a search of their files failed to locate any California driver's license for [redacted] date of birth [redacted] described as 6', 185 lbs., brown hair, and blue eyes.

No record could be located for [redacted] aka  
 [redacted]

No further investigation is outstanding in the Sacramento Division, therefore, this matter is being RUC'd at this time.

② - Seattle  
 2 - Little Rock (164-22)  
 1 - Sacramento  
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7/12/78

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAN (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
(BUFILE 164-2111)

933

RE: ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW  
SUB NUMBER 933

Re Portland airtel to Sacramento dated 7/5/78.

On 7/12/78, [REDACTED] Calavares County Sheriff's Office, advised that RACKSTRAW is currently on trial in Calavares County for murder and is being prosecuted by DA JOSEPH KILEY. He advised KILEY could be reached at number (209) 754-3837.

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On 7/12/78, contact with the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office, Stockton, California, revealed that the name of the Assistant DA handling the RACKSTRAW case in Stockton is [REDACTED]

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2 - Portland  
② - Seattle (164-81)  
2 - Sacramento  
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## CLASSIFICATION:

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Date 8/10/78

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

933

RE ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW  
 Sub #933

Re Portland airtel to Sacramento dated 7/5/78; and  
 Sacramento airtel to Portland dated 7/12/78.

Information contained in referenced Sacramento airtel  
 to Portland was furnished on 8/7/78 to First Assistant U.S.  
 Attorney [redacted] for the District of Oregon who had  
 been on vacation prior to that time.

On 8/8/78, AUSA [redacted] advised that he had been in  
 telephonic contact with the District Attorney of Calaveras  
 County, California, JOSEPH KILEY, and had determined that  
 suspect RACKSTRAW had been acquitted of the murder charge for  
 which he was tried in Calaveras County. [redacted] then  
 telephonically contacted Deputy District Attorney [redacted]  
 [redacted] of the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office, Stockton,  
 California. [redacted] advised [redacted] that suspect RACKSTRAW  
 is scheduled to be tried on various charges in San Joaquin  
 County beginning in September, 1978. Meanwhile, RACKSTRAW is  
 free on \$60,000 bail.

[redacted] related to [redacted] that he has worked very  
 closely for a number of years with the FBI Resident Agent at  
 Stockton, SA [redacted] and he thinks very highly of SA [redacted]  
 He stated that he would make every effort to see to it that  
 major case fingerprints of RACKSTRAW are obtained at some point  
 during the forthcoming prosecution in September, 1978.

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 2 - Sacramento (164-50)  
 2 - Portland

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LEADS

SACRAMENTO

AT STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA. Will maintain contact with Deputy District Attorney [REDACTED] for progress in his efforts to obtain major case fingerprints of suspect RACKSTRAW for elimination purposes in this matter.

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## CLASSIFICATION:

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Date 7/25/78

TO: SAC, PORTLAND *SUB 913*  
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (RUC) (3)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
 OO: Seattle

On 7/20/78, [redacted]  
 [redacted] Corona, California, telephone number [redacted]  
 advised she [redacted] ROGER HOWARD MASTERSON,  
 aka Howard Roger Masterson, Howard Roger Mastenson, Howard  
 McGill, Howard Roger Kuskie. She described MASTERSON as a  
 White male, born 10/6/43, in Oregon, 5'9"-5'10", 145 to  
 155 pounds, dark brown hair, hazel eyes, medium complexion.

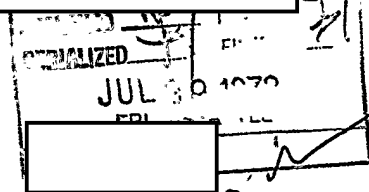
She said [redacted]  
 [redacted] numerous states  
 including Oregon where MASTERSON had many relatives. In  
 1970, MASTERSON was arrested in the Los Angeles, California,  
 area on a Colorado warrant, charging him with writing bad  
 checks.

She said MASTERSON was returned to Colorado,  
 convicted and served about 1½ years at the State prison at  
 Buena Vista, Colorado.

[redacted] said she [redacted]  
 [redacted] She believed MASTERSON was released from  
 prison in October 1971, at which time he moved to Portland,  
 Oregon. She never had any contact with MASTERSON after his  
 imprisonment in 1970 except through [redacted]

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 1 - Los Angeles

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[ ] said that she was notified 6/1/72, that MASTERSON was found dead in his Portland apartment by [ ] (LNU).

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[ ] said she was living in Corona when MASTERSON died, however, Portland PD detectives telephonically contacted her regarding MASTERSON as they were investigating his cause of death; and she does not know if this has ever been resolved. She said one of the Portland police officers who contacted her was [ ]

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[ ] also said she saw a copy of the autopsy report concerning MASTERSON and there were physical discrepancies in the report. For instance, [ ] said the autopsy report described the deceased (MASTERSON) as a much larger man than MASTERSON and also described the deceased as having all of his natural teeth. She claimed MASTERSON had dentures or a partial plate in the upper front teeth area.

[ ] said she has always had a doubt in her mind as to whether or not it was actually MASTERSON that died.

[ ] said that she [ ] MASTERSON's [ ]

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[ ] said she has never been close to [ ] however, over the most recent 4th of July holiday [ ] dropped by her Corona residence unannounced and stayed several days. During this visit, [ ] said she [ ] MASTERSON and [ ] remarked, "I always suspected he (MASTERSON) did the COOPER hijacking in Oregon."

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[ ] said [ ] did not elaborate further and nothing additional was said about the hijacking.

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[ ] examined the artist drawings of unknown subject, aka DAN COOPER. [ ] said there was a definite resemblance between MASTERSON and the unknown subject.

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[ ] said she had no knowledge of MASTERSON having any experience with parachutes, but she believed he took a few private flying lessons in the mid 1960's in Van Nuys, California.

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[redacted] MASTERSON he smoked Viceroy, Marlboro and Tareyton cigarettes.

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[redacted] said that MASTERSON [redacted] lived at [redacted] Beaverton, Oregon. [redacted] said [redacted] was familiar with MASTERSON's activities prior to his death and she would know [redacted] whereabouts.

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She said [redacted] lives at [redacted] Portland, and works at Mier and Frank Department Store, Portland.

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PORTLAND

AT PORTLAND, OREGON: Contact Portland PD for information regarding MASTERSON.

(2) Interview [redacted] (LNU) concerning MASTERSON as possible suspect in this case.

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(3) Interview [redacted] regarding her reported suspicions of MASTERSON being involved in this case.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
(OO: Seattle)

DATE: 8/2/78

*Aug 9/3*

Re suspect HOWARD ROGER MASTERSON.

Re Los Angeles airtel to Portland dated 7/25/78.

For information of Los Angeles and Seattle, on 7/25/78, [redacted] Washington County Sheriff's Office, Hillsboro, Oregon, furnished the following information:

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HOWARD ROGER MASTERSON, white male, DOB 10/6/46, was found dead of a drug overdose in Washington County on 5/30/72. The Washington County Sheriff's Office conducted the necessary investigation which included the positive identification of MASTERSON by several immediate relatives. Investigation was conducted under their case number 72-3108. The investigation established, in addition to the positive identity of MASTERSON, the fact that the death was due to voluntary ingestion of drugs.

[redacted] continued that recently several relatives of MASTERSON, more distant than the ones who identified him at the time of his death, have raised the question as to whether MASTERSON may still be alive, and as a result it has been suggested that the buried body be exhumed for re-identification. [redacted] stated his office is completely satisfied with the validity of the identification and does not intend to go any further with the idea. He stated the people that raised the doubts alleged that they felt there was a possibility that MASTERSON was still alive and living in Mexico using the last name COOPER. He said that these individuals inferred that possibly MASTERSON might have been identical with UNSUB in captioned case.

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[redacted] pointed out he is personally satisfied

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1 - Los Angeles (164-497)  
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PD 164-41

that MASTERSON could have had nothing to do with the captioned matter because of the vast discrepancy in age and physical description. He stated he feels it is merely a ruse, those members of the family desirous of establishing re-identification to bring pressure to bare for such an operation. He stated he was advising the Portland FBI Office inasmuch as members of the family indicated that they were going to take the matter to the FBI since they had been turned down by the sheriff's office.

In view of the above circumstances and considering the considerable discrepancy in age and description, it is not belived necessary for the FBI to take any further action in this matter, and accordingly Portland plans no further action concerning this suspect.

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SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

Enclosed for Minneapolis and Seattle is one photo  
each of [redacted] *OnR*

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On 6/27/78, [redacted] Nevada Gaming  
Control Board (NGCB), Carson City, Nevada, advised that she  
has conducted extensive background of one, [redacted]

[redacted] for [redacted]  
[redacted] Nevada. [redacted] is described as follows:

Race  
Sex  
Nationality  
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Height  
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Complexion  
Education

White  
Male  
American

[redacted]  
6'2 1/2"  
180 pounds  
Blue  
Brown  
Tan

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[redacted] explained that she thought that perhaps [redacted]  
could be the infamous "D. B. COOPER" since his connections in  
[redacted]

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2 - Minneapolis (Enc. 1)  
② - Seattle (Enc. 1) *RCB*  
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and has resided at [redacted]  
Oregon. She further explained that [redacted]  
[redacted] early 1970, and then suddenly shows  
considerable wealth [redacted] It is  
noted that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] was interviewed by Buagents and stated  
that on 11/24/71 he was at his home with his family. to  
the best of his recollection, [redacted]  
[redacted] California.

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] afraid of  
flying\* and further he could never parachute. However,  
he stated that at one time he [redacted]  
[redacted] and tried to learn to fly it but never  
soloed. He remarked he smokes 3-4 cigarettes a day, often  
Marlboros and bums cigarettes often from others.

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[redacted] could only suggest that members of his  
family could perhaps verify his whereabouts on 11/24-25/71  
(Thanksgiving time) and they would be [redacted]  
[redacted]

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activities.

A review of the LV file in this matter revealed  
that the person purporting to be D. B. COOPER is described  
as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Age	50's
Complexion	Dark olive
Height	5' 10" - 6'
Weight	175 pounds
Hair	Black, parted on left side, side burns below ears, dark glasses. Smoked Raleigh filter tip cigarettes and seemed quite intelligent.



LV 164-60

It is further noted that the skyjacking occurred on Wednesday evening, 11/24/71 of a North West Orient Flight out of Seattle, Washington, that terminated in Reno, Nevada.

LEAD:

MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION

At Offices of North West Orient Airlines

Ascertain location of stewardesses and display photo in photo line-up.



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/17/78

[redacted]  
[redacted] Northwest Flight 305, on November 25,  
1971, viewed a photograph of [redacted]  
and advised [redacted] is not identical to the man who  
hijacked Flight 305.

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Interviewed on 8/15/78 at Inver Grove Heights, File # MP-164-73  
Minnesota  
by SA [redacted] /wrl Date dictated 8/15/78

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## memorandum

DATE: 9/21/78

REPLY TO: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

OO: SEATTLE

RE: [REDACTED]

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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Re Las Vegas letter to Minneapolis, 7/11/78.

Enclosed for San Diego and Denver are one copy  
 of referenced letter, and one copy of photo of suspect  
 [REDACTED] Enclosed for Seattle are the  
 original and one copy of an FD-302 of [REDACTED]

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b7CLEADDENVERAT DENVER, COLORADO

Interview [REDACTED] and display photo  
 of [REDACTED] in photo spread.

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b7CSAN DIEGOAT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Interview [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] and display photo of [REDACTED] in  
 photo spread.

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② - Seattle (Enc. 2) *rec'd*  
 2 - Denver (Enc. 2)  
 2 - San Diego (Enc. 2)  
 1 - Minneapolis  
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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
☐ Facsimile  
☒ Airtel

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 10/11/78

TO: SAC, BALTIMORE

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: Seattle  
Bufile 164-2111

Re   


Enclosed for Baltimore are copies of Seattle airtel to St. Louis dated 6/7/78 and Charlotte letter to Seattle, dated 7/11/78. The enclosed communications are self-explanatory and point out that  is one of the suspects in captioned matter, and Baltimore is requested to check through the U. S. Army Intelligence Record Repository at Fort Meade, Maryland, in an effort to obtain identifying data on

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2 - Baltimore (Enc. 2)

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FM CLEVELAND (164-88)(RUC)

TO SEATTLE (164-81) ROUTINE

LAS VEGAS ROUTINE

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NORJAK; OO: SEATTLE.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION PROVIDED FOR WHATEVER ACTION IS  
DEEMED APPROPRIATE.

[REDACTED] YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO,  
TELEPHONE [REDACTED], ADVISED [REDACTED]

WHITE FEMALE, DOB [REDACTED], OHIO, 5'5-1/2"  
TALL, 150-160 POUNDS, BRUNETTE, HAZEL EYES, IS CURRENTLY TRAVELING  
WITH INDIVIDUAL UTILIZING THE NAME [REDACTED] SSAN-

[REDACTED] WHITE MALE, 5'9", 170 POUNDS, MEDIUM LENGTH DARK  
BROWN HAIR PARTED ON LEFT, FAIR COMPLEXION, [REDACTED]  
WELL-DRESSED, APPROXIMATELY 45 YEARS OLD, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] HAS INDICATED HE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] BELIEVES [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

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DURING TELEPHONE CONVERSATION ON AUGUST 14, 1978,  
BETWEEN [REDACTED], WHO CALLED FROM LAUDERDALE  
SEACH MOTEL, FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, [REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] BY UNKNOWN MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO  
RENO, NEVADA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] CLAIMS TO BE EXTREMELY  
WEALTHY.

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TELEPHONE INQUIRIES MADE BY [REDACTED] IN ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE  
[REDACTED] CURRENT WHEREABOUTS AND TO PERSUADE HER TO RETURN  
HOME REVEALED [REDACTED] HAS WORKED IN MC CARREN AIRPORT, LAS VEGAS,  
NEVADA, UTILIZING DOB OF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] HAS STAYED AT [REDACTED] LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, AND  
ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] WAS REMEMBERED [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ALSO ADVISED WHILE [REDACTED] WERE TRAVELING IN  
FLORIDA THEY RESIDED AT HOLIDAY INN, [REDACTED] (PHONETIC),

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FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA.

[REDACTED] DURING WEEK OF JULY 21, 1978, AT HOLIDAY  
INN, ATLANTIC CITY, RECENTLY OPENED GAMBLING ESTABLISHMENT,  
WHERE HE [REDACTED]  
WAS WITH [REDACTED] IN ATLANTIC CITY DURING WEEK OF  
JULY 21 AND BELIEVES [REDACTED] REACTED AS THOUGH HE RECOGNIZED  
[REDACTED] COMMENTED TO [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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ABOVE DATA IS BEING PROVIDED BECAUSE OF SIMILARITY IN  
DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB IN CAPTIONED CASE WITH DESCRIPTION PROVIDED  
FOR INDIVIDUAL UTILIZING NAME [REDACTED] AND, IN ADDITION,  
HIS APPARENT CONNECTION AND FAMILIARITY WITH LAS VEGAS - RENO  
AREA. [REDACTED] COULD BE AS RESULT OF INJURIES  
SUSTAINED DURING BAILOUT.

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7/12/78

TO : SAC, MIAMI  
FROM : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (149-131)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

For Miami Office, the following information was obtained re the possible identity of D. B. COOPER, Fugitive Subject, in the Seattle "NORJAK" case.

On 6/16/78, [redacted] Las Cruces, New Mexico, work telephone [redacted] contacted Agents at the Las Cruces Resident Agency. He advised that he had a possible lead on D. B. COOPER - Fugitive.

[redacted] stated that due to a recently aired television program describing the COOPER hijacking, he had begun to reflect on an acquaintance of his in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and his possible connection as the individual known as D. B. COOPER.

[redacted] said that shortly after [redacted] he joined a loose-knit group known as the South Florida Parachute Association, which was dedicated to sport parachuting. One of the founders of that club was [redacted] whom he described as a white male with light brown hair, and light colored eyes, 6', 100-170 lbs., medium build. [redacted] stated that [redacted] would not be in his late 40's, or early 50's.

In 1958, [redacted] had made between [redacted] sport jumps under all types of conditions, and was involved in sport parachuting to the point that [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he [redacted] and did not see [redacted] again until approximately the spring of [redacted] when he [redacted] in Ft. Lauderdale. Present in the house when he arrived was [redacted] (name unknown), and [redacted] who [redacted] remembers as having graduated approximately the same time as he had from [redacted]

- 2 - Miami (RAM)
- ② - Seattle (164-31) (RAM)
- 2 - Albuquerque

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[ ] said that this [ ] name unknown, was an accomplished pilot. After inviting [ ] in and [ ] which [ ] described as an [ ] and continued their conversation.

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This was the [ ] had with [ ] He stated that he believed [ ] worked at that time for a bakery, possibly Holsum Bread [ ] His name was in the 1968 phone book, and he lived in the [ ] Ft. Lauderdale. [ ] stated that [ ] was an ex-paratrooper, and had said to him on one occasion [ ]

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It should be noted that [ ] is well-known to local law enforcement agencies and is generally considered to be [ ] He has been interviewed on two other occasions by Bureau personnel, and admitted to them during one of these interviews, that he [ ]

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It should also be noted that the description given for [ ] differed somewhat from that of UNSUB, aka D. B. COOPER, given in Seattle report "NORJAK", dated 5/30/73.

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[ ] requested at the time of the interview that he not be identified to [ ] as the individual who supplied this information.

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#### LEADS

#### MIAMI DIVISION

#### AT FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

Will check indices and local law enforcement agency files for any past contact with [ ] and will investigate further, if indicated.

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☐ Teletype☐ Facsimile☒ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate☐ Priority☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 9/14/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (164-552) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK(A)  
(OO: Seattle)

Re Albuquerque airtel to Miami, 7/12/78.

On 7/24/78, a review of the indicated Ft. Lauderdale, Florida City Directory disclosed the following information:

The 1972 Directory reflects [redacted] as residing at [redacted] Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. [redacted] is shown to be [redacted] for Merita Bakeries, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

The 1977-1978 Telephone Directory reflects [redacted] as residing at [redacted] Oakland Park, Florida.

On 8/7/78, it was determined that records of the Broward County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) and the Ft. Lauderdale, Florida Police Department were negative with regard to [redacted]

On 8/9/78, it was determined that files of the Oakland Park, Florida Police Department were also negative regarding [redacted]

On 8/14/78, a pretext telephone call to Merita Bakeries, 4280 N. Dixie Highway, Oakland Park, Florida, disclosed that [redacted] was still employed at that location.

2 - Seattle  
1 - Albuquerque (149-131) (Info)  
1 - Miami  
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Approved: [redacted]

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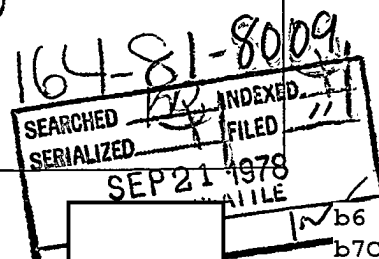
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Per [redacted]

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During the period 8/14/78 through 8/23/78, several attempts were made to contact [ ] at his place of employment and at his place of residence. All attempts met with negative results as [ ] was never found to be at his place of employment or at his place of residence.

On 8/28/78, [ ] was contacted at his place of employment; that is, Merita Bakeries, Oakland Park, Florida. At that time, he provided the following information:

He has been employed with Merita Bakeries for approximately [ ]. He was so employed during November, 1971. He has never been in the northwest portion of the United States; specifically, he has never been in Oregon or Washington.

[ ] was noted to be a white male, and he advised he was born [ ]. He is 5'11" tall, and has weighed between 150 and 160 pounds for the past 15 to 20 years. He has [ ].

He was [ ]. [ ] however, as the years passed, he became less and less involved in skydiving. Only on occasions, does he now jump. In [ ]

She now resides at [ ] Margate, Florida, which was his place of residence at the time of the D. B. COOPER hijacking.

In his denial that he is identical to the individual known as D. B. COOPER, who hijacked a Northwest Orient Airlines flight on 11/24/71, [ ] stated he was not quite sure how he would be able to establish his whereabouts on the specific date of 11/24/71. He feels that [ ] that he was in the South Florida area on that particular date. Also, since he has been an employee of Merita Bakeries for approximately [ ] the possibility exists that payroll records might establish his presence in the Ft. Lauderdale area on 11/24/71. If the need should arise, [ ] was of the opinion that he could probably find a photograph of himself taken sometime around 1971.

On 9/11/78, [ ] telephonically advised that he had been in touch with his [ ] Merita Bakeries, 561 N. W. 32nd Street, Miami, Florida, who



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advised him that he [ ] could only locate employment and/or payroll records for [ ] as far back as 1972. [ ] was unable to locate any records prior to 1972.

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On 9/11/78, [ ] [ ] Margate, Florida, telephone number [ ] advised [ ] in November, 1971. To the best of her knowledge, [ ] was not away from home for any period of time during November, 1971. Also, if memory serves her correctly, it was in early or mid-November, 1971 that [ ] [ ] in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. For some reason, 11/22/71 comes to her mind as being the [ ] [ ] requested, however, [ ]

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During interview of [ ] it was noted that he [ ]

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Miami indices regarding [ ] are negative.

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Due to the absence of any additional information to suggest that [ ] should be considered as being identical to UNSUB, aka D. B. Cooper, unless advised to the contrary by Office of Origin, no further inquiries regarding [ ] are being made and this matter is being placed in an RUC.

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CONSIDER UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE

DATE: 9/25/78

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)

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On 9/19/78, a source of the Las Vegas Division advised that he has received information that one [redacted] [redacted] also known as [redacted] may be the unknown subject in captioned matter.

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[redacted] is described as follows:

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Race	White Adult
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Height	63"
Weight	180 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown, wears thick glasses
Address	[redacted]
Social Security Account Number	[redacted]

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[redacted] at present lives at [redacted] with a [redacted] and is attempting to [redacted]

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Source has advised that [redacted] is originally from the Seattle area and has been in Reno for the past six to eight years. [redacted] is a skydiver and is quite knowledgeable regarding aircraft. [redacted] seems to have a great deal of money.

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- ② - Seattle  
1 - Las Vegas  
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Source is attempting to obtain more details and also get serial numbers from some currency [ ] has.

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LEADS:

SEATTLE DIVISION:

At Seattle, Washington:

Conduct credit and arrest check re [ ] under that name and [ ]

P.D. , KCSO, CREDIT - 10/2/79 -  
*negative*

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LAS VEGAS DIVISION:

At Reno, Nevada:

When results of investigation by Seattle is received locate and interview [ ] particularly as to his whereabouts on 11/24-25/71.

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## memorandum

DATE: 8/18/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:

SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT:

NORJAK ✓  
OO: SEATTLE

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

RE: [REDACTED] *sub.*

Attached is one page of information provided by a [REDACTED] (PROTECT IDENTITY). [REDACTED] has known [REDACTED] source of this information, for several years and feels [REDACTED] is a reliable individual.

Subsequent to [REDACTED] providing this information, he advised that the suspect, [REDACTED] lives at [REDACTED] Snohomish, Washington. [REDACTED], approximately [REDACTED] east of Snohomish on the south side of [REDACTED] which goes to [REDACTED] is marked by a prominent sign along the highway.

[REDACTED] home telephone in [REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

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1. [REDACTED] contacted 9/15/78. -

*No additional info*2. [REDACTED] contacted 9/20/78 -  
[REDACTED] much too young. - [REDACTED] does not answer  
descriptive.

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SAC, LITTLE ROCK

10/5/78

SAC, DENVER (164-640)(RUC)

NORJAK

OO: SEATTLE

RE:

ReMPlatter to SE, 9/21/78, and LV letter to MP,  
7/11/78.

Enclosed for Little Rock is one copy each of  
referenced letters and one photo of [REDACTED]

Denver file reflects that [REDACTED] was  
last known to reside in [REDACTED] Arkansas.

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LITTLE ROCK

AT [REDACTED] ARKANSAS

Will display photo of [REDACTED] in spread to  
[REDACTED]

- 2 - Little Rock (Enc. 3)(RM)
- 1 - San Diego (INFO)(RM)
- ② - Seattle (164-81)(RM)
- 1 - Denver

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DB Cooper-16819



# Memorandum

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

DATE: 8/10/78

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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

RE: [REDACTED]

Re Seattle memo of SA [REDACTED] 6/28/78.

On 7/27 and 8/2/78, attempts were made to contact [REDACTED] and at McKee Organ & Piano Company, Centralia, Washington, with negative results.

On 8/4/78, [REDACTED] McKee Organ & Piano Company, 408 North Tower, Centralia, Washington, advised that in [REDACTED] he had determined that the [REDACTED] known to him had resided on

[REDACTED] Aberdeen, Washington, during the early 1970's. He stated they could not recall the [REDACTED] but he did recall that [REDACTED]

He again described [REDACTED] as a white male in his late [REDACTED] 6'0" to 6'1", 180 pounds, medium build, color of hair, possibly sandy or light brown, and thinning on top.

On 8/4/78, [REDACTED] Aberdeen, Washington, Police Department, made available her records which reflected the following information concerning [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] date of birth [REDACTED] a white male, 6'2", 185 pounds, brown eyes, gray hair and balding.

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LEADS:

SEATTLE DIVISION

At Seattle, Washington

Will review this file and determine if in fact  
[REDACTED] has already been previously  
eliminated by investigation.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) [REDACTED] (P)

DATE: 8/22/78

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FROM : SC [REDACTED]

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

RE: [REDACTED]

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Rememo SA [REDACTED] 6/16/78.

On 7/8/78, the files of the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] were reviewed and [REDACTED]  
were found [REDACTED]  
the [REDACTED] time period.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] on  
2/19/70.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] From review  
[REDACTED]

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He is described as follows:

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Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Height:	67 inches
Weight:	140 lbs.
Hair:	Blonde
Eyes:	Blue
DOB:	[REDACTED]
FBI No:	[REDACTED]

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A photo of [REDACTED] is attached

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TRANSMIT VIA:

PRECEDENCE:

CLASSIFICATION:

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☐ FACSIMILE  
☒ AIRTEL

☐ IMMEDIATE  
☐ PRIORITY  
☐ ROUTINE

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
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DATE: 8/28/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (RUC)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

Re Cleveland teletype to Seattle, 8/17/78.

There is no record at McCarran International Airport, Las Vegas, Nevada, relative to the employment of one [redacted]

[redacted] Las Vegas, Nevada, was contacted on 8/25/78, and stated that [redacted] and that in fact [redacted] stated that [redacted]

[redacted] also stated that he had received a call from the Youngstown, Ohio, Police Department relative to [redacted]

Las Vegas is conducting no further investigation relative to [redacted]

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1 - Las Vegas  
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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on September 22, 1978, at Russellville,  
Arkansas:

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A confidential source advised as follows:

On July 26, 1972, [ ] came to the Peoples  
Bank and Trust Company, Russellville, Arkansas, wanting a  
\$50,000 line of credit [ ]  
[ ] had moved to Russellville and had  
obtained [ ] for Russellville and was  
[ ],  
[ ] was reportedly going to provide \$40,000  
of his own money to get the business going and was wanting  
the \$50,000 line of credit [ ]

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As background information [ ] advised that he had  
lived in Oklahoma; Kentucky; Nashville, Tennessee; and  
California before moving to Russellville. He said while in  
Nashville and California he [ ]  
He said in Oklahoma he [ ]  
[ ]. He said he also [ ]  
in Oklahoma. He said that his income from his business in  
Oklahoma in 1971 was over [ ] and that he expected to  
make approximately that same amount of money in 1972. He  
indicated that he fills out his own income tax returns and  
is current and has never been audited by the Internal Revenue  
Service.

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[ ] was asked for two credit references and he  
gave two banks as his credit references. He was asked for  
trade references and he gave two trade references. Those  
credit and trade references are as follows:

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Bank of America  
Santa Paula, California

Citizens Security Bank  
Bixby, Oklahoma

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JWP/jfm

Mikado Enterprises  
Oakland, California  
Telephone number 415-956-4151

Ampex Corporation  
Dallas, Texas  
Telephone number 214-637-5100

Source began calling the credit references and trade references given by [ ] and at the Bank of America, Santa Paula, California, source talked with a [ ] [ ], who knew [ ] personally. [ ] said [ ] had a checking account at her bank for approximately two years with the balance averaging in the low three figures and his account, which was very satisfactory, was closed in 1970. She said [ ] the Pontiac dealership in Santa Paula.

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At the Citizens Security Bank, Bixby, Oklahoma, source talked with [ ] who said that [ ] opened his account in 1970 and that his account averaged four figures and was satisfactory. She said her bank had not extended any credit to [ ] but had handled drafts drawn [ ] and those had been taken care of satisfactorily by [ ] had approximately [ ] on account at that bank at that time and [ ] was introduced to that bank by a [ ] [ ] telephone number [ ]

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Source talked with [ ] of Mikado Enterprises, Oakland, California, telephone number [ ] and [ ] said his company had sold to [ ] since July, 1971, under the trade name of [ ] and that he had [ ] He said the highest amount of credit extended to [ ] was \$10,000 and that he had always paid as agreed. He said shipments were shipped to [ ]

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JWP/jfm

The source talked with [redacted] of the Ampex Corporation, Dallas, Texas, telephone number [redacted] and [redacted] said he had known [redacted] for two years and that [redacted] pays well and he would highly recommend extending credit to him. [redacted] said the highest amount Ampex drafted on [redacted] was \$20,000 and the experience with [redacted] had been very satisfactory.

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The source said he requested the International Bank of Tulsa to check with the Secretary of State in Oklahoma regarding financial statements filed by [redacted]. Source said it was learned that in June, 1971, and September, 1971, [redacted] did file financial statements with the Secretary of State of Oklahoma in which he listed that his [redacted]

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The source stated that he later learned that [redacted] and when source asked [redacted] about that [redacted] informed him that the [redacted] and that he had later gone back into court and requested the [redacted]

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The source said his bank did not extend credit to [redacted] in 1972 because the bank learned that [redacted] had contacted several other banks in the area requesting that they also extend credit to him in connection with [redacted]



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JWP:cwb

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

Through inquiries at Russellville, Arkansas, information has been developed that there are two persons residing in the Russellville area named [redacted]. Neither of those individuals reside at [redacted] Russellville.

[redacted] is a white male, DOB [redacted], 5'10", 200 pounds, hazel eyes, gray hair, and he resides in an [redacted] Russellville. He has a mailing address of [redacted] Russellville. He holds a [redacted]

[redacted] which he completed in 1974. He completed the work for his [redacted] in 1971. Investigation has developed that [redacted] at Arkansas Tech University in Russellville since 1973. He is [redacted] at the college.

The other [redacted] is a white male, DOB [redacted], SSAN [redacted], 6' tall, 185 pounds, brown hair (graying) and blue eyes. He resides at [redacted] Dover, Arkansas. He formerly [redacted] in Russellville and he is now [redacted] and [redacted] Russellville.

In late July 1978, [redacted] is supposed to have a grand opening of [redacted] and the local newspapers have been contacted to cover that opening and take photographs of [redacted] and his employees. At the present time, however, [redacted] has long hair, down to his shoulders, and a full beard. Based on his current physical characteristics, it is felt that a current photograph of [redacted] will be of questionable value for identification purposes.

Several contacts have been made since May 18, 1978, with [redacted] Russellville Police Department, and [redacted] Prosecuting Attorney's Office, 5th Arkansas Judicial Circuit, Russellville. They advised

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they have made numerous inquiries in the Russellville area concerning [ ] in an effort to determine if [ ] was in this area in late 1971, but their efforts have been negative.

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On July 3, 1978, [ ]  
Bank of Dover, Dover, Arkansas, advised as follows:

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In 1971 he was employed as a [ ] of Peoples Bank and Trust Company in Russellville, Arkansas. About the middle of that year it was reported that a man named [ ] who was living in Oklahoma and had a [ ] in Oklahoma and had made a lot of money in his [ ] was going to be moving back to Arkansas. At that time it was felt that it would be advantageous to Peoples Bank and Trust Company if they could get [ ] account since he reportedly had made a lot of money in the [ ] [ ] did come to Peoples Bank and Trust Company in Russellville and open an account, but as he recalls it, [ ] never deposited very much money in Peoples Bank and Trust Company and during the time he had his account there, his balance was never very high. At that same time [ ] purchased some property from a [ ] who lives near Dover, Arkansas. The property consisted of about [ ] and the purchase price was approximately [ ] For that land [ ] paid either [ ] [ ] paid the money in cash and there was no mortgage on the property. He believes [ ] bought an adjoining [ ] at that same time and also paid cash. He recalls the time as being in the early fall of 1971 because when [ ] opened his account at the bank just before purchasing the property for cash, he came into the bank wearing short sleeves. He knows the weather was warm at that time. After [ ] opened his account at the bank and purchased the property from [ ] he believes [ ] went back to Oklahoma and stayed for a period of time before returning to Russellville permanently.

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[ ] advised that when [ ] came back to Russellville in 1972 he purchased some property on [ ] which is [ ] and in about 1973

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[redacted] on the property which was [redacted]  
[redacted] for which [redacted] had  
[redacted] in Russellville. During that time [redacted]  
[redacted] of the Peoples Bank and Trust Company in Russellville,  
checked on the background of [redacted] since [redacted] was  
borrowing money in connection with the building of his [redacted]  
[redacted]. He believes that [redacted] found that [redacted]  
had been in a [redacted]  
and [redacted] said he was not at the Bank of  
Dover in 1973, but that he had located in the records of that  
bank from a meeting of the Board of Directors on December 13,  
1973, that the Bank of Dover had its first dealings with  
[redacted] on that date. He said [redacted] appeared  
before the Board of Directors on December 13, 1973, and indicated  
that [redacted]  
through that bank and that he would open up a business account  
at the Bank of Dover if he could do that. [redacted] also said that  
he would give the Bank of Dover his personal account. At that  
meeting it was recommended that [redacted] be loaned money  
by the Bank of Dover [redacted]  
[redacted] did open his business account [redacted] at the Bank  
of Dover after that, and he kept that account at the Bank of  
Dover until November 1977, when he closed it. The high balance  
in that business account was between [redacted] although  
[redacted] in that business  
account. [redacted] ago to  
a man named [redacted]

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[redacted] opened his personal account at the Bank  
of Dover on June 7, 1977. His high balance in that account was  
[redacted], which was on August 15, 1977. He closed out that  
personal account in late 1977. After [redacted]  
[redacted] ago he went into the [redacted]  
[redacted]. He then opened an account at the Bank of Dover in  
the name [redacted]. The high in that account was [redacted]  
which was on June 10, 1977. That account was [redacted]  
[redacted] it was open. That account was also closed  
in late 1977. [redacted] currently has no account at the  
Bank of Dover.

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On July 10, 1978, land records at Russellville, Arkansas. were checked to determine if the deed from [ ] [ ] was recorded in 1971, so that a purchase date of the [ ] could be established. No record was located to verify that deed was ever recorded.

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Efforts to locate [ ] at Russellville, Dardanelle, and Dover, Arkansas, where he was reportedly working were negative during the past several weeks.

On September 1, 1978, [ ] Russellville, Arkansas, telephone [ ] advised as follows:

He first met [ ] in 1968 at Santa Paula, California. [ ] was working as [ ] for a [ ]. At that time [ ] was about [ ] years old. As far as he knows, [ ] has never been in the military and has never had any experience in flying or parachuting. In 1971 [ ] moved back to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and at that time he understands that [ ] opened up a [ ] in Nashville, Tennessee. His [ ] there was reportedly [ ] got out of the [ ] in Nashville.

He ran into [ ] again in the spring of 1971 at Lonoke, Arkansas. At that time [ ] and [ ] several members of his family were setting up a [ ]. The business apparently did not do well and in that same spring of 1971, [ ] left Lonoke and went to Oklahoma.

In 1973 he talked with [ ] and [ ] told him that after they arrived in Oklahoma in 1971, [ ] but they were able to get the [ ] going and after that they did make a lot of money in the [ ].

On September 13, 1978, [ ] Russellville, Arkansas, advised that [ ] of land near Dover, Arkansas, in the fall of 1971 for [ ] cash. He did not know exactly when the sale was made, but said it was in the fall or latter part of 1971 and that [ ] had moved back to Russellville, from Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he had made a lot of money in the [ ]. He said [ ] will have the exact date when [ ].



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[ ] paid him the [ ] cash for that land in 1971,  
but [ ] is presently out of state and is not  
expected to return to Arkansas for about three weeks.

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
☐ Facsimile  
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## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 10/3/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
 FROM: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (164-22) (P)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
 OO: SEATTLE

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Re Sacramento airtel to Seattle, dated 7/27/78.

Enclosed for receiving offices are two copies each of three investigative inserts containing investigation at Russellville, Arkansas, and surrounding areas.

For the information of receiving offices, the following described individual has been named by a confidential source in Arkansas as the individual who committed captioned offense:

Name	[REDACTED]
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
SSAN	[REDACTED]
Height	6' 0"
Weight	185
Hair	Brown and graying
Eyes	Blue

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2-Seattle (Enc. 6) *redo*  
 2-Dallas (164-191) (Enc. 6) *SD*  
 3-Oklahoma City (164-56) (Enc. 6)  
 2-San Francisco (164-220) (Enc. 6)  
 3-Little Rock  
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Investigation has shown that [ ] was in the business of [ ] in Oklahoma during part of the year 1971. He [ ]

[ ] According to information furnished by a confidential source (in enclosed insert) [ ] reportedly made [ ] in 1971 and expected to make approximately that same amount in 1972.

LEADS:

DALLAS DIVISION

AT DALLAS, TEXAS

Will [ ] at the Ampex Corporation, telephone number [ ] determine from records of that company for the years 1971 and 1972 if [ ] would have done enough business to provide him a profit of [ ] in each of those two years.

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT BIXBY, OKLAHOMA

Will through banking records at the Citizens Security Bank determine the extent of banking activities by [ ] to determine if his business earnings would have netted him profits of [ ] in the years 1971 and 1972.

Since [ ] in the Bixby area under the brand name of [ ] will attempt to determine the [ ] and determine how late in 1971 and/or 1972 [ ] was [ ] in the Bixby area.

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Will [ ] at the Secretary of State's Office determine if [ ] filed financial statements with that office in 1971 and 1972 and from those statements determine the businesses [ ] owned and operated in Oklahoma and the exact period of time he operated those businesses.



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SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

AT OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

Will contact Mikado Enterprises, telephone number [redacted] to determine exactly how much business [redacted] did with that company in 1971 and 1972. [redacted] apparently purchased his [redacted] from that company and then made his [redacted] which he then sold in Oklahoma.

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SEATTLE DIVISION

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Will determine if it is desired for Little Rock to interview [redacted] or if Seattle wants investigation contained in this airtel completed for background information on [redacted]

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LITTLE ROCK DIVISION

AT RUSSELLVILLE, ARKANSAS

Will interview [redacted] to determine the exact date in which [redacted] purchased land from him [redacted] reportedly in the fall of 1971 and paid [redacted] cash for that land.

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype☐ Facsimile☒ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate☐ Priority☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 7/13/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72) (RUC)

NORJAK (A)

OO:SEATTLE

Reference Seattle airtel to Bureau, 6/16/78.

On 7/5/78, [redacted] Barcroft Apartments, 1130 South George Mason Drive, Arlington, Virginia, advised that she was the [redacted] at the apartments for the period that the [redacted] resided at the apartments. She stated that according to the apartment records [redacted] rented the apartment from August, 1968 until December, 1973. She advised that the apartment they rented at [redacted] Arlington, Virginia, was in a building with four apartments total. She said that there was only one current resident that was present during the period that the [redacted] resided in the apartment and identified the resident as [redacted]

[redacted] advised that according to the records [redacted] rent payments were made by cash and by check, however, there is no indication as to what bank was used for check purposes. She stated that she would be unable to comment as to whether or not [redacted] was at the apartments or in the area in late November 1971.

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On 7/11/78, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Arlington, Virginia, advised that they moved into their apartment in September, 1971, however, they do not recall either of the [REDACTED] as residing in one of the other four apartments in the building.

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Seattle is advised that telephone toll records are maintained by the telephone company for a period of six months and then destroyed. Therefore, telephone records for the period 1971 are not available.

Criminal record checks pertaining to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] were negative at the Fairfax County, Virginia, Police Department, the Alexandria, Virginia, Police Department and the Arlington County, Virginia, Police Department. Police record checks pertaining to [REDACTED] were negative at Alexandria, Virginia, Police Department, Fairfax County, Virginia, Police Department. The following record was located at Arlington County, Virginia, Police Department wherein [REDACTED] had been cited on 2/17/70 for violating a red light and no county tag.

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*Memorandum*

TO : SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60)

DATE: 10/17/78

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

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

Re Las Vegas airtel to Bureau, 7/31/78 and  
Seattle airtel to Bureau, 6/28/78.

In order to assist in further eliminating   
Las Vegas is requested to conduct a credit check on him and  
obtain other descriptive data through logical investigation  
which would assist in eliminating

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*Memorandum*

TO : SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60)

DATE: 10/17/78

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
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# Memorandum



TO : SAC, DENVER (164-640)

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

DATE: 10/17/78


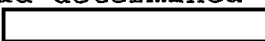
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OO: SEATTLE  
BUFile 164-2111

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RE:   
 COLORADO

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Re Denver letter to Seattle, 7/28/78.

Referenced Denver letter indicates that on 7/6/78,  AMAX, Inc., Golden, Colorado, had determined on 7/6/78 that the payroll records for  indicated that he had worked from midnight to 8 a.m. on 2/17/68.

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For the information of Denver, captioned crime occurred on 11/24/71 and it will be necessary to recontact  to determine subject's whereabouts on 11/24/71.

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*Memorandum*

TO : SAC, DENVER (164-640)

DATE: 10/17/78

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFile 164-2111RE:  COLORADO

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3 - Seattle  
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## memorandum

DATE: 9/19/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

TO: ACTING SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

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Re Seattle telephone call from SA [REDACTED]  
to SA [REDACTED] 9/5/78.

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On 9/5/78, [REDACTED] Woodland,  
Washington, telephone [REDACTED] provided the following infor-  
mation:

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Approximately four to five years ago, he was fishing on Lake Merwin, located near Woodland, Washington. While doing so, he found a piece of nylon cord in the lake, which was badly deteriorated. This cord was white in color and it was his opinion that it was part of an old ski rope, inasmuch as it had a mechanical weave, much like a ski rope. He stated that at first, he became quite excited when he saw the cord, thinking that perhaps it was from a parachute, but he realized the cord was not twisted like a parachute cord. He stated that because of this, he then threw away the cord.

The above is for information purposes.

③ - Seattle (164-81)

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## memorandum

DATE: 9/19/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

TO: ACTING SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

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September 11, 1978

Mr. John M. Reed  
Special Agent In Charge  
United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
915 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98174

*Sub FF*

Dear Mr. Reed:

Re: Hijacking Northwest Airlines *0164-81*  
Date of Loss: November 24, 1971

We would appreciate your assistance in updating our records regarding the subject, in particular as to if the party has been apprehended and also if any of the funds paid by our company to our insured have been recovered.

*OK*  
In the past and present, we have been contacted by a [redacted] and most recently of [redacted]. In 1976 she relayed to us all information regarding the hijacking, also stated she had given the same information to the Bureau five years before. We in turn relayed her information to [redacted] New York Branch of the Bureau. Later, [redacted] advised us that the information supplied by [redacted] was nothing new and they had already checked her out. Most recently, she again wrote us an eleven page letter, regarding "D. B. Cooper". She has listed the names and addresses of parties who could identify this man. She concluded by stating "she smells fear among some of these people" and has not pursued the matter. She has requested that we be very careful who we show this information, that she furnished, too. She hopes we find [redacted] before he finds her or she'll be a dead duck. Also she states she can expect no protection from the F.B.I. based on findings.

We would appreciate hearing from you regarding the status of the case and in particular [redacted] letter to us.

Yours very truly

*Rec 12/2/78*  
*New York has covered*  
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Yours very truly,



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 8/15/78

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJACK

On August 14, 1978, Chief of Police JOE EVANS, Warden, Washington, advised that he just returned from a weeks vacation at Glenwood, Washington, Klickitat County. He advised that during his stay at Glenwood he observed an individual that appeared to him to be identical to the composite drawing of the instant unsub that had been circulated to police agencies in the past. He advised that he did not conduct any investigation to identify the individual, but did determine that he resides in a [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He advised that the [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED] as one approaches the town going west.

LEADS:

SEATTLE DIVISION

At Glenwood, Washington

Determine the identity of the individual described by Chief of Police EVANS, and process as a suspect.

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NDS (skh)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 8/15/78

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

Sub J

SUBJECT: NORJACK

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LEADS:

SEATTLE DIVISION

At Glenwood, Washington

Determine the identity of the individual described by Chief of Police EVANS, and process as a suspect.

② - Seattle  
NDS:skh

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*9/20/78 Chief  
Rich Williams  
of Glenwood also resident  
Previously brought to attention  
of individual in question observed  
not to be similar to unsub.*

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C/A: [REDACTED]



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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LEADS:

SEATTLE DIVISION

At Glenwood, Washington

Determine the identity of the individual described by Chief of Police EVANS, and process as a suspect.

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NDS:SKM

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# Memorandum

TO : ACTING SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 9/7/78

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111*Sub J  
Sub E*

Re memo of SA JOHN M. REED, dated August 24, 1978.

On August 24, 1978 [REDACTED]  
Kirkland, Washington, was telephonically contacted and advised that the FBI did not have any information which would help him in his search and salvage operations in the Lake Merwin area.

[REDACTED] was further advised that no portion of the lake could be ruled out as far as a possible area into which UNSUB may have landed after parachuting from the NORJAK aircraft.

It was reiterated to [REDACTED] that should he find anything during his search, he should immediately contact the Vancouver Office of the FBI and failing to contact them, he should call collect to the Seattle Office of the FBI and ask for Special Agent [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated he is currently in the process of purchasing a [REDACTED] which would allow him to widen his search of the Lake Merwin area, and he anticipated continuing the search of the Lake Merwin area, on August 25, 1978.

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[REDACTED]  
(info) [REDACTED] (info)



*Memorandum*

TO : ACTING SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 9/7/78

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111*Sub J  
SUB E*

Re memo of SA JOHN M. REED, dated August 24, 1978.

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[REDACTED]

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SUB 933

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED]:

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AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

San Francisco indices contain no reference to ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW or ROBERT WESLEY JONES to the NORJAK investigation (SF 164-220) prior to 1978.

AT [REDACTED] CALIFORNIA

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[REDACTED] was recontacted regarding [REDACTED] whereabouts in 1971. [REDACTED] recalled that [REDACTED] left ROBERT RACKSTRAW at Fort Rucker, Alabama, in early 1971, [REDACTED] California, area. She recalled that the Subject was released from the Army some time in mid year 1971. She believes that he was [REDACTED] California, area in the summer of 1971, [REDACTED]. She could not recall where he was in the fall of 1971, or specifically Thanksgiving, 1971.

[REDACTED] vaguely recalled that RACKSTRAW may have been flying a plane or helicopter for some land development company in Oregon or Washington in late 1971. She believed that his job required him to fly people over large land tract areas.

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[REDACTED] could recall no other particulars about [REDACTED] location or employment in 1971.

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[REDACTED]

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SUB 933

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SA [REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 9/27/78

FROM : *Cpm/OKB*  
SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (P) (SJRA)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka  
D. B. Cooper  
CAA - HIJACKING (A)  
OO: SE

*SUB 933*

Re Portland letter to San Francisco dated 2/28/78.

Enclosed for Seattle are two (2) copies of an  
investigative insert showing investigation by SA [redacted]  
[redacted] at San Francisco and [redacted] California. This insert  
concerns investigation regarding ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW  
and ROBERT WESLEY JONES.

Regarding the information contained in referenced  
Portland letter to San Francisco, be advised that San  
Francisco has reviewed the information contained in letter  
furnished by [redacted] and after much  
due deliberation, San Francisco, has determined that no  
further logical investigation appears warranted to involve  
or eliminate the suspect suggested. San Francisco, therefore,  
is taking no further action with regard to this letter.

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(2) - Seattle (Encs. 2)  
2 - San Francisco  
TPW:rvs  
(4) #10



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DB Cooper-16853



# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/8/78

FROM : SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: Seattle  
Bufile 164-2111Re: ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW  
Subject No. 933

Re Portland airtel to Seattle, 8/10/78.

On 10/11/78, one day prior to his trial in Stockton, California, ROBERT RACKSTRAW rented a \$55,000 plane from Bridgeford Flying Service and later that day called in a "Mayday" advising that his plane was on fire and he was forced to ditch in the ocean approximately 12 miles out of Monterey, California.

Investigation by the U.S. Coast Guard failed to find any sign of wreckage and it is believed that subject flew the plane to Mexico.

In view of the above, Sacramento is conducting no further investigation on this matter; however, if subject is located and arrested he will be returned to Stockton, California and major case prints will be obtained.

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1 - Portland (164-41)  
1 - Sacramento  
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/8/78

SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (RUC)

NORJAK (A)

OO: Seattle

Bufile 164-2111

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1 - Portland (164-41)  
1 - Sacramento  
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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 10-19-78

[redacted] California, was displayed photographs of the following individuals for her possible identification as the hijacker involved in the above-captioned matter, referred to as "D.B. COOPER":

1. Caucasian male, not further identified.
2. [redacted], date of birth [redacted]
3. Caucasian male, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department booking [redacted]
4. [redacted] San Francisco Police Department booking [redacted]
5. Caucasian male, San Diego Police Department (SDPD) booking [redacted]
6. Caucasian male, San Diego County Sheriff's Office booking [redacted]

After viewing the above photographs, she advised that none appeared remotely similar to the individual who had hijacked the Northwest Orient Airlines flight from Seattle, Washington, to Reno, Nevada, on the evening of November 24, 1971.

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Investigation on 10-13-78 at [redacted] California File # SD 164-91  
by SA [redacted] KAV/jaf Date dictated 10-13-78



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Investigation on 10-13-78 at [redacted] California File # SD 164-91  
by SA [redacted] KAV/jaf Date dictated 10-13-78



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 10-19-78

FROM : SAC, SAN DIEGO (164-91) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJACK  
(OO: SEATTLE)

Re Las Vegas letter to Minneapolis, 7-11-78, and  
Minneapolis letter to Seattle, 9-21-78.

Enclosed herewith for Seattle is an original FD-302  
reflecting the interview of [redacted] Ca., on  
10-13-78.

For information of receiving offices, a photograph of  
[redacted] was displayed in a spread of photographs to [redacted] with  
negative results with respect to his possibly being identical  
to "D.B. COOPER".

No further investigation remains at San Diego.

- ② - Seattle (Enc. 1) *redo*
- 1 - Denver (Info)
- 1 - Las Vegas (164-60) (Info)
- 1 - Minneapolis (164-73) (Info)
- 1 - San Diego

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*Eliminate  
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Can't they ~~long~~ tauteh you? He said "Cause it's been five years, and the Statute of limitations runs out tonight at midnight, and I'm celebrating."

He told my son he had done something and jumped out of an air plane and escaped. He said he knew the forrest well, that he had taken survival training when he was with the rangers. He was trained to jump from a plane, and survive on berries or any thing he could find. He said they would give them one chicken and tell them to keep the chicken untill they couldn't find any thing else to eat, and go as long as they could with out food. Then kill the chicken, and eat that." He said the F.B.I was looking for him.

That night, I saw the picture on I.V. with out knowing about his conversation with my son. My son told me about the conversation with out



Knowing about the I. V. picture  
[redacted] Joe Cooper,  
ran away and left his family  
in Wilmington, D.C. in 1942.  
He was not heard from again  
until he was killed in a car  
wreck in California. I think this  
was the mid. 50's. Any way [redacted]

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[redacted]  
Joe [redacted] had left to his wife Lizzie  
here in Wilmington.

The [redacted]  
[redacted] I have never been  
very close to the family except  
[redacted] Lizzie, who died in the late  
50's. So I didn't know [redacted]

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[redacted] until about  
a year ago. (I have known him  
three years.)

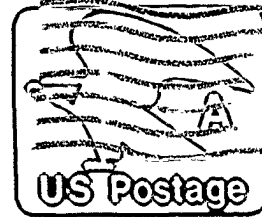
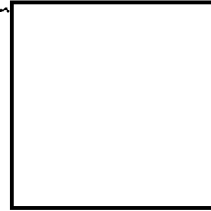
He is nervous, very watchful,  
he turns his back to the wall,  
and always faces the door. If  
an officer comes in he is tense  
and uptight until he leaves. All  
the time pulling at his beard.

He never pulls his jacket or hat  
over









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To The State or Fed. Bureau of Investigation  
Seattle Washington

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Don Cooper

Hijacking of Northwest Orient Airlines; 1972

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021 Seattle

Dear Sirs

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I have reason to believe I know where the man is that hijacked the plane in your area almost seven years ago, and disappeared.

We were visiting my son and his wife near Calabash. All the boys had gone hunting or fishing. My son-in-law turned the T.V. on and the news was half way through. However there was this picture on the T.V. A stranger told me to my daughter-in-law "I would say that was [redacted] if I didn't know better." I told her the eyes, nose, cheek bones and all looked like [redacted]

The next day, my 15 year old son told me something that made me feel even more like it was [redacted]

He was talking with my son after drinking heavily. "The F.B.I. can't touch me [redacted] after tonight." My son [redacted] why



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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
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☒ Airtel

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 8/4/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) P #10

NORJAK  
 CAA (A)  
 OO: SEATTLE

Re Seattle airtel to San Francisco, 7/18/78.

On 8/3/78, [redacted]  
 United Airlines, San Francisco International Airport, advised  
 SA [redacted] of the following:

On the same date, 8/3/78, a [redacted] UAL Reservations  
 Office, Seattle, had called to report that he had been  
 contacted by an individual who said he had information about  
 a missing hijacker with missing money. This individual who  
 said his name was [redacted] Tigard,  
 Oregon, telephone [redacted] was interested in any reward.

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Unsub; source;

PORTLAND

AT TIGARD, ORE.: Will obtain from [redacted]  
 [redacted] any information he may have regarding  
 instant matter.

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 2 - San Francisco  
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Unsub, aka  
Dan Cooper,  
Hijacking of Northwest Orient Airlines; 1972  
CAA  
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Dear Sirs

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We were visiting my son and his wife near Calabash. All the boys had gone hunting or fishing. My daughter-in-law turned the T.V. on and the news was half way through.

However there was this fellows picture on the T.V. I laughed and said to my daughter-in-law "I would say that was [redacted] if I didn't know better." I told her the eyes, nose, cheek bones and all looked like [redacted]

The next day, my 15 year old son told me something that made me feel even more like he was [redacted]

He was talking with my son, after drinking heavily. He said "The F.B.I. Can't touch me ~~any~~ after tonight." My son said why

DB Cooper-16871



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE

DATE: 10/5/78

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (164-56)(RUC)

*OBR/alt*  
SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper, *010-1760-1214 p141*  
Hijacking Of Northwest  
Orient Airlines, 1972  
CAA  
OO: Seattle *nr*

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*Unsub; source:*

On 9/26/78, [redacted]  
Tulsa, Oklahoma, advised that in September, 1972,  
[redacted]  
[redacted] in Curtis, Washington. The [redacted] owned property  
adjacent to [redacted]  
Chehalis, Washington, whom [redacted] was introduced to on one  
occasion.

[redacted] learned from the [redacted] that [redacted]  
[redacted] appeared to be well to do and allegedly  
left the country on frequent trips, being away for several  
days and weeks at a time. [redacted] described [redacted] as a  
white male, about [redacted] years old at that time (1972), 5'10",  
170 - 180 pounds, average build.

He stated after these many years, he thought that  
[redacted] might be identical to UNSUB, aka DAN COOPER, who  
hijacked the Northwest Orient plane during that time. He  
said [redacted] would be familiar with the type  
of plane involved; since he lived in that area, would know  
the terrain and location where to parachute; he appeared  
well to do, and he left the country quite frequently which  
would have given him the opportunity to "launder" the  
money obtained during the hijacking.

[redacted] advised that he has absolutely no other  
indication that [redacted] could be identical to UNSUB and is  
basing his belief only on the one contact with [redacted] and  
limited information obtained from the [redacted]

[redacted] advised he is furnishing this information

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1-Oklaoma City  
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with the understanding that there might be a reward still available for the identification of COOPER and he would claim such should the above information be verified.

[ ] advised that [ ] still resides in the area although [ ] has since moved away. He said [ ] could be considered a [ ] who thought a lot of [ ]. He requested that should [ ] be interviewed, that his name [ ] not be mentioned. In addition, he advised that the individuals who run the small grocery store and post office in Curtis, Washington, would also know additional information concerning [ ].

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Leads are being left to the discretion of Office of Origin.



# Memorandum

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

DATE: 11/27/78

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK [REDACTED]

RE: [REDACTED]

On 11/14/78, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] The Governor House Hotel, Olympia, Washington, home  
address [REDACTED] Yelm, Washington, telephone  
[REDACTED], advised that an individual who has been staying  
at the Governor House Hotel for the [REDACTED] by the  
name of [REDACTED] appeared to be very suspicious since  
he did not appear to have any employment and he was staying  
in his room during the days only going out at night time.  
He noted that he had learned from the woman who handles the  
maid service for his, [REDACTED] room that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The maid also only cleans  
his room every two or three weeks at his request all of this  
being very suspicious.

[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] lists a home address of  
[REDACTED] Tumwater, Washington, which is only  
a few miles from the hotel again being very suspicious. He  
described [REDACTED] as a white male, age [REDACTED] 6'0" to 6'1" tall,  
165 to 170 pounds, thin build, brown eyes, very long hair,  
but with a high forehead and a full beard.

[REDACTED] stated that he had seen the composite drawing  
of D. B. COOPER and did not feel that the composite drawing  
was a good likeness of [REDACTED] however, because of his strange  
activity and the fact that he seems to have a large amount of  
cash in tens and twenties he thought it was possible [REDACTED]  
could be identical with D. B. COOPER. He noted that [REDACTED]  
has been staying at this hotel [REDACTED]

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SEATTLE DIVISION

At Olympia, Washington

Will conduct logical investigation to further  
identify [REDACTED] and determine if he is identical  
with UNSUB.

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## UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION*Memorandum*

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

DATE: 11/27/78

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK [REDACTED]

RE: [REDACTED]

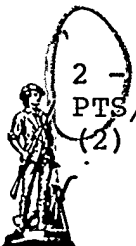
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has been staying at this hotel [REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 11/27/78

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE: [REDACTED]

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date of transcription 12/6/78

[redacted]  
[redacted] Northwest Airlines,  
Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, was  
displayed a photograph of the decal found near  
Castle Rock, Washington, by Special Agent (SA) [redacted]  
[redacted] advised that the photograph  
of the decal is identical to Boeing Aircraft Standard  
Marker Number BAC27DPA-152. The decal states as follows:

Emergency Exit Handle, Aft Airstair  
to Operate, Open Access Door, Pull on  
Red Handle. Lock Wire Will Break When  
Handle is Pulled.

This decal is located on the outside of the  
aircraft near the rear door.

A facsimile copy of the Boeing Aircraft  
Standard Marker Number BAC27DPA-152 was provided. Also  
provided by [redacted] were two blueprints for the  
location of this decal on the aircraft. Each blueprint  
is marked in black ink noting where the decal is located.

[redacted] advised that the decal came from the  
same type of aircraft, that is a Boeing 727, which was  
used by D.B. COOPER in the hijacking.

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[redacted]

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by SA [redacted] :ska Date dictated 12/4/78



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1Date of transcription 12/6/78

[redacted]  
[redacted] Northwest Airlines,  
Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, was  
displayed a photograph of the decal found near  
Castle Rock, Washington, by Special Agent (SA) [redacted]  
[redacted] advised that the photograph  
of the decal is identical to Boeing Aircraft Standard  
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location of this decal on the aircraft. Each blueprint  
is marked in black ink noting where the decal is located.

[redacted] advised that the decal came from the  
same type of aircraft, that is a Boeing 727, which was  
used by D.B. COOPER in the hijacking.

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by SA [redacted] :ska Date dictated 12/4/78



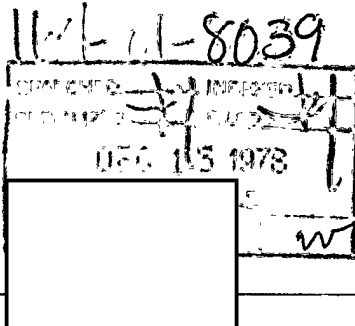
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[redacted]  
[redacted] Northwest Orient Airlines, Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, advised as follows:

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After having been displayed the decal of Boeing Aircraft Company noting the emergency exit handle on the aft airstair, [redacted] advised that the decal probably came off when the stairs were lowered due to the change in air pressure. He recalled that about two days after the hijacking by D. B. COOPER, he and [redacted] took the same aircraft used by COOPER in order to determine whether or not there was a change in pressure at the time he parachuted from the aircraft. [redacted] recalls that he and [redacted] flew out over the ocean and ran their theory and returned to Seattle, Washington. He noted after returning to Seattle, that decals had come off the aircraft and surmised that the decal located near Castle Rock, Washington, would have come off in a similar fashion. After viewing the maps plotting the path taken by COOPER which were located in the office of [redacted] the [redacted] stated that Castle Rock, Washington, is rather close to the path taken by COOPER. He added that if indeed the decal came from the same aircraft used by COOPER, it would have floated about in the air currents much like a leaf and could have found its way near Castle Rock.

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## memorandum

DATE: 12/6/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (RUC)SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
(OO: SEATTLE)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SUB P

Re Seattle teletype to Minneapolis dated  
11/9/78 and Seattle airtel to Minneapolis dated  
11/16/78.

Enclosed for Seattle are the original and  
one copy each of two FD-302's reflecting interviews  
with personnel at Northwest Orient Airlines. Also  
enclosed are a facsimile copy of the decal which  
would be located on the outside of the aircraft and  
the blueprints for the aircraft and the location of  
the decal as provided by [redacted],  
[redacted] Northwest  
Orient Airlines.

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As no further investigation has been requested  
of Minneapolis relative to NORJAK, this matter is being  
RUC'd.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

(2) - Seattle (Encs.)  
1 - Minneapolis  
JDH:ska  
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## memorandum

DATE: 12/6/78

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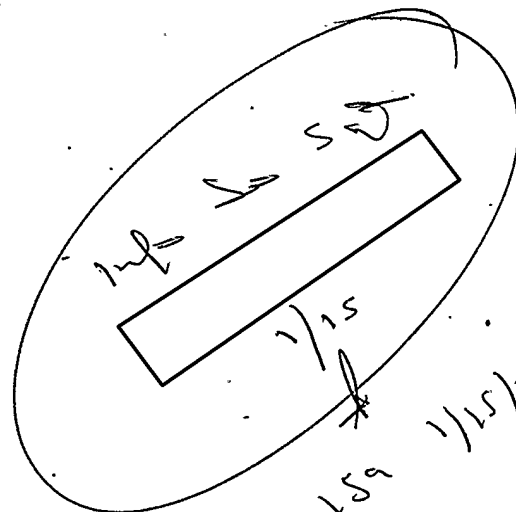
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[redacted] Northwest  
Orient Airlines.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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NORJAK (A)  
(OO: SEATTLE)

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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Orient Airlines.

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of Minneapolis relative to NORJAK, this matter is being  
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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 9/20/78

FROM : SC, RUBY TIMASEK

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE: 164-2111

RE: [REDACTED]

On 9/19/78, [REDACTED]  
tel#: [REDACTED] telephonically advised that [REDACTED]  
with a Las Vegas driver's license, DOB: [REDACTED] SSAN:  
[REDACTED] is planning on writing a book on the incident  
that occurred in 11/24/71 reflecting D. B. COOPER.

[REDACTED] is suppose to become employed with the Boeing  
Co. and [REDACTED] of D. B.  
COOPER, in which [REDACTED]  
with the Boeing employees regarding this matter.

This is being filed for information purpose only.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 9/20/78

FROM : SA, BUREAU (MAGIX)

SUBJECT: MURKIN (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUREAU: 164-2111

RE: [REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : ACTING SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

DATE: 9/18/78

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

On 9/6/78 [REDACTED] Golden Gavel Motor Hotel, West 9th and South Capitol Way, Olympia, Washington, telephone 352-8533, advised she has talked to a [REDACTED] (LNU), who is employed at the Governors House, 621 South Capitol Way, Olympia, who has reported a suspicious male who looks like D. B. COOPER. This individual is [REDACTED] (LNU), who resides on the [REDACTED] at the Governors House. Besides acting suspiciously, he pays for his room with a cashier's cheque. [REDACTED] recalled D. B. COOPER's photograph in the newspaper and advised [REDACTED] looks like him.

LEADS:SEATTLE DIVISIONAt Olympia, Washington

Will further identify [REDACTED] (LNU), attempt to obtain a driver's license photograph, and thereafter, interview him as to his whereabouts at the time of the hijacking on 11/24/71.

DWM:arm  
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# Memorandum

TO : ACTING SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

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OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

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DWM:arm  
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*This lead previously set forth in 164-81-8037 assigned to [REDACTED] ~~Alw~~*

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*[Signature]*





*Memorandum*

TO : ACTING SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

DATE: 9/18/78

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

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DWM:arm.  
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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 9/22/78

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT:

NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111*Sub source*  
*Sub G*

Re memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 7/26/78.

This is to advise that the photographs of the 78 latents and one latent impression, received from the Bureau, were furnished to the Seattle Police Department Identification Section for processing through their computerized system.

On 9/18/78, [REDACTED] NR Seattle Police Department, Identification Section, advised that there were several prints that were sufficient in detail for programming into their system but as yet, she has not received the results. She noted that the dictating Agent would be advised as soon as the prints were searched through the file.

LEADS:SEATTLE DIVISIONAt Seattle, Washington

Maintain contact with the Seattle Police Department, Identification Section, for the results of the search of these impressions through their computerized file.

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*Memorandum*

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

DATE: 9/22/78

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111*Sub G*b6  
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Re memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 7/26/78.

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b7CLEADS:SEATTLE DIVISIONAt Seattle, Washington

Maintain contact with the Seattle Police Department, Identification Section, for the results of the search of these impressions through their computerized file.

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*Memorandum*

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

DATE: 1/25/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE*Sub (P)*

[REDACTED] On January 18, 1979, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Vancouver, Washington, telephone [REDACTED] provided  
the following information:

[REDACTED] His place of business is located at [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Vancouver, Washington, and he has a business  
telephone number of [REDACTED].

He heard on the news that a plastic decal, possibly from D. B. COOPER's plane, was found in the Castle Rock, Washington, area recently. He recalled that in October, 1978, he was hunting in that general area and saw in a tall tree something flapping. The area he was in was north of Toutle Park. This item he saw in the tree was light in color and he feels, perhaps, that might have been a parachute, possibly the one used by COOPER. He did indicate, however, this thing he saw could have been a weather parachute and could have been there in his previous trips to that area, although he has not seen it before. He does not know if this information will be of any assistance to the FBI, but in the event the FBI desires to find the exact location of this item, he and his cousin are willing to escort the FBI into the area and point out the article, if they can find it, to the FBI.

The above is for information purposes.

② - Seattle (164-81)  
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*Memorandum*

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

DATE: 1/25/79

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT:

NORJAK (A)

OO: SEATTLE

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On January 18, 1979, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Vancouver, Washington, telephone [REDACTED] provided  
the following information:

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His place of business is located at [REDACTED]  
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telephone number of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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*Memorandum*

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

DATE: 1/25/79

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT:

NORJAK (A)

OO: SEATTLE

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On January 18, 1979, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Vancouver, Washington, telephone [REDACTED] provided  
the following information:

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telephone number of [REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 1/26/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE: [REDACTED]

Re Seattle memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 11/27/78.

On January 5, 1979, [REDACTED]  
Driver's Services Division, Washington State Department of  
Licensing, Olympia, Washington, advised she could locate  
no record concerning [REDACTED]

A review of the Olympia City Directory reflected  
[REDACTED] Olympia,  
Washington, [REDACTED] This same directory indicated  
that [REDACTED] was the address for the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] however, there was no indication that  
[REDACTED] resided there.

On January 17, 1979, Officer [REDACTED] Olympia  
Police Department, advised he had no record concerning [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Also on this same date Deputy [REDACTED] Thurston  
County Sheriff's Office, Olympia, Washington, advised his  
records reflected that [REDACTED] a white male born  
[REDACTED] 6' 170 pounds, blond hair,  
blue eyes, was [REDACTED] under their  
number [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He's had [REDACTED], however,  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

On January 18, 1979, [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] advised  
that [REDACTED] formerly resided in [REDACTED] however, he has  
not been here for about [REDACTED] She added that he resided  
here approximately [REDACTED] and during that time he was in  
a very unkempt condition with long matted hair and a beard and

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it did not appear that he bathed at any time. His behavior was very peculiar. She described him as a white male in his 40's, 6' tall, slender build, fair complexion and sandy colored hair. She was aware that [redacted]

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[redacted] and she believed [redacted]

[redacted] She only knew [redacted]

On January 19, 1979, [redacted]

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[redacted] Olympia, Washington, advised that [redacted] She stated that [redacted]

[redacted] She stated that he's [redacted]

[redacted] She noted that he had served in the United States Navy at [redacted]

[redacted] however, as noted above, [redacted]

She noted that he is now living at [redacted]

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[redacted] Olympia, Washington. She was advised that information had been received by the Federal Bureau of Investigation indicating the possibility of his being identical with D. B. COOPER and she laughed and stated that [redacted] would even be amused with the allegation.

[redacted] as a white male, age [redacted] 6' tall, 145 pounds, very thin build, blue eyes, blond hair, however, she noted that his hair is very dirty and matted and quite long and that he has a beard. She said he's been in this unkept condition for several years. She noted that [redacted]

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[redacted] however, he had no criminal record. She further stated that he had no money [redacted] and what little she could give him. She believed that during 1971 he would have resided in the Aberdeen, Washington, area.

She then displayed [redacted]

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[redacted] and it was noted that he had blond, wavy hair and wore glasses and did not appear at all similar to the composite drawing of D. B. COOPER.



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In view of the above it is suggested that no further investigation be conducted concerning [REDACTED] with regards to this matter.

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*Memorandum*

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 1/26/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE: [REDACTED]

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number [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He's had [REDACTED] however,  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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that [REDACTED] formerly resided in [REDACTED] however, he has  
not been here for about [REDACTED] She added that he resided  
here approximately [REDACTED] and during that time he was in  
a very unkept condition with long matted hair and a beard and

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 1/26/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE: [REDACTED]

Re Seattle memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 11/27/78.

On January 5, 1979, [REDACTED]  
Driver's Services Division, Washington State Department of  
Licensing, Olympia, Washington, advised she could locate  
no record concerning [REDACTED]

A review of the Olympia City Directory reflected  
[REDACTED] Olympia,  
Washington, [REDACTED] This same directory indicated  
that [REDACTED] was the address for the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] however, there was no indication that  
[REDACTED] resided there.

On January 17, 1979, Officer [REDACTED] Olympia  
Police Department, advised he had no record concerning [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Also on this same date Deputy [REDACTED] Thurston  
County Sheriff's Office, Olympia, Washington, advised his  
records reflected that [REDACTED] a white male born  
[REDACTED] 6', 170 pounds, blond hair,  
blue eyes, was [REDACTED] under their  
number [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He's had [REDACTED] however,  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

On January 18, 1979, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] advised  
that [REDACTED] formerly resided in [REDACTED] however, he has  
not been here for about [REDACTED] She added that he resided  
here approximately [REDACTED] and during that time he was in  
a very unkept condition with long matted hair and a beard and

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## RECORD OF INFORMATION FURNISHED OTHER AGENCIES

Orally \_\_\_\_\_ (date) By Telephone 1/15/79 (date) Written Communication \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

Information concerning:

*deal on Boeing 727*

*SUB P.*

Information furnished from File, Serial, and Page Number: 164-81-8039

☐ On \_\_\_\_\_ (date) a continuing disclosure was initiated with

\_\_\_\_\_ (agency) and will be maintained until the conclusion of the investigation.

☐ from informants

☒ from complainants or other sources

Information furnished to:

[Redacted]

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*S.O., Longview, Wash.*

Number of items disseminated: 1

Remarks:

[Redacted]

Special Agent

*164-81*  
*1-66-2649*

*[Signature]*

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NORJAK (A), OO: SEATTLE, BUFILE 164-2111.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO LOS ANGELES FEBRUARY 3, 1979.

FOR INFORMATION OF SACRAMENTO, PORTLAND ADVISED IN RE  
TELETYPE THAT ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW HAS BEEN CONSIDERED  
AS A POSSIBLE SUSPECT IN THIS MATTER. RACKSTRAW IS CURRENTLY  
BELIEVED TO BE IN CUSTODY OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES AT FULLERTON,  
CALIFORNIA.

RACKSTRAW WAS RELEASED TO THE CUSTODY OF A [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (PH), SAN JOAQUIN SHERIFF'S OFFICE, FOR RETURN TO  
STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA.

SACRAMENTO AT STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA, WILL CONTACT LOCAL  
AUTHORITIES AND ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN MAJOR CASE FINGERPRINTS OF

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FBI

## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype☐ Facsimile☐ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate☐ Priority☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET☐ SECRET☐ CONFIDENTIAL☐ UNCLAS E F T O☐ UNCLAS

Date 2/6/79

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
ATTN: FBI IDENT

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

SUB 953

Re Sacramento airtel to Seattle, 11/8/78, and  
Portland teletype to Sacramento 2/5/79.

RE: ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW

Enclosed for the Bureau are three copies of palm  
prints of ROBERT W. RACKSTRAW.

RACKSTRAW was apprehended 1/26/79, by the Fullerton  
Police Department, Fullerton, California, for trying to  
have copies made of a forged federal pilot's license.

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On 2/5/79, Deputy [redacted] San Joaquin  
County Sheriff's Office, provided the enclosed palm prints  
obtained from RACKSTRAW at Fullerton, California. [redacted]  
stated that the original prints are being retained by his  
office for use in RACKSTRAW's local prosecution.

Sacramento is obtaining major case prints which  
will be submitted when available.

2-Bureau (Encl. 3)  
2-Portland (164-41)  
2-Seattle (164-81)  
2-Sacramento  
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REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The Bureau is requested to compare palm prints of RACKSTRAW to those of unknown subject in captioned hijacking.



FBI

## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
☐ Facsimile  
☐ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
☐ UNCLAS

Date 2/6/79

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
 ATTN: FBI IDENT

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
 OO: Seattle

SUB 923

Re Sacramento airtel to Seattle, 11/8/78, and  
 Portland teletype to Sacramento 2/5/79.

RE: ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW

Enclosed for the Bureau are three copies of palm  
 prints of ROBERT W. RACKSTRAW.

RACKSTRAW was apprehended 1/26/79, by the Fullerton  
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 2-Seattle (164-81)  
 2-Sacramento  
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SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72)

3/20/79



SAC, WFO (164-169) (RUC)

NORJAK (A)  
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Re AX airtel to WFO, 3/15/79.

WFO has furnished all available information re   
 to the AX Division by airtel dated 2/8/79.


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1-Seattle (164-81)  
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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 3/6/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

RE: [REDACTED]

Re Seattle memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 1/8/79.

Attached hereto is an insert reflecting investigation conducted in the Seattle Division.

It should be noted that in a separate communication, the Portland Division has been requested to interview [REDACTED]

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

(2) - Seattle  
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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [REDACTED]

At [REDACTED] Washington

On January 8, 1979, contact was attempted with  
[REDACTED]  
with negative results as he was not available.

On February 1, 1979, [REDACTED] supra,  
advised he had learned that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] located  
on the [REDACTED]  
Portland, Oregon. He stated this business was across the  
street from [REDACTED] apparently, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He said [REDACTED] has a residence both in  
[REDACTED], Washington. He  
stated he did not know where these residences were.

He advised that [REDACTED] indicated, in a  
conversation, that he was going to California, place unstated,  
[REDACTED] He said he anticipated these  
transactions had to do with [REDACTED]

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*Memorandum*

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

DATE: 3/6/79

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT:

NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

RE: [REDACTED]

Re Seattle memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 1/8/79.

Attached hereto is an insert reflecting investigation conducted in the Seattle Division.

It should be noted that in a separate communication, the Portland Division has been requested to interview [REDACTED]

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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## Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

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

DATE: 4/25/79

Re [REDACTED]

Re Seattle letter to Portland dated 3/6/79.

[REDACTED] Washington, telephone [REDACTED] was interviewed at his place of employment, [REDACTED] Portland, Oregon, telephone [REDACTED] on 4/23/79, at which time he furnished the following information:

For several years during the late 60's and early 70's, [REDACTED] of Southwest Washington.

He [REDACTED]

He worked [REDACTED] and accumulated a little money. Everything he owns, he has worked very hard for. He has all of his bank records, his employment records, and his tax records which will show his financial structure.

On the afternoon of November 24, 1971, the day of the hijacking in this matter, he was contacted by telephone at approximately 3:00 p.m., by a young man, whose father-in-law is one (FNU) [REDACTED] who lives near Kelso, Washington. The son-in-law advised that his father-in-law had gone fishing on Lake Merwin, and had not returned as he had said he would. The young man said he had notified local authorities that he considered his father-in-law to be in trouble, but they would do nothing until the father-in-law had been missing for a longer time. The young man stated to [REDACTED] that it was not like his father-in-law to be gone without letting his daughter know, and so they knew something had happened to him.

② - Seattle  
2 - Portland

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The young man convinced [ ] that the father-in-law must be in trouble, and so he, [ ] then attempted to enlist the aid of the local authorities to form up a search. They declined also, and as the weather worsened, he decided [ ] and go searching for the man, even though the weather was worsening.

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[ ] continued that shortly after 8:00 p.m., he and a deputy sheriff [ ] [ ] searching for the elderly man. They found him after several hours clinging to his overturned boat, and nearly dead of hypothermia. They rescued the man, and he has since recovered fully.

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[ ] stated that night was the stormiest in his experience, and the winds were so high, they turned Lake Merwin into giant waves [ ] and [ ] He said that at the same time the clouds were so close to the water, that there was a dense fog and he was unable to see more than a few feet ahead of [ ]

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[ ] related that he was contacted by two FBI Agents shortly after the hijacking, and related the above experience to them. He said he could not recall having heard an airplane fly over at any time during the storm.

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In view of the above information, no further investigation concerning [ ] would appear warranted in this matter.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED]

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AT SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

On January 19, 1979, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] San Jose, California, who represents [REDACTED] was contacted concerning his client taking a polygraph examination in connection with the FBI's investigation of the airline hijacking which occurred in 1971. [REDACTED] stated that he would consult with the other members of his office and his client and inform the FBI of his client's decision.

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On January 29, 1979, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Calif., telephone number [REDACTED] contacted the San Jose Resident Agency of the FBI and advised that in January of 1970 or 1971 he was interviewed by two FBI Agents at Century City, California. At that time he provided these Agents with "all of the details". [REDACTED] advised that he has been [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] stated emphatically that he does not want to be contacted by the FBI.

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On January 31, 1979, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] advised that he concurs with his client's position concerning further contact with the FBI and has advised his client not to take a polygraph examination concerning his exact location on November 24, 1971 or the aircraft hijacking.

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Date: 2/7/79

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (RUC) (SJRA)

RE: NORJAK  
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Re San Francisco airtel to Seattle dated  
2/1/79 and San Francisco airtel to Seattle dated 2/6/79.

Enclosed for Seattle are two (2) copies of  
an investigative insert reflecting results of investigation  
conducted at San Jose, California.

In view of the position of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ concerning contact with the FBI, it is  
suggested that this matter be discussed with the United  
States Attorney, Seattle, before additional leads are set  
out to interview \_\_\_\_\_

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Approved: *Wm/gc*  
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

915 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98174  
December 11, 1978

[Redacted]

Royal Globe Insurance Companies  
150 William Street  
New York, New York 10038

Dear [Redacted]

For your information, we have not located a subject in the November 24, 1971, hijacking of a Northwest Airlines plane between Portland, Oregon, and Seattle, Washington. We have investigated almost 1,000 suspects and the case is still in a pending status with our office. We will keep you advised as to developments.

Very truly yours,

Paul L. Mack  
Special Agent in Charge

By:

*RBF*

[Redacted]

Supervisory Special Agent

- 1 - Addressee
- 2 - Seattle (164-81)  
(Sub FF)

MRM/tcs

(3) *[Signature]*

[Redacted]

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# Royal-Globe Insurance Companies



150 William Street  
New York, N.Y. 10038

(212) 732-8400

February 8, 1979

[Redacted]  
Supervisory Special Agent  
United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
915 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98174



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Re: Hijacking Northwest Airlines *ONR*  
Date of Loss: November 24, 1971

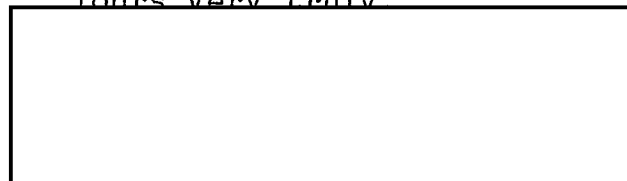
Dear [Redacted]

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It has been brought to our attention that in all probability a heavy plastic placard from a Boeing 727, found in November 1978 by a hunter, could be a link to the unsolved subject.

We would appreciate your advices as to if the authorities plan any additional investigation into the matter or if any additional link or evidence has been uncovered.

Yours very truly



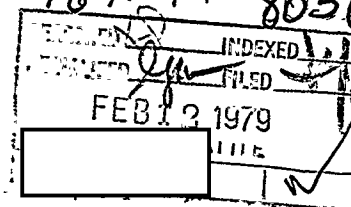
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*Don't try to  
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*Pls. respond.*



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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

MEMORANDUM

DATE: 8/14/86

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164A-81)

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND (164-0)

SUBJECT: NORJACK  
(OO: SE)

Re telephone conversations between Richmond Division (SA [redacted]) and Seattle Division (SA [redacted]) on 7/22/86 and 8/4/86.

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Enclosed for the Seattle Division is a letter from [redacted] to the Richmond Division dated 7/23/86, investigative notes taken during the interviews of [redacted] on [redacted] and a photograph of [redacted] stamped September 1960.

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On [redacted] (protect identity) telephonically contacted the Richmond Office of the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI) to furnish information concerning the possible identification of an aircraft hijacker, "D. B. COOPER." [redacted] also known as [redacted] is a [redacted]. She resides at [redacted] Va.; telephone number [redacted].

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[redacted] stated that she strongly suspects that [redacted] may be "D. B. COOPER." Her suspicions are based on a variety of circumstances, coincidences, and "intuition."

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As a [redacted] Alabama, [redacted] has known [redacted] when he was a small boy growing up in their neighborhood. Following his graduation from a local high school, [redacted]

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[redacted] and eventually received a [redacted] in Atlanta, Georgia.

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Throughout this period, he had [redacted] and [redacted] Shortly after he was awarded his [redacted] accepted a [redacted] During his eight years of active duty, he [redacted] and was assigned to [redacted] in [redacted] Due to the purported fact that [redacted] and because he and [redacted] have been reluctant to discuss his military career in detail, [redacted] suspects that he had been discharged involuntarily, possibly under less than honorable conditions.

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Following his discharge from the [redacted] attended the [redacted] Massachusetts, where he earned a [redacted] alleges that while [redacted] he engaged [redacted] Throughout this period, [redacted] but their lives improved significantly when they moved to the [redacted] in [redacted] where [redacted] After this program was completed, [redacted] moved to [redacted] Ohio, where [redacted] became a [redacted] for ROSS-ABBOTT LABORATORIES.

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While working for ROSS-ABBOTT, [redacted] occasionally took short business trips, generally not venturing very far from Ohio. However, sometime during the early 1970s, he traveled to Washington, D. C., then flew on to Washington state. [redacted] considered that particular trip rather unusual for several reasons. First, [redacted] had never traveled that far from [redacted] on business before. Second, shortly after he returned from that trip, [redacted] experienced [redacted] Although he had never complained about [redacted] previously, after his return he was hospitalized on several occasions, and still [redacted] Third, prior to traveling to Washington, [redacted] However, they "had plenty of money afterwards," following his return to Ohio. [redacted] noted that [redacted]

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[redacted] She found it interesting that although [redacted] at various times within a period of several years, he enjoyed unexplained affluence. Fourth, he had been uncharacteristically secretive about that particular trip. Ordinarily, [redacted] tended to be rather talkative and eager to discuss his work. Therefore, [redacted] considered it strange that he was reluctant to tell her anything about that trip, as if he had been deliberately trying to hide something. Finally, [redacted] claims that the dates of that trip coincided with the aircraft hijacking by "D. B. COOPER." Shortly after that incident occurred, she saw a composite sketch of the hijacker in a [redacted] newspaper. The person depicted in the sketch purportedly bore a close resemblance to [redacted]. She retained the sketch for several years, but discarded it recently, just before she moved from [redacted]

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[redacted] worked for ROSS-ABBOTT for about [redacted] then accepted a position with SYNTEX LABORATORIES, INCORPORATED, in San Jose, California. After [redacted] with SYNTEX, he resigned to [redacted] California.

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[redacted] alleges that he is [redacted]  
[redacted] and is currently [redacted]  
[redacted]

On [redacted] was interviewed at her home. She appears to be intelligent, rational, and urbane, and [redacted] does not [redacted]. She freely admitted that [redacted] but insists that her suspicions are [redacted]

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To [redacted] had never received any parachute training, either from the military or a civilian instructor. However, she describes him as being a "reckless and impulsive" person, who might attempt a parachute jump with little or no prior preparation.

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Upon examining the two composite sketches of "D. B. COOPER," which had been forwarded by the Seattle Division, [redacted] stated that the person depicted bore only a slight resemblance to [redacted]. She believes these sketches are different from the picture which appeared in the [redacted] newspaper. [redacted] provided the following description of [redacted]

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Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Height:	"Close to 6 feet"
Weight:	Currently 185 - 190 pounds; approximately 160 - 165 pounds during the early 1970s
Build:	Average, with broad shoulders
Hair:	Very dark brown, slightly graying; coarse texture; receding hairline; [redacted]
	[redacted]
Eyes:	Dark brown
Complexion:	Medium
Facial Features:	Prominent forehead, thin upper lip, full lower lip
Personal Trait:	Smoked cigarettes at various intervals within the past [redacted] cannot recall the brand)
Date of Birth:	[redacted]
Place of Birth:	[redacted]
Home Address:	[redacted]

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[redacted] furnished a photograph of [redacted] which had been taken during the summer of 1960. She also wrote a letter to the Richmond Division on [redacted] reiterating some of the information she had provided previously. The photograph and letter are enclosed with this communication.

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On 8/1/86, an NCIC check was conducted on [redacted] He [redacted]  
[redacted] a  
[redacted] The Ohio BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION AND  
INVESTIGATION provided the following identifying information:

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Name:	[redacted]
FBI Number:	[redacted]
Social Security Number:	[redacted]
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Height:	6 feet 1 inch
Weight:	170 pounds
Hair:	Brown
Eyes:	Brown
Complexion:	Fair
Facial Feature:	[redacted]
Date of Birth:	[redacted]
Place of Birth:	[redacted]

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Because the Richmond Division had destroyed its NORJACK file several years ago, this matter is being handled as a zero matter.

The foregoing information is being provided to the Seattle Division for any action deemed appropriate.

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DB Cooper-16945



# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 3/5/79

FROM : SAC PAUL L. MACK

SUBJECT: NORJAC

At 11:03 AM, 3/5/79, [redacted]  
[redacted] Royal Globe Insurance Company, New York, telephone (212) 732-8400, advised that the Royal Globe Insurance Company had paid Northwest Orient Airlines over \$200,000 as a result of the loss sustained in November, 1971 in captioned case. She indicated the last correspondence she had was from [redacted] in December, 1978.

[redacted] stated that [redacted] of KNBC News, Los Angeles, has been in touch with her company concerning a news story he is working on which in fact reports that the FBI is investigating a particular suspect in this case. She wanted to know if the FBI, in fact, has a suspect or anyone under arrest in this matter.

She was informed the FBI has checked out over 1000 suspects over the years and continually receives allegations that individuals are identical with "D.B. COOPER" and that the FBI does check such allegations out. She was informed that the FBI does not have any one under arrest in connection with this crime.

She requested that she be advised promptly in the event an individual is arrested for the NORJAC case.

PLM:ldk  
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# Memorandum



To : SAC, SEATTLE (164A-81)

Date 8/27/86

From : *JRM* ACTING SAC, BUTTE (164A-26) (RUC)

Subject : NORJACK;  
CAA - HIJACKING  
OO: Seattle

Reurtel to Butte, 12/13/85.

For information Seattle, no further investigation is being conducted by the Butte Division concerning this matter until specific requests are received from office of origin.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 2/16/79

FROM : SAC, DENVER (164-640)(P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)

OO: SE

BUFILE 164-2111

RE [REDACTED] COLORADO

ReSElet to DN, 10/17/78.

On 1/30/79, [REDACTED] Amax, Inc., Golden, Colorado, advised her payroll records reflect that [REDACTED] did not work on 11/22/71 because of a [REDACTED] and on 11/23 and 11/24/71, was on leave of absence. She stated on 11/25/71 [REDACTED] did not work as this was Thanksgiving with [REDACTED] again taking a leave of absence on 11/26/71. She explained that 11/27 and 28/71 were Saturday and Sunday and [REDACTED] regular days off and thus, [REDACTED] did not report back to Amax for work until 11/29/71.

On 1/30/79, [REDACTED] Amax, Inc., Henderson, Colorado, advised upon review of [REDACTED] payroll records for period 11/22-29/71, no record could be found regarding [REDACTED] on 11/22/71. He stated per Amax regulations if [REDACTED] but noted that in view of [REDACTED] leave of absence during the remainder of the week, it is possible that the [REDACTED] was misrecorded and should have been recorded as a leave of absence. [REDACTED] advised his interpretation of the payroll records would indicate that [REDACTED] was at work on 11/22/71 and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] is now employed as a [REDACTED] for Amax, Inc. and previously was classified as a [REDACTED] which he advised included [REDACTED]

Denver will obtain additional background, including financial background on [REDACTED] and thereafter interview re activities 11/22-29/71.

2 - Seattle (RM)  
2 - Denver  
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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 2/27/79

[redacted] AMAX, Inc.,  
was contacted at the AMAX Mine where after being advised  
of the official identities of the interviewing Agents,  
provided the following information:

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[redacted] made available personnel file of [redacted]  
[redacted] review of which reflected the following infor-  
mation:

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Initial employment application, dated June 1,  
1965 reflects that [redacted] giving address of [redacted]  
Colorado, and described as a White Male, born [redacted]  
[redacted], 5'8 1/2" tall, 168 pounds, brown hair and eyes, Social  
Security Account Number [redacted] listed education as  
a graduate of [redacted]  
[redacted] and as having attended the [redacted]  
[redacted] for a period of one year. [redacted] lists  
experience as an [redacted]  
from [redacted] and with the  
[redacted]  
[redacted] Military service number is listed as [redacted]  
and discharge listed as honorable.

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Prior employment in addition to the aforementioned  
is listed as Offshore Navigation, New Orleans, Louisiana  
as [redacted] from June of 1961 through December  
of 1961; as an [redacted] with Boeing Aircraft  
Seattle, Washington from December of 1961, through October  
of 1964; and as [redacted] Colorado,  
from January of 1965, through April of 1965.

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Further review of applicant's personnel file  
reflected that on October 27, 1971, an accident report  
was filed by [redacted] indicating that a [redacted]  
[redacted] and that on November 1, 1971,  
[redacted]  
[redacted] Colorado.

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Interviewed on 2/21/79 at Henderson, Colorado File # DN 164-640

by SA [redacted] and  
SA [redacted] (DEVP:pfv) Date dictated 2/26/79

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 2/27/79

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Prior employment in addition to the aforementioned is listed as Offshore Navigation, New Orleans, Louisiana as [redacted] from June of 1961 through December of 1961; as an [redacted] with Boeing Aircraft Seattle, Washington from December of 1961, through October of 1964; and as [redacted] Colorado, from January of 1965, through April of 1965.

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Interviewed on 2/21/79 at Henderson, Colorado File # DN 164-640

by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] (DEVP:pfv) Date dictated 2/26/79





## Memorandum

To : SAC, SEATTLE (164A-81)

Date 9/14/86

From : Acting SAC, BUTTE (164A-26)(RUC)

☐ RUCSubject : NORJAK;  
CAA - HIJACKING  
OO: SE (Title)☐ File Destruction ProgramEnclosed are 2 items.  
These items are forwarded your office since:☐ All logical investigation completed in this Division☒ You were OO at the time our case was RUC'd.

Enclosures are described as follows:

Original 302-  
notes.

4/10/85 and Original interview

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 2/27/79

[redacted] was interviewed at the place of his employment where after being advised of the official identities of the interviewing Agents and the purpose of the interview he provided the following information:

[redacted] advised that while in the U.S. Navy and U.S. Air Force from [redacted] he was assigned as an [redacted] with the U.S. Navy and as a [redacted] with the U.S. Air Force. He stated that he was assigned with a [redacted] with the U.S. Navy [redacted] where he did [redacted]. He stated while with the U.S. Air Force he was also assigned in [redacted].

[redacted] advised that he has had no experience in the military or in subsequent civilian life with parachuting other than limited training while in the U.S. Navy where he was dropped from a distance of 100 feet by rope with a parachute harness and practice releasing the harness after hitting the water.

[redacted] advised that he has never smoked and commented that smoke is an irritant to him in any confined area. He further commented that [redacted] to smoke and no smoking is allowed in his residence.

[redacted] advised that he moved to his current residence at [redacted] Colorado, in February of 1970, and has been employed at AMAX Mine, Henderson, Colorado from June 2, 1965, to present. He stated that he was employed with AMAX at a salary of approximately [redacted] per year and currently makes approximately [redacted] per year. He recalled the sale price of his current residence to have been approximately [redacted] and stated that he financed the house utilizing the GI bill. He stated that his initial house payments were approximately [redacted] per month. He stated since his employment with AMAX, [redacted] in the Denver area.

Interviewed on 2/21/79 at Henderson, Colorado File # DN 164-640

by SA [redacted] and [redacted] (DEVP:pfv) Date dictated 2/26/79



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[redacted] advised that in addition to his employment in the U.S. Military and with AMAX, he was employed by Offshore Navigation in New Orleans, Louisiana during a [redacted] period in 1961, [redacted]

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[redacted] coast for Shell Oil Company. He advised that Offshore Navigation still operates out of New Orleans, Louisiana under the name of Patroleum Helicopters. He stated that in late 1961, he accepted employment with Boeing Aircraft where he was assigned as an [redacted]

[redacted] and during his employment with Boeing was assigned in [redacted] Montana in 1962, and transferred to [redacted] Colorado where he worked [redacted] in [redacted] Nebraska in 1964.

[redacted] stated that in 1964, and early 1965, [redacted] Colorado, [redacted] to his employment with AMAX in June of 1965.

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] October of 1977. He explained that in 1965, he was in a [redacted] however, this [redacted] since that time.

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[redacted] advised that while with Boeing he had no training or experience whatsoever with the Boeing 727 aircraft and/or any other large commercial jet transports.

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[redacted] advised that he is banked at the Jefferson Bank and Trust Company located at [redacted] Colorado since [redacted] He stated additionally he has received no large sums of money in the form of inheritance or from any other source during his life time and stated that approximately two years ago [redacted] of which was used [redacted] Denver, Colorado for approximately [redacted] to [redacted] located in Arvada, Colorado. He advised that the [redacted]

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in the amount of [redacted] of Los Angeles, California and the [redacted] in the amount of [redacted] in Denver, Colorado. He explained that he has been [redacted] [redacted] whom he identified as [redacted] Denver, Colorado.

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[redacted] stated further that he is currently [redacted] [redacted] He stated that his wife was located in [redacted] Colorado. He explained that his wife is not currently working.

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[redacted] advised that without investigation on his part he could not account for his activities for the week of November 21 through 25, 1971. He stated that he does recall that sometime during that time period an [redacted] and it is possible that he took the week off [redacted] He stated that he will consult with his wife in an attempt to reconstruct activities during this period of time and recontact interviewing Agent.

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[redacted] denied any knowledge and/or involvement in the hijacking of a Pacific North West Orient airliner during November of 1971.

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[redacted] stated that he has never used the name of D. B. COOPER and has no experience in the area of wilderness survival. He explained that his outdoor activities have been very limited and he does not consider himself to be a hunter or "outdoors person."

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Subsequently, on February 21, 1979, [redacted] telephonically contacted Special Agent [redacted] at his residence at which time he stated that he had discussed

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his activities during the week of November 21, through 25, 1971, with his wife and that they had determined that during that week [redacted] whom he identified as [redacted] Arvada, Colorado, [redacted] and that they had spent the entire week making [redacted]

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He stated that [redacted] under the name of [redacted] and is currently vacationing in Texas but still resides at [redacted] He stated that [redacted] resides in the Denver area and could be reached through telephone number [redacted]

[redacted] stated additionally that [redacted] [redacted] residing at [redacted] Louisville, Kentucky, telephone number [redacted] resided at his residence during the entire week of November 21 through 25, 1971, and could verify his presence in Denver, Colorado for that week.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 2/27/79

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Interviewed on 2/21/79 at Henderson, Colorado File # DN 164-640

by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] (DEVP:pfv) Date dictated 2/26/79

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# Memorandum



To : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P\*)

Date 10/15/86

From : IA [redacted]

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Subject : NORJAK

On 10/8/86, [redacted]  
Washington, telephonically contacted the Seattle Office  
of the FBI and advised he had received a letter at his  
place of business, which he felt might relate to the  
D. B. COOPER case and he advised he would send the  
original of this letter to the Seattle Office of the FBI.

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Attached is letter as furnished by [redacted]

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Dear [redacted]

I don't know why you would think it strange that I would come back to [redacted] the second-time in-in 153RS. The last time I was sold & very wet. I don't really know if your Boss heard from his brother in Baldwin Park back in 81., or not, of course [redacted] had expressed the wish that I had bi-passed that address, in favor of her's in [redacted] but B.P. was closer...

By the way, since you people were not entirely hep as to what act 1 was all about, you could hardly be expected to know what act's 2 & 3 were all about. Let me attempt now to give you an example about legends.

Shoot out at O.K. Corral, was a local event. But it built & spread back east to become a national legend.

So, as time went forward, say until November of 1971. Not many legends were forthcoming from out west. Then it happened. A hipster named D. B. Cooper put [redacted] on the map & the route led as it built, to capture the imagination of not only the east, but the entire  
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nation, North & South as well.

It also became a threat to certain individuals, unbeknown to you.

So these individuals think tank decided to destroy that legend, but how can one kill a legend? "

and the answer was very simple, really. They would produce a movie. "The Pursuit of D. B. Cooper."

They would let this (R) rated movie be shown in theatres, and on television at the same time.?? a movie made for television showing in theatres at the same time.?? Now your beginning to see something that was obviously over looked. But first the pump-up in advertisement on T.V., in such a manner that would catch the eye of the viewing public. a public that was expecting a good wholesome (in their livingroom) motion picture. then the R & prof movie was finally shown on T.V. It turned people off with some of the filthy scenes. Perhaps even the people of Grief themselves & thus D. B. Cooper was built not into a legend, but as a heap. Mission accomplished.

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now come act-3. The straw that broke the legends back.

"The name of D-B. Cooper, was erroneously type into the hijacker's name by a ~~writer~~ reporter covering the story for the wire services." The name given was Dan Cooper."

"Wasnt this P-R, a masterstroke?"  
a name change after 8-years??

"Why would they bother?" "Dan Cooper Day..."

"What was so significant about the initials D-B?" That began to scare them.

I will tell you it was a profound initial, & it was D.B. Cooper, not Dan.

Then I should include act-4.

There would be a few people coming to  to see if they could find D-B's Elcot. So the farmer's planted 6-grand of their \$20. & had someone find them on a riverbank. This ruse had a double-edged effect. The fallout was that the adventures seeking to find this loot would know now that it was impossible. The other side was, if they could convince D-B. that they had in fact found some of his loot... he would check it out & they would  
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snatch him in the act.

But D-B, never moved because D-B, knew it was nothing but a sting, one that backfired on the would-be stingers.

Here's how. The found loot had to be released to the finder, or so it was reported in the media's. Now let's take another look at that condition.

First, if those \$20. bills were identified as those requested, by D-B, and the insurance company that repaid Northwest Orient Airlines the \$200,000<sup>00</sup>, then, by law, those funds go back to the rightful owner. The insurance company. A finder's fee would be in order under normal circumstances. Not 1/2 of what was found. Now we read where some, if not all of those \$20.00 bills would be worth up to \$1,000 each. But that, in itself would have given the sting attempt away. Those \$20.00 used, were printed after November 24<sup>th</sup> 1971. Coin collectors would have uncovered that, & Pow! So these bills were kept as hard-evidence, & other funds were used to pay off this kid, & insurance co. D-B assured me that he knew where 9,998 of the original 10,000 \$20. are. "So you see Norma, how it is..."



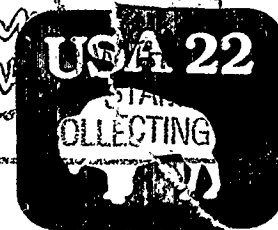
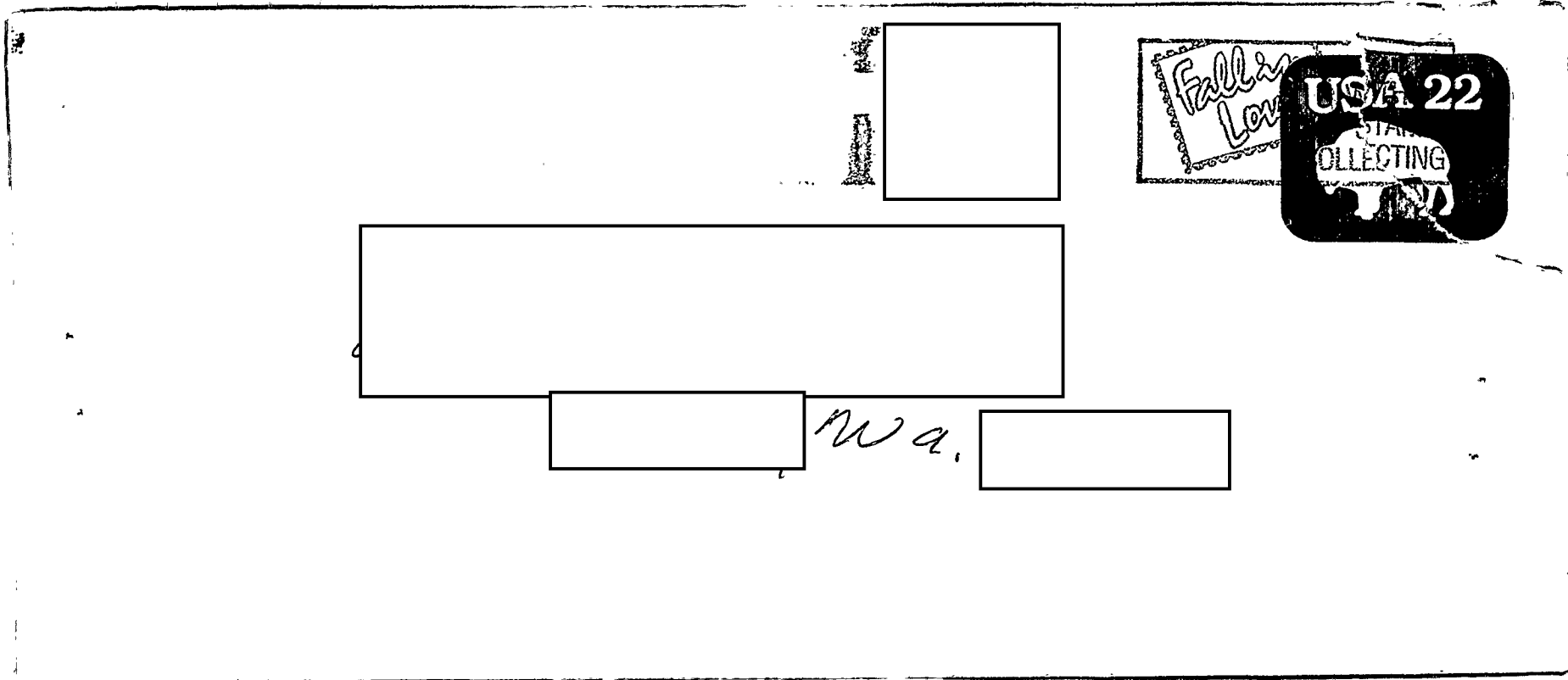
But D-B told me that you can expect him to be in [redacted] home November 24, 1986, to crank up D-B Day, bigger than ever before, so please ask [redacted] to make lots of Buffalo Stew. By the way, their production company Pblagram, was formed for just this one motion picture & then as suddenly, went out of the movie production business altogether....?? You could phone them for this same information. They still have a phone, but, "that's all folks"; until November.

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☐ TOP SECRET  
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Date 3/8/79

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
 FROM: SAC, DENVER (164-640)(P)  
 NORJAK (A)  
 OO: SEATTLE  
 Bufile 164-2111

RE [REDACTED]  
COLORADO

ReDNletter to SE, 2/16/79.

Enclosed herewith for Seattle is the original and one copy and for Louisville one copy each of FD-302's of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at Henderson, Colorado, on 2/21/79. Also enclosed for Seattle are rough draft notes of both interviews. 164-81-1A

LEADSLOUISVILLEAT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

Will interview [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] of suspect [REDACTED] in attempt to verify [REDACTED] whereabouts during week of 11/21-25/71.

- ② - Seattle (Enc. 6)(RM)  
 2 - Louisville (Enc. 2)(RM)  
 2 - Denver

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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DN 164-640

DENVER

AT ARVADA, COLORADO

Will interview [redacted] upon  
return from vacation, and [redacted] as set forth for  
Louisville.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 1/8/73

[redacted], Susanville, California, was interviewed at his residence and advised of the identify of the interviewing Agent with credentials. Prior to any questioning, SA [redacted] advised [redacted] of his rights using a "Interrogation; Advice of Rights" form, which [redacted] read, stated he understood, and signed. [redacted] was advised of the purpose of the interview and furnished the following information:

[redacted] said that he has been residing in Susanville since his youth and has been located at his residence since the latter part of 1971, to include November 24, 1971. [redacted] said he had taken a trip to Seattle, Washington, in the latter part of 1971, sometime in Lecember. He had been unemployed for the period of time to include the latter part of 1971 to date.

[redacted] stated that he believes in the simple life, consisting of vigorous physical activity and not necessarily monetary worth. He reportedly financially supports himself with [redacted] at Susanville and with his friend and business associate in Southem California.

[redacted] said that most of his income is from [redacted] [redacted] in the Susanville area as well as some money from his business dealings with his friend in Southern California. [redacted] said that this friend had made [redacted]

[redacted] said that he knew nothing of the hijacking or extortion of Northwest Flight 305 from Portland to Seattle on November 24, 1971.

[redacted] stated that he had been a member of the [redacted] and had been qualified as a military parachutist although he had never conducted any free falls.

Interviewed on 12/27/72 at Susanville, California

File # SC-164-50-34 *8062*

by SA [redacted] kep

Date dictated

1/2/73



SC 164-50

The following information was obtained by observation and interview:

Name	[redacted]
Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Date of birth	[redacted]
Height	5'9"
Weight	139 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Marital status	Married
Glasses	No
California driver's license number	[redacted]

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[redacted]  
Susanville, California

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[redacted]  
Reno, Nevada

[redacted]  
Susanville, California

[redacted] consented to furnish handwriting samples and wrote the following (both right and left handed):

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"Miss I have a box here and would like you to sit by me"

"Comb"

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date of transcription 3/27/79

[redacted]  
[redacted] Louisville, Kentucky, telephone number [redacted] were contacted at their residence.

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Both [redacted] were advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and of the nature of the investigation, after which they provided the following information:

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The [redacted] stated that the subject, [redacted] of [redacted] Colorado, [redacted] They stated that after [redacted] had graduated from [redacted] Kentucky, and attended the [redacted] for one semester, he enlisted in the [redacted] which was at the beginning of the Korean War. They stated that [redacted] had spent about [redacted] after which he returned to the United States from Japan and took up residence in Colorado. They stated that [redacted] currently live in [redacted] Colorado, and that [redacted] works for a mining company in the area. They stated that [redacted] had also [redacted] which [redacted]

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The [redacted] stated that [redacted], was a [redacted] but to the best of their knowledge, he had not [redacted] and has no experience in flying any large jet type aircraft. They did state, however, that it was their opinion that he was [redacted] and at one time he was [redacted] They stated that he is an [redacted] very knowledgeable [redacted] and won several awards and letters of appreciation for his [redacted] [redacted] They stated also at this time he works at a church affiliated camp somewhere in the mountains of Colorado, exact location unknown.

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The [redacted] stated that to the best of their knowledge, they were unaware of any large inheritance which [redacted] may have come in contact with recently and they also stated that due to [redacted] that both he and his wife have had to [redacted]

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Investigation on 3/19/79 at Louisville, Kentucky File # LS 164-174

by SA [redacted] /vdt Date dictated 3/22/79

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LS 164-174

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[redacted] stated that [redacted]  
[redacted] November of 1971. She stated that she could not  
remember the exact date, but that she recalled it being some-  
where around Thanksgiving. She stated at this time both her and  
her husband went out to Colorado and spent something in excess  
of a week with [redacted] and after Thanksgiving, they returned  
home to Louisville. She stated that [redacted]  
[redacted] and that he took a week off from  
work during [redacted]  
[redacted] She stated that other than  
the [redacted] appear to be living a  
normal life at this particular time and did not appear to be  
in any serious financial trouble.

The [redacted] went on to state that both [redacted]  
[redacted] and that neither of them  
have been in any trouble to their knowledge.

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Dissemination Routing Slip  
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Date 11/20/86

RE:

NORJAK

OO: SE 164-81

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Date 4/3/79

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
 FROM: SAC, LOUISVILLE (164-174) (RUC)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
 OO: SEATTLE  
 BUFILE 164-2111

RE

COLORADO

Re Denver airtel to Seattle dated 3/8/79.

Enclosed for Seattle is the original and seven copies of an FD-302 reflecting interview of [redacted] and [redacted]. Also enclosed are interview notes of same interview.

Enclosed for Denver is one copy of above FD-302.

Both [redacted] indicate through interview that suspect [redacted] story is substantially correct. It should be noted, however, that in a later telephone contact after the interview, [redacted] stated that both he and his wife had arrived at [redacted] house on 11/23/78 and left on 12/20/78, thus leaving 11/21 and 11/22/78 unaccounted for.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SC JANICE STANTON:

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

On January 31, 1979, [REDACTED] Corporate  
Records, Secretary of State, advised her files contained no  
information identifiable with [REDACTED]

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]

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AT BIXBY, OKLAHOMA

On February 2, 1979, [redacted]  
Citizens Security Bank and Trust, advised that according to  
his bank's records, [redacted] held two accounts at the  
bank, one from June 15, 1971 to April 12, 1972 and the other  
from February 9, 1972 until December 11, 1972 under the  
name [redacted] Bixby. The  
first account held a relatively steady balance in the low  
four figures while the second account was in the low three  
figures. He claimed the activity on the accounts would not  
be indicative of a volume anywhere near [redacted]

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He added that the bank loaned [redacted] approximately  
[redacted] during this same period of time which was repaid  
as agreed by [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that his records further indicated  
that [redacted] had gone to Russellville, Arkansas where he had  
[redacted] following his leaving Bixby. He  
added that he had no information indicating how much [redacted]  
[redacted] nor did he have information regarding  
customers to whom [redacted]

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## PRECEDENCE:

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## CLASSIFICATION:

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (164-244)(RUC)

NORJAK (A)

OO: Seattle

Re Little Rock airtel to Oklahoma City 1/10/79.

Enclosed are two copies each of two inserts regarding investigation conducted at Oklahoma City and Bixby, Oklahoma.

ADMINISTRATIVE

On 1/30/79, [redacted] Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, advised she has no wage credits reported or claims filed under Social Security Number [redacted]

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Oklahoma City considers this matter RUC'd.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2-Seattle (Encs. 4)  
1-Oklahoma City  
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[redacted] Russellville, Arkansas, advised that in early June, 1972, he [redacted] of land near Dover, Arkansas. [redacted] gave him [redacted] cash for that property. [redacted] was just moving back to Arkansas from the Tulsa, Oklahoma, area when he purchased that property. He does not know the exact date [redacted] bought the property from him, but does know that it was in early June, 1972.

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Investigation on 11/14/78 at Russellville, Arkansas File # LR 164-22by SA [redacted] /bng Date dictated 11/20/78b6  
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Date 1/10/79

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (164-22) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)

OO: SE

Re Kansas City airtel to Seattle, 11/7/78, and Little Rock airtel to Seattle, 10/3/78.

Enclosed for Seattle are the original and two copies of FD-302 of [redacted]

For the information of Seattle, [redacted] currently has a full beard. No effort has been made by Little Rock to interview [redacted] however, such interview will be conducted if requested by OO.

This case is considered RUC in the Little Rock Division.

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1 - Dallas (164-191) (Info)

1 - Oklahoma City (164-56) (Info)

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Date: 2/6/79

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (P) (SJRA)

RE: NORJAK (A)

OO: SE

# 933

ROBERT RACKSTRAW

On 2/5/79, [REDACTED] (PROTECT IDENTITY),  
[REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED]  
telephonically contacted the FBI, San Jose, Calif., and  
advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ROBERT RACKSTRAW. Source stated  
[REDACTED]

Source advised that he is providing this information  
to the FBI because he read in the newspaper that RACKSTRAW  
is possibly identical to D.B. COOPER, the man who hijacked  
an airliner in 1971 and thought that the FBI would possibly  
want to talk [REDACTED] concerning RACKSTRAW's activities.

The source requested that his identity be protected

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

On 2/5/79, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] California, telephone [REDACTED] appeared at the  
San Jose FBI Resident Agency and provided the following  
information:

[REDACTED] met ROBERT RACKSTRAW during [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Recently  
[REDACTED] saw a picture of RACKSTRAW in the paper and identified  
him [REDACTED]

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Approved: [Signature]  
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[redacted] met RACKSTRAW while [redacted] working in a restaurant named [redacted] California. RACKSTRAW came into the restaurant [redacted] a casual conversation occurred and [redacted] and RACKSTRAW became acquainted.

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[redacted] knew RACKSTRAW by his true name. [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Shortly after meeting, [redacted] and RACKSTRAW moved to San Jose, California. [redacted] is certain that she and RACKSTRAW were in San Jose during November of 1971. During the period in question, November, 1971, to 1973, she saw RACKSTRAW on a daily basis, [redacted] RACKSTRAW very rarely was gone overnight and [redacted] cannot remember that RACKSTRAW was gone overnight during November of 1971.

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RACKSTRAW smoked occasionally, but [redacted] could not remember his brand of cigarettes.

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Referring to RACKSTRAW's mannerisms, she described him as robust, but polite in speech, with no noticeable accent. He talked fast on occasion.

During November and December, 1971, RACKSTRAW had a full mustache, and she does not remember him shaving it off. At the time RACKSTRAW was about twenty-eight (28) years old and looked his age.

After [redacted] RACKSTRAW moved to San Jose in September or October of 1971, RACKSTRAW enrolled in and attended real estate school. About January of 1972, RACKSTRAW

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[redacted]  
[redacted] Later on [redacted]  
[redacted] California, [redacted]  
[redacted] [redacted] California. The last four numbers of her telephone number are [redacted]

In 1972, RACKSTRAW got a second job working at the Radio Shack in Cupertino, California.

[redacted] advised that there was no indication whatsoever that RACKSTRAW obtained a sizeable amount of money during the time that she knew him, 1971-1973. [redacted]

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stated that during this time, there was no indication that  
RACKSTRAW was involved in any illegal activity.



AIRTEL

3/8/79

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

Re Los Angeles teletype to Sacramento, 2/5/79,  
and Sacramento airtel to Bureau, 2/6/79.

RE: ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW

ROBERT RACKSTRAW, San Joaquin County Jail, French  
Camp, California, refused to give consent to having major  
case prints taken without the advice of his attorney,  
[redacted] Oakland, California.

On 3/7/79, Chief Assistant U.S. Attorney [redacted]  
[redacted] Eastern District of California, Sacramento,  
California, contacted RACKSTRAW's attorney, [redacted]  
Oakland, California, and advised that [redacted] desired the  
FBI to obtain a court order prior to obtaining major case  
prints from ROBERT RACKSTRAW.

In view of the above, Sacramento is conducting  
no further investigation in this matter subsequent to receiving  
a subpoena for RACKSTRAW's major case prints.

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- 2 - Portland (164-41)
- ② - Seattle (164-81)
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Washington, D. C. 20537

## REPORT

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### LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

YOUR FILE NO. **164-50 (P)**  
FBI FILE NO. **164-2111**  
LATENT CASE NO.

**March 8, 1979**

TO: **SAC, Sacramento**

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RE: **NORJAK**

*See 4-1-79*

REFERENCE: **Airtel 2/6/79**  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: **Sacramento**  
SPECIMENS: **Copies of finger and palm prints of Robert W. Rackstraw,  
FBI #977973E**

**The unidentified latent prints previously reported in this  
case are not identical with the submitted prints, which are enclosed.**

**Enclosures (3)**

**② - Seattle (164-81)**

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## CLASSIFICATION:

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Date 3/16/79

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
(OO: Seattle)Re ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW, Sub #933

Re Sacramento airtel to the Bureau, dated 3/8/79.

For information of all recipients, on 3/15/79, AUSA  
 [redacted] District of Oregon, Portland, Oregon, advised  
 as follows:

Departmental Attorney [redacted] telephonically advised  
 [redacted] this date that he had received a communication from one  
 [redacted] Attorney. [redacted] Oakland, California,  
 telephone [redacted] advised him that he represents  
 a client whom he did not identify who is willing to provide  
 information which will prove he is the UNSUB in this matter  
 in return for immunity from federal prosecution. [redacted]  
 instructed [redacted] to have the Portland Case Agent contact  
 [redacted] by telephone in an attempt to determine the validity  
 of this claim and to evaluate the potential for benefit to this  
 investigation.

It is noted that during the period April, 1978 to  
 March, 1979, investigation has been conducted to eliminate  
 or involve one ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW. RACKSTRAW is now  
 only 35 years old, and at the time of the hijacking in this  
 matter, would have been approximately 28 years old. UNSUB in  
 this matter was described as late 40's or early 50's in 1971,  
 with the median age of the description being 48 years. This

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- ② - Seattle (164-81)
- 2 - San Francisco (164-220)
- 2 - Portland

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would indicate a disparity of approximately 20 years, and RACKSTRAW would not appear to be a very good suspect.

RACKSTRAW has been the subject of highly publicized prosecution for major crimes in California, and is now incarcerated in a California penitentiary. The Sacramento Office advised in May, 1978, that at that time RACKSTRAW was in custody feigning a back injury which required him to be transported in a wheelchair. Custodial personnel felt he was doing this in an attempt to effect a possible escape. It was noted that RACKSTRAW is a former U. S. Army Green Beret and Vietnam veteran highly skilled in the use of his hands and feet as weapons.

Sacramento Office further advised that on 5/4/78, [redacted] Stockton, California Police Department advised he has heard that [redacted] is a lawyer in Oakland, California. [redacted]

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[redacted] He wondered if this might indicate that RACKSTRAW's suspected involvement in the 1975 theft of explosives at the Felton Quarry, Santa Cruz, California, some of which were later acquired from the New World Liberation Front by the FBI at Richmond, California in early 1976, might mean that RACKSTRAW intentionally obtained the explosives for the radicals. He stated that [redacted] reportedly was formerly in partnership with [redacted] another reported [redacted] [redacted] reportedly [redacted] San Francisco Police Department, [redacted]

In view of the above information, Portland SA [redacted] [redacted] after consultation with Supervisor [redacted] of the Seattle Division, suggested to AUSA [redacted] that [redacted] in furtherance of Departmental Attorney [redacted] request. AUSA [redacted] was furnished a list of questions which could be asked anyone claiming to be UNSUB in this matter, the answers to which could only be known by the UNSUB and investigators close to the case. [redacted] was not provided with the answers to the questions.

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Subsequently, on the same date, [redacted] advised he had been in telephonic contact with [redacted] who requested the list

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of questions be furnished him in writing. [ ] stated he would provide such a written list of questions to [ ] with the stipulation that [ ] not release the list of questions.

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The above for information. Portland will maintain contact with AUSA [ ] for any subsequent developments.

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*Memorandum*

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
(OO: Seattle)

DATE: 4/25/79

RE: ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW  
Sub #933

Re Portland airtel to the Bureau, dated 3/16/79.

On 4/23/79, AUSA [redacted] for the District of Oregon, Portland, Oregon, advised he had received a letter from Attorney [redacted] Oakland, California, [redacted]. This letter was a response to [redacted] letter to [redacted] dated 3/15/79, in which [redacted] furnished [redacted] with a list of questions to be answered by [redacted] client prior to any negotiations or discussions concerning the possible prosecution of that client. [redacted] advised the letter from [redacted] stated as follows:

"Dear [redacted]

"I am in receipt of your letter of 15 March, 1979, and agree to abide fully by its terms. I have discussed the contents of said letter with my client. At this point in time, he is not interested in pursuing the matter. This change in plans stems from personal problems which may well resolve themselves in the near future and allow us to once again pursue this topic.

"I shall consider the matter closed until I hear otherwise from my client and, in that event, I will contact you once again.

"Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

"Very truly yours,

"/s/ [redacted]

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that [ ] AUSA [ ] stated he presumes from the above  
[ ] client, as anticipated, was unable to answer  
the questions posed.

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In view of the above, Portland does not feel any  
further inquiry concerning this suspect is indicated.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 2/1/79

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SE

Re LV let, 9/25/78.

After several unsuccessful attempts,

[redacted] was contacted by SA [redacted]  
[redacted] at his residence, [redacted] Reno,  
Nevada.

[redacted] advised his real name was [redacted]  
[redacted] and he changed his name for business purposes.  
He further advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] and resides with her at the  
above address. [redacted] stated he was currently the  
[redacted]  
(gold mining), a Nevada corporation.

From personal observation and interview, it  
was determined that [redacted] was not identical with the  
captioned UNSUB in this case.

[redacted] stated he was not an experienced sky-  
diver and in fact, had used a parachute only once in his  
life when he was in military service during the Korean  
conflict and was forced to bail out when a military aircraft  
developed trouble. He further advised that in November, 1971,  
he was residing at [redacted] in Reno, and to the best  
of his recollection, he was at home on 11/24/71.

[redacted] further advised that his knowledge of aircraft  
is very limited and he has no expertise whatsoever in this  
regard.

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2 - Seattle  
1 - Las Vegas  
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# D.B. Cooper, where are you?

STOCKTON, Calif. (AP) — More than 1,000 suspects have been investigated in the D.B. Cooper hijacking — the nation's only unsolved air piracy case, the FBI says. Now there's speculation the FBI has another suspect.

A man calling himself D. Cooper parachuted from an airliner with \$200,000 and disappeared without a trace in the rugged terrain of Washington state more than seven years ago.

**ROBERT WESLEY Rackstraw** — pilot, explosives expert and a suspect in assorted crimes — was sought for questioning in the Cooper case last year, FBI agent Pete Norregard confirmed.

But Rackstraw disappeared, officials said, by faking a plane crash in Monterey Bay to avoid trial on check-kiting charges. Now he's in custody again. Rackstraw, 35, is in San Joaquin jail on \$650,000 bail.

"He's a hell of a con man — you'd buy a used car from him every time,"

said Deputy Dist. Atty. Clark Sueyres. "He was also in the Pacific Northwest operating a light plane service at the time of the D.B. Cooper hijacking and was trained in parachuting while a Green Beret.

"I think that's how the speculation started. I know it crossed the minds of the Stockton police investigators and they mentioned it to the FBI."

The FBI in Seattle is handling the Cooper case, and would not confirm or deny interest in Rackshaw.

**THE COOPER** hijacking occurred Nov. 24, 1971, on a Northwest Airlines flight between Portland and Seattle. Cooper let passengers off in Seattle and collected \$200,000 ransom and four parachutes.

After the plane took off again, he bailed out over forest land in Clark County, Washington. No trace of him, the parachute or the money has ever been reported, despite several searches.

The crime was before there was a statute of limitations on air piracy cases, so the investigation is continuing, authorities said.

Rackstraw was arrested Friday in Southern California for trying to duplicate a pilot's license and medical certificates at a Fullerton printing shop, authorities said.

He was returned to Stockton to face charges of grand theft of an airplane, possession of explosives, check forgery and issuing checks with insufficient funds.

Last Oct. 11, six days before he was to have gone on trial on those charges, Rackstraw took off in a rented plane on a flight from Stockton to Monterey.

The Federal Aviation Administration said Rackstraw radioed a mayday distress call and said he was going to ditch the plane in the bay after reporting smoke in the cockpit.

But officials said that was a hoax and the plane was later found, repainted, at a Southern California airport.



Associated Press

"D.B. Cooper" ... artist's sketch of missing skyjacker.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) —

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This person who was formerly employed  
At Anderson Hickey here may be same person  
in this clipping. The person who was from [redacted] b6 b7C  
here is [redacted], W/M, Dab. [redacted]  
He holds TEXAS D.L. [redacted] He gives different  
Addresses and has a place in Mexico on  
the coast. His D.L. address, his registration  
on his vehicles address, and the address  
given to his employee are all different.  
He was fired for dishonesty and was  
on leave of absence at the time this  
story on the clipping. He was discharged  
from Air Force in 8 NOV 69 at [redacted] b6 b7C  
service [redacted] I know [redacted] and  
he does resemble the picture in this clipping.  
[redacted] left the country to Belgium for  
7 years after the \$200,000<sup>00</sup> skyjacking in Washington.  
He claimed to be able to [redacted]  
and [redacted] yet when employees at Anderson  
Hickey spoke [redacted] to him, he did not understand  
a word of it. [redacted] b6 b7C



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : *AMH* SAC, DALLAS (164-22) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)

OO: SEATTLE

DATE: 3/5/79

Enclosed for Seattle is a xerox copy of a newspaper article datelined Stockton, California, entitled, "D.B. Cooper, where are you?" and on the reverse side is a handprinted note furnished to the Tvler Resident Agency of the FBI by  Henderson Police Department, Henderson, Texas.

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This information is being furnished to the Seattle Division for any appropriate investigation deemed necessary.

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murder - 5/18/79*

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SAC, DALLAS (164-22) (RUC)

NORJAK (A)

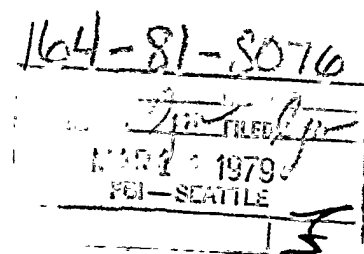
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## PRECEDENCE:

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Date 5/2/79

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TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A) ✓

OO: SEATTLE

*164-73*

Reference Minneapolis Airtel to Portland and Seattle 4/23/79.

Enclosed for Portland and Seattle is one copy each of an article that appeared in the St. Paul Pioneer Press on Wednesday, May 2, 1979 captioned "Dead or alive, D.B. Cooper where are you?".

Since no further investigation remains in the Minneapolis Division, this matter is RUC.

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FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (RUC)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

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Date 4/25/79

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

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

Re Portland telephone call of Portland SAC to Seattle  
SAC, 4/23/79.

On 4/23/79, [redacted]  
[redacted] Portland, Oregon, telephone [redacted] telephonically  
advised that [redacted] Lake Merwin, Washington.  
On her way home on 4/22/79, from the lot, she noticed a piece  
of white cloth in a tree on the right hand side of the road  
going south, approximately five miles from Lake Merwin, between  
Fargher Lake and Amboy, Washington. She advised the cloth  
appeared to be heavy silk or possibly fiberglass material,  
raveled on the edges and about 18 inches long and 12 inches  
wide. She immediately thought of the COOPER case and thought  
the cloth could be a piece of the parachute. She advised she  
could direct an Agent to the site.

On 4/24/79, [redacted] accompanied SC JOAN M. THOMAS  
and SA [redacted] to the location and pointed out  
the cloth, which was not possible to identify from the highway.  
Upon retrieval, however, it was determined the cloth was part  
of a corn and barley bag from Albers Milling Company.

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② - Seattle  
2 - Portland

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12/27/78

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26) (RUC)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: Seattle

Enclosed for Portland is one business card of  
D. B. COOPER, Director, COOPER'S SKYDIVING SCHOOL,  
Sky Harbor Field, Salem, Oregon.

On 11/27/78, [REDACTED]  
TREASURE ENTERPRISES, 3815 Rickenbacker Drive, Boise, Idaho,  
advised a man came into her office sometime between  
2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on 11/22/78. He wanted to rent  
a 172 Cessna airplane to go to San Francisco and San Diego  
for three weeks.

[REDACTED] said she could not approve the rental  
that the man would have to talk to one of the company  
officials. He then said he had an appointment and would  
return later. He gave [REDACTED] a business card in the name  
of D. B. COOPER, COOPER'S SKYDIVING SERVICE, Salem, Oregon,  
and left. He said he would return Monday, 11/27/78.  
[REDACTED] described this man as follows:

Race  
Sex

White  
Male

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② - Seattle (164-41) (AM)  
1 - Butte  
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Height  
Weight  
Hair  
Face

5' 6"  
Approximately 200#  
Gray  
Round

A composite copy of D. B. COOPER was displayed to [ ] who said the man did not resemble the composite in any way.

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[ ] TREASURE ENTERPRISES were recontacted on 11/28, 11/30, and 12/5/78, at which time it was determined the man had not returned to rent a plane. In the event that he does return, the FBI will be notified immediately.

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PORTLAND DIVISION

AT SALEM, OREGON

Will attempt to locate D. B. COOPER in care of COOPER's SKYDIVING SCHOOL, Sky Harbor Field, Salem, Oregon, for interview.

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Date 1/5/79

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
(OO:Seattle)

Re Butte airtel to Portland, 12/27/78.

Enclosed for Seattle is a business card of D. B. COOPER, Director, Airline Jump Operations, Cooper's Sky Diving School, Sky Harbor Field, Salem, Oregon.

As evidenced by the information contained in the enclosed card furnished Seattle, it appears the card is a novelty item of no investigative value. There is no Sky Harbor Field located at Salem, Oregon.

On 1/4/79, inquiries with officials at the Salem, Oregon, airport and the Salem Flight Service determined there are no sky diving schools located at Salem.

UAC Seattle, no additional inquiries will be made regarding Cooper's Sky Diving School.

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*Memorandum*

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 3/10/79

FROM : [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

*Sub J*

For information purposes, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Tacoma, Wash., telephone [REDACTED]  
advised that she has seen a man in her neighborhood  
recently who looks very much like D.B. COOPER. He drives  
a Pickup Truck with WA LIC [REDACTED]

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Date 1/26/79

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

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

RE SUSPECT: [REDACTED] WASHINGTON

On 1/18/79, [REDACTED]  
Washington [REDACTED], no home telephone,  
message phone [REDACTED] (residence of [REDACTED])  
[REDACTED], telephonically contacted the Portland Office  
to furnish the following information:

She met a man named [REDACTED], believed to be  
currently unemployed, [REDACTED] in the Swift  
area, who lives in a [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] five miles west of [REDACTED]  
Washington, approximately one and a half years ago. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] feels [REDACTED] resembles COOPER, unsub in this matter,  
but she could not give a physical description of [REDACTED] She  
added that he is very polite and mild-mannered.

The above for information and any investigation  
deemed necessary by Seattle.

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2-Portland

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## PRECEDENCE:

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## CLASSIFICATION:

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Date 1/29/79

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
(OO:Seattle)  
BuFile 164-2111RE: [redacted] Western  
Academy of Films, Vancouver, B.C.,  
Canada

For the information of Seattle, at approximately 9:47 a.m., 1/29/79, an anonymous mature female contacted the Portland office and asked to speak with the Agent in charge. She was referred to SA [redacted] and at that time furnished the following information:

She has some information pertaining to a case in which the FBI has an interest. She asked if SA [redacted] had a pencil and paper, and when he replied affirmatively, she stated "Well copy down this information." SA [redacted] asked her to what the information pertained, and she advised it pertained to a case in which the FBI has an interest, that she had tried to give the information to the Los Angeles Police Department last year, but they did not seem interested. She then said write down "Western Academy of Films, 845 Beech Avenue, British Columbia, telephone 685-1718, [redacted]"

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2-Portland

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SA [ ] inquired as to what the information pertained to, and the woman stated "Well, it has to do with the skyjacking over Woodland, Washington, but if you're not interested, I'll hang up." She then hung up.

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The long distance operator advises the above telephone number is located in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

The anonymous female did not state what connection [ ] may have with the instant matter or whether or not he was a suspect.

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The above is for information of the Seattle Office and any action deemed appropriate.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on November 30,  
1978, at Miami, Florida:

[redacted]  
telephone number [redacted], furnished the following information:

She advised that she read an article in the  
November 26, 1978 edition of the Miami Herald and stated  
from the composite photograph published in that paper, this  
individual appeared to resemble one [redacted]. She advised  
that she met this [redacted] at Sweetwater Park during the  
4th of July celebration. She advised that they became  
friendly during this encounter and both she and her husband  
invited him to her house because he was saying he could  
get a job for one of their daughters in the field of modeling  
or at a real estate school.

[redacted] advised that during the time that  
he visited their home, he told them that he had wrote a book,  
but could not publish this book under his name. [redacted]  
further stated that another reason he could not publish this  
book was that he was in need of financing, which would  
require about [redacted]. [redacted] advised that during this  
conversation, she felt that he [redacted] was hinting for the  
[redacted] to help him with financing and to actually give him  
money. She advised that he never came out directly and asked  
for money.

She advised that while at her house he stated  
his children were all dead as a result of some unexplained  
tragic accident. She related that he indicated that he owned  
a house and a condominium in Hialeah and had funds which he  
could not touch because they were tied up. She advised that  
he had stated that he was the vice president of the Jaycees  
chapter in Miami, but she had called the Jaycees office and  
had learned that he was simply a member and was told that  
[redacted]

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She advised that [ ] is different from the composite photograph in that he is bald on the top of his head, which is completely shiny. She further related that he had talked about the Weiss Real Estate School in Miami and that he could get her daughter into the school.

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[ ] advised that several days after his visit to their house, he called wanting to enroll her daughter and son-in-law in this real estate school and that he could make all of the arrangements. At this time he also offered to put up the enrollment money. [ ] advised that at this time she became very suspicious of this individual and told him that her daughter had changed her mind and was not at all interested in attending real estate school. She further advised that he stated that he owned a house in North Carolina and in Miami in addition to his Hialeah holdings. She further advised that he had related that he had written a book and that he used to be in the [ ]

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[ ] provided the following description of [ ]

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Age	[ ]
Height	Five feet and ten inches
Weight	185 to 190 pounds
Complexion	Fair
Decent	[ ]
Eyes	Light blue
Hair	Brownish blond
	Bald on top, hair only on sides
Appearance	Neat, wore sunglasses.

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[ ] advised that she would be moving to a new location in the same neighborhood very shortly, but that she could be reached at telephone number [ ]

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[ ] had previously advised that [ ] telephone number was [ ] This number had been determined to have been subscribed to by Airtek Corporation, Belcher Oil Company, 2050 Coral Way, Miami, Florida.

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While at the [ ] residence, a call was placed to this telephone number and it was determined that a [ ] [ ] was at that location. [ ] was not reached for a conversation.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on January 8, 1979, at  
Coral Gables, Florida:

[redacted]  
[redacted] Belcher Oil Company, 2050  
Coral Way, Coral Gables, Florida, made available the employment  
application for [redacted] and also furnished the  
following background information concerning him:

They advised [redacted] birth date is [redacted]  
and that he made application for employment on December 8, 1972.  
They advised that since the time he applied, they have known him  
and have always recalled him to be a bald person. They advised  
his application reflects that he was employed from January 1969  
through 1971, at Sears, 13th Street and Biscayne Boulevard, Miami,  
[redacted] He was terminated in March 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted] His application reflects that he was unemployed  
between March 1971 and December 1971. From December of 1971  
through February 1972, he was employed at Grants Store, Kendall  
Plaza. [redacted] was a [redacted] His application re-  
flects that from April through August 1972, he was a Keyes Realty  
[redacted] and a Rossman Realty [redacted] His file reflects that  
he was a United States Air Force veteran, Serial Number [redacted]  
and served from [redacted] He left the service with the  
rank of [redacted] and worked in the [redacted] listed  
his Social Security Account Number as [redacted] He  
listed his height as 6 feet 2 inches, weight 195 pounds, wife's  
name [redacted] residing at [redacted] Miami, and marital  
status as currently divorced. [redacted] salary while at Grants  
from December 1971 through February 1972, was listed as [redacted]  
per week.

[redacted] advised that as a result of a medical form  
for insurance purposes filled out by [redacted] a confidential  
medical record was obtained from Veterans Administration  
Hospital, Linwood Division, Augusta, Georgia, dated November 1,  
1973, concerning [redacted] This record reflected that [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] advised that [redacted] is employed as a [redacted]  
[redacted] at the Belcher Company, and that he has never [redacted]

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been known to smoke. She described him as having light brown hair on the sides, but has been bald since the time of his employment at Belcher. She advised that in her opinion he has probably been bald for quite some time before that. She stated that in her opinion he was approximately 6 feet 2 inches tall, had a round face, and that he was always talking about schemes. She described him as one who after five minutes of conversation, the average person would realize that he is not an intelligent person. She advised that he is approximately 200 pounds and has a light fair complexion with light blue eyes. He wears regular glasses, but never sunglasses. She advised that he has been divorced from his wife for quite sometime. She further advised that during the whole time she has known him he has been [REDACTED]

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She advised that part of her function at the job is to handle matters associated with the credit union at the company, and she stated that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. She advised that [REDACTED] has a [REDACTED] [REDACTED], and she does not know that he lives at any particular address. She advised that she has heard other people state that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] She further advised that from a review of his application, it reflected that he attended general insurance school during the year 1971, at 5900 S.W. 72nd Street, Miami, Florida, where [REDACTED] She further advised that she believes [REDACTED] still resides at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] but they have been divorced for quite sometime.

Color composite photographs of Unknown Subject (UNSUB) were displayed to both [REDACTED] and to [REDACTED] and after viewing the photographs, both advised that [REDACTED] does not look like UNSUB. Both advised that [REDACTED] is a dreamer and a fantasizer, and do not believe that he was capable of hijacking a jet liner.

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## memorandum

DATE:

1/26/79

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:

SUBJECT:

SAC, MIAMI (164-552) (RUC)

NORJAK (A)  
(OO: SEATTLE)

TO:

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

Enclosed for Seattle are two investigative inserts  
dated 11/30/78 and 1/8/79, at Miami, Florida.

No further investigation is being conducted by  
Miami Division.

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1 - Miami *142*  
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OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF  
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
BOX 750  
CHEHALIS, WASHINGTON  
98532  
(206) 748-8887

"THIS OFFICE DEDICATED TO SERVING YOU"

February 5, 1979

WILLIAM H. WIESTER  
SHERIFF



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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
915 2nd  
Seattle, Wa.

Dear Sir:

I was contacted by telephone this date by a [redacted] <sup>PNR</sup>  
[redacted] Centralia, phone [redacted] She states  
she has information on a suspect in the D. B. Cooper  
hijack case. <sup>see special indices 164-81</sup>

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[redacted] states further the suspect told her that he  
rode a plane to Seattle the night of the hijack and also  
states he threw some items out of the plane.

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Suspect's name is [redacted] <sup>NR</sup> He also uses his [redacted] <sup>NR</sup>  
[redacted] She states [redacted] is from the  
[redacted] of the Centralia area.  
She believes [redacted] is now living in the southern California  
area.

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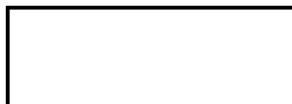
I have no idea the value of her information, only that she  
is a stable person and has been long active in the Red Cross  
blood program in this county.

Sincerely,

*W. H. Wiester*  
W. H. Wiester, Sheriff

WHW:m1

Subj: [redacted]



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*[Signature]*

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airtel

2/8/79

TO: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72)

FROM: SAC, WFO (164-160) (RUC)

NORJAK (A)  
(OO:SEATTLE)

On 2/4/79, [redacted]  
[redacted] Arlington, Virginia, telephoned WFO in  
regards to a composite drawing of D.R. COOPER  
appearing on page 2 of the "Washington Star"  
(Sunday, 2/4/79). [redacted] said that on seeing the  
picture, her immediate reaction was [redacted]  
She said that it took her some time to recall [redacted]

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[redacted] She  
said that [redacted]  
[redacted] which would have been [redacted]

[redacted] said that [redacted]  
in the early 1960's. He went [redacted]  
[redacted] On at least one occasion he [redacted]

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[redacted] may have had a Scandinavian  
background that may occasionally be detected in  
his speech pattern.

LEADS

ALEXANDRIA

AT ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA. Will personally contact  
[redacted] to assess her  
credibility and thereafter thoroughly interview for  
additional descriptive data and background information  
on [redacted]

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- 2 - Alexandria
- 1 - San Diego (Info)
- ② - Seattle (164-81)
- 1 - WFO

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Date 3/15/79

TO: SAC, WFO (164-169)  
FROM: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72) (P)  
NORJAK (A)  
(OO: SEATTLE)

Re WFO airtel to Alexandria, 2/8/79.

For information of WFO, [redacted]  
Arlington, Virginia, is an office building which houses  
some eight businesses. WFO is requested to furnish ad-  
ditional information regarding [redacted] obtained  
during complaint call to include her residence address  
and appropriate phone number to facilitate contact.

LEAD:ALEXANDRIA

AT ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA. Will, upon receipt of  
above, contact and interview [redacted]

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1 - San Diego (Info)  
(2) - Seattle (164-81)  
2 - Alexandria  
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Date 4/16/79

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72) (RUC)  
NORJAK (A)  
(OO: SEATTLE)

Re Alexandria airtel to WFO, 3/15/79; and WFO  
letter to Alexandria, 3/20/79.

Based on information furnished by WFO, Alexandria  
unable to locate [REDACTED]

Further investigation regarding suspect [REDACTED]  
being left to the discretion of the office of origin.

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1 - San Diego (Info)  
1 - Alexandria  
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SAC, SEATTLE

2/12/79

SAC, CHICAGO (164-748) (RUC)

D.C. COOPER ✓  
CAA - AIRCRAFT PIRACY

(OO: SEATTLE)

For information Seattle, Chicago file in this matter has been destroyed.

The following information has been provided by

[redacted] Wheaton, Illinois. It is noted [redacted] described himself [redacted]

[redacted] further advised he has received medical treatment, including hospitalization, [redacted]

[redacted] stated in conversation with an individual he knows only as [redacted], he was told D.C. COOPER, subject of instant matter, is alive and well and living in the Camaro Islands. [redacted] stated [redacted] has related to him D.C. COOPER, now using the name [redacted] also known as (aka) [redacted] and is currently serving under [redacted]

[redacted] the Camaro Islands. [redacted] advised [redacted] claims the money from instant matter was lost and is still located somewhere in Western United States.

[redacted] stated he has no idea whether or not any of the above is factual, and knows of no way any of the above can be verified.

The above is being furnished to Seattle for information purposes only.

Chicago conducting no further investigation.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC ( )

DATE: 3/2/79

FROM : SA [ ]

SUBJECT: NORJACK ✓

SUSPECT

On 3/2/79, [ ] Administration, Tacoma, Wn. PD, telephonically advised that he has a reliable confidential source who has been in the Woodland, Wn. area recently and this source has furnished him some information regarding D. B. Cooper.

[ ] advised that the source advised that there is one [ ] who works at the Lami-glass (FH) Co. at Woodland, Wn. and [ ] fits the description of D. B. Cooper. [ ] was missing from work at the time of Norjack, he has taken special flying and jumping lessons, and he is alleged to have remarked prior to Norjack that he was getting ready to make a big score.

Source advised [ ] that [ ] is back working at the Lami-glass Co.

Seattle

At Woodland, Wn.

Will conduct appropriate background investigation re [ ] to determine if he could be identical to D. B. Cooper.

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## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
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Date 4/20/79

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

On 4/18/79, [redacted]

[redacted] Carmel, Indiana, telephone [redacted] telephonically contacted the Portland Office to advise that she has a suspect in mind who may be identical with unsub in this matter. She declined to furnish any identifying information concerning her suspect until she had the opportunity to view the artist's conception composite sketch.

A Xeroxed copy of the artist's conception was sent directly to [redacted] by mail on 4/18/79.

[redacted] did advise that her suspect has dark eyes and hair, is approximately 40 years old at this time, but may be older, and is just under 6' tall. It is noted in this regard that unsub was described in 1971 as being in his middle or late forties or possibly in his fifties. The medium age was approximately 48 years old. In view of this age disparity, [redacted] suspect would not appear to be very likely.

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AT CARMEL, INDIANA. Will contact [redacted]

[redacted] for any information she may possess of possible

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NORJAK (A), OO: SEATTLE. BUFILE 164-2111.

ON APRIL 25, 1979, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PORTLAND, OREGON, TELEPHONE [REDACTED] FURNISHED THE

FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

HE IS A [REDACTED] AND

HE [REDACTED] BETWEEN 6:00

AND 7:00 P.M., APRIL 24, 1979, HE OVERHEARD A CB CONVERSATION

AMONG APPROXIMATELY FOUR CB UNITS CONVERSING ON CHANNEL 29.

FROM THE CONVERSATION, IT WAS OBVIOUS THAT THE PARTIES WERE

LOGGING TRUCKERS OPERATING OUT OF THE WASHOUGAL, WASHINGTON,

AREA. THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT HAVING FOUND AND RECOVERED A

QUANTITY OF OLD \$20 BILLS FROM A LOGGING ROAD IN THE WOODS.

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THEY MENTIONED THAT ALTHOUGH THE BILLS APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN THERE FOR SOMETIME, THEY WERE IN GOOD ENOUGH CONDITION THAT THEY COULD READ THE SERIAL NUMBERS. THEY SPECULATED THE BILLS MIGHT HAVE COME FROM THE COOPER SKYJACKING CASE. ONE OF THE PARTIES USED THE HANDLE [ ] STATED HE HAS AN [ ] [ ] WHOSE NAME IS POSSIBLY [ ] AND STATED IF SHE LETS HIM GO HE WILL GO HUNTING THIS WEEKEND FOR MORE OF THE BILLS. ONE OF THE PARTIES STATED HE HAD TO LEAVE TO TAKE EIGHT LOADS OUT AND IT WAS MENTIONED THAT ONE OF THE PARTIES HAD 20 LOADS TO GO TO AUBURN. ONE OF THE PARTIES USED THE HANDLE [ ] [ ] AND ONE OF THE PARTIES USED THE CALL SIGNALS [ ] CONTACT WITH FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC) OFFICE, PORTLAND, OREGON, DISCLOSES CB LICENSE [ ] IS LISTED TO [ ] SHELBY, OHIO, [ ] NEITHER FCC NOR HEADQUARTERS OF REACT, CB ORGANIZATION AT PORTLAND, HAVE ANY RECORD OF HANDLES [ ] OR [ ] CLEVELAND AT SHELBY, OHIO. DETERMINE CURRENT LOCATION OF [ ] HOLDER OF CB LICENSE [ ] AND SET OUT LEAD FOR INTERVIEW.

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AT LUMBER MILLS IN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY TRUCKER BRINGING IN  
20 LOADS OF LOGS FROM WASHOUGAL, WASHINGTON, AREA, AND CAUSE  
INTERVIEW OF TRUCKER REGARDING THIS MATTER.

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NORJAK (A), OO: SEATTLE, BUFILE 164-2111.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE, APRIL 25, 1979.

ON APRIL 27, 1979, [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT

HE OPERATES A CITIZENS BAND RADIO AND IS FTC LICENSED

UNDER THE CALL LETTERS [REDACTED] AND USES THE CB HANDLE

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HE HAS NEVER BEEN TO THE STATE

OF OREGON AND THE FARTHEST WEST HE HAS BEEN IS THE STATE

OF WYOMING AND THAT WAS APPROXIMATELY THREE YEARS AGO.

[REDACTED] IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: [REDACTED] WHITE

MALE, DOB [REDACTED] POB [REDACTED], ADDRESS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SHELBY, OHIO, TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

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*Per 5/14/79*

*[Signature]*

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[REDACTED]

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EMPLOYED [REDACTED] OHIO STEEL AND TUBE, SHELBY, OHIO,  
FOR SEVEN YEARS.

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype☐ Facsimile☒ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate☐ Priority☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET☐ SECRET☐ CONFIDENTIAL☐ UNCLAS E F T O☐ UNCLAS

Date 4/25/79

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, SAN DIEGO (164-91) (RUC)

NORJAK

Re phone call on 4/24/79 to Special Agent [redacted]  
 [redacted] Los Angeles Division. Santa Ana RA. Phone call was  
 received from [redacted]  
 indicating that he had possible lead information re captioned  
 case.

[redacted] stated that he had a source who  
 related to him [redacted]  
 [redacted] was a perpetrator of the hijacking  
 and that he was about to [redacted]  
 [redacted] The below-listed subject is known to SA  
 [redacted] and pursuant to our conversation, will  
 interview him re NORJAK case.

## Subject described as:

Name



Sex

Male

Race

White

Height

5'11"

Weight...

185 lbs.

Date of Birth



Place of birth

Hair

Brown

Eyes

Blue

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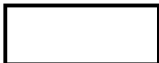

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LOS ANGELES DIVISION

AT SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA. Will interview   
 re NORJAK case.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 3/26/79

FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: D.B. COOPER; aka-  
et. al.  
Crime Aboard an Aircraft  
OO: Seattle

At approx. 7:45pm, 3/24/79, writer was telephonically contacted by [REDACTED] of COLES, City Directory, 112 South 4th. Ave., Pasco, Wa. [REDACTED] and he advised writer of the following information.

[REDACTED] was drinking with [REDACTED] in his local bar in Pasco this date and [REDACTED] told caller that she is [REDACTED]. She stated that [REDACTED] COOPER is living in Salem, Oregon, and is a [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] is reportedly the [REDACTED] located somewhere near a [REDACTED] between Washington and Oregon on the Washington side.

[REDACTED] further advised he didn't know [REDACTED] before and is not sure of validity of her statements, but felt it his duty to contact writer and refer the above information. [REDACTED] stated if future contact with him is necessary the above phone number is his office and he can be reached there from 8:00am to 5:00pm, Monday thru Friday.

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*Rev: 5/18/79**Q/A Unsub: source:*  
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Date: 4-16-79

Edition: Evening

Title: D.B. COOPER

Character:

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Classification:

Submitting Office: MINNEAPOLIS

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# The Cricket's 'D.B. Cooper' is leap into rare experience



Jane Murray and Don Amendolia in 'D.B. Cooper'

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"The D.B. Cooper Project," in its premiere production at the Cricket Theatre, is a work of unique dramatic imagination that boggles most conventional assessments.

Even when John Orlock's "musical fantasy" goes amiss, it still continues to add up small points toward an impressive theatrical and emotional totality.

The very concept is enough to make most of us shake our prosaic heads. Many playwrights could come up with some grabby story ideas about D.B. Cooper, the pseudonym for the 1971 hijacker who parachuted from an airliner over Washington state and disappeared into legend with \$200,000 in as yet unrecovered ransom money.

But a drama that deals only with his pre-heist humdrum? A life so mud-fence, all-American unremarkable? Wholly without any large gestures or commanding characters? And interspersed with poignant or funny little songs?

I can only ask you to accept on faith that Orlock's off-beat idea somehow works: It is grabby precisely because it does not try to grab, or pander to our dramatic expectations. Wisely keeping it small, almost the seed of an idea, the author has created something able to grow and spread in any direction our own imaginations are able to follow.

Orlock took his text from a letter signed "D.B. Cooper" that was sent to several newspapers a month after the crime. The writer (whoever he was) denied being a professional criminal ("I never even got a parking ticket") but said: "I am no modern day Robin Hood," and added, "Unfortunately, I do have only 14 months to live."

The letter speaks of a life that had been filled with "agony, turmoil, hate and more hate" and explains that the extorted money

"was to gain a few fast grains of peace of mind."

It is the person who would have written such a letter that fascinates Orlock. Happily, he was not influenced by the sensational mythologizing of the crime in constructing his imagined character. His chief interest centers on what, in terms of ordinary American life, some average man would regard as "agony, turmoil and hate," what he might consider "peace of mind" in facing an early death, even what image of a "Robin Hood" he felt honor-bound to reject.

So, we start with the drably mundane figure of Aaron Tarkus, who runs a failing gas station in Camden, N.J., is unhappily and childlessly married to someone from high school and has no emotional, social or intellectual life outside weekend TV football with two nonentity buddies.

Orlock's amusing and original "Indulgences in the Louisville Har-

lem" was a hit last season at the Cricket, but this new play, by triumphing over its very imperfections, reveals a growing depth, sensitivity and awareness that true drama is created inside characters, and to the degree that they are given functional human reality and dimensions.

It is these qualities that confer interest and a strangely urgent significance on the unpromising Aaron Tarkus and his dreary associations—not as some latent superman but as a Joe Doakes whose hurts and hopes are as important to him as those of any towering dramatic characters.

In the amazing hands of Don Amendolia, Aaron almost imperceptibly emerges from a negligible jerk (a whining commentary on the frauds and baubles of the American Dream) into something like epic pathos. He acquires old stature, however misguided, in his determination finally to do at least



one thing right—even if it is too late and even if it is wrong. In the process, in extremity, we see the unrecognized (or defeated) better feelings and possibilities that had lain sadly fallow in him all along.

This sounds very heavy; but Orlock and the Cricket crew drop it on us only after laying a deceptive groundwork, part frisky inconsequence and part commonplace human troubles.

Fred Thompson is Aaron's business partner and original "brains" of the hijack scheme to break them out of their circular hopelessness. Clive Rosengren is the other loud-mouthed boob, equally unlikely for such high enterprise.

Mildly surreal staging devices establish the fantasy tone: All the props (beer cans, eating utensils, "things") are twice life-size; the people wear ghastly bargain-basement garments in clashing colors and patterns; revolving backdrop panels inject them into changing

times and places.

I found the music only sporadically effective. "Betty's Waltz," sung by Jane Murray, broke my heart as Aaron's wife mourned dead love over a box of face powder—the long-ago last gift he had given her—"bought on sale." "This Is My Sister" is delightful comic patter, the roommate complaints of sexy Camille Gifford and "plain Jane" Dolores Noah—unwittingly involved with the hijack plotters.

Too many of the numbers, how-

ever, seemed irrelevant padding, and not interesting enough as separate songs. Perhaps intentionally (to avoid slick "musical" lyricism?); most were played in the wrong key for individual singers, making the voices unmelodious and words often unintelligible.

But, a gritty truth and deeply moving humanity cut through both the usefully distancing whimsy and the unneeded artifice to make "D.B. Cooper" a rare theater experience.



# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 3/26/79

FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: D.B. COOPER; aka-  
et. al.  
Crime Aboard an Aircraft  
OO: Seattle

At approx. 6:00pm, 3/23/79, writer was telephonically contacted by anonymous male caller who provided the following information.

Caller stated that he was [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Caller advised he is the man who flew D.B. COOPER out of Woodland, Wa., the night of the sky-jacking and COOPER agreed to pay this man \$10,000.00 for services rendered.

Caller claims to be in contact with subject and stated he has scheduled a meeting with same for afternoon of April 13, 1979. Caller advised COOPER will meet him between 1:00p to 1:30pm, at the TRAVELERS TAVERN, 9th & Stuart, Seattle, Washington. Caller stated that COOPER is using the name of [REDACTED]

Caller provided the following descriptive data of D.B. COOPER: COOPER is to be wearing boots to the meeting, it is not known the exact style of boots to be worn. COOPER is also said to be 5'8" tall and approx. 150lbs., and will be wearing his hair in a crew cut. COOPER also is said to have a [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. Also COOPER will have a ring with an amber stone on his right ring finger. COOPER will be wearing a .357 mag. in shoulder holster and should be considered A&D.

Case agent [REDACTED] was contacted by writer and advised of above conversation.

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# Legend of a hijacker comes to Cricket Theater

By Mike Steele  
Staff Writer

On Thanksgiving Eve 1971, a mild-mannered man using the name D.B. Cooper hijacked a Northwest Airlines 727 and, somewhere south of Seattle, parachuted out clutching \$200,000 in \$20 bills. He hasn't been seen since.

It was a great mystery and Cooper became something of a folk hero. Songs were written about his dazzling escapade and D.B. Cooper took his place alongside Robin Hood, Jean Lafitte and all three musketeers.

Almost overlooked during the episode, however, was a letter received by several newspapers a month after the hijacking. It was written by a man who claimed to be Cooper. The letter said, "I am no modern-day Robin Hood. Unfortunately I do have only 14 months to live." He took the money, he wrote, "to gain a few fast grains of peace of mind."

One who didn't overlook the letter was playwright John Orlock. "I was fascinated by that letter," explained the 33-year-old writer, "especially a part where he wrote about living a life of agony, turmoil, hate and more hate. It was a beautiful piece of writing, straightforward and simple, the kind of letter a D.B. Cooper would have written. Let's face it, the hijacking was one of the great acts of imagination of our time, the idea of taking the money and leaving the airplane up there."

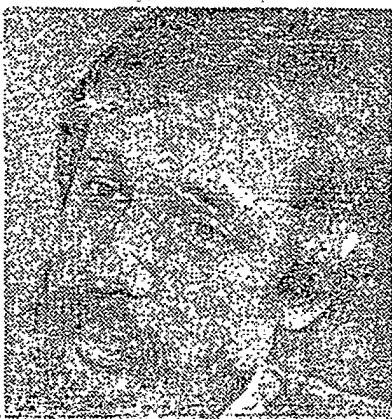
"I clipped that letter and put it in my files for a few years. I was thinking about it during that time, however, and it kept coming out in my mind as a musical, a small cabaret musical. Then five years ago we performed a rough draft of it in a workshop at Penn State where I was teaching. It only had five songs and only two or three of those original scenes remain today."

But he has worked and reworked it since, and last year "The D.B. Cooper Project" was done in a reading during the Cricket Theater's late-night works-in-progress series. It worked well enough that the Cricket is presenting it on its main stage beginning Friday through May 5, under Lou Salerni's direction.

The play, like most of Orlock's to date, will be a comic drama. It won't be the big, metaphorical statement he'll be after but, as he put it, "just people in a situation, a look at what happens when interesting characters are placed in a situation that will knock them around. I never start a play saying, 'I want to say this.' It's deadly. What really makes me cringe is when a playwright uses the title of the play as a metaphor in the play, you know, here comes the Streetcar Named Desire. I look for character and let metaphors find themselves through them."

Orlock's characters tend to be based on historical fact, then shot through with the writer's imagination. His "Indulgences in the Louisville Har-lem," one of last year's hits at the





John Orlock

Cricket, featured a mesmerist from the International Institute of Science and Populism. The mesmerist, it turned out, was mute and had to be accompanied by a friend who said all his words for him though the ideas behind the words, we were assured, were the mesmerist's.

He has also written plays about a man who played the organ in a Boston subway station and about the Golden Girl, the first female baton twirler to march with a college marching band. His latest play, recently given in the Cricket's works-in-progress series, "Revolution of the Heavenly Orbs," is about a 12th-century French cathedral builder.

If there's one thing that typifies Or-

lock's plays to date it is the way he begins with logical, historical situations and lets those situations zoom through logic right off the wall, often into surprisingly tender emotions.

"The humor is so important," said Orlock, "in terms of holding an audience. If you can make them laugh they'll follow you anywhere, right through logic into areas you could never get them to follow you normally. You simply can't bore an audience and move them too. I'm learning that more and more, how to hold an audience and how I can turn that back in on itself or into a different level."

He pulls his comedy from many styles. "I've been watching Abbott and Costello lately," he said. "It's just absolutely primal, basic material, beautifully built. The 'Who's on First?' sketch is to comedy what Bach is to music. I also watch old television series, like Sgt. Bilko. It was well written formally and just needs a content injection. And I love Moliere.

"What I'm after is situational comedy, the kind that builds from characters to the point where the audience finally says 'Oh, no, he isn't really going to do that!' It takes a bit more time to build those situations as opposed to just joke humor, but it's so much richer."

Orlock also wrote the 11 songs in this, his first musical. In fact, in the





Camille Gifford and Don Amendolia in the Cricket Theater's production of "The D. B. Cooper Project."



best tradition of musical theater, he had just completed the final one a week or so before opening.

"I have a background in piano," he said, "but I haven't composed much. I did do some small film scores and some commercial work, but not much. The one song last year in 'Louisville Harem' was my first theater song. I don't think I can really describe my style. I look for theater music, songs that are scenes in themselves. I like a lot of early Kurt Weill music but I'm still exploring. This piece is scored for two pianos, harp and either percussion or strings. Not sure yet. I had a tuba in there first but when the harp came in I dropped it. The harp was an amazing instrument, perfect, ethereal flying music."

Orlock is a native of Philadelphia and has taught at both Penn State and Boston University. He set out to become an actor and director but about nine years ago took a playwriting course that showed him to be a writer of some skill. He soon won a Shubert Playwriting award to study at Penn State, where he wrote his first full-length play.

"I felt the great satisfaction of hearing an audience respond," he said, "and found out how nice that could be. I wrote only off and on for a while but I was getting more and more reinforcement and finally in late 1973, when I began 'D.B. Cooper,' I made the commitment to playwriting."

He came to Minneapolis in 1975 because he was tired of teaching and had heard the theater scene was promising. He and his wife loaded up a U-Haul and breezed into Minneapolis on Labor Day. He spent the first year selling calculators at Dayton's by day, teaching theater at the Guild of Performing Arts at night. He wrote and directed a few shows there and finally, a year ago, was named a playwright-in-residence at the Playwrights' Lab.

"It is a very, very useful program," he said. "I'm still involved with it. It's an opportunity to take good actors and a director and say, 'All right, I'd like to present this work. And then work on it and see how it plays. Out of the Lab work I can hear the piece, rewrite it and work it out. I still like to work this way. The Cricket's works-in-progress series has worked out the same way. It's a very nice way to bring a play along.'"

Starting next fall, Orlock will become the Cricket's literary manager in charge of reading new scripts, helping with play selection and, of course, writing.

"Above all," he said, "it will be a steady salary. I'll phase out most of my teaching and be able to concentrate on professional theater. In fact, until they asked me to take that position I had seriously thought about going back to college teaching, just to put bread on the table. I wasn't too happy with those prospects. Believe me, it feels much better to be in the theater."



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Character:

or

Classification: 164-73

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# Northwest 727 hijacker

## Cooper made a quantum leap into mists of mythology

By John Kerans

You can't tell a book by its cover. Nor a crook by the crime he's committed. But if you can't read the book, or you can't find the crook—then surely some speculation's permitted.

Take the case of D. B. Cooper, who 7½ years ago used a bomb-threat to take command of a 727 jet, then parachuted to freedom with \$200,000 extorted from Northwest Airlines. No trace of Cooper was ever found. And since it's the only such unsolved crime in American history, you could say Cooper wrote the book on skyjacking. But he took the book along the night he made his quantum leap. And that's where the speculation begins.

### The playwright:

John Orlock began to wonder about D. B. Cooper a few weeks after the crime was committed. Orlock found a letter purportedly from Cooper reprinted in the New York Times and he clipped it out. Orlock still has that clipping, though it's yellowed with age.

(In the letter, "Cooper" said in part that he had only 14 months to live and that "I knew from the start that I wouldn't be caught.")

"I read it and got the feeling of a man who finally decided to do something with his life. There was a great sadness and a great courage here," says Orlock, his fingertips touching the clipping.

"If this was indeed the case, that he was dying—and I am sure that he is now dead—then there was a certain justice here. It was a haunting piece of writing. Most importantly, I could feel a 'personality' emerging."

*Sub B*



More than a personality emerged. So did a play, "The D. B. Cooper Project," which opens Friday night at the Cricket Theater. Orlock cautions that the play is not simply about sky-

jacking. "I just tried to write good characters. The skyjacking is just a hook. It's not about that. It's about people and how they respond under certain circumstances."

The circumstances here are those of failure. "Cooper is a man for whom nothing has ever gone right. His marriage went down the drain. His gas station folded. He's been passed over by the American dream. He's not a folk hero. He's a negative personality. But he has a transformation. He becomes D. B. Cooper."

But what if the letter was a fake? What if John Orlock was inspired by the contrivance of a prankster?

"No!" says Orlock firmly. "There is a feeling here that is right for me. The flow in the letter is thought-by-thought. It COULD have been a fake. But as a playwright, I would have had a hard time writing a better letter than this."

The article about the letter was published six days before Christmas. And it ran a little short. So somebody at the New York Times stuck in a holiday slogan to bring that column of the newspaper to its proper length.

It reads, "Remember the neediest." Right there on John Orlock's clipping.

**The reporter:**

Leverett Richards thinks the D. B. Cooper letter was a fake.

"It just didn't seem to jive with the facts in the case," Richards explains.

Richards certainly has the facts. They fill one full drawer of his desk in the newsroom at the Portland Oregonian. He's been following the case since the night it happened.

"Besides, Cooper couldn't have survived. It quickly became evident to me that he landed in Lake Merwin. That's up in Washington state, about

35 miles north of Portland, where the FBI figured he made the jump. It's my bet that Cooper's body is still down there.

"I'm a pilot. And I've talked to pilots who were flying that night. There was terrific turbulence. Cooper couldn't have picked a worse night.

"If this fellow Cooper could organize a letter, he would have organized the skyjacking too and he didn't. Everybody I've talked to—pilots and parachutists—they all feel his chances for survival were pretty grim."

But Richards will concede one thing. It's a hell of a mystery. Last January, somebody found a plastic placard from the rear stairs of a 727 jet in the suspected drop area. But aside from that, there have been no other clues.

And what about Cooper's character? "He was a born loser," Richards snaps. He had no upbringing. That's no way to do things. I don't have much patience with those who think they can get rich at the expense of others.

"But you asked me about his character. Well, he was from a broken home or he had no family. Because no one has ever been reported missing that matches his description.

"Obviously, he has no military experience as a parachutist or a pilot. Otherwise," Richards rasps in disbelief, "he would have known you couldn't bail out there. It's rough country. It was overcast. And I don't see how he could have known the elevation."

Leverett Richards won't be coming to see "The D. B. Cooper Project." He can't get away from work. But his son—a research scientist at the 3M Company in St. Paul—has promised his father he'll see the show and report back.

The son is named Durkee B. Rich-

ards. Abbreviated, of course, that's "D. B. . . ."

**The storekeeper:**

Just as firmly as Leverett Richards talks about D. B. Cooper in the past, then storekeeper Germaine Tricola describes him in the present.

"Of course, he's alive!" she says with a smile. "Cause nothing's ever been found. We've lost folks before, but we've always found the remains."

Until recently, Tricola ran the Ariel Store & Tavern. It's tucked into the foothills of Washington's Cascade Mountains, at a point directly below which Cooper is calculated to have hit the silk. Up the road lies Lake Merwin.

"Fell into the lake? He couldn't have. With the drought we had two years ago, something would have shown up. Body, parachute, money bag—something. You could even see the tree stumps then."

For several years, Tricola—who moved to Washington from Hugo, Minn., 30 years ago—has staged a D. B. Cooper party on Thanksgiving. The party has drawn guests from as far away as Toronto and as near as the local FBI office in Portland. Tricola just sold the store, but the new owners plan to continue the tradition.

The Ariel Store & Tavern caters to the logging crowd. Rough men doing rough work, clearing away tall pines, fir and cedars clustered together so thick that the sunlight has a hard time getting through.

(A man on a parachute might have a hard time getting through, too. But there are plenty of "clear cuts" where the logging companies have toppled the timbers and taken them out on trucks.)

"We've had jumpers land right next



to the store. Last year, a professional parachutist from Portland and two of his students came right down. I think that's what Cooper did.

"He was a man who liked a challenge. A loner. I don't think he needed the money. Maybe he didn't have anything to do on Thanksgiving."

If this is where D. B. Cooper landed with the \$200,000 ransom, then he fell in with good company. A long time ago, before reforestation programs, the loggers had a slogan.

Simply put, it read: "Get yours and get out."

#### The psychiatrist

David Hubbard cursed the idea of a musical about D. B. Cooper when he learned of it.

"I'm of the opinion that this type of thing doesn't need to be perpetuated. Cooper represented no ideals and no values. He's not a folk hero. He was a man acting selfishly. The number of people who can be harmed by men who think they'll be immortalized is innumerable."

In 1971, Hubbard wrote a book called "The Skyjacker." It's the only psychiatric study of the "skyjacking personality," and it's based on dozens of interviews with men who committed the crime.

Hubbard's premise is that we are bound together by twofold gravity. One part is physical—which holds us to earth. Another is emotional—which holds us to each other. Skyjacking, he concludes, is a defiance of both realities.

Hubbard also believes in "mutations." One man commits the crime; another emulates it. Cooper—he points out—was not the first to get together parachutes, bombs and disguises. A Canadian tried the same trick in Calgary three weeks before. Hubbard assumes Cooper read about it and tried to go the Canadian one better. He did—the Canadian was caught and Cooper was not.

"Cooper created nothing," says Hubbard. "He was an imitative creature like all the rest who followed."

There certainly were plenty to follow—though none succeeded. Eventually, the back stairs on 727 jets were modified to lock in flight. And that was the end of that.

"I took the notorious and made it commonplace," says Hubbard. "You want to take the commonplace—and D. B. Cooper was commonplace—and make it notorious. I don't buy that."

Psychiatrist David Hubbard does all his work at the Aberrant Behavior Center in Dallas. He lives nearby. Back in 1971, Hubbard—like Cooper—received \$200,000.

But Hubbard's money came from a private benefactor. It was given to finance a study on skyjacking.

John Kerans is a free-lance writer.



x Airtel

4/23/79

*Sub C*

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (RUC)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

ReMPtelcals to Portland 3/23/79, and 3/26/79.

Enclosed for Portland and Seattle is one copy each of the following:

1. D. B. COOPER project program.
2. Minneapolis Tribune article dated 4/8/78, captioned "Legend Of A Hijacker Comes To Cricket Theater."
3. Minneapolis Tribune article dated 4/8/79, written by JOHN KERANS, captioned "Northwest 727 Hijacker Cooper Made A Quantum Leap Into Mists Of Mythology."
4. Minneapolis Tribune article dated 4/16/79, captioned, "The Crickets 'D. B. Cooper' Is Leap In Rare Experience."

On 4/13/79, SA [redacted] attended the D. B. COOPER project play at the Cricket Theater, 13th and University Avenues Northeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Play presently scheduled to run through 5/5/79. No derogatory information relative to Bureau interests presented in this play or subsequent reviews of this play or newspaper articles. Matter RUC at Minneapolis.

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1 - Minneapolis  
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*[Signature]*

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date of transcription 5/9/79

On this date, two letters and one envelope were received from the Cricket Theatre located at 345 13th Avenue Northeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota. The letters were received from [redacted] and [redacted] at the theatre.

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[redacted] advised that one envelope was lost at the theatre and that it was postmarked Chicago and received on the 10th or 11th of April, 1979. This envelope contained a short typewritten letter addressed to the Cricket Theatre, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and signed "Sincerely yours, [redacted]". This letter was obtained. The second letter and envelope, which were obtained, were addressed to [redacted] and [redacted] The Cricket Theatre, Minneapolis, Minnesota. The letter was addressed to the Cricket Theatre, Minneapolis, Minnesota. "Dear [redacted] and typewritten signed [redacted]".

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Interviewed on 5/7/79 at Minneapolis, Minnesota File # Minneapolis 164-73  
by SA [redacted] :ska Date dictated 5/8/79

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5-8-79

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
(ATTN: DOCUMENT SECTION;  
FBI LABORATORY)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

*Sub C*

Enclosed for Document Section, FBI Laboratory, is one envelope and two letters. Enclosed for Seattle are Xerox copies of the letters and envelope.

From 4-13-79 to 5-5-79, a musical production was presented at the Cricket Theater at 345 - 13th Avenue Northeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota, entitled, "The D. B. Cooper Project." This production is based on titled air hijacking.

The fact that two typewritten letters were written to the Cricket Theater by an individual who signed the letters [redacted] came to the attention of the Minneapolis Office in a newspaper article dated 5-2-79 in the St. Paul Pioneer Press.

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On 5-7-79, [redacted] Cricket Theater, gave these letters to a Special Agent of the Minneapolis Division for examination. Two letters and one envelope were received and are being forwarded to the FBI Laboratory.

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[redacted] requested a receipt for the letters and desired their return. She further advised that numerous individuals at the theater handled the envelope and letters. One envelope received by the theater was lost. [redacted]

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advised that it was postmarked Chicago and was received at the theater on 4-10-79 or 4-11-79. The second envelope was postmarked Los Angeles and received at the theater on 4-25-79.

The Document Section of the FBI Laboratory is requested to conduct a typewriter analysis of the letters and envelope and upon completion forward them to the Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section for examination.

Office of origin is requested to advise FBI Laboratory if further specific requests for examination of these letters and envelope is advisable.

Upon completion of examination, Minneapolis has promised return of letters to Cricket Theater.



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Date of transcription 10/24/78

[redacted] was contacted at [redacted]  
[redacted] telephone [redacted] of which [redacted]  
and he provided the following information:

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[redacted] stated he could recall from memory that  
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[redacted] and in his opinion, should have netted profits  
of more than [redacted] annually during the years 1971 and 1972.

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So 164-81-8104

Interviewed on 10/16/78 at Duncanville, Texas File # ~~Dallas 164-1928~~  
by SA [redacted] jm Date dictated 10/18/78

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A: 164-81-5169

Interviewed on 10/16/78 at Duncanville, Texas File # Dallas-164-1928-  
by SA [redacted] jm Date dictated 10/18/78

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## memorandum

DATE: 10/24/78

REPLY TO: SAC, DALLAS (164-1928) (RUC)  
ATTN OF:

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

OO: SEATTLE

SUB-6 (302 only)  
SUB J

Re Little Rock airtel to Seattle dated 10/3/78.

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On 10/16/78, [REDACTED] Ampex Corporation, 1615 Prudential, Dallas, advised he was not with Ampex Corporation in Dallas prior to 1973. He further stated company records maintained at Dallas only went back to 1973.

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[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] had left Ampex Corporation to [REDACTED] Duncanville, Texas, and might remember [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] stated Ampex Company records for the years 1971 and 1972 could be obtained from Ampex Corporation in Opelika, Alabama, telephone #205-745-7643.

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Receiving offices note Dallas file number is now 164-1928.

In view of the information provided by [REDACTED] [REDACTED] no lead is being set forth by Dallas to check Ampex Company records at Opelika, Alabama.

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Dallas is considering this case RUC to Seattle.

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2 - Little Rock (Enc. 2)  
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NORJAK (A)

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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1 - Dallas  
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DB Cooper-17046



## memorandum

DATE: 10/25/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (164-22) (P)SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
RE: [REDACTED]

TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY (164-80)

Re Denver letter to Little Rock, dated 10/5/78.

Enclosed for Kansas City are one copy of re Denver letter; one copy of Minneapolis letter to Seattle, dated 9/21/78; one copy of Las Vegas letter to Minneapolis, dated 7/11/78; and one photo of [REDACTED]

A review of file at Little Rock reveals [REDACTED] is currently living in Columbia, Missouri, with her husband, who is employed on [REDACTED] and can be contacted through the [REDACTED]

LEADS:KANSAS CITY DIVISIONAT COLUMBIA, MISSOURIWill display photo of [REDACTED] in spread to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]ARMED AND DANGEROUS

2-Kansas City (Enc. 4)  
①-Seattle (Info) (164-81)  
1-Denver (164-640) (Info)  
2-Little Rock  
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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10  
(REV. 7-76)  
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## memorandum

DATE: 10/25/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (164-22) (P)SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE  
RE: [REDACTED]

TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY (164-80)

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Re Denver letter to Little Rock, dated 10/5/78.

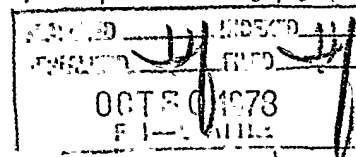
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2-Little Rock  
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NORJAK (A) OO: SEATTLE. BUFILE 164-2111

RE SEATTLE AIRTEL TO BALTIMORE OCTOBER 11, 1978.

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FM BALTIMORE (164-103) RUC

TO SEATTLE (164-81) ROUTINE

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Date of transcription 11/7/78

On November 3, 1978, [redacted]  
[redacted] Columbia, Missouri, was contacted at  
her residence and viewed a photographic spread featuring  
[redacted] was unable to identify  
any individual in the photographic spread as being identical  
to the individual who skyjacked Northwest Orient flight  
out of Seattle, Washington, on November 24, 1971.

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Investigation on 11/3/78 at Columbia, Missouri File # KC-164-80  
SE 164-81-8108  
by SA [redacted] /jrh Date dictated 11/7/78

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Date 11/7/78

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (164-80) RUC

NORJAK (A)  
OO SE

SUB 6-16119 362

Re Las Vegas airtel to Minneapolis 7/11/78;  
Little Rock letter to Kansas City 10/25/78.

Enclosed for Seattle are 2 copies FD-302 of

For information receiving offices, on 11/3/78

Missouri, viewed a photo spread featuring [redacted] Columbia, [redacted] but was unable to identify [redacted] as being identical to Unsub in captioned matter.

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- ② Seattle (Enc. 2)  
1 Denver (164-640) (Info)  
1 Little Rock (164-22) (Info)  
1 Las Vegas (164-60) (Info)  
1 Minneapolis (Info)  
1 Kansas City

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (164-80) RUC

NORJAK (A)  
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Re Las Vegas airtel to Minneapolis 7/11/78;  
Little Rock letter to Kansas City 10/25/78.

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1 Denver (164-640) (Info)  
1 Little Rock (164-22) (Info)  
1 Las Vegas (164-60) (Info)  
1 Minneapolis (Info)  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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FROM : SAC, KANSAS CITY (164-80) (RUC)

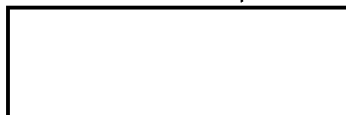
SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

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☒ You were OO at the time our case was RUC'd.

Enclosures are described as follows:

FD-302 interview of at Columbia, Missouri, 11/3/78.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SAC, KANSAS CITY (164-80) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
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MORJAK (A), OO: SEATTLE, BUFILE 164-2111.

RE SUSPECT ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW, SUB NO. 933.

FOR INFORMATION OF LOS ANGELES, ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW  
HAS BEEN CONSIDERED AS A POSSIBLE SUSPECT IN THIS MATTER.  
RACKSTRAW IS CURRENTLY BELIEVED TO BE IN CUSTODY OF LOCAL  
AUTHORITIES AT FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA.

LOS ANGELES, AT FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA, WILL CONTACT LOCAL  
AUTHORITIES AND ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN MAJOR CASE FINGERPRINTS OF  
RACKSTRAW, INCLUDING PALM PRINTS, AND FORWARD SAME IMMEDIATELY  
TO FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION FOR COMPARISON WITH UNIDENTIFIED  
LATENT FINGERPRINT IMPRESSIONS DEVELOPED IN THE HIJACKED AIR-  
CRAFT IN THIS MATTER.

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NRJAK (A), OO: SEATTLE, BUFILE 164-2111.

RE SUSPECT ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW, SUB NO. 933.

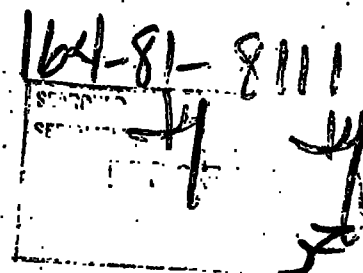
FOR INFORMATION OF LOS ANGELES, ROBERT WESLEY RACKSTRAW  
HAS BEEN CONSIDERED AS A POSSIBLE SUSPECT IN THIS MATTER.

RACKSTRAW IS CURRENTLY BELIEVED TO BE IN CUSTODY OF LOCAL  
AUTHORITIES AT FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA.

LOS ANGELES, AT FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA, WILL CONTACT LOCAL  
AUTHORITIES AND ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN MAJOR CASE FINGERPRINTS OF  
RACKSTRAW, INCLUDING PALM PRINTS, AND FORWARD SAME IMMEDIATELY  
TO FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION FOR COMPARISON WITH UNIDENTIFIED  
LATENT FINGERPRINT IMPRESSIONS DEVELOPED IN THE HIJACKED AIR-  
CRAFT IN THIS MATTER.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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*Memorandum*

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 4/13/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE: [REDACTED]

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Investigation in this matter opened upon receipt of information from an anonymous caller, that an individual using the name of [REDACTED] is the same as D.B. COOPER and that he would appear at 9th and Stewart between 1:00 and 1:30 PM, 4/13/79.

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SA [REDACTED] using the description of anonymous caller stood in the vicinity of 9th and Stewart on 4/13/79 and observed no one answering the description that caller had given.

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# No hunt set for skyjacker

See related story, Page 11.

By COLUMBIAN STAFF, AP

An FBI agent here said this morning that the piece of plastic decal found by a Kelso hunter last November could have dropped from any Boeing 727, not necessarily the one hijacker D.B. Cooper bailed out of Thanksgiving eve 1971.

John Gordon of the bureau's Vancouver office said, "There is no positive proof that the decal came from the Cooper plane."

An FBI spokesman in Seattle, speculated Thursday that the decal may have fallen off the Cooper plane when the craft was used for a re-enactment of the hijacking six weeks after it occurred.

"We noticed the decal was missing after that, but not before," the spokesman said.

A spokesman added that the placards, used to give emergency directions for the rear door on 727s, have been known to fall off under normal conditions.

Earlier this week Cowlitz County

Sheriff Les Nelson disclosed the discovery of the decal last November by Carroll Hicks, a self-employed welder from Kelso who was elk hunting when he found the bit of debris.

"It's one in a million that any other plane could have lost it in the area in which D.B. Cooper jumped," Nelson said.

But while the 10-inch square decal has stirred wide interest, Gordon expressed doubt it would help solve the mystery behind the case.

"It's interesting, but I don't think it will help us find Cooper," he said of the decal.

Gordon said the FBI has no plans to resume the search for Cooper and the \$200,000 that left the airplane with him.

Cowlitz County officials have indicated they do not plan to search for Cooper, either, but they did say they hope to encourage people to "keep their eyes open," when they are in the area the decal was found about 12 miles east of Kelso.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Vancouver, Wa.

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Submitting Office: Seattle

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*Memorandum*

TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

DATE: 5/23/79

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*Sub G*  
*Sub D*

Enclosed for Minneapolis is an airplane decal provided by the Skamania County Sheriff's Office, Washington. This decal was found by a logger in North Skamania County on 5/2/79.

LEAD:MINNEAPOLIS DIVISIONAt Minneapolis, Minnesota

Will contact Northwest Orient Airlines to determine if the enclosed decal could have been from a 727 type aircraft, and returned the decal to Seattle, Washington.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date of transcription 3/23/79

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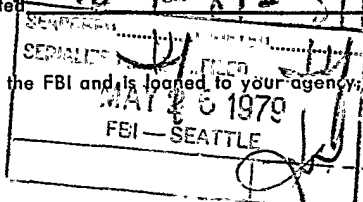
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 5/23/79

FROM : SAC, DENVER (164-640)(RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
(OO:SE)  
Bufile 164-2111

RE: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] COLORADO

ReDNairtel to SE, 3/8/79, and LS airtel to SE,  
4/3/79.

Enclosed is original and one copy of FD-302 of  
[REDACTED] 3/19/79, at Denver, Colorado, along  
with rough draft notes of interview.

Numerous attempts to contact [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Arvada, Colorado, negative as [REDACTED] is on  
extended vacation.

Noting that referenced communications verify  
[REDACTED] whereabouts during pertinent period and negative  
results re contact of [REDACTED] not being interviewed  
and this matter is considered RUC.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

5/23/79

SAC, DENVER (164-640)(RUC)

NORJAK (A)  
(OO:SE)  
Bufile 164-2111

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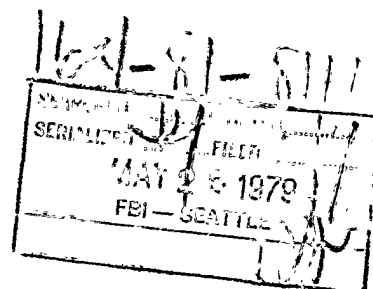
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

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

DATE: 5/29/79

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In view of the above circumstances, it does not appear worth while to conduct any further investigation concerning the information furnished by [redacted]

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

5/29/79

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK (A)  
(OO: Seattle)  
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REPORT  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Minneapolis (164-73)

June 7, 1979

FBI FILE NO. 164-2111

LAB. NO. 90511012 D LL

Re: NORJAK

Specimens received

May 10, 1979

- Q55 One-page typewritten letter beginning "The Cricket Theater Minneapolis, Minnesota Dear Sirs I was in Chicago. . ."
- Q56 Envelope postmarked "LOS ANGELES, CA [redacted] PM 23 APR 1979" bearing the typewritten address [redacted] The Cricket Theatre Minneapolis Minnesota" b6 b7C
- Q57 Accompanying one-page typewritten letter beginning "The Cricket Theatre Minneapolis, Minnesota Dear [redacted] I cannot believe that. . ." b6 b7C

Result of examination:

Q55 through Q57 were not identified in the Anonymous Letter File. Representative copies of these specimens have been added to this file for future reference.

No watermarks, indented writing or other features were found on Q55 through Q57 which would be of value in determining the source of these specimens.

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The typewriting on Q55 through Q57 resembles a style of type manufactured by the Ransmayer-Rodrian Company of West Germany. This style of type may appear on typewriters under the brand names ABC, Adler as well as other brand names.

The submitted evidence was photographed and will be returned with the fingerprint report.



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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: SAC, Minneapolis (164-73)

June 7, 1979

From: Director, FBI

FBI FILE NO. 164-2111

NORJAK  
Re: OO: Seattle

LAB. NO. 90511012 D LL

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Examination requested by: Minneapolis

Reference: Airtel dated May 8, 1979

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

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FBI FILE NO. 164-2111

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*Memorandum*

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

DATE: 6/11/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

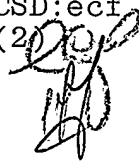
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indicating that no identifications could be made on the  
latent fingerprints previously furnished to them. The  
latent prints, previously furnished on 7/25/78, to the Seattle  
Police Department, were returned to the FBI.

In view of the above, no further investigation  
being conducted in this matter.

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

DATE: 6/11/79

FROM :

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SUBJECT:

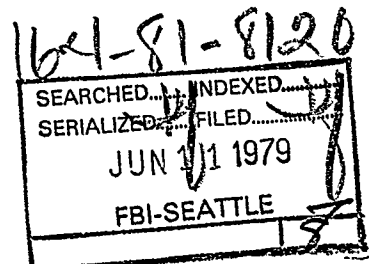
NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle  
BuFile 164-2111

DATE: 6/7/79

For information of Seattle, [redacted]

[redacted] Oregon, recently conducted a training session in which he instructed employees of the Portland Office in parachute jumping. During this association [redacted] became acquainted with SA [redacted] Portland NORJAK case agent.

On 5/23/79, [redacted] requested an interview concerning captioned matter. On 5/24/79, [redacted] was interviewed by SA [redacted] at which time he furnished the following information:

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[redacted] each Thanksgiving at Ariel, Washington.

For approximately the last three years he has received little bits of information through a source whose identity he cannot presently divulge indicating the source has a connection with an individual who claims to have some knowledge of captioned hijacking. [redacted] has sent back questions through his source in an effort to find out as much information as possible and the picture which has returned to him is roughly as follows:

His source is indirectly in touch with an individual who claims to be a co-conspirator with the hijacker in this matter. The conspirator claims that the hijacker was a transient individual whom he met in a tavern. The two of them planned the hijacking with the co-conspirator to be the one who would pick up the hijacker



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upon the latter's arrival on the ground. The co-conspirator did meet the hijacker and either found him to be injured or possibly killed himself. He buried both the hijacker and the money at the scene. He has not returned to the scene nor touched any of the money and has developed a severe paranoia about the entire incident. He is interested in being granted possible prosecutive immunity in order to overcome his feelings about the matter.

[ ] has no personal idea as to who either the hijacker or the co-conspirator may be.

[ ] was instructed to endeavor to maintain contact with his source to obtain any additional information possible and to attempt to obtain at least one of the bills in the original ransom money. He agreed to do so.

On 5/24/79, the above information was discussed with First Assistant U. S. Attorney [ ] for the District of Oregon. AUSA [ ] advised that it will be necessary to do some research on the questions of possible prosecution of a co-conspirator in this matter at this time and he will commence this research immediately.

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with [ ] AT [ ] OREGON. Will remain in contact

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 6/7/79

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
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*Memorandum*

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

DATE: 6/15/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUB J

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re memo of [REDACTED] dated 3/10/79.

[REDACTED] Tacoma, Washington, was contacted at her residence with respect to information she provided the FBI that a person has been seen in her neighborhood, who strongly resembles the subject of this case.

Upon displaying identification to [REDACTED] and informing her that this response by the FBI was in connection with a telephone call she placed to the office at Seattle, Washington, on or about 3/10/79, she replied, "I make so many calls, I can't remember which one this one is about."

At this time, SA [REDACTED] recognized [REDACTED] by the tone of her voice as being an individual who regularly calls the Resident Agency to report suspicious circumstances in and around her neighborhood, continually suspects people of tapping her phone and admitted, during the interview, that she makes numerous telephone calls to the Tacoma Police Department to report a variety of things appearing in her neighborhood.

With respect to the information she provided concerning a look-alike for D. B. COOPER, [REDACTED] states that the [REDACTED] would come [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that on many occasions, this man wore dark glasses and she described him as being around 30 to 35 years of age and having slightly reddish hair. She admitted talking to him once, when this look-alike was hauling away rubbish from the yard next door and, at that time, she thought the man acted in a suspicious and strange manner. Likewise, [REDACTED] wanted to report that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] With respect to the man who resembles COOPER, [REDACTED] said she saw him there last weekend and again surmised he was of similar size and build and general appearance as the man that resembles COOPER.

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[REDACTED] At this time, it became rather obvious that [REDACTED] was somewhat disoriented in the information she was providing and stated that the man she was referring to

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[REDACTED] because he is so tall.

At this time, the interview was concluded and no further action will be taken regarding this matter.



*Memorandum*

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

DATE: 6/15/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re memo of [REDACTED] dated 3/10/79.

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[REDACTED] Tacoma, Washington, was contacted at her residence with respect to information she provided the FBI that a person has been seen in her neighborhood, who strongly resembles the subject of this case.

Upon displaying identification to [REDACTED] and informing her that this response by the FBI was in connection with a telephone call she placed to the office at Seattle, Washington, on or about 3/10/79, she replied, "I make so many calls, I can't remember which one this one is about."

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At this time, SA [REDACTED] recognized [REDACTED] by the tone of her voice as being an individual who regularly calls the Resident Agency to report suspicious circumstances in and around her neighborhood, continually suspects people of tapping her phone and admitted, during the interview, that she makes numerous telephone calls to the Tacoma Police Department to report a variety of things appearing in her neighborhood.

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With respect to the information she provided concerning a look-alike for D. B. COOPER, [REDACTED] states that the [REDACTED] would come [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] stated that on many occasions, this man wore dark glasses and she described him as being around 30 to 35 years of age and having slightly reddish hair. She admitted talking to him once, when this look-alike was hauling away rubbish from the yard next door and, at that time, she thought the man acted in a suspicious and strange manner. Likewise, [REDACTED] wanted to report that [REDACTED]

2 - Seattle (164-81)  
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SAC, SAN FRANCISCO


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SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

NORJAK  
OO: SF



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LEAD:

SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

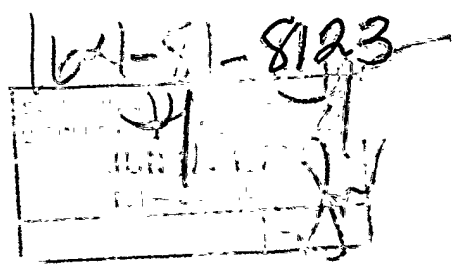
At San Francisco, California

Through employment records and associates at Aetna Finance Corporation, 5000 Block Mission Street, attempt to determine whereabouts of  on 11/24/71, (night of D.B. COOPER skyjacking).

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2 - San Francisco (Enc. 2)  
② - Seattle  
2 - Las Vegas  
RJR:las  
(6)



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SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

6/7/79


SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P) *SUB A*

NORJAK ✓  
OO: SF



*Suspect*

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

2 - San Francisco (Enc. 2)  
② - Seattle  
2 - Las Vegas  
RJR:las  
(6)

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

6/22/79


SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)




NORJAK

RE: 

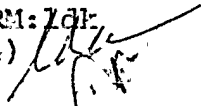
ReSD Airtel to Bureau, 4/25/79.

ReAirtel set out lead for Los Angeles to interview  
 regarding captioned matter.

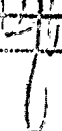
LOS ANGELES DIVISION  
At Santa Ana, California

Will report results of interview of 

2-Los Angeles  
2-Seattle

MRM:ldk  
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Note: Since Case Agent reassigned  
to #3 Squad, it is recommended  
this case be reassigned.

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*Re-assign*  


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SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

6/22/79

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

NORJAK

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2-Seattle

HRM:ldk  
(4)

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DB Cooper-17088



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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
☐ Facsimile  
☒ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
☐ UNCLAS

Date 6/20/79

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

RE: INFORMATION FROM   
COMPLAINANT

On 6/20/79,   
 Vancouver, Washington, (no telephone), telephonically contacted  
 the Portland Office from a pay telephone in Vancouver, to furnish  
 the following information:

He has information indicating the probable identity  
 of Unsub in this matter. He is 99 percent sure that his  
 information is accurate and he desires to communicate the  
 information to an agent in person. He is unwilling to discuss  
 the matter on the telephone. He will be at the above address  
 any time between 8 and 10 a.m. in the mornings.

LEADSEATTLE

AT VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON. Will contact  for  
 any information he has pertaining to this matter.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

② - Seattle  
 2 - Portland

RPH:lbn  
 (4)

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
☐ Facsimile  
☒ ~~AIRTEL~~

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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☐ SECRET  
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☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
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Date 6/20/79

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

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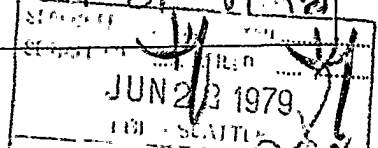
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2 - Seattle  
2 - Portland

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DB Cooper-17090





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FM INDIANAPOLIS (164-177)(P)

TO SEATTLE (164-31) ROUTINE

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RE PORTLAND AIRTEL TO INDIANAPOLIS, APRIL 26, 1979.

REQUEST SEATTLE SEND COPY OF COMPOSITE AND PHYSICAL  
DESCRIPTION OF B.D. COOPER TO INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FM INDIANAPOLIS (164-177)(P)

TO SEATTLE (164-81) ROUTINE

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RE PORTLAND AIRTEL TO INDIANAPOLIS, APRIL 20, 1979.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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*Memorandum*

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

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

DATE: 6/28/79

For information of Seattle, on 5/29/79, [redacted]  
[redacted] Lewis River News, Woodland, Washington, telephonically  
contacted the Portland Office to furnish the following infor-  
mation:

Since the hijacker in this matter parachuted from  
the Northwest Orient airliner in the vicinity of Woodland,  
Washington, his newspaper has monitored the investigation  
and the readers have followed it with interest. He wondered  
whether there had been any recent developments in the investi-  
gation, and he was advised that investigation was continuing  
to identify and process logical suspects.

[redacted] advised that he understood there was a dis-  
crepancy between the name "D. B. COOPER" by which UNSUB is  
generally known and the name "DAN COOPER" by which UNSUB was  
also known. The reason for this discrepancy, which was an  
error in reporting made by an Associated Press reporter  
on the night of the hijacking, was explained to [redacted]

[redacted] then advised that recently a crude homemade  
gravestone had been discovered in a Woodland cemetery. This  
gravestone was made of concrete, and had the name "D. B. COOPER"  
scratched into it. The gravestone did not mark an actual grave,  
and was obviously merely a prank.

The above is for information of the Seattle Division.

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2 - Portland  
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

6/28/79

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)  
Bufile 164-2111

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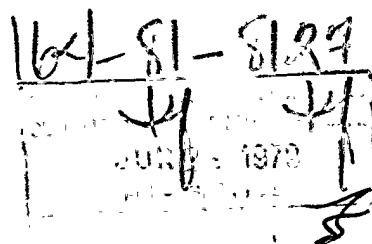
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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

② - Seattle  
2 - Portland  
RPH:ceh  
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DB Cooper-17094



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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype☐ Facsimile☒ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate☐ Priority☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 6/26/79

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, DENVER (164-640)(RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

RE: [REDACTED]

Re Denver telcall to Seattle, 6/22/79, to SA

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Denver, Colorado, appeared at the Denver Office 6/21/79, and advised one [REDACTED] a United Air Lines [REDACTED] Denver, Colorado, had been in contact with him through [REDACTED] who is acquainted with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] further advised that [REDACTED] told him he was at one time considered a suspect in captioned matter and that he was a suspect because of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He stated he and his wife did not have a very happy marriage and that after they divorced, [REDACTED]

He stated that at the time of the kidnaping, he reportedly [REDACTED] for United Air Lines at San Francisco [REDACTED] Portland [REDACTED]

(2) - Seattle  
1 - Denver  
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Approved: [REDACTED]

Transmitted [REDACTED]

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DN 164-640

He said [redacted] who now resides  
at [redacted]  
[redacted]

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According to [redacted] indicated  
one [redacted] a United Air Lines [redacted] who  
worked in Seattle, could have been involved in the subject  
matter. He said [redacted]  
[redacted] United Air Lines [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] indicated to  
him that a man by the name of [redacted]  
"Oui" magazine. [redacted]  
[redacted]

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who lives in Los Angeles, has recently indicated to [redacted]  
everything he has said concerning this matter was correct.

[redacted] claims the name D. B. COOPER was taken  
from [redacted] COOPER  
[redacted] who is a United Air  
Lines [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] advised [redacted]  
[redacted] has indicated to him [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] pointed out he could  
learn detailed information from [redacted] if desired or  
make him available to the FBI, but at this time he was  
just making this information available in the event it  
could be of any assistance to the FBI.

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No leads being set forth.



XX AIRTEL

6/26/79

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, DENVER (164-640)(RUC)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

RE: [REDACTED]

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DB Cooper-17097





# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

## REPORT

of the

### LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

YOUR FILE NO. 164-73 (C)  
FBI FILE NO. 164-2111  
LATENT CASE NO.

June 28, 1979

TO: SAC, Minneapolis

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RE: NORJAK

REFERENCE: Airtel 5/8/79  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Minneapolis  
SPECIMENS: Two letters, Q5 and Q7  
Envelope, Q6

The listed Q specimens are further described in a separate Laboratory report.

The specimens were examined and six latent fingerprints of value for identification purposes were developed on Q5 and Q7.

The specimens are enclosed.

Enc. (3)

2 - Seattle (164-81)

164-81-8129

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

Washington, D. C. 20537

**REPORT**

of the

**LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION  
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION**YOUR FILE NO.  
FBI FILE NO.  
LATENT CASE NO.164-73 (C)  
164-2111

June 28, 1979

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RE: **NORJAK**

## REFERENCE:

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The following investigation was conducted  
by SA [REDACTED]

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AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA:

[REDACTED] Aetna Finance Company,  
2601 Mission Street, San Francisco, California, advised  
that he had determined from [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] for Aetna Finance Company that [REDACTED] believed  
[REDACTED] Aetna Finance, 2761 Mission  
Street, San Francisco, California, was now employed  
in the Santa Clara County Tax Collectors Office.

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[REDACTED] contacted the Aetna Finance Company,  
Area General Office in Tustin, California, telephonically,  
for any employment records regarding [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was advised that Aetna  
records at Tustin, California, were only retained for  
six months and then were shipped to the Aetna Finance  
Company main office in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

On June 22, 1979, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Joseph Magnin Company Incorporated,  
59 Harrison Street, San Francisco, California, 94105,  
advised that [REDACTED] worked at the Joseph Magnin  
Company, Incorporated as a [REDACTED] from  
February 7, 1969, until October 31, 1969.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: July 9, 1979

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)(RUC)(Sqd. 10)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Las Vegas letter to San Francisco,  
dated June 7, 1979.

Enclosed for Seattle is one copy of an  
insert of investigation conducted at San Francisco,  
California, and a copy of a photograph sent as an  
enclosure in the referenced letter.

Leads are being left to the discretion  
of the office of origin.



2 - Seattle (Enc. 2)

1 - San Francisco

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2 - Seattle (Enc. 2)  
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-17103



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 12/13/71

[redacted] El Centro Motel, 2304  
South Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida, advised that  
[redacted] checked into the El  
Centro Motel on November 28, 1971.

[redacted] stated that either [redacted] left the  
motel on November 29, 1971 but she did not know which was  
[redacted] further stated that the individual  
who stayed, either [redacted] left the motel on  
December 2, 1971.

When asked to describe the individual which stayed  
to December 2, 1971, [redacted] advised he was 5' 7" tall, brown  
hair, and was dressed in mechanic coverall clothing.

Since [redacted] is described as 5' 10½" tall, 170 lbs.,  
blond hair, [redacted] probably left the motel on November 29, 1971.

12/7/71 Daytona Beach, Florida

On \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ File # \_\_\_\_\_

SA EDWARD M. MC GRATH

SA [redacted] fmr

by \_\_\_\_\_ Date dictated \_\_\_\_\_

12/10/71

DB Cooper-17104



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 12/13/71

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12/7/71 Daytona Beach, Florida

JK 164-200-15

On \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ File # \_\_\_\_\_

SA EDWARD M. MC GRATH

SA [redacted] fmr

12/10/71

by \_\_\_\_\_ Date dictated \_\_\_\_\_

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Seattle 164-81

DATE: 7-19-79

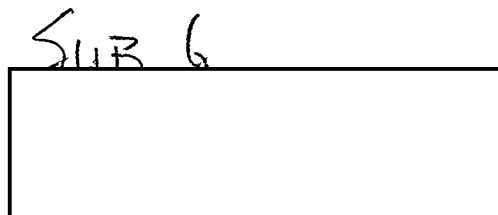
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Seattle 164-81

FROM : <sup>wo/lop</sup> Jacksonville

DATE: 7-19-79

SUBJECT: SEE ATTACHED  
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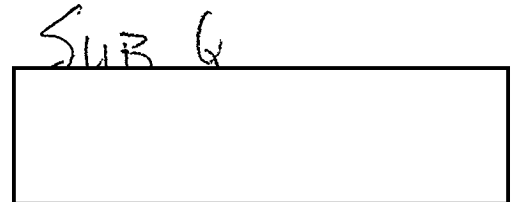
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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

12/13/71

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but he did not know which one left. [redacted] stated that  
the individual which stayed, either [redacted] left  
the motel on December 2, 1971.

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On 12/7/71 at Daytona Beach, Florida

File #

JK 164-109-16

SA EDWARD M. MC GRATH

SA [redacted]

-fmr

12/10/71

Date dictated

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Se 164-81-8133-

On 12/7/71 at Daytona Beach, Florida

File #

JK 164-109-169

SA EDWARD M. MC GRATH

SA [redacted]

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12/10/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date of transcription 7/10/79

[redacted] was interviewed in the presence of his attorney, [redacted] at Denny's Restaurant, Main Street and Ellis Avenue, Huntington Beach, California, on July 5, 1979.

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[redacted] furnished his occupation as that of [redacted] [redacted] Huntington Beach, California, telephone number [redacted]. He also furnished his home telephone numbers as [redacted] and [redacted].

[redacted] were advised by SA [redacted] that the San Diego Office of the FBI had requested that [redacted] be interviewed concerning the skyjacking of a Northwest Orient Airliner in the State of Washington in 1971 by an individual using the name D. B. Cooper. He was advised that the reason for the request for interview was that the Bank of America had received information from a source that [redacted] had told the source that he was the perpetrator of this skyjacking and that he was about to retrieve the concealed money that he had gained from it.

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[redacted] immediately stated that he knew exactly who this source was and that this source was [redacted] who is also known as [redacted] and [redacted]. He stated that [redacted] who presently resides at [redacted] in Sherman Oaks, California, [redacted] probably resides with them and the telephone number is [redacted].

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] [redacted] characterized [redacted] as a [redacted]

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*See 164-81-8134*

Investigation on 7/5/79 at Huntington Beach, Calif. File # Los Angeles 164-49  
by SA's [redacted] and [redacted] cas/jr Date dictated 7/9/79

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LA 164-497

He stated that [REDACTED]

and that she has [REDACTED]

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He also stated that she [REDACTED]

D. B. Cooper and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that in approximately [REDACTED]

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California. This business was that of [REDACTED]

He stated that as he recalls right after the skyjacking in question, he thought that the story of the skyjacking would make a highly successful television show. He stated that he [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] and used the name D. B. Cooper [REDACTED] He stated that he did a lot of research through the newspaper and other media to gather material for this script. He stated that during [REDACTED]

D. B. Cooper. [REDACTED] stated that he [REDACTED]

He did say that he did reside in the Vancouver, Washington, area for approximately [REDACTED] during the latter part of 1974, but denied any involvement whatsoever in the instant skyjacking and stated categorically that he did not perpetrate it nor did he ever use the alias of D. B. Cooper.

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Investigation on 7/5/79 at Huntington Beach, Calif. File # Los Angeles 164-497  
by SA's [redacted] and [redacted] /cas/jr Date dictated 7/9/79

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## memorandum

DATE: 7/23/79

REPLY TO  
ATTN:

SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (3) (RUC)

SUBJECT:

NORJAK

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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1 - Los Angeles *Fin*

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 4/14/72

SUB 386

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was the week during the Christmas vacation. He was absent  
January 6, 1972, without excuse. The semester ended the last  
week in January, 1972.

Se 164-81-8136

Interviewed on 4/12/72 at Provo, Utah File # Salt Lake City 164-24-76  
by SA [redacted] / ksa Date dictated 4/13/72

DB Cooper-17116



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Interviewed on 4/12/72 at Provo, Utah File # Salt Lake City  
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by SA [redacted] / ksa Date dictated 4/13/72  
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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

4/14/72

Date of transcription

SUB 386

[redacted] Chuck Peterson Motors, 400 South University Avenue, Provo, Utah, advised that on April 5, 1972, RICHARD MC COY had his 1969 green Volkswagen, vehicle identification number [redacted] repaired at the above company. She noted the mileage of the car at the time of this repair to be 61,635. The work order was prepared at 8:10 A.M., on that date, and it was noted that an oil filter pipe needed tightening and that the mechanic should check on an oil leak. The repair order reflected that an oil cap gasket was replaced, that a lever on the idle cam was replaced, and that both brake light switches were replaced, as well as a tune-up. The charge included \$16.10 for labor; \$1.90 for oil and grease; \$12.36 for parts; \$1.37 for tacks, making a total of \$31.73.

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The bill was paid by a Master Charge card, of MC COY, number 53295 01 46 2886 3 03173, which amount was charged to the Chevron Oil Company inasmuch as Chuck Peterson Motor runs all their charges through Chevron Oil Company. Repairs have also been made by Chuck Peterson Motor on the above-mentioned car on previous occasions.

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On October 29, 1971, the car heater was repaired, and two hooks for holding seat belts when not in use were replaced. The mileage was noted to be 55,320 on this occasion.

On November 30, 1971, the motor was tuned up, carburetor was repaired, oil leaks and right window defroster were repaired, and the front end was aligned. The mileage was noted to be 57,042.

Interviewed on 4/13/72 at Provo, Utah File # Salt Lake City 164-24, 164-36

by SA [redacted] / ksa

Date dictated 4/13/72

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SU 164-36

On March 13, 1972, the clutch on the car was repaired, the brakes adjusted, the headlights were adjusted, and the windshield wiper blades were replaced. The mileage was noted to be 60,668.



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by SA [redacted] / ksa

Date dictated 4/13/72

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

4/14/72

Date of transcription \_\_\_\_\_

SUB 386

[redacted] Utah County Welfare Department, 260 West 300 North, Provo, Utah, advised as follows:

[redacted] was employed by that department as [redacted] from [redacted] She failed to report for work on [redacted] She did not have any days off during the above period of employment. Her salary was \$560.00 per month.

She applied for the above position on Friday, [redacted] and was interviewed at 8:30 A.M., on that date by [redacted] During the interview, she told [redacted] that she planned to leave Provo, Utah, [redacted] to go to North Carolina to visit with her husband's family. She said [redacted] was to follow her to North Carolina on [redacted]

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[redacted] recalls seeing [redacted] at about 9:00 A.M., [redacted] at the above-mentioned welfare office in Provo. [redacted] spent most of her time during her employment mentioned-above, at American Fork, Utah, at the Utah State Training School; although she was employee of the County Welfare Department. [redacted] recalls that [redacted] believed to be [redacted] which had given her considerable trouble. [redacted] indicated that she would apparently have to have [redacted] The weakness in [redacted] was known to [redacted] for several weeks; the exact number not being recalled. On one occasion, [redacted] complained to [redacted] as she had done considerable typing on one particular day.

Interviewed on 4/13/72 at Provo, Utah

Salt Lake City

File # ~~164-243-164-36~~

by SA [redacted] / ksa

Date dictated 4/14/72 DB-Cooper-1712

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SU 164-24  
SU 164-36

[redacted] according to the Welfare Department records, was born [redacted] was reared in Ohio; and graduated from Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, in [redacted] She appeared to be an intelligent, capable employee, and scored 94 percent on her written test when applying for the job. 94 percent is a very high score on that test.

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Interviewed on 4/13/72 at Provo, Utah

Salt Lake City  
File # 164-24-164-36

DB Cooper-17124

by SA [redacted] / ksa

Date dictated 4/14/72



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

4/21/72

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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] St. George, Utah, was advised of the identity of [redacted] as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the fact that Special Agent [redacted] desired to interview him concerning the hijacking of a Northwest Airlines Flight 305, occurring on November 24, 1971. Accompanying Special Agent [redacted] was Chief of Police JOE HUTCHINGS, St. George Police Department.

[redacted] at the onset of the interview was advised of his rights by Special Agent [redacted] as contained on the executed warning and waiver form. [redacted] thereafter provided the following information:

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It should be noted that [redacted] was extremely sluggish, almost incoherent in some of his answers and would respond differently to the same question numerous times during the interview.

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[redacted] was asked by Special Agent [redacted] to provide his whereabouts on November 24 and 25, 1971; namely, Wednesday and Thursday of November of 1971. [redacted] first indicated that he was in Des Moines, Iowa, at his residence, the address of which he could not recall. When informed by Special Agent [redacted] that investigation indicated he possibly was in Alhambra, California, on Thanksgiving Day of 1971, [redacted] stated that it is possible he could have been. [redacted] later changed this statement that he had been in Des Moines, Iowa, or at Alhambra, California, on November 24 or 25, 1971, to state that he simply could not remember.

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[redacted] indicated throughout the interview that he was willing to answer any and all questions to the extent of his memory.

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[redacted] stated he has been out of work for approximately 18 months, following his resignation [redacted] for the State of Iowa. He indicated that he had been given the ax because of [redacted]

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Interviewed on 4/18/72 at St. George, Utah

File #

~~SU 164-24-167~~  
SE 164-81-8139

by SA [redacted] / nsb

Date dictated 4/20/72

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SU 164-24  
SE 164-81

[redacted] In regard to his limp, which was quite noticeable, [redacted] indicated he had hurt his ankles in an accident near Des Moines, Iowa, on December 24, 1971, which had been investigated by a [redacted] of the Des Moines, Iowa, Police Department. He stated, which he later refuted, he had been driving at that time a 1969 Dodge Polara, a State vehicle, which was involved in the accident. [redacted] later refuted this to say that this was not the incident which hurt his ankles; however, he had hurt his ankles approximately five to six months ago in Des Moines, Iowa, when he had parachuted from an aircraft piloted by [redacted] [redacted] Municipal Airport, Mason City, Iowa. [redacted] stated in regard to his parachuting experience he had parachuted for the military and since leaving the military he had parachuted several times as an amateur with police officer of Cerro Gordo County and police officers of Mason City, Iowa.

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[redacted] In response to several questions by Special Agent [redacted] exhibited a good knowledge of aircrafts and parachuting techniques to the extent that how you would lower your landing gear and drop full flaps in order to slow an aircraft down to a landing speed and other semi-technical terminology which a person familiar with aircraft and parachuting techniques would use. [redacted] stated one would be a fool for jumping from an aircraft over 10,000 feet and would be a fool to come out of an aircraft above 170 to 200 miles per hour as he might be caught in the air stream and be dashed against the fuselage of the aircraft.

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[redacted] indicated he had sold his former residence, [redacted] Des Moines, Iowa, and had made an undisclosed amount of money from the sale. He further indicated he was divorced; however, he declined to mention his ex-wife's name or whereabouts.

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In regard to his hurt ankles, [redacted] stated he had seen a doctor, name not recalled, at the VA (Veterans Administration) Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa, on March 30, 1972, at 9:30 a.m. He provided a slip which verified the place and date as an outpatient.

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[ ] stated he definitely had not been involved in the hijacking of Northwest Airlines Flight 305 on November 24, 1971, and further he had never been to the cities of Portland or Seattle, nor had he been to the states of Oregon or Washington. When asked if he had ever flown in a 727 jet aircraft, he stated that most likely he had as he has flown considerably between Des Moines, Iowa, and Alhambra, California.

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[ ] stated he owned a [ ] which he stated were in [ ] Alhambra, California.

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[ ] stated that presently his finances consisted of approximately [ ] Des Moines, Iowa, and [ ]

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[ ] stated he had recently purchased, date not recalled, a [ ] in Las Vegas from an automobile company which he could not recall with a cashier's check in the amount of \$1,800 drawn on the Bank of California. This vehicle was determined by Special Agent [ ] to bear Nevada License [ ] Vehicle Identification Number [ ] and to be a four-door sedan with black vinyl top and white body.

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The following descriptive data was obtained from observation and interview:

Name	[ ]
Date of Birth	[ ]
Place of Birth	[ ]
Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Height	6 feet
Weight	160 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown, wears brown clear glasses

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Remarks

Wearing silver watch with white  
face and black nylon band

Tattoos

Scars and Marks

Permanent Address

Des Moines, Iowa



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

4/21/72

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Interviewed on 4/18/72 at St. George, Utah

File #

~~SE 164-24-107~~  
SE 164-81-8139

by SA [redacted] / nsb

Date dictated 4/20/72

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DB Cooper-17130



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

7/6/72

Date of transcription

SUB 376

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[redacted] stated that she moved into the MC COY residence in January, 1972, and prior to that period had attended Ricks College in Rexburg, Idaho. She stated that she had entered the Fall term at Ricks College, and had only been in the MC COY residence in Provo, Utah, only a couple of times prior to her moving there in January.

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She said that on either Tuesday or Wednesday proceeding Thanksgiving Day, 1971, she came to Provo, Utah, and cannot recall at the time if RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR., [redacted] were at the residence or if [redacted]. She stated she thinks that MC COY [redacted] were at the residence on Thanksgiving Day, and seemed to recall that at the spur of the moment, MC COY [redacted] decided to go to Las Vegas, Nevada, and they wanted her to go to Las Vegas with them, but [redacted] stated she did not have any money to spend on gambling. She stated that she cannot recall if RICHARD FLOYD MC COY was at the residence on Wednesday, and said there is no specific incident that she can recall that would place him in the residence on the Wednesday prior to Thanksgiving. She stated she seems to recall that MC COY called the residence to check on [redacted] sometime in the evening of Thanksgiving, and stated that it seems to her that they had Thanksgiving dinner earlier, possibly 12:30 P.M. or 1:00 P.M., and that shortly thereafter MC COY [redacted] left for Las Vegas. She later pointed out that while they had a Thanksgiving dinner,

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Interviewed on 6/29/72 at Salt Lake City, Utah File # ~~Salt Lake City~~ 164-24-140  
by SA [redacted] / ksa Date dictated 6/30/72  
SE 164-81-8140

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SU 164-24  
SE 164-81

she cannot recall if this dinner was on Thanksgiving Day itself, or the following Sunday. She stated that she would like to help to exactly place the whereabouts of MC COY at that period of time, but is just unable to recall definitely.

[redacted] stated that she does not recall any tie clasps or ties that MC COY had. b6 b7c

[redacted] stated that MC COY talked a lot about the Seattle hijacking event, and stated that he had a file of newspaper clippings concerning this hijacking. On several occasions he expressed the opinion that he thought it was [redacted] b6 b7c

[redacted] stated that she may have written some letters [redacted] who lives in Canton, Ohio, and may have described in these letters something about Thanksgiving dinner, and who may have been there. She stated that she will make these letters available to her attorney, [redacted] and would try to make them available to the FBI. b6 b7c



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

7/6/72

Date of transcription

SUB 386

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Interviewed on 6/29/72 at Salt Lake City, Utah File # ~~Salt Lake City~~ 164-24-142  
by SA [redacted] / ksa Date dictated SE 164-81-8140 6/30/72

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 7/6/72

SUB 386

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[redacted] stated that she recalls that [redacted] RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR., had a tie similar to the one depicted in the photograph, and also she recalls that he had a tie clasp similar to the one depicted in the photograph. She stated the reason she remembers these two items being worn by MC COY, is the fact that [redacted] and she recalls that when he visited her home on one occasion, he bent over a coffee table, and the picture stuck in her mind.

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[redacted] stated that she has some letters that [redacted] had written to her during the Thanksgiving, 1971, period and she also thinks that she may have some photographs of MC COY in which he is wearing a tie. She stated that she will make these letters and photographs available to her attorney, [redacted] who in turn will make them available to the FBI.

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Interviewed on 6/29/72 at Salt Lake City, Utah File # ~~Salt Lake City~~ 164-24-1441  
by SA [redacted] / ksa Date dictated 6/30/72 SE 164-81 - 8141

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DB Cooper-17138



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 7/6/72

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Interviewed on 6/29/72 at Salt Lake City, Utah File # ~~Salt Lake City~~  
~~164-24-177~~  
SE 164-81-8111  
by SA [redacted] / ksa Date dictated 6/30/72

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DB Cooper-17139



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/15/72

SUB 386

[redacted] advised that he was a student at Brigham Young University working on his masters degree. He stated he remembers RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR. and recalled he was at his residence on Thanksgiving Day, 1971. He stated he met MC COY in a law enforcement class, [redacted]

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He stated MC COY had told him that he had been in Southeast Asia in the military and that he planned to return there after his graduation.

He stated MC COY invited him to his home on Thanksgiving, but he did not remember anything that was said by MC COY or any of the other guests. He stated he spent most of his time playing with [redacted] having arrived at the MC COY residence about 10:00 a.m., and MC COY was there.

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b7CInterviewed on 8/11/72 at Provo, Utah

File #

SI 164-21-151SE 164-81-8142by SA [redacted] / nsbDate dictated 8/14/72b6  
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DB Cooper-1714U



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Interviewed on 8/11/72 at Provo, Utah File # SU 164-24-157  
SE 164-81-812  
by SA [redacted] / nsb Date dictated 8/14/72

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DB Cooper-17141



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/15/72

SUB 386

[redacted] telephone [redacted] advised [redacted] for the MC COY family. She stated she could not remember if [redacted] for them on Thanksgiving Day, 1971. She stated [redacted] at the time, and she could not remember the exact dates. She stated all of [redacted] was done in the MC COY home, and it was never [redacted]

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She stated that [redacted] one day before Thanksgiving, and [redacted] for about [redacted] RICHARD MC COY went to Salt Lake City. She stated she did not know if that is where they went but this is what they told her.

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She further advised that she was never around them when they conversed with one another.

Interviewed on 8/11/72 at Provo, Utah File # SU 164-24-154  
SE 164-81-8143  
by SA [redacted] / nsb Date dictated 8/14/72

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DB Cooper-17142



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/15/72

SUB 386

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She further advised that she was never around them when they conversed with one another.

Interviewed on 8/11/72 at Provo, Utah

File #

~~SU 164-24-156~~

SE 164-81-8143

by SA [redacted] / nsb

Date dictated 8/14/72b6  
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DB Cooper-1714B



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/24/72

SUB-386

[redacted] Provo, Utah,  
furnished the following information:

She advised she is [redacted] and remembers that [redacted] for the RICHARD MC COY family on Thanksgiving Day of 1971. She stated that she was [redacted] on this date and that [redacted] was picked up by one of the MC COY family at approximately 4:00 PM that day.

[redacted] stated that the MC COYs called her prior to their picking up [redacted] and stated they needed [redacted] because they were flying to Las Vegas, Nevada with some friends that evening. She stated she did not know the name of the friends and does not know the time they left for Las Vegas, nor does she remember the time they returned; however, it was late in the night when [redacted] returned home and she would estimate [redacted]

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Interviewed on 8/24/72 at Provo, Utah File # Se 164-81-8144

by SA [redacted] /cj Date dictated 8/24/72

DB Cooper-17144

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/24/72*SUB 376*

[redacted] Provo, Utah,  
furnished the following information:

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[redacted]

*Se 164-81-8121*

Interviewed on 8/24/72 at Provo, Utah File # ~~SU 164-24-16~~

by SA [redacted] / cj Date dictated 8/24/72

DB Cooper-17145



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 1/5/73

[redacted]  
[redacted] Fife Rock Products Company, 620 East 5th South, located their employee information card concerning [redacted] which was given their payroll number [redacted] stated that [redacted] worked for the Fife Company : (which is not doing business any more) on the [redacted] which consisted of the [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] Social Security Number is [redacted]  
His residence was shown as Manti, Utah, and date and place of birth as [redacted]

[redacted] Employee card indicated he [redacted]  
[redacted] and that he was employed as [redacted]

[redacted] stated that [redacted] worked in 1968 for them, but did not work for long; and in 1969 he began work on or about April 14, 1969. The last check he received was for the week ending November 29, 1972; and his total earnings were a little over \$5,000.00 for 1969. He also received one check for the week ending March 28, 1970, in the amount of \$271.32.

[redacted] stated that [redacted]  
[redacted] Brigham City, Utah, telephone [redacted], was the [redacted] and that he would have been the one who hired [redacted] It was [redacted] responsibility to [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] provided an employee's [redacted]  
[redacted] signed [redacted] and the Fife Construction Company, Incorporated, employee card pertaining to [redacted] He noted that [redacted] would have filled out all of the information down to and including the line requesting to know whether he is married or single. [redacted] asked that these items be returned to him and asked for a receipt which was provided to him.

Interviewed on 1/3/73 at Brigham City, Utah File # ~~SU 164-24-183~~

by SA [redacted] :dls Date dictated 1/4/73



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 1/5/73

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Interviewed on 1/3/73 at Brigham City, Utah File # SU 164-24-1107

by SA [redacted] :dls Date dictated 1/4/73

DB Cooper-17147

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

4/5/73

Date of transcription

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[redacted] was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He was advised by SA [redacted] of his rights and that it was desired he be interviewed regarding the hijacking of an aircraft. He signed the waiver of rights form and furnished the following information:

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He was employed as a [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Since [redacted] he has been unemployed.

[redacted] advised between 1964 and May 1972 he was living at [redacted] at that address.

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His working hours at the [redacted] were about 8:00 AM to 4:30 or 5:00 PM. His best recollection is that he did not have any days off during the month of November 1971. He did not leave the country of Canada during 1971. During 1970 he did take a vacation to Yellowstone Park in the United States.

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He stated he has no knowledge of any plane being hijacked in November 1971 and he was not involved in any such hijacking at that time or at any time. He resided in [redacted] and has resided in Canada from [redacted] until the present time. He served in the German Air Force from October to December 1941 as [redacted] in the Signal Corps but was never in a German military plane and he never parachuted from any military or civilian plane. He has never received any training in flying as a pilot or navigator or in any capacity.

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[redacted] stated he was [redacted]

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Interviewed on 3/29/73 at Provo, Utah

File #

SU 164-24-206

SE 164-81-8146

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by SA [redacted] and

SA [redacted] LJS:cj

Date dictated

4/2/73



SU 164-24

He plans to return to Calgary, Alberta, Canada, in about two weeks.

The following descriptive and background data were obtained through observation and interview:

Name	[REDACTED]
Race	White
Sex	Male
Home Address	[REDACTED] Calgary, Alberta, Canada
Age	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	5' 9"
Weight	165
Hair	Brown, balding
Eyes	Hazel
Complexion	Medium. ruddy
Characteristics	[REDACTED]
Father	[REDACTED]
Mother	[REDACTED] (Deceased)
	[REDACTED] Toronto, Canada
Children	None
Sister	[REDACTED]
Brothers	None
Arrest Record	[REDACTED]

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

4/5/73

Date of transcription

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[redacted] stated he was [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Interviewed on 3/29/73 at Provo, Utah

File #

SU 164-24

SE 164-81-8746

SA [redacted]

and

SA [redacted]

LJS:cj

Date dictated

4/2/73

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DB Cooper-17150



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE 164-81  
 FROM : SAC, Salt Lake City (164-24)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAN

DATE: 7/25/79

☐ RUC

☒ File Destruction Program

(Title)

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Enclosed are 16 items.

These items are forwarded your office since:

☐ All logical investigation completed in

☒ You were OO at the time our case was RUC'd.

Enclosures are described as follows:

11- FD 302's  
 5-1A's

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO :

SAC, Seattle 164-81

DATE:

7/25/79

FROM :

SAC, Salt Lake City (164-24)

SUBJECT:

NORJAN

☐ RUC

☒ File Destruction Program

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Enclosures are described as follows:

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5-1A's

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DB Cooper-17153

164-81-8416

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 8/7/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: [REDACTED]

On 7/2/79, [REDACTED], Lewis County Sheriff's Office, Chehalis, Washington, advised that he has reviewed the records of his agency concerning [REDACTED] and could find no information concerning him.

Several attempts have been made to contact [REDACTED] Centralia, Washington, with negative results.

LEADS:SEATTLE DIVISIONAt Centralia, Washington

Will continue attempts to interview [REDACTED] Centralia, Washington, regarding her identification of [REDACTED] as being the subject of this investigation.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.MES/tcs  
(2) *[Signature]*

164-81-8147

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*Memorandum*

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

DATE: 8/7/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE [REDACTED]

Re: [REDACTED]

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.MES/tcs  
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[REDACTED]



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date of transcription July 31, 1979

[redacted] Northwest  
Orient Airlines, Minneapolis International Airport, was  
shown an airplane decal recovered in the State of Washington.  
[redacted] advised that there is a ninety-nine per cent  
chance that this decal came from the same aircraft hijacked  
by D. D. Cooper.

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[redacted] noted that the decals placed on the  
aircraft are bright red in lettering and that the one  
recovered in Washington and displayed to him appears to  
be more maroon.

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100-51-8148

Interviewed on 7/19/79 at St. Paul, Minnesota File # Minneapolis 164-73

by SA [redacted] JDH:kae Date dictated 7/25/79

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date of transcription July 31, 1979

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24 164-81-811

Interviewed on 7/19/79 at St. Paul, Minnesota File # Minneapolis 164-73  
by SA [redacted] JDH:kae Date dictated 7/25/79

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## memorandum

DATE: 8/3/79

REPLY TO  
ATTN: [redacted]

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (RUC)

SUBJECT:

NORJAK

OO: SEATTLE

TO:

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SUB A, SUB B,  
SUB P, SUB G

Reference Seattle letter to Minneapolis dated 5/23/79.

Enclosed for Seattle are the original and two copies of an FD-302 reflecting interview with [redacted] of Northwest Orient Airlines and an airplane decal which was enclosed in referenced letter for Minneapolis.

On 7/19/79, [redacted] advised that the probability that this decal came from the same aircraft hijacked by COOPER is about ninety-nine per cent. He noted that there is a slight difference in the color of the lettering of the decals placed on the aircraft and that recovered. This, of course, could be accounted for by the weather conditions. The second thing noted by [redacted] is that the decal does not appear to be as worn as one would think after having been located in the out state area for the past eight years. He thought that a decal in this condition would have been handled by predators more than it appears. [redacted] suggested that perhaps the Bureau could contact the manufacturer of the decal in order to determine if the decal could withstand the weathering conditions and still be in this condition.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

② - Seattle (Encs. 4)  
1 - Minneapolis  
JDH:kae  
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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8/3/79

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (RUC)

NORJAK

OO: SEATTLE

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

Reference Seattle letter to Minneapolis dated 5/23/79.

Enclosed for Seattle are the original and two copies of an FD-302 reflecting interview with [redacted] of Northwest Orient Airlines and an airplane decal which was enclosed in referenced letter for Minneapolis.

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On 7/19/79, [redacted] advised that the probability that this decal came from the same aircraft hijacked by COOPER is about ninety-nine per cent. He noted that there is a slight difference in the color of the lettering of the decals placed on the aircraft and that recovered. This, of course, could be accounted for by the weather conditions. The second thing noted by [redacted] is that the decal does not appear to be as worn as one would think after having been located in the out state area for the past eight years. He thought that a decal in this condition would have been handled by predators more than it appears. [redacted] suggested that perhaps the Bureau could contact the manufacturer of the decal in order to determine if the decal could withstand the weathering conditions and still be in this condition.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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1 - Minneapolis  
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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 5/9/79

[redacted] (Protect Identity),  
[redacted] Indiana,  
home telephone number [redacted] was interviewed in  
the presence of her attorney, [redacted]  
[redacted] Indiana.

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[redacted] stated that during [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]  
Indiana, she became acquainted with a [redacted]  
at that time was [redacted]  
[redacted] (Last Name Unknown). During the [redacted]  
[redacted] stated that [redacted]  
and went to [redacted] could  
not remember the street address that [redacted] lived on but  
it was in the [redacted] Indiana area. [redacted] seemed to  
exhibit quite a lot of money and it was not unusual for him  
[redacted] During August of 1972,  
[redacted] and  
[redacted] there who allegedly [redacted]  
[redacted] advised [redacted] that he expected  
[redacted] there at some future  
time. [redacted]  
[redacted] at the time and [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] states that because of the [redacted]  
[redacted] in  
[redacted] and also in view of the fact that he had a [redacted]  
[redacted] of his home of the [redacted]  
[redacted] California, Washington and Oregon, and the fact that  
he very closely resembles the artist's conception of D. B.  
COOPER, she felt that he possibly might be the hijacker of  
the Northwest Orient flight over Washington and Oregon  
in November, 1971.

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Interviewed on [redacted] at [redacted] Indiana File # SE 164-81-8150  
IP 164-177-2  
by SA [redacted] DE -rel Date dictated 5/4/79

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SE 164-81  
IP 164-177

[redacted] just recently made inquiry through long distance telephone directory in [redacted] to attempt to determine if [redacted] is still there and was able to determine that [redacted] at John Marshall School in [redacted] is currently [redacted] at the Brown Middle School and can be reached there through telephone number [redacted]. There are [redacted] listed in the [redacted] telephone directory, one at [redacted] telephone [redacted] and at [redacted] telephone number [redacted]. [redacted] did not know which of these two may be the [redacted] that she knew and described above, however the one that she does know is currently [redacted] at Brown Middle School. She further described [redacted] as having been [redacted].

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[redacted] was an outdoor type active in parachuting, had a pilot's license, and was very athletic and took long bicycle trips. [redacted] assumes that because he was [redacted] that he would be knowledgeable and able to make a bomb. [redacted] called [redacted] a gentlemanly type individual who was also very active in Sunday School where he went to church.

The following is a description of [redacted]  
as obtained from observation and interview:

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Maiden Name  
Race  
Sex  
Age  
Date and Place of Birth

[redacted]  
White  
Female

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SE 164-81  
IP 164-177

[redacted] described herself as [redacted]  
[redacted]

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/8/791

[redacted]  
 Indiana, after being advised of the identities of [redacted]  
 [redacted] as Special Agents of  
 the FBI, furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that he is presently [redacted]  
 [redacted] at Adams High School, [redacted] Indiana. [redacted]  
 advised that he [redacted] at Marshall School,  
 [redacted] Indiana, in the Fall of 1971. [redacted] also  
 advised that he is a pilot, but has never parachuted in  
 his life.

[redacted] advised that he did [redacted]  
 [redacted] at Montana State University in Bozeman, Montana,  
 finishing up his [redacted]

[redacted] furnished the following physical  
 description of himself:

Name	[redacted]
Address	[redacted] Indiana
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Height	5'9"
Weight	185
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Hazel
Scars/Marks/Tattoos	None

Interviewed on 8/6/79 at [redacted] Indiana File # SE 164-81-8151  
IP 164-177  
 by SA [redacted] MF/mjk Date dictated 8/6/79



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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
☐ Facsimile  
☒ Airtel

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 8/10/79

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (164-177) (RUC)

NORJAK (A)  
 Bufile 164-2111

OO: SE

Re SE airtel to IP, dated 4/20/79.

Enclosed for Seattle are the following:

- (1) Original and two copies of FD-302's reflecting interviews of [redacted] and [redacted]
- (2) Interview notes of interviews with [redacted] and [redacted]

Investigation at Indianapolis and [redacted] Indiana, concluded. [redacted] by observation, comparison to the composite and physical description, does not resemble the subject known as B. D. COOPER.

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 1 - Indianapolis

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Approved: *NEP/PPQ*

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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1 - Indianapolis

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*Memorandum*

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 8/22/79

FROM : SC CAROLYN FRANKHOUSER

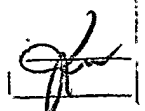
SUBJECT: NORJAK

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SUB X?

[redacted] On 8/22/79 [redacted] phone [redacted] telephonically advised that an individual purchased some car insurance from him and that he was a "dead ringer" for D. B. COOPER. [redacted] advised this individual is [redacted] [redacted] Bothell, phone [redacted] The car he is insuring is a [redacted] Serial [redacted] [redacted] is a [redacted] He paid [redacted] with a \$100 bill bearing serial number K05159380A, 1969 series, Washington, D.C.

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[redacted] stated he formerly was a [redacted] at McQuire AFB and hoped this information might be of some assistance.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

8/22/79

SC CAROLYN FRANKHOUSER

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AUG 23 1979

DB Cooper-17167



*Memorandum*

TO : SAC, SEATTLE

FROM : SAC, SAN DIEGO (164-91) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK ✓  
(OO: Seattle)

DATE: 8/30/79

On 8/24/79, [redacted]  
[redacted] California, telephone [redacted] was contacted at her residence relative to an earlier call to the San Diego Office in which [redacted] claimed to have possible information regarding captioned matter.

She advised that [redacted]  
who resides in [redacted] Washington, had [redacted]  
[redacted], which he had [redacted]  
Washington. She further identified [redacted] as being employed with [redacted] and [redacted], Tacoma, Washington.

[redacted] claimed that [redacted]  
to the captioned hijacking. [redacted] refused to furnish the identity of [redacted], stating that [redacted] had been developed during the investigation and stating that to divulge the [redacted] would not mean anything". She further advised that [redacted] that the hijacker, using the name D. B. COOPER, was actually a [redacted] (LNU), who is the [redacted] Tacoma-Seattle area who is supposed to be a [redacted] who committed his first and last crime, that being captioned skyjacking. [redacted] (LNU) is also supposed to be [redacted] According to [redacted] the skyjacker had bailed out of the aircraft [redacted] the area that they thought he would have bailed out, [redacted] According to [redacted] the skyjacker had bailed out of the aircraft [redacted] The skyjacker [redacted]

[redacted] refused to furnish any additional information and during the course of the interview exhibited strange

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① - San Diego

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behavior and made statements that did not appear to be entirely rational.

Additionally, she claimed to have furnished the above information to the Seattle Office telephonically during the previous week, speaking to some "female agent".

The above information is furnished for the information of Seattle, and leads emanating from the foregoing information are being left to the discretion of office of origin.



## UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION*Memorandum*

TO : SAC, SEATTLE

FROM : SAC, SAN DIEGO (164-91) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

DATE: 8/30/79

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Tacoma, Washington.

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*Memorandum*

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81-8087) (P)

DATE: 9/6/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

RE: [REDACTED]

After several attempts, [REDACTED] Centralia, Washington, telephone [REDACTED] was contacted on 7/17/79 and she advised that she was contacted by the Sheriff's Office in Lewis County concerning [REDACTED]. She told them that she suspected [REDACTED] to be involved in an airplane hijacking over Washington State approximately seven years ago. She explained that after the publicity concerning the hijacking appeared in the news media, she received a telephone call from [REDACTED]. He called her from a pay phone in Seattle and told her that he had hijacked the airplane. He said the newspaper accounts were wrong as he never did parachute out of the aircraft, but merely threw out the parachute. He said he stayed on the plane until it landed and then exited the aircraft with the money. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] whose last name was [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that she does not think [REDACTED] would lie to her because when he was [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that she spoke to an FBI Agent (name unrecalled) after the hijacking concerning [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that she last saw [REDACTED] about seven years ago and she understands he is living somewhere in Southern California.

[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as follows:

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SE 164-81-8087

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	[ ] years
Height	6'
Weight	160-165 lbs.
Build	Thin
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Gray
Unusual Characteristics	She described him as nice-looking. She also stated that he does not smoke cigarettes.

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The information as provided by [ ] does not appear to match the events of this case. It seems that the data given by [ ] is erroneous as the hijacker actually jumped from the aircraft. Apparently, [ ] did, in fact, lie to her, although she does not believe this. Also, she advises that [ ] does not smoke and the UNSUB in this case was known to be a smoker.

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Unless it is felt otherwise, it is suggested that no further action be taken in this matter as it appears [ ] was merely telling a tale to an elderly lady who believes he would not lie to her.

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## Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81-8087) (P)

DATE: 9/6/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

RE: [REDACTED]

After several attempts, [REDACTED] Centralia, Washington, telephone [REDACTED] was contacted on 7/17/79 and she advised that she was contacted by the Sheriff's Office in Lewis County concerning [REDACTED]. She told them that she suspected [REDACTED] to be involved in an airplane hijacking over Washington State approximately seven years ago. She explained that after the publicity concerning the hijacking appeared in the news media, she received a telephone call from [REDACTED]. He called her from a pay phone in Seattle and told her that he had hijacked the airplane. He said the newspaper accounts were wrong as he never did parachute out of the aircraft, but merely threw out the parachute. He said he stayed on the plane until it landed and then exited the aircraft with the money. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] whose last name was [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as follows:

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*[Signature]*





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☐ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
☐ UNCLAS

Date 10/2/79

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: *W.D. [signature]* SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (RUC) (#10)SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Telcall from [redacted] to FBI, San Francisco, dated September 28, 1979.

On September 28, 1979, [redacted]  
[redacted] Saratoga, California, telephone number [redacted]  
telephonically contacted this office and advised of the  
following information.

During the week of September 21 - 26, 1979,  
[redacted] [redacted] were deer hunting in the area  
of the Trinity - Siskiyou Mountain Line, located in  
Northern California, and discovered a brown military  
parachute amidst rugged terrain. [redacted] questioned  
if the parachute might possibly have been one used by  
D.B.COOPER. [redacted] advised that he cut a small portion  
from the parachute which presently is in his possession.  
[redacted] stated he is employed by ESL Inc., 495 Java Drive,  
Sunnyvale, California, business telephone number  
(408) 734-2244, ext. [redacted] and can be contacted at his  
office or at his residence after 5 p.m., should additional  
information be needed.

Leads are being left to the discretion of the  
Office of Origin.

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1 - San Francisco  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Transmitted \_\_\_\_\_ (Number) \_\_\_\_\_ (Time) Per \_\_\_\_\_

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10/2/79

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (RUC) (#10)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
OO: SEATTLE

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Leads are being left to the discretion of the Office of Origin.

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