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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (p)

DATE: 10/24/72

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re memorandum of SA [redacted] dated 8/11/72, concerning possible suspect [redacted]

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On 8/15/72, [redacted] Van Nuys, California, was contacted by the writer in an effort to locate and interview [redacted]

[redacted] was extremely cooperative in advising her son [redacted] in the Los Angeles City Schools, however has recently moved into an apartment of his own. She advised she is either with him or in telephonic contact with him almost daily, has never known him to visit, nor is he familiar with the Northwest. She advised that her son had taken up sky-diving, and jumped on many occasions, but has not done so for the past one or two years. [redacted] telephonically contacted her son and asked him to come to her apartment.

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On the same date, [redacted] was interviewed and advised he could not recall his exact whereabouts on 11/24/71, stating that although he often eats dinner with his mother, he does not recall specifically if he ate Thanksgiving dinner with her on 11/25/71. He stated that since school was not in session on those dates, he would definitely have been in the Van Nuys area, and believes he and his mother went to a local restaurant and had Thanksgiving dinner.

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[redacted] was described as follows from observation:

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Height	6' 3"
Weight	200 pounds
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Hair	Black or dark brown

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Eyes	Blue
Characteristics	Mustache and goatee

[redacted] did not resemble in any way the artist's description in this matter.

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Following the interview of [redacted] was recontacted and separately advised that she recalls having been with her son at a local restaurant on Thanksgiving Day, 1971.

In view of the fact that [redacted] was referred as a suspect to this office, based on the name of D. B. COOPER, and since it is confidentially known that this name has no connection whatsoever with this matter, it does not appear that [redacted] warrants further consideration as a logical suspect at this time.

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Date: 8/14/72

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE: [REDACTED]

Re Los Angeles letter to Seattle 6/29/72.

[REDACTED] located by San Francisco Division, employed as [REDACTED] of the Richmond Police Department, Richmond, California.

Subject employed during 11/71 and has date of birth as [REDACTED] which would make him [REDACTED] years of age at the time of NORJAK.

Subject's picture shown to witnesses [REDACTED] Both advised [REDACTED] not identical to hijacker.

In view of the above, investigation concerning [REDACTED] is being discontinued.

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8/18/72

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (164-88) (RUC)
RE: MURJAK

Re Portland airtel to LA, 7/7/72.

On 8/16/72, [redacted] Bureau of Vital Statistics, Toledo, Ohio, advised that her records reveal JAMES E. FUGATE, DOB 8/23/44, died Toledo, Ohio, on 7/8/71, as a result of injuries sustained in an aircraft accident while flying for Buckeye Air Service, Elyria, Ohio.

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On 8/18/72, [redacted] Elyria, advised JAMES E. FUGATE, born 8/23/44, was a co-pilot [redacted] and was killed in Toledo aircraft accident in mid-1971.

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[redacted] advised FUGATE was described as WM; 68"; 160 pounds; brown hair; blue eyes; required to wear glasses; SSAN 483-50-6214.

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[redacted] further advised that [redacted] name unrecalled, is [redacted] in Jamesville, Wisconsin. [redacted] further advised FUGATE's resume indicates he graduated from high school in Webster City, Iowa, in 1962. Resume indicates his permanent address was with [redacted] Lexington, Ky.

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[redacted] stated FUGATE mentioned on numerous occasions he had brothers and cousins [redacted]

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and [redacted] these people being located in
different areas around the U.S. FUGATE never indicated
that he was a [redacted]

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Leads are being left to the discretion of
Portland.

8/23/72

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-31)
FROM : SAC, BUTTE (164-26) (P)
SUBJECT: NO. 14K
OO: Seattle

[redacted] Bozeman,
Montana, advised 8/22/72, as follows:

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In 1/71, he, [redacted] completed writing a book
entitled [redacted] This book incorporated the idea that a
person desiring to hijack a plane and go to Cuba would also
attempt to extort money. The book was initially presented
to one [redacted] on the week of [redacted], as a
possibility for a motion picture production. [redacted]
being an [redacted]
[redacted] Los Angeles, California, and [redacted]
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[REDACTED]

By telephone, [REDACTED] was informed that the book had been given to [REDACTED] Encino, California. He in turn probably presented the book to motion picture sub-producers.

[REDACTED] advised the book made no reference to parachuting from an airplane; however, he is vitally concerned over the possibility this book might have predicated acts of Subject of this case.

Having never met [REDACTED] he is not aware of the physical description of [REDACTED] but wanted to bring this to the attention of the proper authorities.

Three copies of the book have been made - One is in the possession, as last known, of [REDACTED] one was sent registered mail and is still sealed by [REDACTED] to himself so as to establish a "poor man's copyright;" and one copy is maintained and sent to a publishing agent in Chicago.

[REDACTED] requested that any additional information desired would be readily furnished, but he desired his identity be protected regarding information furnished about [REDACTED] based on [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was shown a facsimile photograph of UNSUB and stated that this definitely could not be [REDACTED]

LEADS

LOS ANGELES DIVISION

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Being furnished this information, ascertain if possibility exists that [REDACTED] could be identical with UNSUB in this case or have information of UNSUB.

8/25/72

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AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (P)
SUBJECT: NORJAK
RE [redacted]

Suspect interviewed United Airline's Office, San Francisco International Airport, 8/24/72, by Bureau Agent. He recalls having his Thanksgiving dinner, 11/24/72, with [redacted] also in attendance [redacted] same residence.

[redacted] produced passport reflecting entrance [redacted] and returned to United States, [redacted] Passport Number [redacted] issued [redacted] San Francisco.

[redacted] accompanying [redacted] furnished similar information re attendance at Thanksgiving dinner.

In view of above information, [redacted] no longer being considered suspect in this case.

For information of Seattle, [redacted] was [redacted] by Sheriff's Office for [redacted] following the interview.

Seattle advise interested offices.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

RE:

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Enclosed for Las Vegas and Los Angeles Divisions
is one copy of San Francisco airtel to Seattle dated 8/25/72.

In view of the information contained in the
enclosed airtel is eliminated as a suspect.

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To: DIRECTOR, FBI Attention: Identification Division

Date 8/23/72

Re NORJAK

Field File No. 164-497

Furnish The Known Identification Record of the Following:

Name	[Redacted]	FBI No.	[Redacted]
		Other No. Social Security #	[Redacted]

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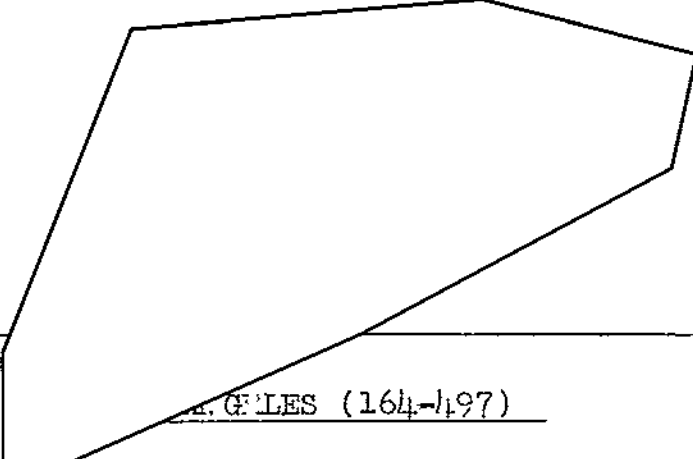
Aliases [Redacted]

Sex	Race	Birth Date	Birthplace	Residence
male	white	[Redacted]		

Height	Weight	Build	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	Age
5'11 1/2	170		Brown	Green	Ruddy	

Fingerprint Classification

Scars, marks and tattoos



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Also Furnish:

- Photo
- Fingerprints
- Handwriting Specimens

Identification Division's Reply 8-31-72 Re

On basis of information furnished, unable to identify:

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- Photo Attached
- Photo Not Available
- Fingerprints Attached
- Handwriting Specimen Attached

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE

FROM : *[Handwritten initials]* SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: *[Handwritten initials]* NORJAK

DATE: 9/1/72

Re St. Louis letter to Los Angeles and Seattle dated 7/6/72, captioned "INFORMATION CONCERNING AIRCRAFT HIJACKING", and St. Louis routing slip to Los Angeles dated 7/11/72, with attached typewritten letter directed to Mr. GRAY, Acting FBI Chief, Washington, D. C., and signed

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RE:
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 7/31/72, Woodland Hills, California, was interviewed to ascertain if she had any pertinent knowledge concerning the Norjak matter or any other matter of investigative interest to the FBI.

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stated she was a relative of ART LINKLETTER, the well-known television personality. She spoke rapidly with a distinct French accent and made disjointed statements about how she had deduced by reading articles on various murders and hijackings that ART LINKLETTER, have been responsible for the Zodiac murders, the mutilation murders of farm workers in Yuba City, California, the TATE - LA BIANCA murders in Los Angeles and the ax murders which took place in a national park in California. When it was pointed out to her that in some of these matters the perpetrators have been identified and convicted of the crimes, she replied very positively that the police have identified the wrong persons as no police agency will touch ART LINKLETTER or his family.

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She advised that ART LINKLETTER is the and that he was raised by a named LINKLETTER. ART LINKLETTER was previously known as

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Via TELETYPE NITEL
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TO: SAC, DENVER (164-98) *MAN*
SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (164-24) *RAD*
SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) *KEH*
SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) *JJT*

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

RE DENVER TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, SALT LAKE CITY,
SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES, SEPTEMBER EIGHT LAST.

RE SUSPECT DASH [REDACTED]

ON SEPTEMBER EIGHT LAST, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PALOS VERDES

PENINSULA, CALIFORNIA, THE [REDACTED] FOR

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, LOS ANGELES, ADVISED HE HAD LAST

SEEN [REDACTED] IN NOVEMBER NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN WHEN HE,

[REDACTED] ACCIDENTLY MET [REDACTED] AT A LOCAL THEATER

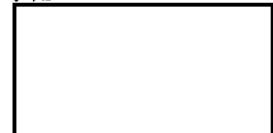
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AT THIS TIME [REDACTED] WAS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] MANHATTAN
BEACH, CALIFORNIA. [REDACTED] SPENT THANKSGIVING DAY, NINETEEN
SIXTY SEVEN [REDACTED] AND DEPARTED LOS ANGELES NOVEMBER
TWENTY SIX NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN [REDACTED] WHERE PLANNED
EMPLOYMENT [REDACTED] LEFT CAMPER VAN FOR [REDACTED]
TO SELL. VAN WAS SOLD BY [REDACTED] AND CHECK FORWARDED TO
[REDACTED] AT ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DISPLAYED CANCELLED CHECK DATED FEBRUARY FIVE
NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT IN AMOUNT OF FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS
PAYABLE TO [REDACTED] BEARING CANCELLATION STAMP [REDACTED]

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HE STATED HE HAS NOT SEEN NOR HAD ANY CONTACT WITH

[REDACTED] SINCE THAT TIME.

HE ADDED THAT [REDACTED]

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KEEPS IN TOUCH WITH OLD FRIENDS WHO FORMERLY FLEW FOR
FLYING TIGER AIRLINES IN SALT LAKE CITY AND DALLAS. [REDACTED]
PERIODICALLY CONTACTS HIM AND RECALLS [REDACTED] HAD MENTIONED

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TO HIM [REDACTED] LOOKED LIKE THE ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF THE SEATTLE HIJACKER. HE STATED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ALWAYS LIKES TO BE IN THE MIDDLE OF THINGS AND HE HAD NOT GIVEN [REDACTED] REMARKS A THOUGHT. [REDACTED] OBSERVED THE ARTIST'S CONCEPTION AND STATED THE SHAPE OF THE HEAD APPEARED SIMILAR TO THAT OF [REDACTED] HOWEVER, THE HAIRLINE WAS MUCH DIFFERENT AND HE COULD SEE NO LIKENESS IN THE FACIAL CHARACTERISTICS.

[REDACTED] ADDED THAT [REDACTED] HAD ALSO MENTIONED THAT

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[REDACTED]
HE DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS A WHITE MALE, FORTY EIGHT DASH FIFTY YEARS OLD, FIVE NINE DASH FIVE TEN, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, DARK COMPLEXION, THIN BUILD AND A HEAVY SMOKER OF CIGARETTES.

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DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS A LONER WHO HAD TRAVELED AND WORKED IN CITIES ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES. HE DOES NOT ANTICIPATE ANY CONTACT FROM [REDACTED] AND STATED [REDACTED] WOULD NEVER HAVE CONTACTED HIM IN NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN HAD THEY NOT ACCIDENTLY MET IN A THEATER.

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LOS ANGELES WILL CONTACT [REDACTED] MANHATTAN
BEACH, FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RE [REDACTED] AND ASCERTAIN
LOCATION OF HEADQUARTERS, FLYING TIGER AIRLINES, LOS ANGELES.

POSSIBLE LEAD RE [REDACTED] OVERSEAS ADDRESS IN NINETEEN
SIXTY SEVEN BEING LEFT TO OO.

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

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SAN FRANCISCO (264-220)

FROM: DENVER (164-98) (P) (4P)

NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE. SUSPECT -- [REDACTED]

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RE SALT LAKE CITY TELETYPE SEPTEMBER SIX LAST.

FOR INFORMATION, DENVER RECENTLY LEARNED [REDACTED] HAD COMMENTED TO VARIOUS PERSONS HE HAD STRONG SUSPICIONS RE IDENTITY D. B. COOPER.

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[REDACTED] WHO RESIDES [REDACTED] LEMHI, IDAHO, WAS INTERVIEWED USA'S OFFICE, DENVER, SEPTEMBER SEVEN LAST, WHERE HE HAD APPEARED FOR [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

FBI NOT INVOLVED IN THAT CASE.

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COOPER, COMPOSITE SHOWN [REDACTED] WHO STATED PICTURE IS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WERE FORMERLY [REDACTED] WITH FLYING TIGER AIRLINES BASED DENVER IN FIFTIES.

[REDACTED] WAS NOT CONTINUOUSLY EMPLOYED BY FLYING TIGER AIRLINES BUT [REDACTED] OFF AND ON UNTIL ABOUT SIXTYFOUR. NOTE THAT [REDACTED] HAS NOT SEEN [REDACTED] SINCE SIXTYFIVE BUT HAS

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[REDACTED] ACQUAINTANCES.

[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED] HAD SEVEN TWENTYSEVEN AIRCRAFT TRAINING WITH FLYING TIGER AND IS FORMER [REDACTED] WITH PARACHUTE TRAINING. HE BELIEVES [REDACTED] ENTIRELY CAPABLE OF HIJACKING. TO BEST OF HIS KNOWLEDGE [REDACTED] POSSIBLY WORKING [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SAID [REDACTED] SHORTLY PRIOR TO NORJAK AND WAS IN SEATTLE ABOUT THE TIME OF HIJACKING. WHILE IN SEATTLE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WITH ALASKAN AIRLINES BASED IN SEATTLE. [REDACTED] HAS HEARD FROM [REDACTED] THAT

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[REDACTED] LEFT SEATTLE SUDDENLY ABOUT TIME OF HIJACKING.

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IT IS BELIEVED [REDACTED] ALSO VISITED [REDACTED] IN LOS ANGELES VICINITY JUST PRIOR TO OR IMMEDIATELY AFTER HIJACKING.

[REDACTED] IS ALSO FORMER [REDACTED] NOW EMPLOYED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WITH CONTINENTAL AIRLINES IN LOS ANGELS.

BOTH [REDACTED] SHOULD HAVE MORE CURRENT INFORMATION RE

[REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS AND ACTIVITIES ABOUT THE TIME OF HIJACKING.

[REDACTED] SAID [REDACTED] BELIEVED TO LIVE SAN FRANCISCO, AND PRESENTLY EMPLOYED [REDACTED] WITH

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FLYING TIGER AIRLINES. [REDACTED] THINKS [REDACTED]

OF [REDACTED]

WHILE WITH THE FLYING TIGER AIRLINES, [REDACTED] WAS BASED AT

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED [REDACTED]

AS APPROXIMATELY FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, ONE SIXTYFIVE POUNDS, SLENDER BUILD, BLACK HAIR, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, APPROXIMATELY FORTY EIGHT YEARS OLD. HE SAID [REDACTED] IS ADVENTUROUS, WELL EDUCATED AND EXTREMELY COOL. FROM DETAILS HE HAS HEARD OF HIJACKING, HE IS EVEN MORE CONVINCED [REDACTED] COULD HAVE COMMITTED THIS CRIME.

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AMSA, DENVER, HAS REQUESTED THAT EVERY EFFORT BE MADE TO PROTECT IDENTITY OF [REDACTED] AS SOURCE OF THIS INFORMATION [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
SEATTLE CONTACT [REDACTED] ALASKAN AIRLINES CONCERNING [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] THE TIME OF HIJACKING.

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LOS ANGELES LOCATE [REDACTED] CONTINENTAL AIRLINES. DEVELOP ANY INFORMATION RE [REDACTED] FROM FLYING TIGER AIRLINES IF THAT COMPANY IS HEADQUARTERED IN LOS ANGELES.

SALT LAKE CITY DEVELOP INFORMATION FROM FLYING TIGER AIRLINES REGARDING [REDACTED] IF THAT COMPANY STILL OPERATING OR STILL LOCATED IN SALT LAKE CITY.

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SAN FRANCISCO ATTEMPT TO LOCATE [REDACTED] BELIEVED TO [REDACTED] FLYING TIGER AIRLINES. [REDACTED] BELIEVED TO HAVE CURRENT INFORMATION REGARDING [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS. NOTE THAT [REDACTED] MAY BE UNCOOPERATIVE.

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DENVER WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE [REDACTED]

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Date: 9/11/72



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TO: SAC, DENVER (164-98) *DXF*
 SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (164-24) *ACU*
 SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) *ATC*
 SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) *FEE*

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

NORJAK, OO: SEATTLE.

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO ~~ABOVE OFFICES~~, SEPTEMBER NINE LAST.

~~REGARDING~~ SUSPECT [REDACTED] THIS DATE,
 [REDACTED] WORLD HEADQUARTERS, FLYING TIGER AIRLINES,
 SEVEN FOUR ZERO ONE WEST WORLD WAY, LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL
 AIRPORT, ADVISED [REDACTED] SOCIAL SECURITY

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[REDACTED]
 HIRED BY FLYING TIGER ON [REDACTED]
 EMPLOYED [REDACTED] DURING PERIODS OF [REDACTED] TO

[REDACTED] FROM [REDACTED]
 FROM [REDACTED]

PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT WAS FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHEN HE RESIGNED FOR PERSONAL REASONS. LAST ADDRESS [REDACTED]

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Special Agent in Charge

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IN SIXTY THREE SHOWN AS [REDACTED]
LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA, AND IN [REDACTED] WAS FLYING OUT OF
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

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[REDACTED] STATES ABOVE INFORMATION ON REFERENCED CARD AND
[REDACTED] PERSONNEL FILE RETAINED ON MICROFILM AND STORED
AT EL SEGUNDO, CALIFORNIA. HE WILL CAUSE COPIES OF MICROFILM
RECORD TO BE MADE AND FURNISH TO LOS ANGELES FBI OFFICE AS
SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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~~ON SAME DATE,~~ [REDACTED] ALANO CLUB (ALCOHOLICS
ANONYMOUS), [REDACTED], MANHATTAN BEACH,
CALIFORNIA, ADVISED SHE HAS BEEN MEMBER OF CLUB FOR FIFTEEN
YEARS. RECALLS [REDACTED] WAS MEMBER OF CLUB FOR
ABOUT SIX MONTHS IN SIXTY SEVEN. SHE RECALLED [REDACTED] AS
VERY SICK MAN WHO ONCE HAD CONVULSION ON SIDEWALK ADJACENT
TO ALANO CLUB WHICH LASTED TEN MINUTES. AMBULANCE CAME AND
[REDACTED] TAKEN TO LOCAL HOSPITAL FOR TREATMENT. SHE RECALLS
[REDACTED] LEFT AREA ~~FOR A FEW DAYS~~, STATING HE WAS GOING TO SANTA
ROSA SEEKING JOB [REDACTED] HE RETURNED IN FEW DAYS AND SEEN
AT CLUB FOR SEVERAL WEEKS AFTER RETURN. WHEN SHE LAST SAW HIM,
HE STATED HE WAS GOING TO AUSTRALIA.
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SHE COULD NOT RECALL, OR NEVER KNEW, WHERE [REDACTED] RESIDED IN MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AREA. SHE RECALLS HE MET OLD FRIEND, [REDACTED] AT LOCAL THEATRE AT NIGHT AND STATED FRIEND'S NAME WAS [REDACTED] (LNU) AND HE LIVED IN PALOS VERDES.

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IT IS NOTED [REDACTED] PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED IN PALOS VERDES PENINSULA AND DETAILS SET FORTH IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.

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[REDACTED] NEVER KNEW [REDACTED] TO BE EMPLOYED IN THIS AREA, ADDING HIS CONDITION WAS SUCH IT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT FOR HIM TO OBTAIN ANY JOB AND CERTAINLY DID NOT APPEAR FIT TO

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SHE ADDED HE HAS NOT CONTACTED ALANO CLUB SINCE SIXTY SEVEN AND FEELS DEFINITELY WOULD DO SO AS HE WAS REGULAR AT CLUB WHILE IN AREA, ~~FOR ABOUT SIX MONTHS.~~

SHE DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS FOLLOWS:

[REDACTED] ~~IS~~ WHITE MALE, FIVE FEET EIGHT OR NINE INCHES TALL, WEIGHS ONE HUNDRED FIFTY, DARK BROWN HAIR, CREWCUT, DARK COMPLEXION, DARK EYES, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] OBSERVED ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF HIJACKER AND ADVISED SHE RECALLS [REDACTED] FACE MUCH SOFTER IN APPEARANCE.

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~~SHE STATED~~ SHE NOTED SOME SIMILARITY BETWEEN [REDACTED] AND ARTIST'S CONCEPTION BUT RECALLS [REDACTED] FACE WAS NOT AS "ROUND" AS SHOWN IN DRAWING.

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THIS DATE, [REDACTED] FLYING TIGER AIRLINES, LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED HE HAS ASCERTAINED THAT ABOUT SIX MONTHS OR A YEAR AGO, [REDACTED] WAS EMPLOYED SELLING REAL ESTATE FOR A FLYING TIGER AIRLINES [REDACTED] NAMED [REDACTED] WOODSIDE, CALIFORNIA, TELEPHONE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] WILL BE AT RESIDENCE UNTIL SEPTEMBER THIRTEEN NEXT, WHEN HE IS SCHEDULED FOR OVERSEAS FLIGHT.

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LOS ANGELES WILL FORWARD INFORMATION FROM RECORDS FLYING TIGER AIRLINES WHEN MADE AVAILABLE.

SAN FRANCISCO AT WOODSIDE, CALIFORNIA, INTERVIEW [REDACTED] [REDACTED] FLYING TIGER AIRLINES, AND ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] ON NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR AND NOVEMBER TWENTY FIVE LAST. CONDUCT LOGICAL INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF [REDACTED] SHOULD BE CONSIDERED LOGICAL SUSPECT THIS MATTER.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

OO: Seattle

DATE: 9/11/72

Re Butte airtel to Seattle dated 8/23/72.

On 9/1/72, [redacted]

[redacted] Granada Hills, California, was interviewed and advised that he had been given a copy of the book [redacted] of the Columbia Recording Company.

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[redacted] was interviewed at his medical office and was observed to be a white male, 5'7" to 5'8" in height, and heavy build. He does not appear to resemble the artist's conception of the hijacker in any way.

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He was extremely cooperative, stating to the best of his knowledge, the book had been furnished for review to Random House Publishing Company and to [redacted]

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[redacted] West Los Angeles, California.

He advised that Random House held the book for review only a few days and [redacted] had the book for about a week or two. He now has the book and no one else has had an opportunity to read it. [redacted] continued stating that he thinks the book is very interesting and well written, as do [redacted]

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He confidentially stated [redacted]

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[redacted] and requested this information be kept strictly confidential.

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He added that [redacted] is a long time friend and [redacted]. He is of the opinion she read the book, furnished her appraisal of it, and returned it to him. He does not believe she would have made the contents of the book available to anyone else.

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He was unaware of who might have read the book for Random House Publishing Company, but in view of the very short time they kept the book he knows it could not have been widely read or even thoroughly reviewed.

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Date: 9/13/72

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)
SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

Re Los Angeles teletype dated 9/11/72.

Enclosed for possible investigative assistance of the Seattle Division are two photographs of captioned suspect it being noted both were taken prior to 1963 and one of which is dated 8/21/61.

RE SUSPECT: [REDACTED]

This date [REDACTED] Flying Tigers Airlines, Los Angeles, California advised that a review of all records at El Segundo, California revealed two photographs of captioned suspect had been retained one of which was taken in August 1961 and the other was undated. He advised that any applications which [REDACTED] might have submitted apparently have been destroyed and the only data located, in addition to that information previously furnished, was a last known address of [REDACTED]

[] West Arcadia, California as of January 1964. He advised that it was further noted in the file that an inquiry had been received from Australia concerning [REDACTED] in 1968. He stated no other pertinent information could be located.

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Approved: [Signature]
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Date: 9/14/72

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)
SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

On 9/13/72, [redacted] advised that [redacted] Santa Fe, New Mexico, slightly resembles composite drawing of subject. He said the only thing resembling the subject is [redacted] long face.

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[redacted] was in previously [redacted] in approximately 1970, possibly to Idaho. It is not known if [redacted] has had any flying or jumping experience.

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[redacted] described as white male, 40-41 years of age, 5'11" to 6' tall, average build, dark straight hair with some grey.

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AT SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO: 1) Check [redacted] to identify [redacted] for background information.

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2) Furnish photographs to Seattle and display to witnesses to determine if [redacted] should be considered as logical suspect.

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TO: BOSTON
SEATTLE (164-81)
DENVER (164-98)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)(P)

NORJAK, OO: SEATTLE, SUSPECT DASH [REDACTED]

RE DENVER TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, SEPTEMBER EIGHT LAST AND LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO SAN FRANCISCO, SEPTEMBER TWELVE LAST.

RE DENVER TELETYPE STATED THAT A [REDACTED] HAD COMMENTED THAT HE HAD A STRONG SUSPICION RE IDENTITY D.B. COOPER. WHEN SHOWN COOPER COMPOSITE [REDACTED] STATED PICTURE IS EXACT LIKENESS OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED] HAD SEVEN TWENTY SEVEN AIRCRAFT TRAINING AND IS FORMER AIR FORCE PILOT WITH PARACHUTE TRAINING. HE BELIEVES [REDACTED] ENTIRELY CAPABLE OF HIJACKING. [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED] WAS IN SEATTLE ABOUT THE TIME OF HIJACKING AND STAYED IN THE HOME OF [REDACTED] ALSO A [REDACTED] [REDACTED] HEARD FROM [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] LEFT SEATTLE SUDDENLY ABOUT THE TIME OF HIJACK.

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[] DESCRIBED [] AS APPROXIMATELY FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE POUNDS, SLENDER BUILD, BLACK HAIR, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, ABOUT FORTY-EIGHT YEARS OLD. HE SAID [] IS ADVENTURESOME, WELL EDUCATED, AND EXTREMELY COOL. FROM DETAILS HE HAS HEARD OF HIJACKING, IS EVEN MORE CONVINCED [] COULD HAVE COMMITTED THIS CRIME.

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ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, DENVER, HAS REQUESTED THAT EVERY EFFORT BE MADE TO PROTECT IDENTITY OF [] AS SOURCE OF THIS INFORMATION.

ON SEPTEMBER ELEVEN LAST, [] [] BURLINGAME, CALIFORNIA, WHO HAS KNOWN [] FOR TWENTY YEARS, WAS INTERVIEWED. [] RECALLS [] WAS A FORMER AIR FORCE OFFICER, A COLLEGE GRADUATE, AND A TOP SKIER, [] STATED [] IS A PERSON WHO BECOMES VERY PROFICIENT IN ANYTHING HE UNDERTAKES. HE IS AT HOME IN THE WOODS, AND WOULD BE HAPPY WITH A DOG AND A GUN. HE IS A NOMAD TYPE, WHO WOULD TAKE OFF AT A MOMENTS NOTICE TO GO ANYWHERE. HE HAS PROSPECTED FOR URANIUM AND IS VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT MINERALOGY. [] HAS INVENTIVE IDEAS

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AND A FASCINATING PERSONALITY. [] DESCRIBED [] AS A
WHITE MALE AMERICAN, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, SLIM BUILD, BLACK
HAIR, DARK COMPLEXION, ABOUT FIFTY YEARS OF AGE. UPON VIEWING
COOPER COMPOSITE, HE WAS UNDECISIVE IF COMPOSITE RESEMBLED
[] HE DOUBTS [] WOULD BE INVOLVED IN SUCH AN INCIDENT,
AS HE IS VERY LAW ABIDING.

ON SEPTEMBER TWELVE LAST, []
[] REDWOOD CITY, CALIFORNIA, A FLYING
TIGER [] STATED []
WORKED FOR HIM IN NINETEEN SEVENTY AND NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE IN
THE LAKE TAHOE AREA OF CALIFORNIA. [] STOPPED WORKING FOR
HIM IN APRIL, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE. IN MAY, NINETEEN SEVENTY
ONE, [] RECEIVED A POSTCARD FROM []
GAVE HIS ADDRESS AS BEING IN OXFORD, MAINE. THEN IN APPROXIMATELY
JANUARY, LAST, HE RECEIVED A LETTER FROM [] IN WHICH
[] GAVE HIS ADDRESS AS [] NORWAY, MAINE,
TELEPHONE []
[] IN THIS LETTER [] STATED HE WAS []
ON WEEKENDS AT [] MAINE. []

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HAS BEEN SENDING A MONTHLY COMMISSION CHECK TO THAT ADDRESS, THE LAST CHECK BEING IN AUGUST, LAST. [] BELIEVES IT IS POSSIBLE THAT [] MIGHT HAVE COMMITTED THE HIJACKING, AS HE HAS THE PERSONALITY TO DO IT. [] IS A LIKEABLE, CHARMING PERSON, WHO IS VERY IMAGINATIVE AND INVENTIVE. HE HAS NEVER HEARD [] MENTION PARACHUTING, BUT HE WOULD BE QUICK TO TAKE SOMETHING LIKE THAT UP. [] STATED [] MIGHT COME UP WITH THE IDEA OF HIJACKING A SEVEN TWENTY SEVEN AND PARACHUTING OUT; HOWEVER, HE CANNOT IMAGINE HIM ACTUALLY DOING IT, AND CANNOT IMAGINE [] PULLING A GUN OR THREATENING ANYONE. HE STATED THE COOPER COMPOSITE FITS [] FAIRLY WELL.

HE SUGGESTED THAT []

[] SOUTH HAMILTON, MASSACHUSETTS, TELEPHONE NUMBER

[] IS

IN CONTACT WITH [] AND SAW HIM IN MASSACHUSETTS DURING THE WINTER OF NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE.

BOSTON, AT NORWAY, MAINE: INTERVIEW SUSPECT AND DETERMINE HIS WHEREABOUTS ON NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR AND TWENTY-FIVE, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE. CONDUCT LOGICAL INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF

[] SHOULD BE CONSIDERED LOGICAL SUSPECT IN THIS MATTER.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

DATE: September 23, 1972

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

On 9-23-72 at 12:30 PM [redacted] the Los Angeles Times; telephonically advised that his newspaper had just received a letter from a man identifying himself as [redacted] [redacted] D.B. COOPER. [redacted] advised the letter did not have a return address on it. [redacted] stated the letter disclosed the death of D.B. COOPER.

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At 1:45 PM same date [redacted] turned the aforementioned letter over to SA [redacted] ADVISED that the following individuals handled the letter: [redacted] [redacted] mail room personel and himself. [redacted] advised he was unable to provide any information regarding the identities of the mail room employees. [redacted] advised he could be contacted at the following phone [redacted]

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Via TELETYPE NITEL
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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) **MRF**
SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) **DCA**
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

NORJAK, (OO: SEATTLE)

ON SEPTEMBER TWENTY-THREE INSTANT, 
 LOS ANGELES TIMES, FURNISHED THIS OFFICE A LETTER
AND ENVELOPE RECEIVED BY THE TIMES ON SEPTEMBER TWENTY-THREE
INSTANT, FROM AN INDIVIDUAL CLAIMING TO BE  
D. B. COOPER.

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ENVELOPE CONTAINS STAMP AND PARTIALLY CANCELED, BUT NO
INDICATION AS TO LOCATION OR DATE WHEN MAILED. LETTER IS
HANDPRINTED IN INK IN VERY CLEAR TEXT AND IS AS FOLLOWS:

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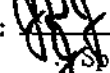
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DEAR SIRs:

[REDACTED] IS DEAD. "D. B. COOPER" PASSED AWAY ON SEPTEMBER TWELFTH. TOGETHER WE BOTH PLANNED THE MOST SUCCESSFUL SKYJACKING TO DATE.

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WHILE HE WAS ALIVE, [REDACTED] REFUSED TO LET ME TELL THE PUBLIC THAT HE WASN'T REALLY BAD. HE DIED WITH THE AMERICAN PEOPLE THINKING HE WAS JUST ANOTHER 'SKYJACKER TERRORIST'. BUT HE WASN'T.

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TO ME, AND THOSE OF YOU WHO KNEW HIM, HE WAS NOT "A RUTHLESS CRIMINAL". HE WAS A KIND AND GENTILE ^(sic) HUMAN BEING. HE LOVED LIFE AND EVERYTHING ABOUT IT. WHEN HE FOUND OUT THAT HE HAD BUT MONTHS TO LIVE, HE FACED THE NEWS VERY BRAVELY. TALKING DID NO GOOD. WHAT COULD I SAY? JUST TWO YEARS BEFORE, HE LOST HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER. I COULD SENSE A CHANGE COMING OVER HIM. HE WAS FACED WITH DEATH. BUT SOMETHING ELSE WAS ON HIS MIND. WHEN HE FIRST TOLD ME ABOUT THE JOB, I THOUGHT HE WAS JOKING. HE WASN'T. AFTER ALL, HE HAD NOTHING TO LOSE AND PLENTY TO GAIN.

HOWEVER, MONEY WASN'T THE OBJECT. [REDACTED] KNEW THAT HE COULD DEMAND ALMOST ANY AMOUNT AND HE'D PROBABLY GET IT. IN FACT, WE GAVE ALMOST ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS OF THE RANSOM MONEY AWAY TO CHARITIES AND FAMILIES IN NEED. HE PAID OFF ALL [REDACTED] HOSPITAL BILLS AND GAVE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HE TOLD [REDACTED] WE MADE IT BIG UP IN CANADA LAST YEAR, BUT I'M

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SURE [] GUESSED THE TRUTH. [] NEVER SAID NOTHING ONE WAY OR THE OTHER. "D. B. COOPER" DIED THINKING THAT [] BELIEVED HIM.

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EVERYTHING I'VE SAID HERE IS TRUE. I COULD'VE TOLD YOU THAT WE GAVE EVERY BIT OF THE MONEY TO CHARITY, BUT WE DIDN'T. LAST JANUARY WE FLEW TO EUROPE AND AROUND THE WORLD. [] WANTED TO SEE THE WORLD BEFORE HE DIED. THAT WAS THE LAST TRIP WE EVER TOOK TOGETHER.

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HIS LAST [] DAYS WERE SPENT COMPLETELY BEDRIDDEN. DISEASE KNAWING HIS INSIDES OUT AND PAIN SHOOTING THROUGH HIS BODY, HE NEVER ONCE LOST HIS COURAGE. THE ONLY DAY HE MISSED AN ENTRY IN HIS DIARY WAS THE DAY HE PASSED AWAY. I THINK YOU WILL BE INTERESTED IN HIS LAST WRITTEN WORDS.

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" . . . REALLY WEAK TODAY. . . . MOTHER CAME BY THIS MORNING. I LOVE HER. . . . LIFE ISN'T SO IMPORTANT THAT I SHOULD IGNORE DEATH, NOR VICE VERSA. ALL MY LIFE I HAVE DENIED DEATH THE ATTENTION HE NOW DEMANDS. BETTER THAT HE TAKE ME, THAN THE LIFE FROM ANYONE ELSE. . . ."

EVEN ON THE VERGE OF DEATH, [] WAS THINKING OF OTHERS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH,

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LETTER IS SIGNED LOS ANGELES WILL FURNISH
ORIGINAL AND COPIES OF LETTER AND ENVELOPE TO BUREAU AND SEATTLE
BY AIRTEL.

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FBI

Date: 9/25/72

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR (164-211)
Attn: FBI Laboratory

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

RE: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

Re Los Angeles teletype to Bureau 9/23/72.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory is one two-page letter beginning "Dear Sirs, [redacted] is dead ...", and signed [redacted]. Also enclosed is one envelope, addressed to Los Angeles Times, not postmarked, which enclosed the above letter, and 1 xerox copy of each of above.

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Enclosed for Seattle is one xerox copy of the above items.

The letter and envelope were made available on 9/23/72 by [redacted] Los Angeles Times [redacted]. The items were handled by unknown Los Angeles Times mail room personnel in addition to the following persons:

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Date of birth [redacted]

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Date of birth [redacted]

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Date of birth [redacted]
Social Security Account Number [redacted]

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The FBI Laboratory is requested to process the enclosed items for latent fingerprints. It is additionally requested the items be searched through the anonymous letter file and that handwriting comparisons be made with any letters previously submitted in this matter which were originally directed to newspapers.

It is requested the enclosed items be returned to the Los Angeles Division upon completion of Laboratory examinations.



LOS ANGELES TIMES
TIMES-MIRROR SQUARE
LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

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DB Cooper-24689

DEAD SIB,

[REDACTED] IS DEAD. "D.B. COOPER" PASSED AWAY ON
SEPT. 12th. TOGETHER WE BOTH PLANNED THE MOST SUCCESSFUL
SKYJACKING TO DATE.

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WITH THE AMERICAN PEOPLE THINKING HE WAS JUST ANOTHER
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THANK YOU VERY MUCH,

[REDACTED]

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Date: 9/22/72

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TO: SAC, BOSTON (164-153) &
 SAC, DENVER (164-98) (AM)
 SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (AM)
 SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (164-24) (AM)
 SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (AM)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

NORJAK. OFFICE OF ORIGIN, SEATTLE. RE SUBJECT

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED BY SEATTLE DIVISION AND ADVISED
 LAST SAW SUBJECT NINETEEN SIXTY SIX OR NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN,
 HE THEREFORE COULD NOT PROVIDE AN ALIBI OR ANY ADDITIONAL
 INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECT.

BOSTON, CONTINUE EFFORTS TO VERIFY SUBJECT'S
 CLAIM TO HAVE BEEN HELPING A FRIEND DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

1 - Denver (AM)
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 1 - Salt Lake City (AM)
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Special Agent in Charge

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

9-22-72

ACTING SAC, ST. LOUIS (164-63) P

NORJAK
OO: Seattle

Re Seattle letter to St. Louis, 9-5-72.

RE: [redacted] (phonetic)

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For the information of Los Angeles, [redacted] supplied as a possible suspect by [redacted] on June 13, 1972. At that time, [redacted] stated that [redacted] fit description of UNSUB and had previously been a [redacted] on the [redacted] but was now [redacted] for United Air Lines.

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Investigation by Seattle Division revealed [redacted] under all possible spelling combinations never employed with United Air Lines in any capacity. Further, [redacted] not employed at Boeing Aircraft Corporation, and credit, criminal, and DMV checks at Seattle concerning [redacted] all negative.

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On 9-18-72, [redacted] advised [redacted] was never employed by [redacted] but that he did know of him. [redacted] stated that [redacted] (possibly spelled [redacted]) took part in [redacted] [redacted] thought that [redacted] was attached to the [redacted] and that he was probably a member of the [redacted] If he is a member of [redacted] [redacted] magazine, Lancaster, California, telephone [redacted] would be [redacted]

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send 1cc to SC for lead at Edwards AFBase.

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able to locate him. In addition, [redacted] advised that personnel at NASA facility, Edwards Air Force Base, should also be able to locate [redacted]

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L E A D S

THE LOS ANGELES DIVISION

AT LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA

Will contact [redacted] through telephone [redacted] and determine if suspect previously employed as [redacted]. If so, obtain full background and descriptive information in order to eliminate him as suspect.

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AT EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE

Will contact appropriate officials of NASA and cover same lead as set forth above.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

9-22-72

ACTING SAC, ST. LOUIS (164-63) P

MEMORANDUM
TO: Seattle

Re Seattle letter to St. Louis, 9-6-72.

RE: [redacted] (phonetic)

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For the information of Los Angeles, [redacted] supplied as a possible suspect by [redacted] on June 18, 1972. At that time, [redacted] stated that [redacted] fit description of UNSUB and had previously been a [redacted] on the [redacted] but was now [redacted] for United Air Lines.

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9/25/72.

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, [redacted] (RUC)

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NORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

Re Los Angeles airtel to Seattle, 9/14/72.

Enclosed for Seattle is one photograph of [redacted]

On 9/19/72, [redacted]

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[redacted] Santa Fe, New Mexico, provided
a file for [redacted] The file contained the
following descriptive data:

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Date of Birth:	[redacted]
Place of Birth:	[redacted]
Height:	6'1 1/2"
Weight:	165 pounds
Eyes:	Brown
Hair:	Brown
Build:	Slender
Complexion:	Ruddy
Scars:	[redacted]

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[redacted]

FBI #:
SSAN:
U.S. Army Serial #:
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Mother:

Occupation:
Brother:

Ex-wife:

[redacted]

The file indicated that [redacted] was admitted to [redacted]

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[redacted] He

[redacted] and returned as [redacted] on

[redacted] The file contained a letter dated 10/21/71 from

[redacted] Idaho Falls, Idaho, which indicated that [redacted] was in custody at the Bonneville County Jail, Idaho Falls, Idaho. The letter did not indicate the date that [redacted] was first arrested and placed in the County Jail. The file contained no reference to any possible flying or parachute jumping ability

[redacted]

**REPORT
of the**



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

To: SAC, Los Angeles (164-497)

Date: October 4, 1972

FBI File No. 164-2111

Re: NORJAK

Lab. No. D-720928050 LL

Specimens received 9/28/72

Q49 Envelope bearing hand printed address "Los Angeles Times Times-Mirror Square Los Angeles, Calif."

Q50 Accompanying two-page hand printed letter, first page beginning "Dear Sirs, [redacted] is Dead. "D. B. Cooper"..."

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Q51 Second page beginning "Everything I've said here is..." and signed [redacted]

Result of examination:

It was not determined whether the questioned writing on Q49 through Q51 was prepared by any of the persons involved in the preparation of the questioned material previously received in this matter. A conclusion could not be reached in this regard because of a lack of comparable writing and distortion in portions of the questioned material previously received; however, nothing of particular significance was noted in the limited comparison which could be conducted.

Q49 through Q51 were not identified in the Anonymous Letter File. Copies of these specimens have been added to this file for future reference.

No watermarks, indented writing, or other features were found on Q49 through Q51 which would be of value in determining the source of these specimens.

The submitted evidence was photographed and will be returned separately.

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

To: SAC, Los Angeles (164-497)-2

Date: October 4, 1972

From: Director, FBI

Re: NORJAK

FBI File No. 164-2111

OO: Seattle

Lab. No. D-720928050 LL

Examination requested by: Los Angeles

Reference: Airtel 9/25/72

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

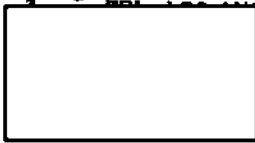
The submitted evidence will be returned with the fingerprint report.

Enclosures (2)¹ (2 Lab report)
2 - Seattle Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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Washington, D. C. 20537



REPORT

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 164-497
FBI FILE NO. 164-2111
LATENT CASE NO. A-45410

October 6, 1972

TO: SAC, Los Angeles

RE: NORJAK

REFERENCE: Airtel 9-25-72
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Los Angeles
SPECIMENS: Envelope, Q49
Two-page letter, Q50 and Q51

Enclosed Q specimens further described separate Laboratory report.

One latent fingerprint of value developed Q50 and one latent fingerprint of value developed Q51. No latent prints of value developed Q49.

On basis of information furnished, no fingerprints located Identification Division files for [redacted]

Enc. (3)
2 - Seattle (164-81)

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*W. H. ...
11/50*

L. Patrick Gray III
L. Patrick Gray, III, Acting Director

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SAC, Los Angeles

October 6, 1972

Latent prints Q50 and Q51 compared previously reported latent prints this case, but no identification was effected.

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THIS IS LA GANROCG SE PLAIN
1158 PM NITEL 10-10-72 DCB
TO LOS ANGELES (164-497)
FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (P) 2P

NORJAK, OO: SEATTLE.

RE [REDACTED]

BUREAU ADVISED TELEPHONICALLY A LETTER RECEIVED INSTANT DATE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

[REDACTED]

CALIFORNIA, SHOULD BE CONSIDERED A SUSPECT IN THIS MATTER.

[REDACTED] HUNTING IN OREGON AREA NOVEMBER, SEVENTYONE. [REDACTED]

ALSO POSSIBLY INVOLVED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

FOR INFORMATION OF LOS ANGELES, THE FACTS CONTAINED IN THE LETTER NOT CONSIDERED ACCURATE NOR PERTINENT BY SEATTLE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE NAME [REDACTED] IT IS NOTED [REDACTED] IS THE NAME UNSUB USED DURING THE HIJACKING. THE NAME [REDACTED] IS TO BE TREATED AS CONFIDENTIAL, AND UNSUB SHOULD BE REFERRED TO WHEN NECESSARY AS D. B. COOPER.

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LOS ANGELES DIVISION AT [REDACTED] WILL CONDUCT CREDIT
AND CRIMINAL CHECKS RE [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND WILL OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED] IF AVAILABLE.
FURTHER, ATTEMPT TO DISCRETELY ASCERTAIN [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS
ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.
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DB Cooper-24704

SAC, SACRAMENTO

10/12/72

SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

NORJAK

OO: Seattle

Re St. Louis letter to Seattle dated 9/22/72.

RE: (phonetic)

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Attached for the information of Sacramento is one copy of referenced letter.

Sacramento conduct investigation at Edwards Air Force Base as requested.

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1159 PM NITEL 10/16/72 FEE

TO ACTING DIRECTOR (164-2111)

LOS ANGELES (164-497)

FROM [redacted] 2P

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AKA, ITSP - FBW.

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TITLE PREVIOUSLY INCLUDED, "UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER,
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND, OREGON,
TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-ONE."
TITLE CHANGED TO DELETE THE UNKNOWN SUBJECT MATTER.

FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, SUBJECT [redacted] HAD BEEN
INSTRUCTED TO APPEAR IN USDC, SEATTLE, OCTOBER SIX, SEVENTY-TWO,
TO ADVISE THE COURT OF THE IDENTITY OF THE NEW COUNSEL. HE FAILED
TO APPEAR AND WAS ARRESTED OCTOBER SIX, SEVENTY-TWO, ON A BENCH
WARRANT BUT WAS RELEASED OCTOBER TEN, SEVENTY-TWO, TO APPEAR
OCTOBER EIGHTEEN NEXT, BEFORE USDC.

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AUSA [redacted] RECEIVED TELEPHONIC INQUIRY OCTOBER
SIXTEEN INSTANT, FROM LOS ANGELES "TIMES" FOR COMMENT FROM THE
GOVERNMENT CONCERNING AN ARTICLE TO APPEAR OCTOBER EIGHTEEN
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BY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT THE CALLER INDICATED THAT.

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[REDACTED] MAINTAINS THAT HE BELIEVES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND THE CALLER ASKED [REDACTED] IF THE FBI

WAS SURE [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES

REQUESTED TO OBTAIN COPIES OF THE [REDACTED] TO BE [REDACTED]

*Handled
over*

[REDACTED] NEXT AND FORWARD THREE COPIES TO SEATTLE AND TWO TO THE BUREAU.

TRIAL OF [REDACTED] STILL SCHEDULED FOR SEATTLE

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END

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1159 PM NITEL 10/16/72 FEE
TO ACTING DIRECTOR (164-2111)
LOS ANGELES (164-497)

FROM [REDACTED] 2P

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CHANGED, [REDACTED]

AKA, ITSP - FBI.

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NEXT IN THE [REDACTED] CONCERNING THE [REDACTED]

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BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT THE CALLER INDICATED THAT

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[REDACTED] MAINTAINS THAT HE BELIEVES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND THE CALLER ASKED [REDACTED] IF THE FBI

WAS SURE [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES

REQUESTED TO OBTAIN COPIES OF THE [REDACTED] TO BE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NEXT AND FORWARD THREE COPIES TO SEATTLE AND TWO TO THE

BUREAU.

TRIAL OF [REDACTED] STILL SCHEDULED FOR SEATTLE

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10/18/72

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

RE:

[Redacted]

ITSP; FBW

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Re Seattle teletype dated 10/16/72.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of [Redacted] containing article entitled [Redacted] Enclosed for Seattle are three copies of the same magazine per request in referenced teletype.

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- 2 - Bureau (Encls. 2) (AM)
- 2 - [Redacted] (Encls. 3) [Redacted] (AM)
- 2 - Los Angeles

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

DATE: 10/18/72

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

Re St. Louis letter to Seattle, 9/22/72.

RE: [redacted] (phonetic)

*Set out lead to Houston 10/20/72
CCH*

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AT LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA

On 10/16/72, [redacted] Lancaster, phone [redacted] stated according to their records, they do not have a member of the [redacted] by the name of [redacted]. She said they have about 1400 members throughout the United States. The only two individuals that would be similar to [redacted] would be [redacted].

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[redacted] said [redacted] was formerly assigned as [redacted] at Edwards Air Force Base, California, near Lancaster, and is presently assigned at [redacted] Houston, Texas [redacted]. She said the only descriptive information in their files is [redacted] date of birth, which is [redacted]. She is personally acquainted with [redacted] however, and described him as a white, male, 6', 165-170 pounds, light brown hair, blue eyes, thin build.

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[redacted] resigned from the [redacted]. His date of birth was listed as [redacted] and he was formerly employed as [redacted] Dallas, Texas. His last known address was [redacted] Irving, Texas. No further description is available on [redacted].

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AT LOS ANGELES

Set out lead for Houston to obtain descriptive data on [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

DATE: 10/19/72

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

Today, at 1:45 PM, [redacted] Channel 7 News Department, telephone [redacted] Extension [redacted] telephonically contacted this Office and requested any information FBI might be able to provide concerning an article which has appeared in this week's edition of [redacted]. The article in [redacted]

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AWL Times

A review of 164-497, Volume 8, Serial 484, revealed a newspaper article entitled, [redacted]

This article sets forth the information that [redacted]

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[redacted] was referred to this article in the "Los Angeles Times" and advised that the FBI could not comment concerning this matter. She was very appreciative and stated that she would obtain the information she needed from the "Los Angeles Times".

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At 4:10 pm [redacted] KRLA Radio, [redacted] was provided with the same info.

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

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SA [redacted]

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Re "LA Times"

A review of 164-497, Volume 8, Serial 484, revealed a newspaper article entitled, [redacted]

This article sets forth the information that [redacted]
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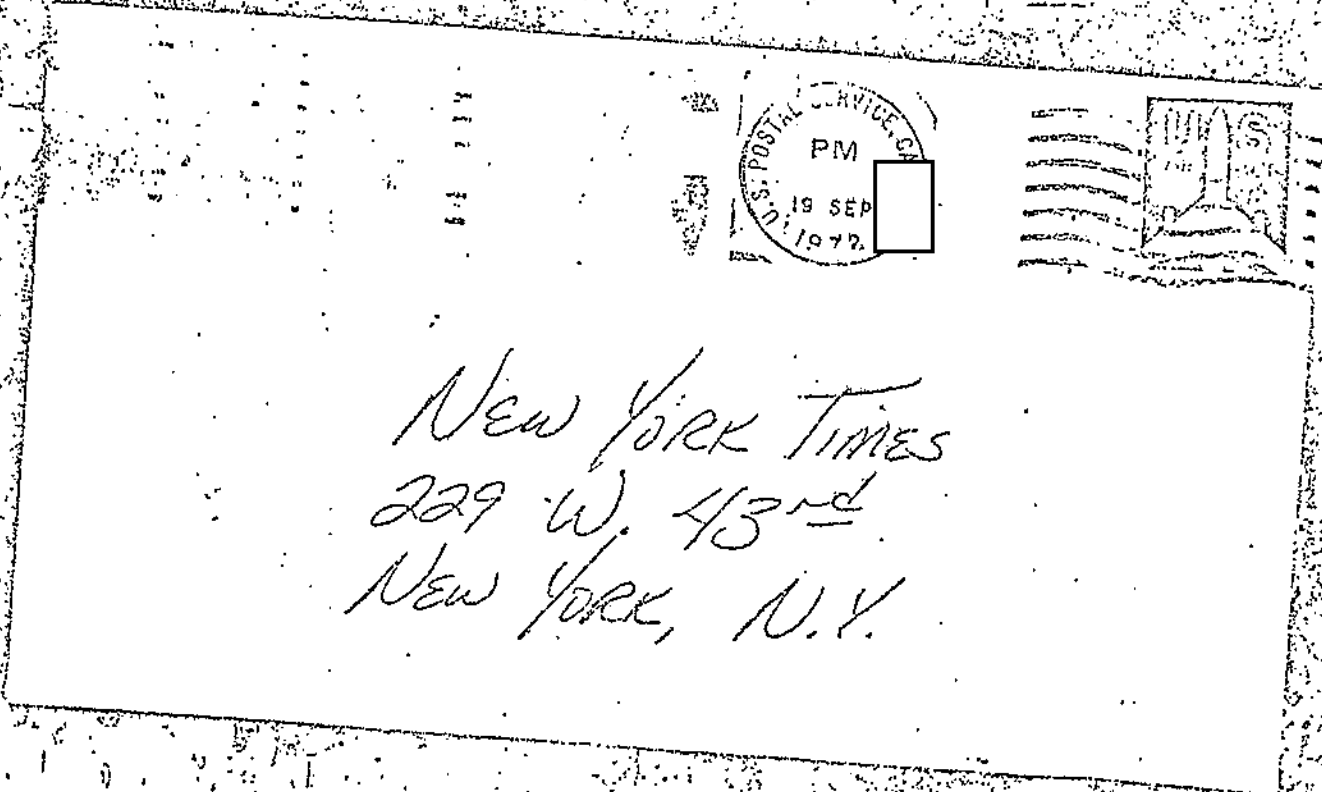
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EVERYTHING I'VE SAID HERE IS TRUE. I COULD'VE TOLD YOU THAT WE GAVE EVERY BIT OF THE MONEY TO CHARITY, BUT WE DIDN'T. LAST JANUARY WE FLEW TO EUROPE AND AROUND THE WORLD. [REDACTED] WANTED TO SEE THE WORLD BEFORE HE DIED. THAT WAS THE LAST TRIP WE EVER TOOK TOGETHER.

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HIS LAST [REDACTED] DAYS WERE SPENT COMPLETELY BEDRIDDEN. DISEASE KNOWING HIS INSIDES OUT AND PAIN SHOOTING THROUGH HIS BODY, HE NEVER ONCE LOST HIS COURAGE. THE ONLY DAY HE MISSED AN ENTRY IN HIS DIARY WAS THE DAY HE PASSED AWAY. I THINK YOU WILL BE INTERESTED IN HIS LAST WRITTEN WORDS.

... REALLY WORK TODAY... MOTHER CAME BY THIS MORNING. I LOVE HER... LIFE IS SO IMPORTANT THAT I SHOULD IGNORE DEATH, NOT VICE VERSA. ALL MY LIFE I HAVE DENIED DEATH THE ATTENTION HE NOW DEMANDS. BETTER THAT HE TAKE ME, THAN THE LIFE FROM ANYONE ELSE...."

EVEN ON THE VERGE OF DEATH, [REDACTED] WAS THINKING OF OTHERS.

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH,

[REDACTED]

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DEAR JES,

[REDACTED] IS DEAD. "D.B. COOPER" PASSED AWAY ON
SEPT. 12th. TOGETHER WE BOTH PLANNED THE MOST SUCCESSFUL
SKYJACKING TO DATE.

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WHILE HE WAS ALIVE, [REDACTED] REFUSED TO
LET ME TELL THE PUBLIC THAT HE WASN'T REALLY BAD. HE
DIED WITH THE AMERICAN PEOPLE THINKING HE WAS JUST
ANOTHER 'SKYJACKING TERRORIST.' BUT HE WASN'T.

TO ME; AND THOSE OF YOU WHO KNEW HIM, HE WAS
NOT "A RUTHLESS CRIMINAL". HE WAS A KIND AND GENTLE
HUMAN BEING. HE LOVED LIFE AND EVERYTHING ABOUT IT.
WHEN HE FOUND OUT THAT HE HAD BUT MONTHS TO LIVE,
HE FACED THE NEWS VERY BRAVELY. TALKING DID NO GOOD.
WHAT COULD I SAY? JUST TWO YEARS BEFORE, HE LOST
HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER. I COULD SEE A CHANGE
COMING OVER HIM. HE WAS FACED WITH DEATH, BUT SOME-
THING ELSE WAS ON HIS MIND. WHEN HE FIRST TOLD ME
ABOUT THE JOB, I THOUGHT HE WAS JOKING. HE WASN'T.
AFTER ALL, HE HAD NOTHING TO LOSE AND PLENTY TO GAIN.

HOWEVER, MONEY WASN'T THE OBJECT. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] KNEW THAT HE COULD DEMAND ALMOST ANY AMOUNT
AND HE'D PROBABLY GET IT. IN FACT, WE GAVE ALMOST
\$168,000 OF THE RANSOM MONEY AWAY TO CHARITIES AND
FAMILIES IN NEED. HE PAID OFF ALL OF [REDACTED] HOSPITAL
BILLS AND GAVE [REDACTED] HE TOLD [REDACTED]
WE MADE IT BIG UP IN CANADA LAST YEAR, BUT I'M
SURE [REDACTED] GUESSED THE TRUTH. [REDACTED] NEVER SAID NOTHING
ONE WAY OR THE OTHER. "D.B. COOPER" DIED THINKING
THAT [REDACTED] BELIEVED HIM.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 10/18/72

[redacted] New York Times b6
229 West 43rd Street, New York, New York, advised that the hand- b7C
written letter [redacted] was received over the weekend
of September 23, 1972. He stated that the letter was passed from
Department to Department for about two weeks and was handled by a
number of clerks and editors before he received it approximately
ten days ago. He declined to estimate the number of people who
handled the letter adding that it would be impossible to determine
the number or identities of those people.

[redacted] continued that [redacted] no present plans for publica- b6
tion of the letter. He advised that a photocopy of the letter was b7C
forwarded [redacted] in the San Diego, California,
area. He named [redacted]
[redacted] California, telephone [redacted] explained
that [redacted] determined from the letter's postmark that the letter
had been mailed within a one hundred mile radius of San Diego but
outside San Diego's city limits. He said [redacted] had requested the
local Bureau of Vital Statistics to furnish a list of all deaths
on [redacted] but [redacted] discovered such records are not filed by
date. He related that to his knowledge no one else has made any
attempt to determine the letter's accuracy or authenticity.

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by SA RONALD D. HOEGES:mmz Date dictated 10/13/72

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 10/18/72

[redacted] New York Times, 229 West 43rd Street, New York, New York. made available a two page handprinted letter signed by [redacted] along with an envelope addressed to "New York Times, 229 W. 43rd, New York, N.Y.", postmarked September 19, 1972, United States Postal Service, Ca. 920.

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[redacted] advised that he learned of the letter's existence when [redacted] gave him a photocopy of it. [redacted] informed [redacted] that the original letter was received over the weekend of September 23, 1972 and was passed from department to department and from clerk to clerk until he received the letter approximately ten days ago.

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by SA RONALD D. HODGES:mmz Date dictated 10/18/72

FBI

Date: 10/18/72

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
(Attn: FBI Laboratory and ID/LFS)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (164-627) (RUC)
SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: SE

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are two pages of a handprinted letter and envelope sent to the NY Times, post-marked 9/19/72.

Enclosed for Seattle and auxiliary offices are two Xerox copies each of letter and envelope for information purposes.

Also enclosed for the Bureau and auxiliary offices are two copies each of FD 302s reflecting interviews of [redacted] employees of the NY Times.

The anonymous letter received at the NY Times is signed [redacted] who alleges [redacted] D. B. COOPER. Letter indicated that the subject is now deceased.

Copies of this communication are being furnished to Los Angeles as the NY Times may possibly have alerted their Los Angeles office concerning this anonymous letter.

- 4 - Bureau (Encs. 7)
 - (1 - FBI Laboratory)
 - (1 - ID/LFS)
- ② - Los Angeles (Encs. 7) (INFO)
- 2 - San Diego (Encs. 7)
- 2 - Seattle (Encs. 7)
- 1 - New York

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Special Agent in Charge

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REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

ID/LFS

The ID/LFS is requested to examine letter for any latent prints.

FBI LABORATORY

FBI Laboratory is requested to compare enclosed anonymous letter with any previous letters submitted in this matter, noting letter postmarked at El Cajon, California.

LEADS

SAN DIEGO

At El Cajon, California Will attempt to identify

[redacted]
[redacted] in general area of El Cajon, noting anonymous letter postmarked CA 920 which is ZIP code for El Cajon, California, a suburb of San Diego.

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At [redacted] California Will contact [redacted]

[redacted] to ascertain results of any inquiries he may have conducted in effort to identify letter writer or subject "D.B. COOPER."

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At San Diego, California Will contact appropriate county officials in effort to verify possible recent death of a "D.B. COOPER" noting letter [redacted]
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, HOUSTON

DATE: 10/20/72

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

Re St. Louis letter to Seattle, dated 9/22/72.

RE: [redacted] (phonetic)

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For the information of Houston, [redacted] was supplied as possible suspect by [redacted] on 6/13/72. He stated [redacted] fit description of unknown subject and had previously been [redacted] but was now a pilot for United Airlines.

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Investigation by Seattle revealed [redacted] under all possible spelling combinations, was never employed with United Airlines in any capacity. Further [redacted] was not employed at Boeing Aircraft Corporation; and credit criminal and Department of Motor Vehicle checks at Seattle were negative.

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It was further determined that [redacted] was never employed by [redacted] but [redacted]

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[redacted] stated he did know of [redacted] possibly spelled [redacted] who had taken part in [redacted] at Edwards Air Force Base [redacted]

The project was a joint effort [redacted]

[redacted] believed [redacted] was attached to the [redacted] either as a civilian or on active duty on the project, and was probably a member of the [redacted]

He advised [redacted] Lancaster, California, would be able to locate him. In addition, [redacted] stated personnel at [redacted]

Edwards [redacted]

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- 2 - Seattle (164-81) (AM)
- 2 - Los Angeles

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Air Force Base might be able to locate [redacted] on 10/16/72, [redacted] Lancaster, stated their records failed to reveal [redacted] by the name of [redacted]. She said they have about 1400 members in the United States, and the only two individuals with names similar to [redacted] would be [redacted].

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She advised [redacted] was formerly assigned as a [redacted] at Edwards Air Force Base, California, and is presently assigned at [redacted] Houston, Texas, [redacted].

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The only available descriptive information regarding [redacted] was his date of birth shown as [redacted]. [redacted] advised she, however, was personally acquainted with [redacted] and described him as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	6' 0"
Weight	165 - 170 pounds
Hair	Light Brown
Eyes	Blue
Miscellaneous	Thin beard

She stated that [redacted] resigned from the [redacted] and his date of birth was listed as [redacted]. He was formerly employed as a [redacted] Dallas, Texas. His last known address was [redacted] Irving, Texas.

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Conduct appropriate investigation in effort to establish whereabouts of [redacted] on 11/24/71. If this is not favorable, than HOUSTON should obtain available descriptive data and photograph, and furnish to Seattle for possible display to witnesses.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

FBI

Date: 10/25/72

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

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

Re Seattle teletype to Los Angeles dated 10/10/72.

RE: [Redacted]

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Enclosed for Seattle is one copy each of a photograph of [Redacted]

For the information of Seattle, [Redacted] California, [Redacted] located on the California Coast line, about [Redacted] San Luis Obispo, California. Law enforcement service at [Redacted] is provided by the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Office (SLOSO).

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On 10/17/72, records were reviewed at SLOSO by SA [Redacted] and they reflect that [Redacted] has an [Redacted] for [Redacted]

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He is described as a white, male, born [Redacted] 5'10", 173, dark brown hair and brown eyes. His FBI number is [Redacted] His [Redacted]

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[redacted] in the San Luis Obispo County area and was alleged to have been formerly a paratrooper in the United States Army. His photograph is enclosed for information purposes.

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Discreet inquiry at SLOSO reflected [redacted] [redacted] is a long-time resident of the San Luis Obispo County area. [redacted] with the SLOSO in view of his past record [redacted] No information was obtained regarding the ability of [redacted] in the use of parachutes or the brand of cigarettes that he smokes. In addition, no information was obtained as to his whereabouts during pertinent period in this matter.

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Discreet check to determine his whereabouts during the pertinent period in this matter will not be possible since [redacted] and due to the length of time since the occurrence of instant matter.

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Records of the Credit Bureau of San Luis Obispo reflect [redacted] [redacted] location and court not known. Records contain no other pertinent financial information.

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Los Angeles indices contain no record identifiable with [redacted]

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Seattle may wish to display enclosed photographs to witnesses, prior to any contact of [redacted] or close associates.

Los Angeles will not contact [redacted] to determine his whereabouts during pertinent period unless specifically advised to do so by Seattle.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)
 RE: [REDACTED]
 ITSP; FBW

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Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau dated 10/18/72,
 enclosing [REDACTED] containing

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[REDACTED]

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] containing

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[REDACTED]
 Enclosed for Seattle are three copies of the above
 [REDACTED]

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LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will follow and
 report and will submit two copies to the Bureau and three
 copies to Seattle of the [REDACTED] containing

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- 2 - Bureau (Encls. 2) (AM)
- 2 - [REDACTED] (Encls. 3) [REDACTED] (AM)
- 2 - Los Angeles

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PLAIN

643 PM NITEL 10-30-72 LJM

TO LOS ANGELES (164-497)

FROM [REDACTED] 1P

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[REDACTED] ITSP; FBI.

REURTEL OCTOBER EIGHTEEN, SEVENTY-TWO.

THE [REDACTED] IN THE QUOTE [REDACTED] ENQUOTE, DATED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ENTITLED QUOTE [REDACTED]

ENQUOTE, INDICATES THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

SINCE THE QUOTE [REDACTED] ENQUOTE IS [REDACTED]

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LOS ANGELES IS REQUESTED TO OBTAIN COPIES OF THE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

AND FORWARD THREE TO SEATTLE AND TWO TO THE BUREAU.

END.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

RE:

[Redacted]

ITSP; FBW

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Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau dated 10/31/72.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of [Redacted] containing the [Redacted]

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Enclosed for Seattle are three copies of the above [Redacted]

- 2 - Bureau (Encls. 2) (AM)
- 2 - [Redacted] (Encls. 3) [Redacted] (AM)
- 2 - Los Angeles

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FBI

Date: 11/1/72



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Via TELETYPE NITEL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, PHOENIX *JAL*
SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) *DCA*
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

[Redacted] WESTERN AIRLINES (WAL),
LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ADVISES THAT DURING PM
OF OCTOBER THIRTY LAST, WHILE ON DUTY, SHE RECEIVED TELEPHONE
CALL OVER WAL TRUNK LINE FROM PHOENIX FROM ONE [Redacted]
[Redacted] (PHONETIC).

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[Redacted] STATED SHE WAS [Redacted]
RESIDES IN PHOENIX AND FURNISHED TELEPHONE NUMBER OF [Redacted]
[Redacted]

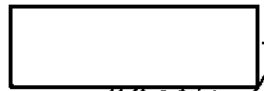
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[Redacted] STATED HAS BEEN DATING ONE [Redacted]
WHO RESIDES IN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. SHE ADDED [Redacted]
VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE AND IN POSSESSION OF CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT
OF INFORMATION REGARDING NOVEMBER NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE HIJACK-
ING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES PLANE.

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Approved: *[Signature]*
Special Agent in Charge

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[REDACTED] ADVISED SHE WAS OF OPINION [REDACTED] KNEW MORE ABOUT THE CRIME THEN ORDINARY PERSON WOULD. [REDACTED] NOT FURTHER DESCRIBED IN CONVERSATION.

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[REDACTED] DID EXPRESS AN INTEREST IN REWARD, PERHAPS IN JOKING MANNER.

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[REDACTED] STATES SHE FIRST BELIEVED WAS DEALING WITH SOMEONE UPSET OVER BROKEN LOVE AFFAIR; HOWEVER, [REDACTED] SOUNDED VERY RATIONAL AND OF OPINION SHE WAS SINCERE IN FURNISHING ABOVE INFORMATION.

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PHOENIX, THROUGH TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ATTEMPT IDENTIFY AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED] AND OBTAIN ALL DETAILS AND IDENTIFYING DATA REGARDING [REDACTED] SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEADS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. PENDING.

REPORT
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, New York (164-627)

Date: October 30, 1972

FBI File No. 164-2111

Re: NORJAK

Lab. No. D-721024016 LL

Specimens received 10/20/72

- Q52 Envelope postmarked "U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, [redacted] PM 19 SEP 1972," bearing hand printed address "New York Times 229 W. 43rd New York, N.Y." b6 b7C
- Q53 First page of two-page hand printed letter beginning [redacted] D.B.COOPER [redacted] .." and ending [redacted] b6 b7C
- Q54 Second page of two-page hand printed letter beginning "EVERYTHING I'VE SAID HERE IS TRUE..." and signed [redacted]

Result of examination:

It was concluded that Q52 through Q54 were prepared by the writer of Q49 through Q51, submitted by Los Angeles with a communication dated 9/25/72.

It could not be determined whether the writer of Q49 through Q54 was involved in the preparation of the other specimens received in this case, because of a lack of comparable writing and distortion in portions of the material received in this matter.

No watermarks, indented writing, or other features were found on Q52 through Q54 which would be of value in determining the source of these specimens.

The submitted evidence was photographed and will be returned separately.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, New York (164-627);

Date: October 30, 1972

From: Director, FBI

Re: NORJAK

FBI File No. 164-2111

OO: Seattle

Lab. No. D-721024016 LL

Examination requested by: New York

Reference: Airtel 10/18/72

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

The submitted evidence will be returned with the fingerprint report.

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- 2 - Seattle Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
- ① - Los Angeles (164-497) Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 - San Diego Enclosure (Lab report)

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-31)

11/2/72

SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (P)

NORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

Re: Possible [redacted]

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Efforts to locate [redacted] in the San Francisco Division have been unproductive.

[redacted] United States Postmaster's Office, San Francisco, advised that [redacted] moved from [redacted] on 1/6/71, and left no forwarding address.

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[redacted] Pacific Gas and Electric (P.G. & E.), San Francisco, advised that he could locate no record of a forwarding address for [redacted] in the records of Pacific Gas and Electric.

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A neighborhood investigation in the vicinity of [redacted] failed to locate anyone familiar

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Since the description of [redacted] as given by [redacted] is substantially different from that of the Subject, no further investigation to locate [redacted] is being conducted at San Francisco unless advised to the contrary by the OO.

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 - 2 - San Francisco
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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (164-100) (P)

NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Re [redacted]

Re Airtel to Phoenix, 11/1/72.

On 11/3/72, [redacted]

[redacted] telephone [redacted] Phoenix, Arizona, advised she had in fact, recently telephonically contacted a Western Airlines Reservations Agent regarding captioned matter. [redacted] advised it was her belief, referenced suspect should be considered as a possible suspect in this matter, in view of the fact he had a "hang up" about money during her relationship with him.

She advised she has not seen [redacted] since 1943, but believes he could be similar in appearance to the artists conception of the unknown subject. She further advised [redacted] had been born [redacted] and had subsequently moved to the Seattle area. When she last had contact with [redacted] he was [redacted] in the U. S. Army.

It should be noted that during the conversation with [redacted] she stated [redacted]

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- 1 - Los Angeles (Info) (164-497)
- 2 - Phoenix

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In view of the above, no further investigation is contemplated by the Phoenix Division re suspect [redacted] unless advised to the contrary by the Office of Origin.

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SOME 'D. B. COOPER' GOT \$30,000**Weekly's Hijacking Story
Turns Into Tall Tale--Later****BY ALEXANDER AUERBACH**

Times Staff Writer

"What happens to people is news, what happens to reporters isn't," a cigar-chewing Boston city editor used to shout at reporters who turned in first-person accounts of events they had witnessed.

But what happens if the reporter is (A) the sleuth who solved one of the most publicized crimes in recent history, or (B) the victim of the cleverest hoax since Clifford Irving's bogus autobiography of Howard Hughes, or (C) both?

LA, a new weekly newspaper serving the Los Angeles area, just concluded a three-installment series recounting the "solution" of the successful \$200,000 hijacking of a Northwest Orient Airlines jet last Nov. 24.

Only at the end of the series did LA tell its readers that the whole account was an apparent hoax that cost the paper's backers \$30,000.

Karl Fleming, LA's editor, says he chose to tell the story in a way that some readers found misleading in order to let them vicariously undergo the same experience he did. Without realizing it, they were reading a story about Fleming, not simply by him.

The first installment told of D. B. Cooper ("an ordinary, God-fearing, patriotic, country club-oriented, upward-climbing WASP engineer") leaving his suburban Seattle home with a briefcase stuffed with two wigs, an altimeter and compass, a makeup kit, gloves and three red flares wired to look like a dynamite bomb.

Fleming, a respected veteran ~~wsmaj~~ (formerly bureau chief

and contributing editor with Newsweek for 11 years) went on to describe every detail of Cooper's hijacking, in an article that ran some 4,000 words and took five pages of the tabloid, not counting a cover photo and a last-page teaser for the next installment.

One illustration showed Xerox copies of three \$20 bills given to Fleming as proof of Cooper's identity; their serial numbers matched those on the FBI's list of bills that made up the ransom paid by the airline.

The second piece described how Fleming got the story. While still on Newsweek's staff, he put a classified

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

Part III pg 10
Los Angeles Times
Los Angeles, Calif.

Date: 11/8/72
Edition: Wednesday Final
Author: Alexander Auerbach
Editor: William F. Thomas
Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: Los Angeles

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ad in newspapers around
Oregon and Washington,
asking Cooper to contact
him.

Later, while Fleming and
millionaire Max Palevsky
were organizing LA, an in-
termediary offered to put
the news man in contact
with Cooper—for \$30,000.
Palevsky put up the money
and Fleming flew up to
meet Cooper, dragging
along two tape recorders, a
motion picture camera,
two cameramen and \$30,-
000 in cash.

The headline on the
third and final installment
read: "Is D. B. Cooper the
real D. B. Cooper?" There
is considerable reason for
doubt, since the men who
police say talked to Flem-
ing — and who allegedly
took his \$30,000 — have
been arrested by the FBI
on charges of defrauding
Fleming of his money.

Arrested Before Story

The arrest took place on
May 2, long before Flem-
ing wrote his story for LA.

Why did Fleming pub-
lish the story in a manner
that led some readers, un-
aware of the fraud arrest,
to believe that the early
installments were the real
thing?

Fleming doesn't feel that
the initial installment was
deceptive, noting that
"there were disclaimers in
it," referring to two lines
near the end: "The fore-
going narrative was relat-
ed to me by the man I be-
lieved to be Cooper . . ."
and, "Doubts about wheth-
er I had the right man
would arise later. . ."

"I wanted the reader to
experience it just exactly

as I did," Fleming says.
"It's an adventure story,
as much about me as
about D. B. Cooper, and I
wanted to put the reader
in my shoes. If the reader
was reasonably alert, he
would have seen in the
press that these guys had
been hustled by the FBI."

If the man Fleming in-
terviewed was not D. B.
Cooper — and Fleming
isn't totally sure he was
not the hijacker—then he
was a masterful con man,
to hear Fleming tell it.

Paid at First Meeting

"I gave him the whole
\$30,000 at our first meet-
ing, after I was convinced
that this was D. B. Coop-
er," Fleming says. "At that
point a con man would
have taken the money and
run like hell, but this guy,
Cooper, came back and
submitted himself to eight
hours of taped interviews,
30 minutes of filmed inter-
views and still photo-
graphs. His intermediary
signed a contract (saying
the \$30,000 would be used
for Cooper's legal defense)
with his real name and left
his fingerprints all over
the contract."

The story was to have
been in the opening issue
of LA. To avoid charges of
aiding a fugitive from jus-
tice, Fleming turned his
material over to the FBI
10 days before publication
(he had told Cooper not to
tell him anything he
didn't want the police to
know.) Included were Xe-
rox copies of the \$20 bills
Fleming had been shown
as proof of Cooper's identi-
ty. The serial numbers
matched those on the list
of ransom bills but FBI
documents experts said
that the photocopies indi-
cated that the bills were
counterfeit.

With all the information
Fleming's subjects had
supplied, the FBI had no

trouble founding them up.

With their trial scheduled to begin Nov. 27, Fleming says he still finds it "difficult to accept" the possibility that he was duped. "I asked that guy questions no con man could have prepared for," he says. "I went over him like a vacuum cleaner."

Fleming notes that "Cooper" went into detail on matters of air navigation and parachute procedure—unaware that Fleming is a licensed private pilot with some 700 hours in the air.

Because of the magnitude of the story and because of its intended role as the kickoff piece for his new newspaper, Fleming says, he was extremely careful in his questioning. "At the risk of sounding immodest," he adds, "I wouldn't want to do anything to damage my own very good reputation as a reporter."

He has an ingenious, mirror-within-a-mirror theory of his own.

"I'm not saying that the FBI was wrong, and I would never suggest that they would deliberately distort the facts—though if I, one lonely reporter, could get the story when 8,000 FBI agents couldn't, then that's not the kind of publicity that J. Edgar Hoover, then alive, would want for the FBI."

Noting that "Cooper" was aware the information would be published and get to the police, Fleming says, "It is very, very difficult for me to accept the fact that a mind brilliant enough to concoct a story

as sophisticated as this one this guy told me, would be stupid enough to turn around and expose himself to capture this way.

"I don't exclude the possibility that he was both smart enough to pull off the hijacking, sell me the story and spread enough false clues in the story so it would not look right and the FBI would say he isn't the hijacker. So, if he does do any time, it's for fraud, not for hijacking. And when he comes out, the \$200,000 is still there."

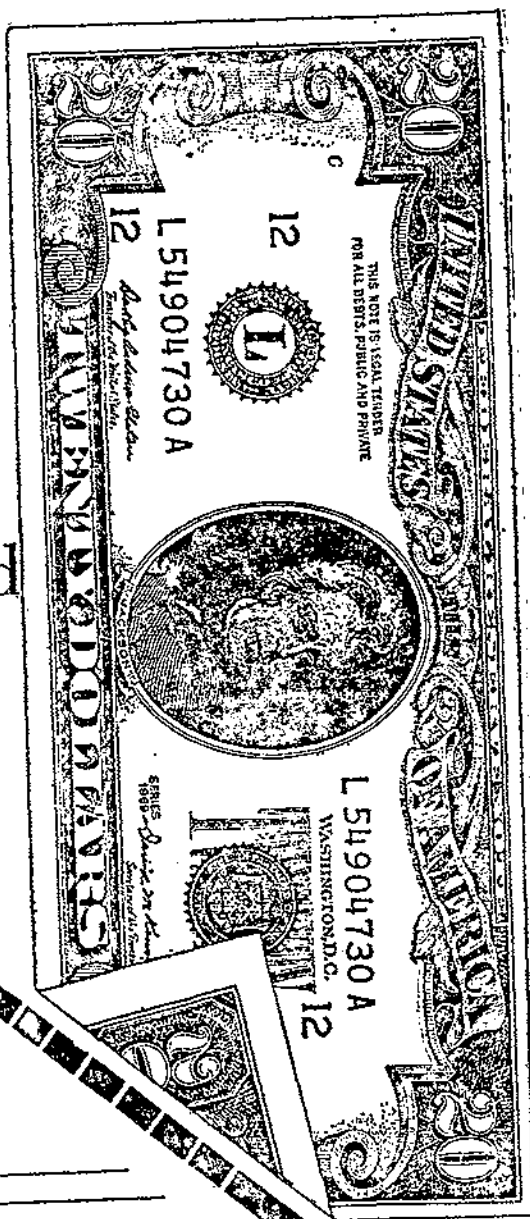
In that case, of course, Fleming's series would be a true account of the hijacking, as readers of Part One might have thought, not the account of how a reporter got duped, as Part Three indicates, or perhaps it would be both.

In any event, Fleming has no regrets about the adventure. "I've always been a reporter who takes risks. You don't get the plums at the top of the tree unless you jump high."

Fleming may have some lingering doubts about the man he interviewed, but Platypus Publications, publisher of LA, appears to have none. It has filed a \$30,000 civil suit against the men arrested by the FBI, claiming it was defrauded because the men were not the people they claimed to be.

NEXT WEEK:

**Why
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Did It,
And
Why He
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A NON-STORY—When L.A. began this series it knew—but didn't tell its readers—that its "D. B. Cooper" was not an airplane hijacker but, according to FBI charges, only a con man.

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/7/72

SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)

KORJAK
OO: Seattle

Re St. Louis letter to Seattle, 9/22/72, and
Los Angeles letter to Sacramento, 10/12/72.

RE: [redacted]

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Enclosed for Seattle is a photograph of [redacted]
[redacted] biographical sketch on the back, as well as
a sheet entitled Biographical Data [redacted]
[redacted] both published by National Aeronautics and Space
Administration (NASA) for background purposes. A copy of
the Biographical Data sheet is also enclosed for Los Angeles
and St. Louis for information purposes.

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On 10/31/72, RALPH JACKSON, Public Affairs, NASA
Flight Research Center, Edwards Air Force Base (EAFB),
California, [redacted]

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[redacted] presently assigned to the Manned
Spacecraft Center, NASA, Houston, Texas, where he has been
designated to [redacted]

JACKSON stated [redacted] was assigned to Edwards AFB

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background available at EAFB is a Biographical Data sheet
and a biographic sketch which is compiled on all NASA
[redacted]

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- 2 - Seattle (Enc. 2)
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 - 1 - Sacramento
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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Re Los Angeles airtels to Bureau and Seattle dated [REDACTED] concerning [REDACTED] captioned. [REDACTED]

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Enclosed are two xerox copies for the Bureau and three xerox copies for Seattle of a follow-up story which appeared in the [REDACTED]

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The original articles will be retained in Los Angeles file 164-497.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA

[redacted] Harris
County, Texas:

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On November 3, 1972, [redacted] was contacted and briefed regarding circumstances of this case and the fact that [redacted] had been developed as a suspect in this matter. [redacted] advised that he knew [redacted] well and that [redacted] had been working at [redacted]. He stated he would discreetly determine the whereabouts of [redacted] on November 24, 1972.

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On November 8, 1972, [redacted] acting under [redacted] advised he had thoroughly checked available records and itineraries concerning the whereabouts of [redacted] during Thanksgiving week, 1971.

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] received 72 hours of pay for the pay period ending November 27, 1971, having eight hours leave for Thanksgiving day. On November 23-24, 1972, [redacted] was in travel status to [redacted] California, where [redacted] worked on the [redacted]. [redacted] said there were no deviations in [redacted] itinerary and [redacted] was back in Houston, by November 26, 1971, possibly having returned on the evening of November 24, 1971 or on November 25, 1971 (Thanksgiving day).

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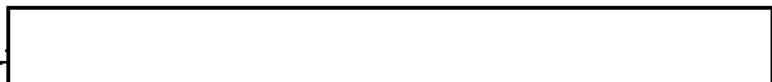
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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (164-118) (RUC)
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(OO: SE)


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Re LA let to HO, 10/20/72.

Enclosed for Seattle are two copies of an investigative insert dated 11/3-8/72 reflecting elimination process of captioned suspect. Enclosed for Los Angeles is one copy of this insert.

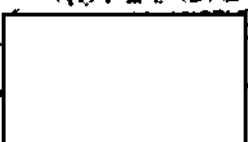
In view of  whereabouts being accounted for, discontinue same as suspect.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

RE: SUSPECT JAMES RAY FUGATE, JR.
NUMBER 200

87-29935

Re Cleveland airtel to Portland, dated 8/18/72.

Referenced airtel described JAMES E. FUGATE, born August 23, 1944, as having died on July 8, 1971. It is clear from referenced airtel that suspect JAMES RAY FUGATE, JR. has not been killed.

In view of the above, Los Angeles Division will continue investigation concerning FUGATE as set forth in Los Angeles nitel to Seattle ET AL, July 4, 1972.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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 - 1 - Cleveland (164-88) (Info)
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Industrialist Palevsky Weds Lynda Edelstein

Industrialist Max Palevsky, a former director and chairman of the executive committee of Xerox Corp., and Miss Lynda Edelstein, daughter of William Edelstein, a former Los Angeles manufacturer, and Mrs. Edelstein, were married Friday in the Leo Baeck Temple in West Los Angeles.

The ceremony performed by Rabbi Leonard Beerman was witnessed by members of the families and was followed by a brunch at Hotel Bel-Air.

Palevsky was cochairman of McGovern's national finance committee and a big contributor to McGovern's campaign.

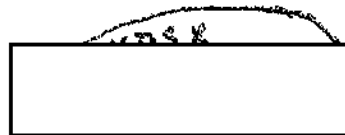
Palevsky is the publisher of L.A., a weekly newspaper started in July of 1972 and he is chairman of the board of Rolling Stone, a bimonthly rock music-oriented newspaper.

He is the father of two

children, Nicholas, 16, and Madeleine, 11, by his first marriage to the former Joan Yates. This marriage ended in divorce in 1969. His second marriage to the former Sara Jane Brown ended in divorce in 1971. There were no children.

The bride was graduated from UCLA and has a master's degree from USC. She is an adviser with the Los Angeles City Schools.

The couple will take a deferred wedding trip to Europe and Morocco in December. The couple will live in Palevsky's home in Bel-Air.



(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

IVpg.3 Los Angeles Times
Los Angeles, Calif

Date: 11/13/72
Edition: Tuesday Final
Author:
Editor: William F Thomas
Title:

Character:
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Mr. and Mrs. Max Palevsky

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Date: 11/14/72

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)
FROM : SAC, [redacted] (-P-)
SUBJECT: [redacted]
ITSP; FBW;
OO: SEATTLE

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Trial of the above subjects will commence in U.S. District Court at Seattle, Washington, on the morning of 11/27/72.

USA STAN PITKIN has requested that the following interviews be conducted and recorded on FD-302 and available prior to trial date.

For the information of Los Angeles and New York, Mr. PITKIN has advised that he has talked, on several occasions to [redacted], who will be subpoenaed for this trial and some of PITKIN's requests are based on information furnished by [redacted]

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LOS ANGELES DIVISION

At Los Angeles, California

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[redacted] according to Mr. PITKIN, is an [redacted] with offices located at [redacted] Los Angeles, [redacted] PITKIN has received information that [redacted] has interviewed both [redacted] and both of them have made admissions against interest to [redacted]

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[redacted] should be interviewed concerning his inter-views with [redacted] and determine specifically what admissions were made to him.

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- 2 - New York (164-627)

2 - [redacted]
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[redacted] probably can be located at [redacted]
[redacted] as mentioned above or through [redacted]
either through [redacted] or through [redacted]
[redacted] Los Angeles,
telephone number [redacted]

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[redacted] of the "L.A."
reportedly [redacted] for [redacted]
[redacted] and also, according to Mr. ✓
PITKIN, [redacted]
Los Angeles is requested to interview [redacted] to substantiate
the fact he did provide the [redacted] as well as the [redacted]
[redacted] and get his narative of his dealings with
[redacted] concerning this matter.

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[redacted] is a [redacted] and
reportedly [redacted] in connection with
[redacted]
according to Mr. PITKIN, brought to [redacted] four representa-
tives and an attorney from [redacted] and supposedly
put together a deal with [redacted]

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According to Mr. PITKIN the arrangements allegedly
stipulated a large amount of money would be paid by [redacted]
and one third of it would be placed in a trust fund for
[redacted]

Interview [redacted] whose address will have to be
obtained from [redacted] for specifics as to the deal
mentioned above and specifically determine if possible, what
[redacted] said about [redacted] and the trust fund.

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Will obtain [redacted]
[redacted]
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Los Angeles has already furnished [redacted]
[redacted], but the United States Attorney
is interested in knowing what [redacted]
[redacted] in anticipation of the trial.

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NEW YORK DIVISION

At New York, New York

[redacted] allegedly was the [redacted] who negotiated with [redacted] concerning the [redacted]

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Interview [redacted] to corroborate if possible, [redacted] story.

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Specifically ascertain from [redacted] what [redacted] might have said as to the [redacted] case. In addition, it is requested that any drafts or proposed agreements between [redacted] be secured.

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SAC, [redacted] **JJT**
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)(P)

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[redacted] AKA;

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ITSP; FBW; OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE AIRTEL, DATED NOVEMBER FOURTEEN LAST.

[redacted] ADVISES [redacted] WHO

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[redacted]

[redacted] CAN BE INTERVIEWED THROUGH [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] NEW YORK, NEW YORK, TELEPHONE NUMBER

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NEW YORK INTERVIEW [redacted] PER LEAD SET FORTH IN REFERENCED AIRTEL.

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TO LOS ANGELES (164-497)

NEW YORK (164-627)

FROM [redacted] (P) IP

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FBW; OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE AIRTEL TO LOS ANGELES DATED NOVEMBER FOURTEEN,
SEVENTY-TWO.

USA PITKIN ADVISED TODAY THAT DUE TO THE COMMITMENT OF THE
JUDGE ASSIGNED TO HANDLE CAPTIONED CASE, THE TRIAL DATE HAS BEEN
POSTPONED UNTIL AT LEAST [redacted]

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IN VIEW OF THE CHANGE IN TRIAL DATE, LEAD OFFICES NEED NOT
SUBMIT BY NOVEMBER TWENTY-SEVEN, SEVENTY-TWO.

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FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

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[redacted] AKA;

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ITSP; FBW, OO: SEATTLE

RE SEATTLE NITEL NOVEMBER TWENTY LAST.

[redacted] BOTH ADVISED OF

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POSTPONEMENT OF TRIAL DATE IN CAPTIONED CASE TO AT LEAST

[redacted] NEXT.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS AT WHICH THEY CAN BE REACHED IN LOS

ANGELES ARE AS FOLLOWS: [redacted] BUSINESS [redacted]

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[redacted] RESIDENCE

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[redacted] RESIDENCE [redacted]

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Special Agent in Charge

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LOS ANGELES WILL FOLLOW AND SUBMIT FD THREE ZERO TWOS
AS PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED BY SEATTLE.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

11/21/72

Date of transcription

[redacted]
 Cranbury, New Jersey, was telephonically contacted at Cranbury, New Jersey through his New York City telephone number, [redacted] advised that he is a [redacted] and now works out of his home in Cranbury, New Jersey. He declined to give his home address but he can be reached by mail or by a telephone call through New York City number [redacted]. He advised that he is willing to testify in court concerning his knowledge of [redacted] and the circumstances surrounding the [redacted] incident. He advised that he is leaving New Jersey on the morning of November 22, 1972, for the Thanksgiving holidays and will not return to New Jersey until the first part of December, 1972. The following people will know where he is during such period:

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- [redacted]
 Cumberland, Rhode Island
 Telephone Number: [redacted]
- [redacted] (his brother)
 Ledyard, Connecticut
 Telephone Number: [redacted]

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During March of 1972, he was contacted by [redacted] attorney, who he knows as [redacted] and who is an attorney in Atlanta, Georgia. [redacted] told him that he had heard of a sensational crime story that he thought [redacted] may want to handle. [redacted] told him that he would not handle it if it was a political crime or a vicious crime. Arrangements were made and [redacted] on March 22, 1972, flew to Los Angeles, California where he was met at the airport by [redacted]. They went to [redacted] father-in-law's home in Beverly Hills, California, where he read the [redacted] concerning the hijacking. He flew to San Francisco, California the next day to visit friends and then flew back to New York City on March 25, 1972.

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 by SA [redacted] MKK Date dictated 11/21/72

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On approximately April 1, 1972, he talked to [redacted] by telephone. [redacted] was in California and [redacted] was in the New York City area. He told [redacted] that he would consider being [redacted] for having the [redacted] and that his [redacted]. He never became [redacted] suggested that he would set up a legal defense fund for the [redacted] from the [redacted] and such fund would be set up only if the [redacted] would turn himself in to the proper authorities. This was not intended to be a trust fund but only a legal defense fund for the [redacted] defense in court.

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On April 13, 1972, at the Beverly Hills Hotel in Beverly Hills, California, [redacted] met with [redacted] these other men represented [redacted]. They were discussing [redacted]. [redacted] did not want to [redacted] unless there was evidence that [redacted]. No agreement was reached at such meeting and [redacted] showed no further interest in [redacted].

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On April 15, 1972, [redacted] turned over the information on the [redacted] to the United States Justice Department, Washington, D. C. [redacted] advised that he has a [redacted] from the University of Pittsburgh in [redacted]. He has been a [redacted] for eight and one-half years.

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11/21/72

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, [redacted]

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (164-627) (P)

SUBJECT: [redacted]

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(OO: SN)

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Re Seattle airtel to Los Angeles, 11/14/72.

Enclosed for the use of Seattle Division is original FD-302 and five copies of same, representing the 11/20/72, interview of [redacted]. Also enclosed is one copy of same for information of the Los Angeles Division.

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On 11/20/72, [redacted] for [redacted] New York, New York, advised that [redacted] will return to NYC area on the morning of 11/22/72, and she will have him immediately contact SA [redacted] of the NYC of the FBI.

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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Will interview [redacted] and advise Seattle of results of interview.

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- ① - Los Angeles (164-497) (INFO) (Encl. 1)
- 2 - New York

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, [redacted]
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

RE: [redacted]
ITSP; FBW

OO: Seattle

Re Seattle airtel to Los Angeles dated 11/14/72,
and Los Angeles teletype to New York and Seattle dated
11/20/72.

Enclosed for Seattle are ~~nine~~ copies each of FD-302
containing results of interviews of [redacted]
[redacted] at Los Angeles.

Referenced Seattle airtel requested that [redacted]
[redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
[redacted] This
information has been requested [redacted]
on an expedite basis and will be furnished Seattle as soon
as available.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date of transcription 11/24/72

[redacted]
 [redacted] New York City, New York, telephonically advised that on April 13, 1972, [redacted] at a meeting at the Beverly Hills Hotel, Beverly Hills, California. This meeting was had by officials of [redacted] concerning such [redacted] concerning a [redacted] had never met [redacted] before such meeting.

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[redacted] can not recall [redacted] mentioning a trust fund for the [redacted]
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by SA [redacted] /psl Date dictated 11/24/72

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, [redacted]

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (164-627) (RUC)

SUBJECT: [redacted]

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(OO: SEATTLE)

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Re NY airtel to Seattle, 11/22/72.

Enclosed for the use of the Seattle Division is (1) one original and (4) four copies of an FD 302, representing the 11/22/72, interview in NYC of [redacted] Two (2) copies of same enclosed for Los Angeles Division.

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No further investigation by NYO unless contrary heard from Seattle or LA Divisions.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

DATE: 11/27/72

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

Today, [redacted] telephone Number [redacted],
[redacted] "Calamazoo Gazette", Calamazoo, Michigan, contacted
the writer and stated he had been told to contact the Office
by Detroit Office, FBI. He indicated that in the past he had
provided some information to the Detroit Division regarding a
possible suspect in this matter, [redacted] He was interested
in knowing now if anything had ever come of the information he
had provided. He was advised that the Los Angeles Division would
check on the information he had provided and he would be re-con-
tacted by the Detroit Division. He said that he need not be con-
tacted any sooner than tomorrow, 11/28/72.

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Today, [redacted] Relief Supervisor, Detroit Division,
was telephonically contacted. [redacted] stated that he was familiar
with [redacted] as an individual who had called their Office on a
numerous occasions and that they would recontact him regarding
this matter.

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TO LOS ANGELES (164-497)

FROM [REDACTED] (P) 1P

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[REDACTED]

AKA; ITSP; FBW;

OO: SEATTLE.

RE LOS ANGELES AIRTEL TO SEATTLE DATED MAY FOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTY-TWO, WHICH FORWARDED NUMEROUS FD THREE ZERO TWOS.

INCLUDED WAS AN FD THREE ZERO TWO WITH [REDACTED] DATED APRIL TWENTY-FIVE, SEVENTY-TWO, SHOWING INTERVIEW ON APRIL TWENTY LAST. THIS IS A SIX PAGE THREE ZERO TWO BUT PAGE THREE IS MISSING.

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[redacted]
[redacted] West Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at the Los Angeles Office of the FBI, and advised as follows:

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During the latter part of June 1972, or the first part of July 1972, he was hired by [redacted] newspaper, to [redacted]

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[redacted] had indicated the purpose of the [redacted] was to establish the [redacted] of a Northwest Airline's airplane at Seattle, Washington, in November 1971. He was to [redacted]

[redacted] advised that during the course of this [redacted] in July 1972, he had conversed with [redacted] and [redacted]. He stated the results of this conversation and the events surrounding same were recorded by him in a report prepared and furnished to [redacted]. He displayed a copy of a 21 page typewritten report and pointed out page 17 of this document which he advised contained the results of his interview with [redacted] in Bremerton, Washington.

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The results of this conversation as set forth in this document by [redacted] are as follows:

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"INTERVIEW WITH [redacted]"

"On July 27, 1972, at 5:30 P.M. I was eating dinner in the bar area of the Melody Lane Cocktail Lounge and Restaurant. Two men came in matching the general description of [redacted] and a man walked over to me identifying himself as [redacted] and introduced himself. He invited me to bring my dinner into the restaurant portion of the Melody Lane Cocktail Lounge. [redacted] was slim, balding and was wearing a flowered sport shirt. He had a [redacted]"

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[redacted] was wearing a white shirt with tie and no jacket. He was taller than [redacted] somewhat and was wearing a full beard that was short. He said that they understood that I was looking for them all over town and I said that I was simply asking questions. They indicated that they had enough publicity about the matter already and that my asking questions around town was ruining their reputations. I then reminded [redacted] that in fact he had gone to the Bremerton Sun after he had spoken with you. [redacted] was somewhat flustered by that comment and then turned toward [redacted] and said that [redacted] was certainly not looking for any publicity. [redacted] put on a great show of appearing hurt and having his ego damaged. They were quite upset about my asking questions about them around town and they said that [redacted]

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[redacted] [redacted] said that he would see what he could do about stopping me from [redacted] and he said that he would do this by asking his attorney what could be done. It should be noted that [redacted] was served coffee at the bar and that the waitress who is known as [redacted] said to [redacted] when he came in I'll get you your coffee. [redacted] was served a drink. I asked both [redacted] about what had happened in regards to the whole affair. They indicated that they had expected to hear from you since May 2, 1972, and I believe that this is the date that they were both arrested. He said that if you were being watched or felt that you were being watched, he felt that you could have certainly sent someone else in your place to speak with them. I told them that we had contemplated this move but figured that it would not pay off insofar as they were both charged with criminal counts and would not discuss anything with us. They did state, however, that if I would have simply contacted them when I arrived in town that they would have told me everything if I simply would have contacted them first. I then pointed out to [redacted] that there were many inconsistencies in [redacted] that he had given to you. He said that you had gotten [redacted] and I said that I could prove that his background did not match the [redacted] comment was, "so what".

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[redacted] then suggested that I should read the July issue of "Moneysworth Magazine" written by Ginsberg. He said there was an article in there about honesty and then went on relating something to the fact that every time a policeman makes an arrest we all feel more honest. He evidently was trying to make some sort of philosophical comment about honesty and lying but I'm sure that [redacted] could take his own advice.

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[redacted] said that his reputation was at stake and that his family had been in the area for [redacted]

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"They also said that I was going around town saying things. [redacted] claimed that I said that I was [redacted] and I said that was not the case. I said that I had stated that I was [redacted] and that I had made inquiries about [redacted] in the [redacted]. I also told [redacted] that I had gotten all of my information from the man at the bank who [redacted] and who [redacted]. At that point [redacted] asked, [redacted] and [redacted] said, "Oh, you know that [redacted] asked if I knew that the case was being litigated, I said yes, that I understood that it was suppose to be in litigation at the present time.

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"They said that they had numerous reports on where I had been and what I had been doing. They said they knew that I was talking with the [redacted] that I had been at the Court House and in fact they knew that I was standing waiting for a cab that afternoon.

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"They asked me where I was staying and I gave them the name of the motel and phone number in Seattle.

[redacted] said that the FBI in Bremerton knows both of them by first-name basis. [redacted] also complained that the FBI took his sunglasses and dug up his backyard. [redacted] said that he had been getting extortion notes and threats and threatening phone calls to kill him.

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"On a couple of occasions [redacted] told [redacted] to keep quiet. [redacted] asked if I was principally doing a dossier on him and I said that I was doing one on both of them but the emphasis was certainly on him. I believe that [redacted] were tipped off to my presence which had been principally my plan, by a cocktail waitress by the name of [redacted]. Her first name was [redacted] and [redacted] is simply a nickname. She claims to be [redacted]

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"The dinner waitress who served us in the restaurant portion of the cocktail lounge was a [redacted] and she was the [redacted] left at about 6:00 P.M. after they said there was really nothing further to talk about and that I was simply trying to get information on them and I would probably hold everything against them."

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[redacted]
 advised he had provided [redacted] in cash
 after [redacted] had told him he, [redacted] had located and
 identified [redacted]
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[redacted] advised him [redacted]
 [redacted] had agreed to [redacted]
 [redacted] in exchange for [redacted] which was to be
 used by the [redacted] for legal expenses in the event he
 was caught. [redacted] dollars was to be used for
 expenses on the part of [redacted]

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[redacted] advised no documentation was made
 nor were any records kept of the money he had invested
 through [redacted] He had not requested a receipt stating
 only "we're friends".

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He added he was unaware of the name of the man
 who [redacted] had [redacted] and did not know
 any other details concerning the matter. He had relied
 completely on the judgement of his friend, [redacted]

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[redacted] Newspaper,
 [redacted] West Los Angeles, California,
 advised that he had engaged a [redacted]
 [redacted] in July 1972, to [redacted]
 [redacted] in the State of Washington concerning
 [redacted] He
 made available two reports as furnished to him by
 [redacted] containing the results of [redacted] in
 Washington.

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Xeroxed copies of one eight page typewritten
 report and a 21 page typewritten report, both directed
 to [redacted] and signed by [redacted] are
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Los Angeles, California [Redacted]

To: [Redacted]

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Los Angeles, California [Redacted]

[Redacted]
Re: [Redacted]
Wife: [Redacted]
Doing business as [Redacted]
[Redacted]

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It is noted that the subject had a checking account at the Olympic State Bank at Port Angeles, Washington. At the time of the [Redacted] which was about [Redacted] [Redacted] he gave a residence address as [Redacted] I have also noted this residence address for his father, [Redacted]

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He also indicated that at the time of the [Redacted] [Redacted] that he was employed by Halverson-Lents Trans Canyon Pipeline Company.

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He claimed real estate, an address of [Redacted] in Port Angeles, Washington, described as [Redacted] [Redacted] Townsite of Port Angeles, situated in Clallam County, Washington. He said that his equity was about [Redacted] in that property.

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The [Redacted] for the trustee in [Redacted] was [Redacted] Port Townsend, Washington.

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The [Redacted] in the case was [Redacted]

The [Redacted] for the trustee did a considerable amount of investigation and was quite suspicious of the business dealings of [Redacted] and his father, [Redacted] I

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quote from the trustee's report to the [redacted] "The [redacted] and his father appeared to be [redacted] in their business dealings and despite the denials of any liability or responsibility on the [redacted] part, the [redacted] father was ultimately persuaded by actions and statements of your petitioner to pay to the Estate [redacted]"

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The trustee worked a compromise with an [redacted] whereby [redacted] would pay the [redacted] estate [redacted] if the trustee would withdraw from a foreclosure action that [redacted] had against property that the [redacted] was purchasing. The original purchase price of the real property was [redacted] and there was considerable discussion as to the legitimacy of the purchase of this property in regards to the [redacted]

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I also quote from [redacted] again, "The background to the controversy begins in 1966 when the [redacted] borrowed [redacted] interest from one [redacted] and executed in addition to a promissory note a mortgage as to certain real property in Clallam County, Washington. [redacted] later started a mortgage action to recover the amount loaned. Your trustee intervened in that action and obtained an order vacating a prior order of default as against the [redacted]. The trustee set up the affirmative defense of usury and the additional defense that the description of land upon the mortgage document was defective. The matter was first set for trial on December of 1970 and then upon request of Plaintiff's counsel was continued over to February of 1971.

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He earlier, upon 2.180 examination stated that once the proposed written loan papers had been identified as user's and the user had been purged or voided by a new promissory note, he, the [redacted] agreed orally that the [redacted] would pay [redacted] in addition to the [redacted] loaned and to the [redacted] interest charge.

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[redacted] denies that there had ever been such an oral agreement. The [redacted] says she has no recollection at all. The [redacted] now says that he has only vague memories of this conversation at the time the promissory note was signed. In addition, the [redacted] voracity is less than crystal."

There was an [redacted] of land owned by the [redacted] during the [redacted] proceedings. I believe this particular parcel of land is the land on which the [redacted] was situated. The legal description is as follows:

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in Clallam County, Washington. The appraised value of the property was [redacted]

[redacted] address is given as [redacted] Port Angeles, Washington. Phone is [redacted]. The [redacted] was made August 6, 1970. The property is located on [redacted] in Clallam County and consisted of two parcels of unimproved land, approximately ten acres and fifteen acres each. Apparently this was not the property on which the [redacted] was situated.

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It is also noted that the property was situated approximately 10-20 miles west of Port Angeles, Washington.

In a motion filed by [redacted] on [redacted] Request for the Appraisal, he gives the following facts.

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"Since the time of intervention your Petitioner has visited the afore described security and was not impressed with the same. In addition, a lot of real property in Kitsap County, Washington, which was provided to the mortgagee as addition security apparently has been lost to the mortgagee. The situate is rather very [redacted] [redacted] The [redacted] and his father, [redacted] in 1966 persuaded one [redacted] to loan to the [redacted] The [redacted] then gave to [redacted] different types of security for repayment for the loan. One security was a mortgage in the acreage west of Port Angeles which the [redacted]

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[redacted] Another security was a [redacted] which presently pays [redacted] per month to the mortgagee, but is not enough to cover the interest owing on the mortgage debt. A third possible security was one certain lot in Kitsap County, Washington. That lot has been sold by the [redacted] shortly before [redacted] but the transaction has appeared to be normal until approximately a year later. It was learned by the Petitioner that the grantee was the [redacted] of the [redacted] 2180 proceedings to examine the [redacted] had been without success because the Kitsap County Sheriff cannot locate him. In the meantime, the Kitsap

County lot was sold at tax sale [redacted] at which time the [redacted] the property, completely unknown to the mortgagee. The same mortgagee is presently the Plaintiff in the mortgage foreclosure action in Clallam Washington, in which the trustee has intervened. In view of the foregoing it would be in the best interest of this estate and its unsecure creditors to fully review the status of the trustee's involvement in the Clallam County litigation. To do so, it is necessary to have a reliable appraisal as to the value of the Clallam County real property security."

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It should be pointed out that [redacted] is the [redacted] for the trustee and that the trustee is a [redacted]

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On November 24, 1969, there was an order authorizing and approving a compromise. The [redacted] for the trustee allowed the following to take place: "Ordered that the Petition be granted and thereby trustee is hereby granted to accept [redacted] and a Quit Claim Deed from [redacted] with the trustee as grantee as to the following described real property:

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[redacted]

[redacted] and in exchange for the monetary payment and quick claim deed, the trustee is authorized to permanently waive any claim that trustee may have against [redacted] on the basis of fraudulent conveyance or on the basis of any other legal theory as to the following described [redacted] property: [redacted]

[redacted]

It is noted that the [redacted] had been listed for sale by the father at an original asking price of [redacted] and had been reduced to [redacted] and had remained unsold for a period

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of an excess of one year. There have been encumbrances against the [redacted] exceeding the sum of [redacted]

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On October 22, 1969, there was a petition relieved to compromise controversy. This concerned the [redacted] in question and I quote from the body of this motion: "Nature of controversy. [redacted] the [redacted] [redacted] as vendees executed a real estate contract with one [redacted] as vendor, for the purchase at a price of [redacted] on or before January 2, 1971, and a [redacted] interest per annum due January 2, of each year. The real property which is a subject of this dispute is more particularly described as follows." The legal description is the one that was described just a few paragraphs above and is the [redacted] in question.

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Shortly thereafter, the [redacted] commenced to improve the subject real property by building a [redacted] thereon with an adjoining [redacted]. In doing so, he borrowed money and purchased on credit and incurred a substantial indebtedness. On [redacted] a point in time after the subject real property was substantially improved, the [redacted] assigned their interest under their real estate contract to the [redacted]

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[redacted] now claim title to the subject real property on the basis of the [redacted] assignment. More than a year later, namely [redacted] the [redacted]

The [redacted] for the trustee then goes on into lengthy legal explanations why the trustee should become involved in this particular controversy, because of various legal theories of [redacted] of property in regards to the [redacted] hearing.

The [redacted] was served with a subpoena duces tecum on March 7, 1969 at what appears to be Grand Canyon, Arizona.

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The [redacted] testified on November 6, 1968, in a [redacted] hearing. He indicated that he was presently residing in a town called Grand Canyon at the [redacted]

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[redacted] He indicated that he was a [redacted] for a construction company, which was putting a pipeline along the side of the canyon wall from one side of the canyon to the other. He indicated that it was an 8-inch aluminum water pipeline, and it was all done with helicopters. He said that the pipeline started from Arrow Springs and goes nine miles down Bright Angel Canyon across

to the Colorado River and to a reservoir. He said that the project started in the Grand Canyon the prior April, and that after the project that he intended to go to a job in [redacted]. He said that he was married and living with his wife and that he had [redacted] children and that the oldest was [redacted] years old. He said that he was purchasing a house in Port Angeles, Washington, at [redacted] prior to the moving to the Grand Canyon, and he did not know whether foreclosure action had been started on that property while he was gone. He said that the prior owner was an [redacted], and that he had about [redacted] equity in the home. He also said that he owned a [redacted].

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He explained that he had a lease purchase on the [redacted]. He indicated that while he was [redacted] his father stepped into his shoes as the owner of this [redacted].

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He also testified that he had been employed by Mackey-Lewis of Port Angeles for three and one-half years and that he was fired from that job. He indicated that he was terminated about May 5, 1967. He said that at the time he was working in that firm he had a front-end loader, which was a heavy piece of equipment.

Apparently, at one time Cascade Industrial Loan had a mortgage on the [redacted]. He said that the [redacted] was about 25 to 26 acres.

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He also testified that he went to Alaska in attempt to make enough money to pay his attorneys. He doesn't say when he was in Alaska.

There was a [redacted] that was filed on [redacted].

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As state of affairs, he said that he had a checking account at the National Bank of Commerce in Bremerton Branch and that he had a checking account at the Olympic State Bank in Port Angeles, Washington.

He has noted that there was claim in the amount of [redacted] from the Clallam Adjustment Corporation. The claim was filed by a [redacted] and their offices are located at 111 North Oak Street in Port Angeles, Washington.

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There is a claim in the amount of [redacted] from Carroll Realty Company in Port Angeles, Washington. The money was loaned to enable the [redacted] to purchase and occupy a

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a single family residence in Port Angeles. Apparently, Carroll Realty, Inc. is located at 111 West Railroad, Port Angeles, Washington. The claim was filed by [redacted] There was a claim filed by the Kitsap County Bank, East Bremerton Branch for [redacted] the money loaned at installment note secured by [redacted]

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There was a Mobile Oil Corporation collection account in the amount of [redacted] on account [redacted] The claim was from an [redacted] [redacted] Los Angeles, California.

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There are a number of exhibits and some of these are checks from [redacted] producers of forest products, [redacted] Silverdale, Washington and signed by [redacted] In the left hand corner it shows [redacted] The checks were drawn at the East Bremerton Branch of the Kitsap County Bank, Bremerton, Washington with check [redacted]

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There was a most interesting receipt in the exhibits which is dated July 15, 1966 from an [redacted] received from [redacted] Sequim P.D. (it apparently is Sequim Police Department). The receipt was for [redacted] and the address apparently for the father, or perhaps [redacted] (I am not certain) is [redacted] Port Angeles.

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There appears to be a receipt for [redacted] from a [redacted] [redacted] Sequim, Washington, dated July 23, 1966. This is probably a receipt for services on the criminal action.

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There is a very interesting ledger, called the [redacted] [redacted] and there is this interesting notation in 1966, dated August 8, 1966. To pick up various [redacted] [redacted] I hope you appreciate the humor in that.

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I also find an affidavit in real estate excise tax receipt [redacted] [redacted] Bremerton, Washington. It indicates that [redacted] [redacted] Port Angeles, Washington, are selling to [redacted]

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certain property. The date of the instrument and the date of the sale is [redacted] It is interesting to know that under the caption for gross sales price, they have as following: [redacted] The [redacted] for the trustee made much of this point later in the court action. It appears from

the legal description that this was the property which was the [redacted] which was sold to his father.

In the middle of 1966, [redacted] was giving the address of [redacted] Silverdale, Washington.

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COMMENTS

This concludes the review of this particular court file.

A further report will follow shortly, reviewing the rest of the investigation conducted in the Seattle and Bremerton areas.

Respectfully submitted,

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Office of

[redacted]
Los Angeles, California [redacted]

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[redacted]
Westwood, California [redacted]

Re: David B. Cooper

Dear Karl:

I will first start off with a personal resume of the two principals in this matter so that you can get an idea about their background.

[redacted]
He is [redacted] years of age and his date of birth was [redacted] [redacted] and he is married to a wife of [redacted]. At the time of his arrest and also at the time of my visit to Bremerton, he was residing in what is known as the [redacted] [redacted] Bremerton. Tel. No. ES 3-8500. The [redacted] is an apartment styled hotel and is in the [redacted] of Bremerton and although modest, is very neat and clean.

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His driver's license for the State of Washington is [redacted]. He is described as having blue eyes, 5ft. 10", 160 pounds.

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At the time of his arrest he was doing business at [redacted] [redacted] just outside of Bremerton. He was doing business as [redacted]

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I learned that he had a prior address of [redacted] Silverdale, Washington [redacted]. Silverdale is just a few miles outside of Bremerton.

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I learned that his wife's full name is [redacted] [redacted] and her date of birth was [redacted], and she was born in [redacted]. She apparently moved back to Washington in 1967 and presently works at the Bangor Ammunition Depot outside of Bremerton.

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There is a current listing for her in the Bremerton Telephone Directory under the listing of [redacted] in [redacted] Tel. No. MY 2-2191.

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[redacted] and his wife were married on [redacted] in Anchorage, Alaska and they have [redacted] children as a result of this marriage. Those children are [redacted]

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On a [redacted] that [redacted] had received on [redacted] [redacted] he gave a residence address as [redacted] Silverdale, Washington. From various sources I have learned that [redacted] has had a string of Post Office Box type addresses since living in the Bremerton area.

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I will review the court suits against [redacted] [redacted] later in this report.

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[redacted]
He is now age [redacted] and his date of birth was [redacted]. He also has another aka. of [redacted]. He lives at [redacted] near Seabeck and has a telephone number of [redacted]. He has a wife [redacted].

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He had been one time [redacted] in Bremerton for several months in 1970 and had to leave because he was not able to pass the Civil Service examination. He had offices at the time of his arrest at [redacted] [redacted] infact his offices were directly next door to those of [redacted]

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He was also [redacted] at [redacted] in Bremerton. He apparently is in partnership with his father at the [redacted] [redacted] according to sources in Bremerton. His father is [redacted] of Seabeck and the [redacted] name [redacted] [redacted] of Bremerton. Apparently the family has been in the area almost [redacted]. He is also a [redacted] [redacted] Bremerton.

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He had worked at the Grand Canyon as a [redacted]

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He had a prior residence address of [redacted] in Port Angeles, Washington which is a few miles to the north of Bremerton.

He had also been employed by the [redacted] Washington and this was a logging company [redacted]

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[redacted] was also involved in that family business, known as [redacted]. The address in Port Angeles was for about the period of time in 1968 and he somewhat later gave a residence address as [redacted] Bremerton.

On October 3, 1970 he registered to vote and gave apparently the present residence address of [redacted] Seabeck, Washington.

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On [redacted] while doing business as [redacted] near Port Angeles, Washington. The contents of the [redacted] action is contained within a separate report.

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Two different [redacted] criminal charges were filed against [redacted] in Clallum County, Washington on [redacted]. One of those charges was dismissed on [redacted] and another account or charge was dismissed on [redacted]. Complete account of those arrests will be enclosed later in the report.

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[redacted] was employed [redacted] on the Pipe-Line Project at the Grand Canyon by Halverson-Lents Trans Canyon Pipe Line Company.

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I reviewed and obtained photocopies of almost the entire court file entitled United States of America vs. [redacted]

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This was a complaint for violation of [redacted]

[redacted] The Case No. is [redacted] [redacted] was charged with [redacted] [redacted] and was arrested on [redacted] by the FBI. Bail was set at [redacted] and he was on bail as of [redacted]

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[redacted] was charged with [redacted]
[redacted] and was arrested
[redacted] by the FBI and bail was set at [redacted]
and was on bail as of [redacted]

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I obtained a photocopy of the complaint which was eight pages in length and one exhibit attached to the complaint, which was a copy of the consent to a pre-trial delay showing that [redacted] is represented by a [redacted]

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There is a consent to a pre-trial delay for [redacted] and signed by his [redacted]

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I also photocopied an order modifying bail conditions for [redacted] where he was allowed to leave the United States of America for a period not exceeding seven days commencing on the [redacted] to travel to the Province of British Columbia, Canada. It is noted that the bail surety consented to the above order and they were [redacted] the mother and father of [redacted] the co-defendant.

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I also obtained a copy of the information which was six pages in length. I also obtained a copy for the Order for Appearance of Bail Bond or Personal Recognizance for [redacted]. It is interesting to note on this document that his father, [redacted] claims to have a net worth of [redacted].

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There is also a Search Warrant for [redacted] offices and also for his home. There is also a return on one of the Search Warrants.

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There was also an Affidavit for the Search Warrant which gives additional information.

As you know, the U. S. Attorney who was originally handling the case, Stan Pitkin was not in town at the time of my visit but I spoke to the U. S. Attorney that is going to carry the case to trial a [redacted]

I learned that [redacted] was a passenger aboard the skyjacked Northwest Airways plane. He said to the best of his recollection the skyjacker D. B. Cooper was sitting in the last row on the left side in the back of the plane in the Second Class Cabin. He, [redacted] was sitting also in the

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Second Class Cabin on the right side in the front seat. He said that he understood that at some time D. B. Cooper came forward and showed something to someone but he said that he didn't think he saw him at any time during the flight. He said that when everyone boarded the plane that it had just started raining quite heavily and that he, [redacted] had gotten drenched on his way out to the plane. He said there was not one of the automatic boarding ramps used at this particular boarding and everyone simply had to run from the terminal across the asphalt and to the plane in order to board.

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He said that the flight was uneventful but that normally the flight coming in to Seatac, the combined airport for Seattle and Tacoma, the flight would pass by the airport somewhat and would pass over Seattle and would land in a southerly direction at Seatac. He said that the plane went clearly past Seattle and he simply assumed that the pilot was waiting for clearance to land and was simply killing time. He said that the plane then went somewhat to the west of Seattle and started circling and then later went to the east of Seattle and again was circling. He said that they were suppose to land at about 3:00 P.M. He said that at one time one of the stewardesses walked by and said to another stewardess to keep the curtains open between the Second Class Cabin and the First Class Cabin. [redacted] indicated that at the time it didn't mean much to him but he said that he later understood that this was one of the orders that was given by D. B. Cooper, apparently so he could see everyone in both the First and Second Class Cabins.

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At about 3:20 or 3:30 P.M. the pilot said that they would be landing in about 10 minutes.

At the time [redacted] was coincidentally reading a magazine about the starting of Northwest Orient Airlines and one of the early plane crashes that Northwest Orient Airlines had had.

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At one point the pilot said to stay in your seats because of rough flying. He indicated that there was some turbulence. He said that they finally landed at about 6:00 P.M.

Just after they landed another gentleman came up to sit alongside of [redacted] and told him that the Stewardess had told him to leave his seat which was in the rear of.

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the plane. Again [redacted] did not thing anything particularly unusual happened. He said that when they landed that the runway lights were dark and that they were on a distant part of the runway. He said that a gas truck came up on the right-hand side of the plane and [redacted] jokingly remarked to his new companion sitting alongside that maybe they were going to refuel and go back up. This joke was simply reference to the long time that they were circling from 3:00 P.M. until 6:00 P.M. and still [redacted] did not have any inkling that a skyjacking was taking place. He said that they were finally told to deplane and told to stand nearby the plane. They were then asked to move 30 or 40 feet away and were then asked to move about 100 feet away from the plane. He said that they may have been asked one or two more times to move a 100 feet in addition or additional increments of 100 feet. He said that about the second or third place that they moved, to after departing from the plane an automobile with a lone driver who said he was the chief pilot stopped near their grouping. This driver opened the trunk and [redacted] saw parachutes and bags which appeared to be money bags or appeared to contain money. He said that he and everyone else then realized that they were in the midst of a skyjacking. At that time someone in their group said that it must have been the guy in the rear seat. To the best of his recollection he said one of the stewardesses walked back and forth picking up the parachutes and the money and he thinks that the lone automobile driver who undoubtedly was an FBI agent but claimed to be the chief pilot, perhaps accompanied her to the plane but did not at any time board the plane. Later the man claiming to be the chief pilot came back to the group and the stewardess got on. At that time the man claiming to be the chief pilot said something to the effect, "I'm out of it but that girl has got to get back on that plane with that mad man".

[redacted] said that he had read the article in the Seattle Flag and said that he had three following comments to make. He said that the Flag article has the money coming on board before the passengers are released and he also believes that the Flag article had the wrong seat for Cooper.

Another point is that there was a very obnoxious drunk on the plane and that anyone that had been on the flight would probably have mentioned this point.

At the time of my conversation with [redacted] he asked me who [redacted] was and I said that I did not know. [redacted] was very cooperative and said that he would answer questions concerning the case but that at that time he did not have the file in front of him as Pitkin had taken it with him to a conference.

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[redacted] also asked for any information I might develop about the financial standing of either [redacted]. He said that it could be shown that either one of the men needed money at the time of the [redacted] that this would add more credence to the government's case. I indicated that I would forward any information to him that I developed and with your premission, I will be writing a letter to him after you have had time to peruse this report and give your permission for me writing such a letter.

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In reading through [redacted] version of the skyjacking and the transcript of the account given by [redacted] they both agree that D. B. Cooper took a seat to the rear of the plane and in a left-hand seat. [redacted] claims that the pilot had given mechanical trouble as the reason for not landing. [redacted] did not give reason for the delay in his account and when I'm in touch with him I will question him on this point.

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[redacted] claims that the employee from the airline bringing money and parachutes came out in one of those little buses that they use at the airports. [redacted] account has the airline representative coming out in an automobile. It is really not enough description by either [redacted] or [redacted] for this particular time span to develop glaring inconsistencies or exact collaboration of stories.

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As you will recall, the trial was set for [redacted] [redacted] in Seattle.

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VARIOUS COURTS SUITS

In checking the Superior Court Civil records in Kitsap County, which covers the general area of Port Orchard, Bremerton, Silverdale, Seabeck, etc. The County Seat is in Port Orchard. I located a Superior Court action

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This was a [redacted] action which was filed on [redacted]
[redacted] The Superior Court Case No. was [redacted] The suite disclosed that they were married in Anchorage, Alaska on [redacted] Also it indicates that the Plaintiff has been in Washington for more than one year and resides in Kitsap County. There were [redacted]

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[redacted] There was also community property, apparently real property in an area known as [redacted] There were also household goods in storage in Seattle and a [redacted] and a [redacted] Also listed that there were separate checking accounts and also listed as community property was the [redacted] as well as the [redacted]

[redacted] I have learned from other sources that [redacted] had been a [redacted] [redacted] probably before coming to the Bremerton, Washington area. The suit says that they were separated on July 13, 1969 and that the Plaintiff's [redacted] [redacted] of Bremerton, Washington. The suit alleged that the Defendant had been [redacted] [redacted] There was [redacted]

It was also learned from the complaint that the Plaintiff had [redacted] from a prior marriage and that she worked at that time at the Bangor Ammunition Depot.

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The Defendant was served at the Arista Restaurant on Wheaton Way by a [redacted] who lived at [redacted] [redacted] in Bremerton and had a telephone number of ES 7-6139. I later talked with [redacted] and learned a considerable amount of information from him. I will cover that later in the report.

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Another address for the Defendant that was given on October 16, 1969 was [redacted] in Silverdale.

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This [redacted] action was finally terminated on [redacted] [redacted] by the Plaintiff filing a Motion saying that they were reconciled and the [redacted] action was dismissed that same date. Interestingly enough [redacted] again filed suit on [redacted] and this Suit No. was [redacted]. This time community property was listed as a Plat, apparently a lot, an area known as [redacted] in Kitsap County. They now had community property of a leased [redacted] [redacted]. Evidentially [redacted] could not make up her mind because on [redacted] [redacted] she filed another Motion indicating a reconciliation and this suit was dismissed that same date.

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Almost getting repetitious [redacted] again filed a [redacted] action on [redacted]. The Superior Court File No. is [redacted]. In all of these [redacted] actions she always alleged [redacted]. This time the Defendant finally answered one of the [redacted] complaints and was represented by a [redacted] who I believe is representing the Defendant at this time. Again, [redacted] served [redacted] and served him on [redacted] at an address or street known as [redacted] in Bremerton.

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At this time the suit was dismissed for lack of prosecution within one year and the suit was dismissed on [redacted] just a few days before I looked at the [redacted] action.

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I then located the Superior Court Action in which [redacted] [redacted] was the Plaintiff and the Defendant was a [redacted] and this action was filed on [redacted] [redacted] and the Superior Court No. was [redacted]. The suit alleged that [redacted]

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[redacted] The Plaintiff's [redacted] in his action was [redacted] in Bremerton. Eventually the Defendant had his wages garnisheed at the Olympic Restaurant in Bremerton and that address was 515 Sixth Street in Bremerton. I later found that [redacted] was presently working at a business called Motor Parts Service in Bremerton on Fifth Street and when I inquired at that business for further information about [redacted] I found that [redacted] was on vacation that week.

Another Superior Court Action, again in Kitsap County, was entitled [redacted] vs. [redacted] Superior Court Case No. [redacted]. This was a dispute over real property and it appears from a cursory reading of the suit that the [redacted] were foreclosing against the [redacted]. A photocopy was obtained of the judgment because of extremely long legal description of the property.

Again in Kitsap County a Municipal Court Action was found entitled The City of Bremerton vs. [redacted] and the Case No. was [redacted]. [redacted] had been involved in a accident on March 13, 1970 in Bremerton and had been charged with [redacted]. He appealed the action but it was not successful and he was finally [redacted] because of this matter. A photocopy of the docket along with the [redacted] that he received from the [redacted] is enclosed with this report.

There was another action entitled The City of Bremerton vs. [redacted] and this was Case No. [redacted] and this also arose out of the [redacted] and this time he was charged with [redacted]. A copy of the docket is again enclosed along with a photocopy of the [redacted]. He was issued this [redacted] on April 15, 1970 and gave a residence address of [redacted] Silverdale, Washington.

While in Port Orchard, the County Seat for Kitsap County, I also checked the Register of Voters Record and found a registration for [redacted] who indicated that she was a [redacted] on October 3, 1970 when she registered and this time she gave a [redacted] in Silverdale, still another address for the [redacted]. She gave a date of birth of [redacted] Washington and said that she had been a resident for three years in the State and three years in the County. Probably means that the [redacted] moved to Washington in 1967.

I did not find a registration in the Register of Voters for [redacted] but I did find one for [redacted] who registered on October 3, 1970, again the same date as [redacted]. He gave his address as [redacted].

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[redacted] in Seabeck and indicated at that time that he was a [redacted] for Bremerton. He indicated that he was born on [redacted] in Bremerton and said that he had resided in the State for 29 years, 4 months and 18 days. He also said that he resided in the County for 29 years, 6 months and 12 days and had been in the voting precinct for the last four years. He said that he had never been convicted of a criminal charge.

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Also in checking public records in Port Orchard it was noted that there was a [redacted] filed against [redacted]

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File No. [redacted] and this was filed on [redacted]

There were also a number of [redacted] The earliest of which occurred on December 12, 1967 and they probably all are related to the [redacted] that [redacted] was involved in.

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I note that the [redacted] for the [redacted] charge on [redacted] was a [redacted] and he is located on the first floor of the Courthouse in Bremerton. He was very cooperative in opening up his records and I learned that the [redacted] for the appeal on the [redacted] was a [redacted]

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THE CREDIT BUREAU OF BREMERSTON - 920 Park, Bremerton
After considerable discussion with various employees at the Credit Bureau of Bremerton I was finally able to learn that the suit by a bank against [redacted] [redacted] was supposed to have taken place by the Kitsap County Bank out of the Port Orchard Branch. I spoke to a [redacted] at that branch and learned that their [redacted] was supposed to have filed the Superior Court Action on [redacted] but he was not certain if their [redacted] had actually filed the suit. At the time [redacted] had a checking account at the Seattle First National Bank in Bremerton and the Kitsap County Bank in Port Orchard was handling a collection on a [redacted] had given a check and he wrote the check on the National Bank of Commerce in Bremerton. It was for [redacted] and the bank was never able to collect on the check. It first came back

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marked insufficient funds and later when the bank tried to run the check through again the account was closed. The check was written for the purchase of real property from their customer [redacted] who had a [redacted] [redacted] Rochester, Washington, [redacted] They gave me a telephone number of [redacted] but when I called that number it was disconnected. The property was located on [redacted] and apparently was a house.

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[redacted] was to become quite upset when we later spoke in the restaurant and bar about this particular check incident until I actually confronted him with all of the details and then he backed down.

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It should be mentioned that while checking the court records in Port Orchard that the Municipal Court and Superior Court Civil actions against the various members of the [redacted]

[redacted] I did not find any criminal actions in Port Orchard against [redacted]

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THE SEATTLE FLAG NEWSPAPER, 1415 Dexter North, Seattle, Washington, Tel. No. AT-42245

I visited the offices of The Seattle Flag and obtained two copies of their article concerning D. B. Cooper. I did not discuss the article with any of the staff members or reporters but I did learn that it was their hottest selling issue yet.

GENERAL INVESTIGATION IN SEATTLE

In addition to checking court records in Civil Bankruptcy and Criminal Courts or the Federal Courts for both [redacted] and [redacted] I also checked criminal and civil records in Seattle for the county surrounding the Seattle area. These inquiries met with negative results.

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I also attempted getting information from the Boeing Employment Office in Seattle but they indicated that their records on current and former employees are confidential.

GENERAL INVESTIGATION IN BREMERNTON

I contacted [redacted] who was the [redacted] who served [redacted] a number of times. [redacted] has a business address which is a [redacted] [redacted] in Bremerton and this is the [redacted] [redacted] The Tel. No. is ES 3-5838 or ES 3-5839. His residence address is [redacted] in Bremerton and his telephone number is ES 7-6139. I first contacted [redacted] by telephone and simply indicated that I was doing some [redacted] [redacted] and that I could tell from court records that he had [redacted] him a number of times. I attempted to gain further information about [redacted] and learned that he had lived at a variety of addresses and most of the time [redacted] simply gave a post office box number. [redacted] said that he had [redacted] him on a number of other occasions other than the court suits that I had mentioned; almost all of which involved [redacted] [redacted] I later called [redacted] again and arranged for an appointment and by the time I met with [redacted] later that evening he confronted me and told me that I was not a [redacted] or person doing a [redacted] but in fact that I was a [redacted] from Los Angeles and that I was representing you, [redacted] By this time I had checked almost all of the courts in the Bremerton and Port Orchard area and [redacted] on the [redacted] I did on certain occasions identify

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myself as a [redacted] and in one instance showed my identification indicating that I was from Los Angeles. At no time however did I indicate I was representing you, but I presume that [redacted] simply made this as an educated guess.

I learned that [redacted] had once [redacted] on a street known as [redacted] just outside of Silverdale and that he was living there with another [redacted]. He claimed that [redacted] does not have a permanent address since he has been separated from his wife. He also indicated that he had [redacted] on either the [redacted] [redacted] in Bremerton. He described [redacted] as being a [redacted]

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[redacted] He said that [redacted] and [redacted] his father, [redacted] [redacted] in Bremerton which is diagonally across the street from the [redacted] lived at the time of his arrest and where [redacted] was living at the time of my visit to the Bremerton area.

He also said that he had understood that [redacted] had been in Alaska prior to coming to the Bremerton, Washington area and had been involved in [redacted]

[redacted] in Alaska. He said that the use of the [redacted] [redacted] and the father and son [redacted] combination, got so bad that the management of the [redacted] had to take out the dial phone from the end of the bar because [redacted] was always using it as his own phone. He said that they finally put in a phone without a dial so that phone calls could be received at that phone but no calls could be originated from that phone. He said that [redacted] went on the wagon about one year ago and has not had a drink since. At the time that I met [redacted] he said that he received information that [redacted] had just returned to town from Portland that afternoon and was going to leave right away for Portland again.

I met with [redacted] in the late evening hours of Tuesday, July 25, 1972. Between my call to [redacted] to make the appointment and the time that I actually saw him, I placed a call to [redacted] residence which is in or on

[redacted] and her telephone number was MY 2-2191. I placed the call at 7:00 P.M. that evening and reached [redacted] and spoke with her briefly. I said that I understood that she was separated from her husband and she said that was the case but that she did not feel that she should discuss her husband or the case in any way. She asked if I would call back in about an hour which would have been 8:00 P.M. and I indicated that I would do so. At 8:45 P.M. I again called [redacted] residence and [redacted] answered the telephone. I am quite certain that it was the same voice that I had heard on the [redacted] that you provided me. I indicated that I was wanting to contact his wife and that I understood that they were separated and he became somewhat upset that I would make a direct contact with his wife. He indicated that they were not-separated and at that point I simply stated that it would probably be inappropriate to discuss the matter in any further detail insofar as his trial was coming up in the fall and we both agreed that this was probably the better course to follow.

I later spoke in person with both [redacted] at about 5:30 P.M. on July 27, 1972 at the Melody Lane Cocktail Lounge.

[redacted] offered up the possibility or stated that we should not rule out the possibility that [redacted] in fact had done the skyjacking. He stated this hypothesis on the following facts, that [redacted] currently was on the wagon and therefore capable of committing the act. He was also separated from his wife and had no permanent address and was paying child support. He was also being [redacted] and therefore needed the money. He also indicated that [redacted] was gone from Bremerton for about two weeks during the time of the skyjacking. He said that people in the Melody Lane Cocktail Lounge and in other cocktail lounges in the city, started putting two and two together after [redacted] were arrested because [redacted] had been out of town for two weeks and had been somewhat mysterious about his whereabouts during that period of time when he returned to town. This is the hypothesis that was conceived of in and around the bar stools of the Melody

Lane Cocktail Lounge and other cocktail lounges within Bremerton. He also stated that [redacted] was extremely intelligent and that he was quite capable of figuring out all the nuances and actually executing such a skyjacking. [redacted] said that he in fact had discussed the matter with the resident FBI agent and that the resident FBI agent did not consider it entirely improbable. [redacted] had been on the Bremerton Police Department as well as being on the [redacted] at the ship yards in Bremerton and therefore claims to know most of the police officers in the area as well as the FBI agents. [redacted] also pointed out a rather interesting coincidence. He said that not only is there a [redacted] in the telephone directory in Seattle as the news media has amply pointed out, but there is also a [redacted] with the Sheriff Department in the Bremerton area. His name is actually [redacted]. He did not know [redacted] address but he said he did live in the telephone prefix area of MY 2. Apparently [redacted] [redacted] has been the brunt of a number of jokes and has taken a lot of ribbing and kidding since the skyjacking.

[redacted] also points out that some people said that [redacted] was either in Reno or possibly Anchorage during the two weeks to one month that he was gone during the time right around the skyjacking. He claimed [redacted] did not tell anybody about the Reno or Anchorage location after he returned but must have mentioned it before he left. [redacted] also stated that he thought [redacted] had been in the armed services but was not sure at this point.

[redacted] says that he has met both [redacted] and said [redacted] is not too bright but that [redacted] is quite an engaging, intelligent, crafty individual. He said that he has had business dealings with both men apparently involving around [redacted]

At the present time [redacted] indicates that he is a [redacted] in the Sheriff Department in the area which probably compares with our [redacted] status in Los Angeles County. [redacted] did show me a badge and I presume that he was telling me the truth when he said that he is a [redacted] for that County which is Kitsap County.

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[redacted] indicated that he would be willing to do [redacted] on the case in the Bremerton area at a rate of [redacted]. That if we had anything for him to do on the case, that I would write a letter outlining the request and [redacted].

INTERVIEW WITH [redacted]

On July 27, 1972 at 5:30 P.M. I was eating dinner in the bar area of the Melody Lane Cocktail Lounge and Restaurant. Two men came in matching the general description of [redacted] and [redacted] and a man walked over to me identifying himself as [redacted] and introduced himself. He invited me to bring my dinner into the restaurant portion of the Melody Lane Cocktail Lounge. [redacted] was slim, balding and was wearing a flowered sport shirt. He had a [redacted]

[redacted] was wearing a white shirt with tie and no jacket. He was taller than [redacted] somewhat and was wearing a full beard that was short. He said that they understood that I was looking for them all over town and I said that I was simply asking questions. They indicated that they had enough publicity about the matter already and that my asking questions around town was ruining their reputations. I then reminded [redacted] that in fact he had gone to the Bremerton Sun after he had spoken with you.

[redacted] was somewhat flustered by that comment and then turned toward [redacted] and said that [redacted] was certainly not looking for any publicity. [redacted] put on a great show of appearing hurt and having his ego damaged. They were quite upset about my asking questions about them around town and they said that [redacted]

[redacted] said that he would see what he could do about stopping me from [redacted] and he said that he would do this by asking his attorney what could be done. It should be noted that [redacted] was served coffee at the bar and that the waitress who is known as [redacted] said to [redacted] when he came in I'll get you your coffee. [redacted] was served a drink. I asked both [redacted] about what happened and I was simply trying to find out what had happened in regards to the whole affair. They indicated that they had expected to hear from you since May 2, 1972 and I believe that this is the date that they were both arrested. He said that if you were being watched or felt that you were

being watched, he felt that you could have certainly sent someone else in your place to speak with them. I told them that we had contemplated this move but figured that it would not pay off insofar as they were both charged with criminal counts and would not discuss anything with us. They did state, however, that if I would have simply contacted them when I arrived in town that they would have told me everything if I simply would have contacted them first. I then pointed out to [redacted] that there were many inconsistencies in [redacted] that he had given to you. He said that you had gotten [redacted] and I said that I could prove that his background did not match the [redacted] comment was, "so what".

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[redacted] then suggested that I should read the July issue of "Moneyworth Magazine" written by Ginsberg. He said there was an article in there about honesty and then went on relating something to the fact that every time a policeman makes an arrest we all feel more honest. He evidently was trying to make some sort of philosophical comment about honesty and living but I'm sure that [redacted] could take his own advice.

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[redacted] said that his reputation was at stake and that his family had been in the area for [redacted]

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They also said that I was going around town saying things. [redacted] claimed that I said that I was [redacted] and I said that was not the case. I said that I had stated that I was [redacted] and that I had made inquiries about [redacted] in the [redacted] [redacted] I also told [redacted] that I had gotten all of my information from the man at the bank who [redacted] [redacted] and who [redacted] At that point [redacted] asked, [redacted] and [redacted] said, "Oh, you know that [redacted] asked if I knew that the case was being litigated, I said yes, that I understood that it was suppose to be in litigation at the present time.

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They said that they had numerous reports on where I had been and what I had been doing. They said they knew that I was talking with the [redacted] that I had been

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at the Court House and in fact they knew that I was standing waiting for a cab that afternoon.

They asked me where I was staying and I gave them the name of the motel and phone number in Seattle.

[redacted] said that the FBI in Bremerton knows both of them by first-name basis. [redacted] also complained that the FBI took his sunglasses and dug up his backyard. [redacted] said that he had been getting extortion notes and threats and threatening phone calls to kill him.

On a couple of occasions [redacted] told [redacted] to keep quiet. [redacted] asked if I was principally doing a dossier on him and I said that I was doing one on both of them but the emphasis was certainly on him. I believe that [redacted] and [redacted] were tipped off to my presence which had been principally my plan; by a cocktail waitress by the name of [redacted]. Her first name was [redacted] and [redacted] is simply a nickname. She claims to be a [redacted].

The dinner waitress who served us in the restaurant portion of the cocktail lounge was a [redacted] and she was the [redacted] left at about 6:00 P.M. after they said there was really nothing further to talk about and that I was simply trying to get information on them and I would probably hold everything against them.

ARREST RECORDS ON [redacted] IN CLALLUM COUNTY

I called officials in the County Seat of Port Angeles in Clallum County, which is just north of Bremerton. I previously had found a receipt for bail for [redacted] and this receipt was dated [redacted]. The receipt was for bail in Clallum County. I checked with officials there and found that [redacted] had charges filed against him on [redacted] for two separate counts. One of those counts was [redacted] and the other was [redacted]. The first count [redacted] was dismissed on [redacted] and the second count was dismissed on [redacted]. These charges were for [redacted] and the second count was for [redacted] and the date of this offense was given as [redacted]. The allegation stated that he had [redacted] and that [redacted]. The first count charged that

[redacted] had represented himself as [redacted] [redacted] to a Howard Equipment Center. Apparently the allegations said that he was trying to obtain financial gain by representing himself as a [redacted] I believe that his father, [redacted] actually had been a [redacted] This was said to have taken place on September 15, 1966 and he allegedly had made these representations to obtain machinery.

The bail receipt that I previously mentioned was Receipt No. [redacted] and was dated [redacted] and was received from [redacted]

This amount was [redacted] listed as bail for [redacted] from the Sequim Police Department. Sequim is in Clallum County. The [redacted] listed on the receipt was a [redacted] [redacted] in Sequim Washington and her telephone number was [redacted] I found this bill receipt in the [redacted] file for [redacted]

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I should also point out that I noted in the current criminal file on the [redacted] that the judge made notes for [redacted] that he had lived in Kitsap County his whole life and his father and mother also lived in that county. The judge also made notes that his wife and children were living in Bremerton and that his children were ages [redacted] [redacted] also claimed to have business interest in three corporations and have [redacted] in his own home. He also claim to have [redacted] and another [redacted] in the area. His parents and his wife signed for the [redacted] own recognizance bond.

I am also enclosing maps as well as two newspaper articles I obtained while in the Bremerton and Seattle area.

It is respectfully suggested that I write to the present U. S. Attorney handling the case relaying the financial information that I have received on [redacted] He had requested this information if I was able to obtain any financial information on either one of the parties.

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I also suggest calling the U. S. Attorney and gaining further information about the case including the reports about the altered serial numbers as well as obtaining arrest histories for both of the parties and prior background information especially on [Redacted] I will be discussing this case in further detail with you in person.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: 11/29/72

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: SAC, [redacted]
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)
RE: [redacted]
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Re Seattle teletype to Los Angeles dated 11/27/72.

Enclosed for Seattle are two xerox copies of Page 3 of a six page FD-302 with [redacted] dated 4/25/72, showing interview on 4/20/72.

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Also enclosed for Seattle are nine copies of FD--302 with attached [redacted] as requested by AUSA, Seattle. These [redacted]

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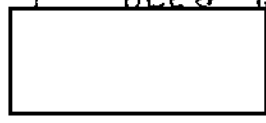
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TO: SAC, SEATTLE

FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 11/10/72, [redacted] Northwest Airlines, Minneapolis, Minnesota, furnished to SA [redacted] a letter he received by mail [redacted]

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[redacted] One copy of this letter is enclosed for Seattle and Los Angeles.

It is noted that this letter is addressed to the Acting Director, FBI with a copy for [redacted] It alleges that the writer, [redacted] has information regarding captioned matter, however, the comments contained in this letter indicate [redacted]

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Minneapolis indices contain nothing identifiable with [redacted]

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Review indices and/or appropriate sources to determine [redacted] background. Depending upon information developed, will consider his interview re captioned matter.

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The following information was obtained from the records of the [redacted]

[redacted] California.

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by SA [redacted] kah Date dictated 11/29/72

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/5/72

FROM : *JPD*
WST SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

OO: Seattle

Re Minneapolis airtel to Seattle and Los Angeles dated 11/13/72, enclosing copy of letter received by the President of Northwest Airlines from a [redacted] Hollywood, California.

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For the information of Seattle and Minneapolis, previous communications have been referred to this office from [redacted] and he has been contacted regarding allegations, complaints and information regarding the Bureau in the past.

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By Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau dated 12/30/69, captioned [redacted] - "INFORMATION CONCERNING", Bureau was advised that the letter from [redacted] would not be acknowledged in view of previous contacts indicating he was a "crackpot".

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He has written letters and furnished complaints to this office in the past alledging Bureau improprieties, as well as requesting the Bureau to conduct investigation.

He is characterized in Los Angeles file [redacted] as a crackpot and religious charlatan. Although intelligent, he is [redacted]

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Based on the above, no further action is being taken concerning the letter received by Northwest Airlines from [redacted] inferring he may have knowledge of DAN COOPER (D.B. COOPER).

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/4/72

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

SUBJECT: HORJAK
OO: Seattle

RE: Suspect JAMES RAY FUGATE, JR., number 200.

Re Seattle airtel to Los Angeles dated 11/9/72.

For information of Detroit, investigation has been conducted for the purpose of ascertaining whether JAMES RAY FUGATE, JR, a white male born 2/18/31, at Portland, Oregon, should be considered a logical suspect in this matter.

Investigation at Los Angeles has revealed as follows:

Through information provided by [redacted] Attorney at Law, [redacted] Santa Monica, California, (conceal per request), it was ascertained that JAMES RAY FUGATE, born 2/18/31, at Portland, Oregon, is currently employed in the capacity of Director of Marketing, Mc Culloch International Airlines, Long Beach Municipal Airport, 2735 Spring Street, Long Beach, California, and resided as of January 1971, at 17815 Oak Tree Lane, Irvine, California.

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On 11/29/72, [redacted] University Park Development, Irvine, California, advised he has been a neighbor of JAMES RAY FUGATE on Oak Tree Lane in Irvine, for the past two years and considers himself a close acquaintance of FUGATE, having socialized with him as a neighbor on numerous occasions. [redacted] recalls that on the dates 11/23-24-25, of 1971, he [redacted] had traveled to Sacramento to visit relatives. During that time they had

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requested JAMES FUGATE [redacted] to care for their pet cat. He recalls that upon their return the evening of 11/25/71, [redacted] had visited at the [redacted] residence. He could not specifically state that JAMES FUGATE was home at that time. On the same date, [redacted]

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[redacted] was contacted and advised she recalls having been in Sacramento with [redacted] for three days and returning on the evening of 11/25/71, during which time the [redacted] had agreed to take care of their cat. She stated she could not specifically recall whether she had observed JAMES FUGATE upon their return, but added that as close as she is to [redacted] she feels certain she would have been told by [redacted] if either would have been on any extended trip over the holidays. She also recalled that [redacted] had spoken of a desire to go to the Portland area where they used to live, during the Thanksgiving holidays, however, was somewhat disappointed when they were unable to do so.

On 11/30/72, [redacted] Mc Culloch International Airlines, 2735 East Spring Street, Long Beach, California, advised that records of this company indicated JAMES RAY FUGATE, Director of Marketing, submitted an expense account on 12/7/71, covering the period of 11/16/71 to 1/30/72. This account indicated that FUGATE had departed Long Beach, California, on 11/25/71, for Detroit, Michigan. [redacted] was unable to supply any supporting documents advising the flight to Chicago was on an aircraft owned by Mc Culloch Airlines and from Chicago to Detroit was via a scheduled airline. She stated passengers manifests are only preserved for a six month period and was unable to obtain a copy for their flight 11/25/71. She stated that FUGATE would have stayed in the Hilton Inn in Detroit, Michigan, on the night of 11/25/71. Attached is a Xerox copy of the expense account of FUGATE as follows:

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PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE FULL NAME, GRADE, MAIL, WITH COPY ONLY, IN EACH YELLOW COPY FOR YOUR FILES.

DATE Dec 11, 1971

NAME JAMES R FOULTE

EXPENSE ACCOUNT
McCULLOCH INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES

PERIOD COVERED
FROM NOV 16, 1971 TO NOV 30, 1971

DEPT. MARKETING

MONTH DATE	EXPENSES INCURRED AT (CITY) SHOW TRANSPORTATION FROM (CITY) TO (CITY)	DAILY AUTO MILES	PER DIEM	TRAVELING EXPENSES					MISCELLANEOUS		TOTAL	
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CREDIT CARD EXPENSES - CHARGED DIRECT TO COMPANY

USE THIS SPACE FOR ADDITIONAL EXPLANATION OF BUSINESS ENTERTAINMENT RECE NO. 955

DATE	AIR TRAVEL EXPENSE (Attach Used and Unused Tickets)				CAR RENTAL		OTHER CREDIT CARD EXPENSES	
	AIRLINE	FROM	TO	AMOUNT	Hertz A-Avis	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT

ACCOUNTING DISTRIBUTION	MILEAGE RECAP <u>118</u> MILES AT <u>10</u> CENTS	11.80
ACCOUNT NO. AMOUNT	ASSOCIATION AND CLUB DUES	
	NAME	
	TOTAL EXPENSES - THIS REPORT	<u>509.54</u>
	BALANCE FROM LAST REPORT - DUE ME	
	DUE CO.	<u>509.54</u>
VOUCHER NO. PETTY CASH	ADVANCES SINCE LAST REPORT	
	CURRENT BALANCE DUE	<u>509.54</u>
	DISPOSITION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CHECK <input type="checkbox"/> CASH <input type="checkbox"/> CARRY FORWARD

EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE JR Foulte DATE 12/1/71 APPROVED BY X AUDITED BY DATE

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No further investigation is being conducted by Los Angeles unless requested by Seattle.

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AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN: Will attempt to verify, through records of Hilton Inn, Detroit, that JAMES RAY FUGATE, registered at that hotel on 11/25/71, to corroborate information supplied on expense account. If possible ascertain if registry reflects time, noting that subject of this matter was in the Seattle-Portland area at 11:00 p.m., on 11/24/71.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

DATE: 12/7/72

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On instant date [redacted] Torrance, Calif., telephone number [redacted] telephonically contacted this office and advised the following.

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[redacted] stated he recently saw a composite photograph of D. B. COOPER and he believes it to be a good likeness of [redacted] Huntington Beach.

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[redacted] stated [redacted] had worked with him at Hughs Aircraft as an [redacted]. He stated [redacted] had worked at Hughs Aircraft, El Segundo, until about eight months ago when he went to work for a firm (name unknown) in Orange County.

[redacted] stated that after the skyjacking over Seattle, [redacted]

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[redacted] He stated [redacted] told everybody that he had fallen down. Nobody thought anything about it because [redacted] was known to be very clumsy.

[redacted] stated he saw [redacted] a couple days ago and the more he thought about it, the more he wondered whether or not it could have been [redacted] in that [redacted] looks so much like the composite photograph. [redacted] stated he thought more detailed information regarding [redacted] could be obtained from Hughs Aircraft records and he would help in any way he could.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC LOS ANGELES

DATE: 12/12/72

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJACK

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On 12/12/72 [redacted] Bank of America Marina Del Rey Branch 4680 Admiralty Way telephone [redacted] advised over the Thanksgiving Holidays she observed an artists conception of D.B. COOPER, the individual responsible for the skyjacking of an airplane in the Seattle, Washington area about a year ago. She noticed a strong resemblance of the conception with a customer at the bank and made inquiry to ascertain if COOPER had been located. Several of her associates informed her that they believed the matter had been solved. However, she has since determined the matter is under investigation and she has furnished all of her information to the [redacted] [redacted] of the Bank of America under the [redacted] of that office, who has assured her the information will be furnished the FBI.

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At Los Angeles, California

Will check with [redacted] Bank of America for information furnished that department by [redacted] regarding D.B. COOPER

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TO : SAC LOS ANGELES

DATE: 12/13/72

FROM : SA [Redacted]

[Redacted]

SUBJECT: NORJACK

Re: Memo of SA [Redacted] dated 12/12/72

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On 12/13/72, [Redacted] Bank of America, 555 South Flower, Los Angeles, California, telephone [Redacted] advised that [Redacted] Bank of America Marina Del Rey Branch, Marina del Rey on 11/24/72 contacted his office when an [Redacted] opened an account at the above bank with [Redacted] and also established a safe deposit box at that branch. [Redacted] though possibly the money might have been taken in a bank robbery and this information was furnished to the Los Angeles Div of the FBI along with the serial numbers of the bills. However, a check of the Los Angeles files failed to indicate that the bills were from any bank robbery other list.

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[Redacted] related in the later part of November 1972 he was again contacted by [Redacted] regarding the above individuals at which time she claimed she believed that [Redacted] resembled an artists conception of D.B. COOPER, the individual involved in a skyjacking in the Seattle, Washington area. [Redacted] indicated he discounted her statement believing she might be overreacting to the above incident. HOWEVER, he was again contacted by [Redacted] on 12/12/72 and again furnished the information regarding the resemblance between the skyjacker and [Redacted] as both men had been at the Marina Del Rey Branch of the Bank of America on 12/12/72 withdrawing [Redacted] of their money from the bank. He said they had been in contact with the [Redacted] of the bank [Redacted] who had a good look at both men.

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[Redacted] said the [Redacted] had filled out their forms for their account at the bank indicating they resided at [Redacted] Marina Del Rey, California. they drove a [Redacted] Oldsmobile bearing California license [Redacted] they were employed by the Republic National Ins. Co.

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Los Angeles Division
at Marina del Rey
will contact [Redacted] and [Redacted] bank of America branch and display artists conception of d.b. cooper and conduct logical investigation.

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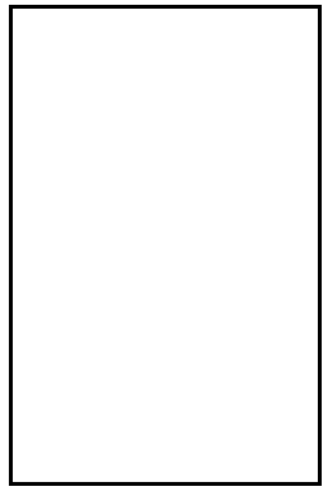
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

DATE: 12/13/72

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 12/12/72 CHARLES FARRELL, Seattle Division, telephonically requested that a Special Agent of this Division contact the offices of [REDACTED] here in Los Angeles and obtain a piece of paper with three numbers on it. These numbers are the numbers of the bills reportedly given to [REDACTED] by one of the subjects presently in trial in Seattle. This piece of paper should be provided to Seattle by facsimile as soon as it is obtained.

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NORJAK

On 12/12/72 CHARLES FARRELL, Seattle Division, telephonically requested that a Special Agent of this Division contact the offices of here in Los Angeles and obtain a piece of paper with three numbers on it. These numbers are the numbers of the bills reportedly given to by one of the subjects presently in trial in Seattle. This piece of paper should be provided to Seattle by facsimile as soon as it is obtained.

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TO: LOS ANGELES (164-497) - 95a -

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FROM: [REDACTED] (RMK)

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UNSUB CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

RE: [REDACTED]

ON DECEMBER THIRTEEN INSTANT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NAT, [REDACTED] OFFICE PHONE

[REDACTED] NO HOME PHONE, TELEPHONICALLY

ADVISED THE AQ OFFICE HE HAD OVERHEARD CONVERSATION BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (PHONETIC), AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (PHONETIC), [REDACTED] CONCERNING D. B. COOPER,

UNSUB IN THIS CASE. [REDACTED] RESIDE [REDACTED] ANAHEIM,

CALIF., LOCATED ON [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED THE [REDACTED] INDICATED D. B. COOPER IS A

PROFESSIONAL DRUG STRIP DRIVER WHO GOES BY NAME [REDACTED]

HAS DRIVEN AT THE ORANGE COUNTY RACEWAY AND HAS ALSO RESIDED AT

[REDACTED] DRIVES AT ALL PRO CIRCUITS AND DRIVES

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[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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[Redacted] INDICATED INITIALS OF [Redacted] ARE D.B.
BUT LAST NAME IS NOT COOPER. MONEY RECEIVED BY [Redacted] ALLEGEDLY
LOCATED IN BANKS IN AFRICA, EUROPE, AND SWEDEN.

[Redacted] IS ALSO DRAG DRIVER. [Redacted] STATED HE
DOES NOT KNOW IF ABOVE IS TRUE OR MERELY A STORY MADE UP BY
[Redacted] BUT WISHED TO PASS SAME ON TO FBI. [Redacted] DOES NOT
WANT HIS IDENTITY AS SOURCE OF INFORMATION TO BECOME KNOWN
DURING INVESTIGATION BECAUSE OF [Redacted] ONLY
WISHES TO BE CONTACTED AT HIS PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT IF NECESSARY.

LOS ANGELES CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO RESOLVE
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New Mystery Unfolds in 'D. B. Cooper' Trial

Journalist Karl Fleming Testifies Public's Fascination With Case Lured Him to Hoax

BY DARYL LEMBKE

SEATTLE — The public's fascination with "D. B. Cooper," the vanished hijacker who is either dead or holed up somewhere with \$200,000 that he cannot spend, led two Los Angeles men into the mystery.

Karl Fleming, 45, a journalist, thought he had located the missing hijacker. He testified in court here that he got Max Palevsky, 48, a wealthy Los Angeles businessman and former chairman of the Xerox Corp. executive committee, to pay \$30,000 in cash to obtain all publication rights to "Cooper's" first-person account of the hijacking. Palevsky also put up \$5,000 more for Fleming's expenses.

Fleming and Palevsky were to share equally in the profits from selling the story for book publication, television and a motion picture.

Fraud Charge

The U.S. government contends that all that the two bought was a hoax.

Details of the case are coming out at a trial of two Bremerton, Wash., men, Donald Sylvester Murphy, 50, and William J. Lewis, 29, on two charges of fraud. The pair are accused of hoodwinking Fleming out of the \$30,000, Murphy by posing as "Cooper" for interviews and Lewis by acting as the go-between.

"You know, the cold chills are rising on my arms," Fleming said on the tape recording. "This is an incredible God-damned story. My instincts were so good, I just knew."

They are expected to testify in their own defense this week. Their attorney's cross-examination of Fleming indicated that the defense will claim he knowingly participated in the scheme.

The trial will resume this morning before a jury of three women and nine men in federal court here. Fleming, who was on the witness stand most of the time last week as the prosecution presented its case against Murphy and Lewis, conceded under cross-examination: "There is a strong possibility I was had."

From tape recordings of his preliminary negotiations with Lewis, it seemed apparent that Fleming let his eagerness to get what he thought was the story of the century dull his reporter's skepticism.

For example, when Lewis told him on the phone that "Cooper" was motivated to hijack the plane by bitterness toward society because of losing his job at the Boeing Co. after 14 years there, Fleming fairly jumped in excitement.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

I-12 Los Angeles Times
Los Angeles, Calif.

Date: 12/18/72
Edition: Monday final
Author: Daryl Lembke
Editor: William F. Thomas
Title: Norjak

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Classification: 164-497
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Fleming said Newsweek Fleming testified that L. magazine, for whom he wrote an ad in Seattle newspapers then worked in Los Angeles as a contributing editor, addressed to "D. B. Cooper," refused to pay any money for "Cooper's" story but "suggested I get the hijacker to write the story I could for Reno newspaper. The free." He said he then took the tape of the telephone conversation with Lewis Fleming's ad urged the to Palevsky, with whom hijacker to phone him if he was discussing the hijacker he was interested in telling his story "to an absolute money of the weekly fully discreet and trustworthy writer for a newspaper, L.A.

"I played the tape and he (Palevsky) was as struck by it as I was," Fleming said. "We were impressed more by the social aspects than the cops and robbers. This seemed the quintessential case history of a man working for a big company, working as a faithful employe and being summarily chopped off when the company didn't need him anymore."

A month passed and then he was contacted by phone by a man who said he was acting as the agent for "D. B. Cooper." Fleming identified Lewis and Murphy in court as the men to whom he eventually paid Palevsky's \$30,000 for the interviews with Murphy.

Hijacked in 1971

The name "D. B. Cooper" was given by a man who hijacked a Northwest Orient Airlines 727 jet between Portland and Seattle on Thanksgiving Eve, Nov. 23, 1971.

Holding what he claimed was a bomb, the man forced authorities to give him \$200,000 in \$20 bills at Seattle and then parachuted into the stormy darkness on a flight from Seattle to Reno.

He has never turned up. The Army deployed hundreds of soldiers to comb the area in southwest Washington over which he supposedly jumped, but found no trace of him.

The possibility that "Cooper" might have gotten away with the money seemed to titillate the fancy of a lot of people, notwithstanding its criminal aspects. A Portland, Ore., man sold D. B. Cooper T-shirts and a Portland nightclub singer recorded a song, "D. B. Cooper, Where Are You?"

In the preliminary conversations with Fleming both on the phone and at a meeting in Los Angeles, the man who Fleming identified as Lewis gave a convincing description of "Cooper."

The go-between described the hijacker as a family man, faithful to his wife, an admirer of President Nixon, a hater of people on welfare, a man living in a three-level home on Seattle's Lake Washington and a dedicated Boeing employe.

The negotiator said on the tape that "Cooper" became completely disillusioned with the system when he was let out at Boeing with only two weeks' notice, while a younger man working with him was retained.

Discussing his own motive in attempting to peddle the hijacker's account, the go-between said on the tape:

"Dishonesty is a state of mind. If you think you're dishonest, then you are. I'm just liquidating some of the assets from D. B. Cooper and taking a percentage."

An FBI expert, in comparing documents, testified that photocopies of three \$20 bills, supposedly from the hijack loot, that Lewis and Murphy showed to Fleming to prove that he was really interviewing "Cooper" were bogus.

In interviews with Fleming, filmed on a Puget Sound beach and taped in a motel room, Murphy said he had planned the hijacking for 14 months. He said his problem was that "I couldn't spend the money after I got it." The film was shown to the jury last Wednesday.

Fleming testified that, after the interviews, he, Murphy and Lewis drove to a rural area near the hamlet of La Center in southwest Washington. Murphy pointed out where he supposedly landed after parachuting from the 727 and where he got in his car and drove home. He said he was guided to his car by radio transmitters that he had placed in the vehicle and at two nearby locations and which he monitored with a walkie-talkie during and after the jump.

Fleming said that Newsweek had a cover story written and a sketch drawn to illustrate it, based on his interviews with "Cooper." He said a week before the article was to run, an attorney for a book publishing company threatened to tell the FBI about the interviews. He had been discussing publication of the story with the book firm, Harper & Row.

Fleming said he then instructed an attorney friend to give all the information about the contacts with Murphy and Lewis to the FBI. An investigation turned up many discrepancies in what the two

men had told Fleming, including the fact that Murphy had never been employed by Boeing. The two men were arrested on June 3.

Palevsky described his occupation in his testimony as "an entrepreneur."

He said he had trusted Fleming's judgment enough to put up the \$35,000, knowing him to be a "very reputable journalist."

"I wasn't totally convinced but certainly thought there was a probability that he had access to D. B. Cooper," Palevsky said.

He added: "I wanted to have nothing to do with the entire transaction. It was Karl's project. I wanted to avoid as far as possible any involvement."

On the witness stand last Thursday, Fleming disclosed that the weekly newspaper LA, which he and Palevsky started six months ago with Palevsky's support, had suspended publication. In making the disclosure, Fleming was overcome with emotion. U.S. Dist. Judge Walter McGovern called a recess to enable him to regain his composure.

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2 Convicted in 'D. B. Cooper' Fraud Case

BY DARYL LEMBKE
Times Staff Writer

SEATTLE — Two men were convicted in federal court here Wednesday of fraudulently selling a story of how "D. B. Cooper" hijacked an airliner, with one of them impersonating the hijacker.

A jury of three women and nine men deliberated five hours Tuesday night and Wednesday before finding William J. (Jack) Lewis, 33, and Donald Sylvester Murphy, 50, guilty of all charges.

Both were found guilty of two counts of inducing former Newsweek contributing editor Karl Fleming, 45, to travel across state lines for the purpose of defrauding him and of a third count of conspiring to defraud him.

Lewis was also convicted of a fourth count of using a wire (in this case, the telephone) to defraud.

Possible Sentences

U.S. Dist. Judge Walter T. McGovern set Jan. 19 for probation hearing and sentencing. Lewis could receive up to 30 years in federal prison or \$31,000 in fines or both. Murphy could receive a maximum sentence of 25 years or \$30,000 in fines or both.

Jury foreman George Wittrock, a planner for the Boeing Co., said the deciding factor was the re-playing in the jury room of tapes recorded when Lewis, acting as the go-between, phoned Fleming in Los Angeles last Jan. 31 and Feb. 1 and other tapes recorded in Seattle when Fleming interviewed Murphy. Fleming testified in the eight-day trial that the two Bremerton, Wash., real estate men had flim-flammed him into believing that he was interviewing the real "D. B. Cooper" when he questioned Murphy at length on tape and film.

The defendants claimed that he knew all along that Murphy was playing the role of "D. B. Cooper" but went along with it to obtain an exciting story.

Wittrock said the jury believed the tapes proved conclusively that Fleming thought he was dealing with the real hijacker.

1971 Hijacking

A man giving the name "D. B. Cooper" hijacked a 727 jet airliner Nov. 23, 1971, demanded and got

\$200,000 and parachuted out on a flight from Seattle to Reno.

No trace has ever been found of the man or the money.

Fleming placed an ad in Seattle newspapers last Dec. 23, urging "D. B. Cooper" to contact him and tell his story "to an absolutely discreet and trustworthy writer for responsible national magazine, without jeopardizing your safety in any way."

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Los Angeles, Calif.

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Edition: Thursday final
Author: Daryl Lembke
Editor: William F. Thomas
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At the time, Fleming was a contributing editor in Los Angeles for Newsweek magazine, for whom he had worked 11 years. More than a month after placing the ad, Fleming got a telephone call from a man whom he identified in court as Lewis. The man said he could put Fleming in touch with the hijacker, whom he described as a family man disillusioned by being let out of his job at the Boeing company after 14 years of service.

Palevsky Backing

Fleming flew twice to Seattle and paid for the publication, TV and movie rights to the hijacker's story. The \$30,000 and \$5,000 in expense money was put up by Max Palevsky, 48, a wealthy Los Angeles businessman who was to share equally with Fleming in profits from the story.

Murphy, a real estate man and former operator of heavy construction equipment who said he went broke two years ago because of a drinking problem, admitted he posed as "D. B. Cooper" for lengthy interviews by Fleming.

He said that at Lewis' suggestion, he "boned up" on the hijacking by going to the library and reading newspaper accounts of it. He said he even drove to a sky diving field near Seattle, watched parachute jumps and had a sky diver explain his technique.

Murphy testified that Lewis gave him 17 pages of notes and a script which he used as the basis for his remarks in the interviews by Fleming. Murphy had never worked for Boeing and said he had never jumped from a plane.

Went to FBI

During four days on the witness stand last week, Fleming insisted that he thought he was interviewing the real hijacker. A week before Newsweek was scheduled to run a cover story based on the interviews, Fleming had an attorney friend go to the FBI and tell agents about the interviews.

An investigation by the FBI turned up discrepancies, Newsweek canceled the story and the FBI arrested Murphy and Lewis last May 2.

Both Lewis and Murphy admitted in their testimony that they lied when interrogated by the FBI. They claimed they did so to protect Fleming's story. They also maintained Fleming knew all along that Murphy was not "D. B. Cooper."

Lewis claimed that after he had placed an ad carrying the heading, "D. B. Cooper," in a Bremerton newspaper to attract attention to lots which he had for sale, a man whom he believed to be the real hijacker called him in the middle of the night. He said that the notes which he took from this and subsequent calls from the same man were turned over to Murphy so that he could give an authentic impersonation of the hijacker.

'I Need a Body'

Lewis quoted Fleming as remarking, after being informed that the real hijacker would not be available for the interviews:

"I need a body."

When he got his story twisted during cross examination by Asst. U.S. Atty. Larry Finegold, Lewis blurted at one point:

"I told many lies to the FBI. I mean, it's impossible to keep the lies straight."

Attorney Tony Savage representing Murphy, said Fleming and Palevsky "got themselves in this spot."

"Mr. Fleming is going to wind up a fool or a cheat, regardless of the verdict, and I suspect he'd prefer the former," Savage said.

He said Palevsky was angered at being subpoenaed to testify at the trial because "he doesn't want to get involved, because he wanted to keep his skirts clean."

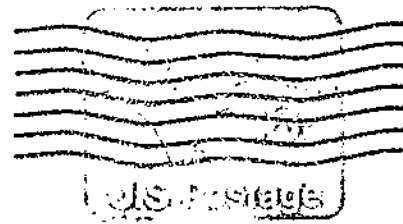
Palevsky last week dropped his support of Fleming's newspaper, L.A., causing it to suspend publication.

Fleming said Palevsky was angered at him for not informing him that he would have to appear at the trial, an appearance that caused him to defer a trip to Europe.

Asked if this was the reason Palevsky dropped his support for the newspaper, Fleming replied that it also could be "because these proceedings have revealed I'm a pretty stupid guy."

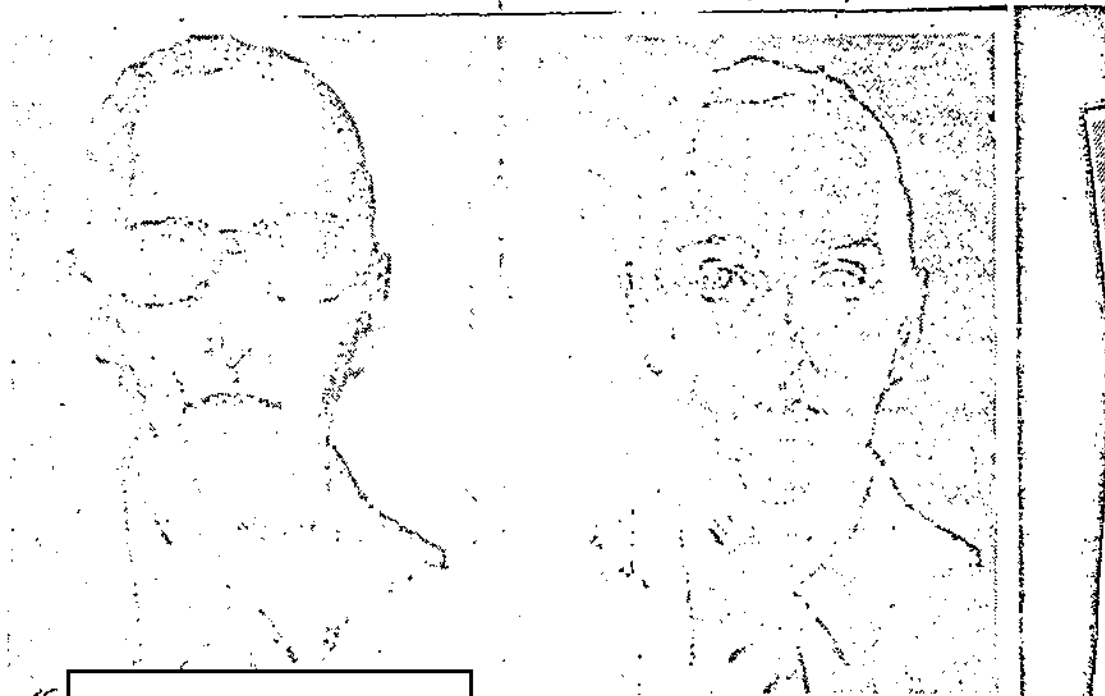
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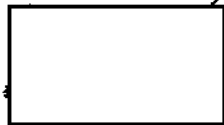


**Cooper Still
At Large**

These are official FBI sketches of a man who gave his name as Dan Cooper and hijacked a Northwest Airlines jet en route from Portland to Seattle last Thanksgiving Eve. The hijacker parachuted from the plane with \$200,000 in ransom money and signaled the era of the parachuting hijacker. He is still at large and authorities say they have no firm clues to his whereabouts. (AP Wirephoto)

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This man is [redacted] former address- Inglewood Cal.
Then Seattle, Washington and Portland Oregon now part time
Reno Nevada Area. We were all convinced Dan Cooper was
[redacted] before we saw this picture.

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From: For the Acting Director, FBI (164-2111)
W. Mark Felt
Acting Associate Director

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Enclosed for receiving offices are one true copy of self-explanatory anonymous note, one copy of newspaper photo of unsub, aka D. B. Cooper, and one copy of envelope postmarked Pocatello, Idaho, dated 12-15-72.

Receiving offices conduct appropriate investigation and record checks to fully identify [redacted] Attempt to determine if [redacted] possibly involved in this case.

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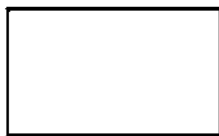
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FROM: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

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~~SUBJECT CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS RE [redacted]~~

RE ALBUQUERQUE NITEL 12/13/72.

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]
~~INVESTIGATION NEGATIVE TO IDENTIFY [redacted]~~

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INVESTIGATION DETERMINED [redacted] NOT KNOWN TO OFFICIALS

ORANGE COUNTY RACEWAY, SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA, OR AT [redacted]

[redacted] GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA,

ON 12/20/72, [redacted] WHITE FEMALE, BORN

[redacted] ADVISED ~~THAT~~ SHE IS THE [redacted]

[redacted] WHITE MALE, BORN [redacted] 5'8", 140 POUNDS, DARK

BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES. [redacted] ADVISED ~~THAT~~ [redacted] IS

CURRENTLY RESIDING WITH [redacted]

[redacted] HOUSTON, TEXAS, TELEPHONE [redacted] **69-497-631**

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[REDACTED] HAS CASHED APPROXIMATELY 500 DOLLARS WORTH ~~THE~~
BAD CHECKS IN COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, AND LEFT CALIFORNIA
FEARFUL OF ARREST. [REDACTED] BOTH TRAVEL IN
RACING CAR CIRCLES. [REDACTED] HAS DRIVEN [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SHORTLY AFTER CAPTIONED SKYJACKING,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BOTH OF WHOM RESIDE IN FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO, ENGAGED
IN A CONVERSATION ABOUT THE SKYJACKING. NO MENTION WAS
MADE AT THAT TIME WHO WAS INVOLVED AND THE NAME [REDACTED] DID
NOT COME UP. SHE BELIEVES ~~THAT~~ SHE HAS HEARD ~~THE~~ NAME
[REDACTED] MENTIONED BY RACING DRIVERS BUT IS NOT CERTAIN.

SHE STATED SHE MAY HAVE HEARD ~~THE~~ NAME MENTIONED BY
[REDACTED] (PHONETIC) AND [REDACTED] (PHONETIC),
[REDACTED] BEING FROM MICHIGAN AND [REDACTED] FROM SEATTLE,
WASHINGTON. NEITHER MENTIONED [REDACTED] BEING CONNECTED
WITH SKYJACKING BUT MENTION HIM ONLY AS A RACE CAR DRIVER.

SHE ADVISED ^{HAS} ~~SHE~~ NEVER HEARD [REDACTED] DISCUSS [REDACTED]
IN CONNECTION WITH ANY SKYJACKING.

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[REDACTED] CAN BE RECONTACTED EITHER AT ~~THE~~
GARDEN GROVE ADDRESS ABOVE AT [REDACTED] OR
AT [REDACTED]
GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA.

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RECORDS ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, SANTA ANA
CALIFORNIA, SHOW LOCAL TRAFFIC WARRANT FOR [REDACTED]
WHILE RECORDS COSTA MESA POLICE DEPARTMENT SHOW [REDACTED]
SUBJECT OF TWO CLOSED NSF CHECK CASES OF MINOR VALUE.
NO WARRANTS WITH COSTA MESA POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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ALBUQUERQUE AT FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO: WILL REINTERVIEW
SOURCE, [REDACTED] IN PERSON TO OBTAIN
COMPLETE DETAILS OF CONVERSATION ALLEGEDLY OVERHEARD REGARDING
[REDACTED] DETERMINE WHEN CONVERSATION TOOK PLACE, WHO ELSE WAS
PRESENT AND EVALUATE [REDACTED] AS A RELIABLE SOURCE. IF FURTHER
INVESTIGATION BELIEVED NECESSARY SET FORTH LEAD FOR INTERVIEW
OF [REDACTED] BY HOUSTON DIVISION.

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TO: LOS ANGELES (164-497)
FROM: ALBUQUERQUE (149-131) (RUC)

NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

RE URGEL, 12/26/72.

RE: [REDACTED]

SOURCE [REDACTED] (PROTECT), [REDACTED], ADVISED

[REDACTED] THAT HE SPENT [REDACTED] IN GARDEN GROVE, CALIF., AND
WAS IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] TOLD HIM OF
FBI CONTACT RE [REDACTED] AND STATES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SHE ALSO STATED [REDACTED] IS NOW
AWARE OF BUREAU'S INTEREST IN HIM. [REDACTED] ALSO REFERRED TO
[REDACTED] (LNU). [REDACTED] CLAIMS [REDACTED] IS NOT TO BE CONFUSED
WITH A CURRENT ASSOCIATE OF [REDACTED] NAMED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED INITIAL CONVERSATION RE [REDACTED] TOOK PLACE IN
RESIDENCE OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] GARDEN GROVE, CALIF. HE ADVISED ALSO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE ADVISED THE CONVERSATION WAS DURING
FIRST WEEK OF DECEMBER, 1972, AND HE AND [REDACTED] HAD RETURNED

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TO THAT AREA FOR [REDACTED]

HE ADVISED HE OVERHEARD BITS OF REMARKS MADE BY VARIOUS FAMILY MEMBERS RE [REDACTED] AND INSTANT SKYJACKING MATTER. HE STATED REMARKS WERE MADE BY A [REDACTED] [REDACTED] IN ADDITION TO BOTH OF [REDACTED], HE BELIEVES [REDACTED] ASSOCIATION WITH THE [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] FAMILY IS MERELY THROUGH THEIR ASSOCIATION WITH [REDACTED] HE COULD NOT RENDER ANY OPINION AS TO WHY [REDACTED] WOULD DIVULGE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION ON THIS MATTER. HE ALSO STATES THAT [REDACTED] WAS RETURNED TO GARDEN GROVE, BUT DOUBTS HE WOULD BE COOPERATIVE UNDER ORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES.

[REDACTED] FEELS THAT UNDER PRESSURE [REDACTED] WOULD FURNISH INFORMATION RELATIVE TO [REDACTED] IDENTITY AND PRESENT LOCATION.

[REDACTED] SUGGESTED THE NAMES OF [REDACTED] (PHONETIC), A NATIONALLY KNOWN [REDACTED] FROM LOUISIANA, AND [REDACTED] (PHONETIC), ANOTHER [REDACTED], WHO ARE CURRENTLY IN LOS ANGELES AREA AS TWO PEOPLE WHO WOULD KNOW OF [REDACTED] IDENTITY. [REDACTED] STATED ON 12/31/72 [REDACTED] WOULD PROBABLY BE PARTICIPATING IN A [REDACTED] AT ORANGE COUNTY, CALIF., TO BE HELD AT EL TORO

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MAXINE BASE,

[] DISCLAIMS ANY KNOWLEDGE OF [] AND []
[] CLAIMS HE IS CURRENTLY BEING SOUGHT BY ORANGE
COUNTY OFFICIALS FOR NON SUPPORT, BUT HE IS NOT A FUGITIVE
FROM ANY CRIMINAL MATTER.

ALBUQUERQUE IS UNABLE TO DETERMINE CREDIBILITY OF []
REMARKS BASED UPON LIMITED KNOWLEDGE OF HIS BACKGROUND.

LOS ANGELES CONTINUE INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-812)
FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)
SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

Re Albuquerque nitel to Los Angeles, dated 12/27/72.

REGARDING SUSPECT [redacted]

On 12/29/72, [redacted] (note correct spelling of name), [redacted] Santa Ana, California, telephone number [redacted] was interviewed at his residence. He advised that [redacted] is identical to [redacted] (Phonetic), described as white, male, American, 24 to 26, 5'8", 160, short reddish blond hair, stocky build, ruddy complexion. He advised that he met [redacted] approximately three years ago in Dallas, Texas, at [redacted] where [redacted] was working [redacted] is presently living he believes somewhere in Orange County, California, [redacted] name unknown. [redacted] worked at one time for [redacted] Tulsa, Oklahoma, [redacted] [redacted] is a [redacted] last worked for an unknown [redacted] somewhere in Arkansas.

[redacted] advised that at no time did he ever discuss captioned matter with [redacted] nor did he ever hear [redacted] state that he was in fact the skyjacker or had anything to do with the crime. He has received no information to indicate that [redacted] is the skyjacker. [redacted] is a quiet individual, considered

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to be a very competent [redacted] In order to attempt to establish reliability to the initial source of the information suggesting [redacted] as the suspect, [redacted] was advised that the source of the information was [redacted]

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He advised that [redacted] has [redacted] in the past. [redacted] received a [redacted] from the United States Marine Corps for a reason unknown to him. Several months ago [redacted] was [redacted] Long Beach, California, for an [redacted] and also [redacted] has expressed a dislike for the [redacted] for several reasons. [redacted] were [redacted]

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[redacted] this caused a family squabble. [redacted] never received any compensation from [redacted]

In early December 1972, [redacted] the house [redacted] are now residing. It was decided by the [redacted] that the house would be sold but that [redacted] could live in the house, rent free, until the house was sold, to assist them financially. [redacted] was quite unhappy that they were allowed to do this as he thought that he should have been allowed to live rent free in the house.

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] has been the subject of [redacted] and he feels that [redacted] would have made up a story and furnished information to the FBI just to cause embarrassment and harassment to the [redacted]

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In view of the above, Los Angeles suggests that no further investigation be conducted to locate [redacted] UAC Seattle.

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Seattle and Albuquerque correct spelling of name in referenced communication and in Los Angeles nitel to Albuquerque and Seattle, dated 12/26/72.

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SAC, LAS VEGAS

SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P) 2P

NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

RE: NEW SUSPECT.

RE LOS ANGELES NITEL 1-2-73.

[REDACTED], HAS CALIFORNIA DRIVER'S LICENSE

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[REDACTED] RESIDES [REDACTED] CALIFORNIA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED WHITE MALE BORN [REDACTED]

5 FEET 10 INCHES, 170 POUNDS, BROWN EYES, GRAY HAIR. HE IS REGISTERED

OWNER OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

DISCREET INQUIRY IN [REDACTED] AREA REVEALS [REDACTED]

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RESEMBLES ARTIST'S SKETCH OF UNSUB, IS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DRIVES LEASED

[REDACTED] AND IS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE ALSO [REDACTED]

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RELIABLE SOURCE [REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] VERY ACTIVE
IN LOCAL AFFAIRS AND POLITICS AND [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SOURCE ADVISED NO INDICATIONS OF FINANCIAL PROBLEMS OR
INDICATIONS OF WEALTH, AND [REDACTED] HAS EXCELLENT [REDACTED] SOURCE
DESCRIBED [REDACTED] IN ACCORDANCE WITH DESCRIPTION SET OUT ABOVE AND HE
HAS VERY SHORT GRAY HAIR, NARROW FACE, AND VERY NOTICEABLE CROOKED
FRONT TEETH. SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED [REDACTED] HAS NO NOTICEABLE SCARS OR
INDICATIONS OF FORMER INJURIES. IT IS NOT KNOWN IF [REDACTED] IS PARA-
CHUTIST. SOURCE ADVISED [REDACTED] (2 OR 3
MAN AT PREMISES) IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, NAME UNRE-
CALLED.

SACRAMENTO WILL FORWARD PHOTOS FROM DRIVER'S LICENSE TO SEATTLE
AND LOS ANGELES.

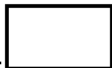
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~~SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50)~~ **RRH**
~~SAC, KANSAS CITY LAS VEGAS~~
~~SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY~~

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

NORJAK, OO: SEATTLE

REGARDING NEW SUSPECT

[Redacted]

[Redacted] BORN [Redacted]

[Redacted] ALL OFFICERS OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE - [Redacted]

[Redacted] HAVE ADVISED THAT ARTIST CONCEPTION OF HIJACKER IN
DECEMBER ISSUE OF FBI LAW ENFORCEMENT BULLETIN BEARS CLOSE
RESEMBLANCE TO FORMER LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

[Redacted] (PHONETIC).

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[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FURNISHED INFORMATION FROM PERSONNEL RECORDS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, INDICATING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] EMPLOYED AS [REDACTED] PROMOTED TO [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED] CALIFORNIA.

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS GREGARIOUS, ^{ENERGETIC}~~INTERGETIC~~ AND INTELLIGENT OFFICER AND NO DEROGATIVE INFORMATION IN PERSONNEL FILE.

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[REDACTED] CLAIMED TO BE GRADUATE OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE SCHOOL WHILE IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FORT BRAGG, NORTH CAROLINA, NO DATE INDICATED BUT [REDACTED] BELIEVED DURING WORLD WAR II.

[REDACTED] STATES [REDACTED]; A WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED] LEFT LOS ANGELES 1962 - 1963 AND BELIEVED [REDACTED] IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA.

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[REDACTED] REPORTEDLY [REDACTED] ALSO BELIEVED PARACHUTIST AND DESCRIBED AS QUOTE ADVERTURESOME UNQUOTE. [REDACTED] STATES [REDACTED] RECENTLY OBSERVED IN LOS ANGELES DRIVING A NEW [REDACTED] AND REPORTEDLY HAVING DOMESTIC PROBLEMS INCLUDING

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A DIVORCE OR SEPARATION FROM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NOTED PERSONNEL FILE INDICATED [REDACTED] IN

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE OFFICERS ACQUAINTED WITH [REDACTED] BETWEEN [REDACTED] STATE CLOSELY MATCHES DESCRIPTION IN MAGAZINE.

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NO PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF [REDACTED] AVAILABLE IN PERSONNEL FILE. CHECK OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES RECORDS FAILS^{ED} TO REVEAL CURRENT DRIVER'S LICENSE IDENTIFIABLE WITH [REDACTED] AND POSTAL GUIDE CONTAINS NO REFERENCE TO [REDACTED] IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WOULD HAVE MORE CURRENT INFORMATION REGARDING [REDACTED] CURRENTLY ON VACATION AND WILL CONTACT LOS ANGELES FBI UPON RETURN.

SACRAMENTO ASCERTAIN IF [REDACTED] LOCATED AT

[REDACTED] IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CONDUCT ALL LOGICAL

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DISCRETE INVESTIGATION IN ATTEMPT TO: (1) ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] 11/23-24/71. (2) OBTAIN ALL INFORMATION REGARDING [REDACTED] FINANCIAL SITUATION. (3) ATTEMPT TO VERIFY IF KNOWN PARACHUTIST. (4) ASCERTAIN IF [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

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LAS VEGAS AT RENO, NEVADA CONDUCT SAME INVESTIGATION AS SET FOR SACRAMENTO AND ASCERTAIN IF [REDACTED] HOLDER OF NEVADA DRIVER'S LICENSE AS [REDACTED] BELIEVED IN VICINITY OF RENO, NEVADA.

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ST. LOUIS REVIEW APPROPRIATE MILITARY RECORDS TO OBTAIN BACKGROUND REGARDING [REDACTED] AND ASCERTAIN IF HE IS FORMER PARACHUTIST, NOTING HE CLAIMED POSITION AS [REDACTED]

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OKLAHOMA CITY REVIEW FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION RECORDS TO ASCERTAIN IF [REDACTED] AND OBTAIN ALL PERTINENT BACKGROUND INFORMATION. REVIEW RECORDS UNITED STATES PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION TO ASCERTAIN IF [REDACTED] KNOWN PARACHUTIST.

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LOS ANGELES WILL INTERVIEW [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND FURNISH SEATTLE COPIES OF

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PHOTOGRAPH OF TAKEN 1962 AS OBTAINED FROM LOS ANGELES
COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PERSONNEL FILE FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND
DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC LOS ANGELES (104-497)

DATE: 1/5/73

FROM : S.A. [redacted]

SUBJECT: MURKIN

AT 6:10am this date [redacted] L.A. phone [redacted] advised that while examining a composite of the subject he felt that there was a strong resemblance with a [redacted] works for [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he has had no contact with [redacted] but had seen several newspaper ads in which [redacted] stated that he had not spoken to [redacted] about his resemblance to the composite.

LA Indices - res: [redacted] - N/R

res: [redacted]

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Credit check

Birth Credit Motor Vehicle Death Marriage* INS Other

To Buded

Return to File number **164-497**

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Name and aliases of subject, applicant, or employee, and spouse

Addresses

Residence INGLEWOOD, CALIF

Business _____

Former _____

*Date and place of marriage
(if applicable)

Race CAUC	Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Age 40-45	Height	Weight	Hair	Eyes 164-497-637
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Birth date	Birthplace	SEARCHED
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Arrest Number	Fingerprint classification	Criminal specialty	INDEXED
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Specific information desired	FILED
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No file

Results of check

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CREDIT BUREAU OF
GREATER LOS ANGELES

Anonymous source has advised that above individual is hijacker D. B. Cooper. He formerly resided Inglewood, Calif. then Seattle, Wash, Portland, Oregon and Reno, Nevada. Make logical effort to identify by name no descriptive data available.

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Registrar of Voters

Birth Credit Criminal Motor Vehicle Death Marriage* INS Other

To: [Redacted] Buded
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Name and address of subject, applicant, or employer and spouse
[Redacted]

Addresses
Residence INGLEWOOD, CALIF
Business _____
Former _____

*Date and place of marriage (if applicable) _____

Race <u>CAUC</u>	Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Age <u>40-45</u>	Height	Weight	Hair	Eyes
Birth date	Birthplace					
Arrest Number	Fingerprint classification			Criminal specialty		

Specific information desired
Obtain all available background re

Results of check
who anonymous source alleges is hijacker D. B. Cooper

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checked by [Redacted] on 12/29/72
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 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)
 RE: NORJAK
 OO: Seattle

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Enclosed for Seattle are six copies of photograph of taken in 1963 and obtained from personnel file of at Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office (LASO).

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LASO, interviewed and advised he has not talked personally with since he left the LASO about 1962 or 1963 and has no recent information regarding activities.

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Memorandum

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) DATE: 1/5/73

FROM : *J.P.P.* SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

OO: Seattle

Re Bureau airtel to Seattle dated 12/20/72.

RE: [REDACTED]

A review of Los Angeles indices and records of the following agencies were caused to be reviewed on the dates indicated and no record identifiable with [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] could be located:

Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters

[REDACTED]
12/29/72

Los Angeles Municipal Court Traffic Records

[REDACTED]
1/2/73

Los Angeles Police Department and
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office

[REDACTED]
12/29/72

Credit Bureau of Greater Los Angeles

[REDACTED]
1/2/73

Inglewood, California Police Department

[REDACTED]
12/27/72

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- 1 - Butte (Info) (AM)
- 1 - Las Vegas (Info) (AM)
- 1 - Portland (Info) (AM)
- ② - Los Angeles

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll

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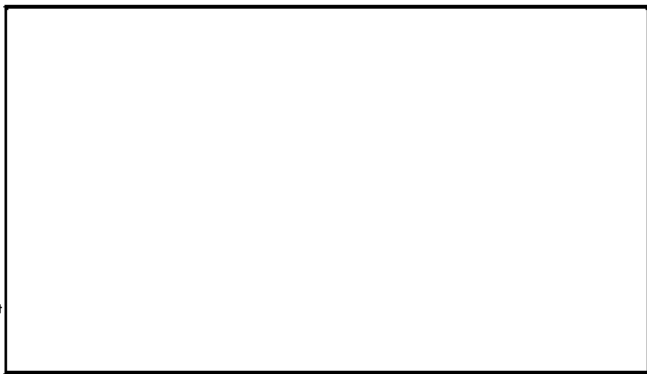
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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)


FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

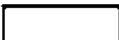

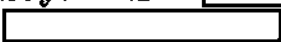
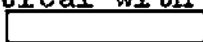
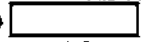
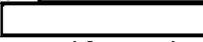
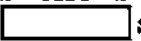

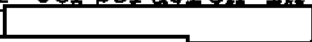


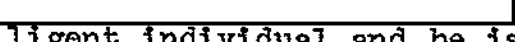

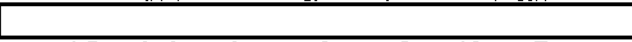


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Re suspect 

On January 5, 1973  Concord, California, telephonically contacted the San Francisco Office and furnished the following information:

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 advised that he is employed as a  and that for several years he  to Parachute Club of America. He stated that for some time he has been considering calling the FBI regarding an individual he feels to be similar to and possibly identical with D. B. COOPER. He identified the individual as  who, according to  was last known to be  in Paraventures Corporation which is located across the street from Technicolor Corporation in Los Angeles.  stated that  is an  who has performed several jumps  including   stated that  is a very intelligent individual and he is considered one of the very best parachutists in the United States. He said to the best of his knowledge  a few years ago and consequently his function in the Paraventure Corporation is primarily administrative.

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 also stated that an individual known to him as  was also employed by the Paraventure Corporation and should be acquainted with 

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*Technicolor Corp Headquarters
6311 Romanina
Hollywood, 463-6111*

*No Paraventures Corp
mi 211 Cent LA Directory*

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. Attempt to locate
 at the Paraventure Corporation and ascertain if
he is a logical suspect in this case.

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
DENVER (164-98)
LOS ANGELES (164-497)
PHOENIX (164-100)
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NEW ORLEANS (164-136)
MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (INFO)
FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (P) 4P

NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

RE NEW ORLEANS URGENT TELETYPE TO ACTING DIRECTOR AND SEATTLE
DATED 1/18/73.

RE: SUB ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF RECEIVING OFFICES, INVESTIGATION NEW
ORLEANS DIVISION 1/7/73 REVEALED ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY SHOULD BE
CONSIDERED A NORJAK SUSPECT.

WEALTHY BERWICK, LOUISIANA BUSINESSMAN, [REDACTED] APPROACHED
BY HARTLEY WHO REQUESTED [REDACTED] FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING
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[REDACTED] AND TRANSPORTING SAME TO CANADA FOR SALE. DURING COURSE OF DISCUSSION, [REDACTED] ASKED TO ASCERTAIN FROM HIS POLITICAL CONTACTS IN WASHINGTON, D. C., IF HARTLEY NORJAK SUSPECT. [REDACTED] STATED HARTLEY APPEARED VERY CONCERNED THAT HE MIGHT BE SUSPECT IN THIS MATTER.

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HARTLEY DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, BORN 7/27/20, BRULE, WISCONSIN, 6 FEET, 175-180 POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 471-16-6629, FBI NUMBER 796324 B. IDENTIFICATION RECORDS REFLECT PRIOR ARRESTS 7/22/67, U. S. CUSTOMS, NOGALES, ARIZONA, FOR GOLD SMUGGLING; 1/3/69, POLICE DEPARTMENT, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, ROBBERY; 3/5/69, POLICE DEPARTMENT, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, FUGITIVE FROM CALIFORNIA; 3/12/69, POLICE DEPARTMENT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY, ILLEGAL POSSESSION, MANUFACTURE OR SALE OF FIREARMS; 10/4/69, PD, CHANDLER, ARIZONA, FORGERY.

INVESTIGATION AT NEW ORLEANS DISCLOSED HARTLEY SERVED AS PATROLMAN FOR LAS VEGAS PD AND HUNTINGTON, CALIFORNIA, PD AND SERVED AS PARATROOPER WITH U. S. ARMY, 1941-1945.

HARTLEY SUSPECT IN GOLD SMUGGLING MATTERS, AND INVESTIGATION INDICATES HARTLEY IN THE PAST HAS OPERATED AS "COW MAN" IN ATTEMPTING TO SELL GOLD THAT DID NOT EXIST.

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[] ADVISED HARTLEY ALWAYS CARRIES .38 CALIBER SNUB-NOSE REVOLVER IN BELT AND HAS .22 CALIBER AUTOMATIC PISTOL IN BRIEFCASE AND THEREFORE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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[] FURTHER ADVISED THAT HARTLEY IS NOW BALD BUT FEELS THAT HE SHAVES HIS HEAD. HARTLEY HAS WORKED AS PROSPECTOR AND MINER IN COLORADO AND ARIZONA AND IS DESCRIBED AS OUTDOOR TYPE. [] ADVISE. SUSPECT HARTLEY CURRENTLY IN RANGELY, COLORADO, OR PUEBLO, COLORADO, BUT ANTICIPATES HARTLEY MAY RETURN TO BERWICK, LOUISIANA, NEXT WEEK.

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NEW ORLEANS DIVISION ADVISED IN REFERENCED COMMUNICATION THAT HARTLEY COULD HAVE FENCED NORJAK RANSOM MONEY FOR GOLD WHICH HE IS NOW ATTEMPTING TO MOVE.

DENVER. AT RANGELY AND PUEBLO, COLORADO. DISCREETLY ATTEMPT TO ASCERTAIN HARTLEY'S WHEREABOUTS ON 11/24/71 THROUGH EMPLOYMENT OR OTHER SUITABLE RECORDS. FURTHER ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN HARTLEY'S BACKGROUND AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA TO DETERMINE IF HE IS IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB.

LAS VEGAS. AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA. OBTAIN BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPH OF HARTLEY AND FORWARD SAME TO SEATTLE.

LOS ANGELES. AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. REVIEW HARTLEY'S
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ARREST REPORTS AND SET FORTH APPROPRIATE LEADS. OBTAIN AND FORWARD COPIES OF HARTLEY'S PHOTO TO SEATTLE. IF HUNTINGTON, CALIFORNIA, POLICE DEPARTMENT KNOWN TO LOS ANGELES DIVISION, SET FORTH APPROPRIATE LEADS. (NOTE: THERE IS NO HUNTINGTON, CALIFORNIA, IN U. S. POSTAL GUIDE).

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PHOENIX. AT CHANDLER AND NOGALES, ARIZONA. REVIEW HARTLEY'S ARREST REPORTS AND SET FORTH APPROPRIATE LEADS. OBTAIN AND FORWARD COPIES OF HARTLEY'S PHOTOGRAPH TO SEATTLE.

NEW ORLEANS. AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA. FORWARD HARTLEY'S PHOTOGRAPH TO SEATTLE. MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH REGARDING HARTLEY.

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ST. LOUIS. AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. WILL OBTAIN A COPY OF HARTLEY'S MILITARY RECORD AND FORWARD SAME TO SEATTLE.

SEATTLE. AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. WILL FORWARD HARTLEY'S PHOTO TO DENVER AND MINNEAPOLIS FOR DISPLAY TO NORJAK WITNESSES ONLY IF HARTLEY CANNOT BE ELIMINATED AS A SUSPECT ANY OTHER WAY.

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Date: 1/24/73

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)
RE: HORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

Re Seattle teletype to the Bureau dated 1/19/73.

RE SUSPECT ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY

Enclosed for Seattle are two copies of photograph of suspect taken at time of arrest on 1/3/69, by Los Angeles, California Police Department (LAPD), and two copies of arrest report (five pages), containing other descriptive data and background information regarding suspect.

Above documents obtained on 1/9/73, during recent investigation of case captioned "ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY; ITSP; POSSIBLE FBW" (Los Angeles file 87-37150), and copy of CII Identification Record obtained at that time contains no reference to LAPD arrest on 3/12/69, as indicated in referenced Seattle teletype.

Los Angeles will follow and contact Huntington Park, California Police Department where suspect reportedly employed as a patrolman in 1948 and check with LAPD to ascertain if suspect arrested by that agency on 3/12/69.

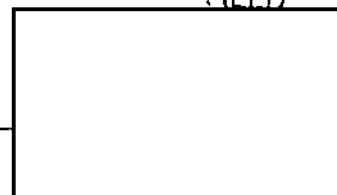
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Name [Redacted] (Last, first, or employee, and spouse)

ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY

Addresses
Residence _____
Business _____
Former _____

RECORD LAPD
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No evidence of this in LAPD files
only photo furnished
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* Date and place of marriage (if applicable) _____

Race W Sex Male Female Age 52 Height 6 Weight 175-180 Hair BR Eyes BLU

Birth date 7/27/20 Birthplace BRULE, WISCONSIN

Arrest Number LAPD 215757 FBI 7963248 Fingerprint classification _____ Criminal specialty _____

Specific information desired
OBTAIN COPIES OF ARREST REPORTS and most recent

Results of check photos of subject who was arrested 1/3/69 by LAPD for smuggling & 3/12/69 by LAPD for receiving stolen property, illegal possession and manuf or sale of firearms CAPTIONED IS SUSPECT IN HIJACKING CASE - NEED ALL INFO OF LEAD VALUE, ASSOCIATES, ADDRESSES ETC

* GPO : 1970 O - 378-425

We have copies of arrest reports for 1/3/69 obtain arrest reports for arrest 3/12/69 if appt
(Use reverse side, if necessary)

Copy to *And Pats R...*

Los Angeles Police Department

ARREST REPORT

COMBINED CRIME AND ARREST REPORT

DR # 69-402497

J#

LA # 215957

CRIME REPORT INFO. AMERICAN EXPRESS Co	VICTIM'S OCCUPATION, DESCENT, AGE	BOOKING NUMBER 940 437	LOC. BKD. CJD	DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER AH200 727	STATE NEV.	EVID. BKD? YES
TYPE OF PREMISES UNK	ARRESTEE'S NAME (last, first, middle) HARTLEY, ALVIN CURTIS	SEX M	DESCENT CAUC	HAIR BRN		
TYPE OF OFFENSE UNK	EYES BLU	HEIGHT 6-0	WEIGHT 196	BIRTHDATE 7-27-20	AGE 48	AKA/NICKNAME
TYPE OF PROPERTY MONEY ORDERS	TOTAL VALUE	DIV. & DETAIL ARREST. DHQ-SIU	DATE & TIME ARRESTED 1-3-69 1915H	DATE & TIME BOOKED 1-3-69 2140		
JUV. ONLY INFO.	RESID. R.D.	PARENTS NOTIFIED BY	TIME	LOCATION OF ARREST FRANKLIN AVE & HIGHLAND AVE 624	RPT. DIS.	PROB. INV. UNIT DHQ-SIU
PLACE JUV. DETAINED	DIV. OF APPEARANCE	DATE/TIME	TYPE CHARGE (section, code and definition) F 211 PC ROBBERY	HOLD ARR. VEH. FOR		
BKG. APPROVED BY	DETENT. APPROVED BY	PRINTED? Y PHOTOS? Y	N	LOCATION CRIME COMMITTED FRANKLIN AVE & HIGHLAND 624	RPT. DIS.	LOC/DISPOSITION OF ARRESTEE'S VEHICLE 1950 CARMEN
BIRTHPLACE (city & state) BOULE, WIS.	SOCIAL SECURITY #	OBSERVABLE PHYSICAL ODDITIES, MARKS—EVID. NARC. USE		OCCUPATION/GRADE MINER	EMPLOYER/SCHOOL SELF	
RESIDENCE ADDRESS TRANS. ENT	CITY	CLOTHING WORN BLU OBT SWEAT - WHT SHIRT - YELLOW BOOTS.		COMPLAINTS OR EVIDENCE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY—BY WHOM TREATED NONE		
LIST CONNECTING RPTS. BY TYPE & IDENTIFYING NUMBERS EVID. SAME TR						
VEHICLE USED (year, make, body style, colors, lic. #, ID marks) 1968 FORD P/U BLU/WHT ARIZ. 5C8157	DRIVING VEH. (direction & name of st.) W/B FRANKLIN		AT OR BETWEEN STREETS HIGHLAND			
CODE: Y-VICTIM (FIRM NAME IF BUSINESS) NAME AMERICAN EXPRESS Co.	W-WITNESS	ON JUVENILES ONLY: P-BOTH NATURAL PARENTS G-GUARDIAN X				
RES.	BUS.	DETROIT MICH.				
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ADMONITION OF RIGHTS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT WAS READ TO THE ARRESTEE: "You have the right to remain silent. If you give up the right to remain silent, anything you say can and will be used against you in a court of law. You have the right to speak with an attorney and to have the attorney present during questioning. If you so desire and cannot afford one, an attorney will be appointed for you without charge before questioning"

THIS ADMONITION WAS READ TO THE ARRESTEE BY (Name & Serial #): [redacted] b6

CIRCUMSTANCES OF ARREST: 1. SOURCE OF ACTIVITY; 2. OBSERVATION; 3. ARREST; 4. BOOKING. SPECIFIC HEADINGS: 1. EVIDENCE (narcotic addiction 4/258); 2. INJURIES; 3. NOTIFICATIONS; 4. AGGRAVATED CIRCUMSTANCES; 5. ADDITIONAL (reason juvenile detained, etc.): b7C

SOURCE OF ACTIVITY: OFFS. ASSIGNED TO SPECIAL DETAIL IN HOLLYWOOD AREA.

OBSERVATIONS: OBS. ARRESTEE W/B ON FRANKLIN IN ABOVE VEH. ARRESTEE FAILED TO STOP FOR RED TR; LIGHT SIG. 1/5 OF FRANKLIN & WILCOX. ARRESTEE CONTINUED W/B. OFFS. OBS. THAT VEH HAD OUT OF STATE PLATE W/

TOP OF PLATE BENT DOWN PARTIALLY COVERING

SUPERVISOR	SERIAL NO.	REPORTING OFFICER(S)	SERIAL NO(S)	DIVISION-DETAIL	VACATION DATE(S)
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	DHQ-SIU	

COMMENTS OF INVESTIGATOR—INCLUDE WHEN REFERRED, NAME OF AGENCY AND PERSON ACCEPTING REFERRAL.

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NUMERALS. OFFS WERE AWARE OF A VEH. MATCHING THE GENERAL DESC. OF ARR. VEH. BEING WANTED IN CONNECTION W/ A ROBBERY IN WILS. DIV UNDER DR 68-634113.

ARREST

OFFS STOPPED VEH. ABOVE LOC. COMMANDED ARR TO DISMOUNT. WHILE DISMOUNTING ARR REACHED FOR HIS LT REAR POCKET. WHILE SEARCHING ARR, OFFS FOUND A LOADED .38 CAL CHROME PLATED DERRINGER IN HIS LT REAR POCKET. ALSO 72 AMERICAN XPRESS MONEY ORDERS TOTALING \$6930⁰⁰ IN HIS RT REAR POCKET. OFFS ALSO FOUND A LEATHER AMMO POUCHE CONTAINING 8 .38 CAL AMMO IN ARR. LT. SHIRT POCKET. SUSP PLACED UNDER ARR ABOVE CHARGE.

BOOKING

ARR. BOOKED AS ABOVE CTD.

EVID.

AFTER ARR, OFFS SEARCHED ARR'S VEH. AND FOUND THE FOLLOWING: .38 CAL SPW 2" IN SHOULDER HOLSTER, 8 1/2" S&W, POCKET KNIFE 4" BLADE, ATTACHE CASE CONTAINING NUMEROUS PAPERS INCLUDING SEVERAL VERIFAX COPIES OF PANAMANIAN GOLD CERTIFICATE #700 IN AMOUNT OF \$35,000⁰⁰, PANAMANIAN GOLD CERTIFICATE IN AMOUNT OF \$35,000⁰⁰, AND LIST OF SERIAL NUMBERS OF MONEY ORDERS.

ADDITIONAL

AFTER BEING ADVISED OF HIS RIGHTS, AND WAIVING HIS RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT AND BEING REPRESENTED BY COUNCIL ARR STATED THAT HE HAD OBTAINED THE

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MONEY ORDERS FROM [REDACTED]

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ALL ABOVE ITEMS BOOKED AS EVID.
 PROPERTY DIV.

ARRESTING:

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ON MISDEMEANOR RELEASES, FILL IN ONLY BOXES MARKED WITH *

Los Angeles Police Department
INVESTIGATOR'S FINAL REPORT

* BOOKING NUMBER 940 437 * DR NUMBER 14-4024

* NAME OF ARRESTEE (Last, First, Middle) HARTLEY, ALVIN CURTIS * CHARGE 21PC (KIDNAP) DATE AND TIME ARRESTED 1-3-69 9:15 AM * L.A. NUMBER 215 957

ALIAS OR MONIKER ACNE VEHICLE: YEAR, MAKE, BODY TYPE, COLOR, LICENSE NUMBER AND OTHER ID CHARACTERISTICS 68 FORD LTD 210/WHITE ARIZ 548157

OCCUPATION MINOR WHERE EMPLOYED (Name & Address) OR RELIEF AGENCY (Location) SELF EMPLOYED - SOUTHWEST ARIZ BPA RELIEF NO. UNION & LOCAL NO. * ARMED * RESISTED AT TIME OF ARREST

SINGLE DIVORCED CITY STATE YEAR MARRIED LAS VEGAS NV CREDIT REFERENCES (Name and Location) UNITED CALIF BANK VANUARD CALIF.

(1) NAMES OF RELATIVES AND ASSOCIATES. (2) GENERAL INFORMATION: HANGOUTS, OTHER OCCUPATIONS, FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS, SCHOOLS ATTENDED, CITIES AND ADDRESSES RESIDED, CHRONIC ILLNESSES AND SOURCE OF TREATMENT; OTHER CRIMINAL, CHARACTER AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION. (3) CIRCUMSTANCES OF ARREST; HOW CRIME PLANNED AND CARRIED OUT; METHOD USED IN DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY, ETC.

CODE: S-SPOUSE P-PARENT C-CHILD B-BROTHER T-SISTER R-OTHER RELATIVE F-FRIEND A-ACCOMPLICE G-COMMON LAW SPOUSE.

NAMES OF RELATIVES AND ASSOCIATES	CODE	RESIDENCE ADDRESS	PHONE OR LA NUMBER OF A.	BUSINESS OR C'S SCHOOL - NAME OR ADDRESS
HARTLEY EARL (P)		DECEASED		
	(P)	TUSCON, ARIZ		TUSCON ST MARYS HOSPITAL
	(R)	TORRANCE, CALIF		UNK.
	(R)	SALT LAKE CITY UTAH		UNK.
	(F)	L.A. Hwy LAS VEGAS		NEVADA.

BORN IN BRUCE, WISC., 7-27-20. COMPLETED 12th GRADE AT PROCTOR HIGH, PROCTOR, MINN. (GED) WENT INTO SERVICE (USA) 1941 FOR 4 1/2 YRS. Hon. Dis. IN 1945. CAME TO CALIF APPROX. 1947. Worked for Amer. Pipe in South Gate. Joined Hunt. Tr. PD - 1948. Worked LAS VEGAS PD - 1954-1960. Then went to Mercury, Nev. for Reynolds Elec. (1964). Went to Searchlight, Nev. for Amado Mining. (1965). Self employed mining since then. m/o Susp ARRESTED IN POSSESSION OF 2-REVOLVERS / 1 S&W #7000 IN 3000 AMERICAN EXPRESS M/O.

EVIDENCE BOOKED? YES NO RELEASE TO ARRESTEE HOLD REASON: IF OTHER DISPOSITION OF EVIDENCE BOOKED TO THIS ARRESTEE, COMPLETED PROPERTY DISPO CARD, FORM 10.6 ATTACHED

* PRISONER DETAINED AT: CENTRAL JAIL * RELEASE INFORMATION FROM CUSTODY FROM ORIGINAL CHARGE TO OTHER AGENCY AGENCY RELEASED TO:

* ARREST DISPOSITION * COMPLAINT FILED - CHARGES AND COUNTS FELONY COMPLAINT FILED 1st 496PC 1st 12020PC 2CTS 12025PC

D. A. REJECT (ATTACH) * LIST UNSERVED WARRANTS MISD. COMPLAINT FILED C. A. REJECT

B49B1 PC (DETENTION ONLY) * EXPLAIN ACTION TAKEN 825 PC (48 HOUR REL.) UNRELATED FEL/WARR. SERVED UNRELATED MISD./WARR. SERVED OTHER (EXPLAIN)

& Serial Nos.) DIVISION DATE OF REPORT E. WATKINS 10066 DAG SJU 1-7-69 * AUTHORITY REC'D BY (Walter's Sign. & Ser. No.) * DATE AND TIME AUTHORIZATION RECEIVED

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice
11000 Wilshire Blvd.
W. Los Angeles, Calif.

Gentlemen:

For several reasons I suspect that "D.B. Cooper"
is really one [redacted] of Hollywood. Among
others:

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1. He strongly resembles the artists sketch shown on T.V.
2. He was in a paratrooper unit while in military service some years back.
3. He was out of the city when the event took place.
4. He visits the Northern California area.

My motivation is civic duty, and I hope that this is not a false lead. I would have come forward sooner, but my suspicion only recently took on conviction. I regret that, for personal security reasons I must, for the time being remain anonymous.



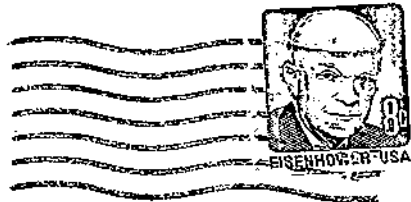
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
11000 WILSHIRE BLVD.
WEST LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

DB Cooper-24893

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Date: 2/6/73

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)
RE: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

Re Seattle teletype dated 1/19/73, and Los Angeles airtel dated 1/24/73.

RE: Suspect ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY

On 2/5/73, Chief of Police FERTIG, Huntington Park Police Department (HPPD), Huntington Park, California, who has served with that department for 32 years, advised he personally recalls AL HUNTLEY, who was hired as a patrolman on 4/3/50 and resigned without giving notice on 9/8/51.

Chief FERTIG added that HARTLEY served in the Patrol Division while he, FERTIG, was a lieutenant in the Patrol Division. He described HARTLEY as completely unsuitable for police work. HARTLEY constantly talked about "making it big" and once, a few years after HARTLEY left the HPPD, FERTIG met him in Las Vegas. At that time he recalls HARTLEY was "bum rapping" the Las Vegas Police Department with whom he had taken a job as an officer after leaving Huntington Park. He recalls HARTLEY made some remarks about going to Cuba and having some connection with GEORGE RAFT in gambling. He could recall no specifics and did not know if HARTLEY actually had gone to Cuba or was involved with GEORGE RAFT.

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He has not seen HARTLEY since the mid 1950's and knows nothing of his recent activities. He recalls when HARTLEY left Huntington Park for Las Vegas he [REDACTED] [REDACTED] He recalled [REDACTED] [REDACTED] a few years after HARTLEY left, but did not know [REDACTED]

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Records of the Los Angeles, California Police Department were caused to be reviewed and no arrest for HARTLEY could be located in addition to the arrest on 1/3/69, which information was furnished to Seattle in referenced Los Angeles airtel dated 1/24/73.

Chief FERTIG advised he was unaware of any flying or parachuting experience on the part of HARTLEY.

No further investigation is being conducted regarding HARTLEY at Los Angeles, UAC Seattle.

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 2/6/73

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

OO: Seattle

RE: [redacted]

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For the information of Seattle, [redacted] Torrance, California, advised on 12/7/72, he recently saw an artist's conception of D.B. COOPER and believed it to be a good likeness of [redacted]. He advised [redacted] previously worked with him [redacted] at Hughes Aircraft, El Segundo, California.

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[redacted] advised [redacted] came to work with [redacted] [redacted] claimed he had fallen down.

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On 12/27/72, [redacted] for Hughes Aircraft Company, El Segundo, California, caused the records of that agency to be reviewed and these records failed to reveal [redacted] was absent from work on 11/23/72, a regular work day. [redacted] advised that [redacted] was on [redacted]

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He stated this record indicates [redacted] received medical treatment as a result of incidents at work. On one occasion he was taken to the clinic after [redacted]

[redacted] His record indicated he [redacted]

[redacted] stated [redacted] was hired [redacted] on [redacted] and voluntarily left the company on [redacted] to take a similar position in Orange County, California.

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Records indicated he came to Hughes Aircraft after graduation from [redacted] Willoughby, Ohio, in 1969.

He was described as a male, 5'11", 170 pounds, born [redacted]. He attended [redacted] [redacted] Ohio and [redacted] in Ohio. He served in the U.S. Army in Alaska from [redacted] Army Serial Number [redacted].

On 12/27/72, [redacted] was interviewed at his residence. The most recent artist's conception appearing in the December issue of the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin was exhibited to him. He stated this sketch definitely did not resemble [redacted]. He added he call the FBI regarding [redacted] over one year after the hijacking after being encouraged to do so by some social acquaintances after he mentioned to them that [redacted] looked similar to the hijacker. He does not recall specifically when he observed [redacted] with [redacted] and is not certain whether this was before or after the hijacking. He did not believe [redacted] was capable of this crime as he and other employees knew him to [redacted] and he never knew [redacted] to be a parachutist or pilot. He advised [redacted] under no circumstances would be judged over 30 years of age, was fair complected and recalls he was a non-smoker.

In view of the above, [redacted] does not appear to warrant further consideration as a suspect at this time and no further investigation is being conducted regarding [redacted] UAC by Seattle.

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) DATE: 2/8/73

FROM : *[Signature]* SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK
00: Seattle

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Enclosed for the Los Angeles Division is one copy of California Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (CII) record for [Redacted]

[Redacted] was suggested as a suspect by [Redacted] [Redacted] CII, Sacramento, because he bears a strong resemblance to unsub's artists composit. [Redacted] date of birth is [Redacted] and he was a former [Redacted] in the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office. [Redacted] was suspended from that position due to [Redacted]

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA:

Will conduct appropriate investigation to identify [Redacted] and determine if he is identical to unsub.

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Date: 2/13/73

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Via AIRTEL _____ AIRMAIL _____
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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, DENVER (164-98)

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OO: Seattle

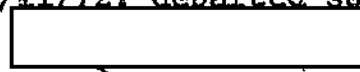
Re Miami teletype to New Orleans, 1/9/73;
Seattle teletype to Bureau, 1/19/73.

RE: SUSPECT ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY

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All offices note that suspect HARTLEY is possibly identical with case captioned, "ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY; ITSP; POSSIBLE FBW," OO: New Orleans.

Investigation at Grand Junction, Colorado, on 2/7/73 tentatively identified HARTLEY from photograph as being identical with one TED ROBINSON, who registered at Bar X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado, 10/11/72, departed suddenly 10/18/72, leaving unpaid \$200 bill.



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- 2 - New Orleans (164-36) (RM)
- 2 - Phoenix (164-100) (RM)
- 2 - St. Louis (164-73) (RM)
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HARTLEY also tentatively identified by one [redacted] Grand Junction, Colorado, as individual with whom [redacted] and [redacted] allegedly has been associating with HARTLEY since that time.

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Investigation at Grand Junction, Colorado, determined [redacted] rented and subsequently abandoned a Budget Rent-a-Car at Walker Field Airport, Grand Junction, which car had been driven approximately 2,067 miles between rental and abandonment and rental charges outstanding. This vehicle bore Colorado 1972 license [redacted] and this same license number appeared on Bar X Metal registration card under name of TED ROBINSON.

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Records, Ramada Inn, Grand Junction, disclose HARTLEY registered that motel 8/3/72, under true name A. C. HARTLEY, listing residence 2444 Fourteenth Street, Tucson, Arizona, driving Chevrolet vehicle with Arizona license CH 0002 and HARTLEY departed Ramada Inn 8/6/72 without paying bill.

Foregoing information being furnished all interested offices regarding probability that TED ROBINSON is alias of A. C. HARTLEY.

Physical evidence obtained in connection with foregoing information being forwarded FBI Lab under separate communication.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

DATE: 1/12/73

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJACK

Re memo SA [REDACTED] concerning captioned subject dated 1/5/73 indicating that one [REDACTED] Los Angeles, telephone [REDACTED] telephonically had contacted the Los Angeles Division and had advised that he had observed KABC - Radio newspaper ads containing photographs of [REDACTED] and was of opinion that these photographs of [REDACTED] bore resemblance to composite of NORJACK suspect. [REDACTED] noted that he had never seen [REDACTED] in person.

[REDACTED] Los Angeles, California, advised on 1/9/73 that she is well acquainted with [REDACTED] and sees [REDACTED] on regular occasion in connection with the routine business affairs of this [REDACTED] [REDACTED] viewed composite of NORJACK suspect. She advised that [REDACTED] bears no resemblance to this composite.

[REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] is a respected [REDACTED] and is a substantial individual. He has been a regular employee [REDACTED] for some time. [REDACTED] said she is not good at descriptive data. She said [REDACTED] is about forty years of age, 6'2" tall, dark hair, with a full face. [REDACTED] furnished copy of photograph of [REDACTED] which is appearing on variety of billboards in the Los Angeles area in connection with [REDACTED] publicity.

For information.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) DATE: 2/21/73

FROM : *EL* SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)
WRT

SUBJECT: NORJAK

OO: Seattle

RE: Suspect VERNE A. JACKSON

On 12/12/72, [redacted] Bank of America, 4680 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, California, advised she noted a resemblance between VERNE A. JACKSON, a customer at the bank, and the artist's conception of D.B. COOPER. She notified Loss Investigations Division of the Bank of America on 11/24/72, when [redacted] had opened an account with [redacted] at the bank. At that time information was furnished to the Los Angeles Office of the FBI, along with serial numbers of the bills in possession of the [redacted]

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On 12/13/72, [redacted] Bank of America, 555 South Flower, Los Angeles, California, advised he had caused the serial numbers of the bills to be checked against bills known to have been stolen in bank robberies and other crimes and no identification was effected. [redacted] was of the opinion [redacted] over reacts to matters of this type. He stated on 12/12/72, [redacted] again contacted him advising that VERNE A. JACKSON had been at the bank on that date to withdraw [redacted] of their money from the bank and she believed he resembled the artist's conception of the skyjacker.

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On 2/3/73, [redacted] Bank of America, Marina del Rey, California, advised she has observed both [redacted] and VERNE A. JACKSON on two or three occasions, the last being on 12/12/72, [redacted] observed the artist's conception and advised she notes no similarities between VERNE

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JACKSON and this artist's conception. She described VERNE JACKSON as a white male, 50 years of age, 6', 160 to 180 pounds, black hair, graying at temples, slight build, very white, pale complexion, and definitely not Latin in appearance.

On 2/7/73, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] VERNE A. JACKSON, had a severe stroke in March 1971, and has been a semi-invalid since that time. She said VERNE JACKSON had died in January 1973 and his condition in November 1971, was such that it would have been impossible for him to have been involved in any type of strenuous activity.

[REDACTED] displayed a photograph of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] taken shortly prior to his death and this photograph was not noted to closely resemble the artist's conception of unknown subject.

In view of the above, it does not appear VERNE JACKSON should be considered a logical suspect in this matter and no further investigation is being conducted at Los Angeles, unless advised to the contrary by Seattle.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) DATE: 2/20/73

FROM : *slu/wes* SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

OO: Seattle

RE:

Enclosed for Seattle is one photograph of

For the information of Seattle, on 1/5/73,
 Los Angeles, California,
advised he felt there was a strong resemblance between
 and the artist's conception of the unknown subject
in this matter.

He advised works for
 and has seen picture in newspapers and
on billboards. He does not know nor has he ever
met him personally.

On 1/9/73,
 Los Angeles, advised
she is well acquainted with
 She advised she sees regularly in connection
with routine business affairs of She advised
 does not, in her opinion, bear any resemblance to the
composite drawing.

She added that is a respected
and a substantial individual. He has been a regular employee
 for a number of years. She described him as about
40 years of age, 6'2", dark hair and a full face. She
furnished a copy of a photograph of currently appearing
on billboards in connection with publicity.

Los Angeles files indicate has conservative
political leanings

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[redacted] the First Unitarian Church of Los Angeles as active in the John Birch Society, along with actor JAMES STEWART. He appears to be somewhat of a controversial figure due to his political beliefs.

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The original complainant in this matter has never personally observed or met [redacted] apparently a reputable and respected [redacted] who's photograph has been displayed widely. A person who knows and deals with him regularly does not note any resemblance between [redacted] and the composite of the unknown subject.

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In view of the above, [redacted] does not appear to warrant further consideration as a logical suspect at this time and unless advised to the contrary by Seattle, no further investigation is being conducted at Los Angeles.

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Date: 2/22/73

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
 FROM: SAC, DENVER (164-98)

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 OO: Seattle

~~ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY~~
~~ITSP; POSSIBLE FBW~~
 OO: New Orleans

Re Denver airtel to Bureau, 2/21/73, and copies to designated offices, except Seattle.

Subsequent to the submission of reairtel, it was determined that copies were inadvertently not designated Seattle, who is origin in the NORJAK case.

Enclosed for Seattle are 2 copies of Denver airtel to Bureau, 2/21/73.

Any future investigation conducted concerning HARTLEY as a suspect in the NORJAK case should include auxiliary offices furnishing results of such investigation to Seattle.

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On February 2, 1973, the following investigation was conducted at [redacted] Colorado, by SA [redacted]
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The following agencies were contacted at which time their records indicated no information identical with ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY as having a [redacted]
[redacted] at their firm:

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The above furnished information from their files on a confidential basis.

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Date of transcription 2/7/73

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[redacted] Ramada Inn, Grand Junction, Colorado, disclosed from her records that an A. E. HAUTEY, street address 2444 North 14th Street, Tuscon, Arizona, had registered in at the Ramada Inn on August 3, 1972, at 3:29 p.m., and had left August 6, 1972, owing \$101.14, which has not been paid to this date.

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HAUTEY had listed his firm name as Kanaha Exploration and Development (No city provided). HAUTEY had in his possession a Chevrolet, bearing Arizona License CH0002.

[redacted] disclosed that HAUTEY had also used the El Rancho Motel, 730 Highway #50, Grand Junction, Colorado.

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[redacted] observed the photograph displayed of ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY and disclosed that HARTLEY looked familiar, however, she could not definitely verify that the person pictured was the one registered on Bill #87056, as A. E., what appears to be HAUTEY.

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[redacted] provided registration slip #87056, as evidence in this matter.

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Interviewed on 2/2/73 at Grand Junction, Colorado File # Denver 87-15972

by SA [redacted] :CW Date dictated 2/5/73

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[redacted] Bar X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado, disclosed from her records that on October 11, 1972, a White male, who she identified as being identical to that of photograph displayed of ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY, had registered at the Motel in the name of TED ROBINSON and that from the registration card had listed his firm as Kanaha Exploration and Development Corporation, Fairplay, Colorado. ROBINSON had in his possession a Ford automobile bearing 1972 Colorado License [redacted]. ROBINSON left the motel October 18, 1972, owing a bill of \$199.64. Efforts to locate ROBINSON by [redacted] have been to no avail.

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[redacted] disclosed that ROBINSON was checked into the motel by [redacted] resident address [redacted] Grand Junction, Colorado. [redacted] also disclosed that [redacted] telephone number [redacted] would also recall ROBINSON.

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[redacted] Budget Rent-A-Car, Walkerfield Airport, Grand Junction, Colorado, disclosed from her records that contract # [redacted] had been issued October 7, 1972, to [redacted] resident address [redacted] Grand Junction, Colorado, on a Galaxy Ford, Budget Rent-A-Car [redacted] bearing 1972 Colorado License [redacted]. The amount of [redacted] was paid as a deposit on the rental of the vehicle, and Colorado Drivers License [redacted] was presented as identification by [redacted] at the time of renting the vehicle.

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[redacted] disclosed that the vehicle was left by [redacted] at the airport and to her recollection, [redacted] [redacted] at the time of leaving the vehicle, however [redacted] of the Rent-A-Car Agency in Grand Junction, Colorado, would have complete information concerning this matter.

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1.

[redacted] Budget Rent-A-Car Agency, Walkerfield Airport, Grand Junction, Colorado, disclosed that [redacted] had rented a Ford Galaxy and had taken the vehicle on two trips to Salt Lake City, Utah. [redacted] had returned the vehicle to the Budget Rent-A-Car Firm, Walkerfield Airport, Grand Junction, Colorado, and at the time had placed the vehicle in such a position, that it needed to be immediately moved. Therefore, prior to completely calculating the monies due to the Budget Rent-A-Car system, [redacted] had gone out to move the vehicle to properly park it. In the meantime, [redacted] had disclosed that "her manager would come by and settle the account". She then hurriedly left the airport and to this date has [redacted] of the Ford Galaxy to [redacted]

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[redacted] Budget Rent-A-Car, Grand Junction, Colorado, disclosed from his files that a Ford Galaxy, bearing Budget Rent-A-Car identification number [redacted] and Colorado License [redacted] had been issued on October 7, 1972, to [redacted] of Rosevale Road, Grand Junction, Colorado, and that the vehicle had been returned to the Budget Rent-A-Car window, Walkerfield Airport, Grand Junction, Colorado, one week and four days later.

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[redacted] explained that at the time the vehicle was left, [redacted] had left the vehicle, stating that her manager would be in to immediately settle the account. She then immediately left the airport.

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[redacted] disclosed that the person picking up at the airport on the evening in which she left the Rent-A-Car vehicle was TED ROBINSON of Fairplay, Colorado, and that he had in his possession a brown Chevrolet Impala, Colorado License TL7762.

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[redacted] disclosed that [redacted] had placed upon the Ford Galaxy 2,067 miles and that outstanding charges against the vehicle were [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that Colorado License TL7762, was ascertained to be registered to TED ROBINSON of Fairplay, Colorado, and that he was reportedly employed by Kanaha Development Corporation, which was a fictitious firm.

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[redacted] Ramada Inn, Grand Junction, Colorado, provided from her records the following room charge slips for room 174 in the name of HARTLEY as follows:

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- Slip number 43510, dated August 3, 1972;
- " " R43748, dated August 4, 1972;
- " " R47525, " " 5, " ;
- " " 594 " " 3, " ;
- " " R42743 " " " " .

[redacted] provided the following long distance telephone report charge slips for room 174 in the name of HARTLEY:

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SLIP NUMBER	DATE	MINUTES	PLACE	TELEPHONE NO.
04656	8/5/72	13	Yerington, Nev.	[redacted]
04663	"	5	Tucson, Arizona	[redacted]
04664	--	1	Glenwood Springs Colorado	[redacted]
04688	8/6/72	5	Boulder City, Ne	[redacted]
04676	8/5/72	3	Tucson, Arizona	[redacted]
04680	"	2	" "	[redacted]

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[redacted] disclosed that the telephone charge slips were in the name of HARTLEY; however, upon viewing the handwriting on the signatures on the above restaurant charge slips, it appeared the name was spelled HAUTEY.

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1.

[redacted] Bar-X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado, viewed the photograph of HARTLEY and disclosed that the person occupying Room #42, known as TED ROBINSON during September and October, 1972, looked similar, however [redacted] could not positively state that the person's picture was identical to TED ROBINSON.

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[redacted] disclosed she had cleaned the room belonging to ROBINSON one or two times and at one time, ROBINSON had a woman in the room. The woman was described as "tough looking", and at first glance, [redacted] ascertained the woman to be a man. The room was described as cluttered, however, no guns or open luggage was ever observed by [redacted]

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1.

[redacted] Bar-X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado, observed photograph of HARTLEY and disclosed she had seen the White male known as TED ROBINSON only once and could not positively state that the person shown in the photograph was identical to ROBINSON.

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[redacted] explained that ROBINSON had had a lot of luggage in his room which consisted of two foot lockers and several trunks. ROBINSON stated at one time that he was going to take some of the luggage to Delta, or Montrose, Colorado, where he had a sister who was to receive the luggage. At one time, ROBINSON had spilled an unknown substance on the carpet, causing a stain, and when asked, he had stated the substance to have been nitric acid. ROBINSON had offered no explanation as to why he had nitric acid in the motel room. ROBINSON had talked mainly to one of the girls who was employed at the Bar-X Motel, and who recently has quit and moved to the State of Montana, place unknown. [redacted] stated she could disclose no further information in this matter concerning ROBINSON.

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1.

[redacted] voluntarily appeared at the office of the Grand Junction Resident Agency, Grand Junction, Colorado, and disclosed as follows:

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On Sunday, February 11, 1973, at Grand Junction, Colorado, [redacted] had seen A. C. HARTLEY in a 1972 Ford pickup bearing unknown Texas License Plates in the vicinity of the Redlands, Grand Junction, Colorado. The vehicle was pea green in color.

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[redacted] disclosed that he believes he is still being followed and based this upon the fact that he had seen on the weekend of February 10, 1973, through February 5, 1973, the greenish blue pickup drive through the [redacted] parking lot, where he is currently residing at approximately 4:00 p.m. in the morning and immediately exiting the parking lot after what appeared to be verifying that [redacted] Chevrolet pickup was at the motel. [redacted] further explained that rumor has come to him that [redacted] has been in Rangely, Colorado, during the last week with A. E. HARTLEY, and that on Friday evening of February 9, 1973, he had been placed in jail at the Mesa County Sheriff's Office for appearing at his home [redacted] Grand Junction, Colorado, which is presently occupied by [redacted]

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[redacted] disclosed that it is a mystery to him where [redacted] obtains her money for living expenses and for attending school at Mesa Junior College, inasmuch as she is a [redacted] and has not been employed for the past four or five years.

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[redacted] disclosed he had heard [redacted] was driving a new automobile, make and license unknown, and that she had obtained no vehicle by virtue [redacted] inasmuch as both vehicle previously owned by [redacted] [redacted] bank of Aspen, Aspen, Colorado.

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[redacted] explained that [redacted] in the Grand Junction area, and described his [redacted] as being the [redacted] [redacted] has at one time referred to the name of [redacted] however, [redacted] could not recall whether this was used in reference to HARTLEY, or how [redacted] had brought the name up in conversation. [redacted] had said at one time he had met HARTLEY for the first time in July, at Grand Junction, Colorado. [redacted] however stated that at another time, [redacted] had alleged he had seen HARTLEY in Winnemucca, Nevada, so that he knew [redacted] had been lying about his previous acquaintanceship with HARTLEY. [redacted] travels frequently to Buena Vista, Colorado, and had approached [redacted] to travel with him to Buena Vista, Colorado, for the weekend of February 10, 1973, to February 12, 1973, however, [redacted] stated he could not travel long distances and had therefore refused [redacted] offer. b6 b7C

[redacted] stated that he had had coffee with [redacted] this morning, February 12, 1972, and he had not mentioned that [redacted] however, [redacted] had stated, "If you would have gone with me, you wouldn't have gotten [redacted]." [redacted] explained that the only way [redacted] would have known he had [redacted] was through [redacted] or HARTLEY, and that he therefore believed [redacted] was definitely connected with HARTLEY [redacted] on any type of [redacted] [redacted] the Grand Junction area. b6 b7C

[redacted] also noted that [redacted] of Rangely Colorado, had left his wife and that she is presently residing in Artsia, Colorado, which is just north of Rangely, Colorado. [redacted] was approached by [redacted] during the summer of 1972, in regards to being employed as a [redacted] [redacted] which he subsequently refused. b6 b7C

[redacted] disclosed that he could provide at this time no further information concerning HARTLEY, but would definitely provide any information upon receipt of such. b6 b7C

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1.

[redacted] Bar-X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado, observed photograph of HARTLEY and stated the person pictured there was identical to the person known as TED ROBINSON, who had occupied Room #42, in September, 1972, and who subsequently moved to Room #24.

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[redacted] stated that he had talked at length with ROBINSON and had helped him move several of the foot lockers and trunks from Room #42, to Room #24. ROBINSON had alleged that his four-wheel drive vehicle had broken down and was at Isenhower Dodge, Grand Junction, Colorado, being repaired.

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[redacted] disclosed that the luggage was all clothing, however, he had seen that ROBINSON had lots of pots and pans and dishes. Also in the possession of ROBINSON was two metal tool boxes, approximately 2½ feet long and about 12 inches wide and six inches deep, which were very heavy.

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ROBINSON had alleged the luggage consisted of home appliances, as well as personal luggage, and that he had asked [redacted] to help sort the luggage as they placed it in Room #24, inasmuch as he did not wish to get the luggage mixed up again as he was going to have to take some of the luggage to his sister, who resided in Montrose, Colorado.

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[redacted] explained that [redacted] was the [redacted] who did most of the cleaning in ROBINSON's room and subsequently moved to an unknown place in Montana.

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[redacted] described ROBINSON as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Height	6'

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Hair	Sandy Graying at temples
Weight	185 pounds
Characteristics	Very nice, no mustache, no glasses, wearing heavy sweaters, boots and casual clothing.

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1.

[redacted] Bar-X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado, provided from her records the following:

- (1) Bar-X Motel, Registration Certificate 3055, in the name of TED ROBINSON, firm representing Kanaha Exp. Del. Corpn., Fairplay, Colorado, Room #42, number in party one, make of car Ford, License Number NJ8353, State of Colorado;
- (2) Cardboard copy of Bar-X Motel Restaurant and Lounge Registration Certificate #3055;
- (3) Five room service tickets signed in the name of TED ROBINSON as follows:
 - Ticket #26155, dated September 2, 1972;
 - Ticket #27207, dated September 11, 1972;
 - Ticket #26736, dated September 12, 1972;
 - Ticket #27213, dated September 12, 1972;
 - Ticket #29891, dated October 17, 1972.

[redacted] explained that Ticket #26155, would have been for one person; Ticket #27207, was for two persons; Ticket #26736, was for four persons; Ticket #27213, was for two persons; and Ticket #29891, for one person.

[redacted] also provided the following list as long distance telephone calls placed in the name of HARTLEY:

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October 13, 1972, Las Vegas, Nevada,
telephone numbers [redacted]

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October 15, 1972, Las Vegas, Nevada,
telephone numbers [redacted]

October 16, 1972, Jordon, Montana, telephone
number [redacted]

October 16, 1972, Las Vegas, Nevada, telephone
number [redacted]

October 16, 1972, Jordon, Montana, telephone
number [redacted]

October 16, 1972, Rangely, Colorado, telephone
number [redacted]

October 16, 1972, Las Vegas, Nevada, telephone
number [redacted]

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October 16, 1972, Vernal, Utah, telephone
number [redacted]

October 16, 1972, Clayton, Idaho, telephone
number [redacted]

October 18, 1972, Rangely, Colorado, telephone
number [redacted]

October 18, 1972, Tucson, Arizona, telephone
number [redacted]

October 18, 1972, LaSal, Utah, telephone
number [redacted]

[redacted] further explained that ROBINSON had originally registered into Room #42, and was later moved to Room #24. [redacted] explained that Room #24, was small and ROBINSON had a tremendous amount of luggage, which included several foot lockers and suitcases.

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[redacted] Grand Junction, Colorado, voluntarily appeared at the Resident Agency of the FBI, Grand Junction, Colorado, and disclosed the following:

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On January 31, 1973, [redacted] had been followed by a late model bluish green Dodge pickup in the vicinity of Grand Junction, Colorado, and that this vehicle had stayed approximately one-quarter mile behind the brown pickup driven by [redacted] as he drove south on Highway 6-50, towards Clearwater, Colorado. [redacted] claimed at Clearwater he stopped his vehicle at the Clearwater Store and the Dodge pickup stopped at the bridge approximately one-quarter mile away from the store and as [redacted] left the Clearwater Store, the pickup once again followed him.

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[redacted] disclosed that he tried to obtain a license number for the vehicle; however, had failed to do so.

[redacted] further explained that while in the hospital during [redacted] A. C. HARTLEY, [redacted] HARTLEY [redacted] at Grand Junction, Colorado. [redacted] subsequently returned however; [redacted] HARTLEY [redacted] which HARTLEY had [redacted] Grand Junction, Colorado.

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[redacted] disclosed that [redacted] HARTLEY in [redacted] Denver, Colorado, and throughout Wyoming, and [redacted] HARTLEY to [redacted] Baggs, Wyoming.

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[redacted] explained that in November of 1972, [redacted] and during this time he did not recall or know where HARTLEY and [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] name unknown, in Moab, Utah, from which [redacted] HARTLEY [redacted] and with that [redacted]

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[redacted] stated he did not recall the dates when
[redacted] rented a Budget-Rent-A-Car, Grand Junction, Colorado,
and left this vehicle subsequently at the airport, Grand
Junction, Colorado, and [redacted] However, he
did know that she drove the vehicle to Salt Lake City and
back to the Grand Junction [redacted]

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[redacted] stated to his knowledge, HARTLEY has
flown in and out of Grand Junction on several occasions
and that he did not know the directions from which or to
which HARTLEY went on those occasions.

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[redacted] stated that he had not personally become
acquainted with HARTLEY and therefore did not know if
HARTLEY at any other time had used any aliases in the
Grand Junction-Rangely areas.

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[redacted] disclosed that [redacted] and that [redacted] had resided at [redacted] Grand Junction, Colorado, until approximately July or August, 1972, when he [redacted] Grand Junction, Colorado. At that time, [redacted] A. C. HARTLEY [redacted] HARTLEY.

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[redacted] since July of 1972, has been using the name [redacted] and that long distance telephone calls have been placed to the [redacted] residence, Grand Junction, Colorado, and that the persons placing the call have requested to talk to a person called [redacted]

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[redacted] viewed the photograph of ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY and disclosed that HARTLEY [redacted] HARTLEY had accompanied HARTLEY to visit [redacted] in Grand Junction, and during the visit HARTLEY, commonly called "A.C." was so loud an obnoxious that he was never allowed into the [redacted] again.

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[redacted] disclosed at that time he had ascertained [redacted] Grand Junction, Colorado, [redacted] HARTLEY [redacted] which supposedly was taken on a trial basis out of Phoenix or Tucson, Arizona, and was never returned. [redacted] stated at that time, the firm in Tucson or Phoenix, name of which he could recall, had made a long distance telephone call inquiring about [redacted] However, [redacted] further explained that he did not know if HARTLEY had taken the [redacted] back to Tucson or Phoenix or if he had hidden it somewhere unknown.

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[redacted] explained that to his knowledge, HARTLEY presently [redacted] of Rangely, Colorado, and that [redacted] in Rangely, and [redacted] is employed at the hospital, Rangely, Colorado. [redacted] described [redacted] as a person of good reputation in the Rangely, Colorado area and [redacted]

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[redacted] further explained that [redacted]
[redacted] Grand Junction, Colorado, a
[redacted] Rangely, Colorado, and [redacted].

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] HARTLEY [redacted]
[redacted] who resides on [redacted] Grand Junction,
Colorado, telephone [redacted] and that [redacted] had appeared at the
[redacted] in July or August of 1972, in possession of a
[redacted] and said "too bad you weren't with me on this
one," and displayed the [redacted]

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[redacted] further stated that he had heard through
the grapevine that [redacted] had obtained the [redacted]
[redacted] and that [redacted] had stated at one time
"the guys were going to be after him, meaning [redacted] as
he had [redacted]
[redacted]

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[redacted] also stated that [redacted] a Grand
Junction [redacted] also knows HARTLEY and [redacted]
[redacted] and HARTLEY at [redacted] Grand
Junction, Colorado, in July and that several nights later,
[redacted] had returned to the [redacted] to visit [redacted] and
stated that those two men were "bums and not to mix with them."

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[redacted] stated that [redacted]
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[redacted] which was supposedly [redacted]
of [redacted] of Rangely, Colorado. [redacted] has constantly
asked [redacted] in regards to his [redacted] however, [redacted]
disclosed that [redacted]
and who resides in Rangely, Colorado, had physically taken
[redacted] and had returned
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[redacted] stated at one time. [redacted] had approached
[redacted] however, [redacted]
had rejected the whole idea.

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[redacted] Denver, Colorado, had
been approached by HARTLEY and [redacted]
[redacted] HARTLEY at the time of
contact with the [redacted] stated that he had approximately
[redacted] which HARTLEY did not

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elaborate on.

[redacted] stated that at one time, [redacted] [redacted] at the Bar-X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado, on or about November of 1972, and at that particular time, [redacted] had rented a vehicle from Budget Rent-A-Car, Grand Junction, Colorado. The Mesa County Sheriff's Office had contacted [redacted] at the [redacted] Grand Junction, Colorado, concerning the rental of the vehicle by [redacted] and had disclosed that [redacted] had dropped the vehicle at the Grand Junction Airport and [redacted] rental of the vehicle.

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[redacted] disclosed that [redacted] maiden name was [redacted] resides in Rangely, Colorado, and [redacted] recently suffered a heart attack and was taken from the Rangely, Colorado home to the Vernal, Utah, Hospital for treatment. Inasmuch as [redacted] she would not leave her place of residence nor any other place where she was staying in order to [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] of Reno or Sparks, Nevada, [redacted] HARTLEY on previous occasions and a [redacted] has also stated that a woman in Las Vegas, who [redacted] the Air Freight Firm [redacted] HARTLEY.

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[redacted] disclosed that he had also received a long distance telephone call from an unknown male in Idaho, and that this person had requested a conversation with [redacted]

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[redacted] further advised that he had talked with [redacted] after [redacted] HARTLEY and [redacted] HARTLEY's [redacted] to which [redacted] replied "I've seen all of the certificates I need to see."

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[redacted] advised that he could not recall nor has he ascertained if HARTLEY [redacted] [redacted] however, [redacted] Colorado, Wyoming, and Utah, and [redacted] HARTLEY had in his possession last summer.

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[redacted] explained that [redacted] residing at Palisade, Colorado, [redacted] in Alaska, and at one time [redacted] HARTLEY. [redacted] owns two automobiles, a Mercury and a Cadillac, one of which had Alaska License plates. [redacted] has stated to [redacted] that [redacted] is [redacted] HARTLEY [redacted] was described as a person always out to make a fast buck and he could be the biggest liar in the world.

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] HARTLEY [redacted] Meeker, Colorado, last Tuesday, January 16, 1973, and that [redacted]

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[redacted] HARTLEY [redacted] RYAN Construction Company of Golden, Colorado. RYAN Construction Company was to purchase Drake Construction Company of Golden, Colorado, and offered a new firm to HARTLEY to manage. This deal however, was not consummated.

[redacted] advised that while residing in Grand Junction, Colorado, HARTLEY has mostly done business at a 76 Station on Fifth and Grant and that HARTLEY has also stayed at the Ramada Inn on several occasions using fictitious names. The only name recalled by [redacted] was "A.C."

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[redacted] disclosed that on his previous telephone number [redacted] HARTLEY ran up a telephone bill amounting to [redacted]. The telephone number was subsequently changed and [redacted] and is still attempting to make charges to his present number.

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[redacted] further explained that at one time he had [redacted] is now mysteriously missing; however, [redacted] and [redacted] had disclosed that she had seen the [redacted] on one occasion as HARTLEY [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that he was under the impression that HARTLEY had gone under the name of RONSON or JOHNSON at the Bar-X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado, and that [redacted] Sheriff of Mesa County, that HARTLEY [redacted] in the Grand Junction area. [redacted] at one time had used a Budget Rent-A-Car, while staying with [redacted] at the Bar-X Motel at Grand Junction, Colorado.

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[redacted] advised at one time [redacted] had
given [redacted] and [redacted]
[redacted] in Colorado Springs, Colorado, however, [redacted]
stated that he did not know if the deal was completed.

[redacted] described HARTLEY as a white male, age 50
years, 6', gray hair, salt and pepper and gray goatee, wears
sunglasses.

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AIRMAIL, REGISTERED

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
 (Attention: FBI Laboratory)

FROM: SAC, DENVER (87-15972) (P)

SUBJECT: ALVIN CURTIS BARTLEY
 RIFP;
 POSSIBLE FBW
 (OO: New Orleans)

NORJAK
 (OO: Seattle)

Re Denver nitel to the Bureau, dated 2/12/73,
 Miami teletype to New Orleans, dated 1/9/73, and Seattle
 nitel to the Bureau, dated 1/19/73.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are the following
 items:

- (1) Bar-X Motel registration slip #3055
 (original white).
- (2) Bar-X Motel registration slip #3055
 (carbon copy).

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 13) (AM, RM)
- 2 - Albuquerque (Enc. 15) (RM, AM)
- 2 - Las Vegas (164-68) (Enc. 15) (AM, RM)
- ② - Los Angeles (164-497) (Enc. 15) (AM, RM)
- 2 - New Orleans (164-36) (Enc. 135) (AM, RM)
- 2 - Phoenix (164-100) (Encl 15) (AM, RM)
- 2 - St. Louis (164-73) (Enc. 15) (AM, RM)
- 2 - Salt Lake City (164-24) (Enc. 15) (AM, RM)
- 2 - Butte (Enc. 18) (AM, RM)
- 4 - Denver (2 - 164-98)
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- (3) Bar-X Hotel Restaurant charge slips as follows: #29891; #27213; #26736; #27267; #26155.
- (4) Ramada Inn registration card #B7086.
- (5) Ramada Inn Restaurant charge slips as follows: #594; #R43748; #R42743; #R43510; #R47525.

Enclosed for the New Orleans Division are nine copies each of thirteen PD-302s and two investigative inserts reflecting investigation conducted at the Denver Division. Enclosed for each receiving office is one Xerox copy each of thirteen PD-302s and one copy each of two investigative insert for investigative assistance in this matter.

This communication is being placed under dual caption as subject HARTLEY (Denver 87-15972) is being considered as the subject in NORJAK matter (Bufile 164-2111), and information is being furnished to all offices with outstanding investigation in both matters.

Leads for auxiliary offices regarding NORJAK matter are being held pending FBI Laboratory results and will be left to the discretion of Office of Origin Seattle.

As investigation on HARTLEY by Office of Origin New Orleans, is requested to be conducted on discreet basis, offices with leads to ascertain persons listed to telephone numbers called by subject are to interview registrants of those telephone numbers upon request of Office of Origin New Orleans. However, it is noted that investigation is to actively pursued as per referenced Seattle nitel to the Bureau to ascertain HARTLEY's whereabouts on 11/24/71, regarding NORJAK matter.

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare handwriting on submitted specimens with known handwriting samples of HARTLEY, FBI #79634B, to ascertain if identical. The FBI Laboratory is also requested to compare submitted handwriting specimens with known evidence submitted in NORJAK matter.

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The Latent Fingerprint Division is requested to compare an latent fingerprints developed on submitted specimens with known latent fingerprints of HARTLEY in an effort to ascertain if ROBINSON is identical to HARTLEY, FBI #79634B.

The Latent Fingerprint Division is also requested to compare any developed latent fingerprints with evidence previously submitted in MORJAK matter in an effort to ascertain if HARTLEY is identical to subject COOPER.

LEADS:

THE BUTTE DIVISION

At [] Montana:

(1) Will ascertain registrant for telephone number [] and conduct appropriate arrest checks regarding registrant. Two telephone calls were placed 10/16/72, to [] Montana, telephone number [] by HARTLEY from Bar-X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado.

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At [] Idaho:

(1) Will ascertain registrant for telephone number [] and conduct appropriate arrest checks regarding registrant. A telephone call was placed on 10/16/72, from Bar-X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado, by HARTLEY.

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THE LAS VEGAS DIVISION

At Reno, Nevada:

(1) Will interview [] allegedly known to subject HARTLEY and ascertain known acquaintance operating air freight firm, Las Vegas, Nevada, whom HARTLEY had allegedly swindled, setting forth leads for interview regarding subject.

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(2) Will ascertain listing for the following telephone numbers and conduct criminal investigation regarding registrant:

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LEADS: (CONT.)

[] calls placed from Bar-X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado, 10/13/72, and 10/15/72;

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[] calls made from Bar-X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado, on 10/13/72, and 10/15/72;

[] two telephone calls made 10/16/72, from Bar-X Motel Grand Junction, Colorado.

At Boulder City, Nevada:

(1) Will ascertain listing for telephone number [] and conduct appropriate arrest checks regarding registrant. Telephone call made 8/6/72, by subject, and duration of call five minutes from Ramada Inn, Grand Junction, Colorado.

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At Yerington, Nevada:

(1) Will ascertain registrant for telephone number [] and conduct appropriate criminal checks. It is noted that telephone call was made from Ramada Inn, Grand Junction, Colorado, on 8/5/72, length of call thirteen minutes.

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THE PHOENIX DIVISION

At Phoenix, Arizona:

(1) Will, at Department of Motor Vehicles, ascertain registrant of 1972 Arizona License [] and conduct appropriate arrest checks. Noted interview of registrant is left to the discretion of Office of Origin.

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(2) Will conduct criminal and arrest checks under alias **THE ROBINSON**.

(3) Will contact rental agencies for mobile homes regarding subject having mobile home in Grand Junction, Colorado, in July, 1972, reportedly rented in Phoenix, or Tucson, Arizona.

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LEADS: (CONT.)

At Tucson, Arizona:

(1) Will ascertain registrant of telephone number [redacted] and conduct appropriate arrest checks on registrant. It is noted that telephone call placed from Bar-X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado, to Tucson, Arizona, on 10/18/72.

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(2) Will contact rental agencies for mobile homes regarding subject, reportedly having mobile home in Grand Junction, Colorado, July, 1972, rented from Phoenix, or Tucson, Arizona.

THE SALT LAKE CITY DIVISION

At Vernal, Utah:

(1) Will ascertain registrant for telephone number [redacted] called by subject HARTLEY 10/16/72, from Bar-X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado.

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At La Sal, Utah:

(1) Will ascertain registrant for telephone number [redacted] and conduct appropriate arrest checks to properly identify.

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THE DENVER DIVISION

At Fairplay, Colorado:

(1) Will conduct criminal checks regarding HARTLEY and known alias.

(2) Will contact known sources in an effort to ascertain subject's activities in the Fairplay, Colorado area.

(3) Will contact Kawaha Exploration and Development Company, Fairplay, Colorado, and interview regarding subject.

At Golden, Colorado:

(1) Will contact Ryan Construction Company

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LEADS: (CONT.)

and interview regarding subject's alleged consideration for employment as a manager.

At Grand Junction, Colorado:

(1) Will locate and interview [redacted] Grand Junction, Colorado, [redacted] Bar-X Motel, [redacted] ROBINSON into the Bar-X Motel on 10/11/72, and interview regarding subject.

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(2) Will locate and interview [redacted] Grand Junction, Colorado, and interview regarding subject.

At Baggs, Wyoming:

(1) Will locate [redacted] and interview regarding EARLEY supposedly contacted by subject while traveling with [redacted] in the fall of 1972.

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At Denver, Colorado:

(1) Will contact [redacted] and interview regarding subject's contact in the fall of 1972, accompanied by [redacted] in regards to [redacted]

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(2) Will, at Department of Motor Vehicles, ascertain registered owner for 1972 Colorado License TL7762, setting forth leads for appropriate arrest checks to be conducted on registered owner.

At Rangely, Colorado:

(1) Will contact [redacted] and interview regarding [redacted] in Moab, Utah, whom subject allegedly borrowed car, setting forth leads for interview.

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(2) Will ascertain registrants of telephone numbers [redacted] and conduct appropriate arrest checks. It should be noted that telephone calls were placed from Bar-X Motel, Grand Junction, Colorado, on 10/16/72, and 10/18/72.

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LEADS: (CONT.)

(3) Will contact [redacted] regarding current activities of subject.

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(4) Will locate and interview [redacted] reportedly [redacted] who was approached in the summer of 1973 [redacted] for [redacted] and interview regarding subject's and [redacted] known activities.

At Palisado, Colorado:

(1) Will conduct credit and arrest checks on [redacted] a reported associate of HARTLEY [redacted]

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At Meecher, Colorado:

(1) Will contact local lawyers in an effort to ascertain vehicle presently in use by subject at the time reportedly in Meecher, Colorado, in January, 1973.

At Glenwood Springs, Colorado:

(1) Will ascertain registrant of telephone number [redacted] and conduct appropriate arrest checks. It is noted that telephone call was placed from Ramada Inn, Grand Junction, Colorado, on or about 2/5/72.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Denver (87-15972)

Date: February 27, 1973

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INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

From: Director, FBI

FBI File No. 87-124426

Re: ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY;
ITSP;
POSSIBLE FBW
OO: New Orleans

Lab. No. D-730223063 LL

Examination requested by: Denver

Reference: Airtel dated February 21, 1973

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

The submitted evidence will be returned with the fingerprint report.

For your information, handwriting similarities were noted in the comparison of the questioned signatures on Q8 through Q13 and the fingerprint card signature of ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY, FBI #796324B. Additional known samples of HARTLEY's signature may be of value for comparison with the questioned signatures on Q8 through Q13.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

- 1 - Albuquerque Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 - Las Vegas (164-60) Enclosure (Lab report)
- ① - Los Angeles (164-497) Enclosure (Lab report)
- 2 - New Orleans (164-36) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
- 1 - Phoenix (164-100) Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 - St. Louis (164-73) Enclosure (Lab report)
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- 1 - Butte Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 - Denver (164-98) Enclosure (Lab report)

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Denver (87-15972)

Date: February 27, 1973

Re: ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY;
ITSP;
POSSIBLE FBW

FBI File No. 87-124426

Lab. No. D-730223063 LL

Specimens received February 23, 1973

Q1 Original Bar X Motel Registration slip #3055

Q2 Carbon copy of Bar X Motel Registration slip #3055

Five Bar-X Restaurant & Lounge charge slips, all bearing signature "Ted Robinson," further described as follows:

<u>SPECIMEN</u>	<u>CHECK#</u>
Q3	29891
Q4	27213
Q5	26736
Q6	27207
Q7	26155

Q8 Registration card #87056 for Ramada Inn

Q9 Ramada Inn Bar Check #594

Four Ramada Inn restaurant charge slips, bearing signature "A. C. Hartley," further described as follows:

<u>SPECIMEN</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Q10	R 43748
Q11	R 42743
Q12	R-43510
Q13	R-47525

Result of examination:

It was not determined whether any of the questioned writing on Q1 through Q13 was prepared by ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY, FBI #796324B, because his fingerprint card signatures are not adequate to permit a satisfactory handwriting comparison with this material.

It was not determined whether the person or persons preparing the questioned writing on Q1 through Q13 prepared any of the questioned material in the NORJAK case; however, nothing of particular significance was noted in the limited comparison which could be conducted.

The submitted evidence was photographed and will be returned separately.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : *CS* SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK
00: Seattle

DATE: 3/2/73

Re Seattle letter to Los Angeles dated 2/8/73.

RE: [REDACTED]

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On 2/15/73, [REDACTED] California State Parole Office, [REDACTED] Los Angeles, California, advised the case file on [REDACTED] FBI Number [REDACTED] reveals [REDACTED] had [REDACTED] during period from 5/22/71 to 9/31/71. Notes taken during a case conference in December 1971, indicated [REDACTED] had gained [REDACTED] also noted the file indicates [REDACTED] He furnished the current address of [REDACTED] Venice, California.

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On 2/26/73, [REDACTED] was contacted at his residence, [REDACTED] Venice, by SA [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was noted to be 5'9" to 5'10" in height and to be very obese. [REDACTED] stated he had gained approximately [REDACTED] since early 1971. He stated he currently weighs about [REDACTED] pounds and his appearance seemed to substantiate this estimate.

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In view of the fact the records of the California State Parole Office indicate [REDACTED] during the period immediately preceding the hijacking and personal observation of [REDACTED] did not reveal him to resemble the artist's conception, no further investigation is being conducted regarding this phase, unless advised to the contrary by Seattle.

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Date: 3/1/73

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL _____ AIRMAIL _____
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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)
 SUBJECT: NORJAK
 OO: SEATTLE

Re Bureau airtel to All Offices Except Seattle, Portland, and Las Vegas, 11/29/71, and Seattle airtel to Bureau, 2/22/73.

Enclosed for each receiving office are two copies of an artist's conception showing UNSUB with and without glasses. The following offices will receive more copies because of investigation in their divisions:

Portland	50 copies
Las Vegas	10 copies
Denver	10 copies
Sacramento	10 copies
San Francisco	10 copies
Butte	10 copies

The intent of this change to the artist's composite is to more clearly show UNSUB's age and swarthy complexion.

A release of an interim composite (one that had not been fully evaluated by NORJAK eyewitnesses) in the December FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin makes it imperative that this final version not be released to the news media at this time.

This is the only unsolved hijacking; it should receive expeditious handling with every investigative effort expended to resolve this matter.

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 - 1 - All Field Offices with enclosures
 - 3 - Seattle
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Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 3/9/73

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

OO: Seattle

RE: [REDACTED]

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Investigation at Los Angeles reveals captioned individual should be considered a possible suspect. [REDACTED] Hollywood, California, who has parachuted in the Los Angeles area since about 1960, has advised that the artist's conception appears similar to [REDACTED] whom he described as [REDACTED] who used to reside in Lancaster, California. He stated [REDACTED] was a daredevil and was from the Seattle, Washington area. He last heard of [REDACTED] in 1965 and at that time understood he was involved in [REDACTED] name unknown, in Seattle [REDACTED] by Sheriff's Deputies in Lancaster and extradited to Seattle.

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Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office (LASO), and Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) records reveal [REDACTED] FBI Number [REDACTED] was [REDACTED] by the LAPD in 1950 and was [REDACTED] from Washington on [REDACTED]. These records indicate he was extradited to Washington State on [REDACTED].

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LAPD records indicate on [REDACTED] enlisted in the military and was fingerprinted at Lowry Field, Denver, Colorado. In January 1950, he was [REDACTED]

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Los Angeles case captioned [REDACTED] Lancaster, California, was [REDACTED] at Paraspportcenter in May 1963. [REDACTED] was named by Special Agent of the OSI, Edwards Air Force Base, California, as a [REDACTED]

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[redacted] from Edwards Air Force Base and [redacted]
[redacted] at the Paraspportcenter. Prosecution
was declined by the U.S. Attorney as [redacted]
from Edwards Air Force Base contain no serial numbers and
could not be identified in Federal Court as [redacted]
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[redacted] is described as follows:-

Sex	Male
Race	White
Birth Data	[redacted]
Descent	Austrian
Height	5'10" to 6'
Weight	165 pounds to 190 pounds
Build	Medium
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Hazel
Complexion	Medium
Last Known Address	[redacted] Lancaster, California (1964)
Occupation	[redacted]
Relatives	[redacted] Denver, Colorado
Army Serial Number	[redacted]
Social Security Number	[redacted]

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FD-9 being submitted with copy of Identification Record designated for Seattle.

Seattle is requested to advise Los Angeles if [redacted] was previously considered as a suspect and if not, conduct credit and criminal checks to ascertain if he has returned to Seattle as he was last known to live in Lancaster, California, on 1964.

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Photographs taken in 1964 by the LASO have been requested from Archives of that agency and will be submitted by Los Angeles upon receipt. No further investigation is being conducted regarding this suspect until requested by Seattle.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : *[Handwritten initials]* SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

OO: Seattle

DATE: 3/9/73

Re San Francisco letter to Los Angeles dated 1/15/73.

RE:

On 1/26/73,
 Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at the
 above address, the location of a business,
 advised he is of this business
 and works in conjunction with
 He has been at this location for the past
 three years and has been in Hollywood, California for the
 past 8 years.

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stated he was, during
 in the northwest and was a charter member of the Seattle
 Parachute Club in During that period of time he
 was employed by the Standard Oil Company and worked on
 with Seattle being his home port.

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He stated he has discussed the Seattle hijacking
 with associates of his who currently are or have been
 involved in parachuting. He stated the artist's conception
 originally published in this matter bore some resemblance
 to one an and parachutist
 who has jumped at Elsinore, California, in early 1960. He
 added that after being made aware of the physical description
 of the hijacker he discounted as a possible suspect
 as he was less than 30 years old and was 6'3" in height.

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During this interview, was noted to be
 completely bald except for a fringe of blond, graying
 hair along the sides of his head. He appears Nordic in
 descent and has blue eyes. He does not appear to bear a

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close resemblance to descriptive data furnished regarding the unknown subject in this matter and further appears to be a reputable businessman.

Records of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), and Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office (LASO), as well as those of the Credit Bureau of Greater Los Angeles and Dun and Bradstreet, contain no derogatory information concerning [redacted]

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The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Birth Date	[redacted]
Weight	175 pounds
Height	6'1"
Hair	Blond - balding
Eyes	Blue
Residence	[redacted] Los Angeles, California
California Drivers License Number	[redacted]
Occupation	[redacted]

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As [redacted] does not appear to match physical characteristics of the unknown subject in this matter as furnished by witnesses and apparently is a reputable businessman, he does not appear to warrant consideration as a logical suspect in this matter and no further investigation is being conducted by Los Angeles at this time, unless advised to the contrary by Seattle.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

3/13/73

SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

NORJAK

OO: Seattle

Re Los Angeles letter to Seattle dated 3/9/73.

RE:

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Enclosed for the investigative assistance of Seattle are two photographs of captioned suspect taken by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office in November 1964.

was a former at a parachute school in Lancaster, California, in and has been described as a heavy smoker of cigarettes, and reportedly lost considerable weight during 1965. He reportedly name unknown, in Seattle, Washington, he formerly resided in that city, and was extradited from Los Angeles to the State of Washington in He has been described by former associates as a daredevil capable of trying anything.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

OO: Seattle

DATE: 3/26/73

Re: [redacted]

On 1/26/73, an anonymous letter was received at the Los Angeles Office in which the writer states "For several reasons, I strongly suspect 'D.B. Cooper' is really one [redacted] of Hollywood". He lists four reasons why he believes [redacted] is identical to the hijacker as

- (1) strongly resembles artist's sketch seen on television;
- (2) he was a paratrooper while in the military service;
- (3) he was out of the city when the event took place; and
- (4) he visits northern California.

Records of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office (IASO), Los Angeles, California Police Department (LAPD), and the Credit Bureau of Greater Los Angeles revealed no record identifiable with [redacted] Hollywood, California.

Records of the California Department of Motor Vehicles reveal one individual possibly identical to [redacted] referred to in the letter. This person was one [redacted] California Driver's License Number [redacted] male, born [redacted] 6'2", 180 pounds, blue eyes, blond hair, and residence shown as [redacted] Los Angeles, California. A former address as of 7/30/71, was shown as [redacted] Los Angeles, California. (This address is in Hollywood, California).

Discreet inquiry in the vicinity of [redacted] Los Angeles, revealed [redacted] was employed as a [redacted] Hollywood, California.

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On 3/21/73, [redacted] was interviewed by SA [redacted] at his employment. He was noted to have light blond, very thin hair, light complexion, 6'2" tall, and blue eyes. He did not appear to resemble the artist's conception nor did his physical description match that furnished by witnesses in this matter.

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[redacted] advised he had never parachuted and his service experience consisted of being in the National Guard. He stated the writer of the letter is correct in that he does travel to northern California to meetings and conventions in connection with the [redacted] business. He recalls having last been in Seattle in 1963.

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[redacted] stated he spent Thanksgiving Day of 1971 at [redacted] in Pasadena with [redacted]

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[redacted] does not appear to resemble the artist's conception or match the description of the unknown subject, appears to be a reputable businessman and criminal and credit checks reveal no derogatory information regarding him. In view of the above, no further investigation will be conducted by Los Angeles at this time unless advised to the contrary by Seattle.

UNSUB CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date: 4-3-73

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL _____
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TO : SAC, Albuquerque (149-131)
 FROM : SAC, Seattle (164-81) (P)
 SUBJECT: NORJAK
 OO: Seattle
 RE: ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY
 SUB #437

Re Denver airtel to Bureau, ET AL, 2-22-73.

For the information of receiving offices, USA, WDLA, declined prosecution regarding ITSP - FBW, New Orleans case involving ALVIN CURTIS HARTLEY. Case was closed by the New Orleans Division. HARTLEY is still being considered a NORJAK suspect because he fits the general description for UNSUB and it has been learned he has had paratrooper experience in WW II.

The following information has not been established concerning HARTLEY:

1. HARTLEY's location on 11-24-71;
2. HARTLEY's present location;
3. HARTLEY's current description

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 2 - Butte (164-26)
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(witness [redacted] advised
HARTLEY may be bald);
4. HARTLEY's previous flying
experience, if any.

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All receiving offices are to continue investigation to determine if HARTLEY is identical to UNSUB in this matter. In addition, all receiving offices are to evaluate leads set forth in referenced communication and report results of investigation to Seattle Division if that investigation is thought to be pertinent in this matter. If the investigation is not conducted, receiving offices advise Seattle of the reason.

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FBI

Date: 5/11/73

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)
RE: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

Re: [redacted]

[redacted]
Glendale, California, has provided information concerning captioned individual and believes he should be considered a possible suspect in this matter.

[redacted] bases his belief on the fact that [redacted] arrived from Eugene, Oregon, in the spring of 1971. He rented [redacted] and began [redacted]

[redacted] recalled that a short time prior to Thanksgiving 1971, he noticed [redacted]

[redacted] who was engaged as a [redacted] was told by [redacted] that he was going [redacted] to the Eugene, Oregon area [redacted] but he later learned this was not true,

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as he observed [redacted] after his departure. Upon making inquiry, he learned that [redacted] accompanied [redacted] to Oregon.

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He recalled that prior to his departure, [redacted] wore a full beard. After being gone about three weeks, [redacted] returned and his beard appeared to have been shaved off and was just starting to grow back. He was told by [redacted] (Last Name Unknown), [redacted] that [redacted] had been visiting [redacted] outside of Eugene.

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[redacted] stated that about Christmas 1971, [redacted] claimed [redacted] in Oregon and again departed. He left for Oregon driving a Chevrolet and it struck him as unusual that he would not fly if his [redacted] returned from this trip in about one week and during the first part of 1972, [redacted] showed sudden signs of wealth. [redacted]

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[redacted] areas of Los Angeles County and the company seemed to have suddenly become well financed. [redacted] asked about the sudden display of wealth and was told by [redacted] (Last Name Unknown) that [redacted] had recently [redacted] [redacted] also told him that [redacted]

[redacted] stated he was unaware of any military, pilot's or parachuting experience on [redacted] part and after observing the artist's conception of the hijacker, he stated [redacted] face appears narrower than that in the drawing. He stated [redacted] is a white male, about 40 years of age, about 6' in height, about 170 to 180 pounds, slender build, dark brown hair, rugged, outdoor-type complexion, and is of Irish descent.

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Los Angeles indices contain no information identifiable with [redacted]

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Los Angeles file [redacted] captioned [redacted] [redacted] reveals this subject is [redacted] nicknamed [redacted]

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[redacted] was interviewed by Bureau Agents on 8/27/72, and admitted calling United Airlines, Chicago, from California posing as FBI Agent [redacted] and asking to have a passenger removed from a United Airlines flight as the passenger had [redacted]. Prosecution was declined in this matter. Also interviewed regarding this matter was [redacted] named [redacted]. During the interviews, [redacted] claimed they did not carry any identification with them and both claimed they had Oregon driver's licenses, but did not have them in their possession.

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Dun and Bradstreet (conceal), Los Angeles County Fictitious Names Registration, Los Angeles County Divorce Records and Glendale Police Department records tend to substantiate information furnished by [redacted] as follows:

In April 1971, articles of incorporation were filed with Los Angeles County by [redacted] Glendale, [redacted] North Hollywood, and [redacted] Eagle Rock, for a firm to be known as [redacted] Los Angeles.

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Dun and Bradstreet (conceal) records indicate a report dated 5/8/72, reveals [redacted] began in [redacted].

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[redacted] declined financial statement and estimated his total assets in excess of [redacted].

The firm had expanded to locations at [redacted] Norwalk, [redacted] Sepulveda, and [redacted] Los Angeles. Investigation revealed that [redacted] had furnished an address in October 1970 and May 1971, of [redacted] Glendale. Observation and discreet inquiry at this address revealed it as an [redacted].

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[redacted] The [redacted] is currently under [redacted].

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new ownership and the [redacted] (It is noted current [redacted])

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It was further ascertained that [redacted] has paid [redacted] and in 1972, [redacted] was issued for [redacted]

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[redacted] appeared and satisfied Superior Court in Los Angeles regarding the [redacted]

Records of the California Department of Motor Vehicles, Division of Driver's Licenses, reveals driver's license number [redacted] was issued to [redacted] residence [redacted] Norwalk, California, effective [redacted]

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This record indicates other address of [redacted] [redacted] Silverton, effective [redacted]

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A review of U.S. Postal Guide reveals there is no post office of Silverton in California; however, indicates there is a post office at Silverton, Oregon in Marian County.

Records of the Glendale, California Police Department reveal [redacted]

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[redacted] He was [redacted] [redacted] Index cards retained by the Glendale Police Department reveal he came to their attention in 1962, 1965, 1967 and 1968, with no arrests indicated. He was the complainant four times in 1968 regarding auto theft, two burglaries and one petty theft. He furnished a different address on each occasion.

Discreet inquiry in the vicinity of [redacted] [redacted] Los Angeles, reveals [redacted] claimed to be a successful [redacted] in the Seattle, Washington area prior to setting up business in the spring of [redacted]

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[redacted] is described as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	White

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Birth Data

[Redacted]

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Height

6' to 6'2"

Weight

180 to 200 pounds

Hair

Dark brown

Eyes

Hazel

Occupation

[Redacted]

San Fernando Valley, California
area - 1960 - 1970:

[Redacted]

Norwalk, California - 1972 - 1973

Marital Status

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Lake View Terrace, California

Social Security

Number

[Redacted]

CII Number

Glendale Police

Department Number

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It is recommended the following investigation be conducted to ascertain if the sudden display of wealth by [Redacted] was the result of an inheritance of property in Oregon [Redacted] Eugene, Oregon area, and to determine if he should be considered a logical suspect in this matter:

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PORTLAND

AT SILVERTON, OREGON: (1) Attempt to ascertain recipient of mail at [Redacted] Silverton, during March 1971, noting this address furnished by [Redacted] at that time.

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(2) Conduct all other logical investigation to ascertain if [] should be considered a logical suspect in this matter.

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AT PORTLAND, OREGON: Ascertain to whom Oregon license [] is registered, noting this license has been recently observed on a Datsun pickup truck parked outside the office headquarters [] in Norwalk.

(2) Check indices, conduct credit and criminal and ascertain if [] was holder of Oregon driver's license during 1971, obtain photograph and furnish to Seattle for possible display to witnesses in this matter.

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SACRAMENTO

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA: Obtain copy of California driver's license number [] containing photograph of [] and furnish to Seattle for possible display to witnesses in this matter.

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OKLAHOMA CITY

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA: Review appropriate records, U.S. Parachutist Association and Federal Aviation Administration, to ascertain if [] has prior parachuting or pilot experience and furnish results to Seattle for their investigative assistance in this matter.

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SEATTLE

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON: Check indices, conduct credit and criminal to ascertain if [] resided in Seattle area as he claimed to have been [] in Seattle area. Conduct any other logical investigation to ascertain if he should be considered a logical suspect in this matter.

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OO: Seattle

Re Los Angeles airtel to Seattle, 5/11/73; and
Oklahoma City teletype to Sacramento, et al, 1/4/73.

Re: [Redacted]

For information of San Francisco, Los Angeles has
developed above suspect in this matter, described as follows:

Name	[Redacted]
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	[Redacted]
Height	6'-6"2"
Weight	180-200 pounds
Hair	Dark brown
Eyes	Hazel
Occupations	[Redacted] San Fernando Valley, California area 1960-70; [Redacted] [Redacted] Norwalk, California, 1972-73
SSAN	[Redacted]

The following investigation was conducted by
SA [Redacted] at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma:

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- 2 - San Francisco
- 1 - Oklahoma City
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[redacted]
[redacted] Federal Aviation Administration, advised on 5/16/73
that her files did not reflect any record showing [redacted]
[redacted] to have a pilot's certificate.

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LOS ANGELES - INFORMATION

An information copy is being designated for Los Angeles in view of outstanding investigation within that division.

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AT MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA. Will review records of U. S. Parachutist Association (USPA) to determine whether [redacted] is known to that association. USPA [redacted] Monterey, Calif.

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REPORTING OFFICE SEATTLE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN SEATTLE	DATE MAY 30 1973	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 11/24/71 - 5/25/73
TITLE OF CASE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; aka Dan Cooper NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #350 PORTLAND, OREGON, TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, 11/24/71		REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 20px;"></div>	TYPED BY jsm
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REFERENCE: Seattle report of SA CHARLES E. FARRELL, dated 2/16/72.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

A code name for this case has been given by the Bureau as "NORJAK" and will be used in all communications.

The purpose of this report is to advise the Bureau and auxiliary offices of the pertinent investigation that has already occurred since SA CHARLES E. FARRELL's report of February 16, 1972, in order to facilitate future NORJAK investigation. Pursuant to this, no copy has been designated for the USA at Seattle.

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Leads concerning suspects will not be set forth in this report as they are being handled by separate communication.

There are currently 637 suspects, 470 of whom have been eliminated. New suspects are being developed and systematic elimination of these suspects continues.

In an effort to facilitate interoffice communications, it is requested that all field offices originating NORJAK communications, not only refer to the appropriate communications but also include the suspect(s) name and alias(es) if known on the first page under the title NORJAK.

For the information of all field offices, the Bureau advised by airtel September 15, 1972, that this is the only aircraft hijacking in which the subject has not been identified and apprehended nor the ransom money recovered. All leads in this important case are to be set forth expeditiously. The investigation of this case is to be vigorously pursued in all facets in order to bring it to a successful completion.

It is noted that the investigative period overlaps previous NORJAK reports. This has been done since previous reports were not distributed to all field offices.

It is noted that Unsub in this matter is almost universally called "D. B. COOPER" by the press, the public, and even by Bureau personnel. Factually, there is no basis for this alias. As a possible explanation for the existence of the alias "D. B. COOPER" the following sequence of events is offered:

While the hijacking was in progress on the evening of November 24, 1971, it was established that a [redacted] had boarded the flight at Portland, but was not among the passengers who deplaned at Seattle.

As a result, the name [redacted] was checked through the Bureau indices, which revealed an Identification Record for a [redacted] FBI Number [redacted] born in [redacted] with an [redacted] in [redacted]

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INVESTIGATIVE STEPS TO PROCESS NORJAK SUSPECTS

In checking on suspect [redacted] that evening, the Portland Division advised that he definitely had been eliminated. A police officer of The Dalles, Oregon Police Department, visited him in The Dalles, and definitely identified him as the above [redacted] and the fact was noted that he could not have been on the plane since he was at The Dalles.

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There was no FBI release to the press concerning the above suspect, but the press coverage in Oregon, and in the State of Washington was so intense, it may have become known to the press, that the above [redacted] was contacted by a police officer.

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It is suggested that the fact that the name "D.B. COOPER" is not involved in this matter not be given publicity outside the Bureau in order to utilize this fact as an aid in the initial evaluation of new leads.

INVESTIGATIVE STEPS TO PROCESS NORJAK SUSPECTS

This list in no way represents all the means available to process a suspect. Each individual case prompts a different method; one or more of the below listed methods have been used in the past.

1. Obtain current descriptive data (particularly useful is age, height and complexion)
2. Ascertain location on November 24, 1971, by
 - (a) checking employment records.
 - (b) checking cancelled checks or credit card transactions.
 - (c) interviewing acquaintances or relatives (note November 24th was the day before Thanksgiving, 1971).
3. Ascertain present location to determine if he is alive or if he appears to be in hiding.

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4. Ascertain if he has knowledge of airplanes or parachuting (i.e. private pilot's license, skydiving experience, or military jump experience).
5. Obtain current photograph, color if possible, to display to witnesses. (Note: All NORJAK eyewitnesses have been repeatedly contacted and have reviewed numerous photographs. Up to now they have been extremely cooperative, not withstanding the many contacts they have endured both at work and at home. Based on the above, these witnesses will not be contacted to view photographs unless there is no other way to eliminate a suspect).
6. Compare suspect's fingerprints and palm prints with NORJAK partials on file in the Identification Bureau.
7. Ascertain if he is in any way familiar with the Pacific Northwest area and in particular if he ever flew over this area.
8. Check current financial situation and contrast it to his situation prior to NORJAK.
9. Determine if he smokes cigarettes or if he ever smoked cigarettes. (Note: Unsub smoked Raleigh cigarettes).
10. Determine if he was registered at a motel or hotel near the Portland Airport just prior to NORJAK.
11. Determine if he made any trial runs prior to NORJAK on airlines flying between Portland and Seattle.
12. Determine if he has a safe deposit box and consider feasibility of obtaining a court order to determine its contents.
13. Compare his hair to hair fiber found on NORJAK airplane.

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14. Check medical records (subject was apparently in good health and athletic at the time of NORJAK but he could have been injured in the jump).
15. Determine if he had reason to have a grudge on November 24, 1971. (Possibilities might be loss of job, especially airline-related job, Vietnam War, ethnic freedom, etc.)
16. Determine his criminal background. (It is felt Unsub was not an experienced criminal.)
17. Determine suspect's educational background. (Unsub was probably a high school graduate and may have had further education.)
18. Determine if he is or was an alcoholic. (It is felt Unsub was not an alcoholic.)
19. Determine if he has an accent of any kind. (Unsub did not.)
20. Determine if the tie or tie tac found on NORJAK belongs to suspect.
21. Check suspect's name through
 - (a) St. Louis Office for military records to determine jump experience. (Note: need service number or SSAN.)
 - (b) Airline Pilot Association (ALPA), headquarters Washington, D.C.
 - (c) Parachute Club of America, U.S. Parachute Association, PO Box 189, Monterey, California 93940.
 - (d) Raleigh Coupon Redemption Center, Brown and Williamson Tobacco Company, Hill Street, Louisville, Kentucky. (Records kept only one year.)

PROFILE

The purpose of the following information is to conveniently list all the known facts concerning the hijacker's profile and to combine them with suppositions that can be reasonably inferred from those facts. The suppositions have been included to aid in processing a suspect. They should not be considered as concrete facts, nor should they be used as the sole determining factor in drawing investigative conclusions.

SUMMARY

Unsub was a well spoken, conservative gentleman; probably a Catholic with Mexican or Indian blood. He was not an alcoholic. He probably lived in the Portland or Seattle areas or had flown more than once over these areas. He apparently had no accomplices. He was not an experienced skydiver and most probably received his jump training in the military. His hijacking plan was not well thought out, and he was probably not an experienced criminal. He was apparently having financial troubles prior to November, 1971, and he may have previously worked in an airline-related industry.

The reasons for the above suppositions are included below.

BACKGROUND

It is felt Unsub was not an experienced criminal because of his mannerism exhibited after he received the ransom money. Unsub reportedly became somewhat childish in his actions and comments while counting the money.

Unsub was familiar with the Seattle area, as indicated by his comments concerning the plane's location as it flew over Tacoma, Washington. In addition, Unsub made a comment as to the distance McChord Air Force Base was in relation to Sea-Tac Airport. Unsub reportedly indicated McChord was approximately 20 minutes from Sea-Tac, which is essentially correct.

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Unsub stated he was hijacking the aircraft because of a grudge. He may have had a relative, possibly a son, killed in Vietnam or he may have had recent financial problems which would foster such a grudge.

Unsub's complexion has been described as swarthy or dark. The grudge may be associated with his background which could possibly be Indian, Mexican or possibly Italian descent. Note unsub has been described by witness [redacted] as definitely having some Mexican or Indian "blood" in him.

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It is noted the northwest area at the time of the hijacking was suffering from a depressed economic condition, and since Unsub was familiar with the Seattle area as indicated above, it is possible Unsub was out of work at the time of NORJAK. In addition, Unsub demonstrated considerable knowledge of aircraft and of flying, and it is felt he was employed in the aircraft industry; either civilian or military at one time in his life, therefore, it is logical to assume unsub may possibly have been out of work in an airlines-related industry.

His actions and reactions that occurred throughout the hijacking indicate unsub probably was not a desperate man, nor was he mentally ill such as a paranoid type. Unsub exhibited an unusually calm manner throughout the whole hijacking.

Unsub was probably a "loner" and carried out the hijacking by himself, with no partners. Throughout the hijacking, he exhibited a competency in reacting to various situations that arose. It is believed that Unsub was not an experienced criminal, but a victim of circumstances.

Unsub's physical build and his handiness with the parachute shroud lines indicates coordination and some physical ability as well as inventiveness. (It is noted that during the hijacking unsub requested a knapsack to put the money in and he received a small white bag instead. Unsub took a small pocket knife from his person and fashioned a means to attach the small bag to his body using parachute lines from an unused parachute. Since it is

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believed unsub was not well prepared for the hijacking and had not thoroughly thought the hijacking out, he most probably always carries a small pocket knife with him.

The following information tends to indicate unsub was somewhat conservative in his thinking and dress:

1. Short style hair
2. Age mid 40's
3. Dark colored suit, dark colored raincoat, white shirt, narrow black tie.
4. Unsub did not swear and showed a great deal of respect for the stewardesses on the airline because they were women. (Unsub engaged in a small argument with one of the passengers, as well as experiencing extremely tense and nervous situations, and through it all he never used profane language - this might indicate he is possibly a religious man. Since he did drink, and since he is possibly religious, he probably is not a Baptist or Mormon.)

The following information tends to indicate Unsub possibly possessed athletic ability:

1. His physical build was described as average to well built, even though his age was described as in his mid-40's.
2. Unsub exhibited some physical dexterity using his hands and a small knife.
3. Unsub apparently parachuted from an aircraft at night; something that would require no small degree of physical ability.

It is felt unsub possibly maintains his physical well being through regular exercise.

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The following information tends to indicate the Unsub was a gentleman:

1. He offered to tip the stewardesses on the NORJAK flight after he received his ransom money. He did not offer them ransom money as the tip, but used his own money.
2. During the entire hijacking he did not use profane language.
3. Throughout the hijacking he maintained a calm demeanor and spoke low and intelligently.

The following information tends to indicate Unsub lived in the northwest area at some time in his life:

1. Unsub knew the distance from McChord to Sea-Tac and recognized Tacoma, Washington from the air.
2. Unsub was dressed in a suit and lightweight overcoat which is commonly worn by many northwest area residents.
3. No accent or unusual speech mannerisms were detected by the Northwest Airlines stewardesses who had a chance to observe him.

SPORT PARACHUTIST

The hijacker is probably not a sports parachutist nor is he a member of a sport parachute club. The reasons for this are as follows:

1. The hijacker requested two back parachutes and two front parachutes. He gave no specific instructions as to the type of parachute that he desired. (i.e. a sports parachutist would probably have requested a steerable sport

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2. Several sport parachutists have advised that a sport parachutist possesses an emotional attachment to his parachute and probably would not jump from an aircraft with anyone else's chute, nor would they jump with a chute they had not packed themselves.

The hijacker was furnished a parachute that opens quickly, has a high rate of descent, and one that was not steerable.

3. The hijacker was furnished two front parachutes, commonly called chest packs which are to be used in an emergency when the back pack parachute or main parachute fails to open properly. The chest pack parachute the hijacker took with him was a dummy parachute. It was designed for lectures to demonstrate to new parachutists the proper method of opening a chest pack parachute. It is felt an experienced sports parachutist would probably have noticed this defect.

4. Unsub's age has been described as mid 40's and it is noted that the average age in most sport parachute clubs is mid 20's. If Unsub was a member of a sport parachute club he would certainly be an unusual member, one that would be easily recognized by the other members, as well as one that was well known because of his unusual age. It is felt that due to the large amount of publicity afforded this case, someone in a sport parachute club would have recognized his fellow "sky diver" as being identical with Unsub if in fact Unsub was a member of any sports parachute club.

When the stewardess presented the parachutes to the hijacker she also presented an instruction sheet on how to utilize a parachute. At that time, Unsub stated he did not need any instructions concerning the use of a parachute.

Since Unsub did not specify a specific type of chute and because of the above reasoning concerning Unsub's age, it is felt Unsub was not an experienced jumper or even a sport jumper. In addition, Unsub probably had some jump training most probably obtained while in the military.

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HABITS

Unsub drinks in moderation and is probably not an alcoholic. Unsub ordered one bourbon and seven at the beginning of the flight and although he was offered several free drinks later, he turned them down. This would indicate that Unsub possessed sufficient willpower to refuse alcohol in a tension-filled situation. It is believed an alcoholic or a former alcoholic who had just had one drink and was placed in a situation of similar stress would succumb to the pressure and imbibe in the free drinks offered him by the stewardesses.

Located in the ashtray utilized by Unsub were eight cigarette butts, seven of which have been identified by the FBI Laboratory as Raleigh filter cigarettes, and the eighth cigarette is possibly the same. These cigarettes are sold in a "soft pack". Unsub was in the aircraft eight hours in an extremely tense situation. During the eight hours, he had eight cigarettes. A two-pack-a-day smoker would have consumed 20 cigarettes in eight hours under normal circumstances. It is felt Unsub may possibly smoke less than one pack a day.

CLOTHES

Located in Seat 18 E (the seat Unsub occupied) was a black clip-on tie which contained a tie clip described as yellow gold in color, with a white pearl circular stone in the center. The label in the tie bore the name "Towncraft" and bore the legend "Store 3; Penneys". The label in this tie showed it to be a "Snapper" patent type tie. Investigation at Las Vegas indicated this type tie was sold for about \$1.50 and that this particular tie was about a year to a year and a half old. It was a favorite item for individuals such as waiters, busboys and bartenders.

Stewardess [] has said that this tie, found on the aircraft, was probably Unsub's and other witnesses have indicated he wore a similar type tie.

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Since Unsub wore a tie during the hijacking and for other reasons described above, it is felt he was possibly an executive. However, since the tie was narrow and a clip-on type not currently in style, Unsub was possibly not on a top-level executive.

Unsub carried with him a cheap briefcase that appeared to be new. It is thought the hijacker probably purchased this briefcase just prior to the hijacking to be used during the hijacking only.

Unsub wore a white shirt with small collar points indicating he probably did not have the money to obtain a more fashionable wardrobe (i.e. more colorful shirts with larger collars currently in style). The white shirt could also indicate the hijacker's conservative taste in clothing.

EDUCATION

Unsub was assessed to be a high school graduate possibly with some college training, based primarily on vocabulary used during the hijack. Further, Unsub impressed stewardesses as possibly being experienced in dealing with people. They, therefore, concluded he was the executive type and seemed to naturally dictate the ransomed demands to the stewardesses in lieu of writing the notes out himself.

PHYSICAL

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Mid 40's
Height:	5'10" - 6'
Weight:	170-180
Complexion:	Olive, Latin appearance medium smooth
Hair:	Dark brown or black, parted on the left and combed back
Sideburns:	Ear level
Eyes:	Possibly brown. During latter part of flight, he put on dark, wrap-around sunglasses with dark frames.

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Voice: Low, spoke intelligently, no particular accent, possibly from midwest section of the United States.

Characteristics: Smoked Raleigh filter tipped cigarettes

Wearing apparel: Black or brown suit, narrow black tie, white shirt, black rain-type overcoat or dark topcoat, dark briefcase or attache case, brown shoes, carried paper bag, 4"x12"x14".

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Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #350,
PORTLAND, OREGON, TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON
NOVEMBER 24, 1971

Character: CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

Synopsis:

On November 24, 1971, a white male skyjacked a Northwest Airlines Flight from Portland to Seattle. The hijacker demanded and received \$200,000 and four parachutes upon landing at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport. After receiving the ransom money, the hijacker allowed the passengers to leave. The plane then took off for Reno and at 8:11 p.m. a pressure oscillation was noted by the plane's crew. That pressure oscillation was probably caused by the hijacker leaving the aircraft. Search of the aircraft at Reno revealed the hijacker was not in the plane when it landed. Extensive searches of the area into which the hijacker would have landed failed to locate the hijacker or any evidence of value. The initial black and white artist composite drawing of the hijacker was changed to a color sketch to more accurately reflect the hijacker's age and swarthy complexion.

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THE HIJACK

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The Unsub, aka [redacted] at 2:00 PM, Pacific Standard Time, November 24, 1971, purchased a one-way coach ticket at the Portland International Airport, Portland, Oregon, for travel from Portland to Seattle, Washington, on Northwest Orient Airlines Flight Number 305, which was a Boeing 727 aircraft. Unsub paid for this flight with a twenty dollar bill and had no luggage. He occupied seat number 18 E on the aircraft.

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The Boeing 727 has three seats on each side of the aisle. Row 18 is the last one on both the right and left side of the aisle. The seats are identified from left to right as you face the front of the aircraft with A, B, C on the left side of the aisle and D (aisle seat), E (center seat) and F (window seat) on the right side.

Almost flush against the back of row 18, except for some eight inches near the aisle, is a bulkhead which forms the wall for the lavatories, located behind row 18; one on the right and one on the left. Beyond the lavatory doors is the door leading to the air stairs.

The door to the air stairs is always closed and locked, except when loading or unloading passengers. It is located straight away at the end of the aisle beyond row 18 and is perhaps some 3½ feet from the last row and is in easy reach for someone sitting in row 18.

Built into the lower portion of the door to the air stairs is the stewardess seat which is pulled down when in use, so that a person sitting in that seat looks straight down the aisle toward the front of the aircraft. On take-off this seat was occupied by Stewardess [redacted]

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Prior to the time the aircraft taxied on the runway, he purchased a bourbon and Seven Up from Stewardess [redacted]. As the aircraft taxied toward the runway for takeoff, Unsub turned and handed Stewardess [redacted] an envelope containing a note written in black felt-tip pen on plain white unlined paper which said:

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"Miss, I have a bomb here and I would like you to sit by me".

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The hijacker then dictated the following:

"I want \$200,000 by 5:00 p.m. in cash". (No specification as to denomination, age or sequence of bills). "Put it in a knapsack. I want two back parachutes and two front parachutes" (no other specification concerning parachute types). "When we land I want a fuel truck ready to refuel" (probably his flying experience caused him to add this). "No funny stuff or I'll do the job" (the first attempted parachute skyjacking had been foiled about 12 days earlier by the hijacked aircraft's crew.)

The hijacker showed both Stewardesses the contents of his briefcase and stated it was an electrical device and requested the aircraft radio be used as little as possible.

The hijacker explained why he hijacked this plane by stating "it's not because I have a grudge against the airlines, it's because I have a grudge."

The hijacker then added that the flight suited his time, place and plans (probably the convenience of a Portland to Seattle flight suited the hijacker).

The hijacker very carefully demanded that each and every note either written by him or dictated to the stewardess by him be returned to him and he also had a used match cover which was used to convey notes returned to him.

Stewardess [redacted] showed Stewardess [redacted] the demand notes and then went to the cockpit where she displayed them to the captain of the aircraft. She thereafter remained in the cockpit where she prepared thirteen pages of notes concerning the hijacking.

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The aircraft landed at Sea-Tac at 5:46 PM, PST, at which time \$200,000. in twenty dollar bills, weighing 19 pounds, two back chutes and two chest chutes were given to him in a white canvas bag. The passengers then were allowed to deplane as were Stewardess [redacted] and another stewardess.

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The hijacker went to the lavatory just behind row 18 (the row he which he was sitting) and as he exited the lavatory he was seen carrying the briefcase on its side in both arms, with a 12"x16"x4" light-colored package on top of the briefcase.

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Stewardess [redacted] then acted as a communications media between the Unsub. and the captain of the aircraft until about five minutes after the aircraft departed the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport when she was instructed to go to the cockpit by the Unsub.

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The hijacker's instructions after receiving the money were vague. He probably wanted to jump from the aircraft as soon as possible after the takeoff. The hijacker put two of the parachutes, a back pack and a front pack, on prior to take off. He also wanted the air stairs lowered prior to takeoff, which subsequently proved to be impossible. Finally the hijacker jumped as soon as practical after the stairs were lowered in flight. The hijacker was delayed from jumping by the trouble he experienced in lowering the air stairs and by the fact he was not provided a knapsack but rather a small white canvas bag which he had to affix to her person utilizing parachute shroud lines from an unused parachute.

The plane departed Sea-Tac at 7:36 PM. Some four or five minutes after take-off, [redacted] was sent to the cockpit by the hijacker. Some ten minutes after she entered the cockpit, one of the officers received a call on the interphone from the hijacker, advising he could not get the air stairs down. The pilot then leveled off the aircraft and reduced the air speed. Within a very short time, the officer's panel showed that the stairs had been lowered and approximately five minutes later, (8:05 PM), the officer contacted the hijacker who said everything was okay. That was the last communication with the hijacker.

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- At 8:11 PM, while the plane was at 10,000 feet, the crew experienced a pressure bump or oscillation and the Cabin Pressure Rate of Change Gauge also reacted violently and it was thought, at that time, that the hijacker might have left the aircraft.

When the aircraft landed at Reno, Nevada, a chest pack chute and a back type chute were found on the plane. The missing chest pack chute, sometimes referred to as an emergency chute, is a training pack "dummied up" to look like a good one. The missing back pack chute is non-steerable and anyone utilizing this type chute would have no chance of slowing down or picking his spot on which to land.

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Also located in seat 18 E of the aircraft at Reno, was a black clip-on tie which contained a tie clasp described as yellow gold in color with a white pearl circular stone in the center. The label in the tie bore the name "Towncraft" and bore Store #3, Penneys. The label in this tie showed it to be a "Snapper" patent type tie. Investigation in Las Vegas indicated that this type sold for about \$1.50, that it was about a year to a year and a half old, and it was a favorite item for individuals such as waiters, busboys and bartenders. Stewardess [redacted] has said that this tie was probably the Unsub's and other witnesses have indicated that he wore a similar type tie.

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Located in the ashtray utilized by the Unsub were eight cigarette butts, seven of which have been identified by the FBI Laboratory as Raleigh filter tip cigarettes and the eighth cigarette is probably the same. These cigarettes are sold in a "soft pack".

The two seats which she had observed to be occupied by the unknown subject were processed for fingerprints. In addition the telephone, the area around the rear door, the rear door and four plastic drinking glasses found in the trash receptacle by the back door were also processed for fingerprints. In addition, a cloth towel affixed to the rear of one of the seats reportedly occupied by the unknown subject was removed and examined by Reno Agents. On that towel was noted what appeared to be a short human hair.

The FBI Laboratory by communication dated December 9, 1971, advised that an examination of the towel submitted by the Las Vegas Office, disclosed a brown head hair clipping and a brown limb hair, both of Caucasian origin. The report continued that the head hair clipping is suitable for significant comparison results, but that the limb hair possesses too few unique microscopic characteristics to be of value for that purpose.

The Laboratory also advised that the hairs obtained from the towel have been mounted on a glass microscopic slide. They suggested that if microscopic comparisons between

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between the head hair clipping and a known head hair sample were desired, that the glass microscopic slide containing the hair clipping should be resubmitted to the Laboratory by the Las Vegas Office.

The contents of the ashtray, the towel and the microscopic slide were returned by the Laboratory to the Las Vegas Office and are being held by the Las Vegas Division as evidence.

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It is apparent from the following excerpts, taken from logs maintained by ground personnel on November 24, 1971, that the hijacker exited the airplane at 8:11 p.m. local time.

When the hijacker jumped, the air stairs were forced closed causing an increase in air pressure similar to shutting a car door with the windows up. As this pressure increase occurred the co-pilot turned to look at the cabin rate of climb meter and in doing so his communications ear plug was pulled from his ear.

The co-pilot's comments at this time were being recorded on a tape recorder which had previously been started on a time standard signal. Through careful play back and sequencing, the time of the pressure oscillation caused by the air stairs closing after Unsub departed was determined to be 8:11 p.m. local time.

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Teletype logs maintained by Ground Operations,
Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.

Time
8:12 p.m. PST "11/25
305 getting some oscilltns in
the cabin mus be doing something
with air stairs"

Handwritten logs maintained by [REDACTED]

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at the Office of NWA Operations, Seattle-Tacoma International
Airport.

8:11 p.m. "Reno looks good (weather).
305 at the present cabin is
fluctuating playing with air
stairs fwd cabin lites on."

Handwritten logs maintained by [REDACTED]

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Flight Dispatcher NWA at Seattle-Tacoma International
Airport.

8:11 p.m. "Cabin fluctuating ZA"

Log maintained at Flight Operations Office,
Minneapolis, by [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
8:10 p.m. "Crew reported oscillation
of cabin rate of climb indicator.
This probably due to HJ weight
now on stairs, stairs extended
further, resultant effect on
cabin pressure. May be best
estimate of when he exited air-
plane."

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"(Airplane now at 10,000'
170K, gear down, flaps 15°,
FF 4000 #/hr/engine, TAT -7°C)"...

Log reconstructed from tape recordings of the
conversations between Flight 305 and Ground Control.

8:11 p.m.

"O.K. fine uh. at the present
time [redacted] . . .
uh, uh! (co-pilot, who is
speaking, turned to look at
the cabin rate of climb meter
because of an increase in
cabin pressure and in doing
so his ear plug was pulled
from his ear). . . at the
present time we're getting
some uh, the uh, cabin uh rate
uh. . . uh, scuse me, my ear
plug came out and I uh, at the
present time we're getting some
oscillations in the cabin rate
of climb indicator and uh,
apparently he (unsub) must be
uh attempting to do something
with the uh, the airstairs
back there."

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(There is a time correlation
check on this tape and through
careful play back and sequencing
the time of oscillations caused
by the airstairs closing after
unsub departed was calculated
at 8:11 p.m.)..

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Ransom money in the amount of \$200,000 was made up entirely of used, random 20 dollar bills. It was obtained from the Seattle First National Bank, Main Office, and was part of a ransom package of \$250,000. which had been maintained by the bank for such emergencies. The package measured approximately one foot by one foot by eight or nine inches and weighed 19 pounds.

A check of the Federal Aviation Administration flight section at Portland International Airport reflected that on November 24, 1971 between 8:00 PM and 9:00 PM, there was a ceiling of 5,000 feet, 3,500 feet broken clouds, and at 1,500 feet scattered and broken clouds at times with a wind of 12-14 knots. The temperature at the end of the air stairs at the time of the jump was approximately 0° C.

On October 5, 1972, [REDACTED] Northwest Orient Airlines, Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport, advised he authorized a finers fee of \$25,000 total reward or 15% for any portion of the ransom money that is returned.

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In addition, The Seattle Post-Intelligencer, a local newspaper in Seattle, has offered \$5,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of Unsub.

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SEARCH AREA

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Northwest Airlines (NWA) Flight #305, departed Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (Sea-Tac), under hijack 11/24/71, at 7:36 PM. At the orders of the hijacker, the landing gear and flaps were down. After the plane was airborne, the hijacker and Stewardess [redacted] discussed the opening of the rear door and the lowering of the air stairs. In less than five minutes after take-off, the hijacker instructed Stewardess [redacted] to go forward into the First Class Section and close the curtain behind her and not to return to the rear compartment again.

At 7:42 PM, the crew advised that the stair light was on, indicating that the hijacker was doing something with the air stairs. The plane, at that time, was flying at 7,000 feet.

The log contained an entry at 8:05 PM, indicating the crew had on two occasions, attempted to make contact with the hijacker but he did not reply. However, he then spoke over the PA system and said "everything is okay."

An analysis on 11/24 and 25/71, of the flight path of the aircraft, after it left Seattle, and the logs provided by NWA, suggested that the hijacker was still in the airplane as of 8:05 PM. At that time the plane, according to radar tracking by the U.S. Air Force, was located at a point north of the Pidyton Springs, Washington area and east of Ostrander, Washington. This would have been the northern most point when he was known to be on the aircraft.

At 8:11 PM, according to a log maintained by NWA, the crew reported that they were "getting some oscillations in the cabin, must be doing something with air stairs." An analysis as to the cause of this oscillation, also referred to as a "pressure bump" or "change in the cabin pressure" pointed to the probability that it was caused by the hijacker leaving the aircraft.

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On 1/6/72, the NWA 727 which was actually involved in the hijacking, was flown to Seattle, by [redacted] for the purpose of conducting a test to see if the "pressure bump" experienced during the hijacking, was caused by something leaving the aircraft.

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The conclusion from that test was that the cabin pressure change occurred when the stairs were forced upward by the air pressure after the weight had been removed, according to [redacted] who was a member of the hijacked crew, and also a member of the crew when the test was performed, the occurrence was identical with the incident on the night of the hijack. Also the instrument in the cabin which reacted so violently on the night of the hijacking, also reacted the same way when the test was performed.

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[redacted] based on the test flight above, then prepared a memo showing the steps by which he arrived at the best probable bail out point of the hijacker, and plotted this area on a map. This information is set forth as follows:

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The attached plot indicates the envelope of possible landing points of the high jumper (HJ). It is based on the following:

- Aircraft position from USAF radar data from McChord AFB furnished by [redacted]
- Probable jump time (0411 GMT) from an analysis of the recorded communication from the flight relative to the cabin pressure fluctuation. Flight tests conducted on January 6 confirmed that the pressure fluctuation almost certainly occurred at the time the HJ left the airplane.
- Wind information from 10,000' MSL to the ground as determined by [redacted] NWA [redacted]
- Human body trajectories from data furnished by The Boeing Company (free-fall) and NWA [redacted] (parachute open condition) who is an expert parachutist.
- Time correlation from the above USAF radar information and from the NWA communications network tape recording.
- Airplane airspeed and altitude from the airplane's flight recorder.

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The plot is explained as follows:

1. The heavy dashed line C-D-E-S defines the airplane's probable ground track.
2. Line G-I-J-K defines the westernmost, and Line L-M-N-O the easternmost probable airplane ground tracks based on the stated position tolerance of ± 1.5 nautical mile of the USAF radar plot.
3. Lines A-B, H-P, and O-R are the average wind vectors between 10,000' MSL and the ground, and are the lines parallel to which the HJ would drift after the parachute had opened.
4. Line H-S-T defines the northernmost (earliest) points over which the HJ probably left the airplane. Line K-F-O defines the southernmost (latest) points over which the HJ probably left the airplane. The north-south span of possible jump positions is a product of the radar position tolerance of ± 1.5 mile, and the possible communication time determination tolerance of ± 1 minute.
5. The area within the boundary defined by Points H-P-Q-R-O-K-J-I-H marks the extreme limits of probable landing points based on the above tolerances. That is, assuming the highest probable degree of inaccuracy in aircraft position, jump time, wind vector, etc., all probable HJ landing points would lie within the area defined by this line.
6. If it is assumed aircraft position, jump time, wind vector, and other inputs used are all accurate (without allowance for the above stated tolerances):
 - a. The HJ's landing point would be at Point A if his chute did not open, or if he opened it so soon that the high speed caused chute damage that resulted in the equivalent of a free-fall to the ground. (The horizontal body trajectory due to

it being at the same speed as the airplane at the moment of exit, has been ignored since it would be a maximum of 2000' along the airplane's track if the HJ free-fell all the way to the ground in the "least drag" (tucked) position.)

- b. If the chute was opened without damage immediately after the HJ left the airplane, he would drift with the wind along Line A-B and would land at Point D. The more expert he was, the longer he would probably free-fall (to limit his drift with the wind). The lowest probable altitude to which he would free-fall is 2500' MSL. If he free-fell to 2500' MSL, his landing would be at Point U.

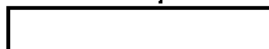
Based on the above, the most favorable search areas, listed in their order of priority, would be as follows:

- At Point A.
- Along Line A-B, favoring the segment between U and B.
- South of Line A-B.
- North of Line A-B.

In addition to the above, the following are pertinent:

- The landing point is more likely to be south of Line A-B, and it is more likely to be in the northwest portion of area A-B-R-O-K-J-A than in the southeast portion thereof.
- It is substantially less likely that the landing point is north of Line A-B. If it is, the most probable point is south of the Lewis River, and in the southwest portion of the area defined by Points A-B-I-J-A.
- It seems highly unlikely-though possible-that the landing point is north of the Lewis River, but if it is, it is more likely to be in the southwest portion of the area defined by Points Q-M-V-I-H-P-Q.

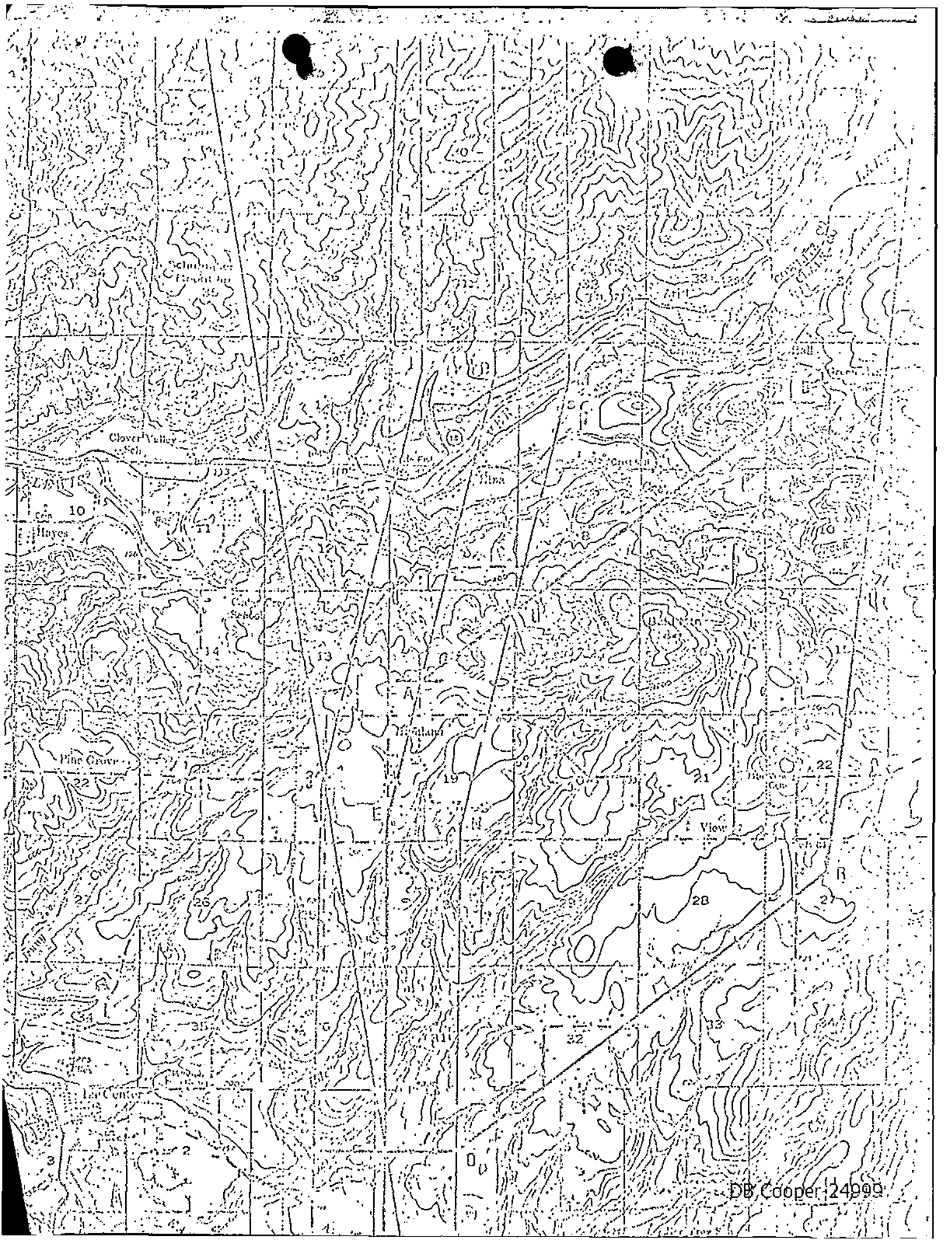
If there are any questions relative to the above, they should be referred to the undersigned.


Northwest Airlines

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On 11/26-25/71, based on information available from NWA, a search area was laid out in the southwest portion of the State of Washington, which was bounded by Woodland, Washington, on the west, Amboy, Washington, on the east, Kalama, Washington on the north and a point seven miles north of the Columbia River, on the south. The prime search area was in an area seven miles east and seven miles west of an eight mile long flight line of the hijacked aircraft, bounded by an area two miles north of Lake Merwin and the Lewis River on the north, Amboy on the east, Woodland, on the west and Battle Ground, Washington, on the south. The search area was divided into six sectors. Four helicopters and seven fixed-wing aircraft were utilized in an intensive, gridded air search of the prime area and a well executed search of the secondary search area on 11/26, 11/27 and 11/29/71.

Ground units of local law enforcement personnel and Bureau Agents, made a house-to-house canvas of every dwelling and business establishment on every road in the prime search area from 11/25/71 through 12/3/71. Most of the roads in the full search area were also intensively covered in a door-to-door canvas, with negative results. All leads developed in this search which was coordinated with the air search, were checked with negative results. One item concerning a small aircraft flying in the vicinity of two private airfields west of Yacolt, Washington, was completely checked and it was found that the aircraft in question was a private plane flown by a known private pilot in the area and the flight took place the evening of 11/23/71.

All sightings from the air were checked by ground units with negative results. Lake Merwin was patrolled from the lake by two boats for its entire 42 mile length, of navigable water and also to the full extent of its 80 mile length, with negative results.

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Based upon information received from the Seattle Division on November 25, 1971 preliminary steps were taken to alert all law enforcement agencies in Cowlitz, Lewis, Wahkiakum, and Clark Counties concerning the search which was to be instituted for the subject. A meeting was held with members of the Clark and Cowlitz County Sheriff's Offices and local agencies at the Woodland, Washington City Hall and Police Department which was designated as search headquarters in view of its proximity to the Woodland airport at which facilities were available for fixed wing aircraft and helicopters. Arrangements were made for helicopters and fixed wing aircraft to be available on November 26, 1971 and the search area was divided into seven sections, one of which was located in the Lewis River area of Cowlitz County and the others in the north-eastern section of Clark County.

On November 26, 1971 personnel of the Clark County Sheriff's Office, under the direction of Sheriff EUGENE COTSON, and [redacted] consisting of twelve cars and four aerial observers, seven cars of the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office, and eleven deputies under Sheriff CHARLES E. GILL and [redacted]

[redacted] In addition, three officers of the Woodland, Washington Police Department and six Agents were at the scene:

On November 26, 1971, after law enforcement officers were briefed on facts known to that point and what was being sought and having been familiarized with the prime search area of 150 square miles, the various ground units were dispatched to Cowlitz and Clark Counties with instructions to contact all available residents and businessmen on every road in the assigned section to secure information concerning the subject. The description, then available, was furnished to all personnel involved in the search. Further instructions were given to the officers to request individuals contacted to contact their neighbors and acquaintances to insure that all residents of the prime search area were cognizant of the hijacking and the description of the subject.

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On November 26, 1971 the banks of Lake Norman, partly located in the prime search area, were completely patrolled by two boats of the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office with all suspicious sightings personally checked. One sighting of a white object on the south side of the lake was unable to be checked on November 26, 1971 but on November 27, 1971 was checked by helicopter with negative results.

On November 26, 1971 two Army helicopters, one Bonneville Power Administration helicopter, and one Meyerhaeuser Company helicopter plus five fixed wing aircraft from Woodland and Vancouver, Washington were aloft over the search area for seven hours of total flying time. Several sightings of unidentified items were checked by ground contact with negative results.

On November 27, 1971 the search was continued with the same number of personnel, ground units, three helicopters and seven fixed wing planes. The search area on this day encompassed a 400 square mile area and was laid out based upon latest data furnished by Northwest Airlines re aircraft's position at time subject left the plane. An area averaging ten miles on the east and west sides of the airline flight path and extending from the vicinity of Kalama, Washington to the suburbs of Vancouver, Washington was gridded and criss crossed by the aircraft mentioned with negative results. All sightings of suspicious items were checked with negative results.

The ground search on November 27, 1971 consisted of contacts by personnel in ground units with as many individuals as possible in the search area.

On November 27, 1971, in addition to contacting all individuals in the search area all airfields with any aircraft or parachuting schools or activity were contacted from Vancouver - Camas, Washougal area to Woodland. A number of individuals contacted at these locations gave information pertaining to skydivers, pilots, clubs involved in skydiving and other information, all of which has been checked with negative results.

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Airports and Flight Services:

Scholls, Orchard, Washington [redacted]
Vancouver, Washington

Ever-green Airfield, [redacted]
Vancouver, Washington

Pearson Air Park, [redacted]
Vancouver, Washington
Skycraft, Inc. Pearson Air Park

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[redacted]
Northwest Flight Services, Inc. Pearson Air
Park - [redacted]

Vancouver Flying Service, Pearson Air Park
[redacted] Canas, Washington,

[redacted]
Kelso-Longview Airport, Kelso, Washington -

[redacted]
Park and Forest Helicopter Service, Napavine,
Washington

Hillsborough Aviation, Pearson Air Park, Vancouver,
Washington

Toledo Airport, Toledo, Washington

Chehalis - Centralia Airport, Chehalis, Washington

On November 29, 1971 the house to house canvass of business establishments and houses in the prime search area of 150 square miles was continued by Agents of the Seattle Division. All individuals contacted were queried concerning the subject and were shown composite drawings and given physical descriptive materials. The search area was gridded and close contact was kept with the control point until all streets, roads, highways, and passable byways were covered all with negative results.

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On November 28, 1971, reports of planes flying at night on November 23, 1971, in the vicinity of the airfields located at View, Washington, and in the vicinity of County Road 42 and Grantham Road in Clark County as well as other small airports in Clark and Cowlitz Counties were checked with all flights being explainable and normal.

On November 29, 1971, the area from Woodland, Washington, up the Lewis River Road to Cougar, Washington, and Yale Lake was covered on a house to house basis, all locations being in Cowlitz County. The business establishments and private homes contacted all had information concerning the subject and his physical description.

Further house to house coverage was afforded in an area near the midpoint of a circle specified by Northwest Airlines as the center of the suspected area in which the subject exited the airplane. Every house and business establishment in a 20 mile square area was contacted or recontacted and it was found all individuals contacted had information on the subject but no information of value other than that previously reported.

On November 30, 1971, all doctors, clinics, hospitals, and agencies which could render medical assistance to an individual who could have broken limbs or severe abrasions from being in a heavily wooded area were contacted and were also circularized with a composite photograph and description of the subject in Clark, Lewis, Cowlitz, Wahkiakum, and Skamania Counties.

A Bonneville Power Administration helicopter and one fixed wing aircraft upon a partial clearing of the weather continued an air search concentrating on the area which has a center point of a circle as furnished by Northwest Airlines. The search took in an area approximately 150 miles square and nothing of a positive nature was found.

Further house to house canvassing was conducted by Agents in the prime search area near the center of the circle as provided by Northwest Airlines. Nothing of significant value other than that already secured was found.

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On December 1, 1971, a fixed wing aircraft from Woodland, Washington, was aloft and covered an area during a slight period of clear weather which encompassed the area from Woodland, Washington, north to Silver Lake in Cowlitz County, a distance of 40 miles and a section 10 miles on either side of the flight path of the hijacked aircraft. While this was being conducted, Agents in ground units were conducting door to door canvass in the vicinity of the southerly end of Cowlitz County. Total area covered by air was 800 square miles with negative results.

On December 2, 1971, ten Agents walked in a defined search pattern the area in the immediate vicinity of the circle of search as set forth by Northwest Airlines. The terrain was found to be composed of fields which are being farmed and a number of impenetrable thickets which have fallen logs, hidden beaver ponds, and creeks and generally hazardous and most difficult terrain to search on foot. It was noted that in getting into the thicket and underbrush growth, it was so heavy that even if an item was five yards from the observer, it could easily be missed due to overgrowth problems. The area covered in this physical terrain search was 1 1/2 miles long and 2/3 of a mile wide and took approximately five hours. Negative results in the search.

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FIRST TERRAIN SEARCH

The purpose of the first terrain search was to search for possible evidence left behind by Unsub and to find the remains of Unsub assuming he made an unsuccessful jump. The first terrain search commenced at 2:00 PM on March 21, 1972 with 218 Army troops including officers, 20 Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and 9 helicopters. The area to be searched covered approximately 25 square miles.

Due to snowfall in search area on March 25, 1972, the search was temporarily held up. Army troops remained on location and the search resumed at 12:00 Noon on March 26, 1972. The search was temporarily discontinued at 12:00 Noon March 30, 1972 to allow search personnel to rest and enjoy the Easter Holiday. The Army search equipment was retained at search headquarters at Merwin Park.

The search recommenced 7:15 AM, April 8, 1972, with 265 Army personnel and 20 Agents. Snow, sleet and freezing rain hampered search on April 12, 1972. Remaining areas to be searched were reached only by helicopter insertion of search personnel and landing zones in most cases were under 6 to 12 inches of snow.

The search of the entire area was completed at 1:00 PM, April 17, 1972 with nothing found.

HUNTERS SEARCH

Prior to the 1972 hunting season, the following information was made available to Washington State Game Wardens who supervise the area into which the hijacker parachuted:

"On November 24, 1971, a man parachuted into the below-described area with \$200,000 in \$20 bills. If, while camping or hunting, you should discover any evidence concerning this skyjacking please contact the nearest FBI office.

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AREA INVOLVED

"Bound on the west by US 5; bound on the south by the Columbia River, bound on the north by the Kalama River, and bound on the east by the Skamania-Clark County line.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR:

- 1) The remains of a man, possibly dead for one year.
- 2) The remnants of a parachute, harness or parachute shroud lines.
- 3) 10,000 \$20 bills wrapped in a parachute canopy, all serial numbers are known and can be identified.
- 4) Deteriorated raincoat or overcoat.
- 5) Small briefcase or attache case.

REWARD:

"\$25,000.00 total or 15% of any lesser portion of the ransom money that is returned has been offered by Northwest Orient Airlines.

"If any information concerning this matter is discovered, it should be reported to the FBI Office at Seattle, Washington, area code 206; telephone MA. 2-0460 collect; or to the nearest FBI Office, which can be found by checking in front of your telephone directory."

The above information in the form of letters was distributed to hunters by game wardens.

The remains of JAMES ANNIS were found by hunters near Cougar, Washington on November 5, 1972. ANNIS, 16 years old in 1971, was reported missing on November 13, 1971 while hunting. He was positively identified by dental examination.

Several leads were received as the result of the publicity afforded this case by the news media and the Washington State Department of Game Wardens. These leads

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all received expeditious and thorough attention but all results were negative.

SECOND TERRAIN SEARCH

In attempt to determine the accuracy of the first search area, the following was learned:

The first search area was calculated using a system of plotting known as "GEOREF" (i.e. Geographical Reference) which has a plotting error of plus or minus one mile. A new plotting system using a computer generated latitude and longitude has a plotting error of plus or minus 1/2 mile. Using the new system, [redacted] Northwest Orient Airlines [redacted] plotted a new course for the NORJAK airplane and a new search area based on the new course. The new search area based on the new course. The new search area is partially outside the first area. (See maps.)

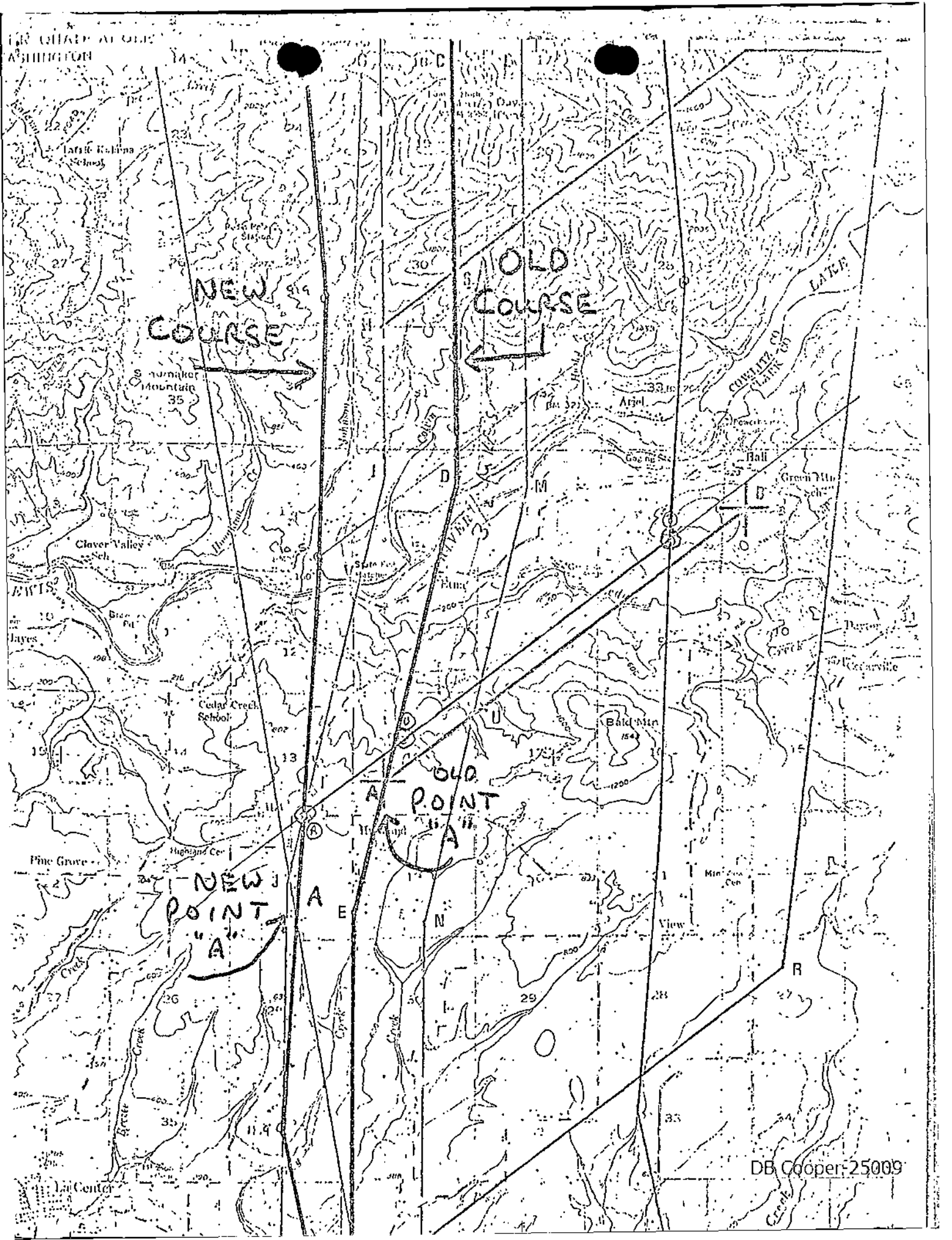
It is felt that if Unsub's parachute opened, he is no longer in the southwest Washington area, but if his parachute did not open he would be in a corridor along the flight path. The time of jump is known, and an area approximately one mile by seven miles represents the area Unsub would have landed in if his parachute did not open.

Because some of the above corridor fell in the old or first terrain search area, only an area 2 miles by 1/2 mile was searched during the second terrain search.

The second terrain search commenced March 12, 1973, and involved 10 Special Agents of the Seattle Office. It was temporarily interrupted on March 16 and resumed again March 26; 1973.

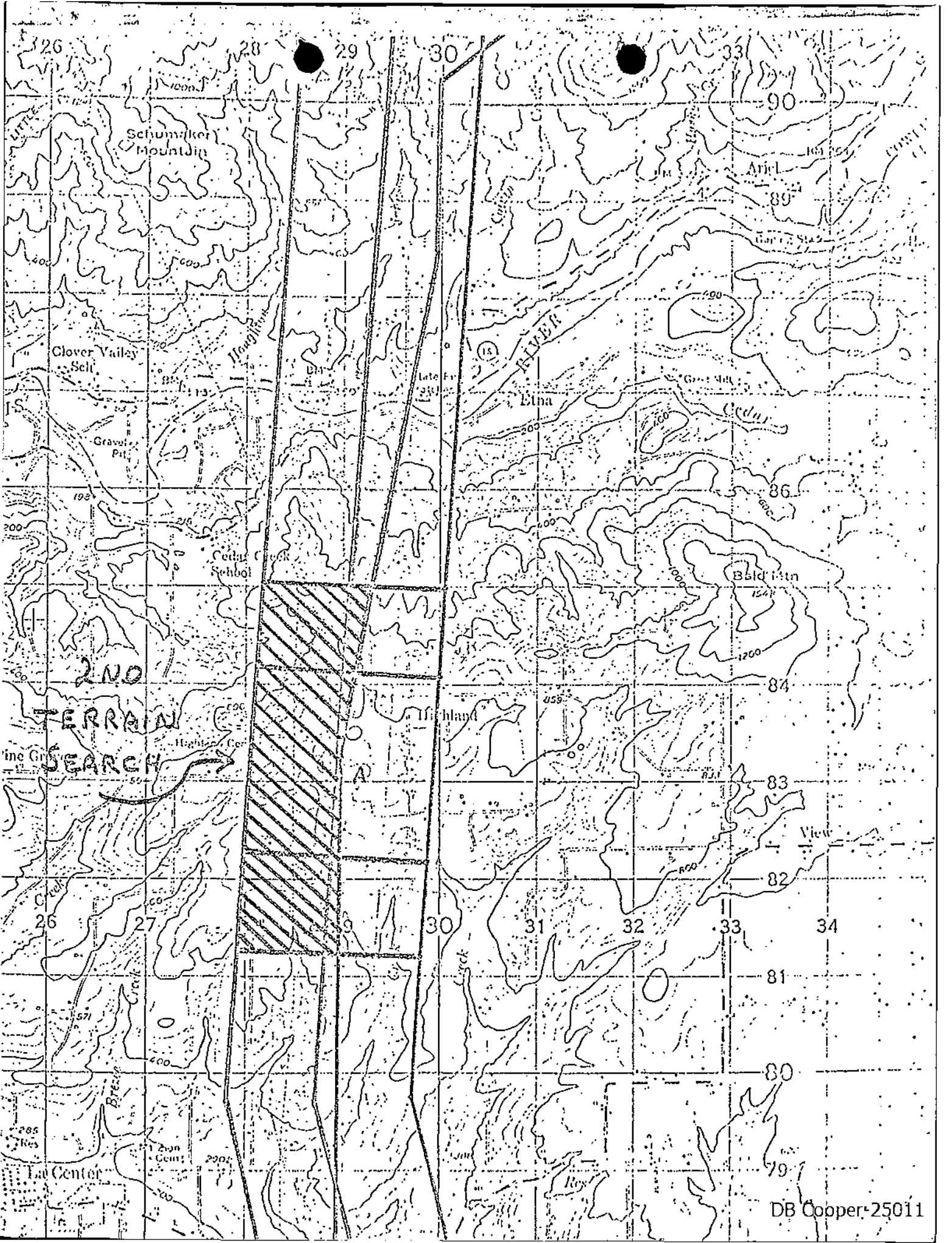
The second terrain search was completed March 29, 1973 with nothing found.

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CURRENT INVESTIGATION

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ARTIST SKETCH

In an effort to show Unsub's swarthy complexion and age more clearly, a new color sketch has been prepared and disseminated to all field offices.

FAA RECORDS

The Seattle Division advised the Bureau by Nitel on June 8, 1972 of the following information concerning the Federal Aviation Administration records for licensed pilots:

In considering the feasibility of checking FAA records for all licensed pilots, the Oklahoma City Office has advised that FAA Aeronautical Center maintains records of over 850,000 licensed pilots. These records are filed by name or license certificate number, but not by age. Further, they do not include photographs of each licensed pilot. The FAA at Oklahoma City advises that records are permanently maintained at FAA on those pilots whose licenses have been revoked, expired or lapsed.

BOEING FILE REVIEW

THE BOEING COMPANY



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The Boeing Company made available their personnel files of Boeing personnel who were members of the 727 Air stairs test team and officers of the Boeing Skydivers Club, which went out of existence in 1960 or 1961. These files were reviewed and several of the personnel on the list were interviewed to determine if anyone involved in the air stairs

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test could have been the hijacker and to determine any information they might have possessed as to the identity of Unsub, all with negative results.

On July 31, 1972, [redacted] a Boeing Company [redacted] made available a copy of the Boeing Test Summary Report pertaining to the flight configuration of the 727. The following flight configuration was used during the Boeing air stairs test:

Speed - 125 knots
Flaps - 25° down
Altitude - 10,000 feet.

In Seattle report of SA CHARLES E. FARRELL, February 16, 1972, it is noted that Unsub requested the following flight configuration prior to taking off from Seattle-Tacoma Airport:

Gear down
Flaps - 15° down
Altitude - 10,000 feet
Aft door open and the air stairs down.

When it was explained to the hijacker that the plane could not take off with the air stairs down, he reportedly said in a low voice, "Yes they can, but the cockpit can put it down after they get airborne."

On July 26, 1972, [redacted] advised that if the hijacker was a member of, or had consulted with a member of the Boeing Test Team, he would have known that the 727 could not have taken off with the air stairs down, nor would it have been necessary since the air stairs can easily be lowered in flight.

Stewardess [redacted] remarked upon being interviewed shortly after the hijacking, that the air stairs and the controls for the air stairs were the only functions of the aircraft that the hijacker did not seem to be fully aware of.

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RALEIGH CIGARETTES

Unsub is allegedly a smoker of Raleigh filter-tip cigarettes. The search of the plane involved in NORJAK conducted at Reno, Nevada, revealed eight Raleigh cigarette butts found near Unsub's seat.

On the possibility that Unsub may save Raleigh coupons and redeem them regularly, the following investigation was conducted:

On January 11, 1973, [redacted] [redacted] Coupon Redemption Center, Brown and Williamson Tobacco Company, Hill Street, Louisville, Kentucky, advised this is the only Raleigh coupon redemption center. Except for local residents who may come to the center personally, all redemptions are by mail with average of six million coupons received daily.

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[redacted] Correspondence Section, advised that redemption orders and any correspondence received are retained for one year only.

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She advised that since January, 1972, her records revealed that [redacted] Seminole, Florida, [redacted] sent in coupons, received on November 1, 1972 for catalog item number 50312 - a black billfold, manufactured by Amity; catalog item number 55380 - a Schick electric razor.

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[redacted] Cincinnati, Ohio, [redacted] sent in coupons and received on June 5, 1972, for catalog item number 74850, a kettle-shaped grill.

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Cincinnati Division reported on February 15, 1973 the following information:

On February 7, 1973, the following directories were checked by SA [redacted]

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The 1973 Hains Criss Cross Directory revealed no street listed as [redacted] Cincinnati. A check under the street [redacted] Cincinnati, revealed no such [redacted]

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listed as [redacted] and no such person by the name of [redacted]
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A check of the 1972 Williams Cincinnati Suburban Directory revealed no such street listed as [redacted] in Cincinnati.

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A check of the 1971 Williams Cincinnati City Directory revealed no such street listed as [redacted] in Cincinnati.

On February 8, 1973, [redacted] Cincinnati Police Department was contacted and advised that she has an individual by the name of [redacted] in her files. This individual is described as follows:

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Race: White
Sex: Male
Born: [redacted]
SSAN: [redacted]
Address: [redacted]

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This individual was [redacted]
[redacted] which are listed as follows:

[redacted]

This individual may or may not be identical to the individual that was set out in Cincinnati communication.

On February 8, 1973, [redacted] Cincinnati Credit Bureau, was contacted and advised that she has no positive information identical with the individual set out in Cincinnati communication.

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On February 8, 1973, [redacted] Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, Cincinnati, was contacted and advised he had no record for the individual in the Cincinnati communication.

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The Cincinnati Division reported on March 14, 1974, the following information:

On February 28, 1973, the 1971 Williams Cincinnati City Directory was checked and revealed a [redacted] residing at [redacted] Cincinnati, telephone [redacted]

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On March 6, 1973, the 1973 Haines Criss-Cross Directory for the City of Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky was checked and revealed no one is listed by the name of [redacted] residing at [redacted]. The check also revealed that telephone number [redacted] is listed to [redacted] residing at [redacted] Cincinnati.

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The June, 1972 Cincinnati Bell Telephone Directory for Cincinnati and Metropolitan areas was checked on March 6, 1973 and revealed no one by the name of [redacted] or [redacted] listed.

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[redacted] Cincinnati Police Department was contacted on March 7, 1973 and advised that there is no picture in the files regarding [redacted] [redacted] white, male, date of birth [redacted]. She also advised the only other information concerning [redacted] [redacted] was that he was [redacted] in which Social Security Number [redacted] was reflected in the file.

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The following investigation was reported by the Tampa Division:

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The following investigation was conducted by SA
[redacted] at Seminole and St. Petersburg, Florida:

On February 6, 1973, a review of the current telephone directory for the St. Petersburg, Florida, area, reflected a [redacted] Seminole, Florida, telephone [redacted]

On February 7, 1973, [redacted] St. Petersburg Credit Bureau, St. Petersburg, Florida, advised her records contain the following information concerning a [redacted] with the above residence:

Employments:

[redacted] - Super Par Oil Service Station - [redacted]

[redacted] - Modern Plating Company, St. Petersburg, Florida,

[redacted] - Woolums Manufacturing Company, St. Petersburg, Florida -

[redacted] to present - L'il General Food Stores, St. Petersburg, Florida

Current residence [redacted]
Seminole, Florida

The above records reflected an inquiry dated April, 1966, from a St. Paul, Minnesota, Credit Bureau regarding this individual. This inquiry was not further explained.

On February 8, 1973, the following agencies were contacted concerning the above individual with negative results:

Pinellas County Sheriff's Office
Clearwater, Florida

Files reviewed by [redacted]

St. Petersburg Police Department
St. Petersburg, Florida

Files reviewed by [redacted]

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On February 14, 1973, [redacted] Suncoast Division Office, 6135 32nd Street North, St. Petersburg, Florida, advised their records reflect [redacted] to be currently employed with their firm. [redacted] advised the above firm includes several food chains located in the Florida area. She said [redacted] has been employed with their food chain since [redacted] and is presently a [redacted] Farm and Town, 1243 Lakeview, Clearwater, Florida.

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On February 23, 1973, [redacted] Suncoast Division Office, described above, advised [redacted] has been an excellent employee with this firm since [redacted] [redacted] described [redacted] as follows:

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Race: White
Sex: Male
Date of birth: [redacted]
Place of birth: [redacted]
Residence: [redacted]
Seminole, Florida
Height: 6'2"
Weight: 185 pounds
Hair: Dark, partially bald, high forehead
Characteristics: Wears glasses

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[redacted] stated their records reflect [redacted] to be on duty on November 24, 1971.

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FIRST SKYJACKING UTILIZING PARACHUTES

In an effort to determine the origin of the D.B. COOPER hijacking (i.e. the original idea behind the skyjack plan), a review was conducted of the magazine and newspaper articles written just prior to NORJAK.

The below quoted newspaper article described the first known skyjacking in which a parachute was used by the skyjacker.

The Seattle Times, November 13, 1971:

"Calgary, Alberta - (UPI) - A masked hijacker carrying more than 40 pounds of dynamite was knocked unconscious today by an Air Canada crewman wielding a fire ax. The crewman's action 3,000 feet in the air ended a six-hour hijacking which skipped back and forth over the United States - Canadian border.

"The hijacker, reported in fair condition today with a possible skull fracture, was putting on a parachute to bail out of the DC8 over Calgary when he was struck by the ax.

"The hijacker, carrying a shotgun in addition to the dynamite, took control last night of the Calgary to Montreal flight carrying 123 persons. Claiming to be a member of the Irish Republican Army, the man demanded \$1.5 million and a free passage to Ireland. (A touring I.R.A. spokesman denied that the hijacker belonged to the I.R.A.)

"After landing in Great Falls, Montana, the man accepted \$50,000 ransom. The plane took off, landed again at Great Falls, and the man let the passengers to unharmed. But, he ordered the plane with its five-member crew to take off again. Indecision on the part of the hijacker led the plane back and forth across the border before he apparently decided to jump.

"An Air Canada official said that as the hijacker was preparing to jump, [REDACTED]

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jumped him and [redacted] came up behind him and 'let him have it with a fire ax.'

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"Flight 812 made its first landing at Great Falls after the hijacker had taken over 40 miles west of Winnipeg, Manitoba. There it was refueled and the \$50,000 was handed to the hijacker by a policewoman. The money was raised by bankers as the plane circled the city for two hours.

"The plane then took off for a scheduled stop in Regina, Saskatchewan, to let the 114 passengers aboard disembark. The plane did not land in Regina, however, but turned back and set down in Great Falls again where the passengers and three of the nine crew members were set free.

"On its second take-off from Great Falls, Air Canada officials said the hijacker wanted to be taken to New York City before proceeding to Ireland. The man, described as 5-feet-7, dark-haired and in his 30's then decided he wanted to go to Phoenix, Arizona, but finally settled for Calgary.

"At Great Falls Airport, Gov. FORREST ANDERSON and hundreds of onlookers stood by. ANDERSON said he came to persuade the hijacker to surrender or at least release the passengers. He never saw the hijacker, however,"

The Seattle Post Intelligencer

"Calgary, Alta. - (UPI) - A masked man armed with a sawed-off shotgun and dynamite who could not make up his mind where he wanted to go was knocked out by a crew member early today to end a bizarre hijacking flight on an Air Canada DC 8.

"The hijacker was captured when a crew member struck him with a fire ax as the man was bending over to put on a parachute he was carrying, Air Canada said. A local hospital reported the hijacker suffered lacerations on his head.

"The plane - originally bound from Vancouver, B.C. to Montreal - was commandeered with 127 persons aboard.

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"It had flown back and forth between Canada and the United States at the orders of the hijacker who at first said he wanted to go to Ireland. He claimed to belong to the Irish Republican Army (IRA).

"The passengers were released on the second of two stops the hijacked plane made at Great Falls, Mont.

"Just before landing here [redacted] of the four-engine jet radioed that the hijacker was unconscious, Air Canada officials said. [redacted] however, called for bomb disposal experts to stand by.

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"Right after landing in Calgary the man was whisked away by ambulance.

"Earlier the man had extracted \$50,000 ransom for the release of the passengers and most of the crew during the second time it landed at Great Falls.

"The guy was wearing a mask and holding what appeared to be dynamite and a sawed-off shotgun," an Air Canada spokesman said in Montreal.

"The hijacker first demanded \$1.5 million ransom and a flight to Ireland. After hijacking the plane following a stop here, he ordered it to Great Falls where a policewoman carried two suitcases with \$50,000 to the cockpit and they were raised by a rope [redacted]

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"The hijacker then ordered the plane to fly to Regina, Sask., where he said the passengers would be released, but after a half hour, the plane returned to Great Falls and the passengers were released there.

"While the plane was on the ground in Great Falls, an unidentified FBI agent tried unsuccessfully to talk the hijacker into giving up. The plane took on 130,000 gallons of fuel at Great Falls for the possible flight to Ireland.

"The plane took off for a second time with the [redacted] filing a flight plan for Phoenix, Ariz. But later the DC8 made a midcourse change and the plane headed for Calgary.

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"Five crewmen, including a stewardess, remained on the plane.

"The passengers were taken by police van from the plane to the air terminal. Officers refused to let newsmen talk with them.

"Police said the hijacker warned the passengers not to talk about what happened on the four-engine aircraft or he would kill the crew. Officers said he had a transistor radio and was listening to local newscasts while the plane was on the ground.

"One passenger, a young woman, appeared distraught and was placed in a wheelchair after she was helped out of the plane.

"Stewardess [redacted] told officials none of the passengers was aware of the hijack until the plane made its first landing here.

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"Policewoman [redacted] brought the money to the hijacker. She said the money was provided by the First Westside National Bank of Great Falls. She refused to disclose who ordered the payment of the ransom.

[redacted] an IRA representative touring Western Canada, told a Great Falls television newsman that his organization abhorred hijackings and disavowed the current attempt.

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"The plane landed at Great Falls International Airport, and the man gave [redacted] 15 minutes to refuel and obtain the money. [redacted] was ordered to circle the airport until the money was brought to the facility, about 100 miles south of the Canadian border.

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"The plane was carrying 115 paid passengers, three airline employees and a crew of nine."

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CORRELATIONS

	<u>CALGARY</u>	<u>COOPER</u>
Ransom	\$50,000	\$200,000
Plane	DC 8	Boeing 727
Weapons	Dynamite/shotgun	Dynamite
Mistakes	Indecision, crew apprehended while donning parachute	None (Note: Cleared plane prior to donning parachute)
Modus Operandi	Let passengers go after receiving ransom. Suggested New York City then Ireland then decided on Phoenix, Arizona, but finally settled for Calgary.	Let passengers go after receiving ransom. First suggested Mexico, crew countered with San Francisco, hijacker suggested Phoenix, Arizona, crew countered with Yuma or Reno, he chose Reno.

Since this skyjacking was given a great deal of publicity at the time, it is felt Unsub may have used this event to help him formulate his own skyjacking plans.

SR 71 FLIGHT

U.S. AIR FORCE SR-71 AIRCRAFT

By communication December 3, 1971, the Sacramento Division advised that Beale Air Force Base, California, had offered, free of charge to the Bureau, use of an SR-71 aircraft to photograph terrain over which the hijacked airplane had flown on its trip to Reno.

This aircraft was described as an extremely sophisticated aerial reconnaissance plane which would photograph a strip 20 miles wide with photographic resolution of detecting objects on the ground 2 feet square. The film strip would then be reviewed by trained and qualified U.S. Air Force personnel.

By communication February 17, 1972 the Sacramento Division advised that photographic over-flights using SR-71 aircraft were conducted on five separate occasions with no photographs obtained due to limited visibility from very high altitude. [redacted] SR-71 Flights from Beale Air Force Base advised each such flight requires minimum of one week advance clearance with FAA due to sonic boom problem, specialized computer programming of aircraft, filing of flight plan and compliance with FAA requirements. Accordingly, weather on flight date cannot be accurately predicted. He stated no future flights over specific area where hijacker possibly exited could be scheduled since SR-71 aircraft committed for military missions.

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By communication, November 1, 1972, Seattle Division advised the Bureau and Norfolk that Unsub had in his possession, prior to the time he jumped, the following paraphernalia:

- A. Parachute Back Pack
- B. Parachute Chest Pack
- C. Briefcase or attache case
- D. Dark overcoat
- E. A 4x12x14 paper bag
- F. A pair of dark slip-on shoes
- G. Wrap-around sunglasses with dark rims
- H. 10,000 \$20 bills

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Since none of the above was found when the plane was searched at Reno, Unsub must have taken them with him, or discarded some of them prior to jumping.

The above-described attache case supposedly contained a bomb. It is believed Unsub threw this attache case from the plane prior to his jumping, because of the numerous other items he had to carry. If he did throw it prior to jumping, it would fall almost directly in the path of the aircraft. The 727 air stairs were lowered sometime after 7:42 p.m. and Unsub jumped prior to 8:15 p.m. on November 24, 1971. The plane covered a distance of approximately 87 miles during this time.

The items could possibly be lodged in thickly wooded, mountainous terrain. The search area would cover a strip of land approximately 87 miles long by one-half mile wide. It has been suggested that infrared photography might possibly indicate non-living material, such as an attache case, in a darker shade than living material, thereby enabling the case to be found using infrared high resolution photography.

Since Unsub possibly discarded the attache case prior to jumping, he could not have buried or hidden it. The case would have dropped directly in the flight path of the plane and could possibly be visible from the air. The length of time Unsub would have to throw the case or any other time is limited to 33 minutes, and therefore the area covered is relatively small when compared to the entire flight path.

By communication November 9, 1972, the Norfolk Division advised that interviews were conducted with the following individuals assigned to the [redacted] [redacted] Langley Air Force Base, Virginia:

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It was the consensus of opinion among the three individuals above, each of whom has had considerable experience

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with infrared imagery, that efforts to locate the attache case by this means would probably prove futile. The terrain, as described, would neutralize any effort, particularly if tall trees and mountains are part of its makeup. Further explained was the necessity for the presence of heat which would need to be generated by the object (attache case) in contrast to the surrounding terrain for successful infrared high resolution photography. The size of the attache case provides a poor target for any type of aerial photography, including visual photography.

All three individuals interviewed continued to express their negative feelings as to the success of either of the aerial photography procedures in this particular instance.

The Alexandria Division was requested to determine the feasibility of routing a visual aerial photography training mission over the area of interest. Alexandria advised by airtel dated February 8, 1973, that [redacted]

[redacted] was contacted and he advised that he had made inquiry into this matter and stated that in the event Seattle wished to have military assistance in this matter then Seattle should request the Director to submit a letter of request to the Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Pentagon, Washington, D.C. 20301. In this letter the full particulars of the matter should be set forth as well as whether or not the Bureau or Department of Justice is willing to observe the additional cost if any to the Air Force. [redacted] advised that he could not state positively that the request would be granted, however, advised that it was his opinion that if this were to be a reimbursable project, that it would probably receive more favorable action. However, in any event, upon receipt of the letter a conference would be held within the appropriate military organization to ascertain the feasibility of such missions and the Bureau would be properly notified.

In view of the above information no further request was made to have a visual aerial photography training mission at this time. Consideration may be given to this type of survey if new methods or monies become available.

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SAC, SAN ANTONIO (164-111) (P)

NORJAK
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Re Seattle airtel to San Antonio, 4/4/73.

Enclosed for Seattle are two (2) copies of
[redacted] FBI identification record, FBI # [redacted]

Enclosed for Los Angeles are two (2) photos
of [redacted] taken in 1969 or 1970, furnished by [redacted]

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For information of Seattle, Los Angeles Division has conducted extensive fugitive investigation of case entitled, [redacted] under LA file [redacted] as of 4/6/73, [redacted] were residing at [redacted] Redondo Beach, Calif. [redacted] Attempt to apprehend subject on that date negative. [redacted] Subject allegedly has not been in contact [redacted] since 4/6/73. San Antonio file reflects [redacted] Redondo Beach. [redacted] present whereabouts unknown.

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For information of Los Angeles, [redacted] has been developed as a look-alike for unknown subject in NORJAK matter. This resulted from routine interview of [redacted] Phoenix, Arizona, during course of [redacted] Seattle has requested investigation to determine if [redacted] may be identical with unknown subject in NORJAK matter.

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The following is in response to re airtel:

1) [] is described as follows:

Name
Aliases

[]

Nationality American
Race White
Sex Male
DOB []
POB []
Height 5'10" (or 5'9")
Weight 150 (or 165)
Hair Brown
Eyes Brown
SSAN []
FBI# []

2) San Antonio file [] fails to reflect any military, parachute, or flying experience on the part of []

3) In view of [] long criminal record, it is felt that he would be capable of a crime such as aircraft hijacking.

4) [] known criminal record is set forth in enclosures to Seattle. (Los Angeles has [] FBI identification record as a part of San Antonio report of SA [] LA file [])

LEAD

LOS ANGELES

AT REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA: Interview []

[] at residence of [] as per, "Investigative Steps To Process NORJAN Suspects", contained in Seattle report of SA [] dated 5/30/73.

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SAN ANTONIO

AT SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS: Investigation continuing
regarding [REDACTED]

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As per request in re airtel, San Antonio will
keep Seattle advised of the status of the [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] regarding [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, ANCHORAGE (164-81)

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

DATE: 6/19/73

RE:

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Re San Antonio letter to Seattle and Los Angeles, dated 5/31/73.

Enclosed for the investigative assistance of Anchorage are two copies of referenced letter and one photograph of

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On 6/10/73,
 Redondo Beach, California, was interviewed by SAs . She advised had never finished high school, had never been in the military service, had no pilot or parachuting experience. She added that she had never even known him to fly as a passenger on a commercial airlines as he had a fear of flying.

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She stated that smoked cigarettes and favored Marlboro brand cigarettes.

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After observing an artist's conception of the highjacker in this matter she advised, in her opinion, that the artist's conception does not, in any way, resemble

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Concerning his whereabouts on 11/24/71, she believes [redacted] Anchorage, Alaska, at that time. She is certain they were living in Anchorage [redacted] and almost certain they were living together during [redacted]. At that time, [redacted] was employed as [redacted]. They lived in [redacted].

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She could recall the [redacted]

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At ANCHORAGE, ALASKA; attempt to locate [redacted] and verify employment of [redacted] in that firm on 11/24/71.

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[redacted]
Bellflower, Calif. [redacted]

To Whom It May Concern:

A few months ago I saw a composite drawing in the Press Telegram of a suspect in the ransoming and highjacking of an airliner from the Washington state area. He subsequently bailed out with the money and was never found.

The striking resemblance of your drawing to a fellow that I worked with in the 1950-52 years has been bothering me because of his age, size and background. My suspicions are merely that and are not based on any facts at my disposal at this time. I feel his character, background, mode of living, make him a likely suspect.

His name is Owen Reynolds and is a [redacted] ~~REYNOLDS~~ [redacted] by trade. He has been married several times, during his first marriage he lived in the Seattle area of the state of Washinton,

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he served in the U.S. Air Force during World War III as a tail gunner on a B-25 bomber in the New Guinea campaign.

He survived three separate air crashes and after the war was called back to the active reserve where he was in charge of the butcher shop at the Long Beach Ferrying Command Base.

Now as for his civilian background; He was employed by [redacted] in the retail liquor and delicatessen business as a clerk. While working as a clerk he took the weeks receipts and gambled them away in Mexico City. Feeling remorse at what he had done, called his boss and told him what he had done. [redacted] did not press charges and permitted him to pay the money back over a period of time.

While [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] for Max Fine and Company there were irregularities

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in the handling of cash, but nothing we could put our finger on.

At this time he was borrowing money from everyone in the store, driving an expensive car, gambling, wearing expensive clothes, dating several women, and generally living beyond his means. I am just giving you the facts on his mode of living. If you would like any information as to the whereabouts of Owen Reynolds, contact the [redacted] [redacted] of which he was a member.

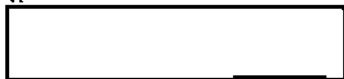
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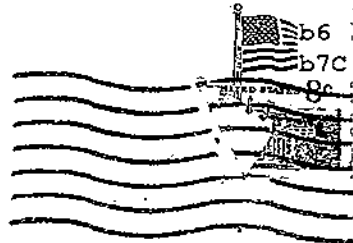
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Bellflower, Calif. [redacted]



Bellflower, Calif



Federal Bureau Of Investigation
U. S. Department Of Justice
1100 Wilshire Blvd.
West Los Angeles, California

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FBI

Date: 7/11/73

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)
SUBJECT: NORJACK

RE NEW SUSPECT OWEN REYNOLDS

[Redacted]
Bellflower, California, directed a letter to the Los Angeles Office and was subsequently interviewed. He advised as follows:

He is of the opinion that OWEN REYNOLDS, a person with whom he worked in the early 1950's is a good likeness to the Unknown Subject in this matter. He bases this opinion on the fact that the mouth, nose, and hairline of the artist's conception resembles those of REYNOLDS. He recalls REYNOLDS was once married and resided in Seattle, Washington, and had claimed to have survived three air crashes while serving in the United States Air Force during World War II. Following his discharge from the Air Force, [Redacted] which is also [Redacted] occupation, and he became rather closely associated with REYNOLDS, while they worked several months together in the southern area of Los Angeles County.

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He recalled REYNOLDS had claimed to have had a jukebox route in the Seattle area before coming to California.

He knew REYNOLDS was living beyond his means, to gamble, and to consider himself a lady's man. REYNOLDS had indicated he had several prior marriages and the last being [redacted] name unknown, in the Long Beach, California, area. During the time he worked with REYNOLDS, he had often claimed to be intimately involved with several airline stewardesses.

REYNOLDS was constantly suspected by employers of confiscating receipts, and at one time a large amount of cash disappeared and REYNOLDS had related to him about a trip he had made to Mexico City, Mexico, where he had considerable money gambling.

[redacted] stated he has not seen REYNOLDS since the early 1950's; however, he had seen an artist's conception shortly after the hijacking and had immediately noted a similarity in physical features between those of the Unknown Subject and REYNOLDS. He felt the possibility of REYNOLDS being identical with the hijacker was so remote, at that time, he neglected to notify authorities; however, since he recently learned this matter had not been solved, he thought he should advise the FBI.

He was unable to provide any specific information regarding a complete name, former addresses, birth data, but stated REYNOLDS had been a member of [redacted] Artesia, California. He described REYNOLDS as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	Mid-40's
Weight	145 - 155 pounds
Height	5'8" - 5'10"
Hair	Dark Brown
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Light; ruddy

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Characteristics	Chain cigarette smoker, gambler, "lady's man", well - spoken, and somewhat "quick" in speech
Military	U. S. Air Force World War II
Occupation	[REDACTED]

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On 7/8/73, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
Los Angeles, California, confidentially advised records of [REDACTED] indicated only one person on file by the name of OWEN REYNOLDS. She stated this record indicates an OWEN MURRAY REYNOLDS, born 10/14/20, Social Security Account Number 564-10-7838, first registered with [REDACTED] at which time. [REDACTED]

On the same date, records of the California Department of Motor Vehicles revealed OWEN MURRAY REYNOLDS, California Driver's License X0056661, born 10/14/20, and male, 5'10", 160 pounds, brown hair, and brown eyes, resided at 1650 Ricky Avenue, Anaheim, California, effective 5/7/71, and a change of address effective 3/16/72, as shown as 311 Edgewater, Newport Beach, California.

Records indicated he had received two traffic citations on 9/30/66, and was to appear in Central Orange County Municipal Court and on 3/16/72, docket number 30460, in Orange County Harbor Municipal Court.

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PORTLAND

AT PORTLAND, OREGON: Check indices, credit and criminal records, and other logical investigation in effort to ascertain if REYNOLDS has previously resided in Oregon area as indicated by [REDACTED]

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SACRAMENTO

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA: Obtain copies of California Driver's License Y0056661. Furnish to Seattle.

ST. LOUIS

AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI: Review appropriate military records of U. S. Air Force in effort to obtain background information concerning OWEN REYNOLDS, possibly identical with OWEN MURRAY REYNOLDS, Date of Birth 10/14/20, Social Security Account Number 564-10-7383. Particularly obtain any information concerning knowledge or relatives in Seattle area, and any indication of parachuting experience, as he reportedly on three occasions survived airplane crashes while in military.

SEATTLE

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON: Conduct same investigation as Portland.

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will conduct appropriate investigation in vicinity of last known address of OWEN MURRAY REYNOLDS, 311 Edgewater, Newport Beach, California, in an effort to ascertain if he should be considered logical suspect in this matter.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (164A-571) RUC

SUBJECT: NORJAK; 164-497-87 (17)
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OO: SEATTLE

For information of Los Angeles, on 10/16/88, one [redacted] telephone number [redacted] Phoenix, Arizona, telephonically advised that he had watched a TV program which was narrated by actor ROBERT STACK. This program featured D.B. COOPER and [redacted] felt that after viewing a photograph of COOPER, he was possibly identical to one [redacted] [redacted] advised that he knew [redacted] was previously [redacted] the U.S. ARMY and that [redacted] moved to Montana at the approximate time of the hijacking and then later moved to [redacted] and then back to Montana. [redacted] last saw [redacted] California at a [redacted] allegedly owns.

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The above information is being furnished to both Seattle and Los Angeles for any action they deem appropriate.

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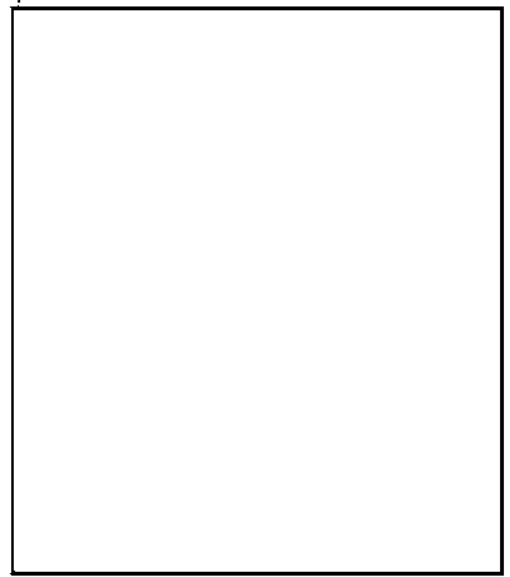
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

DATE: 7/19/73

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK
(OO: SE)

Re Los Angeles Airtel to Seattle dated 7/11/73.

Enclosed for Seattle and Los Angeles is one copy each of California driver's license with #Y56661 bearing photograph of OWEN MURRAY REYNOLDS.

RE: ~~OWEN REYNOLDS~~
NEW SUSPECT

The following investigation was conducted by SC
[redacted] at Sacramento, California.

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[redacted] California State Department of Motor Vehicles, advised on 7/18/73, California driver's license was issued to OWEN MURRAY REYNOLDS, 1650 Ricky Avenue, Anaheim, California on 5/7/71. He was born 10/14/20, 5'10", 160 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes.

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AT BELLFLOWER, CALIFORNIA

Recontact [redacted]

exhibit enclosed photograph and determine whether this REYNOLDS is the OWEN REYNOLDS he previously knew in the 1950s, and advise Seattle.

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- 2 - Seattle (164-81)(Encl. 1)
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The following investigation was conducted by
SA [redacted]

On May 21, 1973, [redacted] U.S. Post Office, Silverton, Oregon, advised that [redacted] resided for approximately three and one-half years at [redacted] Silverton. On June 22, 1972, he provided a "Change of Address" with a new address of: [redacted] Glendale, California. [redacted] said it was his recollection that [redacted] was employed [redacted] and upon being shown a photograph of the Unknown Subject in this case, [redacted] said he did not believe [redacted] was identical.

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On May 21, 1973, Chief CLIFF BETHSCHIEDER, Silverton Police Department, advised that the files of his department contain nothing identifiable with [redacted]

On May 21, 1973, [redacted] Salem, Oregon, Credit Bureau, advised that the files of her office contain a brief file on [redacted] showing his employment as [redacted] no address given.

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On May 21, 1973, [redacted] Department of Commerce, Salem, advised that [redacted] is not shown in the files of the [redacted] as an incorporated firm or a firm operating under an assumed business name.

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On May 21, 1973, [redacted] Oregon State Police, Salem, advised the files of his Bureau contain nothing identifiable with [redacted] date of birth [redacted]

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SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

NORJAK

RE: [redacted]

Re Los Angeles airtel to Seattle, 5/11/73.

Enclosed herewith for Seattle and Los Angeles are two copies each of an insert regarding investigation conducted at Silverton and Salem, Oregon.

For further information Seattle and Los Angeles, Portland indices negative regarding [redacted] Records, Oregon State Motor Vehicle Registration, list Oregon license [redacted] to 1971 Datsun pickup, [redacted] expiration date February, 1972. [redacted] DOB [redacted] residence [redacted] Norwalk, California, [redacted] First National Bank of Oregon, 4455 S.W. Lombard, Beaverton, Oregon 97005.

[redacted] Records, Oregon State Drivers' License Registration list [redacted] as holder Oregon driver's license no. [redacted] expiration date [redacted] Residence is shown as [redacted] Silverton, Oregon [redacted] Description shown as follows:

Sex	Male
DOB	[redacted]
Height	6'2"
Weight	200 pounds

Driving record lists [redacted] Salem, Oregon; [redacted] Portland, Oregon; [redacted] California.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJACK
OO: Seattle

Re Los Angeles airtel to Seattle, 7/11/73.

For information of the Bureau, ~~OWEN MURRAY REYNOLDS~~ has been developed as a possible suspect in this matter by the Los Angeles Division. REYNOLDS is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	10/14/20
Place of Birth	Fort Worth, Texas
Height	5'10"
Weight	160 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Medium
FBI Number	254 37 27
Social Security Number	564-10-7838
California Driver's License Number	Y56661
United States Air Force Serial Number	39153630; Honorable Discharge from United States Air Force as Technical Sergeant, Gunner, 9/3/45

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REQUEST OF BUREAU

The Identification Division is requested to compare available known fingerprints of OWEN MURRAY REYNOLDS, FBI Number 254 37 27, with NORJACK partials on file in the Identification Division and advise Los Angeles and Seattle results of this comparison.

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FBI

Date: 7/30/73

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)
SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Los Angeles airtel to Seattle, 7/11/73; Sacramento letter to Los Angeles, 7/19/73, and Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau, 7/25/73.

RE: SUSPECT OWEN MURRAY REYNOLDS.

On 7/26/73, [redacted] positively identified a photograph of OWEN MURRAY REYNOLDS, California Driver's License Number Y56661, as identical to the OWEN REYNOLDS with whom he worked in the early 1950's and whom [redacted] believed resembled the artist's conception of the unknown subject in this matter. It was subsequently ascertained by the Los Angeles Division that OWEN MURRAY REYNOLDS is currently employed at [redacted] Newport Beach, California. Payroll records as made available by [redacted] revealed OWEN MURRAY REYNOLDS received regular wages of \$198 for the week of 11/20/71 through 11/27/71. [redacted] advised REYNOLDS would have been off on Thanksgiving Day, 11/25/73, however, and would have had two regular days off besides Thanksgiving Day during that week. He stated that the day before Thanksgiving, 11/24/73, REYNOLDS would have been required to work

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because this is one of the heaviest days of the year in

[redacted] and REYNOLDS is employed [redacted]
[redacted] He added that should
REYNOLDS have been absent on the day before Thanksgiving,
it would have definitely resulted in a notation to that
effect in the payroll records.

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In view of the above, it does not appear REYNOLDS
warrants further consideration as a possible suspect in this
matter at this time and all offices discontinue.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC LOS ANGELES (164-497)

DATE: 8/3/73

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

[redacted]
At 5:15pm [redacted] Hollywood, Calif., [redacted] advised that he is acquainted with CHARLES THOMAS BOGGS (possibly THOMAS CHARLES BOGGS) who he believes might be D.B. COOPER. He stated that BOGGS is a [redacted] and for this reason has been reluctant to furnish this information. [redacted] has not seen BOGGS in several months but is aware of the following information concerning BOGGS:

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- WM
- Age mid 50's
- Build medium
- Hair silvery grey
- Former pilot and jumper
- Owens furniture factory near Alameda and Washington in LA.

[redacted] requested that his identity be protected and that he only be contacted at his residence either before 8am or after 6pm. He added that he will attempt to obtain more information concerning BOGGS and will furnish full details as to why he suspects BOGGS when interviewed.

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Indices negative re [redacted] and BOGGS.

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CHARLES WORTH

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9/19/73 [redacted] TEL CONTACTED (NO IDENTITY GIVEN) ADVISED BOGGS [redacted] WED & SAT. STATED BOGGS FURNITURE FACTORY IS AT 3029 E. 13TH ST., L.A (PHONE HAS RECENTLY BEEN TAKEN OUT AS BOGGS IS BROKE)

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Date: 8/6/73

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)
RE: NORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

Re New Suspect: [Redacted]

[Redacted] born [Redacted] was recently referred to the Los Angeles Division as a possible suspect in this matter as a known parachutist who had seriously

[Redacted] whereabouts on 11/24/71, was positively established through payroll records at his place of employment, [Redacted] Burbank, California, where examination of time cards revealed he was at his employment the entire day of 11/24/71.

On 8/1/73, [Redacted] an avid parachutist who [Redacted] was interviewed at his residence, [Redacted] Burbank, California. [Redacted] studied the [Redacted] artist's conception and advised he believed it resembled

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a parachutist named [redacted] He noted that [redacted] would probably not be considered in his mid forties unless disguised and recalled him to be in his early thirties. He knew [redacted] to have been familiar with the Seattle, Washington and Portland, Oregon areas and believed him capable of such a crime. He advised he had last seen [redacted] about two years ago in Antioch, California, at which time [redacted] indicated [redacted] The only specific information he knew was that [redacted] had worked for awhile at [redacted] had also been employed.

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On the same date, records of [redacted] was employed as [redacted] She had furnished her prior employments as the [redacted] Portland, Oregon, during 1962 and the [redacted] Auburn, Washington, from February to October 1963. [redacted] and former addresses were indicated as [redacted] Van Nuys, California, and [redacted] Panorama City, California.

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On 8/2/73, [redacted] Van Nuys, California, advised they were [redacted] and recalled [redacted] They advised about [redacted] [redacted] had some type of trouble at the Air Control Center for the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) at Palmdale, California, and was transferred to the Santa Monica, California Airport as an air controller. He had then applied for a position in Denver, Colorado, but something happened at the last minute and he did not get the job in Denver. Sometime shortly after [redacted] indicated they were moving to Seattle or Portland where it was their

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understanding [redacted] was to work at an unknown airport. They had assumed that he was working as an air controller until receipt of a Christmas card from [redacted] in December 1972, at which time [redacted] [redacted] in Ashland, Oregon. He was studying to be [redacted]. A return address on the card displayed by [redacted] indicated [redacted] resided at [redacted] Ashland, Oregon. [redacted] advised, after viewing the artist's conception, that the eyes, nose and mouth of the artist's conception were similar to those of [redacted] could note no similarity. They described [redacted] as a white male in his early thirties, 5'11", 180 pounds, dark brown hair, rugged, outdoor, well-tanned complexion, well spoken, polite, and handsome appearing. They recalled that almost the entire time they knew [redacted] from mid 1970 to about April 1971, he was clean shaven; however, just prior to his departure he was noted to be growing a beard.

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On 8/3/73, [redacted] Santa Monica Airport Terminal Tower, Santa Monica, California, advised [redacted] was personally known to him. In early 1971 he was advised by his superiors that [redacted] an [redacted] at Palmdale, California, was being transferred to Santa Monica as a [redacted] [redacted] at Palmdale. [redacted] confidentially stated it was indicated to him that [redacted] but due to the manner [redacted] [redacted] his superiors did not feel a hearing at this time was feasible. He stated that among allegations was the fact that [redacted] [redacted] at the Air Control Center, Palmdale. Shortly after his arrival at Santa Monica, [redacted] was known to be abusing the privilege of trainees wherein they were allowed to fly in the cockpits of aircraft to study traffic. On one specific

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occasion, [redacted] traveled in the cockpit to Phoenix, Arizona, then called from Phoenix just prior to the time he was due on duty at Santa Monica stating he was sick. It was learned that actually [redacted]
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[redacted] stated [redacted] in Phoenix, was later transferred to Alaska, and in 1968 or 1969 was assigned [redacted] at Palmdale, California.

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[redacted] had recently [redacted] described as [redacted] At the time [redacted] left due to his resignation on [redacted] he indicated he was going to Oregon and just relax. Several months later (believed to be eight or nine months) in early 1972, [redacted] stopped briefly at the Santa Monica Airport and indicated he was doing real well in Oregon, but no specifics were discussed. [redacted] was noted at the time of this brief appearance to be wearing a light beard and [redacted] recalled that just prior to his departure for Oregon in [redacted]
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[redacted] added that [redacted] was a real [redacted] and appeared to have a real grudge against the FAA or the government in general.

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On 8/6/73, [redacted] advised that [redacted] concerning the suspicion that he was involved [redacted] Specifically, that on 3/24/71, while a [redacted] at Santa Monica, two aircraft carrying cargos [redacted] Santa Monica and [redacted] [redacted] advised that [redacted] is currently assigned with the [redacted] Los Angeles, and could possibly furnish additional information concerning [redacted]
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The following description of [redacted]
was furnished:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Birth Data	[redacted]
Height	5'11"
Weight	185 to 195 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Ruddy, outdoor, well-tanned
Military Service	U.S. Army, [redacted] [redacted] U.S. Air Force, [redacted] [redacted] serial number [redacted]
Social Security Number	[redacted]

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REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The Identification Division is requested to compare available known fingerprints of [redacted] born [redacted] with unidentified latent fingerprints in this matter.

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AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON: Check indices, conduct credit and criminal and other logical investigation to ascertain if [redacted] should be considered a logical suspect in this matter.

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AT ASHLAND, OREGON: Through last known address of [redacted] conduct all logical investigation in an effort to establish his whereabouts on 11/24-25/71, noting he was [redacted] and attending [redacted]

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LOS ANGELES

AT BURBANK, CALIFORNIA: Will recontact [redacted] in an effort to obtain color photograph of [redacted] and furnish to Seattle.

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will contact [redacted] [redacted] and conduct any other logical investigation to ascertain if [redacted] should be considered a logical suspect in this matter.

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20537

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD Newport Beach Calif	Owen Murray Reynolds NB-17448	3-16-72	Driving under influence- Alcohol Code 21	

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
				<p>89-0255 d/c 3-14-62 on chg of 647E PC (intox); Summary prob 1 yr plus \$250 fine pd on chg of 29102 CVC (drk dr) sent susp; Summary prob 1 yr plus \$250 fine pd on chg of 12991 CVC (opr lic)/ sent susp.</p>
				<p>DB Cooper-25060</p>

SUPPLEMENT

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
	"Civil print from Calif St Bu 02899 was identified with this record and returned to contributor 4-5-63."			

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To: DIRECTOR, FBI Attention: Identification Division Date 7-17-73

Re NORJAK Field File No. 164-497

Furnish The Known Identification Record of the Following:

Name OWEN MURRAY REYNOLDS FBI No. 2543727
Other No. Soc Sec 564 10 7838

Aliases

Sex <u>M</u>	Race <u>CAUC</u>	Birth Date <u>10-14-20</u>	Birthplace <u>TEXAS</u>	Residence
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Height <u>5'10</u>	Weight <u>160</u>	Build <u>MEDIUM</u>	Hair <u>BR</u>	Eyes <u>BR</u>	Complexion <u>MED</u>	Age <u>52</u>
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Fingerprint Classification

Scars, marks and tattoos

Also Furnish:

Photo

Fingerprints

Handwriting Specimens

Identification Division's Reply

On basis of information furnished, unable to identify:

Criminal Files Civil Files All Files

Record Attached

Photo Attached

Photo Not Available ; however, one maybe obtain from PD Newport Beach Calif

Fingerprints Attached

Handwriting Specimen Attached

Return Reply to:

SAC, LOS ANGELES

Send Copies To:

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD, San Clemente, Calif.	Owen Murray Reynolds, #18	12-8-37	driving while drunk--contributing delinquency	not held--insuf. evidence
War Department, Washington D.C.	Owen Murray Reynolds, #39153630			
PD Long Beach, Calif.	Owen Murray Reynolds #DR. 85561	11-3-44	drunk and dis. cond.	drk chg dismissed \$20 fine or 5 das City Jail on dis conduct 11-4-44.
PD Long Beach Calif	Owen Murray Reynolds #DR 85561	4-13-55	drk in car	4-13-55 \$100 or 5 das 30 das City susp 3 yrs, summa prob
PD Long Beach Calif	Owen Murray Reynolds #85561	3-1-56	Drk	3-1-56 \$25 B F
SO Santa Ana Calif	Owen Murray Reynolds #70952	1-14-60	Drk in auto	
PD Newport Beach Calif	Owen M. Reynolds #B-8955	2-4-62	Newport Beach MC Wrt (trf)	see supplement
SO Santa Ana Calif	Owen Murray Reynolds #70952	1-1-63	CVC 23102A	holding for Garden Grove PD
PD Anaheim Calif	Owen Murray Reynolds #21826	11-29-65	drk driving (23102a cvc)	Dism on chg of CVC 23102a F \$150 or 30 on chg of CVC 23102a cvc Dism on chg of 23102(A) CVC F \$170 on chg of 23103CVC
SO Santa Ana Calif	Owen Murray Reynolds #70952	9-30-66	Felony Drk Driv	Holding for Santa Ana PD F \$250 + \$39 + \$6.50 or 25 das Prob Imprisonment of Sent Sprr
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

DATE: 8/1/73

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: NORJAK
CBA - AIRCRAFT HIJACKING

On 6/25/73, [redacted]

[redacted] Glendale, California, advised SA [redacted] that he formerly had a customer who might be identical to the D. B. COOPER who is the subject in the aircraft hijacking that occurred several years ago where the hijacker successfully jumped from a commercial airliner and has never been located.

[redacted] identified his former customer as [redacted] (phonetic) adding that he has not seen him since the hijacking incident. He said that [redacted] formerly lived in Burbank, California, but that he is unable to locate his name in the current local telephone directories. He advised that [redacted] had been a parachute jumper at Elsinore, California, and had at one time worked at [redacted] in Burbank.

This information was related to SA [redacted] case Agent, and on 7/31/73, the black and white photographs of the artist's drawing of the NORJAK subject were displayed by SA [redacted]

[redacted] commented that the eyes, nose, and chin of the photograph were striking in resemblance to [redacted] but that the forehead appeared too wide and the hairline too high for [redacted]. He furnished the following description:

Name	[redacted]
Age	35 to 38 years
Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Height	5 feet 11 inches
Weight	160 pounds
Hair	Dark
Eyes	Color not known

Lead covered - see 164-497-693 CBE

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Ears
Complexion
Characteristics

Flat against head
Smooth
Smokes a lot but
always "mooched"
cigaretts, claiming
he was attempting to
quit

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REPORT

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 164-497
FBI FILE NO. 164-2111
LATENT CASE NO. A-45410

August 17, 1973

TO: SAC, Los Angeles

RE:

NORJAK

REFERENCE: Airtel 8/6/73
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Los Angeles
SPECIMENS:

Previously reported latent prints captioned case not identical fingerprints of [redacted] FBI [redacted] born [redacted] No palm prints of [redacted] available Identification Division files.

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- 1 - Portland

Clarence M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley, Director

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Washington, D. C. 20537



REPORT

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 164-497
FBI FILE NO. 164-2111
LATENT CASE NO. A-45410

August 17, 1973

TO: SAC, Los Angeles →

RE:

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REFERENCE: Airtel 8/6/73
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Los Angeles
SPECIMENS:

Previously reported latent prints captioned case not identical fingerprints of [redacted] FBI [redacted] born [redacted] No palm prints of Heald available Identification Division files.

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TELEPHONE

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August 21, 1973

SAC, FBI
Sacramento

Dear Sir:

I telephoned SA [Redacted] to report possible relationship between the sky-jack between Reno and Portland or Seattle about 1½ to 2 years ago, wherein the sky-jacker made a successful get-away with \$250,000 (as nearly as I can recall) and has not been identified or located, and the sadistic rapist in San Francisco a week ago. (Sacramento Bee newspaper clipping enclosed.)

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About 1½ years ago, in Fresno, I had some business with [Redacted] who mentioned that he formerly made frequent airplane trips between Reno and Portland and Seattle, and on several of these flights he became acquainted with a person, known to him as [Redacted] who apparently made frequent flights, knew the country "like the back of his hand," and [Redacted] considered [Redacted] an excellent suspect for the successful (?) up until now - hi-jacker.

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I have had no contact with [Redacted] for 1½ years. He [Redacted] for Cosmos-Sound, 933 Newhall Street (changed) 92627 [Redacted] when I knew him and he lives in that area - Orange, Tustin, or that general area. The [Redacted]

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[Redacted] and [Redacted] who was living in Tustin [Redacted] who might help locate [Redacted] in the event you wish to interview him for further details.

Director Kelly and I were in [Redacted]

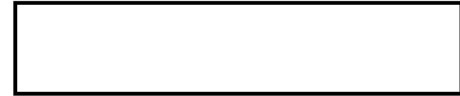
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I'd appreciate having you give him my best wishes. DB Cooper-25068

If I can be of further assistance, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely, I hope I am not wasting your time; and a more timely report, depending on the outcome, may have been in order.

Very truly yours,



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THE SACRAMENTO BEE Thursday, August 16, 1973

Sadistic Rapist Attacks Napa Woman

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A nationwide description has been issued of a man without a navel who police believe raped, beat, stabbed and shot a Napa woman in a hotel here, officials said.

"It's one of the more perverse and sadistic incidents we've had," Inspector Chris Sullivan said Wednesday. "It was definitely set up. He already had a chain, handcuffs and tape in the room when he brought her there."

Victim 'Mutilated'

The woman, 25, is hospitalized in stable condition. Sullivan said she was mutilated, "her buttocks beaten

raw" and a bullet creased her forehead.

He said she told police she accepted a shared cab ride with a man. She said when they arrived near his hotel he shoved a gun into her side and forced her to accompany him.

The woman was assaulted for a 22-hour period on the 19th floor of the Holiday Inn on Kearny St., Sullivan said.

Left Nude, Bound

The woman told police the man left Wednesday morning, saying he had to catch an airline flight. She later managed to reach the hallway, nude and still bound, where she was dis-

covered by a chambermaid, Sullivan said.

He said the assailant had registered under the name Henry H. Cooper of Reno, Nev. "He spoke with a western twang, dressed in expensive western clothes and cowboy boots and was loaded with \$100 bills."

"But the most unusual thing about him was that he didn't have a belly button," Sullivan added. "It's not impossible, I understand, if he had surgery for a hernia as a youngster."

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Date: 8/23/73

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)
SUBJ: NORJAK
(OO: SE)

Re Sacramento letter to Los Angeles dated 7/19/73.

Enclosed for Los Angeles, Las Vegas, and Seattle is one copy each of a self-explanatory letter received on 8/23/73 at Sacramento, California from former FBI SA [redacted] California.

RE: [redacted]

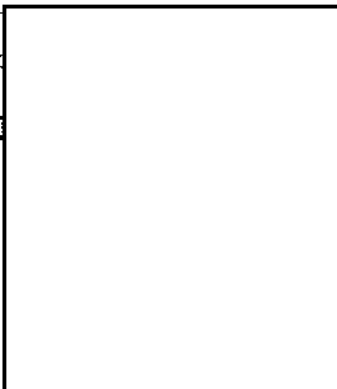
*3700 Newport NB
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[redacted] Cosmos-Sound, 933 Newhall Street,

Costa Mesa, California (1 1/2 years ago), friend of [redacted] reportedly considers one [redacted] Reno, Nevada an excellent suspect in captioned matter.

Sacramento indices negative on name, [redacted]

- 2 - Los Angeles (Encl. 1)
 - 2 - Las Vegas (164-60)(Encl.)
 - 2 - Seattle (164-81)(Encl.)
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Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

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LEADS

LOS ANGELES

AT COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA

Contact [redacted] Cosmos-Sound, 933 Newhall Street for identifying data on [redacted] of Reno, Nevada, and all particulars which could associate him with captioned matter.

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LAS VEGAS

AT RENO, NEVADA

Attempt to identify [redacted] through directory checks and contact with local agencies.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) DATE: 9/11/73

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: SE

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Re Sacramento airtel to LA 8/23/73 (xerox copy attached).

RE: [redacted]

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Investigation conducted by the writer reveals Cosmos Sound was at 933 Newhall Street, Costa Mesa, for a few months in 1971-72; later moved to 3700 Newport, Newport Beach, for a short period of time, and is no longer listed in telephone directories and unknown at 3700 Newport.

Telephone Information advised Cosmos Sound telephone number 714-548-9391 has been changed to 714-673-4200. Daily efforts to contact someone at this number, which rings like a good number, have been negative.

It was ascertained at the former address of 933 Newhall Street, Costa Mesa, that [redacted] had furnished address about 1 1/2 years ago of [redacted] Corona Del Mar, telephone [redacted]

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Contact with this telephone number revealed [redacted] unknown to subscriber.

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On 9/9/73 the Corona Del Mar Post Office was contacted and advised on 6/10/72 [redacted] submitted a change of address from [redacted] Corona Deal Mar. There has been no change with the Post Office since.

AT CORONA DEL MAR: Through address of [redacted] [redacted] locate and interview [redacted] for all available information concerning [redacted] whom he apparently has described as a good suspect.

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

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Re Sacramento airtel to Los Angeles, 8/23/73.

Las Vegas indices negative re [redacted]

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Current Reno telephone and City Directories have no listing for anyone named [redacted]

On 8/30/73, the following advised their files contain no one named [redacted]

[redacted] Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Reno, Nevada.

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[redacted] Reno, Nevada PD.

[redacted] Sparks, Nevada PD.

[redacted] Credit Bureau Services, Reno, Nevada.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 9/20/73

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: HORJAK
OO: Seattle

RE SUSPECT: [REDACTED]

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Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau dated 8/8/73.

On 8/13/73, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] at airports in Santa Monica and Palmdale, California, while he was employed as [REDACTED] at these airports.

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[REDACTED] He was unable to provide any additional pertinent information.

On 9/4/73, [REDACTED]

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Burbank, California, advised a review of all his snapshots of parachuting associates failed to reveal a photograph of [REDACTED]. He stated the only photograph of [REDACTED] he could locate was in a skydiving magazine. Observation of this photograph displayed by [REDACTED] revealed it to be of a skydiver in a facedown prone position, while jumping and wearing a helmet and jumpsuit. No facial features could be seen, and it would be of no assistance for possible display to witnesses in this matter.

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Possible acquisition of a photograph of [redacted] from the Drivers Licenses Division of the Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles will be left to discretion of *Portland* and Seattle, as Los Angeles is not aware of the status of investigation to establish whereabouts of [redacted] during the pertinent period.

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Hijack-Hoaxer Pays Back Lots of Booty

SEATTLE (AP) — A Bremerton man who posed as sky-jacker "D. B. Cooper" in an attempt to extort \$45,000 from a newsman has paid back \$4,500 according to his lawyer.

A hoax Cooper interview reportedly was being considered for the cover of Newsweek magazine before the authorities uncovered the scheme. Donald Sylvester Murphy later was convicted on a federal extortion charge.

Murphy's attorney, Tony Savage, says Murphy got only \$9,000 from Karl Fleming, former Newsweek bureau chief in Los Angeles.

And Murphy believes he can raise the balance of the money he got from Fleming, Savage has told U.S. District Court Judge Walter McGovern. Savage says the major share of the extortion money went to William Lewis, Bremerton, and another man who wasn't charged in the case.

Lewis was sentenced to three years and Murphy two. A federal appeals court Friday upheld Murphy's conviction. Judge McGovern, however, has postponed Murphy's departure for McNeil Island Federal Penitentiary for two months.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Tribune
West Covina, Ca.

Date: 9/20/73
Edition: Thursday
Author:
Editor: Richard Tracy
Title: Norjak

Character:

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Submitting Office: LOS ANGELES

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

DATE: 10/2/73

Re Seattle report of SA CHARLES E. FARRELL dated 2/16/72, and Los Angeles tel call to Seattle 10/2/73.

On 10/1/73, [redacted] in Torrance, California who resides at [redacted] Hawthorne, California, advised the Los Angeles Division as follows:

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On 9/26/73, he and his [redacted] in Northern California in an area in the Pulmas Forest about 20 miles from Honey Lake, California. [redacted] had noticed a piece of orange material protruding from beneath a bush. Upon removing the material from beneath the bush they found it to be a portion of a parachute bound up with parts of a nylon cord line, so that it was about the size of a football. Other portions of the parachute as well as short pieces of nylon cord were also located under the bush.

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[redacted] made available a portion of the parachute which they had found, which he described as about one fifth of the parachute. Examination of this portion of the parachute revealed it to have white and orange panels. He also made available several short pieces of white nylon cord appearing to be cut up sections of shroud.

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A review of referenced Seattle report pages 229-230 reveals they two parachutes missing from the victim aircraft upon its arrival in Reno, Nevada, were described as white in color. Neither parachutes were described as having any orange panels.

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Per referenced telephone call to Seattle on 10/2/73, it was ascertained that investigation had revealed both parachutes presumably utilized by the hijacker, were all white in color. It was also ascertained that parachutes with orange and white panels are a type used in military survival operations and have previously been brought to the attention of the Seattle Division.

Inasmuch as the portions of the parachute previously submitted by [redacted] had white and orange panels and therefore do not match the description of the parachutes, utilized by the unknown subject in this matter, no further investigation is being conducted by the Los Angeles Division, and that portion of the parachute furnished by [redacted] will be returned to him.

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date: 10/3/73

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)
RE: NOJAK
OO: San Francisco

Re Sacramento airtel to Los Angeles dated 8/23/73.

RE: [redacted]

Investigation determined that [redacted] referred to in referenced communication, currently resides [redacted] Corona Del Mar, California, telephone number [redacted] and is employed by [redacted] Garden Grove, California, telephone [redacted]

On 10/2/73 [redacted] was located and interviewed at which time he advised he recalls making no statement to anyone concerning captioned matter and specifically does not recall relating to anyone that he knew an individual, [redacted] who made frequent airplane trips between Reno, Portland and Seattle and who knew the country [redacted]

[redacted] advised he, like many other individuals, frequently talked about captioned case as it appeared daily in the newspaper and he might have made statements concerning the case in jest. He further advised he cannot recall among his acquaintances a former Bureau Agent

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- 1 - Sacramento (164-50) (Info)
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by the name of [redacted] advised he was formerly associated with [redacted] Costa Mesa, California, and did and still does make frequent airplane trips between Reno, Portland and Seattle. On those trips he meets numerous individuals, many of whom he does not know by name. He suggests that it was possible he met [redacted] and made a statement in jest concerning the crime, but that he has absolutely no recollection of so doing.

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In view of the above, Los Angeles is taking no further investigation concerning suspect [redacted]

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Information copies being furnished Sacramento and Las Vegas who had an investigative interest in suspect [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 10/10/73

FROM SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

RE NEW SUSPECT: CHARLES THOMAS BOGGS, aka
TOM BOGGS
Date of Birth 5/12/20

[redacted]
[redacted] Hollywood, California, advised the Los Angeles Office that captioned individual should be considered as a possible suspect in this matter. He stated that BOGGS was a former pilot and jumper, who had flown throughout the United States as well as in the Seattle, Washington, and British Columbia, Canada, areas. [redacted] advised that sometime shortly after Thanksgiving Day, 1971, an associate of BOGGS had attempted to contact him [redacted] in Chatsworth, California. This associate was told by [redacted] name unknown, that BOGGS had returned within the past couple of days and [redacted]

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Based on the above, investigation was conducted by the Los Angeles Division to ascertain if BOGGS should be considered a logical suspect in this matter.

It was ascertained that BOGGS maintains a part-time residency with a [redacted] Chatsworth, California. On 9/18/73, [redacted] advised that BOGGS stayed with him on Wednesdays and Saturdays and the remainder of the time BOGGS usually stayed at a furniture factory located at 3029 East 12th Street, Los Angeles, California. [redacted] at the time of contact and appeared to be [redacted] advised that BOGGS has no phone at the furniture factory, as it has recently been taken out due to BOGGS' financial condition. [redacted] indicated that BOGGS does not actually manufacture furniture but does reupholstery work.

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On 9/26/73, BOGGS was interviewed at his place of business, Fabric Crafts, 3039 East 12th Street, Los Angeles. BOGGS stated he was an expert parachutist, having made over 1000 jumps while traveling through the United States with various air shows during the 1940's and 1950's. He stated he had last jumped about six years ago and added that he was also a pilot who has flown small planes throughout the United States, as well as in Canada.

Concerning his whereabouts on or about Thanksgiving Day in 1971, he stated he is quite certain that he was with [redacted] either the day before or on Thanksgiving Day, 1971. He also stated that at that time he was hauling furniture to Montgomery Wards' new store in Torrance, California, and although he would not have worked on Thanksgiving Day, for the following week or two weeks he had been engaged in stocking furniture in the new Montgomery Wards store in Torrance.

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On 10/4/73, [redacted] [redacted] Sepulveda, California, advised she has dated [redacted] for the past three or four years, having [redacted]. She stated that she does not recall having had Thanksgiving dinner with [redacted] in November, 1971, but specifically recalls having been with him on the day before Thanksgiving, 1971. They had discussed their plans and [redacted].

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[redacted] stated she is positive she was [redacted] on the day before Thanksgiving, 1971, and also knows that he was driving a truck in connection with [redacted] during the period before Thanksgiving and immediately after Thanksgiving. She added that he has on occasion borrowed money from her and has had considerable financial problems over the past few years.

On 10/9/72, [redacted] Van Nuys, California, [redacted] TOM BOGGS, recalled TOM BOGGS had positively spent the afternoon of Thanksgiving Day [redacted] in Van Nuys.

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During interview and investigation, the following descriptive data was obtained:

Name	CHARLES THOMAS BOGGS, commonly known as Tom Boggs
Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of Birth	5/12/20
Place of Birth	Milton, Kentucky
Height	6'
Weight	190 pounds
Eyes	Grey
Hair	Grey
Prior Arrests	United States Marshal Danville, Illinois on 4/26/35, Theft of Government Property, two years probation; Indianapolis Police Department, 2/4/41, Vagrancy, charges dismissed on 2/11/41; Los Angeles Police Department, on 4/27/71, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, charges dismissed 4/29/71
FBI Number	935 448
Los Angeles Police Department Number	109308113

In view of the above, BOGGS is no longer being considered a logical suspect by the Los Angeles Division at this time.

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Date: 11/9/73

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)
SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

Re Los Angeles nitel to Sacramento, Minneapolis, Portland, and Seattle, 2/8/72; Sacramento airtel to Los Angeles and Seattle, 2/9/72; Sacramento airtel to Seattle, Minneapolis, Portland, and Los Angeles, 2/9/72; Los Angeles letter to Seattle and Sacramento, 3/3/72; and Minneapolis teletype to Seattle and Los Angeles, 11/8/73.

RE [redacted]

On the night of 11/6/73, [redacted]

[redacted] Glendale, California, telephonically contacted the Los Angeles FBI and advised that a [redacted] off the Los Angeles coast, on 11/21/71. No traces were found.

She advised that about two days ago, a man named [redacted]

who used [redacted] had

- 2 - Seattle (164-81)
- 2 - Minneapolis (164-73)
- 2 - Portland (164-41)
- 2 - Los Angeles (Squad #11)

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[redacted] in Highland Park, California, [redacted] had seen [redacted] get into a car with Oregon license plates and hurriedly drive off. Efforts, by [redacted] to speak with [redacted] were ignored.

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[redacted] added that she and other employees [redacted] [redacted] have always thought the artist's conception of the hijacker looked like [redacted]

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For the information of all offices, [redacted] was previously furnished as a possible suspect by the [redacted] of a local newspaper in Torrance, California, who had received information concerning [redacted] [redacted] Redondo Beach, California. [redacted] was also previously employed [redacted]

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Investigation conducted by Los Angeles, at that time, is set forth in referenced Los Angeles teletype dated 2/8/72, and Los Angeles letter dated 3/3/73.

It is noted that per referenced Sacramento airtel to Seattle, copies of California driver's license of [redacted] [redacted] who were identical, were furnished to Seattle, Portland, and Minneapolis for display to witnesses in this matter.

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Per referenced Minneapolis teletype to Seattle, dated 3/2/73, Northwest Airlines Stewardesses were shown a photograph of [redacted] and was described as not identical with or resembling the Unknown Subject.

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On 11/8/73, [redacted] [redacted] Glendale, were interviewed. Both indicated an interest in the reward and [redacted] indicated he had been in contact with Northwest Orient Airlines regarding any available reward.

[redacted] had compiled a list of handwritten notations indicating why they believe [redacted] should be considered a suspect in this matter. Attached are copies of these handwritten notations.

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had Second CALIF. Driver
License with Mexican Name
First Name Was [redacted], don't
remember Last Name

Born - [redacted]

Served in U.S. Navy

childhood in Bakersfield
or VICINITY

Graduated About [redacted] From
San Fernando State College,
B.A. Degree in History

Had Pilots License, Took
Lessons in State of Washington
Possibly Near Bellingham

Known Addresses

'60's

[Redacted]

Los Angeles

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Los Angeles

[Redacted]

AS OF NOV. 1971

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Canoga Park

Also had

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IN

Highland Park and Glendale

1968 - 1971.

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owned much property around
North Los Angeles. They were

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Saw a bank
statement listing investments
totaling in vicinity of

[Redacted]

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Recent Employment

[Redacted]

Liked to
work more than one job
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[Redacted]

, Redondo Beach -

[Redacted]

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, Glendale

[Redacted]

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Full time

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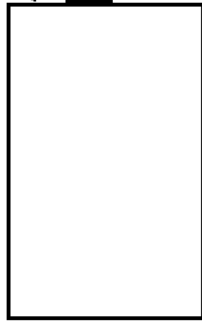
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- Redondo Beach, 1970

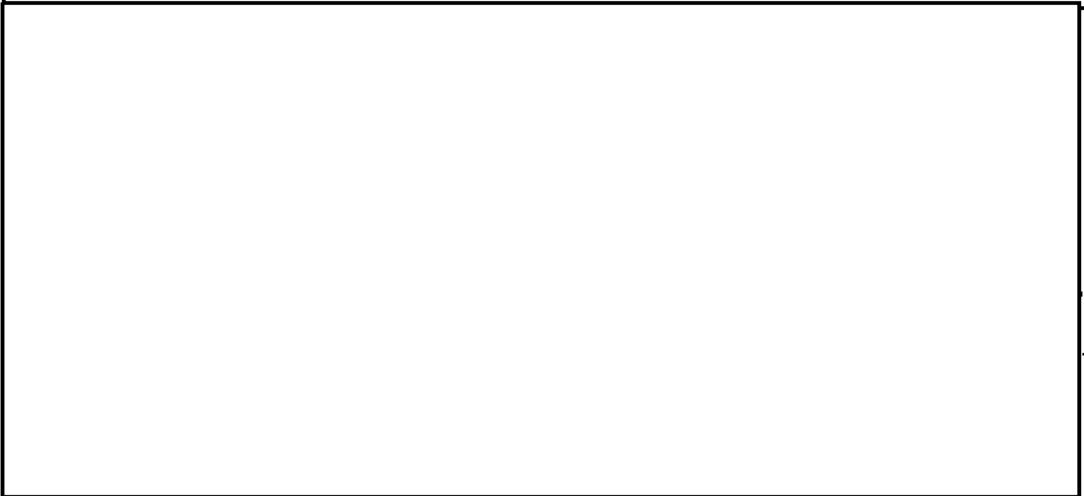
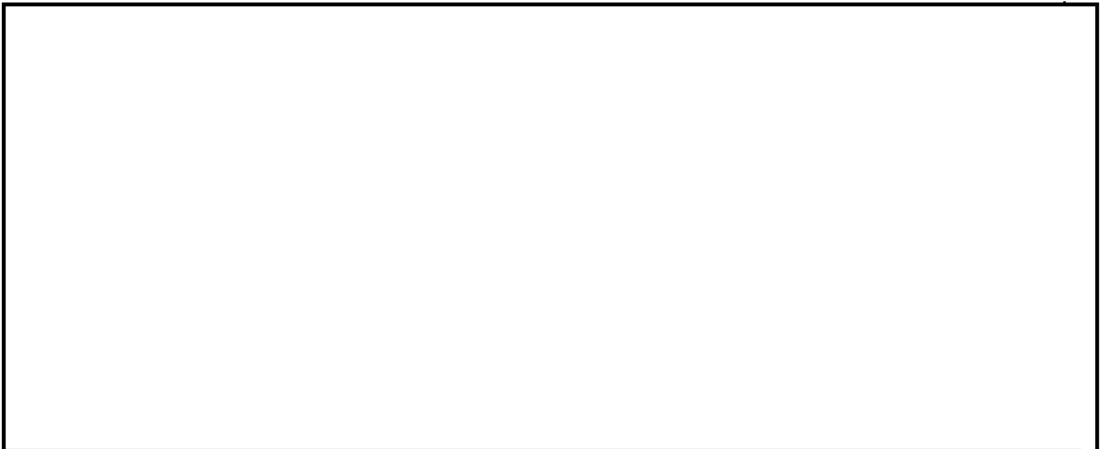
- Tacoma, Wash., early 60's

- Bellingham, Wash., '63 or '64

- Bellingham, Wash., '63 or '64



Los Angeles, Not sure
of Date, maybe mid '60's



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TIMES [redacted] b6
been spotted since his dis- b7C
appearance in [redacted]

SUMMER OF 1972

[redacted]

Saw [redacted] walking
on sidewalk in Hollywood, when
he tried to follow him, [redacted]
vanished.

Spring 1973

[redacted]

[redacted] b6

(Glendale, Calif.) b7C

Saw [redacted] driving in Glendale

[redacted]

Saw and talked to [redacted]

AT a Gasoline Station in Highland
Park, [redacted] was visibly b6

shaken and left immediately b7C
in a car with Oregon license

plates # [redacted] [redacted]

knows [redacted] well from past years
and says [redacted] has not changed
any at all.

This information compiled 11/6/73
Submitted to F.B.I. 11/8/73 by

Personal Characteristics

[redacted] is a quiet, courteous well spoken person. He is very cautious of what he says and never spoke much of his personal life. He did not attend social functions [redacted] much. He is very observant and always knew what was going on [redacted] with regards to management and finances. He was good at finding info. on people and things in this world. He also had ability [redacted]

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[redacted] He often carried large amounts of money. [redacted]

He often said [redacted]

[redacted]

He several times said he was going [redacted]

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This information compiled 11/6/73
Submitted to F.B.I. 11/8/73 by [redacted]

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On the same date, [redacted] who advised his true name is [redacted] was interviewed at his employment, [redacted] Santa Monica, California.

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He advised that on Monday, 11/5/73, he had observed a man, whom he was positive was [redacted] at an unrecalled service station in Highland Park, California. He had approached this man as [redacted] and spoke to him. The man ignored him, accepted the change from the attendant, and hurriedly departed in about a 1971 gold colored Chrysler, bearing Oregon License [redacted]. He is positive this man was [redacted].

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On the same date, the above license was checked through the Oregon Law Enforcement Data System, and revealed license [redacted] was registered to a 1972 Imperial, [redacted] registered owners [redacted] and address of [redacted] Monmouth, Oregon. The legal owner was shown as [redacted] [redacted] Hollywood, California.

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In view of the unusual circumstances surrounding this matter, it is recommended the following investigation be conducted.

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA:

1. Will process copies of photograph of [redacted] which is described by [redacted] as an excellent likeness and furnish copies to Portland, Seattle, and Minneapolis for possible display to witnesses.

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2. Will conduct logical investigation at local law enforcement agencies, U. S. Coast Guard, etcetera, to ascertain if [redacted] possibly involved in insurance or other fraud.

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LEADS:

PORTLAND

AT MONMOUTH, OREGON: 1. Conduct all logical investigation regarding address of [redacted] in an effort to establish the whereabouts of [redacted] during pertinent period or otherwise ascertain details regarding his financial condition and other factors to determine if he should be considered logical suspect in this matter.

2. It is suggested interview of [redacted] be held in abeyance pending inquiry by Los Angeles to ascertain if he is involved in insurance or other frauds.

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AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON: Contact FCC authorities in an effort to ascertain details of [redacted] [redacted] in Bellingham, Washington. It is noted [redacted] reportedly flew to Seattle, Washington several times in 1970 concerning this matter.

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November 13, 1973

Special Agent [redacted]
F.B.I.
U.S. Department of Justice
392 Federal Building
110 S. 4th
Minneapolis, Minn. 55401

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Dear [redacted]

This letter is in regards to the parachuting skyjacking on November 24, 1971 of a Northwest Airlines plane between Seattle, Washington and Reno, Nevada. This case has, so far, not been solved and the skyjacker who collected \$200,000 is known only as D.B. Cooper.

In a telephone conversation on November 8, 1973 with [redacted] at Northwest Airlines, St. Paul, Minnesota, we discussed rewards offered in this case. He told me of rewards having been offered of 10% of recovered amounts, or possibly \$25,000 if all is recovered. [redacted] also told me of a Seattle newspaper offering \$5000.

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By telephone conversation on November 6, 1973 and personal meeting on November 8, 1973, [redacted] gave information to special agent [redacted] of the Wilshire Office of the F.B.I. in Los Angeles. This information concerned possibilities of a [redacted] as a suspect in the November 24, 1971 skyjacking. Since November 8, 1973 we have had other contacts with Special Agent [redacted]

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This information re-opened the investigation of [redacted] as a suspect. Until the November 8, 1971 meeting between Special Agent [redacted] and [redacted] had been presumed [redacted] on November 21, 1973 (three days before the skyjacking). We gave evidence that he is alive and also clues that there might be a link between him and the skyjacking.

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This letter is to serve as claim to any such available rewards should [redacted] be brought to justice in connection with the parachuting skyjack of November 24, 1971 of the Northwest Airline.

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Any reward is to be kept absolutely confidential and is to be [redacted] Glendale, California [redacted] Monrovia, California [redacted] There is, of course, a risk of revenge

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by [redacted] and this is why we ask for this to be kept confidential.

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cc: [redacted]

Northwest Airline
St. Paul, Minn.
Tel: [redacted]

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(Carbon copy has names of informers and suspect and addresses of informers deleted from content)

11/16/73

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (P)
SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

Re Seattle airtel to Minneapolis, 11/9/73.

Enclosed for receiving offices is one copy each of a letter received 11/15/73, registered mail, registry number 17427, from [redacted] Monrovia, California, [redacted]

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[redacted] Northwest Orient Airlines (NORJAK), Minneapolis, Minnesota, was contacted 11/15/73, and he advised that judgment was filed on [redacted] plus interest in the Hennepin County District Court, Minneapolis. Judgment stayed by the court [redacted] this matter.

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Date: 11/15/73

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

Re Los Angeles airtel to Seattle, dated 11/9/73.

RE [redacted]

Enclosed for receiving offices are two copies each of a photograph of captioned individual, which has been described by three former fellow employees at [redacted] Glendale, California, as an excellent likeness.

On 11/13/73, [redacted] also known as [redacted] was interviewed at the Los Angeles Office of the FBI. [redacted] advised she continues to reside [redacted], Canoga Park, California. She stated she has had absolutely no contact [redacted] about November 21, 1971. She advised [redacted]

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- 3 - Portland (164-41) (Encl 2)
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She stated last year her income taxes were audited by Internal Revenue Service and it had been necessary for [redacted] to be contacted in Bellingham. She advised she had not retained his address or telephone number.

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About two years prior [redacted]

[redacted] in Los Angeles. He never suffered [redacted]

[redacted] stated she maintains contact with [redacted], also known as [redacted] in Visalia, California, and also with [redacted]. She is certain that they have no information concerning [redacted] she does not know. She recently contacted [redacted]

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On 11/13/73, [redacted] Temple City, California, representative of [redacted] advised [redacted]

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[redacted] an address at [redacted] in Glendale, California and does not respond to correspondence directed to [redacted]. He stated he has no information indicating [redacted]

A review of previous investigation reveals Redondo Beach, California, Police Department and the Los Angeles Sheriff's Office, Harbor Division, were involved in the search [redacted]. No information was developed indicating the United States Coast Guard was involved.

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On 11/9/73, [redacted] West Valley Division, Los Angeles Police Department, which has jurisdiction over the

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area where [redacted] advised they have no record identifiable with [redacted]. In view of the above, it is suggested the following investigation be conducted:

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Seattle, Portland and Minneapolis display enclosed photographs of [redacted] to appropriate witnesses.

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AT MONMOUTH, OREGON: Thereafter, interview [redacted] through address of [redacted] Monmouth, Oregon, for purpose of resolving whether or not he warrants additional investigation as a suspect in this matter and attempt to ascertain purpose of his apparent desire to conceal his whereabouts.

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It is suggested that the taking of major case prints of [redacted] be considered at the time of interview and submitted to the Identification Division for comparison with unidentified latents in this matter and so that identity may be positively established.

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10:01PM NITEL 11/26/73 CRH

TO: LOS ANGELES (164-497)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 2P

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[REDACTED] ANTIOCH, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT [REDACTED] EL MONTE, CALIFORNIA, AND [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, WERE DEER HUNTING DURING SEPTEMBER, 1973, IN THE AREA OF MILFORD AND DOYL, CALIFORNIA (NORTH OF RENO). HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THEY FOUND A CUT-UP PARACHUTE WHICH WAS STUFFED UNDER SOME BRUSH WHILE WALKING ALONG A LOGGING ROAD. [REDACTED] IS OF THE IMPRESSION THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REPORTED THIS TO THE FBI AND IT WAS ALLEGEDLY DETERMINED THAT THIS PARACHUTE MAY HAVE BEEN PART OF SOME WAR GAME ACTIVITIES, HOWEVER, HE WAS NOT SURE IF THIS REPORT WAS CORRECT.

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LOS ANGELES. AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. IF NO PREVIOUS
CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] LOCATE AND INTERVIEW
THESE TWO INDIVIDUALS CONCERNING THE PARACHUTE ON THE
POSSIBILITY OF IT TIEING INTO THIS CASE AND THEREAFTER MAKE
APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

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SEATTLE AND SACRAMENTO ADVISED AIRMAIL.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

DATE: 11/28/73

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

Re San Francisco nitel to Los Angeles 11/26/73.

[redacted] Hawthorne, California, previously interviewed and he displayed a portion of an orange and white parachute he found while hunting in Northern California. It was ascertained through contact with Seattle and a review of background information regarding this matter that parachutes furnished the hijacker contained no orange sections such as that displayed by [redacted]. No further investigation is being conducted.

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540PM URGENT 11-8-73 AGL

TO SEATTLE 164-81

LOS ANGELES 164-497

FROM MINNEAPOLIS 164-73 2P

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NORJAK. 00: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE REPORT OF SA [REDACTED] DATED
5-30-73; AND MINNEAPOLIS TELEPHONE CALL TO SEATTLE, DATED
11-8-73.

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[REDACTED], NORTHWEST ORIENT
AIRLINES (NWAL), MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA TELEPHONICALLY
ADVISED THIS DATE THAT AN INDIVIDUAL, WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF
AS [REDACTED] OF THE LOS ANGELES AREA, HAD CONTACTED
[REDACTED] TWICE ON THIS DATE. [REDACTED] CLAIMS TO HAVE INFORMATION
REGARDING D.B. COOPER.

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[REDACTED] INITIAL CALL WAS TO DETERMINE IF REWARD
CONTINUED TO BE OFFERED FOR INFORMATION. [REDACTED] WAS ADVISED
OF THE REWARD INFORMATION CONTAINED ON PAGE 13 OF REFERENCED
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REPORT, I.E. FINDER'S FEE OF \$25,000 TOTAL REWARD OR 15 PER CENT FOR ANY PORTION OF RANSOM MONEY RETURNED. [] WAS ALSO ADVISED OF THE \$5,000 REWARD FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF UNSUB OFFERED BY THE SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER. THIS INFORMATION WAS GIVEN TO [] BY [] DURING THE SECOND TELEPHONE CALL.

[] ADVISED [] THAT THE INDIVIDUAL HE SUSPECTS WAS PREVIOUSLY CONSIDERED A SUSPECT AND REJECTED. [] CLAIMS TO HAVE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE TYING "THEM" TO THE HIJACKING.

[] ADVISED [] THAT HE HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH SA [] (PH) ON WILSHIRE BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. [] ADVISED [] AFTER LEARNING OF THE REWARD MONEY THAT HE, [] PLANNED TO MAKE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO SA [] (PH) THIS DATE.

MINNEAPOLIS WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [] FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.
END.

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Date: 12/4/73

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

Re Los Angeles airtels to Seattle, dated 11/15/73, and 11/9/73.

RE: [Redacted]

The following investigation was conducted by SA [Redacted]

On 11/26/73, [Redacted], Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles, advised that Oregon license [Redacted] was registered to [Redacted] DOB [Redacted] Monmouth, Oregon. The vehicle was registered on 3/23/73, and is to a 1972 Imperial two-door. [Redacted] advised there was a hold on the Oregon Title which would indicate that the title is in the hands of a lien holder out of state. In other words, the vehicle is registered in Oregon but not actually titled here.

The vehicle's legal owner is [Redacted] Hollywood, California. There was no record for driver's license having been issued to either [Redacted] in Oregon.

On 11/26/73, records of the Dallas, Oregon Credit Bureau which serves Independence, Oregon, the Monmouth, Oregon Police Department, and the Polk County Sheriff's Office were all checked and no record could be located for [Redacted]

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- 2 - Los Angeles (164-497)
- 3 - Portland

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On 11/26/73, [redacted] Monmouth, Oregon, advised he owned the residence [redacted] [redacted] but was not familiar with anyone having ever lived there named [redacted]. This individual was described to [redacted] and he further advised that the only persons who had lived [redacted] were young hippie type individuals. [redacted] did recall that there had been a former student at Oregon College of Education in Monmouth, Oregon, who had lived [redacted] whose name was [redacted] however, he was [redacted] and drove a late model Chevrolet Vega.

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He could not recall having ever seen a light 1971 or 1972 Chrysler Imperial at the above address.

[redacted] said that one of the former [redacted] [redacted] in Salem, Oregon. He did not know the present whereabouts of [redacted].

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On 12/3/73, [redacted] Salem, Oregon, telephone [redacted] advised he had lived briefly [redacted] Monmouth, Oregon, during the late Spring of 1973. One of his roommates at that time [redacted] who is presently attending the Eastern Oregon College in LaGrande, Oregon. [redacted] said he was acquainted with [redacted] [redacted] in Hollywood, California, inas-
much as [redacted]. However, he said their relationship had been strictly that of [redacted] and he had not known [redacted] socially. He also stated that he had not seen [redacted] since [redacted] and did not think it possible that [redacted] would have any way of locating him.

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[redacted] said his only connection with the school since his graduation, was that approximately one year ago he had received a circular addressed to him at his place of employment. [redacted] further advised that if [redacted] were employed anywhere in the Salem area, [redacted] he would be aware of it.

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LEADS

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LEADS (CONT.)

AT HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA. Contact the [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] concerning payments being made by [redacted]
[redacted] on his 1972 Imperial, [redacted] bearing Oregon
license [redacted]

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AT LA GRANDE, OREGON. Interview [redacted]
a student at Eastern Oregon College, to determine if he is
acquainted with [redacted] Display
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AT SALAM, OREGON. Display photograph of [redacted]
[redacted] and fellow employees [redacted] to determine
if he is employed in this area.

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11000 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90024
December 13, 1973

[Redacted]

Garden Grove, California [Redacted]

Dear [Redacted]

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated December 5, 1973, wherein you requested a list of serial numbers from the money paid to the hijacker of a Northwest Orient Airlines aircraft during November, 1971.

The list to which you refer contains the serial numbers from ten thousand twenty dollar bills and is quite lengthy. As the publication of this list has been limited, its distribution has been restricted to appropriate law enforcement agencies and financial institutions.

Your interest in this matter is appreciated and should any information concerning this matter come to your attention, please advise any local office of the FBI.

Very truly yours,

WDS

JOE D. JAMIESON
Assistant Director in Charge

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- ① - Los Angeles (164-497)
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advises we have only 3 remaining copies of bank list.

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[REDACTED]
garden Grove - Cal. [REDACTED]

F. B. I. Dept. of Justice
11000 Wilshire Blvd.
Westwood, Cal.

Gentlemen,

Would you please send me
a list of the serial numbers
on the ^{\$20} bills recorded by the
F. B. I. obtained by the Hijacker
D. B. Cooper on Thanksgiving Eve
1971.

I read an article published
by the Oregon Journal - Portland
Oregon telling that they are still
looking for the bills and offering
a \$1000 reward for the first
bill to be turned in. I called
the Santa Ana office & they told
me that your office had a list
of the Serial numbers. I am
enclosing a self addressed

over DB Cooper-25113

Envelope if you would be
kind enough to enclose it
I would greatly appreciate
it. Thank you!

Sincerely

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F. B. I. Dept of Justice
Federal Bldg.
11000 Wilshire Blvd.
Westwood
California

17th. Floor

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DB Cooper-25116

FBI

Date: 1/4/74

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(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)
RE: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

Re Los Angeles airtels to Seattle 11/9/73, and 11/15/73; and Portland airtel to Seattle 12/4/73.

Re Suspect: [Redacted]

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Photos of the captioned individual were previously displayed to witnesses in this matter and he was not found identical or similar to the hijacker. He is described by associates as a blond headed, blue eyed, light to medium complexioned, Caucasian male and not Latin in appearance.

Based on the above, it would not appear he should be considered as a likely suspect, however, in view of his highly unusual activities and the results of recent extensive investigation at Los Angeles, it would appear investigation is warranted to positively eliminate him as a suspect in this matter and to ascertain if he is the subject of any other crimes, either Federal or local.

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- 4 - Portland (164-41)
- 2 - Minneapolis (164-73)
- 2 - Sacramento (164-50)
- 2 - Los Angeles

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For the information and investigative assistance of receiving offices, the following detailed summary of investigation concerning [redacted] is set forth below:

In January 1971, [redacted] South Bay Daily Breeze, Torrance, California, and [redacted] for that newspaper, advised the Los Angeles Division that during [redacted] conversation with [redacted] Redondo Beach, California, [redacted] had mentioned that [redacted] had disappeared in a [redacted] was reported missing and his boat was located in Redondo Beach Harbor. Due to the time of his disappearance, it was suggested that he be considered as a possible suspect in this matter.

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On 1/25/71, [redacted] Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office (LACSO), Harbor Division, Redondo Beach, advised that [redacted] had reported [redacted] missing on [redacted]

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[redacted] and LASO deputies have located [redacted] boat anchored a short distance off shore near Palos Verdes Peninsula, Redondo Beach, California.

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[redacted] led divers in an intensive search of the area for two days under good weather conditions and clear water and failed to locate a body. There was no evidence of foul play. One fishing pole was found aboard the craft and deputies could not get the engine started after boarding the craft.

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On 1/27/71, [redacted] Canoga Park, California, was interviewed at her residence. She advised that [redacted] who used the [redacted] had been [redacted] in Glendale, California. She stated that they were [redacted] [redacted] added that it has been very hard for her to accept the fact that [redacted] as she always knew him to be extremely careful. [redacted] was a Navy veteran and had never been a parachutist. She added

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[redacted] could not recall ever having observed a 1971 or 1972 Chrysler Imperial at the above address.

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[redacted] added that one of his former tenants, [redacted] in Salem, Oregon. He did not know the present whereabouts of [redacted]

On 12/3/73, [redacted] Salem, Oregon, advised he had lived previously at [redacted] in Monmouth during the late Spring of 1973. One of his roommates at that time was [redacted] who is presently attending the Eastern Oregon College in La Grande, Oregon. [redacted] said he was acquainted with [redacted] in Hollywood, California, inasmuch as he had attended that [redacted]. He claimed their relationship had been that of strictly [redacted] and he had not known [redacted] socially.

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[redacted] stated he had not seen [redacted] since leaving school [redacted] and did not think it possible that [redacted] would have any way of locating him.

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

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On 12/5/73, [redacted] Hollywood, California, advised a search of credit union records reveals a check was made payable by [redacted] for the purchase of a 1972 Chrysler.

She stated her records reveal [redacted] also known [redacted] had an address of [redacted] Glendale, California, in 1971 at the time he obtained the loan to buy the Chrysler.

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Her records further indicate that on 9/8/72, a [redacted] was received from [redacted] final payment on the loan to [redacted] on the purchase of the 1972 Chrysler. Upon receipt of the final payment, [redacted] advised the pink slip would have been mailed to the [redacted] Glendale. Her records did not indicate in what form the payment [redacted] was received.

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On the same date, [redacted] [redacted] b6 b7C
 [redacted] advised he was [redacted]
 [redacted] advised he had [redacted]
 He advised that [redacted] paid the [redacted]
 at the [redacted] stated [redacted]
 has an office phone of [redacted] and home phone of [redacted]

He added that [redacted] always paid his rent by checks drawn on an account in his name at the Bank of America. b6 b7C

[redacted] furnished an address for [redacted] Los Angeles, California [redacted]

He positively identified the photo of [redacted] as the person he knew as [redacted] advising that [redacted] was driving a beat up looking Volkswagen bug, blue or grey in color during the times he has seen him. b6 b7C

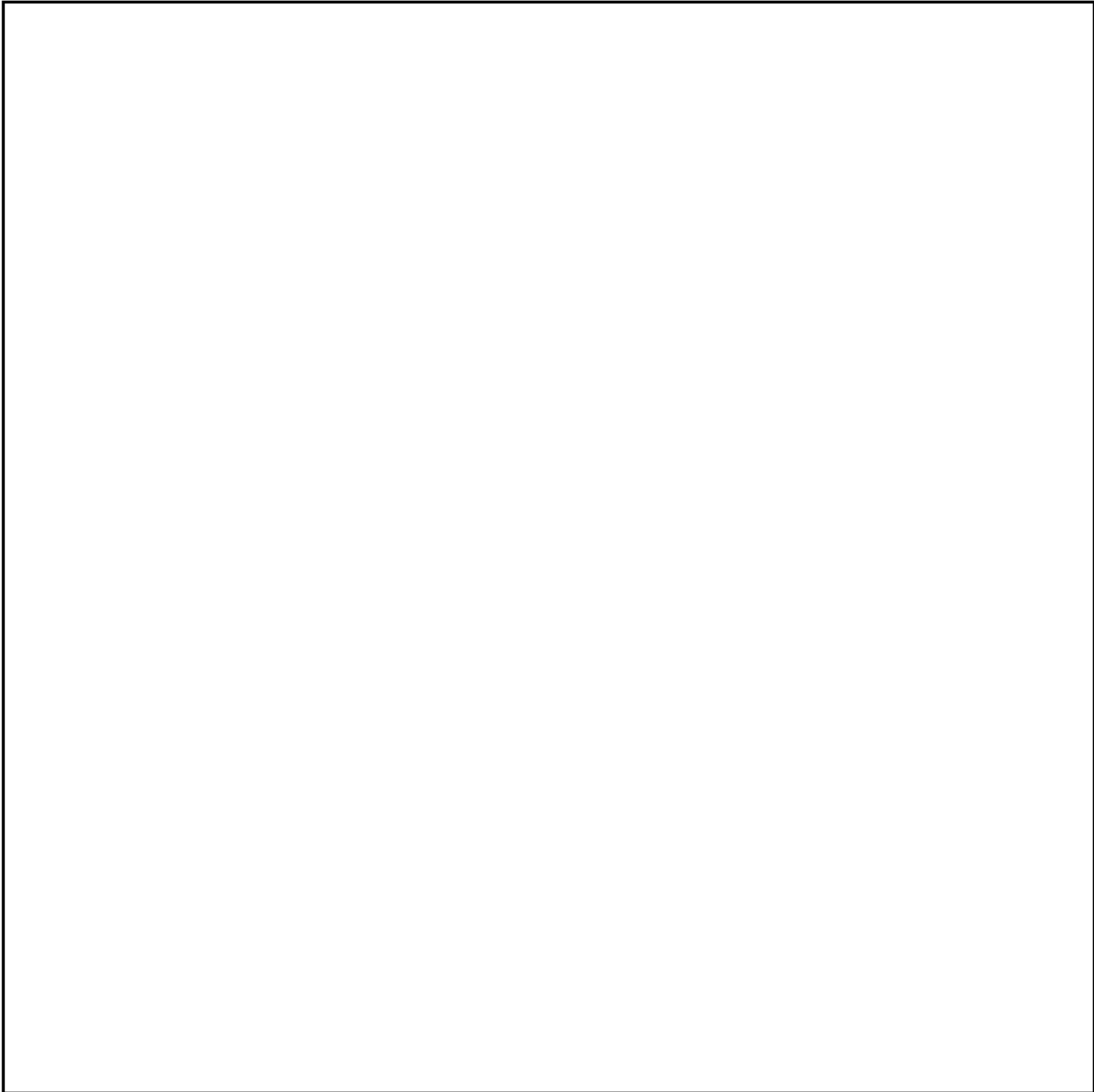
He added that to the best of his knowledge, [redacted] has been a reputable business man in the area for several years and he does not know the degree of association between [redacted] and [redacted] or how they became associated in [redacted]. b6 b7C

[redacted] recalled that on one occasion he had approached [redacted] as he was a few days late in paying the rent. [redacted] had remarked to him that he would have to transfer some money from another bank into his checking account before he could pay the rent. He believed this was when [redacted] first rented the building [redacted] when it was necessary for him to have [redacted] for each of the first and last months rent, a total of [redacted]. b6 b7C

On 12/21/73, [redacted] Sherman Oaks, confidentially advised that [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] could locate no record indicating how [redacted] stating she was [redacted]. b6 b7C b7D

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TO SACRAMENTO (164-50) **ERD**
FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P) 1P

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NORJAK; OO: SEATTLE.

SACRAMENTO IS REQUESTED TO OBTAIN FROM CALIFORNIA DMV
LEGAL HISTORY OF CALIFORNIA LICENSE ISSUED 5/8/73, FOR
1967 DODGE WAGON,

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REGISTERED AND LEGAL OWNERS DURING PERIOD FROM NOVEMBER,
1971, TO 5/8/73, DESIRED.

FOLLOWING IDENTIFICATION OF REGISTERED OWNER DURING ABOVE
PERIOD, OBTAIN COPY OF DRIVER'S LICENSE AND PHOTO OF REGISTERED
OWNER AND FURNISH LOS ANGELES.

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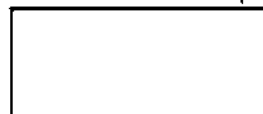
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