



DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

Douglas M. Duncan
County Executive

October 7, 2002

Charles A. Moose, Ph.D.
Chief of Police

The Honorable Gary M. Bald
Special Agent in Charge
U.S. Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
7142 Ambassador Road
Baltimore, MD. 21244

Dear SAC Bald:

As you are aware, this agency has been engaged in the investigation of a series of violent homicides that began on Wednesday October 2, 2002, and continued through the morning of October 3, 2002. A total of five innocent citizens have been murdered in Montgomery County, and we have cause to believe that these murders have been committed by the same person(s). Subsequently, both the District of Columbia and Spotsylvania County, Virginia, have experienced incidents that fit this pattern indicative of the crime of serial homicide and/or attempted homicide.

During the course of our investigation, we have received valuable federal assistance both in terms of personnel and resources. I recognize that this support has been offered generously and informally. To provide clarity regarding the magnitude of the current investigation, and with consideration of the likelihood that even more resources might be required in order to bring this offender to justice, I am writing to initiate a formal request for assistance from your agency. Pursuant to the provisions of Title 28, United States Code 533(a), and more specifically, Section 540B (Federal Serial Killings Provision), which authorizes the head of a state or local law enforcement agency to request federal assistance in the investigation of suspected serial homicide, I am initiating such a request. After consultation with The Honorable United States Attorney Thomas DiBagio, I understand that this matter can further be investigated under the aforementioned authority of Title 28.

This case has generated great concern among citizens, not only in Montgomery County, but throughout the Washington-Metropolitan region as well. Since the earliest stages of this investigation, we have received uncompromised support from various local and federal agencies. I appreciate your prompt consideration of this request.

Sincerely,
Charles A. Moose

Charles A. Moose, Ph.D.
Chief of Police

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Office of the Chief of Police

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: IMMEDIATE

Date: 10/08/2002

To: Finance
Baltimore

Attn: Pat Dexter
Attn: ASAC Kevin R. Lewis

SSA [redacted]

From: CID

VC/FU, Room 5046
Contact: Unit Chief [redacted] Ext 4294

Approved By: Ashley Grant D
Lewis Joseph R
Buten Gerald Lee
Fitzgerald James E
Gregorski Charles C

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Drafted By: [redacted]

Case ID #: 62D-BA-102665 ¹⁰²⁶⁷⁹⁻⁴ (Pending)

Title: JAMES MARTIN - Victim (Deceased);
ET AL;
HOMICIDE MATTER;
DOMESTIC POLICE COOPERATION;
OO: BA
MAJOR CASE #

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

Synopsis: To request that the Finance Division designate "SNIPEMUR" as a major case, with the Baltimore Division being the Office of Origin.

Administrative: Reference telcal between Unit Chief [redacted] VC/FU, and Baltimore SSA [redacted] on 10/08/2002.

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Details: Between 10/02/2002 and 10/07/2002, nine (9) sniper-type attacks have occurred in the Maryland-Virginia and Washington, D.C. area. An unknown subject (or subjects) gunman has fired high powered rifle rounds (.223) at victims on an apparently random basis. To date, the sniper's attacks have resulted in six fatalities and two victims being critically injured. The most recent victim was a 13 year old student, shot as he approached his school in Prince George's County, Maryland.

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To: Finance From CID
Re: 62D-BA-102665, 10/08/2002

Montgomery County Police Chief Charles A. Moose has formally requested assistance from the Attorney General and from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In addition, the DOJ has opined that substantive federal violations exist to support this matter, to include Title 18 USC 922 Q (unlawful possession of a firearm in a school zone) and 2261 A (interstate transportation to commit violence).

The Baltimore Division is actively involved in assisting local authorities in captioned investigation. Baltimore has offered use of its ERT, NCAVC (profiling) "Rapid Start" resources to assist in the investigation.

Such attacks by a sniper, who can attack at will and from afar, pose an extreme risk to the public as well as to investigating law enforcement personnel.

Due to the nature of the investigation and the large volumes of information being amassed, Baltimore requests that this matter be designated a major case.

To: Finance From: CID
Re: 62D-BA-102665, 10/08/2002

Set Lead 1: (Adm)

BALTIMORE DIVISION

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Read and Clear

Set Lead 2:

FINANCE DIVISION

AT WASHINGTON, DC

Designate the above captioned matter as a "Major Case" and assign the appropriate Major Case number.

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METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Charles H. Ramsey
Chief of Police



MPD NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
October 4, 2002

CONTACT: Public Information Office
202-727-4383

HOMICIDE 7700 GEORGIA AVENUE, N.W. ***UPDATE, 10/4/02 @ 10:10 pm***

At approximately 9:15 last night, Thursday, October 3, 2002, 72-year-old Pascal Charlot, of the 4400 block of 9th Street, N.W., was walking in the 7700 block of Georgia Avenue, N.W. While standing on the corner of Georgia Avenue and Kalmia Road, N.W. he was shot in the chest. Mr. Charlot was taken to the Washington Hospital Center's MedStar Unit and pronounced dead at 9:56 p.m.

The case is under investigation by members of the department's Violent Crimes Branch. Anyone with information about this case is asked to call police at 202/727-9099.

The department currently offers a **TEN THOUSAND DOLLAR REWARD** to anyone who provides information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for any homicide committed in the District of Columbia.

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***UPDATE:** The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms' examination of the bullet fragments removed from Mr. Charlot's body indicates that the caliber and characteristics of the round are consistent with the ammo used in the Montgomery County, Maryland sniper murders.

It is evident that Mr. Charlot's murder is related to the cases in Montgomery County. Therefore, members of the D.C. Metropolitan and Montgomery County, Maryland Police Departments are conducting a joint investigation into these slayings.



300 Indiana Avenue NW.
Washington, DC 20001
www.mpdc.dc.org

*** GOVERNMENT of the
DISTRICT of Columbia



\$10,000 Reward



Pascal Charlot

The Metropolitan Police Department's Violent Crimes Branch is seeking assistance from the public to help solve the homicide of Charlot Pascal.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: PRIORITY

Date: 10/08/2002

To: Director's Office

Attn: Director
Robert S. Mueller, III
DD Bruce J. Gebhardt
EAD Kathleen L. McChesney
AD Grant D. Ashley
SC Gerald Buten, VCMO
SAC Gary M. Bald
SAC Stephen R. Wiley

Criminal Investigative

Baltimore
CIRG

From: CIRG

Hostage Rescue Team

Contact: UC [redacted]

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Approved By: Mueller Robert S
Gebhardt Bruce J
Ashley Grant D
Wiley Stephen R

Drafted By: [redacted] bjw

Case ID #: 306-BA-102679 -5 (Pending)
BA 1A-C2016 (Pending)
244-IR-A4636 (Pending)

Title: JAMES MARTIN - VICTIM (DECEASED);
ET AL;
HOMICIDE MATTER;
SNIPEMUR;
MC-194

Synopsis: Confirmation of verbal authorization by AD Ashley for partial team operational deployment of the Hostage Rescue Team to assist Baltimore Division.

Reference: 62D-BA-102665 Serial 5.
BA 1A-C2016 Serial 121

Details: On 10/07/2002, in referenced EC, Baltimore Field Office requested Hostage Rescue Team (HRT) assistance for aircraft, sniper, and assault asset support. This support would augment Baltimore SWAT and Montgomery County Police Department.

Mission:

The mission will be to augment the Baltimore SWAT and Montgomery County Police Department with tactical personnel who

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To: Director's Office From: CIRG
Re: 306-BA-102679, 10/08/2002

are capable of responding, containing and arresting the subject of this investigation, if he is located.

Concept of the Operation:

Currently, the tactical response plan consists of two 10-hour shifts staffed primarily by the local law enforcement jurisdictions. HRT would deploy sixteen of the team during the first shift and the remaining ten of the team during the second shift. The concept of the operation is for one HRT tactical operator to be positioned in a vehicle with one Montgomery Tactical Officer. These units will be deployed throughout the Montgomery County geographical area so they can respond to any sighting of the possible subject and affect his arrest.

HRT Tactical Helicopter Program (THP) support is also being rendered. Bell 412s are being flown during rush-hour times during the morning and evening. Due to the pattern of the sniper activity, two Bell 412s are being flown during the morning hours and one during the evening. Crews for the Bell 412s consist of two pilots and two Tactical Air Officers. SAC Baltimore will be the FBI On-Scene Commander.

Duration/Exit Strategy:

HRT participation is being sought in this matter with the following duration and exit strategies:

1. If there is a matter of higher National priority for the HRT, they will be recalled and redeployed to cover that mission. (All HRT Operators will be within radio, cell phone and pager coverage and HRT vehicles will be maintained at Police Departments and substations to facilitate a recall of HRT personnel.)
2. If there is no activity on the part of the sniper/subject by Friday, 10/11/2002, HRT participation in this matter will be reconsidered.
3. If the subject is apprehended prior to conditions one or two above.

Why HRT participation:

1. Baltimore SWAT team members will also be used in support of this mission. Their numbers have been diminished by a need to cover leads relating to this and other investigations.

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2. HRT has trained and conducted operations with the Montgomery County Police Department in the past.

3. HRT helicopter assets are currently assisting in this operation.

There is to be no publicity that HRT is participating in this matter. As noted above, the HRT has been lending helicopter support to this mission since last Friday, without publicity.

Based on the nature of the shift work, and in accordance with the FBI Director's policy on operational deployments dated 01/29/2002, authority is being requested for the full HRT to deploy to assist FBI Baltimore.

Violent Crimes Section Chief Gerald Buten has discussed this plan with SACs Wiley and Bald who concur with this plan of the deployment of HRT.

To: Director's Office From: CIRG
Re: 306-BA-102679, 10/08/2002

LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1:

DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, DC

Request Director's approval for a full team deployment of HRT personnel to assist Baltimore Division in above referenced investigation.

Set Lead 2:

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE

AT WASHINGTON, DC

For information.

Set Lead 3:

BALTIMORE

AT BALTIMORE, MD

For information.

CC: 1 - Mr. Gebhardt
1 - Ms. McChesney
1 - Mr. Ashley
1 - Mr. Bald
1 - Mr. Wiley
1 - Mr. Buten
1 - Mr. Gregorski

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 10/09/2002

To: ✓ Baltimore
Richmond

From: Richmond *DWT/ug*
Squad 6/Fredericksburg RA
Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: Foster Michael S

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Drafted By: [redacted]

Case ID #: ✓306-BA-102679-¹³ (Pending)
166E-RH-50368-¹ (Pending)
166E-RH-50368-^{NW} (Pending)
NC

Title: SNIPEMUR;
MC 194
(306-BA-102679)

UNSUB(S);
[redacted] - VICTIM
MICHAEL'S ARTS & CRAFTS
SPOTSYLVANIA MALL
10/04/2002
ITAR - SNIPER
(166E-RH-50368)

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

Synopsis: Opening communication. Provide background on captioned matter to Baltimore Division. To open newspaper sub-file.

Reference: 62D-BA-102665 Serial 1

Details: On 10/04/2002, at approximately 2:30 PM, in the MICHAEL'S parking lot, Spotsylvania Mall, Fredericksburg, Virginia, victim, [redacted], a white female, DOB: [redacted] was shot once in the lower right back, with a .223 caliber rifle round. This round has been linked ballistically to a shooting spree that occurred 10/02-07/2002 in Montgomery County, and Prince George County, Maryland, and in Washington, DC. As of 10/09/2002, victim is in stable condition.

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To: Baltimore Fr: Richmond
Re: 306-BA-102679 (Pending)
10/09/2002

166E-RH-50368,

A working group consisting of the Spotsylvania County, Virginia, Sheriff's Office, Virginia State Police, and the FBI has been assembled at the Fredericksburg FBI RA.

Rapid Start has been set up for this investigation and will be linked to the Baltimore Division's investigation of the sniper attacks in that region.

To: Baltimore Fr Richmond
Re: 306-BA-102679 (Pending)
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166E-RH-50368,

LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1:

BALTIMORE

AT BALTIMORE, MD

Read and clear.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: IMMEDIATE

Date: 10/09/2002

To: Criminal Investigative

Attn: Violent Crimes/Fugitive Unit
VCMO Section
Room 5042

Investigative Services

Intelligence Collection
Management Unit (ICMU)
Criminal Intelligence Section
Room 4166

From: Baltimore

Squad 9, Maryland Metropolitan Office at Calverton

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: *CMR*
Bald Gary M
Lewis Kevin R

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Drafted By: [redacted] *msm*

Case ID #: 306A-BA-102679 (Pending) *183*

Title: SNIPEMUR
MAJOR CASE 194
OO: BA

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Synopsis: Request appropriate imagery of crime scene areas.

Details: During a six day period, 10/02/20 through 10/07/02, eight people were randomly shot, resulting in six deaths and two critically wounded individuals. There were five shootings; one in Montgomery County, Maryland (MD), one in Prince George's County, MD, one in Washington D.C., and one in Fredericksburg, Virginia (VA). All victims were shot one time with a .223 caliber (5.56mm) round.

Numerous local and federal law enforcement agencies have offered assistance in the matter. The Baltimore Division FBI initiated the titled major case to assist the various local law enforcement agencies investigating the shootings.

It is requested that any imaging incidently collected pursuant to existing intelligence requirements and/or commercial imagery, which captured the crime scenes during the periods

[Signature]
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To: Criminal Investigative From: Baltimore
Re: 306A-BA-102679, 10/09/2002

outlined below, be analyzed and provided to assist with the investigation

CRIME SCENES

1. 10/02/02, 1630 to 1730 hours,
search 400 yard area around the Michael's Department
Store 3800 Aspen Hill Road, Montgomery County, MD
N39° 4.871' W77° 4.710'
Shooting at approximately 1720 hours.
Front window of store struck by round, no injuries.
2. 10/02/02, 1730 to 1830 hours,
search 400 yard area around the Shoppers Food Store,
2201 Randolph Road, Montgomery County, MD
N39° 3.586' W77° 2.831'
Shooting at approximately 1804 hours.
3. 10/03/02, 0700 to 0800 hours
search 400 yard area around the Colonial Dodge Dealership,
11411 Rockville Pike, Montgomery County, MD
N39° 2.568' W77° 6.625'
Shooting at approximately 0814 hours.
4. 10/03/02, 0745 to 0830 hours
search 400 yard area around the Mobile Gas Station,
4100 Aspen Hill Road, Montgomery County, MD
N39° 4.817' W77° 4.853'
Shooting at approximately 0814 hours.
5. 10/03/02, 0815 to 0900 hours
search 400 yard area around the Leisure World Plaza,
N39° 6.169' W77° 4.546'
3801 International Drive, Montgomery County, MD
Shooting at approximately 0837 hours
6. 10/03/02, 0840 to 1030 hours
search 400 yard area around the Shell Gas Station
10515 Connecticut Avenue, Montgomery County, MD
N39° 1.686' W77° 4.564'
Shooting at approximately 0958 hours
7. 10/03/02, 2030 to 2145 hours
search 400 yard area around the sidewalk/street
7700 Georgia Avenue, Washington DC
N38° 58'57" W77° 01'36"
Shooting at approximately 2120 hours

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8. 10/04/02, 1330 to 1400 hours search 500 yard area around the Michael's Department Store 219 Spotsylvania Mall, Fredericksburg, VA
N38° 17.663' W077° 30.783'
Shooting at approximately 1425 hours
9. 10/07/02, 0700 to 0830 hours
search 1000 yard area around Benjamin Tasker Middle School, 4901 Collington Road, Prince George's County, MD
N38° 57.464' W76° 44.762'
Shooting at approximately 0809 hours

To: Criminal Investigative From: Baltimore
Re: 306A-BA-102679, 10/09/2002

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1:

INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES

AT WASHINGTON, DC

Review this request with appropriate Office of General Counsel and coordinate with intelligence community to determine if incidentally collected products are available in support of this investigation.

Set Lead 2:

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE

AT WASHINGTON, DC

Read and clear.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: IMMEDIATE

Date: 10/10/2002

To: All Field Offices
All Legats

From: CID

VC/FU, Room 5046

Contact: SSA [redacted] Ext 3761

Approved By: Ashley Grant D
Lewis Joseph R
Buten Gerald Lee
Gregorski Charles CW

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Drafted By: [redacted]

Case ID #: 306-BA-102679 (Pending)-249
BA-IA-C2016 (Pending)-125
244-IR-A4636 (Pending)-296

Title: SNIPEMUR
MAJOR CASE 194

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

Synopsis: To advise all Field Offices and Legats that FBIHQ has designated the above captioned investigation as a Major Case, designating "SNIPEMUR" as the code name and assigning the investigation Major Case number 194.

Details: FBIHQ has granted authority for the "SNIPEMUR" investigation to be designated a Major Case. This investigation has been assigned Major Case number 194, with Baltimore Division designated as the office of origin. All field offices and/or Legats involved in this investigation should title the investigation as designated above. Additionally, all manpower expended during this investigation should be recorded to Major Case 194, on the FD420a for Time Utilization and Record Keeping (TURK) (reference MAOP, Part II, Section 3-3.2).

By way of background, between 10/02/2002 and 10/07/2002, nine (9) sniper-type attacks occurred in the Maryland-Virginia and Washington, D.C. area. These attacks resulted in six fatalities and two victims being critically injured. Victim included a 13 year old student, shot as he approached his school in Bowie, Prince George's County, Maryland.

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ASAC Lewis [signature]

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To: All Field Offices From: CID
Re: 306-BA-102679, 10/10/2002

ATF Scientists have determined that bullet fragments from six crime scenes are the same caliber. A .223 shell casing, a blue ink pen, and a tarot card (Card of Death) were located at the Bowie, Maryland crime scene where a student was shot on 10/07/2002. Hand printed writing on the tarot card in blue ink read as follows: Front of card: "Call me God". Back of card: "For you Mr. police", "code: (call me god)" and "Do not release to the press". There has been some speculation that this writing could reference dialogue from a scene in a "Navy Seals" movie in which an embattled soldier calls to god for help and a sniper responds, "this is god", prior to assisting the soldier. Investigators have rented the referenced movie for review.

In addition, at the Bowie crime scene, an ATF dog "hit" the site, where the shell casing was found. Then a blood hound "hit" on a log in the area, believed to have been used as an arm rest for sniper while firing his shot. The blood hound then tracked the scent through nearby woods and a park to an empty parking lot, where a cigarette butt was found. Prince George's County will process the butt.

On 10/08/2002, FBI's NCAVC behavioral science profilers provided an initial profile as follows: UNSUB is believed to be using a truck to conceal himself in highly populated areas. Bowie was the first incident where evidence was found of UNSUB being on ground. This possibly marks a change in MO by UNSUB due to publicity of the white truck. All other shots are believed to have been fired from a van/truck.

On 10/09/2002, at approximately 8:10 p.m., a 53-year old white male was shot in the base of the skull while at a Sunoco gas station near I-66 in Manassas, Virginia. This incident appears to be similar to the other sniper attacks. A witness reported seeing a white Dodge van speeding away at a high rate of speed out of a Shoney's Restaurant parking lot on the same side of the street as the Sunoco station.

A gunpowder detection dog has hit on a specific geographic area located in the midst of several of the attack sites which occurred in Montgomery County. A search warrant was executed in Montgomery County, Maryland on the morning of 10/10/2002, on a residence which various tracking dogs have independently "hit on". The residence is located in an area that is central to several sniper attack sites.

On 10/08/2002, a 24 hour joint Command Post (CP) was activated in Montgomery County with components from Montgomery County Police, Maryland State Police (MSP), Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), FBI, ATF, and Prince Georges County Police

To: All Field Offices From: CID
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(PGCPD). The CP relocated to an FBI funded dedicated off-site on 10/09/2002.

Currently, the Montgomery County Police Department maintains lead agency control of the investigation. Nonetheless, Montgomery County Police Department Chief Charles Moose formally requested assistance from the Attorney General and from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. FBI Baltimore deployed over 50 FBI personnel to assist in the investigation, including the funding and establishment of a joint Command Post and investigative leads. Over 50 FBI personnel have been assigned to assist in this investigation.

The following FBI resources have been made available to assist in the investigation:

- FBI's Rapid Start lead tracking system
- Evidence Response Teams on standby
- NCAVC is preparing profile of subject
- over 50 FBI Agent and support personnel assigned
- Hostage Rescue Team
- 24 Hour Tip Line at Washington Field Office
(888-324-9800)

To: All Field Offices From: CID
Re: 306-BA-102679, 10/10/2002

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1:

ALL RECEIVING OFFICES

Provided for information purposes. Utilize Major Case number 194 for TURK purposes.

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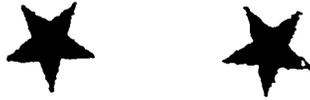


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For you Mr. Police

"Call me God"

Do not release to the Press



Handwritten signature and date: 12/25/01

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For you Mr. Police
Call me God."

Do not release to the press.

We have tried to contact you
to start negotiation, but the

incompetence of your forces in
(i) Montgomery Police "Officer Derrick"
at 242-773-5000 Friday.

(ii) Rockville Police Dept "female officer"
at 301-309-3100.

(iii) Task force "FBI" "female"
at 1888-324-9800 (four times)

(iv) Priest at Ashland.

(v) in Washington DC. at 202-898-7900

These people took of calls
for a Hoax or Joke, so your
failure to respond has cost
you five lives.

It stopping the killing is

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more important than catching us
now, then you will accept our
demand which are non-nego-
tiable

(1) You will place ten million
dollar in Bank of America
account no. [redacted]

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[redacted]
Pin no. 9595.

Activation date 08/01/01

Exp. date 09/04

Name: [redacted]

member since 1974.

Platinum Visa Account.

We will have unlimited ~~on the~~
withdrawal at any atm world-
wide.

You will activate the bank
account, credit card, and Pin
number.

We will contact you at.

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(USLAND, VA)

Ponderosa Buffet tel # 798-9205

6:00 am Sunday Morning

You have until 9:00 a.m.

Monday morning to complete
transaction.

Try to catch us withdrawing
at least you will have less
body bags.

(BUT)

(ii) If trying to catch us now
more important then prepare
you body bags.

If we give you our word
that is what takes place
"Word is Bond!"

P.S. your children are not
safe anywhere at any time.


10/25/02

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: IMMEDIATE

Date: 10/13/2002

To: All FBIHQ Divisions
All Field Offices

From: Baltimore *SO/af*
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Contact: SSA [Redacted]

Approved By: [Redacted] *[Signature]*

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Drafted By: [Redacted] jag

Case ID #: 306-BA-102679 *6/6* (Pending)

Title: SNIPEMUR
MAJOR CASE 194
OO: BALTIMORE

Synopsis: Provide all receiving divisions and field offices with contact numbers for command post.

Details: The Baltimore Division and CIRG have established a multi-agency task force adjacent to the Montgomery County Police Department's headquarters in Rockville, Maryland. The task force consists of the following law enforcement agencies:

- FBI-Baltimore and Washington Field
- ATF
- U.S. Marshals
- U.S. Secret Service
- Montgomery County Police
- Prince George's County Police
- Prince William County Police
- Spotsylvania County Police
- Washington Metropolitan Police
- Maryland State Police
- Virginia State Police

The nationwide tip line was initiated on Thursday, 10/10/02. All of these tip calls are being answered at the FBI's Washington Field Office. The tip line number is:

1-888-324-9800.

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To: All FBIHQ Divisions From: Baltimore
Re: 306-BA-102679, 10/13/2002

Appropriate contact numbers for the SNIPEMUR task force
are as follows:

Command Information Control
240-773-5025

Tactical Operations Center
301-519-2694

Urgent Leads Facsimile Number
301-947-9014

Non-Urgent Facsimile Numbers
301-869-4376
301-869-4263
301-869-3948

To: All FBIHQ Divisions From: Baltimore
Re: 306-BA-102679, 10/13/2002

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1:

ALL RECEIVING OFFICES

Bring to the attention of all appropriate personnel.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: IMMEDIATE

Date: 10/15/2002

To: All Divisions
All Field Offices

From: Baltimore *SB/gd*

Approved By:

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Drafted By: *ej gd*

Case ID #: 306-BA-102679 *712* (Pending)

Title: SNIPEMUR
MAJOR CASE 194
OO: BALTIMORE

Synopsis: Provide a summary of the shootings in captioned case.

Details: The following reflects a summary of the shooting incidents as of October 15, 2002.

1) October 2, 2002 - 5:20 p.m.

Michaels Arts and Crafts
3800 Aspen Hill Road
Silver Spring, Maryland

No injuries sustained during this incident. One shot was fired through the window of the store. The partial projectile was found on 10/13/2002 in a blanket purchased by a Michael's customer.

2) October 2, 2002 - 6:04 p.m.

Shoppers Food Warehouse
2201 Randolph Road
Wheaton, Maryland

James Martin, white male, 55 years old was shot once in the back while he was walking into the store. The bullet impacted into his spinal column and no fragments of ballistic value were obtained. It is believed the shot was fired from approximately 75 yards and was in all likelihood fired from a vehicle.

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3) October 3, 2002 - 7:40 a.m.

Colonial Dodge
11400 Rockville Pike
Rockville, Maryland

James Buchanan, white male, 39 years old, was shot once in the back while mowing the lawn in front of the automobile dealership. Victim was shot by a high caliber bullet, which was not located. The projectile went through the victim, causing a large exit wound to the chest. The shot was fired from a 50 - 60 yard distance, probably from an elevated position, not from a vehicle.

4) October 3, 2002 - 8:12 a.m.

Mobil Station
4100 Aspen Hill Road
Silver Spring, Maryland

Premkumar Walekar, Indian male, 54 years old, was shot once in the back as he was pumping gas into his taxi cab. The bullet was recovered and determined to have been a .223 caliber projectile. The shot was fired from an approximate distance of 50 yards and a location could not be determined.

5) October 3, 2002 - 8:37 a.m.

Leisure World Plaza
3701 Rossmoor Blvd
Silver Spring, Maryland

Sarah Ramos, Hispanic female, 34 years old, was shot once in the forehead while she was sitting on a bench outside a post office in a shopping center. The bullet exited the back of her skull, went through a glass window and was recovered. It was compared with the previous bullet fragment shooting and was a ballistic match. The shot was fired from 60 - 70 yards and the location of the shot, whether from a vehicle or not, is not determined.

6) October 3, 2002 - 9:58 a.m.

Shell Station
10515 Connecticut Avenue
Kensington, Maryland

Lori Lewis Rivera, white female, 25 years old, was shot one time in the back as she vacuumed out her van at the gas

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station. Fragments of the bullet was compared with the previous shootings and it was a ballistic match. The shot was fired from approximately 50 - 60 yards and the location of the shot could not be determined.

7) October 3, 2002 - 9:20 p.m.

Sidewalk
7700 Georgia Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Pascal Charlot, black male, 72 years old, was shot once in the chest as he walked on the street. Autopsy determined the bullet had first passed through his hand prior to entering the chest. The bullet fragments were ballistically matched with the other shootings. It is believed the location of the shot was a stone-wall approximately 60 yards from the victim.

8) October 4, 2002 - 2:27 p.m.

Michaels Arts and Craft
3000 Plank Road
Fredericksburg, VA

A white female, 43 years old, (protecting identity) was shot once in the back as she was placing parcels in her van. The bullet went through her body and was located in her vehicle and she survived her wounds. The bullet was matched with the other shootings as a .223 caliber round. It was believed the shot was fired from a vehicle 75 yards away.

9) October 7, 2002 - 8:00 a.m.

Benjamin Tasker Middle School
4901 Collington Road
Bowie, Maryland

A 13 year old student, black male, (protecting identity) was shot in his side as he was walking into the school. The victim survived his wounds and was shot from a distance of 75 yards. A .223 caliber shell casing was found in a wooded area, along with a Tarot card entitled "DEATH" which taunted the police. Bullet fragments were ballistically matched with the other shootings.

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10) October 9, 2002 - 10:10 p.m.

Sunoco Gas Station
7203 Sudley Road
Manassas, VA

Dean Meyers, white male, 53 years old, was shot once in the head as he was pumping gas at the station. It is believed the shot was fired from a vehicle approximately 60 yards away. Bullet fragments from the victim were matched with the other shootings.

11) October 11, 2002 - 9:20 a.m.

Exxon Gas Station
5326 Jefferson Davis Hwy
Massoponax, VA

Kenneth Bridges, black male, 53 years old, was shot once in the back as he was about to pump gas in his car. It is believed that the shot was fired from a vehicle at a distance of 50 yards. Bullet fragments taken from the victim were ballistically matched with the other shootings.

12) October 14, 2002 - 9:15p.m.

Home Depot
6210 Seven Corners Center
Falls Church, VA

Linda Franklin, white female, 47 years old, a Bureau employee assigned to FBIHQ, was shot once in the head in the parking lot of the store. The shot was fired from approximately 36 yards and witnesses observed a subject firing an assault rifle outside a van. Ballistic examination matched fragments from the other scenes.

There have been 12 shootings, with nine fatalities and two critical injuries. The majority of the victims have been shot in the back and the location of the shootings have been within quick access to a major road. It is the belief of the investigators that all of the shootings were from a .223 caliber weapon, even though three (3) scenes cannot be matched due to lack of projectiles.

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The following depicts the physical locations of where the shootings occurred.

- 5 shopping plazas
- 4 gas stations
- 1 school
- 1 sidewalk
- 1 car dealership

Witnesses have provided the following information on a possible suspect vehicle:

- Isuzu white box truck, square sloped, roll-up rear door, rear bumper was damaged on the right side.

- Chevrolet Astro panel van, white, newer model with a black grill. (At scene of second Spotsylvania County shooting).

- Chevrolet Astro panel van, cream colored, silver roof rack, with left rear tail light out. (Subject was observed entering this vehicle subsequent to the 10/14/02 shooting).

The only witnesses to the subject were at the scene of the 10/14/02 shooting at the Home Depot in Falls Church, VA. The initial report of the subject is an olived skinned male. WFO is in the process of obtaining additional descriptive data.

As of this communication there are 420 FBI personnel, 155 ATF personnel, 140 Montgomery County personnel, 100 Maryland State Police personnel, and approximately 100 additional officers from various local and federal law enforcement agencies in the Washington, D.C. region.

The SNIPEMUR task force command post has been fully established and appropriate contact numbers were disseminated to all offices via separate EC.

Baltimore will update as the investigation continues.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: IMMEDIATE

Date: 10/15/2002

To: All Field Offices
All Legats

From: CID

VC/FU, Room 5046

Contact: SSA [redacted] Ext 3761

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MAJOR CASE 194

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

Synopsis: All Field Offices and Legats should canvass all logical sources and advise of past cases with a similar method of operation. All Field Offices and Legats should also advise of any innovative investigative techniques available to assist in this investigation.

Administrative: On 10/10/2002, FBIHQ granted authority for captioned investigation to be designated a Major Case with Baltimore Division designated as the office of origin. All field offices and/or Legats involved in this investigation should title the investigation as designated above. Additionally, all manpower expended during this investigation should be recorded to Major Case 194, on the FD420a for Time Utilization and Record Keeping (TURK) (reference MAOP, Part II, Section 3-3.2).

Details: By way of background, between 10/02/2002 and 10/14/2002, twelve (12) sniper-type attacks have occurred in the Maryland-Virginia and Washington, D.C. area. These attacks resulted in ten fatalities and two victims being critically injured. The most recent victim was a woman who was shot in the parking lot of a Home Depot store in Falls Church, Virginia.

ATF Scientists have determined that bullet fragments from six crime scenes are the same caliber. A .223 shell casing,

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a blue ink pen, and a tarot card (Card of Death) were located at the Bowie, MD crime scene where a student was shot on 10/07/2002. Hand printed writing on the tarot card in blue ink read as follows: Front of card: "Call me God". Back of card: "For you Mr. police", "code: (call me god)" and "Do not release to the press". There has been some speculation that this writing could reference dialogue from a scene in a "Navy Seals" movie in which an embattled soldier calls to god for help and a sniper responds, "this is god", prior to assisting the soldier. Investigators have rented the referenced movie for review.

In addition, at the Bowie crime scene, an ATF dog "hit" the site, where the shell casing was found. Then a blood hound "hit" on a log in the area, believed to have been used as an arm rest for sniper while firing his shot. The blood hound then tracked the scent through nearby woods and a park to an empty parking lot, where a cigarette butt was found. Prince George's County will process the butt.

On 10/08/2002, FBI's NCAVC behavioral science profilers provided an initial profile as follows: UNSUB is believed to be using a truck to conceal himself in highly populated areas. Bowie was the first incident where evidence was found of UNSUB being on ground. This possibly marks a change in MO by UNSUB due to publicity of the white truck. All other shots are believed to have been fired from a van/truck.

On 10/09/2002, at approximately 8:10 p.m., a 53-year old white male was shot in the base of the skull while at a Sunoco gas station near I-66 in Manassas, Virginia. This incident appears to be similar to the other sniper attacks. A witness reported seeing a white Dodge van speeding away at a high rate of speed out of a Shoney's Restaurant parking lot on the same side of the street as the Sunoco station.

On 10/08/2002, a 24 hour joint Command Post (CP) was activated in Montgomery County with components from Montgomery County Police, Maryland State Police (MSP), Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), FBI, ATF, and Prince Georges County Police (PGCPD). The CP relocated to an FBI funded dedicated off-site on 10/09/2002.

Currently, the Montgomery County Police Department maintains lead agency control of the investigation. Nonetheless, Montgomery County Police Department Chief Charles Moose formally requested assistance from the Attorney General and from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. FBI Baltimore deployed over 50 FBI personnel to assist in the investigation, including the funding and establishment of a joint Command Post and

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investigative leads.

The following FBI resources have been made available to assist in the investigation:

- FBI's Rapid Start lead tracking system;
- Evidence Response Teams on standby;
- NCAVC is preparing profile of subject;
- over 50 FBI agent and support Personnel assigned.
- Hostage Rescue Team assisting tactical teams;
- 24 Hour Tip Line at Washington Field Office (888-324-9800).

All field divisions are requested to canvass logical sources for pertinent information that may assist in this investigation. All field divisions should consider whether innovative techniques/confidential sources developed in past investigations would be useful in this investigation.

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LEAD(s):

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ALL RECEIVING OFFICES

Canvass logical sources for pertinent information that may assist in this investigation. Advise of all past subjects/cases involving similar method of operation. Consider whether innovative techniques/confidential sources developed in past investigations would be useful in this investigation.

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SNIPER INCIDENT DETAILS

Last Updated: 10/16 at 1430 hours

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#	Agency & Case #	Date	Day	Time	Location	Victim	Defn's	Vehicle	Evidence
1	Mont. Co. PD # W02-247811	10/02	WED	1720	Michael's, Northgate S/C 3800 Aspen Hill Road Silver Spring, MD	Store window	One shot fired through window, potential victim not known.		
2	Mont. Co. PD # W02-247851 Victim: Martin	10/02	WED	1804	Shoppers Food Whse. 2201 Randolph Road Wheaton, MD	W/M 60 yrs Deceased	One shot to back as he walked in lot towards grocery store.		
3	Mont. Co. PD # B02-248212 Victim: Buchanan	10/03	THU	0741	Colonial Dodge (Huff CL) 11400 bik Rkvi Pike Rockville, MD	W/M 30 yrs Deceased	One shot to back as he mowed grass.	White box-style truck or van.	
4	Mont. Co. PD # W02-248235 Victim: Walekar	10/03	THU	0812	Mobil station 4100 Aspen Hill Road S.S. (Rkvi zip), MD	W/M 60 yrs Deceased	One shot to back as he pumped gas for cab.	Box truck with "lots of glass" in the front.	Ballistic match
5	Mont. Co. PD # W02-248522 Victim: Ramos	10/03	THU	0837	Leisure World Plaza S/C 3701 Rossmoor Blvd. Silver Spring, MD	W/M 40 yrs Deceased	One shot to back as she sat on a bench.	White, square-shaped box truck, roll up rear door, 2 lines of small black lettering on side & rear, bumper has bent- in damage on right rear of body.	Ballistic match
6	Mont. Co. PD # B02-248316 Victim: Lewis-Rivera	10/03	THU	0958	Shell station 10515 Connecticut Ave. Kensington, MD	W/M 20 yrs Deceased	One shot to back as she vacuumed van.		Ballistic match
7	Metropolitan PD # 148434 Victim: Charlot	10/03	THU	2120	Sidewalk 7700 blk Ga Ave. NW Washington, DC	B/M 70 yrs Deceased	One shot to chest as he walked (projectile first passed through hand).		Ballistic match
8	Spotsylvania Co. SO # 02-100892 Victim: [redacted]	10/04	FRI	1427	Michael's 3000 Plank Road Fredericksburg, VA	W/F 43 yrs Survivor	One shot to side/back as she put parcels into van.		Ballistic match
9	Pr. George's Co. PD # 02-280284 Victim: name unaval.	10/07	MON	0809	Benjamin Tasker MS 4801 Collington Road Bowie, MD	B/M 13 yrs Survivor	One shot to back as he walked toward school.		Ballistic match .223 shell casing taped card
10	Prince Wm. Co. PD # unavailable Victim: Meyers	10/09	WED	2010	Battlefield Sunoco 7203 Sudley Road Manassas, VA	W/M 60 yrs Deceased	One shot to head as he pumped gas.		Ballistic match
11	Spotsylvania Co. SO # 02-103804 Victim: Bridges	10/11	FRI	0928	4 Mile Fork Exxon 5328 Jefferson Davis Hw Spotsylvania, VA	B/M 80 yrs Deceased	One shot to back as he pumped gas.		Ballistic match
12	Fairfax Co. PD # 761030-03-0004 Victim: Franklin	10/14	MON	2115	Home Depot Route 50, Seven Corners Falls Church, VA	W/F 47 yrs Deceased	One shot to head as she put packages into car.		Ballistic match

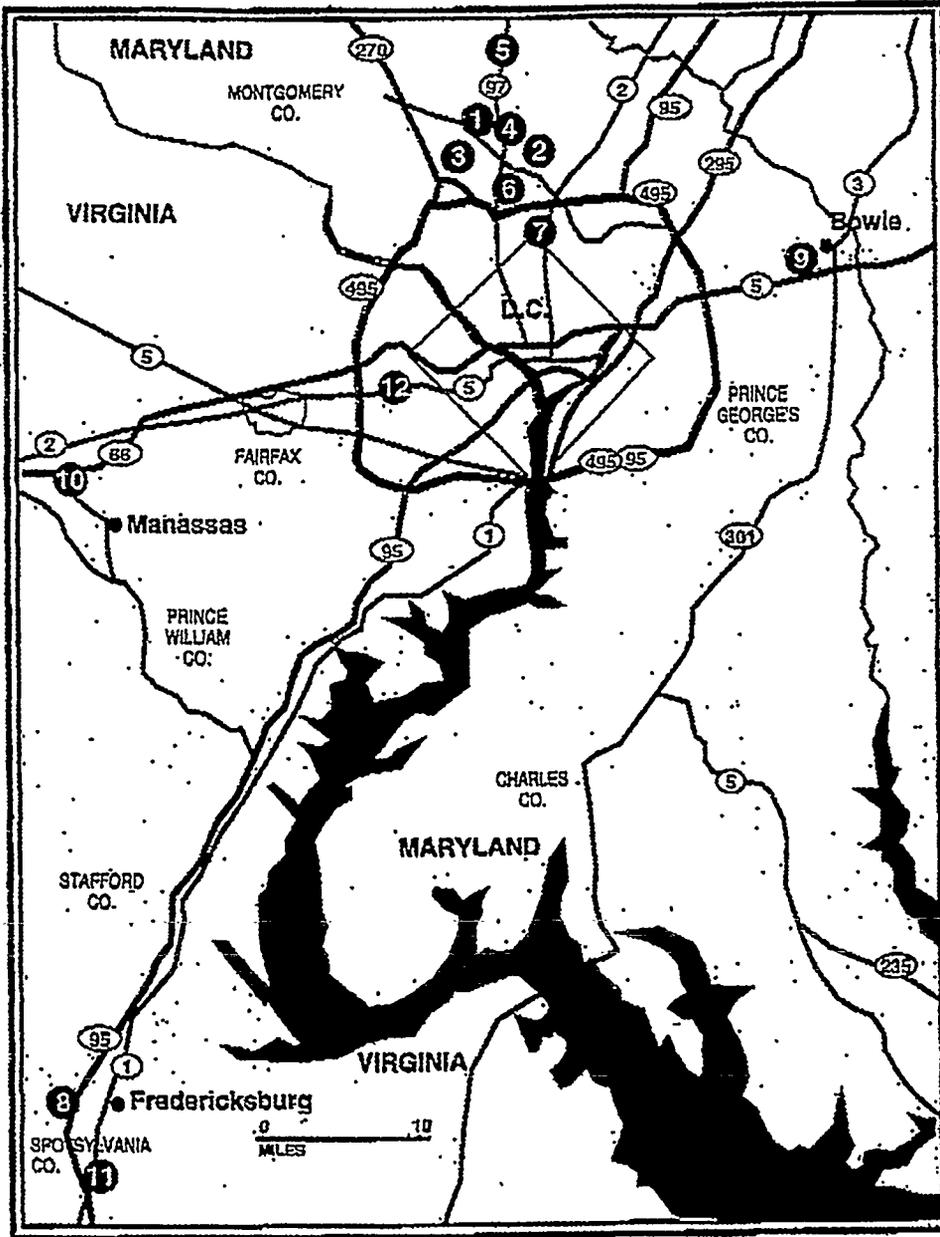
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Area Sniper Shootings

● No death

● Death



- 1 Oct. 2, 5:20 p.m. Window shot out of Michael's store.
- 2 Oct. 2, 6:04 p.m. James D. Martin, 55, shot crossing strip mall parking lot.
- 3 Oct. 3, 7:41 a.m. James L. "Sonny" Buchanan, Jr., 39, shot while mowing lawn.
- 4 Oct. 3, 8:12 a.m. Premkumar A. Walekar, 54, shot at Mobil gas station.
- 5 Oct. 3, 8:37 a.m. Sarah Ramos, 34, shot in the head at post office.
- 6 Oct. 3, 9:58 a.m. Lori Lewis Rivera, 25, shot at Shell gas station.
- 7 Oct. 3, 9:20 p.m. Pascal Charlot, 72, shot in the chest while crossing street.
- 8 Oct. 4, 2:30 p.m. Female, 43, shot in the back while loading packages into car.
- 9 Oct. 7, 8:08 a.m. Male, 13, shot in the chest after being dropped off for school.
- 10 Oct. 9, 8:18 p.m. Dean Harold Meyers, 53, shot in the head at Sunoco gas.
- 11 Oct. 11, 9:30 a.m. Kenneth H. Bridges, 53, shot in the back while pumping gas.
- 12 Oct. 14, 9:15 p.m. Linda Franklin, 47, shot in the head in Home Depot parking lot.

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The Victims

Oct. 2,
6:04 p.m.



**James O.
Martin**

Program analyst for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; Civil War buff; recent volunteer; father of an 11-year-old son.

Oct. 3,
7:41 a.m.



**James
L. "Sonny"**

Self-employed landscaper; had moved to Virginia to a Christmas tree farm he owned with his father, but continued to mow the grass for the dealership, as he had for 10 years.

Oct. 3,
8:12 a.m.



**Premkumar A.
Walekar**

Part-time cab driver who immigrated 30 years ago; father of three; dedicated to helping his family in India and bringing his siblings to the United States.

Oct. 3,
8:37 a.m.



**Sarah
Ramos**

Schroeder immigrant; former law student; mother of a 7-year-old son; was working as a housekeeper, waiting for a ride to work.

Oct. 3,
9:58 a.m.



**Lori Lewis
Rivera**

Professional nanny who moved from Idaho six years ago; mother of a 3-year-old daughter.

Oct. 3
9:20 p.m.



**Pascal
Charlot**

SKilled handyman; immigrant from Haiti; lived with and cared for his invalid wife.

Oct. 4
2:30 p.m.



Wounded

**Identity
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Mother of two young sons.

Oct. 7
8:08 a.m.



Wounded

**Identity
Withheld**

Well-liked, honor roll student.

Oct. 9
8:18 p.m.



**Dean Harold
Meyers**

Project manager and design engineer from Galtersburg who worked for the same engineering firm for 20 years.

Oct. 11
9:30 a.m.



**Kenneth H.
Bridges**

Philadelphia entrepreneur and father of six. Described by friends as an "uncommonly decent man."

Oct. 14
9:15 p.m.



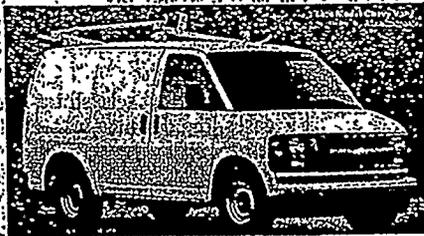
**Linda G.
Franklin**

FBI Analyst, mother of two children, a cancer survivor, remarried eight years ago and expecting her first grandchild in February.

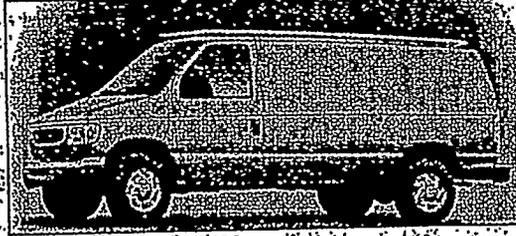
Search for Sniper Continues

Investigators continue to seek information that will aid in the hunt for the sniper who has killed nine and wounded two in a dozen attacks across the region since Oct. 2. Spotsylvania County authorities released two sketches of vans in connection with Friday's fatal shooting south of Fredericksburg.

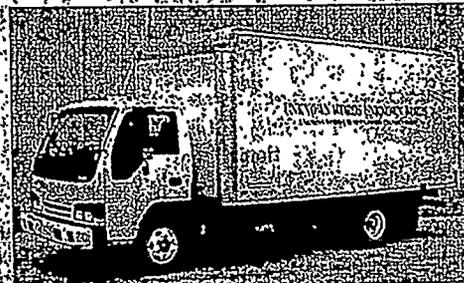
Montgomery County Police Chief Charles A. Moose says the two composites were based on interviews with witnesses with differing recollections. Moose says it is possible that the sniper is using numerous vehicles, including a white box truck, a sketch of which was released Saturday.



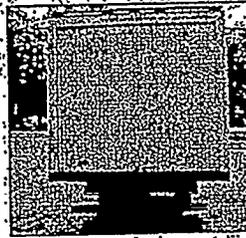
Chevy Astro van with a ladder rack



Ford Econovan with a ladder rack



White box truck



TIP LINE

Police urge anyone with information related to the sniper attacks to call 1-888-324-9800.

People can also send their tips to P.O. Box 7875, Gaithersburg, Md. 20898-7875.

REWARD FUND

The Montgomery County Reward Fund, established to encourage tips leading to the arrest and indictment of anyone involved in the region's sniper attacks, has surpassed \$500,000.

Individuals wanting to donate can call 1-240-777-2500 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. weekdays. They can also give online, using Visa or MasterCard, at www.co.mo.md.us, click on "Shooting Attack Info" at the top right of the page.

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October 17 — A police image profiler tells 'Today' host Katie Couric why it's so difficult for eyewitnesses to remember what perpetrators look like.

THE INACCURATE account — that a cream-colored van with a burned-out tail light was seen leaving the crime scene — was exposed by checking it against several other witness accounts, Fairfax County police Lt. Amy Lubas told reporters.

She said prosecutors were investigating to determine whether the witness should be charged.

Police released the account soon after the slaying as a public service but discounted it as soon as it was cross-checked, Lubas said.

At their daily press briefing, senior investigators insisted the latest developments were not a setback.

AUDIO Tom Manger, police chief of Fairfax County, Va., where Monday's slaying took place, opened the news conference by saying, "It's been determined through further investigation that the information provided by one of the witnesses at the scene of the shooting in the Home Depot, describing a cream-colored van with a malfunctioning tail light, is not credible.

"In addition, there have been several media reports related to the description of a specific weapon and the suspect. That information as well is not reliable."

Manger said investigators continued to pursue leads "from other witnesses" and that "we continue to be confident" that the sniper will be caught.

Manger denied that police had said witnesses recalled having seen the shooter. The police spokeswoman who had said that, Capt. Nancy Demme of Montgomery County, Md., immediately concurred that she had misspoken in her comments Wednesday when she explained why police were unable to come up

with a sketch of the suspect.

Charles Moose, Montgomery County's police chief, followed Manger by adding that earlier witness descriptions of white vans and trucks were "still relevant."

He also felt media interviews with people at the crime scene were creating "noise, confusion" and cited the example of people quoted as describing the sniper of a particular skin color.

Demme said Wednesday that there was "so much disparity" in witness descriptions that "the only common denominator" was that the suspect is male.

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WARNING ON GUN

Demme had also said one witness "firmly believes" he saw the suspect firing an AK-74 assault rifle. Not to be confused with the better-known AK-47, some models of the AK-74 are capable of firing the .223-caliber rounds the killer has used.

But Demme also emphasized that the witness could be wrong and urged the public not to focus on a particular gun model. "We have to keep in mind that weapons are interchangeable, as are vehicles," she said. "Please don't narrow your focus to just one weapon."

Investigators on Thursday re-emphasized that point, noting that 30 types of guns can fire .223-caliber rounds.

"The message we're trying to say is please keep an open mind," Moose said. "People saw a description of a weapon over the last day and a half, and we're convinced they eliminated people they know because they say, 'Their gun is not the weapon I saw in the paper.'

"We need people to realize it's a family of weapons and we still need to hear from them."

NO VIDEO FROM PARKING LOT

NBC's David Bloom reported earlier Thursday that authorities were watching several new potential suspects, describing one as especially promising.

Sources had earlier told Bloom that at least one witness saw the sniper inside the parking garage, perhaps 50 feet from the victim, Linda Franklin.

Franklin, of Arlington, Va., was the mother of two grown children. She worked as a cybersecurity analyst for the FBI's National Infrastructure Protection Center,

which tracks crimes tied to infrastructure such as computer networks, energy grids and financial services.



Local related stories

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- Cincinnati: Latest sniper victim had Tri-State ties

Police said Franklin was not one of the 400 FBI agents working on the sniper case and that there was no indication that she was targeted because of her job.

Franklin was shot once in the head as she and her husband loaded purchases into their car about 9:15 p.m. The two were in a covered parking lot outside a Home Depot in the Seven Corners Shopping Center of Falls Church.

The Washington Post reported Thursday that surveillance tapes from the shopping center were no help.

Nine people have now been killed and two wounded since Oct. 2 by a killer who police think could be aided by a driver.

One of the wounded, a 13-year-old boy shot outside his school in Bowie, Md., was upgraded Thursday from critical to serious condition. The other, a woman in Virginia, was released from a hospital last week.



Thursday on 'Donahue'

- Saturday Night Live's Darrell Hammond has been having some fun at Phil's expense. But now it's Phil's turn to have a little fun when Darrell stops by the studio. On DONAHUE - 8 p.m. Eastern, 7 p.m. Central.

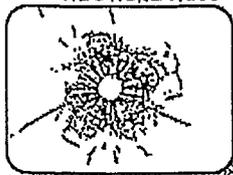
ARMY PLANES ON WAY

In a related development, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld on Tuesday approved deployment of the Army's Airborne Reconnaissance Low plane, which has advanced electronic and imagery sensors, including infrared.

Expected to join the hunt soon, the aircraft are based at Fort Bliss, Texas, and have been used primarily in the drug war in Latin America.

At least one other type of military aircraft was also

Seeking a serial killer
NBC News video



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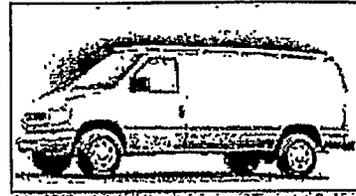
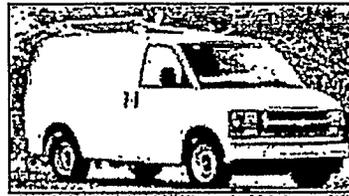
deployed. But the exact number of planes, what capabilities they have, and when and where they will fly were not being disclosed, in order to keep such details from the sniper, officials said.

The assistance will be provided in a way meant to comply with the Posse Comitatus Act, an 1878 law that bans the military from domestic law enforcement. That means the military will relay data to law enforcement officials and will not decide on its own what targets to watch, the official said.

The Pentagon's participation also could involve a system of sensors that could detect flashes of gunfire on the ground, the official said.

Authorities have not ruled out the possibility of foreign terrorism, but U.S. intelligence analysts told NBC News that there is no intelligence suggesting foreign involvement.

Police released these composite images of white vans that witnesses reported seeing at the scene of last Friday's sniper slaying.



Montgomery County Police

VEHICLE DESCRIPTIONS

Police have so far only released images of white vans and a truck that witnesses recall seeing at several crime scenes. Two composites of white utility minivans with ladder racks were released, one depicting a late model Ford Econoline, while the other shows a Chevrolet van.

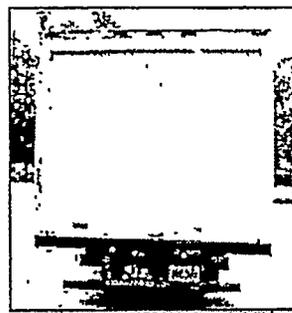
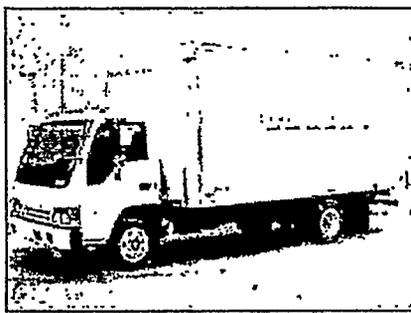
License plate numbers, witnessed for the first time after the latest shooting, were described by police as partial and as a result have not been released.

Manger has said his department was following up on license plate leads.

Besides a van, police are also looking for a white box truck that witnesses reported seeing near a few of the shootings.

Maryland police have released composite images that show a flat-front white truck with a roll-up door in the back, a weathered paint job, a small dent in the back bumper and unknown dark purple or black writing on the side.

Montgomery County police released these composite images Saturday of a white box truck described by witnesses to at least two of the Maryland shootings.



FBI/Getty Images

Police have acknowledged that the sniper could be using more than one vehicle.

The reward for information leading to capture of the killer has grown to more than \$500,000.

Authorities have established a hot line - 1-888-324-9800 - for any tips, but said they were still overwhelmed and urged only callers with specific leads to call. People with non-urgent information should submit tips online at www.fbi.gov/sniper/sniper.htm.

People can also write in with tips to P.O. Box 7875, Gaithersburg, Md., 20898-7875.

The Associated Press and Reuters contributed to this report.

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Threat against children scares, angers parents

By ALLEN G. BREED
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

SILVER SPRING, Md.—Kathy Franco cased the strip mall off Cherry Hill Road twice before she decided to shop at the Babies "R" Us store there. She wanted to make sure there were no woods nearby where a sniper could hide.

She was already angry that a sniper has disrupted life in the Washington area. But when she learned yesterday that he was specifically targeting children, her anger turned to rage.

"This isn't a person as far as I'm concerned," she said as she pushed 6-week-old daughter Katherine and 2-year-old son Liam in a shopping cart at the Silver Spring store. "Whoever or whatever this is, it's not a human being if he targets children. There's nothing that can justify that."

Yesterday, Montgomery County Police Chief Charles Moose released a chilling passage from a note left by the killer at the scene of a shooting Saturday at a Ponderosa restaurant in Ashland.

"Your children are not safe anywhere at any time," Moose read in slow, unemotional tones.

The announcement came as officials investigated the shooting death of a 35-year-old bus driver less than a mile from where the killing spree began Oct. 2. If this case is linked to the others, this would be the sniper's 10th killing.

After the first eight victims were adults, parents dared to believe the sniper would not target children. Then a 13-year-old boy was critically wounded outside a Bowie middle school Oct. 7.

Moose's announcement explained to Janet Stinebaugh why Richmond-area schools closed for two days.

"When the schools closed, I questioned the real motive. My first reaction was, what do they know that we don't know?" said Stinebaugh, who has daughters ages 10, 13

and 16 in Chesterfield County public schools, about 13 miles outside Richmond.

Her children will be going to school today. She said she has to trust that administrators made the right decision, but understands parents who want to keep their kids home.

"It may be that I go to the bus stop with them," she said. "I know that the mother who drives the one in high school takes them right to the door, so that makes me feel a little better. I just refuse to be fearful."

Back in Silver Spring, Ronald Briggs was thinking of taking his 2-year-old son Jalen shopping yesterday for a Halloween costume. The curly haired boy loves the cartoon character Rolie Polie Olie.

But after yesterday's revelation, it could all be moot.

"With that, if they don't catch him by Halloween, I won't be taking him out anywhere, except day care and home," the investment analyst said as he held the boy's hand outside a Target store. "I'm sure they'll say that on the news and the police will say that anyway."

Franco, 33, who is on maternity leave, has had to abandon her favorite McDonald's Play Place because it's too close to Interstate 95. It's just as well: The door to the jungle gym is locked, closed because of the sniper.

Since the shootings began, the Washington property manager has started doing her grocery shopping at a nearby military base. Recently, she saw a woman in the parking lot telling her kids to line up "like little ducks."

She now tries to do the same with Liam and Katherine—so she will take a bullet instead of them.

"As a parent, we protect our children like a lioness," she said, her soft red hair seeming to burst into flame. "So whatever I have to do to protect them, I will. "I look at them as a blessing even more now."

SNIPEMUR Task Force Recommendations

for State and Local
Law Enforcement Agencies

October 16, 2002

Charles A. Moose, Ph.D.
Chief of Police
Montgomery County Department of Police

Statewide PMA will be used

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I. Regional Tactical Response Plan

Objective: To capture the sniper immediately following a shooting event by responding quickly and uniformly throughout the metropolitan area.

The primary focus must be to slow down traffic at strategic points until tactical/air/support units are in place. Once these additional resources are in place, traffic will be released slowly so that officers may safely apprehend a fleeing suspect.

Resources: Uniformed patrol officers
Covert surveillance teams
Tactical units
Air support units (helicopters, airplanes)
Canine units
Remote traffic management centers
Emergency Broadcast System

Principal Strategies:

- Using a map and an overlay with concentric rings indicating 3, 5, 7 and 10 mile points from the center of the overlay, identify significant traffic points along main arteries
- Rapid dispatch and response by patrol officers to main arteries and at the appropriate choke points (dependent on time elapsed from event) along with simultaneous dispatch of other resources (air, covert, tactical, K9 etc.)
- Patrol officers must stop all traffic at their assigned posts until other resources are in place
- Once support resources are in place and ready, patrol officers open up their traffic points allowing traffic to move in a "slow release"; patrol officers monitor flow until replaced by covert resources
- A sighting of the suspect vehicle would be followed by air and ground surveillance until a tactical stop can safely be made. This tactic enables better control of a confrontation with a potential suspect when compared with a traditional roadblock.

Subordinate Strategies:

- Immediate broadcast of the suspect vehicle description via the Emergency Alert System
- Immediate display of suspect vehicle description on interstate message boards
- Using remote signal controls (if available), slow traffic by activating red lights on major arterials leading away from the incident

Pre-Planning

Each agency should develop a plan to implement this strategy.

III. Information Control

Objectives: All leads pertaining to the SNIPEMUR investigation should be documented on an Information Control form. Leads include information received from citizens and police officers' observations to include, but not limited to, traffic stops that may relate to this investigation. The following directions are offered for the completion and submission of the form. See a copy of the attached Information Control form.

- The only fields that are required to be completed on the Information Control form are the following listed fields:
 - Source- Source's full name (may be officer's name)
 - Affiliation- Source's address or officer's department name
 - Phone #- Contact number
 - Information Received Date
 - Time
 - Prepared by- Officer's name and department
 - Event Narrative:
 - If applicable, list suspect's full name and all available identifiers
 - If applicable, list vehicle registration number and full vehicle description
 - If applicable, list location of incident
 - List all other applicable information
- Information Control forms should be faxed directly to the Joint Operations Center at (301) 869-3948
- Dispatch Protocols- Emergency communication centers in the metro area have been flooded with calls for suspicious vehicles. We recommend that the following dispatch and call-taking protocols be implemented to ensure that street-level assets are not totally overwhelmed:
 - Call takers should ask whether vehicle in question demonstrates specific lookout characteristics (i.e., make, model, roof-rack, etc.)
 - Call takers should inquire whether a license plate number was observed or noted by the complainant

If the vehicle/operator is engaged in suspicious activity, then dispatch is recommended, per your department's protocol. If the information is vague or otherwise inconsistent with recent lookouts, then no further action is recommended. If the information provided by the caller is consistent with recent lookouts, then the call-taker or responding officer should attempt to obtain a license plate number. This information should then be documented on an information control log sheet and forwarded for entry into Rapid Start. Traffic stops may be initiated upon articulable suspicion, given the specific lookout, the time of the offense and the proximity of the vehicle to the location of the shooting.

II. Investigative Response Plan

First Responders

- Tactical Plan: Implement your local tactical plan.
- Perimeter: Establish an inner perimeter.
- Outer Perimeter: Establish an outer perimeter 300-500 yards.
- Witnesses: Gather, isolate, and interview witnesses for statements.
 - Witnesses should be taken to a secure location to avoid potential as a secondary target.
- Notification: The jurisdiction Emergency Communication Center should make an immediate phone call to the Task Force Tactical phone (301) 519-2883 (this line is dedicated for emergency notification only).
 - Lookout from originating jurisdiction ECC to Task Force Tactical Center.
 - Leave an open line between the jurisdiction ECC and the Tactical Center.
 - The Tactical Center will contact our air assets (the communication needs to be maintained between the originating jurisdiction and the Tactical Center.)
- Cruiser Cameras: If patrol cruisers are equipped with cameras, turn the cameras on as soon as there is a report of a shooting.
- Secure Crime Scene: ATF would like to have primary jurisdiction for evidence collection and processing.
- Videotapes: Identify and seize surveillance videotapes from stores, banks, gas stations, etc.

Investigators

- Incident Summaries: Provide a summary of all incidents to be included in search warrant applications.
- Evidence List: Provide a list of items to be seized in the service of search warrants.
- Coordination: Coordinate with Task Force investigators in joint investigation of incidents.

Task Force Resources (if requested)

- ATF Mobile Evidence Laboratory: Includes a ballistics expert and chemist on-site.
- Canine Assets: Bomb dog, gunshot residue.
- Investigators: Canvass, witness interviews, crime scene searches and search and seizure warrants.
- Air assets: Aerial photography, pursuit assistance and surveillance.
- Videotaping: Spectators and crime scene.
- Local Liaison on Task Force: To provide coordination of all investigative efforts.
- Will provide lookout to Maryland State Police Headquarters in Pikesville who will send a NAWAS (National Attack Warning Alert System) message, which will provide the lookout to all 911 centers in Maryland, DC, and Virginia.

IV. Media Response Plan

The SNIPEMUR incidents have generated some of the most intense media scrutiny in recent memory and control of the information you provide may be critical to both the effectiveness and the integrity of the investigation. We have found that a consistent media strategy among partner agencies across jurisdictional boundaries provides for a more effective and unified response to media inquiries.

Members of the media will hear the incident on your radio channels and rapidly respond to the scene. They will also immediately begin calling into your media section for confirmation that the shooting is related. If the incident is clearly unrelated (i.e., domestic, robbery, etc.) notify the media as soon as you are comfortable. Prior to providing any confirmation that the incident in your jurisdiction is similar to the demonstrated pattern, we recommend the following standard response to inquiries: *"This incident appears to be similar in nature to the other shootings in the area and our officers (from jurisdiction where it occurred) and officers from the task force are responding to investigate."*

We highly recommend that you send at least two (2) PIOs directly to the scene and set up a media staging area after conferring with the investigators. It is critical that you not allow the media to compromise the investigation or infringe in any way on a potential crime scene. Given the nature of this incident and the recommended parameters of the crime scene area, you should consider a media staging area outside of those parameters, or at least three to five hundred yards from the victim.

In the event the shooting is later confirmed as being linked to others in the area, the following confirmation statement should be offered: *"Evidence has been recovered by investigators that links this case to others in the area."* Please do not indicate the specific type of evidence that provides the link (i.e.: ballistics). This general confirmation is designed to leave the shooter(s) wondering if other evidence besides ballistics was recovered (i.e.: hair).

If at all possible, prevent media from talking to witnesses on the scene, and especially before investigators have had an opportunity to debrief them. Inform all law enforcement officers and investigators on the case that they should not answer any media questions. Defer all media inquiries and requests to the designated media spokesperson. There is a PIO attached to the task force that can be made available to provide further guidance if needed. We highly recommend that your PIO contact PIOs attached to the task force for further guidance relevant to this case.

Remember that any information that is divulged intentionally or otherwise becomes information about this case that is known by the perpetrator(s).

INFORMATION CONTROL

Case ID: _____

Control Number: _____

- *Priority: Immediate
 Priority
 Routine

- Classification: Secret
 Confidential
 Sensitive
 Unclassified

*Method of Contact	
<input type="checkbox"/> In Person	<input type="checkbox"/> Telephone
<input type="checkbox"/> Observation	<input type="checkbox"/> Written

*Source: _____
(Last Name, First Name Middle)

Affiliation: _____

Phone Number: _____ *Information Received Date: _____ *Time: _____

*Prepared by: _____
(Last Name) (First Name Middle) (Component/Agency/Division)

*Event Narrative: _____

Event Date: _____ Event Time: _____ References: _____

Categories: _____

Event Reviewed by: _____ Lead Required?

Lead: _____ Lead Control Number: _____

Assigned To: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Disposition: _____

Lead Reviewed by: _____ Lead Completed? Date: _____

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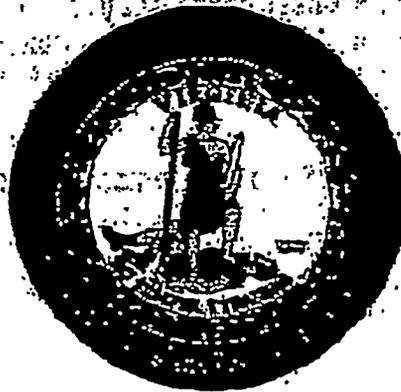
Yellow - Rapid Start

Pink - Lead

* Denotes Mandatory field

VIRGINIA STATE POLICE

OPERATIONS PLAN



SNIPER THREAT PLANNING

Division Seven

Areas 9, 11, 45, & 48

Overview

During the last two weeks 9 persons have been murdered in the Metropolitan Washington area by a person or persons unknown. The method of death was gunshot by a sniper using a .223 caliber weapon. The exact type of weapon is still unknown but is thought to be either a civilian version of the military M-16 called an AR-15, which is semi automatic, or possibly a single shot-hunting rifle. In either case the sniper has killed his victims with a single shot from distances as close as forty yards to over 100 yards. The skill of this person/s should not be underestimated. His victims have included a 13-year old child shot in close proximity to his school, the rest of the victims have been both male and female, black and white. So far there has been no particular pattern or motive established.

The terror this person has caused in the metropolitan area is not unlike what was experienced as the result of the terrorist attacks last year. The randomness and innocence of the victims involved in these killings has resulted in an unprecedented law enforcement response of resources from federal, state and local agencies throughout the Washington area.

The mission of the sworn personnel of this Department will be to protect the citizens using our interstate system and supplement the resources of local agencies in the region. Additionally, our personnel will supplement the resources of local agencies on all interstate highways within the boundaries of Division Seven and a portion of Division Two from Fredericksburg north on I-95.

Strategies

Checkpoints have been selected in Areas 9, 11, 45 and 48 to provide coverage of the interstate systems. We will maintain several stationary posts. As previously indicated our Department is supplementing the resources of Arlington, Fairfax and Prince William counties as well as the city of Alexandria. The police agencies from these local agencies are already maintaining a significant presence on the interstates. Our objective is two fold;

- Our presence will hopefully send a message we are prepared and working together throughout the region, second should another shooting occur, interstate systems in close proximity to the event will be shut down immediately in an attempt to keep the perpetrator from leaving the area.
- All vehicles passing a particular checkpoint will be examined and vehicles matching the description of the suspect vehicle will be stopped and closely scrutinized before they will be allowed to continue on their way.

In order for this strategy to work effectively, it must be implemented immediately after an event occurs. Most checkpoints will be staffed by at least two agencies. Regionally, this strategy has already been approved by the chiefs of each law enforcement agency. Additionally, the governor's office of both Maryland and Virginia and the mayor of Washington DC are also aware of our intentions.

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) will also assist in this endeavor.

A Joint Operations Center (JOC) has been established for the last several days in the VDOT facility known as the Smart Traffic Center (STC) located in Arlington County in the same facility as the Area 45 office. The JOC has representatives from several agencies who staff this center 16 hours a day. The purpose of the JOC is to assure that critical information is shared immediately with all agencies so appropriate resources are dispatched simultaneously around the region. Each agency also has the ability to communicate with their respective agency personnel by radio so information and instructions can be relayed immediately.

6 a.m.
until
10 p.m.

Aviation Support

Our efforts will be supported by the combined resources of aviation units from Fairfax County, United States Park Police and our own Department weather permitting.

Tactical Support

The Division Seven Tactical Team the Arlington County and Fairfax County police Departments will have officers with automatic weapons available to respond as necessary.

Camera Surveillance

Most of the interstate systems in Northern Virginia are monitored by video cameras. These cameras are controlled by the STC in Arlington. These cameras are capable of being turned in any direction, and they can be panned or zoomed as necessary. They can also be used to record by the touch of a single button. Just a few days ago special high tech equipment was added to enhance resolution and recording capability of multiple cameras simultaneously.

Traffic Management

Should another event occur, as quickly as possible a decision will be made by a command level manager to shut down a particular portion of interstate. If you receive this instruction you will be joined very quickly by additional resources. Traffic on the interstate at your location will be brought to a stop as quickly and safely as possible. This will be accomplished by first activating your emergency equipment. As soon as the "shut down" location is identified, other police units located prior to your location will be notified to pull out into traffic with their emergency equipment activated and establish positions in as many lanes as possible. When each lane or nearly each lane is occupied by a police vehicle, traffic will be gradually slowed until you reach the "shut down" location. At this point all police vehicles will stop within their traffic lanes. Once traffic is stopped the units occupying the outermost lanes will exit their vehicles and hold the traffic until the trooper/s in the center lane/s can reposition their vehicles to create a "V" formation as demonstrated on the next page. As additional units arrive they can take support positions on both sides of the highway as noted in the "after" picture.

⇒ At least two troopers should park adjacent to the shoulders prepared to immediately deploy "Stingers" if necessary.

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Typical 4 or 5 Lane Highway

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At this point all traffic will be forced to pass you in one or two of the center lanes. Vehicles not matching the description of the suspect vehicle will be allowed to pass without stopping. This will include vehicles such as tractor-trailers, buses, taxicabs, vans with multiple passengers or children, elderly persons or emergency vehicles. Vehicles matching the description of the suspect vehicle will be directed to the shoulder and the driver and/or occupants identified and questioned. If there is adequate police presence to assure a safe inspection of the vehicle the driver will be asked if you can examine the interior of the vehicle. If the driver or owner consents a quick cursory inspection/search can be done.

If the driver or owner does not consent, be guided by your training and experience. If you still cannot make a decision immediately request the advice of a supervisor.

A side note: We have already used this strategy successfully without a single complaint from the public. Traffic throughout the region was "shut down" for two hours in heavy rain. These murders have attained national media coverage. Thus far, the public has been very supportive of all reasonable efforts of law enforcement to interdict this killer. They have also been very willing to cooperate with the police because they understand the unique and urgent circumstances confronted by law enforcement by these murders. Although we have a very important mission, you are reminded that the public's reaction and cooperation begins with your approach when they are stopped. Be professional. Don't be overbearing and remember to thank the public for their cooperation.

The length of time this operation will continue will be dependent on several factors. The road will not be re-open until a consensus is reached by the JOC or other command level managers.

We recognize road "shut downs" will only work once or twice before the media reports our tactics and or the suspect changes his "MO." We expect if the shootings continue our operational tactics will also have to change. Our plans are a work in progress. They will be changed as necessary when additional information is received.

Radio Discipline

If a shooting occurs, a radio announcement will be made. This will be your key that emergency deployment instructions will follow. Do not start talking over the radio or on fact channel about a road closure. Simply listen the instructions of the JOC or a supervisor and immediately respond as you are directed. You are reminded not to use the fact-channel for idle chat. Use the radio only when necessary. All radio frequencies are being monitored by several different agencies and the media. Be concise. Do not volunteer more information by radio than necessary to accomplish your goal.

Above all remember to turn off your repeater when more than two units are at the same location.

Breaks & Meals

All posts will be self-relieving. Do not leave your post any longer than necessary to tend to your personal needs.

Fuel and Area 45 Access

Fuel is available 24/7 from either the Division 7 Headquarters located 3.5 miles west of I-495 on Rt. 620 (Braddock Road), or the Area 45 office located at 1426 Columbia Pike in Arlington.

Directions to Area 45

Follow I-395 north to exit 8B. Take exit 8B and follow the ramp to the second exit marked Columbia Pike. Follow Columbia Pike through the first traffic light then move to the left lane. As you top the hill the VDOT/Area 45 office is located on the left. Immediately after passing the building there will be an electronic gate on your left. Turn left. Monday through Friday from 6:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. the gate is open. If the gate is closed, entry can be accomplished by using the keypad on the metal post immediately adjacent to the gate. The code is

Once inside the gate turn right and follow the lot to the gas pumps. If you need to go to the Area office turn left just inside the gate. The office is located at the end of the lot on the left. The back door key code is

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The staff of Division 7 wants to thank you in advance for your assistance on this assignment. Hopefully, with the synergistic efforts of all law enforcement agencies in this region we can identify and stop this subject before anyone else is harmed.

We appreciate your cooperation.

Anyone who has a suggestion for improvement of this plan is encouraged to contact a supervisor as soon as possible. With the collective experience of many of you we are certainly open and willing to listen to your constructive views or opinions.

POST ASSIGNMENTS (Stationary)

Area 9

I-495

I-495 North @ Rt. 620 (Braddock Road)

I-495 South @ Rt. 50 (Arlington Blvd.)

I-66

I-66 East @ Rt. 29 (Lee Highway Centreville)

I-66 East @ Rt. 50

I-66 East @ Rt. 243 (Nutley Street)

Area 11

I-66

I-66 East @ Rt. 234 Business

I-95

I-95 North @ Rt. 234

I-95 North at Rt. 3000 (Prince William Parkway)

I-95 @ 123 (Ox Road)

Area 48

I-95

I-95 North @ Rt. 642 (Lorton)

I-95 North @ 644 (Springfield)

I-95 North @ Rt. 613 (Van Dom)

I-95 North @ Rt. 1 (US Rt. 1)

Area 45

I-66

I-66 East @ Sycamore Street

I-66 East @ Rt. 110 South

RT. 267

Rt. 267 East, ¼ mile prior to I-495

I-395

I-395 North @ Rt. 7 (King Street)

I-395 North @ Rt. 120 (Glebe Road)

Arlington County Police Department

Traffic Posts Manned by Uniformed Officers

- Post 1 Lee Highway & Route 66 (West end)
- Post 2 Lee Highway & N. Harrison St.
- Post 3 Lee Highway & N. Glebe Rd.
- Post 4 Route 66 Prior to Rosslyn Exit.
- Post 5 Wilson Blvd. & N. Livingston St.
- Post 6 N. Glebe Rd. & Washington Blvd.
- Post 7 Route 50 & Manchester
- Post 8 Route 50 & N. Glebe Rd.
- Post 9 I-395 & Boundary Channel
- Post 10 Columbia Pike & S. Greenbrier St.
- Post 11 I-395 & Glebe Rd.
- Post 12 Route 1 & S. Glebe Rd.
- Post 13 HOV I-395 NB @ Pentagon

Telephone Numbers - Smart Traffic Center (JOC)

Virginia State Police	703-845-6365
Arlington County Police	703-845-6367
Fairfax County Police	703-845-6366
MWAA	703-845-6364

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Search for a **Sniper**

'Your children are not safe anywhere'



Photos by DAVIS TURNER / THE FREE LANCE-STAR

Maryland National Capital Park Police Officer Heather McLaughlin tells Gloria Twyman and son Jayshawn Twyman that they cannot walk up Connecticut Avenue, which police closed to investigate the bus driver's shooting on nearby Grand Pre Road.

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Dialogue stirs fears, emotions

By KARI PUGH and KEITH EPPS
THE FREE LANCE-STAR

His first message was polite, if egomaniacal: "Dear Policeman, I am God" scrawled on a tarot death card.

But a three-page letter left at the scene of Saturday night's Ashland restaurant shooting was more befitting a man who has now killed nine—maybe 10—and wounded three: "Your children are not safe anywhere at any time."

Clint Van Zandt, a former FBI profiler who lives in Spotsylvania County, called the reference to children "bone-chilling."

"That is so cold, so calculating," he said yesterday. "I'm groping for words to say how low I think that is."

In the sniper's long, rambling letter—riddled with misspellings and bad grammar—he adopted a threatening tone and demanded money to end his reign of Maryland-to-Richmond terror; members of the task force hunting the gunman said yesterday.

The note ended with the ominous postscript about the children—something investigators had privately shared with some school officials but not with the public.

"You don't know how desperate we are to catch this bastard, especially after we saw that," one weary task-force investigator said yesterday afternoon.

The killing spree began Oct. 2 in Rockville, Md., and now includes nine deaths and three woundings in Montgomery, Md.; Bowie, Md.;

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An investigator tags evidence along Connecticut Avenue after bus driver Conrad Johnson was shot yesterday morning in the Aspen Hill area of Silver Spring, Md.

Trick-or-treat off, schools cancel games and activities

By BETTY HAYDEN SNIDER and CATHY JETT
THE FREE LANCE-STAR

No trick-or-treating in neighborhoods. No more soccer games this year. No evening activities at school.

Fredericksburg-area officials took new steps yesterday to protect children from a sniper who has shot a child before and threatened to do it again.

"Your children are not safe anywhere at any time," the sniper wrote in a message to police that was released yesterday. The gunman has killed at least nine people and critically injured three others, including a Spotsylvania County woman.

Schools in the Fredericksburg area have remained open throughout the

sniper's reign of terror. Students in the Richmond area are returning to class today after being out two days.

Officials here said they were not privy to the details of the sniper's letter to police—which influenced the Richmond schools' decision to cancel classes.

"Police in our jurisdictions said [Richmond-area schools] had a reason to close, but we were doing what we needed to do," Fredericksburg Superintendent Dale Sander said. "You know they have reasons for limiting that information. You just have to trust them."

The overall climate of fear and uncertainty led the Spotsylvania County

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Police fear bus driver 13th victim

By PAMELA GOULD and KARI PUGH
THE FREE LANCE-STAR

ROCKVILLE, Md.—Authorities trying to establish a dialogue with a serial sniper apparently got a deadly response yesterday.

Roughly 36 hours after Montgomery County, Md., Police Chief Charles Moose made his first public plea for the sniper to contact police, a Montgomery County bus driver was fatally wounded as he stood on the top step of his empty bus.

Although ballistics tests had not yet confirmed that yesterday morning's shooting of 35-year-old Conrad Johnson was linked to a string of 12 other sniper attacks over the past three weeks, authorities are investigating as though it is.

"The shooting this morning was his message back to Moose," one investigator said yesterday.

Authorities continued through yesterday to try to establish communication with the gunman, who initiated a dialogue with a note left at the scene of his previous attack—the wounding of a 37-year-old Florida man outside an Ash-

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Sniper tips

Hot line:

888/324-9800

Spotsylvania:

540/582-5822

E-mail:

taskforce@
co.mo.md.us

Web:

www.fbi.gov/
sniper/
sniper.htm

Reward:

More than
\$500,000

Mail:

Box 7875
Gaithersburg,
Md.
20898-7875

Search for a Sniper

SNIPER: Bus driver may be the 13th victim

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land restaurant Saturday night. Moose made public yesterday what he called a "postscript" in the chilling three-page handwritten letter the sniper left behind at the Ponderosa restaurant. The message: "Your children are not safe anywhere at any time."

Moose had asked the media Sunday to deliver a response "to the person who left us a message at the Ponderosa last night."

"You gave us a telephone number. We do want to talk to you. Call us at the number you provided. Thank you," Moose said.

Monday, Moose said police had received a call but could not understand the voice. He asked the man to contact police again.

Yesterday, about four hours after delivering the daily noonline news briefing, Moose announced: "We have received a communication. We will be responding soon."

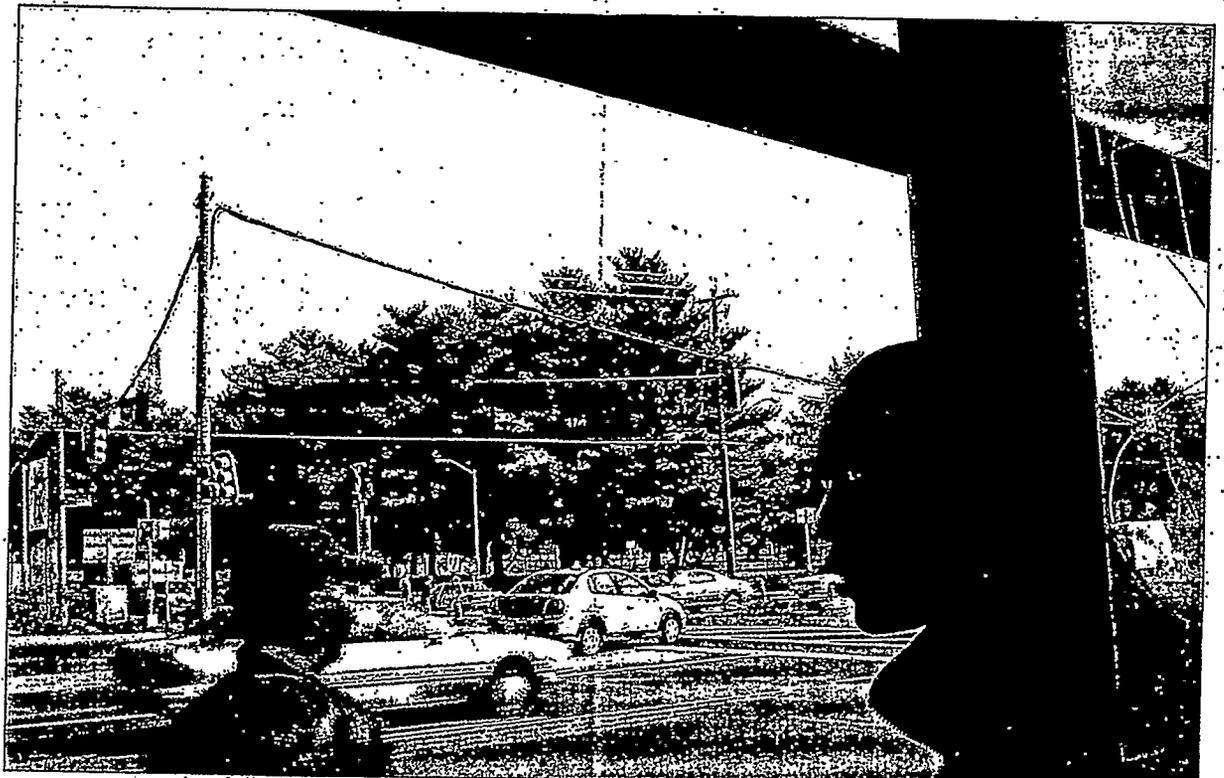
Around 7:15 p.m., Moose was back before the TV cameras with another message to the killer: "We have researched the option you stated and found that it is not possible electronically to comply in the manner that you requested," the chief said.

"However, we remain open and ready to talk to you about the options you have mentioned. It is important that we do this without anyone else getting hurt."

"Call us at the same number you used before to obtain the 800 number that you have requested. If you would feel more comfortable, a private Post Office box or another secure method can be provided."

"You indicated that this is about more than violence. We are waiting to hear from you."

Task-force investigators, who asked not to be identified, said



James Tubman waits anxiously for a bus at the corner of Connecticut and Georgia avenues yesterday morning in Aspen Hill, Md. Bus driver Conrad Johnson was killed by a single shot as he stood on the steps of his bus, which was parked along Grand Pre Road, a side street just past the intersection. Photos by DAVIS TURNER / THE FREE LANCE-STAR

school in Bowie. The teen remains in serious but stable condition at a Washington hospital.

The sniper's next three attacks were deadly. He struck Oct. 9 at a

stressed, however, that even if the ballistics do not match, it could be the same killer using a different weapon.

Shooting spree reaches back to Maryland

Oct. 2, 6:04 p.m., James D.

...period Oct. 2 and 3.
 The sniper struck again Oct. 4, wounding a woman outside Michaels Arts and Crafts near Spotsylvania Mall. She survived and is recuperating at home.
 A 13-year-old boy was wounded Oct. 7 as he walked into his middle

performs an autopsy, which may not be done until this morning, Montgomery County police spokesman Derek Balle said.
 That evidence will be tested by the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms at its Rockville lab. Police have

that might be linked to him.
 And, offering a sobering admission, he encouraged people to be vigilant.
 "We have not been able to assure anyone—any gender, any race—of their safety," Moose said.



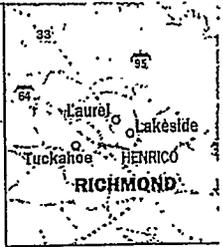
47, of Arlington, killed as she loaded packages into her vehicle in a parking garage at Home Depot at Seven Corners in Fairfax County.



Oct. 19, 8:30 p.m., identity withheld, 37-year-old male, wounded in the abdomen after leaving the Ponderosa restaurant in Ashland. He is hospitalized at MCV in Richmond.



Oct. 21, about 6 a.m., Conrad Johnson, 35, a bus driver, was fatally wounded as he stood at the entrance of the bus in Aspen Hill, Md.



ATF agents stand outside the bus driven by Conrad Johnson, who was shot once in the stomach as he stood in his bus before 6 a.m. The bus was parked next to North Gate Park in Silver Spring, Md.

Brief

'Son of Sam' to sniper: Stop killing innocents

ALBANY, N.Y.—"Son of Sam" serial killer David Berkowitz has written a letter telling the Washington-area sniper to "stop hurting innocent people."

"I feel that I have been feeling this person's anger and rage toward law enforcement," Berkowitz wrote in a letter sent from Sullivan Correctional Facility, the maximum security prison where he is doing time for his killing spree 25 years ago.

Berkowitz sent the three-page letter to Rita Cosby, senior Washington correspondent for Fox News Channel, after Cosby wrote him seeking his comment on the

sniper attacks, Fox News man Paul Schur said.

The letter, dated Oct. 16, re Berkowitz's first public comment about the shooter who has people, possibly 10, and three others in Virginia, Maryland and Washington since Oct. 2

"Hopefully, it will be over with the arrest of the persons responsible," he wrote Berkowitz, 49, terrorized during 1976-77, killing six people and wounding seven others.

Police arrested the former employee in August 1977, tracking down a parking ticket he received at the last murder scene.

Like Berkowitz's "Son of Sam" missive, the Washington

fully to comply in the manner that you requested," the chief said.

"However, we remain open and ready to talk to you about the options you have mentioned. It is important that we do this without anyone else getting hurt.

"Call us at the same number you



rest of the week. ACTIVITIES HERE indoors immediately after school, yesterday, aren't being closed altogether.

"It's a tough decision for anyone this report.

MESSAGES: Killer delights in manipulating police and media

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Washington, Spotsylvania County, Manassas, Fairfax County and Ashland. Authorities are waiting for ballistics tests to confirm what they already suspect—that yesterday's killing of a bus driver in Maryland was also the sniper's work.

Investigators discovered the killer's second known message to police, along with a .223-caliber shell casing, in Ashland after a "misheard" telephone call came in to the task force's toll-free tip-line, one investigator said.

Several members of the task force, who did not want their names used, said the shell casing matches the one found in the woods near the Bowie middle school where a 13-year-old boy was shot Oct. 7.

They described the most recent note as "poorly written" and "vaguely threatening."

But investigators said they believe the bad grammar and broken sentences were written that way on purpose.

Montgomery police Chief Charles Moose has tried five times over three days to reach out to the sniper through the media.

In a news conference Sunday, he read this intriguing and confusing statement: "To the person who left us a message at the Ponderosa last night. You gave us a telephone number. We do want to talk to you. Call us at the number you provided. Thank you."

Then, Monday morning, the chief indicated he would soon respond to the sniper's letter. But Moose returned to the podium later that afternoon with no reply.

"The person you called could not hear everything you said," the chief said. "Call us back."

Then, in a news conference yesterday afternoon, Moose said: "We have received a communication and we will be responding soon."

Last night, the chief made a brief statement, saying police could not respond in the electronic manner the sniper requested, but "we remain open and ready to talk to you about the options you have mentioned."

He continued: "It is important that we do this without anyone

else getting hurt."

Moose confirmed that the sniper did call yesterday after the shooting death of 85-year-old Conrad Johnson, a Maryland bus driver getting ready for his morning route.

Some officials on the massive task force hunting the sniper believe yesterday's fatal shooting in Aspen Hill, Md., was the gunman's way of replying to the chief's Sunday-night call-back request.

"The shooting this morning was his message back to Moose," a task force investigator said yesterday.

The sniper's letter made monetary demands and promised more violence if his demands aren't met. The Associated Press reported that the gunman asked for millions of dollars, but sources wouldn't confirm the amount yesterday.

Van Zandt said it's common for serial offenders to communicate with police in some sort of way. He said such killers often try to mislead police in their messages.

For example, Van Zandt said the killer's request for money is most likely a "red herring, something he isn't really interested in at all."

The chilling threat to children came at the end of the sniper's message, along with a phone number. The task force is now answering the phone number the sniper provided.

A man has called that number and spoken to investigators, but his voice is muffled, as though he is trying to disguise it, task force investigators said yesterday.

Van Zandt said the killer is using the messages primarily to taunt police and further terrorize communities. He said it's likely that children are no more at risk than anybody else, "but you certainly can't ignore a message like that. What can be worse than targeting children?"

Despite the threat, it's most likely the killer's next victim simply will be anyone—child or adult—unfortunate enough to wander into his cross hairs.

Retired FBI profiler Robert Ressler, another Spotsylvania resident, said the sniper takes pleasure in manipulating the

police and media.

"The only way for criminals, like these to satisfy themselves is to believe they have ultimate control," he said.

The killer loves to see the aftermath of his actions on television, Ressler said.

"Whoever's doing this is on an ego trip that won't quit," he said. "And when the governors of Virginia and Maryland, and the President of the United States, stand up and make statements about his crimes, it just feeds their fire."

David Berkowitz, the gunman behind New York City's 1970s "Son of Sam" murders, told Ressler in prison interviews that his shooting spree was his biggest achievement.

"He was a loser his entire life," Ressler said. "He told me the most important thing he ever did in his life was when he had his letters printed in the New York newspapers."

Berkowitz is serving a 365-year prison sentence in New York for the shooting deaths of six people.

The killer who terrorized New York so long ago converted to Christianity in jail years ago and is now pleading for the sniper to end his spree: "Stop hurting innocent people," wrote Berkowitz. "Hopefully, it will be over soon with the arrest of the person or persons responsible."

He added that the case has been painful for him. "It is as if I am reliving a nightmare. The past—my past—is so painful for me to deal with. It is a time I'd prefer to forget. Now it is all coming back in all its ugliness and horror."

Van Zandt said he investigated and interviewed numerous serial killers and other heinous offenders during his career, and "[the sniper] is as bad a person as I've ever seen. He's a killing machine. He's become a Hannibal Lecter with a gun."

Van Zandt said this killer, more than any other he's known, defies any of the common serial-killer descriptions that have evolved over the years, such as spree killer or mass murderer.

"Everybody want to pigeonhole this guy, but he simply doesn't fit into any of the known pigeonholes."

Messages to sniper

Montgomery County Police Chief Charles Moose has attempted to communicate with the person who left a message and a phone number at the scene of a shooting at the Ponderosa restaurant in Ashland. His statements:

Sunday evening: "To the person who left us a message at the Ponderosa last night. You gave us a telephone number. We do want to talk to you. Call us at the number you provided. Thank you."

Monday morning: "The message that needs to be delivered is that we are going to respond to a message that we have received. We are preparing our response at this time."

Monday afternoon: "The person you called could not hear everything you said. The audio was unclear and we want to get it right. Call us back so that we can clearly understand."

Yesterday afternoon: "We have received a communication and we will be responding soon."

Last night: "These past several days, you have attempted to communicate with us. We have researched the options you stated and found that it is not possible electronically to comply in the manner that you requested. "However, we remain open and ready to talk to you about the options you have mentioned. It is important that we do this without anyone else getting hurt. "Call us at the same number you used before to obtain the 800 number that you have requested. If you would feel more comfortable, a private post office box or another secure method can be provided. "You indicated that this is about more than violence. We are waiting to hear from you."

Political briefs

Bush hits trail to help Republican candidates

DOWNINGTOWN, Pa.—Shifting from near-relentless campaign fund raising to get-out-the-vote mode, President Bush yesterday visited voters

loss Bush jokingly lamented while plugging the vote-getting abilities of GOP gubernatorial candidate Mike Fisher, who won his state attorney general race in 2000.

Laufenberst mills ahead

voters has a margin of error of 4 percentage points.

Race is neck-and-neck for Maryland governor

BALTIMORE—Two weeks

In Florida, Jeb Bush slightly ahead in poll

MIAMI—Gov. Jeb Bush was narrowly leading Democratic challenger Bill McBride on the eve of the candidates' last debate in the

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The sniper is keeping the police guessing

He works to prove experts' talk of his 'patterns' is wrong

By ALLEN G. BREED
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

ASPEN HILL, Md.—The media started calling him the Beltway Sniper after a cluster of killings around Washington. Then he moved 80 miles south to Virginia.

After the first eight killings, authorities expressed cold comfort in the fact that at least the shooter was sparing children. Then he shot and wounded a 13-year-old boy walking into school.

People began putting off their errands until the weekend, believing the killer to be a weekday warrior. Then he struck on a Saturday.

Slaughtering by day or night, in quick succession or after a five-day lull, targeting white, black, Hispanic or Indian, escaping perhaps in a van, perhaps in a box truck, the killer has kept police and residents guessing.

"One thing we can predict is that he's unpredictable," said Northeastern University criminology professor James Alan Fox. "In the past, when we've focused on patterns, he's strived to prove them wrong."

Since Oct. 2, terrified residents in an ever-widening kill zone in

the Washington-Richmond, Va., area have been running zigzag across parking lots and pumping gas behind blue tarpaulins as police look for a shadow.

"The person or people involved in this have shown a clear willingness and ability to kill people of all ages, all races, all genders, all professions, at different times, different days, different locations," Montgomery County Police Chief Charles Moose said after it appeared the sniper had claimed a 10th life.

After nine—and possibly 10—deaths, three woundings and one miss, all anyone knows for sure is that this one-shot sniper prefers ammunition in the .22-caliber family. Commentators have taken to saying "he, she or they," since it is not even clear if it is one person or more.

Psychologists and criminologists fight over whether to call this person a serial killer or a mass murderer, while trained marksmen bristle at media accounts conferring the title "sniper" on a shooter they see as amateurish.

Newsday columnist Jimmy Breslin, who once found himself the object of correspondence from New York's "Son of Sam" killer David Berkowitz, said profiling the shooter is a pointless exercise.

"I would give death sentences to all

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GHOST: *Sniper succeeding at proving police, experts wrong*

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of these television—what do you call them?—security analysts and weapons experts," he said. "They all should be incarcerated. Next thing, they'll bring the psychics in."

Rockville car salesman Gary Hughes found it somewhat liberating that, short of locking himself in his house and pulling the blinds, there is nothing he can really do to stay alive.

"If you look from Spotsylvania to here, from Fairfax to Prince George's County, you've got several million people," Hughes said. "The chance of him spotting me and then picking me to shoot, you know it's one out of how many millions."

He added: "The only thing that can control how safe I am is where he is—and I can't control that."

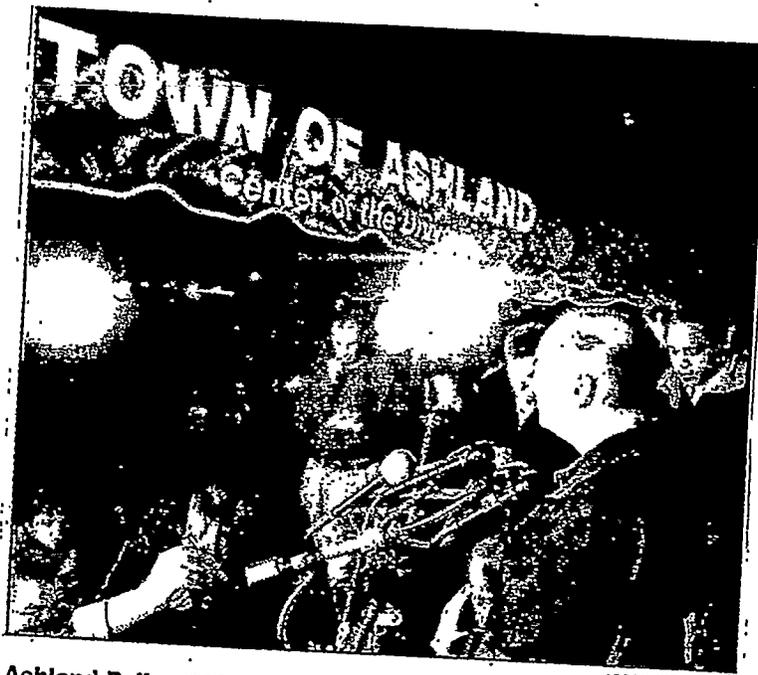
Still, people are doing what they can do for even a little peace of mind.

Aspen Hills bus driver Albert Logan normally idles his bus by a park just off Connecticut Avenue while he prepares for his morning runs. When the shootings started, he began pulling a little farther up to get away from the tree line.

Yesterday morning, just minutes after Logan pulled out, driver Conrad Johnson was guined down near the very stop Logan now avoids.

"It's an eerie feeling," a shaken Logan said as he prepared for a run. "You're going to have to look out for your own self out there until the police get this guy off the street."

Allen G. Breed is the AP's Southeast regional writer, based in Raleigh, N.C.



Ashland Police Chief Frederic Pleasants briefs reporters Saturday night near the site of a shooting that left a 37-year-old Florida man critically wounded in the Hanover County town.

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On 10/23/02, the FBI co-chaired meeting of the numerous Federal, state and local agencies to coordinate a response plan in the event that the sniper from lower Maryland and Virginia changed his pattern and moved northward. The meeting was held at DelTech - Stanton Campus. Participating agencies included ATF, Secret Service, National Guard, State Police from Delaware, Maryland and Pennsylvania, New Castle County Police and numerous local police departments within the County, Delaware Emergency Management and Delaware Department of Transportation.

Attached are copies of response plans as received from the SNIPERMUR task force which were disseminate to the participating agencies. The police departments were also briefed on these critical issues

1. quick identification of a shooting victim as a victim of the sniper,
 - police where given profiles of the victims to include types and areas of wounds, description of previous shooting scenes, noting that these were in close proximity to several escape routes and the shooting sites included areas of cover within the perimeter, such as woods, and that the crime scenes frequently were in the areas of shopping centers.
2. establishing a 300 yard, 360 degree crime scene perimeter
 - police were briefed on the existence of notes left at the scene and the packaging of the notes in plastic bags.
3. establishing escape perimeters and guidelines for the operation of roadblocks,
4. aerial surveillance.

All departments agreed to an immediate ban on comments to the press regarding sniper response-plans.

It was agreed that the lead agency would be the state or local agency with jurisdiction in the area of the shooting. For a shooting in the jurisdiction of any local department within NCCo, the NCCoPD would dispatch its evidence response team to process the scene. Regardless of the location of the incident, Delaware State Police would coordinate the establishment of the outside perimeter and all assisting departments would respond to assist in establishing and controlling the perimeter.

It was agreed that 800 Mghz, Statewide PMA would be used for radio communications.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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To: Baltimore

Attn: ASAC Kevin Lewis

From: Seattle

Squad 5

Contact: SA [redacted]

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Synopsis: Summary of investigation in Seattle Division.

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Details: In addition to the search conducted in Tacoma, Washington, Seattle is conducting extensive investigation into the Washington State criminal, family, and residence histories of suspects JOHN ALLEN WILLIAMS and LEE BOYD MALVO. All leads initiated from that investigation will be covered by Seattle and provided to Baltimore via Rapid Start.

For the immediate interest of the current fugitive investigation in Baltimore, the following information regarding the aforementioned suspects is provided:

A recently as June 2002, Williams and Malvo were residing in the Bellingham, WA area. Together they lifted weights and worked out to an extreme extent. Williams pushed Malvo's physical development and their public interaction with each other was militaristic. They are both described as being in excellent physical condition.

Williams, an Islamic convert, expressed anti-American sentiments to witnesses and sought to make contact with anti-American Muslims in the Vancouver, B.C., Canada area. To the extent he actually established himself with any such individuals is yet undetermined.

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Williams showed an interest in firearms and silencers. In November 2001, he approached a gunsmith and inquired about modifying a Winchester, Model 70, 30.60 rifle so that it could be broken down and concealed in a briefcase. Williams never produced that firearm, and the gunsmith refused the work request.

Between February 2002 and June 2002, Williams showed a silencer to a witness. He stated that he intended to kill a police officer, then detonate a bomb at his funeral to kill others. He showed identification under the alias JOHN MOHAMMED WEEKLY from the Bahamas, Trinidad and Tobago, Grenada, and Jamaica. He also showed identification for Malvo for those countries under the alias LEE MOHAMMED WEEKLY.

Williams and Malvo were last seen together in Washington State in the summer of September 2002. They stayed briefly at the Tacoma, WA residence of [REDACTED] (protect identity), an associate of William's. Williams and Malvo were in possession of an AR-15 with a collapsible stock and a scope. [REDACTED] identified a tree stump in his yard in which he believes Williams shot a rifle round on a previous visit. That stump was removed by Seattle's ERT and is currently en route to the ATF laboratory in Rockville, MD.

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In 2001, Williams told a witness that he could be contacted through his girlfriend, [REDACTED] LNU in Tacoma, telephone number [REDACTED]. Seattle is presently working to identify and interview [REDACTED].

There are no known Washington State vehicles associated with either suspect.

Malvo's mother, [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] was interviewed in Seattle on 10/23/02. She advised that she introduced her son to Williams and that Malvo is not related to Williams. She indicated that her relationship with Williams was platonic. She considers Williams to have essentially abducted her son. [REDACTED] last had contact with Malvo and Williams in a coincidental meeting in Seattle on a city bus. In January, 2002, in an unsuccessful attempt to recover her son, her attorney [REDACTED] contacted Williams on his cellular telephone, number [REDACTED].

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The following is a list of the aliases for the

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suspects and the origins of those alias which are known to Seattle:

John Allen Williams - DOB 12/31/60 435-11-9819

- Michael Brown - [redacted] - by SSAN
- John Muhammad - [redacted]
- Ernest Williams - Welfare application 3/02
- Wayne Weekley - YMCA application - DOB 10/05/66
- John Mahammad - [redacted]
- John Allen Muhammad - Pierce County court files.
- John Weeks - YMCA membership (unconfirmed)
- John Mohammed Weekly - witness (unconfirmed)

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Lee Boyd Malvo - DOB [redacted]

- John Muhammad, Jr. - witness
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Investigation in Seattle is continuing.

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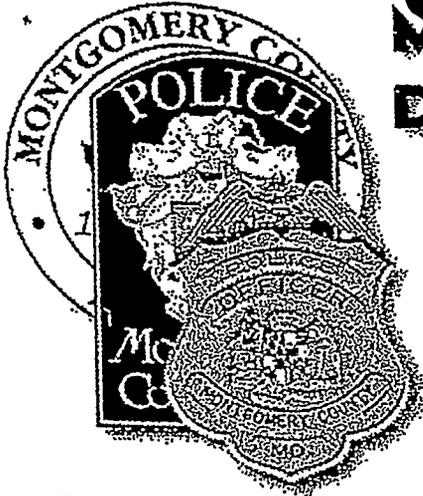
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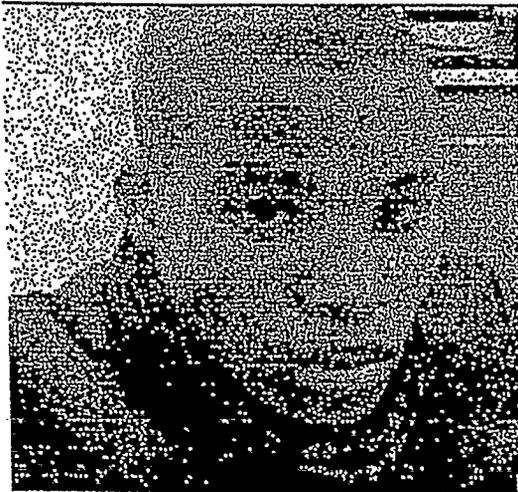


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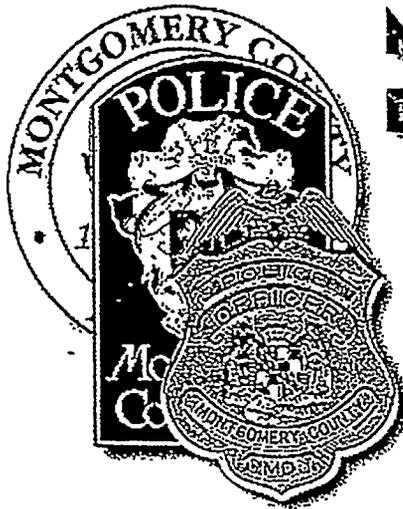
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Search for a Sniper

■ 'This will be the largest manhunt of our lives.'

Chris Whitcomb, author, former FBI agent

■ Police seek burgundy or blue '90 Chevy Caprice, with New Jersey plate NDA-21Z.



■ John Muhammad (left), and a juvenile, sought for questioning.

Hunt on in sniper case.

Authorities seek man, teenager

By KARI PUGH
THE FREE LANCE-STAR

Investigators launched a massive manhunt last night for a man and a juvenile they called "people of interest" in a series of deadly sniper attacks in the region.

Police announced they are looking for 42-year-old John Allen Muhammad—also known as John Allen Williams or Muhammad Williams—and a 17-year-old a police source said might be Muhammad's stepson. They also issued a lookout for a blue or burgundy 1990 Chevrolet Caprice with the New Jersey license plate NDA-21Z.

Montgomery County, Md., Police Chief Charles Moose said a federal warrant had been issued charging Muhammad with a firearms violation. He is described as a black male, 6-1 and 180 pounds.

He said Muhammad "might have information regarding the sniper case," but he did not call him a suspect. He said the firearms charge was not related to the sniper attacks.

Moose also warned the public to call 911 if they encounter Muhammad. "He is considered armed and dangerous," the chief said.

Moose also had another cryptic message for the sniper who has killed 10 and wounded three from Maryland to Richmond since Oct. 2.

"You indicated you want us to do and say certain things," Moose said at a midnight briefing. "You asked us to say 'You have caught the sniper like a duck in a noose.'"

Moose did not elaborate, but told the sniper, it had been difficult to contact him "because you have chosen to use only notes, indirect messages and calls to other jurisdictions."

He asked the sniper to call the number left in a letter found after Saturday night's shooting at an Ashland restaurant to get a toll-free number he could use to contact task-force leaders directly. "Our word is our bond. Let's see SNIPER, Page A11

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FBI agents swarm Tacoma rental house, search for clues

By PAUL QUEARY
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

TACOMA, Wash.—The first clue that the day would be different came when neighbors saw men in suits snooping around the slate-colored duplex.

"They just moseyed up and started looking around like they owned the place," said Dean Resop, who lives a block away from the home.

The strangers were FBI agents. Within hours, it became apparent that the working-class community had become the latest focus of the investigation into the Washington, D.C.-area sniper shootings that have left 10 people dead and three others critically wounded since Oct. 2.

The FBI refused to say what it was looking for at the property on South Proctor Avenue. But law enforcement sources speaking on condition of anonymity confirmed the agents were seeking evidence at the rental home related to ammunition.

Chris Waters, an Army private at Fort Lewis, lives directly across from the duplex. He said he heard repeated gunfire from somewhere in the neighborhood almost every day in January, but he wasn't exactly sure where.

"It sounded like a high velocity round," said Waters, who fires a variety of high-powered weapons as a soldier.

Eventually, Waters said, he called police and they cruised through the neighborhood. He said they didn't find anything suspicious.

"It sounded like a high-powered rifle such as an M-16," he said. "Never more than three shots at a time. Pow. Pow. Pow."

While children played in the late afternoon sunshine yesterday, their parents watched investigators cut up and remove a tree stump, pull up nails and examine a 55-gallon burn barrel.

"They cut the burn barrel in half. They went through that for a good hour," said Matt Cousineau, who lives next door to the duplex. "They are not missing a square inch of that yard."

Shelly Eberwein, who lives on the other side of the Cousineau duplex, said investigators were digging up part of the yard when metal detectors went off.

She said agents reassured her there was no danger but also refused to elaborate on what they were doing.

The neighborhood of mostly single-family homes is neat but sparsely landscaped. The duplex appeared to be of late 1960s vintage, with a burned-out car in the carport.

Associated Press writers Curt Anderson, Allen G. Breed, Stephen Manning and John Solomon contributed to this report.



An FBI investigator removes evidence from a rental home yesterday in Tacoma, Wash.

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Type of gun used in killings still unknown

By JEANNINE AVERSA
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON—Microscopic clues on bullets and fragments have allowed investigators to link shootings carried out by a deadly sniper terrorizing the Washington area, but authorities are still trying to pinpoint the gun used.

After analyzing ballistics and other evidence, law enforcement officials concluded yesterday that the most recent shooting that killed bus driver Conrad Johnson in Aspen Hill, Md., on Tuesday was indeed linked to the sniper, said Michael Bouchard, an agent with the federal bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

That means the sniper has killed 10 people and critically wounded three others in Maryland, Virginia and Washington since Oct. 2.

While ballistics evidence has revealed that a .223 caliber bullet was fired from the same rifle, narrowing down the exact make and model of the gun used is tricky.

"Upwards of 100 different rifles" use that ammunition, said ATF spokesman Jim Crandall. All kinds of rifles use a .223 caliber bullet, including guns used in sporting activities, military weapons, such as the M-16 rifle, and

some "assault type of weapons," Crandall said.

Jim Kouri, vice president of the National Association of Chiefs of Police, said that the .223 caliber bullet tends to break up more than other bullets upon impact, a challenge for ballistics examiners. "It is very, very difficult to make comparisons when you get a fractured or shattered round," Kouri said.

Kouri also said that the .223 caliber bullet holds more gunpowder and travels three times faster than the popular .22 caliber used in many handguns and rifles.

"I don't believe the sniper fires more than once," Kouri said. "He doesn't want any bullets out there in good condition."

Bouchard wouldn't discuss the condition of ballistics evidence from Tuesday's shooting, saying only it was "similar in characteristics to a .223 round."

Every firearm has individual characteristics that are as unique to it as fingerprints are to human beings, ATF says.

However, an ATF database that helps firearm examiners match ballistics evidence contains only images of casings or bullets from crime scenes or from test firings of weapons used in crimes. It doesn't include images of every gun

sold in the United States, so a gun that hasn't been used in a previous crime isn't included in the computer database.

Bouchard wouldn't say whether any ballistics evidence recovered from any of the sniper cases matched any images in ATF's database.

Firearms examiners analyze microscopic scratches and dents—on the bullets, their fragments or cartridge casings—to try to determine whether they were fired from the same weapon.

Grooves inside the barrel of a gun help a bullet travel with precision. When a bullet is fired, these grooves and other unique characteristics are imprinted on the bullet. When a bullet or bullet fragment is recovered from a crime, it is examined to see if a pattern of grooves and "lands"—the distance between the grooves—can help determine the type of firearm that was used. Examiners also weigh the bullet or bullet fragments to try to identify the caliber and type of firearm.

Bullet casings also can have distinctive markings created by the gun's firing pin, ejector and breech mechanism—the place where the bullet sits in the barrel of the gun.

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On Thursday, October 24, 2002, at approximately 3:15 am, JOHN ALLEN MOHAMMAD, A.K.A. JOHN ALLEN WILLIAMS, and LEE BOYD MALVO, were placed under arrest by the FBI Hostage Rescue Team at the South Mountain Rest Stop on the westbound side of I-70 in Myersville, Frederick County, Md. At the time of the arrest, MOHAMMAD and MALVO were inside a dark blue colored Chevrolet Caprice, bearing New Jersey tag NDA21Z.

At approximately 4:17 am, writer accompanied MOHAMMAD as he was transported away from the arrest scene in marked Maryland State Police (MSP) unit B-31, which was driven by Trooper 1st Class [redacted] Frederick Barrack. Also accompanying MOHAMMAD was Corporal [redacted] MSP S.T.A.T.E. Team. MOHAMMAD was handcuffed behind his back and belted in the front right passenger seat, while Cpl. [redacted] was in the right rear seat and writer was in the left rear seat. During the journey, nothing was said to MOHAMMAD and MOHAMMAD did not say anything.

At approximately 5:02 am, MSP unit B-31 arrived at the Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD) Family Services Division, 7300 Calhoun Place, Rockville, Md. At approximately 5:15 am, MOHAMMAD was strip searched by Detective Sergeant [redacted] MCPD.

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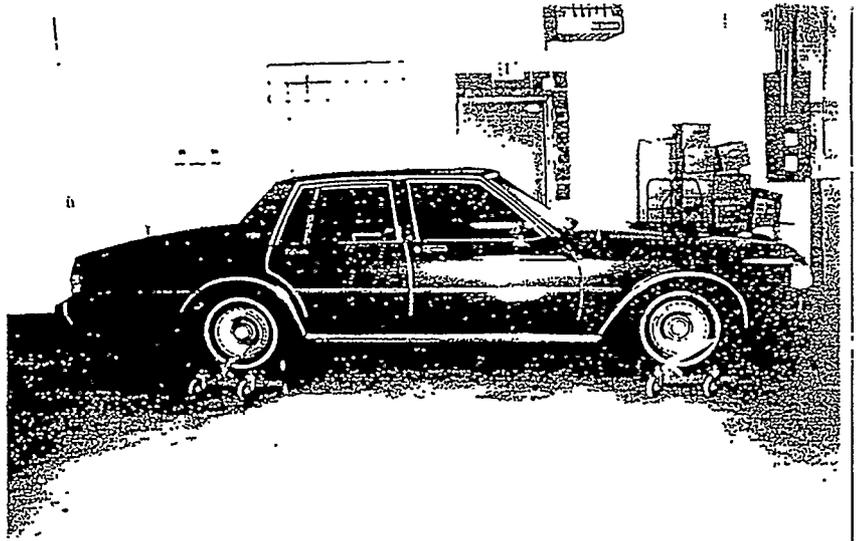
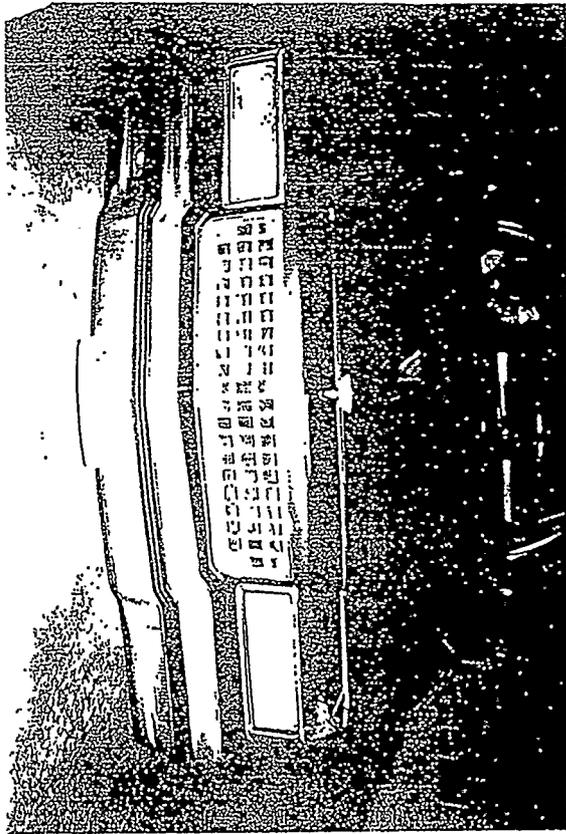
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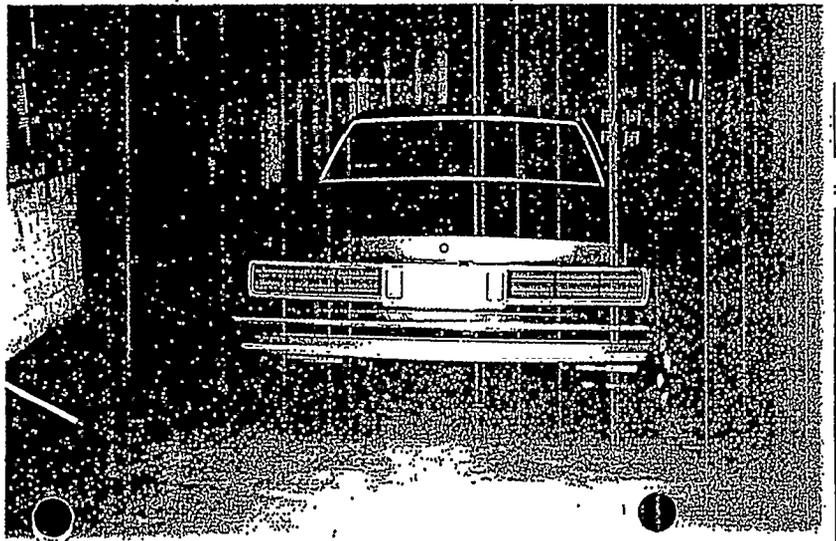
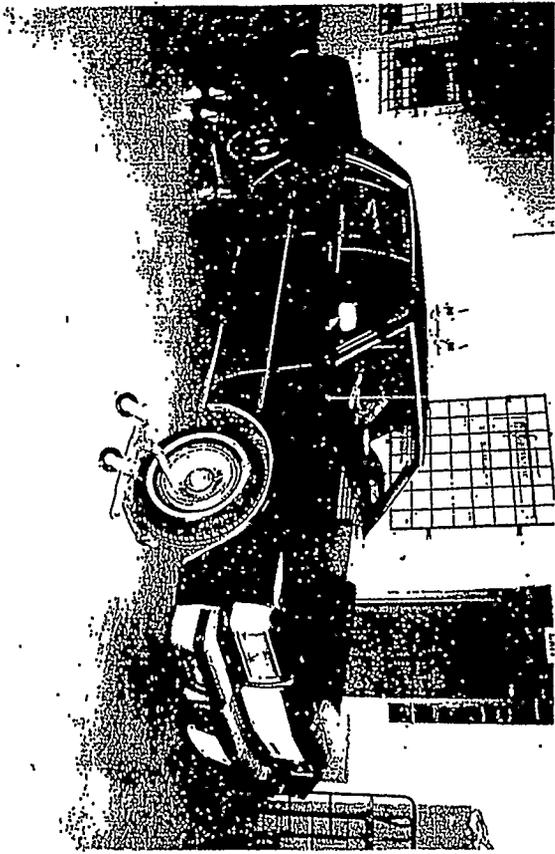
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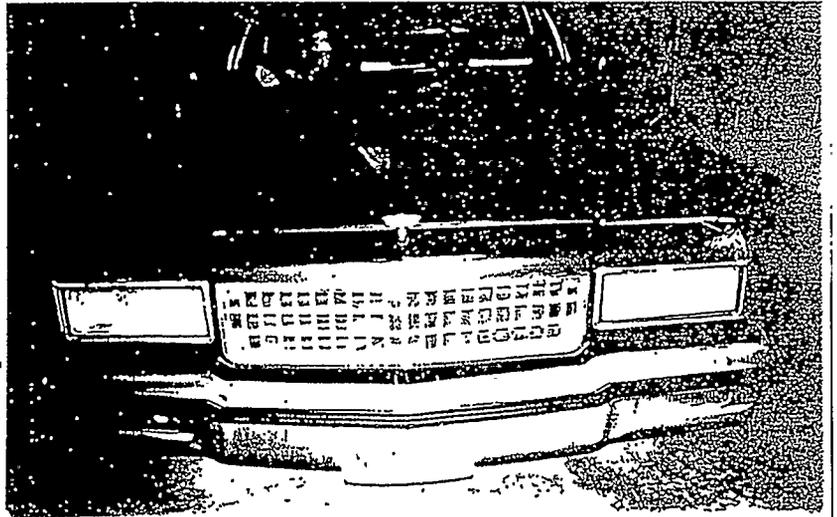
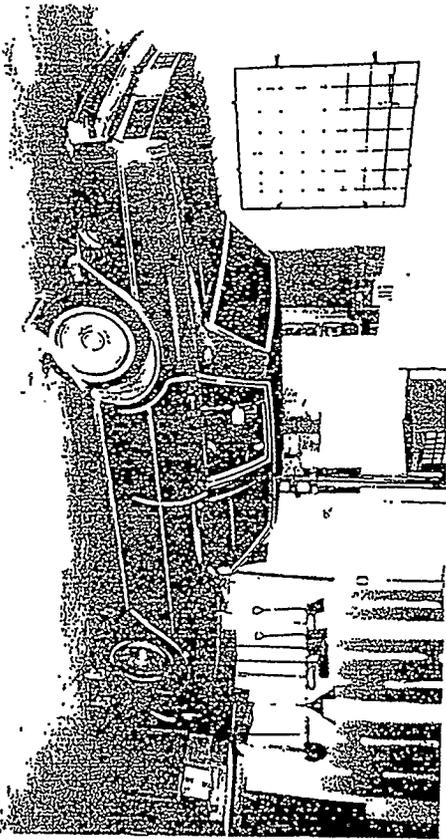
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1990 Chevrolet Caprice
New Jersey Registration NDA-21Z
Vin#

Ⓞ Federal Search Warrant

Thursday, October 24, 2002, 0844 - 0909 hrs. / 0924 - 1009
Parking Lot of Rest Area

****SEE ATTACHED EVIDENCE COLLECTION LOG****

Ⓞ Federal Search Warrant

Forensic Services Section Processing Facility
Monday, October 28, 2002, 0838 - 2157 hrs.
Tuesday, October 29, 2002, 1100 -1520 hrs.

****SEE ATTACHED EVIDENCE COLLECTION LOG****

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

In the Matter of the Search of

(name, address or brief description of person or property to be searched)

APPLICATION AND AFFIDAVIT

1990 Chevrolet Caprice
VIN# 1G1BL5472LA141552

CASE NO. 02-3147 JKS

I, Michael A. McCoy, being duly sworn, depose and say:

I am a(n) Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and have reason to believe that on the person or on the property or premises known as

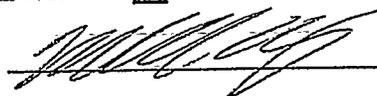
1990 Chevrolet Caprice
VIN# 1G1BL5472LA141552

in the District of Maryland, there is now concealed a certain person or property, described in Attachment A (incorporated fully herein),

which is property that constitutes evidence and fruits of the commission of a criminal offense in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(8). The facts to support the issuance of a Search Warrant are as follows:

See attached Affidavit

Continued on the attached sheet and made a part hereof. Yes No



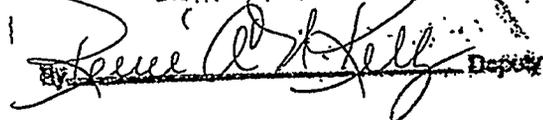
Special Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Sworn to before me, and subscribed in my presence

10/24/02 at Lydenville Maryland
Date

I hereby attest and certify on 10-17-2002 that the foregoing document is a full, true and correct copy of the original on file in my office and in my legal custody.

FELICIA C. CANNON
CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND



Deputy



Willyn K. Schulze
United States Magistrate Judge

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AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF SEARCH WARRANT

Your co-affiants, Michael A. McCoy, Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and Scott Riordan, Special Agent with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF) submit this affidavit in support of a United States District Court search and seizure warrant for the following and vehicle:

A blue 1990 Chevrolet Caprice, VIN# 1G1BL5472LA141552.

BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

1. I, co-affiant Michael A. McCoy, am a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), United States Department of Justice. I have been so employed by the FBI for the past 6 years and have been assigned to the Baltimore Field Office throughout this time period. During this time, I have participated in numerous drug and firearms-related investigations.

2. I, co-affiant Michael A. McCoy, am an investigative or law enforcement officer of the United States within the meaning of Section 2510(7) of Title 18, United States Code, and am empowered by law to conduct investigations and to make arrests for offenses enumerated in Section 2516 of Title 18, United States Code.

3. I, co-affiant Michael A. McCoy, am assigned to the Prince George's County Safe Streets Task Force, which is a federally sponsored task force charged with investigating criminal offenses committed by violent street gangs in the Maryland metropolitan area.

4. I, co-affiant Michael A. McCoy, have participated in numerous narcotic and firearm related arrests and search warrants that have recovered evidence of racketeering enterprises and narcotics conspiracies. This evidence consists of, but is not limited to, narcotics, proceeds from the

distribution of narcotics, weapons and documentary evidence of racketeering enterprises and conspiracies.

5. I, co-affiant Scott Riordan, have been employed by the ATF since July, 1998, and assigned to the Hyattsville Field Office since that time. Prior to my assignment to the ATF I was employed by the United States Marshal's Service for approximately two years. I have received instruction on conducting investigations of, and have, in fact, participated in investigations involving: federal firearm and narcotics violations and conspiracies associated with the foregoing criminal offenses which are proscribed by 21 U.S.C. §§ 841, 846, and 18 U.S.C. §§ 922, 924, and 18 U.S.C. §§ 371. In the course of conducting or participating in these investigations, I have been involved in the use of the following investigative techniques: interviewing informants and cooperating witnesses; conducting physical surveillance; conducting undercover operations, including reverse undercover drug and firearm operations; consensual monitoring and recording of both telephonic and non-telephonic communications; analyzing telephone pen register and caller identification system data; conducting court-authorized electronic surveillance; and preparing and executing numerous search warrants and arrest warrants which have led to seizures of narcotics, firearms and other contraband.

6. I, co-affiant Scott Riordan, have received training in the methods, devices, routines, and customs common to persons and organizations who illegally possess and/or distribute firearms and ammunition. As a result of this training and experience, I am familiar with the manner in which firearms and ammunition are purchased, obtained, and distributed in the Baltimore and Washington metropolitan areas.

7. Your co-affiants know that 18 U.S.C. 922 (g)(8) makes it unlawful for any individual knowingly to possess a firearm that has moved in or that otherwise affects interstate or

foreign commerce after that person has been subject to a court order based upon domestic violence, meeting the criteria set forth in that section of the United States Code.

PROBABLE CAUSE

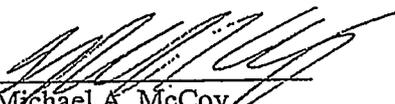
The information set forth in this Affidavit is either known to me personally or has been known to me by other law enforcement agents.

1. Your affiant is aware of a federal warrant issued on October 23, 2002 for the arrest of John Allen Muhammad, a/k/a John Williams, a/k/a Wayne Weeks, a/k/a Wayne Weekley, issued by the United States Magistrate Judge Monica J. Benton, in the Western District of Washington. This affidavit is hereby incorporated as Attachment B.
2. Your affiant has learned that John Allen Muhammad is a registered co-owner of a blue 1990 Chevrolet Caprice, VIN# 1G1BL5472LA141552 (hereinafter, "target vehicle.")
3. On October 8, 2002, John Allen Muhammad was identified as being in possession of the target vehicle when encountered by a Baltimore City Police Officer. Muhammad had been asleep in the vehicle, and he stated that he had been traveling from Virginia to New Jersey.
4. On October 24, 2002 at approximately 1:00 a.m. Muhammad was located in the target vehicle at a rest stop near Middleton, Maryland. Agents of federal and local police agencies executed the above-mentioned warrant, finding numerous personal belongings that are indicative of living out of the vehicle.
5. Law enforcement officials have developed information that Muhammad has no known residences of any particular duration, and that he has resided in various shelters during recent years.
6. From my training and experience, I believe that persons in possession of firearms frequently maintain indicia of that possession, or the firearms themselves, in vehicles and in residences.

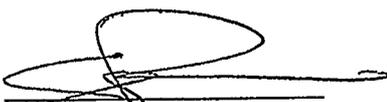
When, as is the apparent situation here, the person is residing in their vehicle, it is even more likely that valuable possessions such as firearms will be maintained in those vehicles.

Based on the foregoing, your co-affiants believe that probable cause exist to search the Chevrolet Caprice described above for evidence of possession of a firearm.

It is respectfully requested that a United States District search warrant be issued for the vehicle. It is also respectfully requested that this warrant, application and supporting affidavit be sealed by this Court, with three copies provided to the United States Attorney's Office.



Michael A. McCoy
Special Agent, FBI



Scott Riordan
Special Agent, ATF

Subscribed and sworn before me this 24th day of October, 2002



United States Magistrate Judge

ATTACHMENT A

DESCRIPTION OF EVIDENCE TO BE SEARCHED FOR AND SEIZED

Any and all of the following items, which are evidence, fruits, or instrumentalities of violations of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(g):

FIREARMS:

1. any and all other firearms; and
2. other items pertaining to the possession of firearms, including gun cases, ammunition, ammunition magazines, holsters, spare parts for firearms, firearms cleaning equipment, photographs of firearms or of persons in possession of firearms, and receipts for the purchase and/or repair of all these items.

RECORDS/DOCUMENTS

The following books, records, documents or photographs, whether contained on paper or stored otherwise, whether in handwritten, typed, photocopied or printed form, and whether stored on computer printouts, magnetic tape, cassette, disk, diskette, photooptical devices, photographic film or any other medium:

1. indicia of control of the premises or vehicles, including records that establish the persons who have control, possession, custody or dominion over the property and vehicles searched and from which evidence is seized, such as: personal mail, checkbooks, personal identification, notes, other correspondence, utility bills, rent receipts, payment receipts, financial documents, keys, photographs (developed or undeveloped), leases, mortgage bills, and vehicle registration information or ownership warranties, and receipts for vehicle parts and repairs.

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In the Matter of the Search of
(name, address or brief description of person or property to be searched)

SEARCH WARRANT

1990 Chevrolet Caprice
VIN# 1G1BL5472LA141552

CASE NO. 2-3147 JKS

TO: Officers and Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and all other authorized officers

Affidavit(s) having been made before me by Special Agent Michael A. McCoy, who has reason to believe that on the person or on the property or premises known as

1990 Chevrolet Caprice
VIN# 1G1BL5472LA141552

in the District of Maryland, there will be property, (describe the person or property)

See Attachment A

I am satisfied that the affidavits and any recorded testimony establish probable cause to believe that the property so described is now concealed on the premises above-described and establish grounds for the issuance of this warrant.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to search on or before 10/29/02 Date

(not to exceed 10 days) the person or place named above for the person or property specified, serving this warrant and making the search (in the daytime - 6:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M.) and if the person or property be found there to seize same, leaving a copy of this warrant and receipt for the person or property taken, and prepare a written inventory of the person or property seized and promptly return this warrant to the Honorable Jillyn K. Schulze, U.S. Magistrate Judge, as required by law.

10/24/02, at 5:55 a.m., Rockville, Maryland
Date Issued

Jillyn K. Schulze
Honorable Jillyn K. Schulze
United States Magistrate Judge

RETURN

CASE NUMBER:

DATE WARRANT RECEIVED

10/24/02

DATE AND TIME WARRANT EXECUTED

10/24/02 8:44AM

COPY OF WARRANT AND RECEIPT FOR ITEMS LEFT WITH

N/A

INVENTORY MADE IN THE PRESENCE OF

MCPD SGT. ROBINSON

FSII D. MCGILL

INVENTORY OF PERSON OR PROPERTY TAKEN PURSUANT TO THE WARRANT

- (1) WALLET CONTAINING VARIOUS DRIVER'S LICENSES
- (2) VARIOUS ARTICLES OF CLOTHING
- (3) BUSH MASTER .223 RIFLE, MODEL XM15-E2S
SERIAL NUMBER L284320
WITH MAGAZINE CONTAINING TWO ROUNDS
OF .223 AMMUNITION
- (4) 2 ROUNDS OF .223 AMMUNITION
- (5) 38 ROUNDS OF 338 CALIBER AMMUNITION
- (6) BLACK DUFFLE BAG
- (7) GRAY BACKPACK

CERTIFICATION

I swear that this inventory is a true and detailed account of the person or property taken by me on the warrant.

 R. JORDAN ATF

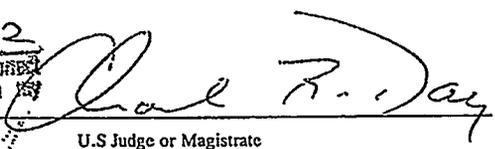
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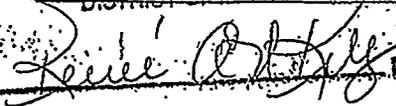
I hereby certify that this document is a full, true and correct copy of the original on file in my office and in my legal custody.

FELICIA C. CANNON
CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

U.S Judge or Magistrate

Date

 Nov 5, 2002

By  Deputy

DEMONSTRATIVE EVIDENCE



SNIPEMUR

DRIVER'S SEAT



DRIVER'S SIDE FLOOR



CENTER OF FRONT SEAT



DASHBOARD



1990 Chevrolet Caprice
New Jersey License Plate: NDA-21Z

DRIVER'S SIDE

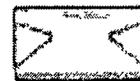


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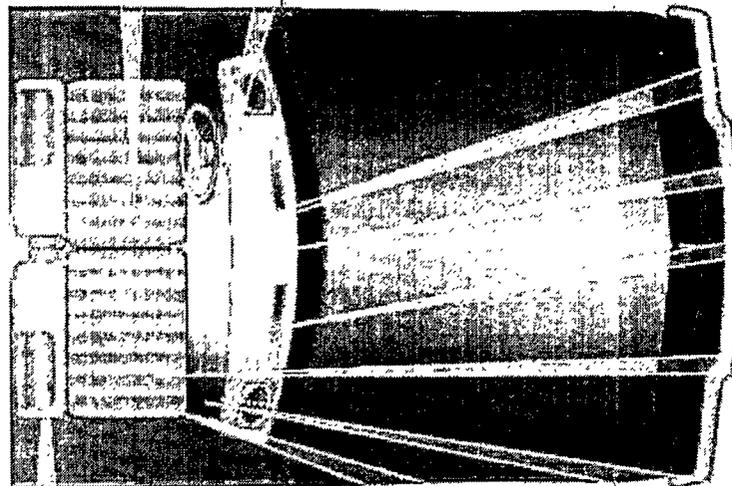


ON SEAT



DOOR
POCKET

GLOVE COMPARTMENT



DRIVER'S SIDE



PASSENGER'S SIDE



UNDER PASSENGER'S HEADREST



UNDER PASSENGER'S SEAT



PASSENGER'S SIDE FLOOR



PASSENGER'S SEAT

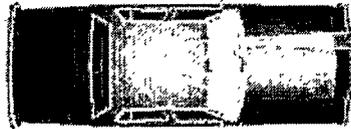
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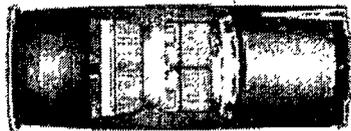


PASSENGER'S SIDE



PARKING LOT NEAR VEHICLE

DRIVER'S SIDE



PASSENGER'S SIDE

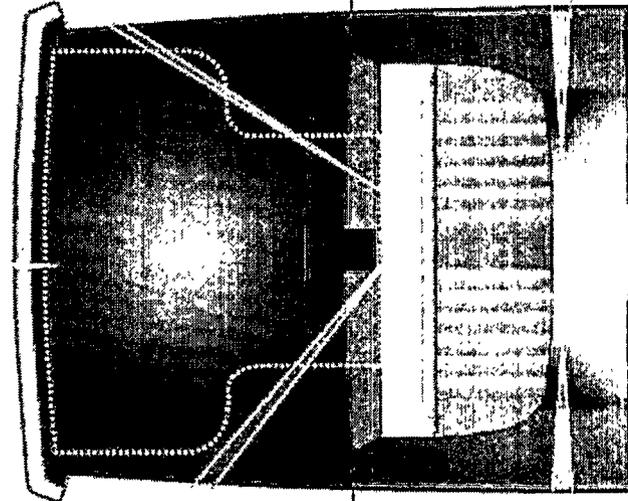
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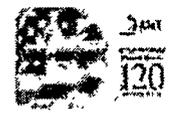
REAR BENCH SEAT



REAR DRIVER'S SIDE FLOOR



TRUNK



HOOD



UNDER REAR BENCH SEAT



REAR PASSENGER'S SIDE FLOOR

Suspects Searched Vehicle

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 10/28/2002

JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD, also known as (a.k.a.) JOHN ALLEN WILLIAMS, was interviewed at approximately 1015 hours on 24 October 2002, at the Montgomery County Police Family Services Division, 7300 Calhoun Road, Rockville, Maryland by Detective [REDACTED] Major Crimes Unit, Montgomery County Police (MCP), Rockville, Maryland and FBI Special Agent [REDACTED]. After being advised of the nature of the interview and the identity of the interviewers, MUHAMMAD provided the following information:

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MUHAMMAD a black male, stated his date of birth is 30 December 1960, with a place of birth of New Orleans, Louisiana. MUHAMMAD has brothers and sisters but only provided names for a younger brother, [REDACTED] and a sister [REDACTED].

MUHAMMAD stated he graduated from Scottlinville (phonetic spelling (ph)) High School, Baton Rouge, Louisiana in 1978. Upon graduation, MUHAMMAD joined the United States Army National Guard (ARNG). He attended Basic Training at Fort Leonardwood, Missouri and was trained as a combat engineer. At the completion of his training MUHAMMAD was assigned to the 769th Engineer Battalion. In addition to working with the ARNG, MUHAMMAD worked as a welder in a scrap metal yard as well as a shipyard.

MUHAMMAD'S oldest child is [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was born out of wedlock. The mother of his eldest child is [REDACTED].

MUHAMMAD'S first marriage was to [REDACTED] (ph) from 1981 to 1986. [REDACTED] and MUHAMMAD had one child together, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] is 19 years old.

MUHAMMAD stated he became an active duty soldier in the United States Army in 1985 and changed duty stations from Fort Leonardwood, Missouri, to Fort Lewis, Washington. MUHAMMAD was assigned to the 12th Engineer Battalion. MUHAMMAD stated he primarily constructed roads. In 1989, MUHAMMAD was transferred to Germany and was assigned to the 864th Engineer Battalion. In Germany, MUHAMMAD worked with heavy equipment and received training as a demolitions specialist.

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MUHAMMAD deployed to Saudi Arabia before January 1991 during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. During he deployment to Saudi Arabia, MUHAMMAD had the rank of Sergeant and served as a squad leader of approximately 12 soldiers. He stated his duties included serving as perimeter guard, mine sweeping, and general support. During his stay in Saudi Arabia, MUHAMMAD stated he was exposed to chemical agents. He also stated soldiers in his unit developed Gulf War Syndrome.

Upon returning to Germany after Operation Desert Storm, MUHAMMAD transferred from [REDACTED]

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by SA [REDACTED] DETECTIVE [REDACTED]

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Germany to Fort Ord, 7th Infantry Division in 1992 or 1993 and then back to Fort Lewis, Washington, in 1993.

MUHAMMAD stated he left the United States Army (U.S. Army) after serving 10 years. He joined the ARNG in Oregon but after going absent without leave (AWOL) he was dropped from the rolls and he left the Oregon ARNG.

MUHAMMAD received training as a combat engineer, welder, demolitions specialist, and water purification specialist while he served in the U.S. Army.

MUHAMMAD lived in Tacoma, Washington after leaving the U.S. Army and worked as an automobile mechanic running his own business, which he started in 1994. MUHAMMAD closed his business in 1998 or 1999. MUHAMMAD did not state the name of the business.

MUHAMMAD initially stated he was not married during his assignment in Germany and Saudi Arabia, but he later stated he was married to [redacted] a.k.a. [redacted] on 10 March 1988. [redacted] moved to Fort Lewis, Washington with MUHAMMAD in 1985 while MUHAMMAD was still married to [redacted]. MUHAMMAD and [redacted] had three children together: [redacted] date of birth [redacted] date of birth [redacted] and [redacted] date of [redacted].

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In 1992, MUHAMMAD stated he converted to Muslim and became to be known as JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD rather than JOHN ALLEN WILLIAMS. MUHAMMAD stated he legally changed his name from JOHN ALLEN WILLIAMS to JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD in 2000 in Tacoma, Washington.

MUHAMMAD stated the reason he closed his business was because he and [redacted] were having marital problems. Specifically, MUHAMMAD says [redacted] was having an affair. MUHAMMAD later confirmed the affair by "bugging" his own telephone and recording a conversation between [redacted] and the man with whom she was having the affair. MUHAMMAD and [redacted] separated. MUHAMMAD eventually took their three children and moved them to Antigua. MUHAMMAD stated [redacted] was aware that MUHAMMAD was going to take the children and stated she always knew where the children were located. While in Antigua, MUHAMMAD supported himself and his children by bringing medical supplies from the United States to Antigua for a doctor living in Antigua. MUHAMMAD did not provide the name of the doctor in Antigua.

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MUHAMMAD stated he eventually returned to the United States with his children because the technology in Antigua was lacking. After returning to Bellingham, Washington, MUHAMMAD enrolled his children in school. MUHAMMAD'S children were eventually taken into custody by "the authorities". MUHAMMAD later learned that [redacted] had filed for custody of their children. On 04 September 2001, a judge gave custody of their three children to [redacted]. MUHAMMAD also stated he learned [redacted] had filed for divorce. [redacted] took their three children to an unknown location.

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MUHAMMAD stayed in Washington and worked doing odd jobs. MUHAMMAD stated he began looking for his children but he could not find them. Through "Devoted Dads," MUHAMMAD stated he was able to determine [redacted] had been in California, Texas, and Maryland. MUHAMMAD did not have an address for these areas but stated he wanted to take a chance in finding her so he could notify the "officials" in Tacoma, Washington as to where his children were currently located.

MUHAMMAD stated that he took a bus from Tacoma, Washington to Camden, New Jersey and stayed with a friend he knew from the Caribbean. While in Camden, MUHAMMAD stated he bought car about a week after arriving. He stated he paid \$800.00 for the car but the paperwork shows that he only paid \$200.00. After making this utterance, the writer paused and took out an FD-395, Advice of Rights form.

At approximately 1128 hours on 24 October 2002, MUHAMMAD received the Advice of Rights warning per FD-395 by Special Agent [redacted]. The rights warning was read to MUHAMMAD, who stated he was a high school graduate who understood and was able to read English. After having his Advice of Rights read to him, MUHAMMAD read them himself and stated he understood them and was willing to talk with interviewers. At approximately 1129 hours on 24 October 2002, MUHAMMAD waived his rights and acknowledged the same by signing the FD-395.

MUHAMMAD stated he met LEE MALVO, a.k.a. LEE BOYD MALVO, in Antigua. MUHAMMAD stated he first met MALVO when MALVO was 14 or 14 ½ years old. MALVO was homeless and living in Saint Johns, Antigua. MUHAMMAD stated he was in Antigua six to eight months before meeting MALVO in 2000. MUHAMMAD stated, although he was in Antigua, his three children from his marriage to [redacted] were not in Antigua at the time. MUHAMMAD stated he was able to enter Antigua by using his birth certificate and an identification card. During his stay in Antigua, MUHAMMAD earned money by bringing medical supplies from the United States to Antigua. MUHAMMAD purchased an ocean front condominium to live in during his stay in Antigua.

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MUHAMMAD stayed in Antigua an additional six to eight months before returning to the Tacoma, Washington in 2001. MUHAMMAD brought MALVO with him but he refused to state how he was able to get MALVO into the United States. MUHAMMAD gained custody of his and [redacted] three children when he returned to Washington. MUHAMMAD, MALVO, and MUHAMMAD'S three children moved into a homeless shelter in Bellingham, Washington. MUHAMMAD worked as a welder and did other odd jobs to earn money. MUHAMMAD stated he did not own a car at this time. MUHAMMAD stayed in Bellingham, Washington approximately one to two months.

While he was working MUHAMMAD'S children attended school. MUHAMMAD'S children were taken into custody by unknown officials. MUHAMMAD found out his three children had been removed from school when he returned to the homeless shelter. An employee at the shelter told MUHAMMAD that his children had been taken.

MUHAMMAD stated he met MALVO'S mother when he traveled to Jamaica.

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MUHAMMAD did not state when he actually traveled to Jamaica. MUHAMMAD would not state why he traveled to Jamaica or how he was able to locate MALVO'S mother. MUHAMMAD recalled MALVO'S mother's name was [REDACTED] MALVO did not accompany MUHAMMAD during his trip to Jamaica. b6 b7C

While MUHAMMAD and MALVO were living in Washington they lived in various hotels and shelters. MUHAMMAD referred to MALVO as "my son" throughout the interview. MUHAMMAD stated a friend assisted him in trying to locate [REDACTED] and his three children. MUHAMMAD did not provide his friend's name. MUHAMMAD learned that [REDACTED] may have lived in Sacramento, California, Austin, Texas, and an unknown area in Maryland.

MUHAMMAD and MALVO traveled by bus from Washington to California looking for MUHAMMAD'S children. MUHAMMAD and MALVO were in California approximately one month before returning to Washington. MUHAMMAD and MALVO stayed in Washington approximately six months before traveling to Texas by bus. MUHAMMAD and MALVO stayed in Texas looking for MUHAMMAD'S children for approximately one month before returning to Washington. MUHAMMAD stated he returned to Washington each time to work and earn enough money to travel and look for his children. MUHAMMAD would not provide any specific dates or time of year that he traveled.

MUHAMMAD and MALVO also visited MUHAMMAD'S sister in Tucson, Arizona. MUHAMMAD'S sister is [REDACTED] is divorced and retired from the United States Air Force. MUHAMMAD and MALVO stayed with [REDACTED] approximately one week before traveling to Phoenix, Arizona. MUHAMMAD and MALVO stayed in Phoenix approximately one month doing odd jobs. MUHAMMAD did not provide what month he stayed in Phoenix. MUHAMMAD stated when asked, that it was hot during the day and cold at night during their stay in Phoenix, Arizona.

MUHAMMAD and MALVO left Phoenix, Arizona and traveled by bus to Baton Rouge, Louisiana. MUHAMMAD visited with his brother and sister, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] MUHAMMAD and MALVO stayed with MUHAMMAD'S brother [REDACTED] approximately one week. MUHAMMAD was not sure if he stayed with his brother during the month of July, August, or September 2002. b6 b7C

MUHAMMAD and MALVO returned by bus to Tacoma, Washington to earn some money. MUHAMMAD stated only he worked to earn money, not MALVO. MUHAMMAD and MALVO were in Washington approximately one to two weeks before returning to Baton Rouge, Louisiana. MUHAMMAD stated his son [REDACTED] was having financial and car problems. MUHAMMAD and MALVO were in Baton Rouge approximately two days. During their stay, MUHAMMAD and MALVO lived on the street and also stayed with unnamed friends.

After leaving Baton Rouge, Louisiana, MUHAMMAD and MALVO traveled by bus to Beaumont, Texas to visit with MUHAMMAD'S older sister [REDACTED] (ph) [REDACTED] (ph) but he could not find her during his stay in Beaumont, Texas. MUHAMMAD and MALVO left Beaumont, Texas and traveled by bus for approximately two days to Camden, New Jersey. MUHAMMAD'S and MALVO'S travel route took them through Washington, D.C. Upon arriving in Washington, D.C. by

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Greyhound bus, MUHAMMAD and MALVO got off the bus and spent the day in the bus station in Washington, D.C. MUHAMMAD stated he first visited Washington, D.C. in 1995 for the Million Man March.

The following day, MUHAMMAD and MALVO left Washington, D.C. by bus and traveled to New York City, New York. MUHAMMAD stated they were actually trying to go to Camden, New Jersey but overslept and missed their bus stop in Camden, New Jersey. MUHAMMAD and MALVO stayed in New York City approximately six hours before catching a bus to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. MUHAMMAD and MALVO arrived in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania early in the morning. Since the city buses were not available early in the morning, MUHAMMAD and MALVO took a taxicab to Camden, New Jersey. MUHAMMAD and MALVO stayed with a friend of MUHAMMAD'S named [redacted] MUHAMMAD stated he did not know [redacted] last name. MUHAMMAD and MALVO stayed in Camden, New Jersey approximately one and one-half weeks.

MUHAMMAD and MALVO left Camden, New Jersey in the car MUHAMMAD bought in New Jersey. MUHAMMAD and MALVO traveled to Louisiana to visit with MUHAMMAD'S son, [redacted] MUHAMMAD and MALVO traveled on Interstate 95 (I-95) South to Washington, D.C. and then headed West. MUHAMMAD could not recall what highway or roads he took after leaving I-95. MUHAMMAD stated the trip to Louisiana was challenging because MUHAMMAD was attempting to teach MALVO how to read a road map. MUHAMMAD estimated the drive to Louisiana took 18 hours. MUHAMMAD and MALVO visited briefly with [redacted] and friends of his mother's. MUHAMMAD did not state if he was speaking about friends of his (MUHAMMAD'S) mother or friends of [redacted] mother. MUHAMMAD and MALVO slept in MUHAMMAD'S car for two to three days before traveling to Maryland in MUHAMMAD'S car. MUHAMMAD and MALVO stopped to see the Super Dome in New Orleans, Louisiana and then traveled through Mississippi to get to Maryland. MUHAMMAD estimated it took him and MALVO 16 hours to travel to Maryland. MUHAMMAD and MALVO slept in rest areas during their drive to Maryland. MUHAMMAD and MALVO stopped in Washington, D.C. to sight see. MUHAMMAD stated he took photographs during their stay in Washington, D.C. but lost the disposable camera. b6 b7c

MUHAMMAD stated he and MALVO came to Maryland to look for his (MUHAMMAD'S) ex-wife and three children. MUHAMMAD and MALVO stayed in rest areas and got food from "food co-ops". MUHAMMAD stated he was a vegetarian and ate organically grown food. MUHAMMAD stated he would look for schools in area using telephone books and the Internet in libraries. MUHAMMAD stated he was able to use the Internet in libraries without having a library card because the library or libraries he used allowed him thirty minutes of usage as a non-member of the library.

While staying at a rest area somewhere outside of Baltimore, Maryland, MUHAMMAD stated MALVO found an AR-15. MUHAMMAD stated the AR-15 was found approximately 12 hours before he was taken into custody. MUHAMMAD stated MALVO approached him with the AR-15 while he (MUHAMMAD) was in his car watching a DVD. MALVO approached telling MUHAMMAD what he had found and asking what he should do while showing MUHAMMAD the AR-15. MUHAMMAD recalled the AR-15 was inside of a green cloth bag. MUHAMMAD remarked that the bag was not a duffel bag. MUHAMMAD took the AR-15 out of the bag by

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grabbing it by the barrel. MUHAMMAD stated the weapon had a magazine inside the magazine well. MUHAMMAD pulled the bolt back on the AR-15 and a round ejected and fell to the ground. MUHAMMAD stated he did not pick up the round. MUHAMMAD locked the bolt of the AR-15 and pulled the magazine out of the weapon and placed it on safe and then put the magazine back into the weapon. The magazine had rounds in it, but it was not full. MUHAMMAD stated he and MALVO did not touch the rounds inside the magazine. MUHAMMAD stated MALVO took the weapon and released the bolt while the magazine was in the weapon. MUHAMMAD left the magazine in the weapon since he said he had placed the weapon on safe. The weapon was placed on the back seat of the car. The green cloth bag the AR-15 was found in was thrown away in a trash can near the car at the rest area. The bag contained two black boxes of ".338" ammunition. MUHAMMAD initially said the boxes were made of plastic but then said the boxes were made of cardboard with styrofoam inserts. MUHAMMAD recalls MALVO going to use the restroom after handling the weapon. MUHAMMAD stated MALVO was not interested in the weapon. MUHAMMAD remarked MALVO had no knowledge or fascination with weapons. MALVO was interested in flying, not weapons. MUHAMMAD could not recall where they were when they found the weapon other than being at a rest stop. MUHAMMAD recalled that he and MALVO had driven about 30 minutes outside of Baltimore going North at 55 miles per hour. MALVO stated he drove through toll booths while driving North. MUHAMMAD stated before leaving Baltimore, Maryland, he was there earlier looking up schools in telephone books. MUHAMMAD stated after driving North about 30 minutes, he turned around and drove South for 30 minutes until he stopped at the rest area where MALVO found the AR-15. MALVO could not provide much detail about the rest area or where the weapon was specifically found. MUHAMMAD stated MALVO found it near a building. MUHAMMAD stated he did not fire the AR-15 that MALVO found and that MALVO did not fire the AR-15 the he (MALVO) found.

MUHAMMAD stated he and MALVO went to a gun show in Tucson, Arizona but MALVO was not interested in the guns, only the rocks that were at the gun show.

At approximately 1355 hours on 24 October 2002, MUHAMMAD was asked by MCP Detective [redacted] if he wanted to use the restroom or get some water, but he declined both. MCP Detective [redacted] and the writer exited the interview room and took MUHAMMAD across the hall to a more secure room while the interview was temporarily halted.

At approximately 1415 hours on 24 October 2002, MUHAMMAD was taken back into the interview room and the interview continued.

MUHAMMAD, when asked by the writer stated he was being 100 percent truthful. MUHAMMAD stated MALVO was always with him during their trip to Louisiana. MUHAMMAD initially stated he did not drive into Alabama, but later stated he drove through the western portion of Alabama but not through Montgomery, Alabama. MUHAMMAD stated he could not explain why MALVO'S fingerprints were found on an Armalite Catalog near the scene where two women were shot in Montgomery, Alabama in September 2002.

At approximately 1435 hours on 24 October 2002, MUHAMMAD stated words to the effect of, "Maybe I should see an attorney." The writer and MCP Detective [redacted] continued to speak to MUHAMMAD to let him know this would be his last chance to speak to us regarding the events that

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occurred Maryland and Virginia. MUHAMMAD offered no further information. MUHAMMAD only stated at the writer and MCP Detective

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At approximately 1500 hours on 24 October 2002, the interview of MUHAMMAD ended. MUHAMMAD was taken from the interviewing room. MUHAMMAD used the restroom and was placed in a more secure room.

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Synopsis: To provide receiving offices and divisions with a summary of events leading to the identification of subjects. Receiving offices are also being requested to canvass mosques, prayer rooms and assets and informants regarding the subjects involved to date.

Details: Since 10/2/02, the Washington, D. C., and Richmond, Virginia, regions were the scene of a series of 14 shootings committed by an individual/individuals armed with a weapon capable of firing a .223 round of ammunition. This series of shootings resulted in the following:

- 10 deaths
- 3 wounded
- 1 shot through a store window

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The FBI tipline resulted in over 60,000 tips being called in and 10,220 Rapid Start leads being assigned.

Forensic examination at various crime scenes resulted in the recovery of extortionate demand letters from the subject. One particular demand requested a substantial amount of money be sent to a Visa credit card number in the name of a female from Flagstaff, Arizona. Instructions were also received to call payphones in the Ashland, Virginia, area, the scene of the 13th shooting.

The subject had also made various telephone calls to the Montgomery County Police Department's Press Information Office. This subject had intimate details of some of the shootings, admitted he was responsible, and said that police should verify the details of a shooting at a liquor store in Montgomery, Alabama, where a woman had died.

On 10/18/02, a priest in Ashland, Virginia, received a telephone call from two unidentified subjects who stated that police should do ballistic tests from a liquor store robbery in Montgomery, Alabama. The subjects, who both spoke on the telephone, dictated the exact language of the message on a Tarot card found at the Benjamin Tasker Middle School shooting on 10/7/02 and asked the priest to contact the police with the information. The subjects stated they called a church so the call could not be traced.

Agents began an inquiry into the Montgomery, Alabama, liquor store robbery which the subjects had mentioned and had requested be investigated. It was determined that on 9/21/02, a homicide shooting occurred at the ABC Beverage Store, 2690 Zelda Road, at 11:05 p.m. Two black female employees were closing the store when they were shot. Uniformed officers in the area rapidly responded to the scene and observed a young black male looking in the purse of one of the victims. Upon observing the officers, the male fled on foot and dropped an Armalite (weapons) catalog which was recovered. A search of the area was unsuccessful. One victim was shot in the head and recovered, but the other victim who was shot in the torso died.

Evidence from the Alabama shooting was flown to FBIHQ Laboratory and on 10/22/2002, latent fingerprints of value were obtained from the catalog. A search of IAFIS revealed that numerous latent prints on the catalog were positively identified as belonging to:

Lee Malvo
Black male

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DOB: [REDACTED]
FBI #: [REDACTED]

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Malvo was arrested in December 2001, in Bellingham, Washington, and was released pending an INS hearing scheduled for November 2002. Malvo was a reported runaway from Florida and had been staying in shelters. He had been in the company of an individual pretending to be his father, John Allen Muhammad. Muhammad was a resident of Tacoma, Washington, who had gone through a domestic dispute over child custody issues with his wife. Background checks into Muhammad determined he had claimed to have 15 years Army Special Forces experience. It was also ascertained that in November 2001, a female took Muhammad in a vehicle to a house where Muhammad discussed making modifications to a high-powered rifle, fitting a silencer, and adding a collapsible stock. He stated that he wanted to have one to go shooting with his son (Malvo).

Muhammad is described as follows:

John A. Williams, aka
John A. Muhammad
Black male
Jamaican
DOB: 12/31/60

Financial investigation into the Visa credit card number provided on the demand letter determined the owner of the Visa card to be [REDACTED] a Greyhound bus driver. [REDACTED] reported to Bank of America that her purse had been stolen on a Greyhound bus trip, between Nogales and Phoenix, AZ on 3/25/2002. Investigation has determined that both Malvo and Muhammad have traveled numerous times utilizing Greyhound bus. Trips include Malvo's escape from Florida to Washington, a trip between Los Angeles, CA and Tucson, AZ using the names of John Muhammad and Lee Muhammad, which departed Los Angeles on March 11, 2002, and possibly the trip between Tucson and Phoenix, wherein [REDACTED] was the driver. The only transaction reported on the stolen Visa card was a \$12.01 gas purchase at a Texaco gas station in Tacoma, Washington, the area in which Malvo and Muhammad were residing at the time.

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On 10/18/2002, a caller contacted the Seattle Division, Tacoma RA, and advised that John A. Williams, aka John A. Muhammad, maybe the "sniper." The caller stated he had served in the U.S. Army at Fort Lewis, Washington, with Muhammad. Muhammad was in the Tacoma area three months ago with an unknown black male he referred to as his son and also by the nickname "Sniper." The caller further stated Muhammad possessed an M-16 rifle with a scope and went through a bitter divorce with his wife, who was

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now residing in the Washington, D. C., area. Investigation determined that Muhammad's ex-wife was, in fact, in the D. C. area, residing in Clinton, Maryland.

Based upon the above information and scenarios, a federal material witness warrant was obtained for Malvo, based upon the Montgomery, Alabama, shootings. ATF in turn obtained a federal firearms violation warrant for Muhammad. Both of these warrants were signed in the early evening hours of 10/23/02. Investigators immediately began a search for the subjects and to obtain information which would place them in the D. C. area at the time of the shootings.

An off-line search ascertained that on 10/8/02, Muhammad was stopped by the Baltimore City Police while he was sleeping in a vehicle. The report stated Muhammad had a valid Washington State driver's license. The vehicle had New Jersey state license plate NDA-21Z and was registered to:

John Muhammad
1400 Sheridan Street
Camden, New Jersey

The vehicle was described as a 1990 Chevrolet Caprice, blue in color. Philadelphia Division agents were immediately dispatched and sent to surveil the above address.

A search of the Montgomery County Police persons/vehicle stop system determined the vehicle was stopped on 10/2/02 at 10:53 a.m. in Montgomery County, Maryland.

The media in the area had received various aspects of the investigation into Muhammad and Malvo. Based upon all the inquiries, a press conference was held at 11:45 p.m. on 10/23/02 to display photographs of the subjects, the charges pending, and a description of the blue Chevrolet Caprice with New Jersey license plates.

The tipline immediately began receiving calls from citizens who had observed the subjects and the vehicle in the D. C. area, one of whom had seen them in a vehicle on Connecticut Avenue a few hours subsequent to the 6:00 a.m., 10/22/02, shooting just off Connecticut Avenue.

On 10/24/02 at 1:00 a.m., a caller dialed 911 and advised he had observed the vehicle at a rest area eleven miles west of Frederick, Maryland. The caller stated the vehicle was occupied two times and it appeared both individuals were asleep. Tactical units from HRT, FBI Baltimore, and Maryland State Police

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responded to the rest stop and at 3:30 a.m. arrested both subjects without incident.

Based upon a federal search warrant for the vehicle, a rifle was discovered in the rear seat area of the vehicle. The weapon, a Bushmaster XM-15 rifle, is equipped with a scope and tripod. It is a semi-automatic rifle, similar to an M-16 and was loaded with a .223 round in the chamber. The vehicle also had a cut-out in the trunk area, from which the subjects may have fired the rifle while hidden in the trunk. Evidence from the vehicle is still being processed at the time of writing. DNA and hair samples were taken from both subjects for comparison with forensic evidence recovered at various crime scenes.

On 10/24/02, ATF conducted an examination on the rifle and the bullet fragments from the crime scenes in captioned case. ATF confirmed that the rifle and bullet fragments were a ballistic match.

BACKGROUND:

The subject John Allen Williams, aka John Allen Muhammad was a member of the Nation of Islam, a Chicago based group. Louis Farrakhan stated in the press that Williams joined the Nation of Islam group in 1997, however has not had contact with that group since 1999. Farrakhan also stated that Muhammad may have been at the Million Man March, but did not work the security detail under that name.

Muhammad's first wife, [redacted] indicated that he was a member of the Nation of Islam group in Seattle at least as far back at 1995. The second wife, [redacted] was interviewed prior to his arrest, and during the interview [redacted] stated that Muhammad was a former member of the Nation of Islam, Seattle Study Group, [redacted] The Seattle Study Group is lead by Minister [redacted] aka [redacted]

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Brigadier General Fastabend advised that Williams was under his command in 1992-1993, while stationed at Ft. Ord, Monterey, CA. Fastabend advised that Williams was a "hard core Black Muslim." During this time period, Williams got into an altercation with his platoon sergeant and threaten to kill him. Williams responded that he would no longer work for "white devils." Instead of being either court marshaled or subjected to administrative disciplined, Williams was transferred to Ft. Lewis, Washington.

The vehicle driven by Mohammad contained several items of interest:

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a Laptop computer
Malcolm X Literature
Global Positioning Systems (GPS)
Cell phone
Books (nfd)
Earplugs
Scope
Atlas maps
Glove (one)

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1:

SEATTLE

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Receiving offices are requested to canvass mosques and prayer rooms regarding the subjects identified to date. Also it is requested that all assets and confidential informants be canvassed regarding the subjects. Also, attempt to determine if Muhammad is associated with [redacted] Please provide positive information to the SNIPEMUR Task Force, SA [redacted] [redacted] as well as the JTTF.

Set Lead 2:

BALTIMORE

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Receiving offices are requested to canvass mosques and prayer rooms regarding the subjects identified to date. Also it is requested that all assets and confidential informants be canvassed regarding the subjects. Also, attempt to determine if Muhammad is associated with [redacted] Please provide positive information to the SNIPEMUR Task Force, SA [redacted] as well as the JTTF.

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Sniper Investigation-Information

On October 2, 2002, at 1715 hours Montgomery County Police responded to Michael's Store at 13601 Connecticut Ave. Silver Spring, Montgomery County, Maryland for the report of a shooting. The investigation revealed that an unknown person had shot through the front glass window with a high powered rifle. Once the projectile went through the window it struck a sign stanchion. Bullet fragments were later recovered from inside the store. The store was open and employees as well as customers were inside the store at the time. Only one shot was heard.

Later that same evening, at 1802 hours, in the Shoppers Food Warehouse parking lot at 2201 Randolph Road, Wheaton, Montgomery County, Maryland, Montgomery County Police responded to the report of a person who had been shot. Investigation revealed that James Darrell Martin had just parked his car in the parking lot and was walking towards the store when he was shot and killed with a high powered firearm, Martin had been shot in the back and was killed immediately. No bullet fragment or shell casing was recovered from the scene. Only one shot was heard.

The next morning on October 3, 2002, at 0738 hours on Huff Ct., Rockville, Montgomery County, Maryland, James S. Buchanan was cutting grass when he was shot in the back by a high powered firearm. Buchanan was transported to Suburban Hospital where he died. Bullet fragments were recovered but were inconclusive for comparison purposes.

A short time later, at 0810 hours, Premkumal Walekar was at the Mobil gas station at 4100 Aspen Hill Rd., Wheaton, Montgomery County, Maryland. While he was standing to the rear of his vehicle pumping gas he was shot in the back by a projectile from a high powered firearm. He staggered to another car and collapsed. He was transported to Montgomery General Hospital where he died. Bullet jacket fragments were recovered from his torso at autopsy. Only one shot was heard.

A short time later, at 0837 hours, Maria Sarah Ramos was sitting on a sidewalk bench in front of 3800 International Dr., Silver Spring, Montgomery County, Maryland. She was shot in the head one time with a high powered firearm and killed. The projectile then passed through the glass window of the store behind her. A bullet jacket fragment was recovered from inside this store. Only one shot was heard.

Later that same morning at 0958 hours, Lori Ann Lewis-Rivera was at the Shell gas station at 10515 Connecticut Avenue, Kensington, Montgomery County, Maryland. While standing outside of her vehicle she was shot from behind by a high powered firearm. She collapsed to the ground and died. Bullet jacket fragments were recovered from her torso at autopsy. Only one shot was heard.

Later that evening on October 3, 2002, at 2115 hours, at the corner of Georgia Ave. and Alaska Ave., NW, Washington, D.C., police responded to a call for a person shot. Investigation revealed that Pascal Emile Charlot was on the sidewalk facing west as if to cross the roadway when he was shot once in the chest and subsequently died. He was shot with a high powered firearm and bullet jacket fragments were recovered from his body. Only one shot was heard.

On October 4, 2002, a woman was in front of a Michael's store in Spotsylvania County, Virginia when she was shot from behind one time by a high powered rifle. A large fired bullet exited her body and was recovered at the scene. She is still alive at this time. Only one shot was heard.

On October 7, 2002 at 0809 hours a thirteen year old boy had exited a vehicle and was walking towards Benjamin Tasker Middle School in Bowie, Prince George's County, Maryland when he was shot by a high powered rifle. Bullet jacket fragments were recovered from his body during surgery. Also recovered at the scene was a .223 shell casing. A taro card was also found that had writing on it. As of this time the victim is still alive. Only one shot was heard.

On October 9, 2002 Dean Harold Myers was in the process of getting gas at the Battlefield Sunoco located 7203 Sudley Rd., Manassas, Virginia. At 2010 hours he was shot in the head with a high powered firearm and died. Bullet fragments were recovered. Only one shot was heard.

On October 11, 2002 Kenneth H. Bridges was in the process of filling his vehicle with gasoline at the Four Mile Fork Exxon located at 5326 Jefferson Davis Highway, Spotsylvania, Virginia. At 0928 hours he was shot in the back by a high powered firearm and died of his injuries. Bullet fragments were recovered. Only one shot was heard.

On October 14, 2002 at 2115 hours Linda Franklin was exiting the Home Depot located at 6217 Seven Corners Center, Arlington, Virginia when she was shot in the head by a high powered firearm. She died of her injuries on the scene. Bullet Fragments were recovered. Only one shot was heard.

On October 15, 2002 a male subject called into Rockville City 911 dispatcher and began to leave a message in which he implied he was the person responsible for these murders. This call was recorded in accordance with Rockville City Police Department policy and procedure.

On October 19, 2002 a 37 year old white male was walking in the parking lot of the Ponderosa Restaurant in Ashton, Virginia, when he was shot in the stomach with a high powered firearm. He survived his injuries and is still alive. Crime scene investigation determined the shot came from nearby woods and a hand written note was found there addressed to the police by an individual who identified himself as the person responsible for these murders. Only one shot was heard.

On October 22, 2002, Conrad Johnson was on a Ride-On bus stopped in the 14100 block of Grand Pre Road, Silver Spring, Montgomery County, Maryland when he was shot in the abdomen with a high powered firearm. He died a short time later. Bullet fragments were removed from his body at autopsy. A hand written note was left in the woods in the area where the shot was fired from. It was addressed to the police from the person(s) claiming responsibility for these shootings.

In all of these cases the victims were shot from a secreted position, with no apparent motive other than random violence against victims who were in the course of conducting normal everyday activities. Investigation revealed that their injuries are all consistent with those suffered from a high powered weapon. All of the incidents that occurred within Montgomery County occurred within a small geographic area.

The Maryland State Office of Chief Medical Examiners conducted autopsies on the remains of Martin, Buchanan, Walekar, Ramos, Lewis-Rivera and Johnson and ruled that their deaths were caused by single gunshot wounds and their manner of death was homicide in each case.

The bullet fragments recovered from the murder victims Lewis-Rivera, Ramos, Walekar, Charlot, Myers, Bridges, Franklin and Johnson as well as the assault victims in the shopping center, school, and the Ponderosa, were taken to the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms for ballistic examination. Firearm and Toolmark Examiner [redacted] conducted the examination. Examiner Dandridge determined that all bullet jacket fragments had rifling characteristics that were the same and the individual characteristics identified the bullet jacket fragments as having been fired from the same firearm. The caliber of these bullets is a .223. One of the firearms that could have fired these bullets is a Bushmaster XM15-E2S.

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During the course of the Sniper Investigation, telephone calls taking credit for the sniper shootings were placed to law enforcement officials and to a private citizen. In these calls, the caller has made mention of his specific knowledge of the Montgomery, Alabama shooting, providing the exact neighborhood of the incident, referring to it as a liquor store robbery, and emphasizing his awareness of who actually participated in the shooting. The caller also indicates that the police should conduct ballistics testing of the bullet fragments in Montgomery, Alabama. Those calls also include specific identifying contents that match phrases left at three crime scenes within the Sniper Investigation. Specifically, the call uses phrases that appear on all three messages left for law enforcement at the scenes of shootings in Bowie, Maryland, Ashland, Virginia, and Silver Spring, Maryland. Those phrases were not released to the public.

Investigation into the Montgomery, Alabama shooting revealed that a suspect in that murder dropped a magazine as he fled the scene. Fingerprint-evidence recovered from this magazine, a firearms catalog, was examined by Sniper Task Force investigators and found to match known prints of Lee Boyd Malvo, an illegal immigrant who had been arrested by the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Tacoma, Washington.

A concerned citizen from Tacoma, Washington, contacted authorities, advising he suspected that an individual named John Muhammad, previously known as John Williams, might be involved in the sniper homicides occurring in the Washington, D.C., area. This citizen and Muhammad had known each other for many years. Muhammad had told the citizen that Muhammad's former wife was currently living in the Washington, D.C., area. The citizen further indicated that on the last three occasions (the last of which was in August or September, 2002) Muhammad visited his home in Tacoma, he was accompanied by a young male whom Muhammad referred to by the nickname "Sniper." The citizen also said Muhammad told him he had met "Sniper" in the Caribbean.

Investigators have determined that Malvo was born in Jamaica. Task Force investigators showed a photograph of Malvo to the citizen, who positively identified Malvo as the young man Muhammad introduced to him as "Sniper."

As a result of the investigation into these murders John Allen WILLIAMS, aka John Allen Muhhamad and John Lee MALVO, aka Lee MALVO were identified as possible suspects. Their description and the description of a vehicle being operated by them were broadcast on all television newscasts as a person of interest in the above named investigation. On October 24, 2002 John Allen WILLIAMS and John Lee MALVO were

located in a vehicle in a rest stop in Frederick County, Maryland. MALVO was arrested on the strength of a Federal material witness warrant and WILLIAMS is being held, at this time, on a Federal firearms violation. A Bushmaster XM15-E2S .223 rifle was recovered in the vehicle which MALVO and WILLIAMS were found in at the Frederick County rest stop. This weapon was test fired by Examiner [redacted] at the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and he determined it to be the same firearm, to the exclusion of any other firearm that fired the bullets that were recovered from the bodies of the above mentioned homicide victims.

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The vehicle they were arrested in is a 1990 Chevrolet Caprice, Blue in color, with New Jersey registration tag NDA 21Z. According to New Jersey Motor Vehicle Administration this vehicle is registered to John A. Muhammad, listing an address in Camden, New Jersey.

After Malvo and Muhammad were arrested, subsequent investigation has developed information that the above vehicle had been seen on multiple occasions in Montgomery County during the period when these murders were being committed.

On October 23, 2002, a photograph of John Allen WILLIAMS and description of vehicle being operated by him was broadcast on all television newscasts as a person of interest in the above named investigation. On October 24, 2002 John Allen WILLIAMS and his step-son, Lee Boyd MALVO were located in a vehicle in a rest stop in Frederick County, Maryland and were arrested without incident. MALVO was arrested on the strength of a material witness warrant that stemmed from a homicide investigation in Alabama and WILLIAMS is being held, at this time, on charges of a Convicted Felon being in possession of a Firearm. A Bushmaster .223 Rifle was recovered in the vehicle which MALVO and WILLIAMS were found in at the Frederick County rest stop. This weapon is consistent with the weapon believed to be used by the suspect(s) in this investigation and has been sent to the ATF for investigative purposes. Also located in the vehicle was identification in the name of John Allen Muhammad, Charles Douglas, Thomas Lee, and Wayne Weekley.

SNIPER INCIDENT DETAILS

(Last Update: 10/25 at 0830 hours)

Prepared at the direction of [] by the MCPD Crime Analysis Section (mal)

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#	Agency / Case #	Date	Day	Time	Location	Victim	Details	Vehicle	Misc.	Evidence
1	Mont. Co. PD # W02-231730 Victim: []	09/14	SAT	2212	Hillandale Beer & Wine 10117 New Hamp. Ave. Silver Spring, MD	Indian M, 22 yrs Survived	One shot to the back while talking with a coworker outside at closing time. Nfd			Inconclusive ballistics
1	Mont. Co. PD # W02-247811 Michaels Store	10/02	WED	1720	Michael's, Northgate S/C 3800 Aspen Hill Road Silver Spring, MD	Store window	one shot fired through window, potential victim not known			Inconclusive ballistics
2	Mont. Co. PD # W02-247851 Victim: MARTIN	10/02	WED	1802	Shoppers Food Whse. 2201 Randolph Road Wheaton, MD	W/M, 55 yrs. Deceased	one shot to back as he walked in lot toward grocery store			Inconclusive ballistics
3	Mont. Co. PD # W02-248212 Victim: BUCHANAN	10/03	THU	0741	Colonial Dodge 11400 blk Rkvl Pike (to rear, on Huff Ct.) Rockville, MD	WM, 39 yrs. Deceased	one shot to back as he mowed grass	Poss. White box-style truck or van?		Inconclusive ballistics
4	Mont. Co. PD # W02-248235 Victim: WALEKAR	10/03	THU	0812	Mobile station 4100 Aspen Hill Road S.S. (Rkvl zip), MD	Indian/M, 54 yrs. Deceased	one shot to back as he got gas for cab	Possible box truck with "lots of glass" in front.		Ballistic match
5	Mont. Co. PD # W02-248522 Victim: RAMOS	10/03	THU	0837	Leisure World Plaza S/C 3701 Rossmoor Blvd. Silver Spring, MD	H/F, 34 yrs. Deceased	one shot to head as she sat on a bench	Poss. White, square-shaped box truck, roll up rear door, 2 lines of small block lettering on side & rear; bumper has bent-in damage on right rear.		Ballistic match
6	Mont. Co. PD # B02-248316 Victim: LEWIS-RIVERA	10/03	THU	0958	Shell station 10515 Connecticut Ave. Kensington, MD	W/F, 25 yrs. Deceased	one shot to back as she vacuumed out van			Ballistic match
7	Metropolitan PD # 148434 Victim: CHARLOT	10/03	THU	2120	Sidewalk 7700 blk Ga. Ave. NW Washington, DC.	B/M, 72 yrs. Deceased	one shot to chest as he walked (projectile first passed through hand)		Shooter - probably outside a vehicle	Ballistic match
8	Spottsylvania Co. SO # 02-100892 Victim: name unavail.	10/04	FRI	1427	Michael's 3000 Plank Road Fredericksburg, VA	W/F, 43 yrs. Survived	one shot to side/back as she put parcels into van			Ballistic match
9	Pr. Georges Co. PD # 02-280284 Victim: name unavail.	10/07	MON	0809	Benjamin Tasker MS 4901 Collington Road Bowie, MD	B/M, 13 yrs. Survived	one shot to front abdomen as he walked toward school		Shooter - probably outside a vehicle	Ballistic match .223 shell casing tarot card
10	Prince Wm. Co. PD # 02-149482 Victim: MEYERS	10/09	WED	2010	Battlefield Sunoco 7203 Sudley Road Manassas, VA	W/M, 53 yrs. Deceased	One shot to head as he got gas			Ballistic match
11	Spottsylvania Co. SO # 02-103804 Victim: BRIDGES	10/11	FRI	0928	4-Mile Fork Exxon 5326 Jefferson Davis Hwy Massoponax, VA.	B/M, 53 yrs. Deceased	One shot to the back while pumping gas	Possible white Chev Astro Van?		Ballistic match
12	Fairfax County PD # 02-287002514 Victim: FRANKLIN	10/14	MON	2115	Home Depot parking lot 6217 Seven Corners Cntr. Falls Church, VA.	W/F, 47 yrs. Deceased	One shot to the head while loading parcels into car parked in comm. garage			Ballistic Match
13	Hanover County SO # 02-287002514 Victim: name unavail.	10/19	SAT	1959	Ponderosa Steak House 809 England Street Ashland, VA	W/M, 37 yrs. Survived	One shot to abdomen as victim walked to rear lot		Shooter - probably in rear wood line	Ballistic Match
14	Mont. Co. PD # 02-270572 Victim: JOHNSON	10/22	TUE	0555	14100 Block Grand Pre Rd Silver Spring, MD	B/M, 35 yrs. Deceased	One shot to the chest as he stood on a Ride-On Bus.		Shooter in wood line in nearby park	Ballistic Match

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DATE	TIME	EVENT	NOTES	INVESTIGATIVE STATUS	UPDATE
10/12-18 /02	Unknown	Subject claimed to call FBI Task Force Number 888-324-9800 on four occasions over 6 days.	Rapid Start unable to substantiate.	Continuing.	
10/15/2002	1133	Telephone call made to Rockville City Police Department (RCPD) telephone number 301-309-3100 from payphone 703-878-4962 located at Texaco Gas Station, 2850 Dale Boulevard, Woodbridge, Virginia.	Telephone call was recorded. Two additional payphones located at Texaco Gas Station, 703-897-7069, 703-897-7139.	Copy of recorded conversation sent to Richmond, Virginia CP for priest. One payphone booth at FBI Lab. Phone records being analyzed.	
10/17/2002	1638	Telephone call made to Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD) telephone 240-773-5000 from payphone 804-752-2931 located at MAPCO, 801 England Street, Ashland, Virginia. Officer [redacted] received the call.	Caller discussed Montgomery, Alabama robbery/murder. Pe [redacted] the call he received was the same as the RCPD caller. Telephone line at MCPD not recorded.	Phone records being analyzed. -Ballistic evidence arrived at ATF lab (not a match) -Latent evidence arrived at FBIHQ lab -Latent match to Lee Malvo -Surveillance started on residence in Clinton, Md. Re Malvo	
10/17/2002	1740	Second telephone call made to MCPD telephone 240-773-5000 from payphone 804-752-9808 located at Fastmart, 523 South Washington Highway, Ashland, Virginia. Officer [redacted] received the call.	Telephone line at MCPD not recorded. b6 b7c	Phone records being analyzed. -Richmond FBI to seize payphone.	
10/18/2002	1627	Telephone call made to Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD) telephone 240-773-5000 from payphone 804-752-2931 located at MAPCO, 801 England Street, Ashland, Virginia.	Duration of 3 minutes 33 seconds.	Phone records being analyzed.	
10/18/2002	1703	Telephone call made to Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD) telephone 240-773-5000 from payphone 804-752-9840 located at Wendy's, 10177 Brook Rd., Glen Allen, Virginia.	No duration.	-Richmond FBI to seize payphone.	
10/18/2002	1733	Telephone call made to Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD) telephone 240-773-5000 from payphone 804-752-9808 located at Fastmart, 523 S. Washington Hwy, Ashland, Virginia.	Duration of 3 minutes 53 seconds.	Phone records being analyzed.	
10/18/2002	1755	Telephone call made to Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD) telephone 240-773-5000 from payphone 804-752-8177, The Pantry, 601 England Street, Ashland, Virginia.	No duration.	-Richmond FBI to seize payphone.	
10/18/2002	2100 to 2200	Telephone call made to Saint Anne Parish, Ashland, Virginia. Call transferred to priest's home.	Caller discussed Montgomery, Alabama. Two males talked to the priest on the same call. Priest conversed with both individuals.	Priest reinterviewed by Richmond FBI 10/21/02. Priest believes caller two same as voice on Rockville tape. Richmond FBI is dumping all records for priest's home and church.	

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DATE	TIME	EVENT	NOTES	INVESTIGATIVE STATUS	UPDATE
10/20/2002	0600	Telephone call made to Virginia State Police.	All Virginia State Police (VSP) tapes of the calls are at Richmond CP. They will be transported to ERF for analysis. If calls are legitimate, ERF will make copies for Montgomery County Task Force. SA [redacted]	Richmond investigation pending -No legitimate calls	
10/20/2002	0940	Telephone call made to FBI WFO Command Post from payphone 804-354-8966 located at Faspart Gas Station 4419 W. Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia.		One payphone booth at FBI Lab. Phone records being analyzed.	
10/21/2002	0756	30 Second call placed from 804-967-9956 at 8208 W. Broad, Richmond, VA to Ponderosa phone #8205 pushed to NOC. Subject played a tape reiterating demands.	Call trapped by USMS and Richmond CP conducted surveillance at phone.	Individual not at target phone, but at phone in close proximity being questioned. Individuals white van is being processed.	
10/22/00		Note left at 10/22/02 crime scene.	Note retrieved by MCPD.	Analysis ongoing.	

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NAMES USED BY JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD

Misc. ID

WILLIAMS, John Allen
DOB : 12/31/60

Washington State DL

MUHAMMAD, John Allen
DOB: 12/31/60
7302 South Ainsworth Drive
Tacoma, WA
DL# MUHAMJA 402RU

South Dakota DL

DOUGLAS, Charles
DOB: 12/31/70
4583 South Hell Street
Hot Spring, SD
DL# 9203782341P

Wyoming DL

LEE, Thomas
DOB: 01/14/63
80 South Scott Lane
Jackson, WY
DL# 451891495

Montana DL

WEEKLEY, Wayne
DOB: 05/10/66
3497 Belling Road
Billings, MT
DL# MON976488348 or MON976485348

SUMMARY OF NAMES

MUHAMMAD, John Allen
WILLIAMS, John Allen
DOUGLAS, Charles
LEE, Thomas
WEEKLEY, Wayne

SUSPECT'S VEHICLE

1990 Chev. Caprice
NJ Tags (front & rear):
NDA-21Z

JUVENILE SUSPECT

MALVO, Lee Boyd
DOB:
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Note: When checking names at hotel registries, shelters, etc., check all of Muhammad's aliases and the tag number for his Caprice.

If a witness identifies any photograph in the photo spread, have the witness initial and date next to the photo. The law enforcement officer should also initial and date next to the photo.

If recorded information is developed that links the Muhammad and/or Malvo and/or their vehicle to a location, photocopy the record and document the circumstances in your notes. Return documentation and notes to your supervisor.

MCP

To: Montgomery County P.D. Task Force

From: FBI/MCS [REDACTED]
(Rapid Start Analysis Group)

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Re: SNIPEMUR (Case #194)

Criminal Events Incident Dates: 09/05/2002 - 10/22/2002

SNIPEMUR (CASE #194) "INCIDENT SYNOPSIS"

- Nineteen shooting incidents have been identified in a series since 09/05/02.
- Twelve people have been killed, six critically wounded, and one incident entailed property damage only.
- The ATF has conclusively associated fifteen of nineteen shooting incidents.
- Joint forensic analysis of all criminal evidence conducted by the FBI, ATF and the USSS. The ATF serves as the central repository for incoming evidence.
- DNA/handwriting/ink analysis has been conducted by the FBI and USSS.
- Witness observations/interviews contributed to the development of composite drawings.

The following document details information gleaned from Rapid Start Information Control Forms and investigative follow-ups, relating to the SNIPEMUR (Major Case #194) matters. Examined information has been compared to known shooting events at varied crime scenes, combined with witness descriptions of possible subjects and/or motor vehicles at noted locations. Specific emphasis in these examinations entail criminal investigative analysis being accomplished on a case-by-case basis.

Following the noted events, the Rapid Start control numbers, along with relevant investigative data is displayed.

***SUBJECTS ARRESTED (10/24/02):**

- 1) Muhammad, John Allen (AKA: Williams, John Allen)
Aliases: Lee, Thomas
Name changed on 4/23/01/Conversion to Islam
Black Male...D.O.B. (12/31/60)...6'1"...185 Lbs...Brn/Brn
SSN (435-11-9819) & FBI (68510TB7)
Place of Birth: St. Elizabeth, Jamaica
Last Known Address: 7302 S. Ainsworth, Tacoma WA
Former Address: 352 Limerick Dr., Pinole CA 94564
Washington Driver's License: B3720612
Associated Credit Information: 5581-0300-0009-1614
Miscellaneous: Persian Gulf war veteran/Kuwait Liberation Medal & Saudi Arabian Liberation Medal
(*Outstanding Misdemeanor warrant: CR0038779-Tacoma, WA*)
 - Wife: [REDACTED] (Divorce Final on 10/16/2001)
 - Children: [REDACTED]
 - Family Information: Domestic Violence Order
 - Criminal/Civil Info: Washington State Tax Warrant (Unpaid Taxes)
Civil: Divorce/Domestic Violence

- 2) Malvo, Lee Boyd
Black Male...D.O.B. [REDACTED] .5'5"...125 Lbs...Brn/Blk
Alien # [REDACTED] and FBI [REDACTED]
Place of Birth: St. Elizabeth, Jamaica
Last Known Address: 2217 Woburn St., Bellingham, WA 98226
Other address(es): 57 Valfour Lane, Willinbour N.J. (Summer 02)
Miscellaneous: Drop-out at Bellingham High School, Wa. (2001)

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ARRESTED SUBJECT'S I.D.'s/ DRIVER'S LICENSE POSSESSIONS
("MUHAMMAD, JOHN ALLEN")

1) Montana I.D. Card:

Listed: Weekley, Wayne
D.O.B. (05/10/66)
3497 Belling Road
Billings, Montana
I.D. #: MON976485-348

2) South Dakota I.D. Card :

Listed: Douglas, Charles
D.O.B. (12/31/70)
4583 South Heel Street
Hot Springs, South Dakota
I.D. #: 9203782341P

3) Washington State Driver's License:
(*Valid license expires 12/31/03*)

Listed: Muhammad, John Allen
D.O.B. (12/31/60)
7302 South Ainsworth Drive
Tacoma, Washington
License #: MUHAMJA 402RU

4) Wyoming I.D. Card:

Listed: Lee, Thomas
D.O.B. (01/14/63)
80 South Scott Lane
Jackson, Wyoming
I.D. #: 603986-79

* MOTOR VEHICLE SEARCHES BASED ON

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"Muhammad/Malvo Intelligence Information: Continued"

*KNOWN ASSOCIATE(S) OF SUBJECT(S):

[Redacted] Trenton, N.J.
N.J. Arrest #: [Redacted] Indiana License #: [Redacted]

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- Jamaican Background -

-ITEMS SEIZED AS PHYSICAL EVIDENCE FROM SUSPECT VEHICLE-

*Receipts/Miscellaneous Papers:

- 1) K-Mart receipt for a duffle bag purchase dated 10/23/02 at 2:13 p.m.
(Store #43399 39 8380 9039)
- 2) Save-A-Lot Grocery Store for the purchase of grape juice (\$1.99) dated
09/27/02 at #5907 Florida Boulevard in Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- 3) Healthy Natural Foods Produce for the purchase of \$1.90 in merchandise.
Transaction dated 09/12/02 at 2:06 p.m., at #1610 Bellview Blvd.,
Alexandria, Va.
- 4) Piggly Wiggly for an unknown purchase on 09/23/02, on Plank Avenue in
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

*Business Card:

- 1) Soul Vegetarian Restaurant at #9185 Central Ave., in Largo, MD.,
(301-324-6900). The name [Redacted] written in caps on the back.

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*Miscellaneous Blue Paper w/School Addresses (Under Passenger Headrest):

Camp Early Childhood Center
6834 Ater Street
Baltimore, MD., 21202

Maiden Choice School
4901 Shelbourne Rd.
Baltimore, MD., 21227

Arbutus Elementary
1300 Sulpher Spring Rd.
Baltimore, MD.

*MILITARY RECORDS INFORMATION (DUTY LOCATIONS):

Louisiana Army National Guard: 769th Engineer Battalion

08/21/78: (Baton Rouge, LA) - Enlistment in the Louisiana Army National Guard.
10/23/78-02/02/79: (Ft. Leonard Wood, MO) - Basic/Combat Engineer Training
- Combined boot camp/specialty training
- Assigned as a carpenter in 1979 as well
10/02/80-12/11/80: (Aberdeen Proving Ground, Aberdeen, MD)-Welding Course
- 05/81: The course was "self paced" with orders to MD
04/82 & 10/82: Plumber's Course (Academic Failure)/Assn. Plumber/Pipe Fitter
07/02/83-07/16/83: (Camp Shelby, MS) - Training Exercise
06/83: Assigned as a Water Production Technician while in Louisiana
07/02/83-07/16/83: (Camp Shelby, MS) - Training Exercise .
04/06/84-04/22/84: (Llanos de Mariato, Panama) - Training Exercise
07/29/85: Honorable Discharge from Louisiana National Guard - Active Army

United States Army: Assignment to Active Duty Status

11/06/85: (Baton Rouge, LA) - Enlisted into active duty (U.S. Army)
11/18/85-01/31/90: (Ft. Lewis, WA) - 15th Engineers Company
01/87: (Mountain Training Camp, WA) - Basic Winter Operations Course
02/26/90-12/06/90: (Germany) - 84th Engineer Company
12/07/90-03/27/91: (Saudi Arabia) - 84th Engineer Company
03/28/91-05/01/92: (Germany) - 84th Engineer Company
05/29/92-09/03/93: (Ford Ord, California) - 7th Rep. Detach./13th Eng. Batt.
09/04/93-04/25/94: (Fort Lewis, WA) - 14th Engineer Battalion
04/25/94: Honorable Discharge from the U.S. Army

Oregon Army National Guard: 141st Support Battalion in Clackamas, OR

04/26/94: (Clackamas, OR) - Enlistment in Oregon Army National Guard (1 Yr.)
(Reservist Capacity)
04/25/95: (Oregon) - Expiration of Reserve Duty - Honorably Discharged

*MOTOR VEHICLE(S) ASSOCIATED WITH SUBJECT(S):

- 1) 1990 Four Door Chevrolet Caprice (NJ: NDA-21Z)
- 2) Jaguar- Unknown Year- Brownish/Green Color
- 3) 1969 Ford- White-King Cab Pick-up Truck (Bad Condition)
(*Allegedly left in possession of military friend, [redacted])
- 4) 2000 or 2001 Infinity (Female Friend [redacted] interview)
- 5) 75'-80 Chevrolet Pick-up, Possible a 3/4 ton (BA13717)
- 6) Mitsubishi Diamante (According to [redacted] interview)
- 7) Geo Metro-White- 2 Door (Last seen 06/02: [redacted])
- 8) Honda Accord- 2 Door- (Sister [redacted] lent to Muhammad)
(*M/V lent from 1994-95 when sister assigned to Korea*)

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*SIGNIFICANT INTELLIGENCE INFO. ON SUBJECTS:

- 12/31/60: John Allen Williams born in Baton Rouge, Louisiana
(File # 15760025326)
- 1973: John Allen Williams issued S.S. # in Louisiana (435-11-9819)
- 1975-1978: Attendance at Scottlandville Senior High School under the name of 'John Allen Williams'
- 11/22/81: John Allen Williams marries [redacted] (#357-206) in Parish of East Baton Rouge in Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- 02/18/85: Lee Boyd Malvo born in the Victoria Jubilee Hospital, Kingston Parish, Kingston District in St. Elizabeth, Jamaica. (Cert. #AA4982).
Mother listed as an [redacted]. No father's name noted.
- 03/19/85: 'Certificate of Naming' of Lee Boyd Malvo. Copies available through [redacted] (Bellingham P.D., Washington)
- 06/29/98: Civil judgment action (\$7,982) awarded to [redacted] against John Allen Muhammad ('Williams') and business partner [redacted] [redacted] in Tacoma, Washington
- 06/09/99: INS (File#A79807099) advise an entry into the United States (Miami, Florida) by the subject Malvo and his mother [redacted] (INS Contact [redacted] -Asst. Chief Patrol Agent).
- 03/8 & 20/00: Protection Order service attempted/completed on subject John John Muhammad @ 7419 S. Alaska St., Tacoma, Wa. Order from Superior Ct. of Washington for Pierce County (#00-2-00701-4).

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"Significant Info. On Subjects Malvo/Muhammad"

- March-June 2000: (Antigua)- Investigation of fraud in alleged concert with subject [redacted] (53 YO known to N.Y./New Jersey officials for fraud offenses with past arrests noted: In most cases he posed as a manager for music entertainers as a swindle).

- 05/23/00: Transfer of firearm (Bushmaster Rifle/Semi-Auto/Model A-35/.223 Caliber/XM15-E2S/Serial #L166036. The gun was transferred to Welcher's Gun Shop, 6400 Pacific Ave., Tacoma, Wa.- [redacted] involving John Muhammad - Transfer Form Z-10/Transaction #1183-Shop #23.

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- 06/19/00: Legal Attache [redacted] (FBI) advises Muhammad's ('Williams') mother was born in Antigua on [redacted]. The subject Muhammad and his father possess(ed) dual citizenship in both the United States and Antigua (See [redacted]).

- 07/04/00: Legal Attache [redacted] (FBI) advises Muhammad was issued his passport in Antigua (#0118115).

- April 13, 2001: (Miami Intl. Airport)- Muhammad enters U.S. with two Jamaican women and a little girl. (American Airlines: Flt. 1980 from St. Marteen) A counterfeit birth certificate was presented. The woman/child also presented false documents. INS officials decided there was not enough evidence to prosecute, as it appeared that he was a valid U.S. citizen. The women/child were denied entry (NCIC Criminal History-INS Form I-259-Report #A79399358).

- 1) [redacted] Used - 10/7/69
Place of Birth: Jamaica (Passport [redacted])
- 2) [redacted]
Place of Birth: Jamaica

- 04/16/01: (SEE [redacted] & (306-BA-102679)-1433- From [redacted] (RAC-U.S. Dept. of State: Diplomatic Security)- Williams ('Muhammad'), first applies for passport in New Orleans, Louisiana. Muhammad provided 'Southern University' documents found to be fraudulent.

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- 04/24/01: Subject Muhammad issued a Washington state driver's license (WILLIJA403RU), expiring on 12/31/03.

- May 2001: Muhammad [redacted] (See March-June 2000 entry above) arrived in Antigua together, but law enforcement authorities cannot place them in any illegal situations while there.

"Significant Info. On Subjects Malvo/Muhammad"

- 05/09/01: FBI (Case #88D-SE-85794-SA [redacted])
Complaint stemming from contact by [redacted] relative
to a 'parental kidnap'. Of investigative interest is that [redacted] had spoken
to a friend [redacted] from Tacoma, Washington who had recently spoken to
John Muhammad. Muhammad told [redacted] his children were now in either
British Columbia or the Caribbean somewhere. John also indicated that he had
an unidentified girlfriend who traveled with him. Note: Efforts were made to
reach [redacted] to verify this information, but to date, it has been
unsuccessful.

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- August 2001: Police in Whatcom County Sheriff's Office in Bellingham,
Washington (Det. [redacted] Case # 20011A-16498) remove three children
[redacted] and [redacted] from Muhammad's
custody, returning them into the custody of [redacted] Children had been
students of the Parkview Elementary School and Whatcom Middle School under
fictitious names.

- 10/16/01: Subject Lee Boyd Malvo deemed as a 'runaway' by his mother [redacted]
[redacted] reporting to the Bellingham P.D. in Washington (#01B47198-Officer
[redacted]-Bellingham P.D.) from Ft. Meyers, Florida.

- 11/28/01: Source was concerned after Muhammad sought a ride
out to a home on [redacted] Wa. The
home was apparently a private gunsmith. She walked inside after a
delay there and overheard Muhammad speak of "shortening the barrel,
getting a silencer, and a collapsible stock." He told [redacted] he went there to
avoid paperwork. He also sought to buy a gun for his "son" and said he
a similar one like it. **POLICE CONTACT: DET. SGT. [redacted]**
(Gunsmith [redacted])

- 11/30/01: Source [redacted] notified Bellingham High in
Washington about concerns she had about L. Malvo and J. Muhammad.
Muhammad was sought to do some handy work at the Country Garden
Apartments in Sumas, Wa [redacted] described Muhammad as "highly
manipulative." Muhammad spoke to her of fasting for days on end, and of
his penchant for physical fitness. He also said he spent 20 yrs. in the
Special Forces. He also claimed to have worked 15 yrs. in commodities.
When questioned about the total number of years worked, he became
elusive. He also referred to Malvo as "his son" and said he enrolled him
in Bellingham High School. (Note: Muhammad allegedly told school
officials Malvo attended a private school in Jamaica and that he held
the credits of a senior.) The staff was suspicious of the transcript.

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"Significant Info. On Subjects Malvo/Muhammad"

- 12/01 to 01/18/00: Source from 'Lighthouse Mission' (Bellingham, WA.) states Malvo/Muhammad stayed there numerous times. The last time spent was on this date. (*Note: Muhammad used bogus S.S. of 531-19-6819 and Malvo used a bogus DOB of either 10/4/82 or 10/11/82. Muhammad also took flying lessons while at the mission [redacted] knows Muhammad very well. Source [redacted] alleges Malvo/Muhammad in the area within the past 30 days.

(*Se [redacted] Speaks of Muhammad being a single father-Professional- Respectful-Strict with his children-Pensive/On edge-Health food nut- Extensive traveler in/out of country* [redacted] thought it was odd that Muhammad traveled so extensively/took flying lessons and had money to do a lot of things but lived in a shelter.

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- Mid-2000/2001: Source [redacted] advised Muhammad in military surplus store in Kent, WA., purchasing black BDU's and a California Highway Patrol badge. Muhammad stated he was on undercover assignment. Check written for \$190.00/Bad check. Kent P.D. in possession of check/report. Store is now closed.

- 12/14/01: Bellingham P.D. in Washington advises that subject Malvo is an unreported runaway from Florida and is staying with Muhammad at the Lighthouse Mission. (Malvo had pretended that Muhammad was his 'father' so that he could be registered for school in Bellingham, Wa.) Contact: Det. [redacted] [redacted] - Bellingham P.D. @ [redacted]

- 12/15/01: Malvo released to his mother, [redacted] who had arrived from Florida via a Greyhound bus.

- 12/18/01: Malvo again deemed as an unreported runaway. Determined Malvo sought to remain at the Lighthouse Mission in Bellingham, Wa., with Muhammad.

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- 12/19/01: (Arrests)- U.S. Border Patrol for Illegal Entry. Both Malvo and [redacted]
- Released on own recognizance on 1/23/02 pending removal hearing
- Relatives [redacted] (Question of husband/other relationship?)

[redacted]
- St. Elizabeth, Jamaica

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- Feb.-July 02': Tacoma, Wa., resident alleges he hosted Malvo/Muhammad in his home, with interest in firearms he owned, inclusive of a .45 Ca., .44 Ca. and a rifle. It was alleged that Muhammad had borrowed the .45 on occasion. (*The Washington state crime lab performed ballistic tests on both the .45/.44, And confirmed that both were utilized in separate crimes.*)

- .45 Ca: Used in 2/16/02 death of 21 YO female, Keenya Cook from Tacoma, Wa. (Single wound to the head).

*Re: Cook Homicide: As in the case of the homicide of an Asian woman on 09/23/02 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, the victim here (Keenya Cook) was shot in the face.

- .44 Ca: Used in a vandalism in May 02', at Temple Beth el, a Tacoma synagogue. The ATF remains in an active investigation in that offense. Ballistic evidence seized after shootings on 5/1 and 5/3/02.
(*Malvo/Muhammad listed as suspects: No charges filed as of yet*)

- 03/13/02: Greyhound Bus Trip by two subjects, listing themselves as John Muhammad (Ticket #19255268) and Lee Muhammad (Ticket #19255269) from Los Angeles, California to Tucson, Arizona.

- 03/25/02: Greyhound Bus Transaction: Gleaned from passenger manifest on Bus #2132 on Schedule #6379 from Nogales, Arizona to Phoenix, Arizona. Two tickets bought in cash under the names of Edward Williams (#19812272) and Edward Williams Jr. (#19812273).

- 03/25/02: A stolen VISA card (stolen on a bus ride from Nogales, and Flagstaff AZ.,) in the name of [redacted] is used to charge \$12.01 in fuel. The account number is [redacted] is a Greyhound bus driver interviewed by investigative personnel on several occasions. The source is certain that the theft occurred on this date. [redacted] replacement CDL was obtained on 03/26/02.

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- Bus route: Departs Nogales, Arizona at 12:00 p.m.
Arrives: Flagstaff, Arizona at app. 10:00 p.m.

Driver's backpack left open behind her seat between Tucson and Phoenix. In Phoenix, where there was a two hour hold over, the source took her bag to wait in the driver's room. When boarding the bus again in Phoenix, the backpack (closed now), was placed behind her seat during the trip to Flagstaff. (*Source speculates the theft occurred between the original Tucson to Phoenix run, when the bag was left open behind her seat*).

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- Noted passenger ticket procedures: Records for all routes sent to Greyhound H.Q. in Dallas, TX. When a ticket is purchased, (3) copies are issued (1-Ticket agent..1-Passenger and 1-Bus driver retains). Greyhound terminals send agent copies to Dallas, app. once a month. Driver tickets retained are also routed to Dallas.
- On this trip, the Nogales/Tucson – Phoenix tickets would be dropped at the Phoenix location, while the Phoenix to Flagstaff passenger tickets would be dropped at the Flagstaff station.
- Note: No I.D. is required to purchase a Greyhound ticket but most agents typically ask for a name for display on the ticket. If handwritten, it would be rare to have a name associated with a purchase. The Nogales station still issues written tickets.

The source indicates five (5) males boarding the bus in Nogales, Arizona. A heavy set Mexican male, who was also a double amputee (no legs), sat across from her in the first row. The other four passengers were described as a combination of Anglo-Hispanic, thin, with dark hair.

- Noted bus stops: Between Tucson and Phoenix, the bus stopped at Marana, Eloy, Casa Grande, Chandler, Mesa, and Tempe. App. ten more boarded, with most getting on in Mesa. All passengers got off in Phoenix, and nobody continued on to Flagstaff two hours later. It was estimated 20 people boarded at Phoenix with another 10 getting on at Sky Harbor, Airport, Glendale, or Camp Verde. The leg to Flagstaff from Phoenix was the only bus traveling the night of 03/25/02. SSA [redacted] in efforts to pin down the exact date of theft, set an immediate lead to Dallas, in order to locate the passenger tickets for this entire run.

- Greyhound Bus Information: (Re: [redacted] from New Orleans, Louisiana. NOTE: SEE COMPLETE

INTERVIEW BREAKDOWN DATED 10/28/02: SA [redacted]
The following relates to activities possibly surrounding the theft of [redacted] credit card/personal property;

- Interview segments were read to say [redacted] in early March 2002, possibly on a Thursday, she received a phone call from J. Williams ('Muhammad'). Muhammad states he was at the Greyhound bus station in Tucson, Arizona and sought to visit her. [redacted] said she picked him up at mid-day. When she arrived, Muhammad was accompanied by a younger man he referred to as "his son." [redacted] came to know him as "Lee." She said he spoke with a slight accent, possibly Jamaican. She knew him later by what she thought was his actual name, that of "John Malvo." [redacted] identified one she knew as "John Malvo," as one of the subjects within the investigative photographic arrays, that of the suspect, "Lee Boyd Malvo."

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- KEY: [redacted] said that she had dinner with Malvo/Muhammad and the following day they drove around Tucson sightseeing and spent time at a park.

At night, she dropped them back off at the Greyhound station, where Muhammad told her they (Malvo/Muhammad) were going to Louisiana. (*Note: CA [redacted] (FBI: ViCAP) is currently working with the Baton Rouge P.D. on a series of un-related homicides of females, with crimes committed on 09/23/01, 05/31/02 and 07/12/02. There is apparently a great deal of DNA evidence in these cases. Being that Muhammad/Malvo are shown not to have a motor vehicle at this juncture, and were said to be heading to a state and area he was familiar with, these matters are worthy of attention. CA [redacted] contacted on 11/02/02 in order to relay investigative matters pertaining to these subjects*)

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- 03/26/02: (Chicago, Illinois)- Following a sweep within the FBI ViCAP system detailing common factors associated with this crime series, one case arose that may be worthy of further investigative consideration. On this date, a 31 YO black male pumping gas was shot and killed, with a black male seen leaving the scene shortly after in an older model Chevrolet automobile (No plate or identifiers noted). Ballistic evidence revealed .223 Ca. ammunition was used in this homicide. Contact will be made with Det. [redacted] for details relating to this matter. (*Det. [redacted] office contacted by MCS [redacted] on 10/30/02 for a follow-up investigation*).

- Investigative note: (According to [redacted] in Nov. 2001, Ms. [redacted] (Now [redacted] Maiden Name), the ex-wife of the suspect John A. Muhammad, was shown residing at [redacted] [redacted] (Cook County). Key: Can the subject(s) Muhammad/Malvo be placed in this area during this span of time?

- 04/2002: [redacted] - Source was friend of Muhammad in Bellingham, Wa. Last saw Muhammad/Malvo at this time. Source said they frequently took the bus on travels (Greyhound: Transportation Center in Bellingham).

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- Jan./Feb. 2002: Muhammad sought out source to help him find a lightweight piece of metal.
- Muhammad had duffel bag/Malvo a backpack in travels.
- Note: Muhammad had frequent contact with Greyhound owner [redacted]
- Last time he saw Muhammad, was to drop him at a metal shop owned by an old Army buddy.

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- 07/12-22/02: Source states Malvo/Muhammad stayed in Room #229 or #230 at the Sarah Lodge on Rt. 231 in Dothan, AL.
- (Source described blue Caprice with northeast plates and said that two females were with them during their stay there.

- Prior to First Shooting Event: (SEE [redacted] Source [redacted])

[redacted] Numerous times over the past six weeks, a blue Chevrolet Caprice w/tinted windows and yellow N.J. plates, has been parked in his side lot next to the shed. He first spotted it prior to 10/2/02. He saw it a second time in early October and again two weeks prior to 10/28/02. The vehicle would only be there for several hours during the middle of the day and would then disappear. The car also parked on the street. (Note: [redacted])

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Muhammad's ex lives within one mile of this church. The week before this date (10/28/02), [redacted] viewed Muhammad walking on Pine View Lane.

- August 2002: (Interview by SA [redacted] on 10/25/02 at FBI, Baton Rouge, Louisiana of [redacted])

- He overheard one now identified as Muhammad talking to an older black male in the whirlpool. The source spoke to Muhammad after learning he was from Tacoma, Wa., as the Source was from [redacted]
- Muhammad told him he and his son were passing through Baton Rouge on their way to the northeast to do a little hunting.
- Muhammad spoke of Tacoma and of his time at Ft. Lewis.
- Muhammad said he and his son were staying at a motel on Florida Boulevard in Baton Rouge.
- A younger black male appearing to know Muhammad was seen as well.

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- 08/27/02: Telephonic interview by SA [redacted] Squad 6- Effingham, Illinois of [redacted] reporting having conversation with subject Muhammad at a Super WalMart in Mount Vernon, Illinois at app. 7:30 p.m.
 - At auto service area, he met a black male driving a Jaguar convertible. The man said he was a Gulf War vet, raised in Louisiana, and had a birth name of 'Williams.'
 - Subject same as current suspect, John Allen Muhammad, was believed to be heading back to the state of Washington.
 - The car was described as "brownish green" in color, in good shape, but not sure as to how old the vehicle was.

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- 09/05/02: Armed Robbery/Shooting at the Margellina Restaurant in Clinton, MD. Time of occurrence was 10:22 p.m., as the victim (Mgr. [redacted]) proceeded to his motor vehicle with the night's business cash/receipts, along with a business laptop. Victim found kneeling next to his car with gunshot wounds, later found to be fired from a .22 Ca. firearm. One witness saw a black male come from beside the building, approach the manager's car and open fire. The suspect then opened the rear driver's door of the victim's auto, and fled with the briefcase. Suspect: Described as a black male-Guessed to be app. 17 YOA-App. 6'0"-160 Lbs.-Wearing a black wool cap-Black Jacket-Grey Sweatpants-Holding a black sack/bag. (*INVESTIGATIVE NOTE: The laptop computer stolen during this event, was seized within the belongings of the suspect motor vehicle at the time of their arrests. This shooting event has also been positively linked ballistically with the 09/15/02 crime committed at Three Roads Liquors in Clinton, Maryland.*)

- 09/10/02: (Interview by SA [redacted] Trenton N.J. on 10/24/02 with [redacted] Sure Shot Auto Sales' in Trenton, N.J.-Subject sold suspect vehicle To Muhammad and 3rd party, [redacted])

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- Sold 1990 Dark Blue Chevrolet Caprice to John Allen Muhammad & [redacted]
- \$250.00 payment in cash with twenty day temporary tags issued (#9490830) [redacted] address of [redacted] in Camden, N.J. noted for sale.
- When issue of sales tax, Muhammad claimed to be from Canada, where there is no sales tax. Muhammad then produced a Washington state driver's license.
- This vehicle was previously a police unit from Bordentown, N.J.

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- 09/15/02: Armed Robbery/Shooting at Brandywine Liquors in Clinton, MD., at 10:16 p.m. The victim (Mgr. [redacted]) was locking the door of his establishment at closing time. A lone, black male suspect walked up to him and fired several shots. One bullet struck the victim in the abdomen. Another shot shattered the business' glass door. The suspect stole the victim's wallet and fled toward the rear of the business. Suspect: Black male-App. 35 YOA-5'4"-5'7"-Thin Build-Grey Shirt-Blue Jeans-Unknown Type Handgun.

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(*INVESTIGATIVE NOTE: This case has been positively linked with the above 09/05/02 shooting event at the Margellina Restaurant in Clinton, MD. A .22 Ca. firearm was used in that offense. Ballistics examinations are being accomplished on a .22 Ca. handgun found on 10/30/02 in Montgomery, Alabama. This weapon was found near the scene of an earlier 09/21/02 shooting event, that has been positively tied to the current suspects in these matters*)

- 09/21/02: Shooting of two females at the ABC Liquor Store in Montgomery, Alabama. A 52 year old is slain, and another is severely wounded. A latent fingerprint was found on a magazine (Armalite Catalog) near the scene. As officers arrive, they see a black male rifling through one of the victim's purses. A foot pursuit is undertaken but the suspect(s) escape. No motor vehicles were seen nearby.

Note: As in the cases throughout the Beltway Sniper series, this particular area is near a major highway (I-85) and is busy with gas stations, stores, and motels. (*Linked on 10/30/02 to Beltway series sniper cases*)

- Note: Surviving victim is shot in the face. The decedent is shot in the back, consistent with the sniper series currently under investigation.

* 09/23/02: Information sought from FBI ViCAP (CA [redacted]) in Quantico, Va., relative to the Scotlandville area of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Asian woman was shot and killed. Baton Rouge task force/K-9 police officers were on duty nearby, as they have been working a homicide series there. The canines picked up the scent from a shell casing, tracking it to a nearby duplex. A cross scent was found between two houses. The victim was shot in the face with a small caliber weapon. The subject seen fleeing the area was described as a young black male. (*SEE THE 09/26/ENTRY BELOW).- Note: Subject shot in face as on 09/21 & 09/26. MCS [redacted] (FBI-ViCAP) awaiting ballistic evidence sheets.

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*UPDATE: On 10/31/02, ballistics examinations in this case were found to be matched to the sniper-related series examined within these reports.

- 09/23/02: Caller states subject Muhammad bought .223 rounds in a pawn shop off of Beuford Highway in Atlanta, Ga.

To be added:
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- 09/26/02: (Baton Rouge, Louisiana)- Subject leaving a grocery store was shot in the face/lips. Two or three shots were fired at the victim, who managed to also fire a weapon back at the assailant(s). A dark colored Oldsmobile or Chevrolet (4-Door) was seen fleeing the area. Two young black males with short afro hair styles were seen in this vehicle. (NOTE: Records indicate that Muhammad, born in New Orleans, Louisiana, was sent to Baton Rouge to live following his mother's death. He had joined the Army National Guard of Louisiana in 1978, following his high school graduation from Scotlandville High School. He married in 1981, got a job as a welder and lived on Avenue 'M' in Baton Rouge, which appears to be a trailer park area. The 09/23/02 area where the Asian woman was killed is also in the Scotlandville area where Muhammad was very familiar with).

- 1st Week of October 2002: Source states he met Muhammad while jogging in Clinton, MD. Muhammad furnished a cell number of [redacted] to the source. Muhammad spoke of needing money.

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- 10/04/02: Caller says she saw Muhammad at the Laurel Shopping between 7:00 and 8:00 p.m. She states that this was first reported on 10/05/02. Muhammad sat in a blue Caprice with 'yellow plates.' The area was near Safeway in a remote lot.

- 10/12/02: Source worked at Next Day Blinds in the Aspen Hill Shopping Center in Md. After seeing the news reports, she said Muhammad came in with a younger black male with an accent. It was late afternoon. Both men were seen to also use the restroom in the Cactus Grill next door.

-10/14/02: At app. 1:00 p.m., source left the Milestone Shopping Center (Rt. 355/Rt.27) in Germantown, Md. She viewed an older Chevrolet car with N.J. plates with the first letter "N" and third letter "A". In traffic, the source looked over to see two black males, who appeared homeless. Both wore dark clothes and their hair was dirty. The car continued straight on Rt. 355 south.

- 10/16/02: [redacted] (Eagle Check Cashing), 6501 Suitland Rd., in Suitland, MD., reports Muhammad came in to receive Western Union wire transfer. Muhammad filled out form, displaying Washington state driver's license from Tacoma, Wa. The name "Muhammad" varied from the Western Union system name of John Allen Williams, and he was refused the money. The clerk was frightened of Muhammad and asked the source to assist. Muhammad was asked to produce a John A. Muhammad I.D. and he could not do so. Muhammad took the receipt and left in the company of a younger male, believed to be Malvo.

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They drove away in a blue Caprice with N.J. tags [redacted] said suspicions arose due to the subject's presentation of a Washington state license for the reception of cash sent from a New Jersey location. SEE [redacted] FOR ALL WESTERN UNION CONTACT NUMBERS. Lead was set to obtain a subpoena for records relating to this transfer.

- 10/16/02: Source says between 2:15 and 3:15 p.m., he was working out at the YMCA at TR-54/105B N. Washington Highway/Rt. 1 in Ashland, Va. Two black males deemed to be Malvo/Muhammad, were seen in the rear shower areas. The men wore dirty clothes and their body odor was "overpowering." He actually thought they were homeless. The man thought to be Muhammad, seemed old enough to be the other's (Malvo) father. The younger black male carried a back/day pack. Front desk personnel later told the source that the older males told them that one believed to be Muhammad said they were members of a YMCA in Washington and they sought this place to clean up. Muhammad also asked the clerks where the closest Catholic church was. Upon seeing the news photos of the pair, the source confirmed that these men were one and the same.

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Investigative Note: A white Chevy Camaro (MD [redacted]) was also seen in the church lot off and on over a six-seven week time span. On either 9/30/02 or 10/07/02, a Monday, the source left a note on this car for someone to identify themselves to church personnel. The vehicle never returned. The car info. As follows;

- 1997 Chevy Camaro [redacted]

- Owners: [redacted]

Record checks done on pair-No associations noted.

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- 10/16/02: (See [redacted] Source [redacted] in Silver Spring, MD., at app. 2:10 p.m., sees a blue Chevrolet (N.J. with last three of '21Z') coming from the Kensington Triangle Shopping Center. The vehicle, with two black males inside, turned north onto Connecticut Avenue, stopping at the light at Veirs Mill Rd. The driver was seen to exit the car and walk to the rear. It appeared he was carrying a wrapped package under his arm. The passenger then exited and it appeared both men were doing something to the trunk lid. The driver pushed the passenger back in the direction of the front of the auto, while the driver continued to work the trunk lid. The driver finished at that location, got back in and drove onto Aspen Hill Rd.

Descriptors: Driver appeared older than passenger, almost a father-son combination. He also wore a brown coat.

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- 10/17/02: At 4:35 p.m., the Public Information Officer for Montgomery County P.D., receives a telephone call from an unknown subject, believed to be the sniper. The individual boasted of the connection between the sniper killings throughout the region, and the shootings in Montgomery, Alabama. He also said he 'knew' who was responsible for the area's sniper shootings. The caller demanded that the PIO confirm the Alabama offense that occurred near Ann Street where a woman died. Because no coins were deposited, the line goes dead. - The phone number on the I.D. was (804) 752-2931. The Alabama murder is confirmed and at 5:40 p.m., the same unknown male subject calls again. The return number this time is (804) 752-9808. The PIO stated he had confirmed what was forwarded, and the UNSUB said he would call back when he had more coins. Note: Phone numbers came back to two pay phones within blocks of the Ponderosa shooting scene.

- 10/17/02: Source [redacted] reports at 5:00 p.m., that [redacted] Muhammad ('Williams'). App. 3 months ago in Tacoma, Wa., he was seen by the source with an individual he referred to as his 'son' [redacted] also said the boy (App. 18 YOA) was nicknamed 'Sniper'. The source acknowledged Muhammad's ownership of an M-16 rifle equipped with a scope. He further said that 'Williams' (AKA; Muhammad) had a bitter divorce with his wife [redacted] said that Muhammad and a subject now believed to be Malvo, were going to drive to Florida. It was the source' belief that 'Williams' could be involved in these sniper shootings.

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- 10/18/02: A resident from Washington state calls the task force and mentions the names of John A. Muhammad ('Williams') and Lee B. Malvo.

- 10/18/02: At app. 11:10 a.m., source reports seeing a black male, matching the Muhammad image released by the media, at the Speedy Mart at 23807 Roger Clark in Ruther Glen, Virginia. He observed a blue Chevrolet Caprice with tinted windows. The subject went into the store and the manager is alleged to possess the video.

- 10/18/02: Virginia priest [redacted] St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church, Ashland, Va.), received call from UNSUB believed to be the sniper. The caller had mentioned a robbery-homicide in Montgomery, Alabama.

- 10/19/02: Subjects showered at YMCA in Ashland, Va., prior to shooting at the Ponderosa Restaurant.

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- 10/20/02: Montgomery, Alabama police officials make contact with the Montgomery County, Maryland Task Force, and forwards the Armalite Catalog, crime scene photos, a picture of Lee Malvo, a copy of his fingerprints, and bullet fragments recovered in Alabama on 09/21/02.

(*On 10/22/02, FBI IAFIS personnel positively match the fingerprint from the Montgomery, Alabama crime of 09/21/02, with fingerprints recovered from a note left at a shooting scene in Bowie, Maryland on 10/07/02. Malvo had been arrested on Dec. 19, 2001 by the U.S. Border Patrol in Bellingham, Wa. He was released pending an INS hearing scheduled for November of 2002. His status shows a "release on his own recognizance on 01/23/2002, pending a removal hearing.").

- 10/21/02: [redacted] Source is positive he engaged the suspect, John Muhammad (AKA: 'Williams') at the Outback Steakhouse in Aspen Hill, at about 11:15 p.m. Source is a regular at this business. He remembers the subject feeling ill and being seated in the hostess area as the place closed. He watched as the subject got up to leave, departing in a blue Chevrolet Caprice with tinted windows and New Jersey plates. Caller is positive that this man is the same shown on CNN. (*See full ICF report. This subject also spoke to other parties within the Outback*).

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- 10/21/02: Two individuals were detained for possible involvement in the sniper shootings after being observed near a phone booth. The investigation excluded the pair, yet both were turned over to INS personnel. (*Four pay phones suspected of being used by the snipers, were seized as physical evidence and turned over to FBI laboratory personnel*). Of investigative interest is a vehicle sought by investigative personnel (pearl white metallic station wagon). This vehicle was seen by a witness during the 10/14/02 shooting.

- 10/21/02: Canvass commenced by ATF personnel of all FFL's in Maryland. In addition to this sweep, the ATF continues to examine firearm purchases, thefts, and recoveries via the ATF-National Tracing Center, in conjunction with the Virginia and Maryland firearms reporting systems. Designated retail stores selling .223 Ca. ammunition, along with compatible firearms have been monitored.

- 10/21/02: (See [redacted]) Source from Royal Books in Baltimore, Maryland states that on/about this date, between noon and 3:00 p.m., the subject Muhammad entered store and sought Arabic books. The subject was shown the 2nd floor area housing those materials. Minutes later, the subject said he had found what he was looking for and left. There are no cameras at this location.

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- 10/23/02: Caller [redacted] leased warehouse portion to Muhammad (Williams) from 3/95-4/97. Williams' address then: 7203 Ainsworth St., Tacoma, WA. Subject rented with [redacted] with address of [redacted] & Williams business name -- 'Bad Boy Stroh Competition Karate Team.'

The lease address: 8818 Bridgeport Way in SW Lakewood, WA.

- 2nd Williams' Business: 'Express Car & Truck Mechanic' -- (P.O. 98382, Tacoma WA.). Known Associate of Williams' [redacted]

[redacted] Phone- [redacted]. When Williams left in 96', he owed \$2700.00 in rent.

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- 10/23/02: Muhammad found to have shared a P.O. box in state of Washington with a [redacted] wife [redacted] shows an address of [redacted] in Virginia Beach, Va. (Phone: [redacted])

- 10/23/02: (See [redacted] Source and two workers were attending to a broken water line in the 4900 block of Bethesda, Maryland. He and another employee went to Bannockburn Dr., to shut down a main valve, and had to traverse a grassy/brush filled area. This area brought you to East Halbert, at the dead end of a cul de sac. At app. 3:30-3:45 p.m., the source walked back for tools (app. 60 yards) where he observed a black male (Clean cut/shaved) moving toward him (Black boots, either "High Tech" or "Magnum" brand-Blue or black pants-Black or blue baseball cap w/front of hat broken down with two staples in it-Green vest & Yellow T-Shirt underneath.

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- This unknown subject asked the source what street he was on. He told him and noticed that this person looked beyond him toward Bannockburn. The person walked away and was noticed turning around, and again walking past the two workers. He replied that he was admiring their work. The source last observed this man cross Bannockburn and continue on E. Halbert. He never saw this subject again, and viewed no other persons/vehicles nearby. The source, after watching the news photos following the subjects arrests, positively identified this person as John A. Muhammad, through a photo array supplied by investigators.

- INVESTIGATIVE NOTE: Another worker interviewed noticed this subject looking lost/unfamiliar with the area, but staring at bushes that lead in the direction of a school. Investigators may want to re-check this brushy/grassy area to determine if anything of investigative value may have been deliberately dumped/thrown away at this location.

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- 10/23/02, [redacted] Female jogger, in the area of her mother's residence at [redacted] in Burtonsville, MD., at app. 12:30 a.m., viewed an older model Chevrolet Caprice (no state/numbers/letters seen) moving toward her on the wrong side of the road. As the car moved closer, the driver shut the vehicle lights off. The source looked at the driver as the car passed, and identified that individual to be one seen on the news (John Muhammad). The caller said the streetlights served as enough light to get a view of the subject. No other person was seen within this motor vehicle. The source further stated that the vehicle, strongly resembled the one seized by law enforcement personnel following the arrests of Malvo/Muhammad. After the car passed, it was viewed to turn onto a dead end street and park. (Map supplied for files).
Disposition: On 10/23/02, witness positively identified the subject John A. Muhammad via a photo array.

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- 10/23/02: (Interview of [redacted]; Statement taken at FBI Tacoma office by SA's [redacted] and [redacted] (*306-BA-102679*))

- Previously knew Muhammad as John Williams, since 1985 when stationed together at Ft. Lewis in Washington state and believes Muhammad exited service in 1992. The pair has remained quite close.
- When Muhammad returned from Desert Storm (Mid-East Assignment), he had converted to Islam.
- Bitter divorce with wife [redacted] Threats to kill her made.
- Summer 2002: Muhammad told [redacted] he knew his wife was in the Washington D.C. area and knew he could pinpoint her.
- Post 9/11/01: Muhammad made anti-American statements and U.S. got what it deserved.
- Muhammad, while in Tacoma, told [redacted] of his trips to and from New Orleans and the Caribbean.
- Muhammad also said he had a girlfriend from Canada.
- Frequent member of the YMCA in Lakewood, Wa., (Viewed YMCA card and saw an alias of either Wayne Weeks or Wayne Weekley).
- Three past visits Muhammad accompanied by another person referred to him as "the sniper." Muhammad said he had met this person in the Caribbean [redacted] never learned of his true identity. He also told others the man was his "son." [redacted] estimates these three visits were app. six months, four months and the last one, app. three months ago.
- Re: Subject believed to be Malvo: Told [redacted] that his associate was a sniper. Person described as Malvo, possessed a green military style duffel bag with clothes in it, along with a gun case that housed an AR-15.

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- Other Weapons Noted: App. six months ago, [redacted] viewed the AR-15, along with a weapon believed to be either a .303 or a .306 rifle that was stored inside a black, plastic, guitar-type case. (Note: Can this firearm possibly be the .308 rifle previously belonging to Muhammad's friend [redacted] which was thought to have been stolen by Muhammad?) The AR-15 with a scope, was kept in a silver/aluminum case. Muhammad and his friend sought to "zero" it and spoke of making a suppressor. Muhammad sought to make a silencer for it, but was unsuccessful. At one point, Muhammad said, "can you imagine the damage you could do if you could shoot with a silencer?"
- Motor Vehicle Notes: App. four (4) months ago, Muhammad and his associate seen in a 1969 white Ford king cab pick-up truck. Prior to leaving, Muhammad told [redacted] to keep the truck, along with anything inside of it.
(INVESTIGATIVE NOTE: An unrelated homicide occurring on 07/12/02 from Baton Rouge, Louisiana, involved a motor vehicle (Described by a truck driver as a late 80's, white step side or fleet side bed/single cab. There was a symbol of a fish on the upper left portion of the tailgate, and the plate had a white background with dark letters. There was a partial plate mentioned of 'JT 341' or a combination of those numbers/letters). The trucker viewed what was best described as a nude female in the cab, with the truck being driven by an unknown male driver. Efforts should be made to re-contact [redacted] and ascertain if he still remains in possession of this motor vehicle and determine if there are any ties to the 07/12/02 event.)
- Muhammad also seen driving either a 2000 or 2001 Infinity that belonged to a "female friend."
- App. three months ago: (August/September 02'?) - Recalls Muhammad/associate to return to Bellingham, Wa., to retrieve transcripts so that the associate could present to a flight school in Florida, for enrollment reasons. Once leaving the Bellingham area, Muhammad spoke of traveling with this associate to Florida. On this last trip, Muhammad and his associate stayed with [redacted] for two-three days at his residence. [redacted] drove the pair to the bus station, where they left for Florida.

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[redacted] Interview: Continued

- Last Telephonic Contact: Muhammad phoned [redacted] app. two months ago, Muhammad gave [redacted] a telephone number of a person he said was his female cousin from Louisiana. [redacted] said that he was using a calling card at the time.
- Miscellaneous: Muhammad showed [redacted] a bunch of hundred dollar bills that were said to be counterfeit. He told [redacted] they washed one dollar bills and made them into one hundred's.
- Mysterious Call: App. one year ago [redacted] said he received a Call from an unknown female who said she was in Miami, Florida. She said, "tell John he didn't do what he was supposed to do in the Caribbean, and we can reach him anywhere."

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- 10/23/02: (11:00 p.m.)- (306-BA-102679): Interview done with the mother of Lee Malvo [redacted] accomplished at the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project (NIRP) in Seattle, Wa. Efforts were made at this time to acquire information that would enable Lee Malvo to be brought in for questioning relative to the sniper shootings.

- She met John Williams (Muhammad) through friends in Ft. Myers, Florida.
- On 10/16/01, Lee Malvo sought to leave Florida and meet up with Muhammad in Washington state (Greyhound bus).
- Muhammad's contact number was through a woman named [redacted] (LNU) @ [redacted]
- Viewed Muhammad as "bad influence" and on 12/08/01, left Florida to get Malvo in Washington and take him back home.
- [redacted] located Malvo in Bellingham, but on 12/23/01, [redacted] and her son Lee Malvo were detained by INS personnel and held for app. one month. The pair returned to Bellingham, but Malvo fled to join Muhammad again.
- March 2002: Sees Malvo/Muhammad on a Seattle Metro bus, and [redacted] attempted to physically restrain him but to no avail. [redacted] has not seen her son since.
- Final Comments: Ms [redacted] never saw any weapons. Muhammad called the NIRP office via a cell phone (360) 319-2611.

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- 10/24/02: At 2:45 p.m., vehicle stop at mile marker 117 on I-95 of subjects not related to these matters. These persons wore security uniforms and one person possessed a Taurus 9MM firearm (#TOF98532) that came from same FFL as the weapon recovered from the identified offenders in this series.

- 10/24/02: Subject Malvo allegedly associated with group of D.C. Jamaicans. [REDACTED]

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- 10/24/02: Manager of Silver Cab Company in Lanham, MD., advises Muhammad used cabs for transportation, most often in the Clinton, MD., areas. Company uses GPS and all run records have been secured.

- 10/24/02: Caller [REDACTED], believes Williams (AKA: Muhammad,) was assigned to him in 93'-94'. He was transferred from 13th Engineer Battalion to the 14th Battalion at Ft. Ord (CA.). Muhammad's written English is poor, he read the Koran and a book on "how to fight man."

- In a 2nd ICF contact, SSA [REDACTED] advised Williams is being actively investigated for passport fraud. Offense arises from Louisiana office, with DSS Agent to follow-up. Copies were forward to Montgomery County Task Force with lead information.

- 10/24/02: Military source states Williams was a Sgt. in 1994, assigned to the 12B Combat Engineer Group at Ft. Ord, California. Williams changed his name to Muhammad, with outward Muslim practices, when assigned to the Gulf War as part of Desert Storm. Prior to his assignment here, he was an engineer with the 82nd Battalion. The source commented that, "he was explosive if he didn't think he was getting his due respect."

- In a 2nd ICF contact regarding Desert Storm, Muhammad was investigated for allegedly throwing hand grenades into a U.S. Army tent. Muhammad was charged with arson. Case jacket opened.

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- 10/24/02: [REDACTED] according to the source, lives on [REDACTED] [REDACTED] in Prattville, AL. Male visitors match the Malvo/Muhammad physical descriptors. (*See [REDACTED]*)

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- 10/24/02: Caller believes suspect Muhammad posed as a witness to one of the shootings at a gas station. Source thought Geraldo Rivera interviewed him. Claims were made on Fox T.V. that this person heard a victim call out before he fell. The interviewee then said he went to 7-11 call '911'. This person, yet to be identified as Muhammad, stated he was "former military" but declined to give his name upon requests. The source feels this interviewee closely resembles the military picture shown of Muhammad.

- 10/24/02: Source advises that Malvo is responsible for a double shooting occurring in the Atlanta, Georgia area (Buckhead) in which one female was murdered. Shooting was alleged to have occurred in an unknown nightclub app. 1-2 months ago.

- 10/24/02: (See [redacted]) - Source holds knowledge of 'John Williams' from Tacoma, Wa. Williams (Muhammad) was a regular to his machine shop since 92'. Williams was not seen from 99' to July of 02'. Williams was accompanied by a teenaged boy. In the past, Williams brought items to the source related to his business (Express Auto Repair). In mid-July, Williams brought an item in that he sought to have drill holes done. That item, according to the source was a flash suppressor for a rifle that Williams indicated he had put together. When asked about it, Williams said, the recoil hurt his shoulder and the drill holes would reduce it. Williams said he shot the gun at Ft. Lewis with a buddy. The source said he could not do the work and referred Williams to Ideal Machine Shop on 38th St., in Tacoma, Wa. Williams said he had tried to work on it himself and consulted with two other machine shops. The source thought Williams was anxious to get this done. The item is described as a solid piece of steel, app. 1" thick, six to eight inches in length, with a series of holes on the outer edges (app. 16 of them). The interior of the steel had been hollowed out to the app. width of a large pen. The holes on the outer edge, intersected with the interior hole. One end was threaded, as seen on the attachment to a firearm. The source said Williams wanted to double the amount of the holes. Since this time, he had not seen Williams.

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- Source said Williams at the time drove a 1975-1980 version Chevrolet pick-up truck, possibly a ¾ ton full size. He deemed the truck to be "beat up." He could not recall a plate number. He held knowledge of Williams' being a Muslim and that he was divorced. He also knew him to be proficient with martial arts and firearms. The subject with Williams, thought to be a teenager, and introduced as his "son", is described as follows; (5'10..App. 150 lbs.). The source was supposed to have faxed a drawing of the steel item mentioned, to the attention of SA [redacted]

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- 10/24/02: (306-BA-102679)- Interview by FBI SA [redacted] with ATF SA's [redacted] and [redacted] Interviewee: [redacted] (B/M-[redacted]) Subject is a known associate of both Malvo/Muhammad.

- [redacted] sought out FBI Seattle office with information he had
- Subject met Muhammad through work friend in 2000, [redacted] (LNU) from S. Africa [redacted] worked with [redacted] at Horizon Airlines. [redacted] never met Malvo until November 2001. (Knew him as "Lee Muhammad"- thought to be John's biological son).
- [redacted] sought an Alps MD-5000 printer. Muhammad offered to buy it if he could print a bogus birth certificate. Efforts to make it were unsuccessful. Muhammad bought [redacted] a software program to do it (Omnipro), which allowed scanned documents to be manipulated.
- Muhammad bought laminating pouches for I.D.'s and used one for the birth certificate which was scanned. (SA's given floppy discs of the I.D. documents scanned/printed).
- One disc: (Jamaican birth certificate with some type of Texas I.D.'s. 2nd Disc: State of Florida birth certificate for [redacted] [redacted] and a Texas birth certificate for [redacted] [redacted] a Connecticut driver's license (no name), and a blank Texas license. [redacted] thought Muhammad's children were in Antigua and these documents would get them back to the U.S.
- [redacted] spent time shooting at the Tacoma Sportsman's Club, watching videos (One of which was, "Savior", detailing a sniper in Kosovo which Muhammad had "memorized.")
- The three played X-Box video game of "Halo" (Described as "shoot em up" game where players can enter "sniper mode"). Subject said that Malvo enjoyed sniper mode and would be coached by Muhammad.
- Muhammad read a special op's manual contained on a Tom Clancy disc (Ghost Recon-Desert Siege).
- When practice shooting, Muhammad constantly coached Malvo at being a better marksman. Lee was considered a "good shot." Muhammad often bragged about Malvo's shooting abilities.
- Discussions about silencers: Muhammad accessed a Reflex suppressor web page and showed [redacted] a book ('Dept. of Army-Frankfurt Arsenal Silencers Principles and Evaluations'). Muhammad also showed [redacted] a Navy Seal Sniper video.
- [redacted] owned a multitude of firearms (See FD-302). One weapon, a Remington 700-.308, was stolen in August 2001.

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[redacted] Interview: Continued

- Muhammad had domineering relationship with Malvo. Muhammad made him run laps/perform push-ups as punishment, with Malvo doing everything Muhammad said.
- [redacted] described Malvo's demeanor as "very angry." Muhammad held great disdain for authority. After 9/11/01, Muhammad commented that "America deserved it." He viewed Muhammad as anti-American/radical.
- Muhammad's opinions on ex-wife [redacted] Great anger directed toward her, and spoke of her selling him out. Muhammad resented [redacted] sister and a friend. He was most angry over losing his children. He had [redacted] locate his ex-wife on a web site (Usearch.com-Paying \$39.00), showing her moving within the Washington D.C. area. Great resentment over selling his Bushmaster rifle, stating he would "fix her."
- [redacted] said Muhammad bragged about being a former Delta Force/Army Ranger. He often spoke of sniper qualifications but deemed Muhammad to be a "poor shot."
- Feb. 2002: Malvo/Muhammad take up residence with [redacted] [redacted] gave them full access to the apartment, as well as to all weapons. (Two occasions: Borrowed his .45 Ca. handgun and often had his Remington 700-.308). At one point, Muhammad showed [redacted] a Simmons scope which he said he had purchased. [redacted] thought this was odd as he did not know him to own any weapon.
- Muhammad's Finances: [redacted] viewed him as "on the go," but would sometimes sleep in his vehicle at the complex. He said he would have money on some occasions, yet on others, say he was broke.
- Muhammad Motor Vehicles: Drove a Diamante, a Jaguar, along with an old, beat up white truck. When last seen, Malvo and Muhammad were in a small, white, 2-Dr. Geo Metro.
- May 2002: [redacted] on a trip and calls home to find out Muhammad was staying at his apartment. [redacted] unhappy that his wife was there and asked Muhammad to leave. Muhammad ended up leaving in mid June 2002, with intermittent returns to/from the [redacted] residence.
- Aug. 17, 2002: Last time [redacted] saw Muhammad/Malvo, is the occasion when his .308 forearm was found to be missing/stolen. [redacted] believes Muhammad involved in the theft.

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- Muhammad Associates: [redacted] believed Muhammad associate was a man with the last name of [redacted] who resided on Steele Street in Tacoma, Wa. He also said Muhammad's female friend was known as [redacted] LNU (Phone #'s: [redacted] [redacted] said [redacted] had a daughter named [redacted] and that they lived somewhere in Tacoma. Muhammad also had a brother who ran an auto repair shop/mini golf course near #512 Steele Street. Muhammad's other friend, known as [redacted] who operated the Fishhouse Restaurant near St. Joseph's Hospital in Tacoma, Wa. Muhammad held respect for this individual.
- Associative Phone Number: Called [redacted] from Antigua, showing a number of [redacted] (Info, Passed to SA [redacted])
- [redacted] Comments (Re: Sniper Events): He felt motive was to eventually kill his ex-wife [redacted] NOTE: [redacted] believes the shooter would have been Lee Malvo, with John Muhammad serving as a spotter.
- Final Notes: (June 2002)- Malvo/Muhammad left numerous items of clothing (two bags), shoes at the [redacted] residence. (Interviewing Agents are in possession of these items). Miscellaneous items were also seized, from musical discs to CD games, to firearms instructional books. (*See 302 for inventoried list*)
- INVESTIGATIVE NOTE: At 9:45 a.m. on 10/24/02 [redacted] and his wife [redacted] arrived at the FBI Tacoma office, and listened to an audio recording from a '911' tape from the Rockville, MD., Police Department. Within five to ten seconds of the app. forty one second tape, [redacted] said, "That's John..that's John." [redacted] listened to the tape two more times and was sure the voice on the tape was John Muhammad. He also said the photos of Muhammad/Malvo on the news, were the same persons he spent the aforementioned time with.

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- 10/24/02: (*See 306-BA-102679) - Source (Fairfax County P.D. - Lt. [redacted] Source advised by SSA [redacted] (Dept. of State Diplomatic Security Service) of an active passport fraud investigation regarding John Muhammad (AKA 'Williams'). The offense stems from the Louisiana office of DSS. A DSS Agent assigned to this matter has flown to the Montgomery County Command post to personally deliver the official State Dept. file.

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- Passport application filed under John Allen Williams with a D.O.B. of 12/31/60/S.S. #435119819. Notations to mail the passport to [redacted] in St. John's, Antigua.
- California DMV Driver's License (#B3720612-Class 'C' Expiring 12/31/95) issued to;
John Allen Williams
449 Limerick Road
Pinole, California 94564
DOB: 12/31/60-Hair: Blk.- Eyes: Brn.- Ht: 6'1"- Wt.: 180
Issue Date: 06/18/92
- Southern University and A&M College Bachelor's of Science Degree awarded.
- Copy of a Washington State Driver's License
- Copy of U.S. Army 'Record of School and Achievements 1976-1996 (From: Commanding Officer LTC [redacted] Labeled as being with the 1st Special Forces). *Varied duty-related achievements, inclusive of; Air Assault, Airborne, Nuclear and Biological NBC, Riot Control, Ranger School, Special Forces and Sniper School, Jungle training (Panama), Attendance at LSU and receiving a Master's Degree, all appear to be false documents created in support of attaining this passport.*

- 10/25/02: Dist. Court of Maryland for Montgomery County in Rockville, Maryland (Case #000D00126259-Malvo, John Lee and Case#001D00126260-Williams, John Allen). Arrest Warrant on Charging Documents (Warrant #D020886832 and #D020886843)- Six counts each of Murder in the First Degree (CR2-201); Victims: Martin, Buchanan, Walekar, Ramos, Lewis-Rivera, and Johnson.

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-10/25/02: (See [redacted] Source works at Cactus Willy's In Baltimore. She recalls seeing the suspect's car on either 10/7 or 10/8/02 between the hours of 11:45 p.m. - midnight. While driving home, she viewed the Caprice operating with no lights on before the University split. When The light turned green, the car darted across two lanes directly in front of her. Her headlights shined on the New Jersey plate. The back window was very dark/tinted but she observed a driver and a passenger with both appearing to be African Americans. Source turned off of 41st St., as the car possibly headed toward I-83.

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- 10/28/02: (FBI New Orleans, Louisiana Interview: [redacted]
10/10/56-[redacted] of Suspect John Allen Muhammad). (*See
03/25/02 entry for information of Greyhound bus activities*)

- Interview conducted at FBI New Orleans: SA [redacted]
[redacted] J. Muhammad/Six years his senior

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- Off/on relationship: No verbal contacts between 1995-2000

- Re-opened talks in 2000 until July 2002 (Last contact)
[redacted]

- Key: J. Muhammad agrees to care for her car while she is gone!
- (Honda Accord-2 Dr.-Virginia Plate-Reg. Decal for 'Newport News')

- [redacted] said Muhammad w/2nd wife-worked at Express Auto
- July 95: [redacted] returns & picks up car in Tacoma, Washington

- Sometime June-September 2001: Muhammad calls her at home in
Tucson, AZ. Muhammad calls out of blue and said he was passing
through town on his way to Florida. It was about 9:30 a.m. and
Muhammad was accompanied by a dark complected black male,
App. 30's, slightly shorter than Muhammad, with noticeable
Jamaican accent, with very red eyes. (This UNSUB operated
a vehicle with Washington state plates). The men spoke of going to
Florida or Aruba but with no specific destination.

- 10/30/02: A .22 Ca., Stainless North American Arms handgun 22M Model,
with wood grips, (Serial #E018319) was recovered in the area of the
Montgomery, Alabama shooting event of 09/21/02. This shooting has been
positively linked to the two known offenders, Muhammad and Malvo.
INVESTIGATIVE NOTE: This firearm was stolen during a gun show in El
Paso, Texas on 07/20/02 (Case #02-201190). Case Contact in El Paso: Sgt.

[redacted] and Det. [redacted]

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- 11/01/02: Suspect(s) Motor Vehicle Information: The motor vehicle was
legally titled in the state of New Jersey on 09/11/2000, with a registered mileage
of 146,975 miles on the odometer. The reading taken at the Montgomery
County Police Department garage, following the subjects arrests was 156,311.3
miles. (*The total number of miles driven since titling is 9,336.3 miles*).

*KNOWN LOCATIONS OF SUBJECT(S) WITHIN PAST 6 MOS:

Greater Montgomery/Frederick Counties, MD
Extensive Washington D.C., Richmond, Virginia, Baltimore, MD.
Tacoma/Bellingham, WA.
Camden, New Jersey
Montgomery, Alabama
Tuscon/Phoenix, Arizona

**VICTIM #1: (James Martin-10/02/02 at 5:20 p.m.-
Shopper's Food Warehouse in Wheaton, MD.):**

- 1) [] (*UNK Time*): Witness in parking lot during shooting. She sought place to park just prior, and when getting ready to park near Pizza Hut, a four door, white Toyota Corolla with a black male driving, pulled out in front of her traveling at a high rate of speed. No plate was seen.

**VICTIM #2: (James Buchanan-10/3/02 at 7:41 a.m.-
Fitzgerald Auto Mall in White Flint, MD.):**

**VICTIM #3: (Prem Walekar-10/3/02 at 8:12 a.m.-
Mobil gas station in Aspen Hill,
MD.):**

- 1) [] (3:00 p.m.): Source at station at app. 6:27 a.m. Viewed white mini-van with Hispanic male (Glasses-Mustache) behind the driver's seat and hanging out the slider.
- 2) [] (*No time noted*): Witness heard shot and saw woman frantically talking on phone. Witness turned and saw a white box van.
- 3) [] (*Time of Shooting*): Alleged witness called Spanish radio station 'LaMaga' (94.3 FM) speaking to one who worked at the gas station and who claims to have seen a great deal. The subject feared deportation if he became involved. The show ran from 7-11 a.m.

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**VICTIM #4: (Sarah Ramos-10/3/02 at 8:37 a.m.-
Post Office/Leisure World in Silver Spring, MD.):**

- 1) [] (*App. 20-25 Min. after shooting*): A clerk at a nearby Exxon gas station a short distance away, interacted with a black male of possible African descent, over 6' tall, with dark hair, a goatee, muscular and broad shouldered. This subject arrived in a white van matching the description of one given out. The male asked for directions to I-270/Germantown Road. This gas station sits at the corner of Middle Brook Road and Rt. 355 in Germantown, MD. The caller said the time span between the Leisure World shooting site and this location is app. 20-25 minutes. There are normally cameras in operation here, but they were not working on this date. The subject appeared to be very anxious.
- 2) [] (*5:44 P.M.*): Source at Community Radiology at Leisure World and viewed victim slump over, speaks of a white "bakery" truck with possible name of 'Oster's' on it?
- 3) [] (*8:38 A.M.*): Witness viewed two (2) Hispanic males in their Mid-20's. One wore a blue baseball cap.
- 4) [] (*10:30 A.M.*): Witness viewed a box truck at the scene.
- 5) [] (*App. 8:25 A.M.*): Source viewed subject's Caprice in the Leisure World lot prior to the shooting. It was allegedly parked at the far end closer to Georgia Avenue. (10/30/02 Follow-up: SA [] [] SA [] Walking to her work building, she noticed a dark colored Chevy Caprice in the NW corner lot by itself. All other vehicles were in the south lot closer to the Giant store. The source knew it as a Caprice through car shows/motor vehicle knowledge. No persons were seen inside/outside this motor vehicle. Source pointed out for investigators where the car was parked, specifically in the last or second to last spot on the west side closest to International Drive. The source said the nose of the car faced Georgia Ave., while the rear faced the shopping center.

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VICTIM #5: (Lori Lewis-Rivera-10/3/02 at 9:58 a.m.-Shell gas station in Kensington, MD.):

1) [] (8:55 A.M.): 10/02/02- Source was at the Exxon station across the street from this shooting scene. At app. 8:55, the witness viewed a white male, app. 35& YOA with dirty grey hair (possibly long enough for a ponytail) and a thick mustache (mix of grey/black) that was hanging down the sides of his mouth. The subject's skin was also dark brown/tanned. The subject was seen sitting in a white van. This individual was not getting any gas. A follow-up with the witness also revealed that the van was smaller, of box design (thought to be an Astro), and had no windows on either the sides or rear. The vehicle was described as being in "good shape." The dash was also covered with assorted papers. The witness felt that this subject may be in the construction business, possibly as a painter/dry wall business.

VICTIM #6: (Pascal Charlot-10/3/02 at 9:20 p.m.-Georgia Avenue near Montgomery County line in MD.):

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VICTIM #7: (UNNAMED 43 YO woman-10/4/02 at 2:30 p.m.-Michael's Crafts in Fredericksburg, VA.):

1) [] (1:30 P.M.): Source on the way to McDonald's near Michael's. Saw a white box truck in the McDonald's parking lot facing Michael's. The vehicle was unmarked and no subjects were seen.

2) [] (App. 3:30 p.m.): Source advised during lead interview, he saw A white box truck driven by a black male, with two other males inside. There was no writing on the truck, which had it's lift tailgate section in the rear open. A sticker on the door was believed to have read either 'Fast Time' or 'First Time Construction'. The black male was wearing camouflage clothing. The truck had Virginia plates and was located at the Lee's Hill Shopping Center off of Rt. 1 in Spotsylvania County, Va.

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- 3) [redacted] (App. 4:30 p.m.): Source told investigators that app. two hours after this shooting, she pulled alongside a white van at the Minnieville Rd./P.W. Parkway intersection. The van is described as one where the driver's window is slightly tinted, and is small in design. The van had black lettering on the side, with a thin black stripe running along the lower edges. The source offered no plate/business notations on it. The driver of the van was described as; (Light skinned black male/Middle Easterner-Thin facial features-Beady eyes-Black Hair). The source felt she may be able to help with a composite. Source stated that "driver was either real short or that it was a kid who stole his father's van." (*These descriptors may tie into current suspects and is worthy of investigative follow-up*). The driver stared at the source, and she remarked that he appeared to be "crazed and evil." The van pulled into the B.J.'s store lot, and disappeared after that.

VICTIM #8: (UNNAMED 13 YO boy-10/7/02 at 8:09 a.m.-Tasker Middle School in Bowie, MD.):

- 1) [redacted] (App. 7:00 a.m.): Viewed a white box truck (MD [redacted]) on Rt. 197, about 5 minutes from Tasker. There was damage to the left rear panel or right passenger side?? The truck had black lettering with a possible name of B&J Insulation on it. There were two black males seen inside, with short, "peach fuzz" hairstyles. (*Command post personnel immediately advised of the Maryland registration*)
- 2) [redacted] (10/7/02): Subject [redacted] from Bowie, MD., arrested night of shooting. Subject allegedly admitted involvement with killings to Florida associate. [redacted] also owns an AR-15. Search warrants were to be filed.
- 3) [redacted] (Early A.M.): Teacher viewed two white males on the tennis court. She also viewed a maroon car at the corner. Interviewed by P.G. County.
- 4) [redacted] (A.M. hours): Witness saw a white panel van in Laurel at the Marriott Fairfield. Van moving at a high rate of speed.

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"Tasker School Shooting: Continued"

- 5) [] (Time of Incident): Witness saw a white male, clean shaven, wearing a flannel jacket w/item under it, running out of woods near the Tasker School. Individual allegedly jumped into the passenger side of a Lincoln Continental (MD: [])
- 6) [] (10/8/02): Subject seen at the Target store near Tasker Middle School. He appeared to be watching foot traffic for several minutes and returned to a vehicle to watch longer. (MD: [] Honda or Nissan?). Note: Interesting subject, relative to descriptor of him being a white male, with *shoulder length hair in a ponytail style!* (*Re: "Ponytail"- There have been repeated "ponytail" hits within the analyses processes. Can an unknown subject(s) possibly be a co-conspirator(s)?*)

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**VICTIM #9: (Dean Meyers-10/9/02 at 8:10 p.m.-
Sunoco gas station in Manassas, VA.):**

- 1) [] (12:25 A.M.): Via the 911 line, the D.C. Police Dept. received a call from a witness who said she saw a white van exit the scene, with the last three digits of the plate being '769'. Sweeps of this number series being run in both Rapid Start and the Registry of Motor Vehicles.
- 2) [] (Time of Incident): Detective (P.W. County) interviewed subject who was in her room at the time of the shooting. She is familiar with gunshots and knew what the sound was. Witness believes the shot was fired in the area of McDonalds on Ballsford Road.
- 3) [] (Time of Incident): Det [] (P.W. County) interviewed subject from Ohio staying in room #189 of the Best Western. He was retrieving a suitcase from his car when the police arrived. He viewed a tanned or Hispanic male, wearing a dark t-shirt, run from the area of the Sunoco station. He was seen to get into a white/tan late 80's van, that sported a 6' dark stripe on the side. It appeared there was a Chevrolet front visor on the windshield. The passenger door was open for him. The van drove out of the Ballsford side of the station and fled away at a high rate of speed toward I-66. The person driving the van could not be seen.

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"Meyers Homicide: Continued"

6) [] (7:50 P.M.)-Subject interviewed by Secret Service. Witness left his home at app. 7:50 p.m., to go to brother's in Chantilly. He needed air for a tire and first went to Sunoco but they had no pump. He then went to the Exxon station, and saw two white males:

(#1: 6'1"(DRIVER)-Med. Build-Shoulder length dirty blonde hair-Blue jeans-White t-shirt-Muddy Boots.)

(#2:6'3" to 6'4"-Med. Build-Long black hair to his waist-Blue Bandana-Sunglasses-Blue Jeans-Grey Shirt-Black Jacket w/Emblem on the Sleeve-Unshaven). (*Rapid Start ICF indicates no other leads set for this. Sent back to the C.P. with requests for follow-up/identification of subjects/Cox Cable queries and employment sweeps if not done to date*)

7) [] (12:42 A.M.): P.W. County received call from subject saying he knows about the shooting. On 10/11/02, the subject was interviewed by ATF [] & S.A. [] The witness states as he stood at the pay phones in front of Petco (Stream Walk Lane), he heard a gunshot. He then saw what he thought was a 94' or 95' white Dodge van pull out of a Petco company parking lot. The van was nose first at a grass strip next to Promenade Lane. The van went left on Promenade, then backed up, driving around the back of Petco along Sudley Rd., back onto Promenade and taking a left onto Stream Walk Lane. The van then took a right on Sudley and U-turned toward I-66. He lost sight of the vehicle after that. The DRIVER of the van: (W/M-Dark hair-35 to 40 YOA). The PASSENGER is described as: (W/M-Thin-23 to 24 YOA). The witness did not see a plate but said he could identify the van and driver. Note: The witness is from El Salvador and requires a Spanish interpreter should another decision to re-interview arises.

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**VICTIM #10: (Kenneth Bridges-10/11/02 at 9:30
a.m.-Exxon gas station in Fredericksburg, VA.):**

1) [] *Interview after event*): Source interviewed relative to possible linkage to 10/06 sighting of white Astro van and one seen at this homicide location. Graphic composites accomplished at this location. States the van is similar to husband's own Chevrolet Astro van. (*SEE [] . Van held three (3) persons with the driver not seen.

(FRONT SEAT PASSENGER: W/M-App. 25 YOA-
Bald/Shaved-Beige Jacket-Heavy Build-No Facial Hair).

(CARGO AREA: W/M-App. 25-30 YOA-Collar Length
Blonde Hair-Blue Baseball Cap-Pale Green Jacket (No Camo)-White
T-Shirt-Clean Shaven-Black Jeans Tucked Into Black Construction
Boots).

The side door to the van was open, Male in cargo area seated on a box, holding a wood grained stocked, long-barreled rifle. (*SEE [] slaying with subject seen nearby wearing blue baseball cap*).

2) BA4109 (App. 8:30 A.M.): Witness reports seeing a white compact van (VA: [] possibly a Nissan model, parked in front of the K-Mart store in Fredericksburg, Va. This was app. one hour before the shooting of K. Bridges in the Massaponax area. The subject has been described as (W/M-App. 20-30 YOA-Dark Hair-Goatee-Casual clothes). The van was facing the K-Mart store.

3) [] (App. 9:25-9:30 A.M.): Witness leaving home, traveling on Butler Road approaching the intersection of Rt. 1/17 near the Falmouth Bridge. She looked in rear view mirror to observe a white van approaching at a high rate of speed, passing a vehicle and almost running it off the road. Witness viewed tag of (VA: [] and was positive of the numbers, as it mirrored her S.S. #. As they approached the intersection of Rt. 1, where it broke into two lanes, the witness described the driver as a white male, app. 30-35 YOA, brown/dark hair, with a brown mustache that came down the corners of his mouth, wearing a t-shirt and a white baseball cap. No other occupants were seen and the license plate was secured to the bumper. The van was described as being white, with a ladder on the top, and windows to the rear on the back doors.

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"Bridges Homicide: Continued"

Follow-up Investigation. (10/13/02)-Plate noted listed to a maroon 98' Chevy Celebrity 4-Dr. vehicle listed to [redacted] from Richmond, Va. Vehicle was repossessed on 8/8/02 & towed by Allstate Towing. Crim. History negative on [redacted] Records show car returned to [redacted] on 9/6/02, with indications both plates were on the car at that time. Note: Check with [redacted] as to validity of plates on the car. Examine possibility that subject(s) may work for this tow agency and have full access to all types of vehicles/plates?

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4) [redacted] (App. 9:40 A.M.): Witness was on the way to S. Carolina a short time after this shooting. She had no idea that a shooting had occurred as she drove on I-95 South. The witness viewed a white Dodge Caravan traveling at a high rate of speed. Note: It was raining hard but witness viewed the van as NOT being wet and appeared extremely clean. The van was making rapid lane changes. The operator, described as a white male, app. 30-35 YOA, 155-160 lbs., with short brown hair and clean shaven. The operator continued to stare at the witness and her daughter.

VAN INFORMATION: A window directly behind the driver's window had the word 'Rainbow' in capital letters on it. There were no doors on the left side, but witness could not say whether the right side did. **Investigative Note:** A composite image was drawn up after the follow-up.

5) [redacted] (App. 9:30 A.M.): Source's girlfriend works at Capital One nearby the Exxon shooting scene. She viewed a blue Chevrolet Suburban truck leaving the shoulder in a hurry, almost hitting her car. She also noticed the back window in the Suburban going up. This area where the truck came from, is normally one used by tractor trailers. It appeared the plate was from Virginia.

Investigative note: Efforts were made to reach to [redacted] for a follow-up, but telephone number listed is not deemed to be a working number. Possibly check with female's work place (Capital One).

6) [redacted] (App. 9:50 A.M.): Witness viewed white Ford panel truck with Virginia registration [redacted] traveling west on Rt. 3. This area is in close proximity to the shooting scene. Sent to investigators for a lead assignment.

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8) [redacted] (Prior to shooting): Source said he pulled into the Exxon lot that morning and viewed a black male (App. 5'5"), wearing jeans and a dark shirt. The subject stood in the grass watching all traffic, and had a dark bag on the ground near him. The unknown man was seen near a van or truck, but unsure whether he owned it or not.

"Bridges Homicide: Continued"

9) [redacted] 3:06 p.m.): Source returned from food shopping at Shoppers' on Rt. 7 off of the Fairfax County Parkway in VA. She viewed a white Chevy van there, with no windows on the sides, except for the front compartment. There were two (2) black males seen. The driver was doing something behind his seat as the passenger went into the store. They did not appear to be shopping. The van had a Virginia registration of [redacted]

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10) [redacted] 9:28 a.m.): Source traveling I-95N and exited to get gas at Exxon. He observed a black male pumping gas into a grey car. After source pumped his gas, he re-entered I-95N. He also viewed an accident nearby, but no police were on scene yet. Exiting the Exxon, the source observed a white, medium-sized van, with no side windows, directly in front of him. This van faced the light and was pulled to the right side (toward I-95) of the road. The source saw no persons nearby, and only had a vision of the left side. There was a tubular shaped ladder rack on top of the van. The source recalled that on the driver's side, the words "Total Call", "Total Recall", or "Total Detail Design," was displayed on the left side on either the middle or upper part of the van. Key: The shape and design of the "L" of the second word was distinctive. (*The "L" went straight back and was not blocked off.*) The words/letters were outlined with the letters were black, outlined in white on a black background. He described the design as "simple." The letter "A" on "Recall" or "Detail" (Second Word) was unique and was described as "not being closed off." [redacted] search by Rapid Start personnel on "Total Recall" (81 entries nationwide), revealed one business of "Total Recall Services" to be located at 560 Logan St., in Frederick, MD. This is the only listed business in the area coming close to the descriptors.)

VICTIM #11: (Linda Franklin-10/14/02 at 9:15 p.m.-Home Depot in Falls Church, VA.)

1) [redacted] (10/16/02): SA [redacted] received a call from one deemed as a "reliable source". It entailed a report that someone may be a witness in this event. The subject apparently works at McDonald's (Rt. 50 & Patrick Henry) and viewed a suspicious individual pull into the lot with his lights off. This person ordered coffee and left. The individual appeared to be crazed. Note: The ICF indicates that a plate number was obtained but, no registration data was noted as of 10/21/02.

2) [redacted] (App. 9:00 p.m.): Source left Home Depot app. ten minutes before the shooting. She saw a similar Astro-type van in that area. Also on that date, she said a Middle Eastern man claiming to be a police officer, was interviewing witnesses and then talking in a foreign language on his cell phone. On 10/15/02, she saw the same man being interviewed (wearing blue Old Navy cap) on TV-4, who now claimed to be a "witness" to the shooting. Source thought man may be an imposter getting information for an associate. Possibly on Home Depot security/television news tapes?

3) [redacted] (App. 9:20 p.m.): Source' Mom lives in apartment building to the rear of Home Depot. She viewed a dark colored vehicle speed into the lot, stop and pick someone up, and speed away. This lot is in line of sight of this witness. Lead set on 10/16/02.

4) [redacted] (Following Incident): Witnesses state through an interpreter that as they drove south on Wayne Road toward their home at [redacted] they were forced to swerve into their driveway. A vehicle came at them rapidly. It was described as a new modeled white van, with a ladder on top of a rack on the roof/passenger side. The van was "shiny white," with no doors/windows seen on the passenger side. The van had no exterior markings/writings. The speed of the van was believed to be over 100 MPH as it moved north on Wayne Rd. It was believed to be a Chevy/GMC product, with two rear windows. The vehicle sped away north on Wayne to Rt. 50 (unknown direction).

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**VICTIM #12: (UNNAMED 37 YO male-10/19/02 at
app. 8:30 p.m.-Ponderosa Restaurant in Ashland, VA.):**

*Investigative Note: A .223 spent shell casing was recovered on scene. A note with
telephone number, enclosed in a plastic bag was also recovered.

*INVESTIGATIVE KEY: (10/18/02) – A Roman Catholic priest from
Ashland, Virginia receives a phone call from (2) subjects who ask
the police to do a ballistics test on a liquor store robbery in Montgomery,
Alabama. These persons dictated verbatim, the words on the Tarot card
found at the Tasker School crime scene. They asked the priest to contact
the police. The pair then said, "the woman at the Home Depot should
not have died." There were also references made that they called the
church to avoid traces. There were no other demands or requests made.*

- The report of a shooting at the Ponderosa comes in at 7:59
p.m.
- There is a note with a demand for money, with payment
made to a stolen credit card account, in the name of
[REDACTED]

- 1) 10/19/02: [REDACTED]-On Saturday in Triangle, VA., (P.W. County) .
there was an armed robbery allegedly committed by two black males
who fled in a Chevy Caprice. (*Not related- Four subjects arrested
and charged with this offense*)
- 2) 10/20/02: [REDACTED]-Tip line call received by one suspected of being a
suspect in these criminal matters. This call came in at 9:40 a.m., with
the direct quote of; "Don't talk, just listen. Call me God. I left a note
at the back of the Ponderosa. I'm trying to reach you at the
Ponderosa. Be there for a call in ten minutes."
- 3) 10/19/02: [REDACTED]-An unknown source sat in a truck behind the
Comfort Inn on Rt. 54 in Ashland, Va. This location was next to the
Arby's across from Ponderosa. The source heard sirens and looked up
to see a man with light brown skin, smooth, short hair, a small
build, and a navy blue sweatshirt. This subject ran in a west to east
direction, across the parking lot, and disappearing behind a wall.
- 4) 10/20/02: *Investigative Note: The ATF obtained the projectile from
this victim, with direct deliverance to the ATF laboratory for
examination.*

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**VICTIM #13: (Conrad Johnson - 10/22/02 at app.
6:00 a.m.-Bus Stop in Aspen Hill, MD.)**

- 1) [redacted] (2:28 a.m.)-Unknown caller advised that "someone will be killed between 4-7 o'clock today" and then hung up. The subject sounded like a black male. Immediate lead assigned.
- 2) [redacted] (App. 6:00 a.m.)-Resident resides at [redacted] and viewed a black male run into an apartment across from her house right after the shooting. The subject was carrying a bag, entered an apartment, change clothes and then leave. Assigned an immediate lead.
- 3) [redacted] (10:10 a.m.)-Source observed a black male at the intersection of Beaverwood & Burning Tree Lane (Silver Spring) in Montgomery County, Md. Intersection is app. 1-2 miles from shooting scene. Male carried a brown/black bag (soft/slightly smaller than briefcase, horizontal seam/zipper on top of bag, with bulky appearance). Male wearing colorful pants, brownish hat, and a wooly sweater. (*Source saw Malvo's face later in media reports, and identified him as being at this location on this date*).
- 4) [redacted] (App. 8:15 a.m.)- Two black males were seen to exit a Light blue Subaru (MD [redacted] and walk into [redacted] Dr., Silver Spring, MD. Note: This is app. 1-2 miles from this shooting scene! One black male (App. 5'9"-Medium complexion-Slim Build-Close cropped hair style-Casual clothes/Light material, dark pants) carried a 4'x 8' soft sided black bag. The second male not described, left the other's company at about 8:30 a.m., getting into a grey Jeep Cherokee, with a partial Maryland license plate of M684? (The address where the subjects were dropped off, match the Subaru owner tied to this residence. Command Post immediately advised of this entry - RMV sweeps being done on partial plate and a follow-up suggested with homeowner at [redacted]
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"Johnson Homicide: Continued"

5) [redacted] (App. 6:50 a.m.)- (Interview of [redacted] School bus driver for the Montgomery County School System.):
[redacted] parked her school bus in the Goshen Oaks Shopping Center, in front of Safeway. Her sister, another driver, met her there. Ms. [redacted] observed a blue Chevrolet Caprice pull into the lot, with two unidentified black males inside. The car pulled in between two parked vehicles. The driver turned off the headlights, but kept the engine running. No person entered/exited the car. At app. 7:05 a.m., the Caprice pulled out of the lot onto Snouffer School Road. No license plate was seen.

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6) [redacted] (CVS Clerk: Layhill Shopping Center @ Silver Spring, MD.)- Written/signed statement from [redacted]

- Between 8:10-8:20 a.m., subjects identified as Malvo and Muhammad entered store, placed two bags of candy at the register, with the older subject, Muhammad, seeking to pay for both.
- Brief conversation between Muhammad and the clerk.
- Pair left together; Did not see a car parked out front.

MISCELLANEOUS RAPID START ENTRIES BY DATE

(*NOTE: These matters remain under investigation and/or review*)

*10/06/02: [] -Source observed white Astro van pass her residence. She viewed a white male driver with white male passenger seated in the cargo area, believed to be holding a rifle. The side door was open and vehicle traveled toward the Turkey Branch Parkway. Male in cargo area (Light hair-black boots-green jacket). No license plate noted.

*10/08/02: [] -Between 11:30 a.m.-noon, two white males with military cuts (Driver: 30's-Dark Hair ..Passenger: Older/Thinning Hair) seen in a white; possibly a Dodge van. The caller believed the first three on the plate were 'K95'. The van was dented on the driver's side.

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*10/9/02: [] -Witness in Upper Marlboro, MD., saw a white male (30's-tall-short hair-slim) exiting the woods with a long bag, getting into a red Corvette type vehicle. Subject wore a grey long sleeved shirt and was clean in appearance. Interview accomplished.

*10/10/02: [] -At app. 3:30 p.m., parked next to a white van, with partial MD plate of '86Y'. The van had small dent on rear quarter panel/passenger side. One subject (White male-App. 30 YOA-Dark Hair/Receding Hairline) seen walking toward woods with a bag. Vehicle parked at Doubletree Hotel lot in Largo, MD.

*10/12/02: [] -A white Astro van [] with the windows removed in the rear (covered by plastic) and having a roof rack, was seen traveling Rt. 50 at Rt. 301. There were two white males seen inside, one with long hair in the back (ponytail??). Note: Ran the plate but came back to Ford Credit. Setting lead to find out "who" may be leasing vehicle.

*10/12/02: [] -Caller states that in Spring of 2002 at app. 11:00 p.m., a man employed by Michael's in Dale City, Va., was shot while dumping trash. The subject survived. Note: Do we have or can we attain records of this incident?

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*10/12/02: [] -Baltimore P.D. reports being on scene of a stolen Chevrolet Astro Van (MD []) The call was reported at 7:20 a.m. Two thin, black males were observed to be unloading the van's contents into a white station wagon.

"Miscellaneous Rapid Start Entries: Continued"

*10/17/02: [] - Witness saw four (4) dark skinned/Mid-Eastern males buy two white panel vans at the Harrisburg, Va., Auto Auction on June 13, 2002. The location for this auction place is at the junction of Rt.s' 15 & 76. The caller said the men appeared to be agitated and made him feel uneasy.

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*10/18/2002: [] App. six weeks ago, two girls were approached by a white male, app. 30-35 YOA, and blonde hair in Washington D.C. Person said, "I am God" and opened his shirt to reveal angel tattoos on his chest/arms. This unknown subject told them, "they will see him on the news in about a month when something big will happen."

*10/24/02: [] Source states a belief of more people involved in these cases. App. two weeks ago he observed a white Astro van stop in the middle of the street near the YMCA in Montgomery Village. He next saw a dark colored car similar to a Caprice, pull up with two black males inside of it. As the car pulled up to the van, they raced off. It was clear to the source that these people were together. Two people were observed in the van, with one appearing to be Hispanic.

*10/24/02: Investigative personnel performing a follow-up in both Tacoma and Bellingham, Washington relative to varied checks on the subjects Malvo and Muhammad. Neighbors in Tacoma, Wa., where the subject Muhammad had previously lived/co-owned a business, stated that target practice was done into a the base of an old tree stump. Major sections of that particular stump were taken in sections and/or totally unearthed and seized as physical evidence for further ballistics testings.

- In a related evidentiary recovery, writing samples were seized that were previously a part of school records for Lee Malvo, when he was a student in Bellingham, Washington.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: IMMEDIATE

Date: 10/28/2002

To: Baltimore
Criminal Investigative

ATTN: VCMOS
SSA [redacted]

From: Mobile *TM/SD*
Squad 4/Montgomery RA
Contact: SSRA [redacted]

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Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]:vrl

Case ID #: 306-BA-102679 / *11/9/02* (Pending)

Title: SNIPEMUR
MAJOR CASE 194
OO: BALTIMORE

Synopsis: To provide background information regarding Montgomery Police Department's investigation of the shooting incident at the ABC Liquor Store, Montgomery, Alabama, on September 21, 2002.

Enclosure: Enclosed for the Criminal Investigative Division is a list of evidence recovered by the Montgomery, Alabama, Crime Scene Detectives from the ABC Liquor Store shooting on September 21, 2002.

Details: Per telcal with SSA [redacted] Montgomery County, Maryland, Command Post, Baltimore Division, and SA [redacted] [redacted] Mobile Division, on 10/24/2002, it was determined that Mobile Division's leads, set forth to provide assistance to the Montgomery Police Department's investigation of the ABC Liquor Store murder case, should be captured in Major Case 194, Snipemur. Per telcall with SSA [redacted], VCMOS, CID, and SSRA [redacted] Mobile Division, Montgomery RA, on 10/28/2002, information was requested regarding Montgomery Police Department's investigation to include a summary of the case; the names of witnesses who had positively identified subjects in Montgomery, Alabama; and the results of any ballistic analysis of the bullet fragments recovered by the Montgomery Police Department's crime scene Detectives.

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On September 21, 2002, two employees of the ABC Liquor Store located on Zelda Road, Montgomery, Alabama, were shot in the back while closing the store for the evening. Two Montgomery Police Officers were having dinner near that location and were

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able to respond to the scene. The Officers observed a black male "rifling" through one of the victim's purse. One of the police officers observed the black male to carry a silver handgun. The officers chased the individual, but he eluded capture.

Prior to the chase, witnesses at a nearby MacDonald's Restaurant observed two black males at the ABC Liquor store, heard the shots, and then observed the black males run when approached by the police officers. The two witnesses proceeded to chase one of the black males, but he also eluded capture.

During the chase, an Armor Lite catalog/brochure was dropped by one of the black males. Later, on or about October 22, 2002, the FBI Laboratory determined the print on the catalog to belong to a Lee Malvo, B/M, DOB: [REDACTED] approximately 5'5", 125 pounds, FBI No. [REDACTED]. The investigation revealed that Malvo was from Jamaica.

Montgomery Police Department's investigation of Malvo revealed that he and his mother, [REDACTED] also known as [REDACTED] B/F, DOB: [REDACTED] entered into the United States illegally aboard a foreign ship which eventually docked at the port in Miami, Florida. Subsequent to arriving into the United States, [REDACTED] obtained work at a Red Lobster located in Fort Myers, Florida, using a false DOB: [REDACTED] and a false SSAN: [REDACTED] on her job application. The investigation obtained information that Malvo ran away from home and fled to the state of Washington. There he met John Muhammad, B/M, DOB: 12/31/1960. Muhammad is a former military soldier and had been stationed at Fort Lewis, Tacoma, Washington, assigned to the 520th Infantry. The investigation also revealed that Muhammad, nicknamed Malvo, "Sniper".

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The Montgomery Police Department explained that on or about November, 2001, [REDACTED] quit her job at Red Lobster and moved to Tacoma, Washington. On or about December, 2001, Immigration and Naturalization Service arrested [REDACTED] and Malvo for violation(s) of U. S. Border Laws as they tried to cross into Canada from the U. S. Border and Washington. On or about January 25, 2002, [REDACTED] and Malvo were able to bond out of jail. Malvo had not been seen or heard from until September 21, 2002.

The Montgomery Police Department had developed a photographic composite line-up relating to Malvo. This line-up was shown to [REDACTED] a citizen who assisted the police chase subjects after the shooting incident. [REDACTED] had positively identified Malvo as being at the crime scene. During the chase, [REDACTED] was able to reach within 5 feet of Malvo but then lost him. Montgomery Police Officer [REDACTED] chased the other subject. Upon review of the photographic composites regarding

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Muhammad, Officer [redacted] positively identified Muhammad as being present at the crime scene. Pursuant to the positive identifications and in conjunction with other evidence, such as the fingerprint of Malvo, the Montgomery Police Department obtained Capital Murder Warrants against Muhammad and Malvo via the 15th Judicial District of Alabama, located in Montgomery, Alabama.

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Per information obtained from Agent [redacted] Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, assisting in the "SNIPEMUR" Command Post, Montgomery County, Maryland, ballistic fragments supplied by the Montgomery Police Department did not match a 22 magnum caliber bullet from a long gun. The fragments were believed to be from the 221 to 227 caliber family but a batch test will be required before any definitive results can be made. In addition, since the government recovered the rifle from the subjects' vehicle, the BATF will conduct further testing to ascertain, without a doubt, if the Montgomery, Alabama, fragments were shot from the sniper rifle. This aspect of the Montgomery, Alabama, case is still pending.

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Set Lead 1 (Adm)

BALTIMORE

AT AT MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

Read and Clear.

Set Lead 2 (Adm)

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE

AT WASHINGTON, DC

Read and clear.

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Murder Suspect Sought

Police looking for a witness, the driver of a blue sedan

(Sept. 24, 2002) - On Saturday, September 21, two female employees were shot at the ABC Store on Zelda Road in what police describe as a "robbery gone bad." One of the women, 52 year-old Claudine Parker, died from her injuries.



Police Sketch

Montgomery Police are looking for the man shown in this sketch. The suspect is believed to be in his 20's, about 5-foot-9 and 150 pounds. He was wearing a teal green shirt and khaki or tan shorts with a neat Afro. A witness said he had "knobby" knees.

While fleeing the scene, the suspect reportedly ran into the path of a moving blue sedan and touched the hood of the car behind Captain D's or Krystal's on Zelda Road. Police want to interview the driver of that car or anyone else who came in contact with the suspect.

If you know the whereabouts of this suspect, call CrimeStoppers at 215-STOP. You can remain anonymous and may earn a reward. Or call Montgomery Police at 241-2651 or the Secret Witness Line at 262-4000.

VIRGINIA:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF SPOTSYLVANIA
AT ITS CRIMINAL TERM COMMENCING

October 28, 2002

Direct Indictment

Commonwealth of Virginia,

v.

Use of a Firearm in the Commission of a
Felony

JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD,
aka JOHN ALLEN WILLIAMS

Race: Black Sex: Male DOB: 12/31/60

Hgt: 6'0" WGT: 180 Eyes: Brown Hair: Black

SSN: 435-11-9819

Defendant

The Grand Jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia and of the County of Spotsylvania, attending the Court aforesaid, upon their oaths present that, in the County of Spotsylvania,

JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD, aka JOHN ALLEN WILLIAMS On or about the 4th day of October, 2002, did use, attempt to use, or display in a threatening manner, a firearm, while committing or attempting to commit murder, rape, forcible sodomy, object sexual penetration, robbery, carjacking, malicious wounding, aggravated malicious wounding, or abduction, in violation of § 18.2-53.1 of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended.

Punishment: (First Offense) 3 years imprisonment.

(Second Offense) 5 years imprisonment.

Grand Jury Witness: Detective J. Cagnina
& Detective E. D. Chewning
Spotsylvania County Sheriff's Office

A True Bill

Not A True Bill

Charlotte Davis 10-28-02
Foreman of the Grand Jury

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Race: Black Sex: Male DOB: 12/31/60
Hgt: 6'0" WGT: 180 Eyes: Brown Hair: Black
SSN: 435-11-9819

Defendant

Aggravated Malicious Wounding

The Grand Jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia and of the County of Spotsylvania, attending the Court aforesaid, upon their oaths present that, in the County of Spotsylvania,

JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD, aka JOHN ALLEN WILLIAMS On or about the 4th day of October, 2002, did maliciously cause bodily injury to "C.S.", a female citizen of Spotsylvania County, with the intent to maim, disfigure, disable, or kill, and in a manner that caused said victim to be severely injured and to suffer permanent and significant physical impairment in violation of §§ 18.2-51.2(A); 18.2-10 of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended.

Punishment: (Class 2 Felony) Imprisonment for life, or for any term not less than 20 years and a fine of not more than \$100,000.

Grand Jury Witness: Detective J. Cagnina &
Detective E.D. Chewing
Spotsylvania County Sheriff's Office

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Foreman of the Grand Jury

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Direct Indictment

Commonwealth of Virginia,

v.

Attempted Capital Murder

JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD,
aka **JOHN ALLEN WILLIAMS**
Race: Black Sex: Male DOB: 12/31/60
Hgt: 6'0" WGT: 180 Eyes: Brown Hair: Black
SSN: 435-11-9819

Defendant

The Grand Jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia and of the County of Spotsylvania, attending the Court aforesaid, upon their oaths present that, in the County of Spotsylvania,

JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD, aka JOHN ALLEN WILLIAMS On or about the 4th day of October, 2002, did unlawfully and feloniously attempt to commit capital murder upon "C.S.", a female citizen of Spotsylvania County, in violation of Section 18.2-25 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.

Punishment: (Class 2 Felony) Imprisonment for life, or for any term not less than 20 years and a fine of not more than \$100,000.

Grand Jury Witness: Detective J. Cagnina &
Detective E. D. Chewning
Spotsylvania County Sheriff's Office

A True Bill

Not A True Bill

Charlotte J. ... 10-28-02
Foreman of the Grand Jury

VIRGINIA:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF SPOTSYLVANIA
AT ITS CRIMINAL TERM COMMENCING

October 28, 2002

Direct Indictment

Commonwealth of Virginia,

v.

Conspiracy to commit capital murder

JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD,
aka **JOHN ALLEN WILLIAMS**
Race: Black Sex: Male DOB: 12/31/60
Hgt: 6'0" WGT: 180 Eyes: Brown Hair: Black
SSN: 435-11-9819

Defendant

The Grand Jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia and of the County of Spotsylvania, attending the Court aforesaid, upon their oaths present that, in the County of Spotsylvania,

JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD, aka JOHN ALLEN WILLIAMS From on or about September 21, 2002 through October 23, 2002, did conspire, confederate, or combine with another to commit capital murder, in violation of § 18.2-22; 18.2-10 of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended.

Punishment: (Class 3 Felony) A term of imprisonment of not less than 5 years nor ore than 20 years and a fine of not more than \$100,000.

Grand Jury Witness: Detective J. Cagnina &
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

v.

JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD
a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS
a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS
a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY

CASE NUMBER: 02-3187 CBD

Special Agent Christopher Braga, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and Special Agent Scott Riordan, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), the undersigned complainants, being duly sworn, state the following is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

1) From a time unknown but beginning prior to October 2, 2002 until October 24, 2002, in the District of Maryland and elsewhere, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly and willfully conspire with another to obstruct, delay and affect commerce and the movement of articles and commodities in commerce by extortion, and to commit and threaten physical violence to a person in furtherance of a plan or purpose to do so, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1951.

2) From a time unknown but beginning prior to October 2, 2002 until October 24, 2002, in the District of Maryland and elsewhere, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly obstruct, delay and affect, and attempt to obstruct, delay and affect, commerce and the movement of articles and commodities in commerce by extortion, and did knowingly commit and threaten physical violence to a person in furtherance of a plan or purpose to do so, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1951 and 2.

3) From a time unknown but beginning prior to October 2, 2002 until October 24, 2002, in the District of Maryland and elsewhere, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY did knowingly and wilfully combine, conspire, confederate and agree with another to travel in interstate commerce with intent to commit crimes of violence, to wit, murders, to further an unlawful activity, to wit, extortion in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1951, and thereafter to commit crimes of violence to further the unlawful activity, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371 and § 1952.

4) On or about October 2, 2002, in the District of Maryland and elsewhere, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly travel in interstate commerce from outside the State and District of Maryland to a place within the State and District of Maryland, with intent to commit crimes of violence, to wit, murders,

to further an unlawful activity, to wit, extortion in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1951, and thereafter committed crimes of violence to further the unlawful activity, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1952 and 2.

5) On or about October 3, 2002, in the District of Maryland and elsewhere, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly travel in interstate commerce from the State and District of Maryland to the District of Columbia, with intent to commit crimes of violence, to wit, murders, to further an unlawful activity, to wit, extortion in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1951, and thereafter committed crimes of violence to further the unlawful activity, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1952 and 2.

6) On or about October 7, 2002, in the District of Maryland and elsewhere, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly travel in interstate commerce from the Commonwealth of Virginia to the State and District of Maryland, with intent to commit crimes of violence, to wit, murders, to further an unlawful activity, to wit, extortion in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1951, and thereafter committed crimes of violence to further the unlawful activity, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1952 and 2.

7) On or about October 9, 2002, in the District of Maryland and elsewhere, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly travel in interstate commerce from the State and District of Maryland to the Commonwealth of Virginia, with intent to commit crimes of violence, to wit, murders, to further an unlawful activity, to wit, extortion in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1951, and thereafter committed crimes of violence to further the unlawful activity, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1952 and 2.

8) On or about October 22, 2002, in the District of Maryland and elsewhere, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly travel in interstate commerce from the Commonwealth of Virginia to the State and District of Maryland, with intent to commit crimes of violence, to wit, murders, to further an unlawful activity, to wit, extortion in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1951, and thereafter committed crimes of violence to further the unlawful activity, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1952 and 2.

9) On or about October 2, 2002, at approximately 5:20 p.m., in the District of Maryland, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly use and discharge a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit, the violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 1951 and 1952 described in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 above, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(c) and 2.

10) On or about October 2, 2002, at approximately 6:04 p.m., in the District of Maryland, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly use and discharge a firearm during and in relation to a

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crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit, the violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 1951 and 1952 described in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 above, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 924(c), and did, during the course of that violation, cause the death of **James D. Martin** through the use of the firearm, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(j) and 2.

11) On or about October 3, 2002, at approximately 7:41 a.m., in the District of Maryland, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a **JOHN WILLIAMS**, a/k/a **WAYNE WEEKS**, a/k/a **WAYNE WEEKLEY**, did knowingly use and discharge a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit, the violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 1951 and 1952 described in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 above, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 924(c), and did, during the course of that violation, cause the death of **James Buchanan** through the use of the firearm, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(j) and 2.

12) On or about October 3, 2002, at approximately 8:12 a.m., in the District of Maryland, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a **JOHN WILLIAMS**, a/k/a **WAYNE WEEKS**, a/k/a **WAYNE WEEKLEY**, did knowingly use and discharge a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit, the violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 1951 and 1952 described in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 above, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 924(c), and did, during the course of that violation, cause the death of **Premkumar Walekar** through the use of the firearm, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(j) and 2.

13) On or about October 3, 2002, at approximately 8:37 a.m., in the District of Maryland, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a **JOHN WILLIAMS**, a/k/a **WAYNE WEEKS**, a/k/a **WAYNE WEEKLEY**, did knowingly use and discharge a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit, the violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 1951 and 1952 described in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 above, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 924(c), and did, during the course of that violation, cause the death of **Sarah Ramos** through the use of the firearm, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(j) and 2.

14) On or about October 3, 2002, at approximately 9:58 a.m., in the District of Maryland, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a **JOHN WILLIAMS**, a/k/a **WAYNE WEEKS**, a/k/a **WAYNE WEEKLEY**, did knowingly use and discharge a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit, the violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 1951 and 1952 described in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 above, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 924(c), and did, during the course of that violation, cause the death of **Lori Lewis Rivera** through the use of the firearm, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(j) and 2.

15) On or about October 3, 2002, at approximately 9:20 p.m., in the District of Maryland and elsewhere, the defendant, **JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD**, a/k/a **JOHN WILLIAMS**, a/k/a **WAYNE WEEKS**, a/k/a **WAYNE WEEKLEY**, did knowingly use and discharge a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit, the violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 1951 and 1952 described in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 5 above, in

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violation of 18 U.S.C. § 924(c), and did, during the course of that violation, cause the death of Pascal Charlot through the use of the firearm, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(j) and 2.

16) On or about October 4, 2002, at approximately 2:30 p.m., in the District of Maryland and elsewhere, the defendant, JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly use and discharge a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit, the violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 1951 and 1952 described in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 above, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(c) and 2.

17) On or about October 7, 2002, at approximately 8:09 a.m., in the District of Maryland, the defendant, JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly use and discharge a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit, the violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 1951 and 1952 described in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 6 above, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(c) and 2.

18) On or about October 7, 2002, at approximately 8:09 a.m., in the District of Maryland, the defendant, JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly and with reckless disregard for the safety of another, discharge a firearm that had moved in and that otherwise affected interstate commerce at a place that the defendant knew was a school zone, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 922(q)(3)(A) and 2.

19) On or about October 19, 2002, at approximately 7:59 p.m., in the District of Maryland and elsewhere, the defendant, JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly use and discharge a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit, the violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 1951 and 1952 described in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 7 above, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(c) and 2.

20) On or about October 22, 2002, at approximately 5:56 a.m., in the District of Maryland, the defendant, JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD, a/k/a JOHN WILLIAMS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKS, a/k/a WAYNE WEEKLEY, did knowingly use and discharge a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit, the violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 1951 and 1952 described in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 8 above, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 924(c), and did, during the course of that violation, cause the death of Conrad Johnson through the use of the firearm, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(j) and 2.

We further state that we are Special Agents of the FBI and ATF, respectively and that this complaint is based on the following facts: See attached affidavit.

Continued on the attached affidavit and made a part hereof: Yes No


Christopher Braga
Special Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation


Scott Riordan
Special Agent
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and
Firearms

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, on

October 29, 2002 at Greenbelt, Maryland
Date


CHARLES B. DAY
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

AFFIDAVIT

1. Your co-affiant, Christopher R. Braga ("Affiant Braga"), is a Special Agent ("SA") of the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI"), U.S. Department of Justice. Affiant Braga is currently assigned to the Violent Crime - Major Offender's Squad, of the Baltimore Field Office. Affiant Braga has been employed by the FBI for 5 ½ years and is currently assigned to the Violent Crimes-Major Offenders Squad of the Baltimore Field Office responsible for investigations of bank robbery, extortion, kidnapping, homicide on federal property and reservations, and other criminal matters.
2. Your co-affiant, Scott E. Riordan ("Affiant Riordan"), is a Special Agent of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms ("ATF") and has been so employed for the past 4 ½ years. In that capacity, Affiant Riordan is responsible for investigating federal crimes, including crimes of violence and crimes relating to firearms and ammunition.
3. This affidavit is being submitted in support of a complaint to charge JOHN MUHAMMAD, a/k/a "John Williams", a/k/a "Wayne Weeks", a/k/a "Wayne Weekley" whose date of birth is 12/31/60 ("MUHAMMAD") with violations of 18 U.S. Code, Section 371, Conspiracy to Commit Offenses Against the United States; 18 U.S. Code, Section 1951, Conspiracy to Affect Interstate Commerce by Extortion and Threats of Physical Violence; 18 U.S. Code, Section 1951, Affecting Interstate Commerce by Extortion and Threats of Physical Violence; 18 U.S. Code, Section 1952, Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering; 18 U.S. Code, Section 922(q), Discharging a Firearm into a School Zone; and 18 U.S. Code, Section 924(c) and (j), Use of a Firearm During Commission of a Crime of Violence, Causing Death of a Person.
4. This affidavit does not contain every aspect of the investigation, but only those facts necessary to establish probable cause.
5. This affidavit is based on personal investigation by your Affiants as well as information provided to us by agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the Montgomery County Police Department and other members of law enforcement.
6. On October 2, 2002, at 5:20 p.m., Montgomery County Police in Montgomery County, Maryland responded to 3800 Aspen Hill Road¹ for a shot fired through the window of a crafts store. At approximately 6:04 p.m., on that date, at 2201 Randolph Road, in Wheaton, Maryland, James D. Martin was shot in the back and killed. This occurred in a parking lot of a Shopper's Food Warehouse. On October 3, 2002, at approximately 7:41 a.m., James L. Buchanan, Jr., mowing the lawn at a car dealership at 11411 Rockville Pike, Kensington, Maryland, was shot and killed. At approximately 8:12 a.m., on that date, at 4100 Aspen Hill Road,

¹ This address has also been identified in previous court filings as 13850 Georgia Avenue.

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Rockville, Maryland, Premkumar A. Walekar was shot and killed while pumping gasoline. This occurred at a Mobil gas station. At approximately 8:37 a.m., on that date, Sarah Ramos was shot and killed while seated at a shopping plaza parking lot bench near a Michael's Crafts store located at 3701 Rossmoor Boulevard in Silver Spring, Maryland. At approximately 9:58 a.m., on that date, Lori Lewis Rivera, was shot and killed while vacuuming her van at 10515 Connecticut Avenue, Kensington, Maryland. This occurred at a Shell gas station. At approximately 9:20 p.m., on that date, Pascal Charlot was shot and killed at 7700 Georgia Avenue, Washington, D.C. On October 4, 2002, at approximately 2:30 p.m., a victim was shot at 3102 Plank Road, Fredericksburg, Virginia. This occurred in a parking lot at a Michael's Craft Store. On October 7, 2002, at approximately 8:09 a.m., a victim was shot on the grounds of Benjamin Tasker Middle School located at 4901 Collington Avenue, Bowie, Maryland. On October 9, 2002, at 8:18 p.m., Dean Harold Myers was shot and killed while pumping gas at 7203 Sudley Road, Manassas, Virginia. This occurred at a Sunoco Gas Station. On October 11, 2002, at 9:30 a.m., Kenneth Bridges was shot and killed while pumping gas at 5326 Jefferson-Davis Highway, Fredericksburg, Virginia. On October 14, 2002 at approximately 9:25 p.m., Linda Franklin was shot and killed at 6210 Arlington Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia. This occurred in a Home Depot store parking lot, as she placed purchases in her vehicle. On October 19, 2002, at approximately 7:59 p.m., a man was shot in the parking lot of a Ponderosa restaurant while exiting after eating, located at 809 England Street, Ashland, Virginia. On October 22, 2002, at approximately 5:56 a.m., Conrad Johnson was shot and killed while standing in a Ride-On bus located on Grand Pre Road in Silver Spring, Maryland.² The investigation of these incidents is collectively referred to herein as the "sniper investigation."

7. There is evidence that links these shootings as related. In each incident, it appears that the shot was taken from a distance, rather than from a person immediately next to the victim. All of the Montgomery County shootings occurred in close geographic proximity to each other. In each of the shootings, except for the first three (including the store window shooting), recovered projectiles have been matched to one another by the ATF Crime Laboratory as having been fired from the same weapon. The ballistics evidence from the first three shootings did not permit comparison.
8. Several of the shootings have taken place at locations close to exit ramps for major highways, suitable for interstate travelers to make quick stops before returning to interstate and local travel. In addition, stores like Home Depot and Michael's Crafts, and gas stations, as well as the Ponderosa Restaurant,

² With respect to the specific addresses, the addresses listed are meant to be fairly descriptive of the general location, rather than precise pinpoints of the exact site. Many of the addresses are close to several business locations and some regions can be described by more than one locality name.

necessarily are involved in interstate commerce and events at those locations therefore affect interstate commerce. In addition, given the sequence of the shootings in which shootings occurred in Maryland, the District of Columbia, Virginia, Maryland, Virginia, and again in Maryland, it is apparent that the individual(s) involved have traveled in interstate commerce.

9. During the investigation of the October 7 shooting in Bowie, law enforcement officers recovered a tarot card with a handwritten note. This handwriting has been compared with a handwritten note (see below) found at the scene of the shooting on October 19, 2002, at the Ponderosa restaurant located at 809 England Street, Ashland, Virginia. The handwriting on both of these items has been examined by the United States Secret Service Crime Laboratory, Questioned Document Branch, in Washington, D.C., whose personnel concluded the notes on each were probably written by one and the same person.³
10. In the days that followed the Ponderosa shooting, an unknown male(s) individual called various telephone numbers in Maryland that are associated with local law enforcement or the investigation. Certain of the calls were placed to phone numbers with a Virginia area code but which had been rerouted to Maryland because of their association with the investigation. One such call made to a Maryland number included the caller specifically making reference to information on the tarot card which was not released to the general public and during which the caller referenced his desire to negotiate. This call was traced to a pay phone in Woodbridge, Virginia. Another call, following the Ponderosa shooting at which a note was found (see below), indicated that authorities had the caller's "terms" which were "non-negotiable" and contained a reference to the fact that children would not be safe. The call was traced to a pay phone in Richmond, Virginia.
11. On October 19, 2002, a handwritten note was found by a law enforcement officer at the scene of the shooting outside the Ponderosa Restaurant in Ashland, Virginia. The note demanded that the sum of \$10,000,000 be paid into a Visa Platinum account and provided a specific account number issued by Bank of America associated with the account. The note contained threats to kill more persons, including children, if the demands of the note were not met.
12. Your affiants are aware that the account number provided for the payment corresponds with the account information for a credit card stolen in Arizona in March 2002. Moreover, your affiants know that this stolen credit card was used on or about April 9, 2002, in Tacoma, Washington, in order to pay for \$12.01 worth of gasoline.

³ In certain materials previously submitted to the Court, the word "probably" was inadvertently omitted.

13. Your affiants are further aware that a citizen who lives in Tacoma, Washington has reported that, during the 6 month period before this affidavit was sworn out, MUHAMMAD and a male associate occasionally visited the citizen's home in Tacoma, Washington. The citizen also reported MUHAMMAD and this associate had an AR-15 type firearm with them. This is a firearm capable of firing a .223 caliber round. He further reported that MUHAMMAD referred to his associate as "Sniper." The citizen also reported that MUHAMMAD and "Sniper" indicated they were taking the firearm to the range to "zero it." This citizen has been shown a photograph of JOHN DOE, JUVENILE, and confirmed that this person is the male associate who visited him with MUHAMMAD and to whom MUHAMMAD referred as "Sniper." In your affiants' experience, the phrase "zeroing" a firearm refers to the process of calibrating a firearm's gunsight to insure accuracy.
14. Law enforcement officials have determined that, while in the U.S. Army, MUHAMMAD was stationed at Ft. Lewis in the Tacoma, Washington, area. In addition, law enforcement officials have determined that while MUHAMMAD served in the military, he would have received training in the operation and discharge of firearms.
15. On September 21, 2002, at about 11:15 p.m., two individuals leaving the ABC Beverages Store at 1690 Zelda Road, Montgomery, Alabama were shot by an unknown assailant. One of the victims died from a gunshot wound to the torso, the other victim survived her injuries. When police arrived at the scene, a person fled the police arrival, dropping a firearms catalogue to the ground, which was recovered by police officers and submitted for latent fingerprint analysis. Fingerprint analysis has been conducted comparing the multiple latent fingerprints from the catalogue to the known prints of JOHN DOE, JUVENILE. A forensic expert has confirmed those fingerprints to be one and the same. Witnesses have identified both MUHAMMAD and JOHN DOE, JUVENILE, as being present in the vicinity of the crime scene.
16. During the course of the sniper investigation, telephone calls taking credit for the sniper shootings were placed to law enforcement officials and to a private citizen. Those calls also included specific identifying contents that match phrases left at three crime scenes within the sniper investigation. Specifically, the calls used phrases that appear on messages left for law enforcement at the scenes of shootings in Bowie, Maryland, Ashland, Virginia, and Silver Spring, Maryland. Those phrases were not released to the public. In these calls, the callers collectively made mention of specific knowledge of the Montgomery, Alabama shooting, providing, for example, the exact neighborhood of the incident, referring to it as a liquor store robbery, and emphasizing the caller's awareness of who actually participated in the shooting. During at least one call, the person receiving the call was spoken to by two different people. During this same call, one of the callers indicated that the police should conduct ballistics testing of the bullet fragments in Montgomery, Alabama.


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17. On October 23, 2002, United States Magistrate Judge Monica J. Benton of the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington issued an Arrest Warrant for MUHAMMAD. The warrant was in support of a criminal complaint charging MUHAMMAD with violating 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(8) and 924(a)(2) – (Possession of a Firearm Affecting Commerce by a Person Subject to An Order of Restraint). Also on October 23, 2002, United States Magistrate Judge Jillyn K. Schulze of the United States District Court for the District of Maryland (Southern Division) issued a Material Witness Arrest Warrant for JOHN DOE, JUVENILE.
18. During the late evening and early morning of October 23 and October 24, 2002, law enforcement authorities released information to the public that they were seeking information related to a Chevrolet Caprice which they had discovered was co-registered in MUHAMMAD's name. According to information provided by concerned citizens to police officials, an automobile matching the description of the Caprice was seen at the shooting in the District of Columbia on October 3, 2002, and at the shooting on October 22, 2002, on Grand Pre Road in Silver Spring, Maryland.
19. A short time after releasing the vehicle information, law enforcement received information from a concerned citizen indicating that an automobile fitting the description was located at a rest area near Myersville, Maryland. Law enforcement authorities responded to the scene and observed MUHAMMAD and JOHN DOE, JUVENILE, asleep in a blue 1990 Chevrolet Caprice, VIN # 1G1BL5472LA141552 ("the Caprice").
20. Law Enforcement Officers of the FBI, the Maryland State Police and other Federal and State Law Enforcement Officers placed MUHAMMAD and JOHN DOE, JUVENILE, under arrest pursuant to the authority of the arrest warrant and the material witness arrest warrant described above.
21. A federal search warrant was secured to search the vehicle. That search revealed, among other things, the following items either in or around the Caprice:⁴
 - A. A single brown cotton glove which was protruding from a hole in the trunk – the glove appears to be very similar to another single brown cotton glove found at the scene of the shooting on October 22, 2002, on Grand Pre Road in Silver Spring, Maryland;
 - B. A Bushmaster model XM15-E2S .223 caliber rifle, serial number L284320 ("the rifle"), found behind the rear seat;

⁴ Because of certain limitations associated with the scope of the warrant not all of the above items were seized, even if observed. Additional warrants are being secured to permit search and seizure of additional items. As of the time of the preparation of this affidavit, aspects of the car search are still ongoing. Thus, the above list is not intended to be comprehensive.

- C. Papers with handwritten notes on them;
- D. 2 shooting mittens found outside the car on the ground -- these had been removed from MUHAMMAD'S person by law enforcement officers during the course of the arrest;
- E. A green military Alice pack found outside the car on the ground containing among other things, a Global Positioning System;
- F. A paper towel, outside the car on the ground, similar to the sort provided by gasoline stations for the use of customers, under which was located a single .223 round;
- G. On the hood of the Caprice, a wallet containing drivers licenses in several different names -- but all bearing MUHAMMAD'S photograph;
- H. Miscellaneous items of clothing;
- I. Nascar Road Atlas;
- J. A pair of 2 way transceiver radios;
- K. A Sony laptop computer;
- L. A pair of sneakers (on the driver's side floor in the front);
- M. A jug of water (on the passenger side in the front);
- N. 2 boxes of Winchester .338 Magnum ammunition;
- O. Compact Disks and Compact Disk cases;
- P. Various books;
- Q. Various tools in cases;
- R. A pair of bolt cutters;
- S. A 1 gallon jug of yellow liquid;
- T. A section of garden hose; and
- U. A spare tire.

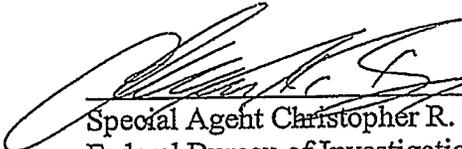
22. Law enforcement has also learned that on October 8, 2002, a Baltimore City Police Officer noticed MUHAMMAD asleep in the Caprice near a Subway

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restaurant located at the corner of West 28th and the 600 block of Sisson Street, Baltimore, Maryland. The officer approached the Caprice, asked MUHAMMAD a few brief questions and took no further action. This fact, combined with the fact that MUHAMMAD and JOHN DOE, JUVENILE, were observed sleeping in the car on October 24, 2002, and combined with the collection of evidence observed in searching the car, suggests that MUHAMMAD and JOHN DOE, JUVENILE, have been living in the car.

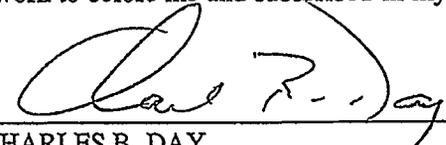
23. On October 24, 2002, the Crime Lab test-fired the rifle and, thereafter, determined that the round discharged during the test is a match for the rounds recovered from all but the first three incidents in the investigation. As noted above, the evidence found at the first three shootings was not suitable for comparison.
24. The affiants have determined that the Bushmaster firearm found in the Caprice was manufactured outside the State of Maryland.

Based on the aforementioned facts, I believe that there is probable cause to believe MUHAMMAD committed violations of 18 U.S. Code, Section 371, Conspiracy to Commit Offenses Against the United States; 18 U.S. Code, Section 1951, Conspiracy to Affect Interstate Commerce by Extortion and Threats of Physical Violence; 18 U.S. Code, Section 1951, Affecting Interstate Commerce by Extortion and Threats of Physical Violence; 18 U.S. Code, Section 1952, Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering; 18 U.S. Code, Section 922(q), Discharging a Firearm into a School Zone; and 18 U.S. Code, Section 924(c) and (j), Use of a Firearm During Commission of a Crime of Violence, Causing Death of a Person.


Special Agent Christopher R. Braga
Federal Bureau of Investigation

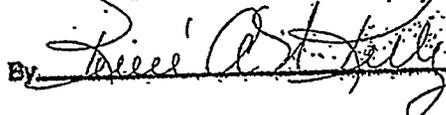

Special Agent Scott E. Riordan
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, on Oct 29, 2002 at Greenbelt, Maryland
Date


CHARLES B. DAY
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

I hereby attest and certify on Dec. 17, 2002
that the foregoing document is a full, true and correct
copy of the original on file in my office and in my
legal custody.

FELICIA C. CANNON
CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

By  Deputy



DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND FOR Prince George's County
 Located at Courthouse, Bourne Wing, Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772 Case No.: 004E00200834

STATE OF MARYLAND

VS

MUHAMMAD, JOHN ALLEN
 AKA: WILLIAMS, JOHN ALLEN
 UNKNOWN
 UNKNOWN, XX 00000-0000

CC#: 022800284 SID:
 Local ID: DL#:
 Race: 1 Sex: M Ht: 6'1" Wt: 185 Hair: BRN Eyes: BRN
 DOB: 12/31/1969 Phone(H): Phone(W):

Charge | Statute | Arrest
 ATT 1ST DEG. MURDER | CR2205 |

Charge | Statute | Arrest
 CON-MURDER-FIRST DEGREE | CL |

ARREST WARRANT ON CHARGING DOCUMENT - Warrant No. D020722995



STATE OF MARYLAND, Prince George's County
 TO ANY PEACE OFFICER, Greetings:

YOU ARE ORDERED to arrest and bring before a judicial officer the above-named Defendant as soon as practicable and without unnecessary delay. If a judicial officer is not readily available, this Warrant shall authorize the prisoner's detention until compliance is had with Rule 4-212 and the arresting officer is authorized and required to comply with Rule 4-212.

IF THE DEFENDANT IS NOT IN CUSTODY FOR ANOTHER OFFENSE,
 Initial appearance is to be held in county in which Warrant was issued.

IF THE DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY FOR ANOTHER OFFENSE, this Warrant is to be lodged as a detainer for the continued detention of the Defendant for the offense charged in the charging document. When the Defendant is served with a copy of the charging document and Warrant, the Defendant shall be taken before a judicial officer of the District Court.

Date: 10/31/2002 Time: 3:18 PM Judge/Commissioner: [Signature] ID: 5027
 Given to: PR.GEO. CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

RETURN OF SERVICE

I certify that at _____ M on _____ at _____, I executed this Arrest Warrant by arresting the Defendant and delivered a copy of the Statement of Charges to the Defendant.

I left a copy of the Warrant and Charging Document as a detainer for the continued detention of the Defendant at:

Facility: _____

Location: _____

Signature & Title of Peace Officer: _____

Printed Name of Officer: _____

Agency, Sub-Agency, I.D.: _____

Date: _____

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- STATE ATTY COPY
- DEFENDANT COPY
- FOLDER COPY
- COMPLAINANT COPY

Tracking No. 021001940190

ARREST WARRANT ON CHARGING DOCUMENT



DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND FOR Prince George's County
 Located at Courthouse, Bourne Wing, Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772 Case No.: 004E00200834

STATE OF MARYLAND

VS

MUHAMMAD, JOHN ALLEN

AKA: WILLIAMS, JOHN ALLEN

UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN, XX 00000000

COMPLAINANT:

Officer: BERGSTROM, JOSEPH DET

Agency/Subagency: DA CID

ID: 1840

CC#: 022800284

SID:

Local ID:

DL#:

DL State:

Race: 1 Sex: M Height: 6'1"

Weight: 185

Hair: BRN

Eyes: BRN

DOB: 12/31/1969 Phone(H):

Phone(W):

STATEMENT OF CHARGES

UPON THE FACTS CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION OF BERGSTROM, JOSEPH DET
 IT IS FORMALLY CHARGED THAT MUHAMMAD, JOHN ALLEN at
 the dates, times and locations specified below:

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002	2C0900	CL	LIFE	CON-MURDER-FIRST DEGREE On or About 10/07/2002 at 8:09AM 4901 COLLINGTON ROAD, BOWIE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MD. ...did conspire with LEE BOYD MALVO to feloniously, willfully and of deliberately premeditated malice aforethought kill and murder IRAN BROWN. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.

Date: 10/31/2002 Time: 3:17 PM

Judicial Officer: _____

Tracking No. 021001940190

[Handwritten Signature]
 [] SENT: 5027
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DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY (City/County)

LOCATED AT (COURT ADDRESS)
14735 Main St.
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

DC Case No: 4E00200834

RELATED CASES:



Victim requests no contact from the defendant. Victim or witness requests address and telephone number be withheld. (Criminal Procedure Article 8-211-205) (Note: If checked, ask the commissioner for a confidential supplement form for this information.)

COMPLAINANT

DEFENDANT

Detective Joseph Bergstrom #1840
Name (Print)
7600 Barlowe Rd.
Address (Number and Street)
Landover, Md. 20785 (301)772-4925
City, State, and Zip Code Telephone
DA/CID/HOM #1840
Agency, Sub-Agency, and LD.# (Officer Only)

Muhammad, John Allen aka Williams John Allen
Name (Print)
no fixed address
Address (Number and Street)
City, State, and Zip Code Telephone
CC# 02-280-0284

DEFENDANT'S DESCRIPTION: Driver's License # Sex M Race Blk Ht 6'10 Wt 185 lbs.

Hair Brown Eyes Brown Complexion medium Other 435-11-9819 D.O.B. 12/31/60 ID

APPLICATION FOR STATEMENT OF CHARGES

Page 1 of 2

I, the undersigned, apply for a statement of charges and a summons or warrant which may lead to the arrest of the above named Defendant because on or about 10/7/02 (aprox. 8:09 hrs.) at Benjamin Tasker Middle School, Bowie, Prince George's County, Maryland the above named Defendant did attempt to murder Iran Brown. Below are the facts leading to the identity of the defendant.

(Concise statement of facts showing that there is probable cause to believe that a crime has been committed and that the Defendant has committed it): 10/7/02 at approximately 8:09 am uniform officers were dispatched to Benjamin Tasker Middle School in Bowie, Prince George's County, Maryland, for the report of a shooting. Subsequent investigation into the matter revealed that 13 year old student, Iran Brown, had just been shot in the lower left portion of the abdomen while on the grounds of Benjamin Tasker Middle School.

(Continued on attached pages) (DC/CR 1A)

I solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury that the contents of this Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

10/31/02 Date
I have read or had read to me and I understand the Notice on the back of this form.

Handwritten signature of Officer J. Bergstrom #1840

10/31/02 Date
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of October, 2002, at 3:05 PM Judge/Commissioner

Handwritten signature of Commissioner and ID #5050

I understand that a charging document has been issued and that I must appear for trial on at when notified by the Clerk, at the Court location shown at the top of this form.

Applicant's Signature

I declined to issue a charging document because of lack of probable cause.

Witnesses' Names and Addresses: Name, Number and Street/Agency/Sub-agency/LD., City, State, Zip

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Handwritten notes and stamps at the bottom right of the page.



DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

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DC Case No: 4E00200834

DEFENDANT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, M.I.)

Muhammad, John Allen aka William John Allen

APPLICATION FOR STATEMENT OF CHARGES (CONTINUED) Page 2 of 2

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On 10/24/02 federal authorities arrested John Allen Muhammed and Lee Boyd Malvo at a rest stop in Frederick County, Maryland.

At the time of their arrest they were sleeping inside of a dark, older model, Chevy Caprice with dark tinted windows and New Jersey tags. The car was registered to John Allen Muhammed.

A car matching that description was seen by a witness in the vicinity of Benjamin Tasker Middle School around the early morning hours of the shooting.

The AR 15 Bushmaster semi-automatic assault rifle, as well as a bipod upon which the weapon could be fired, was recovered from inside the car by police authorities. It was subsequently processed, and examined. The fingerprint of Lee Boyd Malvo was found on the pistol grip of the rifle. Ballistics experts from the Bureau of Alcohol, Firearms, and Tobacco have also determined that the bullet removed from the body of Iran Brown, as well as a casing recovered from the woods adjoining the shooting, were fired from the AR 15 Bushmaster recovered from the Chevy Caprice.

Based upon the above information it is requested by this investigator that the defendant be charged with attempted first degree murder of Iran Brown and conspiracy to murder Iran Brown.

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10/31/02

Date

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Applicant's Signature

Tr. # 021001940190

(Rev. 1/2002) (Print Date 2/2002)

DC/CR 1A

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DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND FOR Prince George's County
 Located at Courthouse, Bourne Wing, Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772 Case No.: 005E00200835

STATE OF MARYLAND VS MALVO, LEE BOYD
 AKA: MALVO JOHN LEE
 UNKNOWN
 UNKNOWN, XX 00000-0000

CC#: 022800284 SID:
 Local ID: DL#:
 Race: I Sex: M Ht: 5'5" Wt: 125 Hair: BRN Eyes: BRN
 DOB: 02/18/1985 Phone(H): Phone(W):

Charge | Statute | Arrest
 ATT 1ST DEG. MURDER | CR2205 |

Charge | Statute | Arrest
 CON-MURDER-FIRST DEGREE | CL |

ARREST WARRANT ON CHARGING DOCUMENT - Warrant No. D020723006

STATE OF MARYLAND, Prince George's County
 TO ANY PEACE OFFICER, Greetings:



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Date: 10/31/2002 Time: 3:31 PM Judge/Commissioner: Baroni J. ... ID: 5027
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VS

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AKA: MALVO JOHN LEE

UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN, XX 000000000

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 Officer: BERGSTROM, JOSEPH
 Agency/Subagency: DA CID
 ID: 1840

CC#: 022800284 SID:
 Local ID: DL#: DL State:
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 DOB: 02/18/1985 Phone(H): Phone(W):

STATEMENT OF CHARGES

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Date: 10/31/2002 Time: 3:30 PM

Judicial Officer: [Signature] 5027

Tracking No. 021001940201



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Malvo, Lee Boyd aka Malvo, John Lee
Name (Print)
no fixed address
Address (Number and Street)
City, State, and Zip Code
Telephone
CC# 02-280-0284

DEFENDANT'S DESCRIPTION: Driver's License # Sex M Race Blk Ht 5'5" Wt 125 lbs.

Hair Brown Eyes Brown Complexion medium Other D.O.B. 2/18/85 ID

APPLICATION FOR STATEMENT OF CHARGES

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(Continued on attached pages) (DC/CR 1A)

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10/31/02 Date

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10/31/02 Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of

Time: 3:25 P M Judge/Commissioner

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Witnesses' Names and Addresses:

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DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

(City/County)



LOCATED AT (COURT ADDRESS)

14735 Main St.
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772



DC Case No: 5E00200835

DEFENDANT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI)

Malvo, Lee Boyd aka Malvo, John Lee

APPLICATION FOR STATEMENT OF CHARGES (CONTINUED) Page 2 of 2

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10/31/02

Date

Applicant's Signature

Tr. # 021001940201

(Rev. 1/2002) (Print Date 2/2002)

DC/CR 1A

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VIRGINIA:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF FAIRFAX COUNTY

January 21, 2003

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA)	
)	INDICTMENT FOR
vs.)	CAPITAL MURDER AND
)	USING A FIREARM IN THE
LEE BOYD MALVO)	COMMISSION OF A FELONY
a/k/a John Lee Malvo)	

COUNT I

The Grand Jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in and for the body of the County of Fairfax, and now attending the said Court at its January Term, 2003, charges that: On or about the 14th day of October, 2002, in the County of Fairfax, Lee Boyd Malvo, a/k/a John Lee Malvo, did willfully, deliberately and with premeditation kill and murder Linda Franklin in the commission of an act of terrorism as defined in §18.2-46.4 of the Code of Virginia.

Va. Code §18.2-31(13)

COUNT II

The Grand Jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in and for the body of the County of Fairfax, and now attending the said Court at its January Term, 2003, charges that: On or about the 14th day of October, 2002, in the County of Fairfax, Lee Boyd Malvo, a/k/a John Lee Malvo, did willfully, deliberately and with premeditation kill and murder Linda Franklin, said killing being the killing of more than one person within a three year period.

Va. Code §18.2-31(8)

COUNT III

The Grand Jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in and for the body of the County of Fairfax, and now attending the said Court at its January Term, 2003, charges that: On or about the 14th day of October, 2002, in the County of Fairfax, Lee Boyd Malvo, a/k/a John Lee Malvo, did unlawfully use a firearm while committing the murder of Linda Franklin.

Va. Code §18.2-53.1

A True Bill

No True Bill

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FOREMAN

Witnesses subpoenaed, sworn and available to testify before the Grand Jury:

Det. I. M. Boyle, Fairfax County Police Dept.

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mc

306-BA-102679 -4095

MAM:mam

The attached copies of indictments from the Montgomery County, Alabama, were obtained by SA MICHAEL A. McCOY on March 16, 2003, at Montgomery, Alabama. The indictments charge JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD and LEE MALVO with capital murder and attempted murder for the death of CLAUDINE PARKER and the attempted murder of KELLIE ADAMS on 09/21/2002 at the ABC Store in Montgomery, Alabama.

306-BA-102679-40954
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APPENDIX A

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Circuit Court of Montgomery County, _____ NOVEMBER _____ Term, A.D. 2002

COUNT I: The Grand Jury of said County charge that, before the finding of this indictment,

LEE MALVO, alias
JOHN LEE MALVO, alias
LEE MUHAMMAD, alias
LEE MUHAMMED, alias
JOHN LEE MUHAMMAD, alias
JOHN LEE MUHAMMED,

whose name is otherwise unknown to the Grand Jury, did intentionally cause the death of Claudine Parker, by shooting her with a gun, during the time that he was in the course of committing a theft of property, lawful currency and/or coinage of the United States of America, and/or other personal property, better descriptions of which are unknown to the Grand Jury, of some value, the value of which is unknown to the Grand Jury, the property of Claudine Parker and/or Kellie Adams and/or the State of Alabama d/b/a ABC Store, by the use of force against the person of the owner or any person present, Claudine Parker and/or Kellie Adams, with intent to overcome her physical resistance or physical power of resistance, while armed with a deadly weapon or dangerous instrument, a gun, or while causing serious physical injury to another, Claudine Parker and/or Kellie Adams, in violation of Section 13A-5-40(a)(2) of the Code of Alabama, against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama.

COUNT II: The Grand Jury of said County further charge that, before the finding of this indictment,

LEE MALVO, alias
JOHN LEE MALVO, alias
LEE MUHAMMAD, alias
LEE MUHAMMED, alias
JOHN LEE MUHAMMAD, alias
JOHN LEE MUHAMMED,

whose name is otherwise unknown to the Grand Jury, did intentionally cause the death of Claudine Parker, by or through the use of a deadly weapon fired or otherwise used within or from a vehicle, by shooting her with a gun, in violation of Section 13A-5-40(a)(18) of the Code of Alabama, against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama.

COUNT III: The Grand Jury of said County further charge that, before the finding of this indictment,

LEE MALVO, alias
JOHN LEE MALVO, alias
LEE MUHAMMAD, alias
LEE MUHAMMED, alias
JOHN LEE MUHAMMAD, alias
JOHN LEE MUHAMMED,

whose name is otherwise unknown to the Grand Jury, with intent to commit the crime of Murder(Section 13A-6-2 of the Code of Alabama), with intent to cause the death of another person, did attempt to cause the death of Kellie Adams, by shooting her with a gun, in violation of Section 13A-4-2 of the Code of Alabama,

against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama.

Lee Brooks

District Attorney, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of Alabama

GJ NO. 559

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

v.

LEE MALVO, alias

B/M, DOB 02/18/85
P.O. Box 111866, Tacoma Washington

SID. NO. _____ ARREST DATE 10/24/02

FOR

CAPITAL MURDER (2 COUNTS)
ATTEMPTED MURDER

A TRUE BILL

Mussa Pickling
Foreperson of Grand Jury

BAIL IN THIS CASE IS FIXED AT

NO BOND
\$ _____

Judge of Circuit Court of Montgomery County

Charles [Signature]
CC NO. _____

SEP. 1201

Presented in open Court by the Foreperson of
the Montgomery County Grand Jury in the pres-
ence of 17 16 other members of
the Grand Jury and filed this 8th day of
November, 02.

Melissa Pitterson
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County

WITNESSES

WITNESS LIST TO BE PROVIDED

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Circuit Court of Montgomery County, _____ NOVEMBER _____ Term, A.D. 2002

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District Attorney, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of Alabama

GJ NO. 557

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

v.

JOHN ALLEN MUHAMMAD, alias

P. O. BOX 111866, TACOMA, Washington

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Federal prison deal for Malvo opposed

Va. prosecutors renew objections to plea whereby sniper would admit to other killings

BY ANDREA F. SIEGEL
(SUN REPORTER)

The Virginia prosecutors of snipers Lee Boyd Malvo and John Allen Muhammad say they oppose allowing Malvo to serve his life sentence in a federal prison as part of any far-reaching plea agreement, as has been suggested in recent months.

Muhammad, 45, on death row in Virginia for a sniper murder, was convicted in May of six fatal sniper shootings in Montgomery County in 2002. He received six life terms without parole.

Malvo, 21, serving multiple life

sentences for Virginia sniper shootings, had not spoken publicly about the crimes until Muhammad's trial. But he detailed sniper shootings to investigators, first when arrested in 2002 and more recently before Muhammad's trial, sometimes inconsistently.

The duo were believed to have shot 13 people, 10 fatally, during October 2002 in the Washington, D.C., area. Police believe that rampage was preceded by shootings, some fatal, from Washington state through the South.

Virginia prosecutors objected last fall when told that Malvo might admit to other slayings in exchange for leaving Virginia's

Red Onion State Prison for a federal penitentiary.

"Not just him, but anybody — they should not be able to select the prison where they spend the rest of their life," Prince William County Commonwealth's Attorney Paul B. Ebert said.

"I had a call from somebody in the Virginia attorney general's office who said, was I aware that an attempt was being made to have Malvo serve his time elsewhere as a part of some global plea," Fairfax County Commonwealth's Attorney Robert Horan Jr. said.

The idea, which could efficiently close open cases and was floated by Montgomery County prosecu-

tors, fizzled. It was raised anew with the election of Tim Kaine as Virginia governor in November. said a source who declined to be identified because of the sensitivity of the issue. Because Malvo is a Virginia prisoner, Virginia's governor would have to agree.

"The ... opposition of the two prosecutors that did handle these two cases in Virginia will have some bearing on this idea," said Kevin Hall, Kaine's spokesman.

Washington, D.C. radio station WTOP raised the possibility yesterday that such an arrangement could take place, but the idea's viability could not be confirmed. Montgomery County State's At-

torney Douglas F. Gansler declined to comment.

Meanwhile, a lawyer for Muhammad said Muhammad was unaware of such a possibility and if it remained alive could be used it against Malvo last month.

"The jury should have had an opportunity to hear that ... so that they can assess his credibility," said J. Wyndal Gordon.

Malvo's lawyers did not return telephone calls yesterday.

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Malvo Claims 4 Other Shootings, Source Says

List of Snipers' Confirmed and Suspected Attacks Across U.S. Grows to 27 -- 17 Fatal

By Ernesto Londoño and Eric Rich
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Lee Boyd Malvo told law enforcement officials this spring that he and fellow sniper John Allen Muhammad are responsible for four shootings across the country that have not been publicly attributed to them, a source familiar with the case said.

A second source confirmed that investigators have received information implicating the snipers in those shootings, which claimed the lives of two men and wounded two others in the months before the October 2002 slayings that terrorized the Washington region. The sources declined to speak for attribution because of the sensitivity of the information.

Malvo was interviewed extensively by law enforcement officials in preparation for his testimony at Muhammad's trial last month in Maryland.

It is unclear to what degree, if any, authorities have corroborated Malvo's new claims. He has provided conflicting accounts of shootings in the past and testified last month that he lied to investigators after he and Muhammad were arrested.

The claims bring the list of confirmed and suspected sniper shootings to 27, including 17 homicides, and add two states to the list of jurisdictions that could file charges against Muhammad and Malvo.

The first previously undisclosed homicide victim was a man shot in California in February or March 2002. The second was a 37-year-old Texas man shot in the head from a distance May 27 in a sparsely populated area of Denton, about 40 miles northwest of Dallas.

The two survivors are a 76-year-old Tucson man shot May 18, 2002, at a golf course in west-central Florida and a 54-year-old Louisiana man robbed and shot Aug. 1, 2002, after leaving a shopping mall in Hammond, about 45 miles east of Baton Rouge.

Malvo also said recently that the pair was involved in five homicides and two nonfatal shootings outside the Washington area to which they had previously been linked by varying amounts of physical and circumstantial evidence.

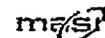
These are the slayings of Keenya Cook, 21, of Tacoma, Wash.; Jerry Ray Taylor, 60, of Tucson; Million A. Woldemariam, 41, of Atlanta; Claudine Lee Parker, 52, of Montgomery, Ala.; and Hong Im Ballenger, 45, of Baton Rouge. The survivors are Kellie Adams, 27, of Montgomery; and Wright Williams Jr., 55, of Baton Rouge.

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Unlike most of the Washington area slayings, which targeted random victims shot from afar with a powerful rifle, some of the earlier shootings were conducted at close range with a .22-caliber handgun.

In September and October 2002, the snipers committed 10 homicides and wounded six people in the Washington area. Muhammad has been convicted of murder in Virginia and Maryland for his role in the sniper shootings and is awaiting execution in Virginia. Malvo was convicted of murder in Virginia, where he was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole, and has agreed to plead guilty to six counts of first-degree murder in the Maryland slayings. He took the stand against Muhammad in Maryland and testified that the snipers sought to kill more people than they did. He also testified that he expected nothing in exchange for his cooperation.

Malvo's attorneys, William Brennan and Timothy J. Sullivan, declined to comment on the information Malvo shared with law enforcement in recent months. "We are fully aware of the universe of Mr. Malvo's potential criminal problems," they said in a statement yesterday. "We have received several inquiries from other jurisdictions concerning possible investigations."

Muhammad has consistently claimed his innocence. When he defended himself at his recent trial in Montgomery County, he argued that he was framed by authorities.

Malvo told investigators that the California victim was shot at close range in Los Angeles during a robbery, the first source said. The victim's identity, the date of the shooting and other details could not be determined.

Malvo also provided general information about the victims, locations and dates in the other cases, the source said.

In one case that matches Malvo's claim, Albert Michalczyk, a retired contractor from Tucson, was shot while playing golf at Glen Oaks Golf Course in Clearwater, Fla., on May 18 while visiting his daughter.

Standing at the course's seventh hole, he heard a loud bang that the dozens of golfers in the area initially mistook for a firecracker. In fact, it was a bullet that had struck him on the upper-right side of the chest.

"I was really fortunate that it went right through my right breast," Michalczyk said in an interview. "If I hadn't been standing that way, I wouldn't be here today."

Michalczyk said the shooting still mystifies him.

"The one who was devastated was my poor grandson," he said. "He's 9 years old."

Michalczyk said he's no longer haunted by the shooting but remains intrigued.

"I've been thinking about it," he said. "I'd like to know who did it."

Clearwater police could not be reached for comment late yesterday. Michalczyk said he considers Malvo and Muhammad suspects because Malvo's mother lived at the time in Fort Myers, Fla., which is a two-hour drive from Clearwater.

Michalczyk didn't stay long at the hospital. When he was discharged, a doctor told him he was a "lucky guy."

"You should go buy yourself a lottery ticket," the doctor told him.

Malvo also provided information that matches the killing of landscaper Billy Gene Dillon in Texas. According to police reports and interviews, Dillon was working on a yard on a quiet street in unincorporated Denton County the morning of May 27, which was Memorial Day in 2002. It was a warm day, and a storm was brewing nearby.

He was wearing blue jeans and brown boots and had 50 cents in his pocket.

About 10:15 a.m., a bullet pierced the left side of his head, blasted through his brain and exited through the right side of the skull. The high-velocity gunshot wound killed him instantly.

At 10:27 a.m., Don Lovelace, the owner of the house where Dillon was working, saw the body and dialed 911.

"Caller just pulled up and found a male in front of his [residence] with severe injuries to the head and can not confirm if he is [conscious] or [breathing]," wrote the Denton 911 dispatcher who answered the call.

The homicide was perplexing to investigators at the Denton County Sheriff's Office, which generally tackles no more than a dozen homicides a year.

"The investigation didn't uncover anyone who was mad at him," said Tom Reedy, a spokesman for the sheriff's office.

Reedy said Dillon's mother, with whom he lived, still periodically calls investigators to ask whether they have any leads.

"We were very surprised," Lovelace said in an interview. "We're kind of out in the country. We walk up and down the road. We were just shocked."

After months of chasing leads, Denton investigators in November sent ballistics evidence recovered at the scene to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives in Washington, which was analyzing ballistics evidence from the sniper scenes. Authorities in Texas later said they had been unable to link the homicide to the snipers.

Informed by a reporter of Malvo's new claim, Reedy said he would notify the sheriff of the information.

The fourth claim made by Malvo matches the shooting of John C. Gaeta, 54, in Hammond, La.

On Aug. 1, 2002, Gaeta walked out of a Sears store at a mall in Hammond. He arrived roughly 20 minutes before 9 p.m. -- closing time -- and walked back to his 2001 Chevrolet pickup truck only to find that one of his tires had been slashed. As he began to change the tire, two black men approached him, Gaeta said in a recent interview.

"One of them said, 'What time does the mall close?' or something to that effect," Gaeta said. "Then he said, 'Looks like you have a flat tire,' and he kind of laughed about it."

The men offered to help him, but Gaeta, suspicious of their demeanor, declined. Minutes later, the younger and shorter of the two returned. Their eyes locked for an instant. Then Gaeta saw the man,

standing a few feet away, point a handgun to his head.

"I just figured I was going to be dead," Gaeta said. "You see a gun pointed to your head, and you say this is it. You think about family, religion, a whole bunch of things. You can't believe this is happening to you. When you see a gun pointed to your head, you think you're never going to wake up again."

The shot sliced into the right side of his neck, tore through layers of muscle and exited about 1 1/2 inches from his spinal cord. Gaeta said he jumped to the ground and pretended to be dead. The shooter took his wallet out of his pants. He had \$40 on him.

Months after being shot, Gaeta got an unexpected visit from detectives from Fairfax County. He was shown a photograph of Malvo. He said he told them that Malvo resembled the shooter but that he couldn't say so conclusively.

"It was dark, and it happened so fast," Gaeta said.

Hammond police could not be reached late yesterday.

Malvo did not describe these shootings during his testimony, but there were indications that his testimony was being strictly limited. Montgomery Circuit Court Judge James L. Ryan noted at one point that Malvo did not "intend to voluntarily testify about any other potential charges" beyond the shootings in October 2002. And attorney Brennan said Malvo would assert his right to remain silent "on all questions" outside of the shootings in Maryland and Virginia.

As she questioned Malvo in court May 24, Deputy State's Attorney Katherine Winfree alluded to "other matters" that he had discussed with authorities during meetings in recent weeks, matters she said he did not testify about.

"And in fact, that was a lot of the time we spent, wasn't it?" she said.

"Yes."

Muhammad mentioned Denton during his closing argument, saying investigators in the sniper case reviewed ballistics evidence from that shooting. Muhammad twice misstated the date of the shooting in a confused effort to suggest that the sniper attacks continued after he and Malvo were arrested Oct. 24, 2002.

"Denton Texas -- that particular shooting was May 27, '03. Why would people in Texas -- people they got some smart people in Texas -- why would people in Texas send around to this area pertaining to a shooting that happened . . . ?"

"Your honor, he's misstating the evidence," Winfree interrupted.

The objection was sustained, but Muhammad continued on the same topic moments later. "Denton, Texas -- that was November 18, that was after Muhammad was arrested," he said.

"Your honor, he's mixing dates of reports with dates of incidents," Winfree said, leading the judge to tell Muhammad to move on.

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