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MR. JOSEPH B. KEENAN

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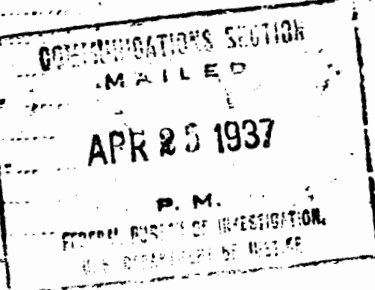
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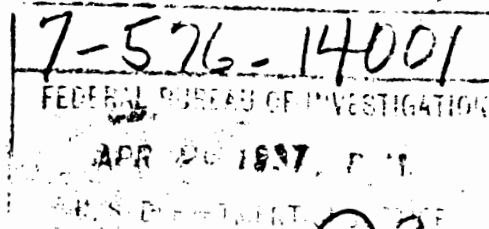
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The statement of Wynona Burdette discloses that on one occasion Joe Adams visited the gang at the cottage on Lake Weir near Oklawaha, Florida, and told Fred Barker and Harry Campbell in Wynona

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Burdette's presence that there were some Government men in Miami and that they, meaning Harry Campbell and Fred Barker, should get out of the place at Oklawaha since the Government men might find out that they were there.

Wynona Burdette has also stated that the gang at Oklawaha received a note which was signed by Joe Adams, which stated in substance that the gang had better get out of that place and stay out of there, since the place was "hot". There was a further statement in this letter to the effect that Joe Adams was getting tired of warning the gang, and desired to see the boys at the hotel as soon as they got back. This statement appears to be correct, because Willie Woodbury, who was the colored servant of Fred Barker at Oklawaha has advised that a strange individual made several attempts to locate the boys at Oklawaha, but that they were gone on each of these occasions, and that finally the person, whom he has positively identified as Duke Randall, delivered a note with instructions that it be given to the boys when they returned. This is the note to which Wynona Burdette has reference.

With reference to the trip of Duke Randall to Etowah, Tennessee, to "put the fix" on the license plates which were purchased at the instance of Joe Adams, it should be stated that telegrams have been located which were sent by Duke Randall and Joe Adams with reference to this trip. One of the telegrams to which Randall made reference in his signed statement has never been located, but it was to the effect that he was asking instructions from Joe Adams as to the manner in which he should reach Etowah. In response to that telegram, Joe Adams sent a telegram stating, "Use own judgment. The quickest way." After Randall had paid \$50 to Harry Cook, he dispatched a telegram to Joe Adams, stating "Had tough breaks all the way through but made it O.K. Met Harry and everything is fine. Leaving on six o'clock plane. Will arrive 12:05 in Miami. Will meet you in hotel when I get in. (signed Duke)". In this connection, the Bureau has obtained statements from those persons in Etowah, Tennessee, who were in any way connected with the purchase of these license plates. It is interesting to note that at the time of Randall's arrest, there was found in his room his own statement of expenses incurred on the trip to Etowah, Tennessee. The total expenses were \$195.30. As a portion of those expenses, there is one item listed "Harry ---- \$50. This refers to Harry Cook.

Adams has admitted that Karpis placed in an envelope at the desk of the hotel for safekeeping large quantities of money, some of the bills being in \$1000 denominations. In this connection, it is interesting to note the information furnished by Arthur Vandercreek, auditor and book-keeper of the El Comodoro Hotel. He has stated that the envelope belonging to Karpis was inscribed with the name "Green", and that contrary to the

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usual practice Karpis' envelope was placed in that section of the vault which is devoted to the safekeeping of articles for employees of the hotel only. He stated that this is the only envelope which Adams ever gave him to handle in this manner.

Randall has stated that on the afternoon of January 16, 1935, while he was at the El Comodoro Hotel, Adams told him about the shooting which had occurred at Oklawaha, Florida. This would of course indicate that Adams, at that moment at least, had full knowledge of the character of the persons involved. Randall has further stated that on the night of January 16, 1935, he was contacted by Alvin Karpis and was asked to obtain for Dolores Delaney \$1200 from Joe Adams. He stated that on the morning of January 17, 1935, at his request, Adams furnished him with \$1000 which was taken from the envelope of Alvin Karpis. At that time Randall advised Adams that he had had a meeting with Karpis and Campbell on the evening preceding, and had directed the girls, namely Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette, to proceed to Atlantic City, New Jersey, where they would be joined within a short time by Karpis and Campbell. This of course would indicate that at the time Adams was delivering this \$1000 bill to Randall, he had full knowledge of the character of Karpis and Campbell. It is interesting to note that when Randall obtained this \$1000 bill, Adams made the statement that they did not have much left, and "tell them this is all they get." In this connection, there still remained with Adams a \$1000 bill belonging to Alvin Karpis, which Adams later tendered to Carson Bradford in payment of the damage which had been done to the latter's home at Oklawaha, Florida. This bill was later turned over to Special Agents on or about January 26, 1935.

Randall has admitted having been contacted by Karpis and Campbell at the Byscane Kennel Club on the night of January 16, 1935, after the shooting at Oklawaha. He has admitted having directed Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette to the Lammor Hotel in Atlantic City, and likewise having written a note in green ink to Joe Morley, manager of the Lammor Hotel, introducing the girls and requesting him to obtain for Dolores Delaney a competent physician. This note has never been recovered, but a notation of a similar character, believed to have been written by Duke Randall, was found in the personal effects of Dolores Delaney at the Lammor Hotel by former Special Agent J. R. Sharp.

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On December 23, 1934, Doc Barker and Russell Gibson registered at the El Comodoro Hotel under the respective names of J. B. Bolton and J. Roberts. The clerk who registered them in granted them a commercial rate because they advised they were commercial travelers. Not long thereafter, Adams, in looking over the names of registrants, observed these names and declared that they were not entitled to commercial rates, and therefore changed the rate on their room. Information has been obtained from the clerks of the hotel that Adams always charged high rates for this group of persons.

On December 29, 1934, Joe Adams, at the request of Cassius McDonald, personally wrote out a telegram directed to T. C. Blackburn, care of Carson Bradford, Oklawaha, Florida. Blackburn is of course identical with Fred Barker. The telegram read, "Like to see you Sunday. (signed Cash)".

Wynona Burdette has informed that newspapers were furnished to members of the gang while they were at Oklawaha, Florida. In this connection, several bellhops have been interviewed, one in particular admitting having forwarded the same to members of the gang at Oklawaha. This bellhop, namely William Milton Johnson, appears to have a bad memory in certain respects. He has admitted having received \$10 from Fred Barker with the request that papers be forwarded to Oklawaha. He does not recall the particular papers that were requested. He does recall that he was advised to consult with persons at the desk at the hotel with reference to this matter. He recalls having discussed it with some persons, the identity of these persons not being known to him, but that apparently no one knew anything concerning the sending of such papers. He therefore took it upon himself to purchase these papers or to have other bellhops purchase the same, and he sent them regularly to Oklawaha. This story of Johnson is not entirely correct, because on November 23, 1934, he directed a letter to "Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn," in which he stated, "Mr. Adams has been away and has been ill, and that is the reason he has not sent the papers, but no doubt, by this time, you will have received them. (signed W. M. Johnson)". It would therefore appear that Johnson discussed with Adams the question of sending newspapers daily to the members of the gang at Oklawaha, Florida. This is borne out by a telegram which was sent by Joe Adams to T. C. Blackburn, Carson Bradford Hotel, Oklawaha, Florida, on November 21, 1934, only two days prior to the letter which was written by William Milton Johnson, in which he stated, "I have been sick. Stop. Papers will start today sorry of delay. Stop. Mailing plates today. Stop. Thanks for fish did enjoy them so much. Stop. Regards to all. (signed Joe Adams)". It would appear to be obvious that there had been mutual discussion between William Milton Johnson and Joe Adams with reference to

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the sending of daily newspapers to Oklawaha. The plates therein referred to are undoubtedly the license plates which were obtained by Joe Adams through other persons in Tennessee, and which were intended for Fred Barker. The close connection between members of the gang and Joe Adams is further shown in a telegram which was sent by Adams to T. C. Blackburn at Oklawaha, Florida, on December 6, 1934, which telegram stated, "Phone me." It appears that this telegram was sent in response to a specific request by either Alvin Karpis or Dolores Delaney, who had just returned from Cuba and who had only a few hours prior to the sending of this telegram inquired of Adams as to the location of Fred Barker and Kate Barker. They of course did not refer to the Barkers under those names. It has been previously pointed out in this memorandum that Karpis and Dolores Delaney went to Cuba, and it should be stated that they obtained a cottage on Veredero Beach. While they were there, certain cablegrams were exchanged between Joe Adams of Miami, Florida, and Nathaniel Heller of Havana, Cuba, in Karpis' interest. One such cablegram was sent by Heller to Adams on October 16, 1934, reading as follows, "When does party expect to come over. Have you heard from Willie. Answer collect. (signed Heller, Hotel Parkview)".

Another cablegram was directed to Adams on October 18, 1934, quoted as follows, "Can Willie come tomorrow. (signed Heller)". On October 23 there was a telegram sent by Adams to Heller quoted, "Ryan arrives Thursday please. (Signed Adams)". There was a cablegram directed to Adams by Heller on November 2, 1934, stating, "Did anyone come over. If not when. Answer immediately collect. (Signed Heller)."

Heller is strongly opposed to this prosecution, and of course cannot be subpoenaed as a witness. Even though he were subpoenaed, it could not be expected that he would be willing to testify in behalf of the Government.

There is one other item of extreme importance, and that is the expected testimony of Andrew Garante. It will be remembered that he voluntarily appeared in the New York field division of the Bureau many months ago, at which time he furnished information to the effect that he was very well acquainted with Adams, and that Adams had discussed the members of the Karpis-Barker gang living at the El Comodoro Hotel; that Adams had made the statement they were responsible for a kidnaping in the Middle West and that he could get anything out of them he desired. The unsigned statement of Garante goes into these matters in great detail, and is excellent information. The manner in which the information fits in with the actual facts of the case lead one to believe he knows the truth and has told the truth. He has expressed, however, a firm feeling

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that he will not testify under any circumstances. It should be remembered, of course, that at the time Gurante gave this information Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell were still at large. Every effort is going to be made to induce Gurante to testify in this matter.

There are numerous weaknesses in this case, the first of course being that as noted above, as to whether the Government will be successful in obtaining the testimony of Andrew Gurante. Another weakness is the fact that both Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette have repudiated their statements, and have indicated unwillingness to testify. Efforts are about to be made to induce them to stand by their statements, and testify as desired. There is the additional weakness that without question, defense counsel will, at a collateral hearing during the course of the trial, make efforts to suppress the statements which were obtained from Duke Randall and Joe Adams. The court, Judge Ackerman, has made the statement to Special Agent in Charge E. L. Shivers that if the allegations contained in the motion of defense counsel to suppress these statements are correct, he will have no hesitancy in "throwing the statements out of the window."

During the hearings to suppress these statements in January, 1937, evidence was introduced only by the defense, the court refusing to hear the Government's side on the basis that the motion had been prematurely brought, but that he would hear both sides at a later time. This will be heard undoubtedly at the collateral hearing during the trial itself. It is believed that at that time we will be able to satisfactorily establish that the statements were properly obtained; that while the failure of the Government to arraign Duke Randall before a United States Commissioner may be indicative that the statements were not properly obtained, it is not conclusive and is subject to being repudiated.

The most serious difficulty inherent in this case is the matter of proving knowledge on the part of Duke Randall and Joseph Adams that a warrant was outstanding calling for the arrest of Alvin Karpis. It may be argued on a motion for a Directed Verdict that all of the actions on the part of both of the defendants could have been done consistent with innocence. Mr. Charles Carr, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, who will prosecute this case has indicated that it will be a question for the court to decide whether there is sufficient evidence to warrant the facts being presented to the jury to determine whether the conduct and activities on the part of both Randall and Adams would

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It has also been established that on the same day, to wit, December 22, 1934, Adams initiated discussions between Alvin Karpis and Duke Randall which led to the purchase of a Buick automobile for Karpis by Randall. At this time Karpis was referred to by Adams as Mr. Morrison, and on that occasion and in Adams' presence, Karpis furnished his name and address to Randall to enable him to purchase the said Buick automobile. On that occasion Karpis gave his name to Randall as Leroy Morrison. In Adams' presence Karpis furnished more than a thousand dollars to Randall with which to purchase the car. Accordingly Randall did purchase the said car, and delivered it to Karpis at the hotel within an hour or two thereafter. These matters have been admitted by Duke Randall.

With reference to the purchase of this car, Mr. A. A. Unger at the Unger Buick Company, Miami, Florida, has admitted that Joe Adams called him at about this time, advising that he had a prospective purchaser for such an automobile. It is interesting to note that a receipt showing the purchase of this car was found among the personal effects of Duke Randall at the Tamiami Hotel at the time of his arrest.

Dolores Delaney has furnished information to the effect that on or about December 15, 1934, when she and Karpis were occupying rooms at the El Comodoro Hotel, Joe Adams came to their rooms and advised that he wanted them to stay in their rooms as much as possible, and did not want them running in and out of the hotel; that in order to keep them company he sent a large radio to their rooms. In connection with this, it is shown throughout the statement of Mrs. Agnes Gray, who was the clerk at the hotel, that her radio was borrowed by Adams to be sent to one of the rooms upstairs. The statement of James Grant, a bellboy, advises that he personally delivered this radio to the rooms occupied by Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney.

The statement of Wynona Burdette discloses that on one occasion Joe Adams visited the gang at the cottage on Lake Weir near Oklawaha, Florida, and told Fred Barker and Harry Campbell in Wynona

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Burdette's presence that there were some Government men in Miami and that they, meaning Harry Campbell and Fred Barker, should get out of the place at Oklawaha since the Government men might find out that they were there.

Wynona Burdette has also stated that the gang at Oklawaha received a note which was signed by Joe Adams, which stated in substance that the gang had better get out of that place and stay out of there, since the place was "hot". There was a further statement in this letter to the effect that Joe Adams was getting tired of warning the gang, and desired to see the boys at the hotel as soon as they got back. This statement appears to be correct, because Willie Woodbury, who was the colored servant of Fred Barker at Oklawaha has advised that a strange individual made several attempts to locate the boys at Oklawaha, but that they were gone on each of these occasions, and that finally the person, whom he has positively identified as Duke Randall, delivered a note with instructions that it be given to the boys when they returned. This is the note to which Wynona Burdette has reference.

With reference to the trip of Duke Randall to Etowah, Tennessee, to "put the fix" on the license plates which were purchased at the instance of Joe Adams, it should be stated that telegrams have been located which were sent by Duke Randall and Joe Adams with reference to this trip. One of the telegrams to which Randall made reference in his signed statement has never been located, but it was to the effect that he was asking instructions from Joe Adams as to the manner in which he should reach Etowah. In response to that telegram, Joe Adams sent a telegram stating, "Use own judgment. The quickest way." After Randall had paid \$50 to Harry Cook, he dispatched a telegram to Joe Adams, stating "Had tough breaks all the way through but made it O.K. Met Harry and everything is fine. Leaving on six o'clock plane. Will arrive 12:05 in Miami. Will meet you in hotel when I get in. (signed Duke)". In this connection, the Bureau has obtained statements from those persons in Etowah, Tennessee, who were in any way connected with the purchase of these license plates. It is interesting to note that at the time of Randall's arrest, there was found in his room his own statement of expenses incurred on the trip to Etowah, Tennessee. The total expenses were \$195.30. As a portion of those expenses, there is one item listed "Harry ---- \$50. This refers to Harry Cook.

Adams has admitted that Karpis placed in an envelope at the desk of the hotel for safekeeping large quantities of money, some of the bills being in \$1000 denominations. In this connection, it is interesting to note the information furnished by Arthur Sandercock, auditor and book-keeper of the El Comodoro Hotel. He has stated that the envelope belonging to Karpis was inscribed with the name "Green", and that contrary to the

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usual practice Karpis' envelope was placed in that section of the vault which is devoted to the safekeeping of articles for employees of the hotel only. He stated that this is the only envelope which Adams ever gave him to handle in this manner.

Randall has stated that on the afternoon of January 16, 1935, while he was at the El Comodoro Hotel, Adams told him about the shooting which had occurred at Oklawaha, Florida. This would of course indicate that Adams, at that moment at least, had full knowledge of the character of the persons involved. Randall has further stated that on the night of January 16, 1935, he was contacted by Alvin Karpis and was asked to obtain for Dolores Delaney \$1200 from Joe Adams. He stated that on the morning of January 17, 1935, at his request, Adams furnished him with \$1000 which was taken from the envelope of Alvin Karpis. At that time Randall advised Adams that he had had a meeting with Karpis and Campbell on the evening preceding, and had directed the girls, namely Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette, to proceed to Atlantic City, New Jersey, where they would be joined within a short time by Karpis and Campbell. This of course would indicate that at the time Adams was delivering this \$1000 bill to Randall, he had full knowledge of the character of Karpis and Campbell. It is interesting to note that when Randall obtained this \$1000 bill, Adams made the statement that they did not have much left, and "tell them this is all they get." In this connection, there still remained with Adams a \$1000 bill belonging to Alvin Karpis, which Adams later tendered to Carson Bradford in payment of the damage which had been done to the latter's home at Oklawaha, Florida. This bill was later turned over to Special Agents on or about January 26, 1935.

Randall has admitted having been contacted by Karpis and Campbell at the Byscane Kennel Club on the night of January 16, 1935, after the shooting at Oklawaha. He has admitted having directed Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette to the Danmor Hotel in Atlantic City, and likewise having written a note in green ink to Joe Morley, manager of the Danmor Hotel, introducing the girls and requesting him to obtain for Dolores Delaney a competent physician. This note has never been recovered, but a notation of a similar character, believed to have been written by Duke Randall, was found in the personal effects of Dolores Delaney at the Danmor Hotel by former Special Agent J. R. Sharp.

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On December 28, 1934, Doc Barker and Russell Gibson registered at the El Comodoro Hotel under the respective names of J. B. Bolton and J. Roberts. The clerk who registered them in granted them a commercial rate because they advised they were commercial travelers. Not long thereafter, Adams, in looking over the names of registrants, observed these names and declared that they were not entitled to commercial rates, and therefore changed the rate on their room. Information has been obtained from the clerks of the hotel that Adams always charged high rates for this group of persons.

On December 29, 1934, Joe Adams, at the request of Cassius McDonald, personally wrote out a telegram directed to T. C. Blackburn, care of Carson Bradford, Oklawaha, Florida. Blackburn is of course identical with Fred Barker. The telegram read, "Like to see you Sunday. (signed Cash)".

Wynona Burdette has informed that newspapers were furnished to members of the gang while they were at Oklawaha, Florida. In this connection, several bellhops have been interviewed, one in particular admitting having forwarded the same to members of the gang at Oklawaha. This bellhop, namely William Milton Johnson, appears to have a bad memory in certain respects. He has admitted having received \$10 from Fred Barker with the request that papers be forwarded to Oklawaha. He does not recall the particular papers that were requested. He does recall that he was advised to consult with persons at the desk at the hotel with reference to this matter. He recalls having discussed it with some persons, the identity of these persons not being known to him, but that apparently no one knew anything concerning the sending of such papers. He therefore took it upon himself to purchase these papers or to have other bellhops purchase the same, and he sent them regularly to Oklawaha. This story of Johnson is not entirely correct, because on November 23, 1934, he directed a letter to "Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn," in which he stated, "Mr. Adams has been away and has been ill, and that is the reason he has not sent the papers, but no doubt, by this time, you will have received them. (signed W. M. Johnson)". It would therefore appear that Johnson discussed with Adams the question of sending newspapers daily to the members of the gang at Oklawaha, Florida. This is borne out by a telegram which was sent by Joe Adams to T. C. Blackburn, Carson Bradford Home, Oklawaha, Florida, on November 21, 1934, only two days prior to the letter which was written by William Milton Johnson, in which he stated, "I have been sick. Stop. Papers will start today sorry of delay. Stop. Mailing plates today. Stop. Thanks for fish did enjoy them so much. Stop. Regards to all. (signed Joe Adams)". It would appear to be obvious that there had been mutual discussion between William Milton Johnson and Joe Adams with reference to

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the sending of daily newspapers to Oklawaha. The plates therein referred to are undoubtedly the license plates which were obtained by Joe Adams through other persons in Tennessee, and which were intended for Fred Barker. The close connection between members of the gang and Joe Adams is further shown in a telegram which was sent by Adams to T. C. Blackburn at Oklawaha, Florida, on December 6, 1934, which telegram stated, "Phone me." It appears that this telegram was sent in response to a specific request by either Alvin Karpis or Dolores Delaney, who had just returned from Cuba and who had only a few hours prior to the sending of this telegram inquired of Adams as to the location of Fred Barker and Kate Barker. They of course did not refer to the Barkers under those names. It has been previously pointed out in this memorandum that Karpis and Dolores Delaney went to Cuba, and it should be stated that they obtained a cottage on Veredero Beach. While they were there, certain cablegrams were exchanged between Joe Adams of Miami, Florida, and Nathaniel Heller of Havana, Cuba, in Karpis' interest. One such cablegram was sent by Heller to Adams on October 16, 1934, reading as follows, "When does party expect to come over. Have you heard from Willie. Answer collect. (signed Heller, Hotel Parkview)".

Another cablegram was directed to Adams on October 18, 1934, quoted as follows, "Can Willie come tomorrow. (signed Heller)". On October 25 there was a telegram sent by Adams to Heller quoted, "Ryan arrives Thursday plane. (Signed Adams)". There was a cablegram directed to Adams by Heller on November 2, 1934, stating, "Did anyone come over. If not when. Answer immediately collect. (Signed Heller)."

Heller is strongly opposed to this prosecution, and of course cannot be subpoenaed as a witness. Even though he were subpoenaed, it could not be expected that he would be willing to testify in behalf of the Government.

There is one other item of extreme importance, and that is the expected testimony of Andrew Gurante. It will be remembered that he voluntarily appeared in the New York field division of the Bureau many months ago, at which time he furnished information to the effect that he was very well acquainted with Adams, and that Adams had discussed the members of the Karpis-Barker gang living at the El Comodoro Hotel; that Adams had made the statement they were responsible for a kidnaping in the Middle West and that he could get anything out of them he desired. The unsigned statement of Gurante goes into these matters in great detail, and is excellent information. The manner in which the information fits in with the actual facts of the case lead one to believe he knows the truth and has told the truth. He has expressed, however, a firm feeling

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that he will not testify under any circumstances. It should be remembered, of course, that at the time Gurante gave this information Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell were still at large. Every effort is going to be made to induce Gurante to testify in this matter.

There are numerous weaknesses in this case, the first of course being that as noted above, as to whether the Government will be successful in obtaining the testimony of Andrew Gurante. Another weakness is the fact that both Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette have repudiated their statements, and have indicated unwillingness to testify. Efforts are about to be made to induce them to stand by their statements, and testify as desired. There is the additional weakness that without question, defense counsel will, at a collateral hearing during the course of the trial, make efforts to suppress the statements which were obtained from Duke Randall and Joe Adams. The court, Judge Ackerman, has made the statement to Special Agent in Charge R. L. Shivers that if the allegations contained in the motion of defense counsel to suppress these statements are correct, he will have no hesitancy in "throwing the statements out of the window."

During the hearings to suppress these statements in January, 1937, evidence was introduced only by the defense, the court refusing to hear the Government's side on the basis that the motion had been prematurely brought, but that he would hear both sides at a later time. This will be heard undoubtedly at the collateral hearing during the trial itself. It is believed that at that time we will be able to satisfactorily establish that the statements were properly obtained; that while the failure of the Government to arraign Duke Randall before a United States Commissioner may be indicative that the statements were not properly obtained, it is not conclusive and is subject to being repudiated.

The most serious difficulty inherent in this case is the matter of proving knowledge on the part of Duke Randall and Joseph Adams that a warrant was outstanding calling for the arrest of Alvin Karpis. It may be argued on a motion for a Directed Verdict that all of the actions on the part of both of the defendants could have been done consistent with innocence. Mr. Charles Carr, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, who will prosecute this case has indicated that it will be a question for the court to decide whether there is sufficient evidence to warrant the facts being presented to the jury to determine whether the conduct and activities on the part of both Randall and Adams would

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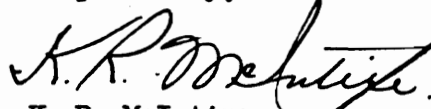
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indicate that they had knowledge of the fugitive character of Alvin Karpis and that a warrant for his arrest was outstanding.

At the present time, plans are being made for interviewing Bolton at Milan, Michigan, in an effort to establish that Joe Adams was the contact for the gang in Florida. Efforts will also be made to interview Cassius McDonald at Leavenworth Penitentiary, who may be willing to disclose information of value in the prosecution of Adams. Efforts will also be made to induce Alvin Karpis to communicate with Dolores Delaney, urging her to stand by her statement and testify in behalf of the Government.

Respectfully,


K. R. McIntire.



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April 23, 1937

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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For your information Mr. McMahon under date of March 16, 1937 furnished to the Bureau a copy of a letter addressed to the Attorney General under date of March 9, 1937 by United States Attorney Sullivan of St. Paul, Minnesota, pertaining to the disposition to be made of various indictments pending in the Bremer and Hamm kidnaping cases. Mr. McMahon requested the Bureau's views concerning the dismissal of these indictments and was informed by memorandum of March 27, 1937 that the Bureau would defer to his judgment as to the action to be taken in these cases.

The St. Paul Office has advised that the indictments pending in these cases have been stricken from the Court calendar on motion of the United States Attorney but that the indictments will be retained in the Clerk's office without disposition, which procedure, of course, leaves the indictments outstanding.

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E. A. Tamm

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April 21, 1937

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Subsequent to our conversation concerning the harbor-
ing cases in Cleveland and Toledo, on April 16, 1937, I talked
with Mr. Connelley at Newark, New Jersey, who stated that he
could see no reason why Wynn and Kitchen should not be used
on the Baker Murder case. These men were both subsequently
sent to Kansas City. The purpose of this memorandum is merely
to record the fact that Mr. Connelley concurred in the assignment.

Respectfully,


E. A. Tamm

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April 24, 1937

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of April 16, 1937, concerning certain registration cards of the El Comodoro Hotel, listed in Bureau letter to this office under date of January 9, 1937, which were turned over to the United States Attorney at Miami, Florida to be delivered by him to Mr. Part A. Riley, defense counsel for Joe Adams. In this same letter reference was made to two guest arrival and departure records of the El Comodoro Hotel and to bellboy call sheets of this hotel which were likewise delivered to the United States Attorney at Miami to be turned over by him to Mr. Part A. Riley for inspection.

You are advised that possession of all the above records of the El Comodoro Hotel was obtained on March 20, 1937 by Special Agent S. M. McKee from Assistant United States Attorney Lloyd C. Hooks, Miami, Florida and that these records are being retained in the file relating to this case in the Miami office, for use in the forthcoming trial of Joseph H. Adams and Henry Duke Randall.

Reference is also made to Bureau letter to this office dated April 17, 1937, in which it was stated that subpoenas had been issued by the United States Attorney at Tampa calling for the appearance of numerous persons at the trial of Joseph H. Adams and Henry Duke Randall at Miami on June 7, 1937, and in which instructions were transmitted that this office should communicate with the United States Marshal at Miami and render every assistance possible in locating and serving the subpoenas in question.

You are informed that Special Agent McKee communicated with Chief Deputy Marshal Louis Sevier at Miami on March 20, 1937 and offered the assistance of this office in serving the subpoenas in connection with the forthcoming trial. Mr. Sevier advised that as soon as these subpoenas

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- were received by his office effort would be made immediately to
- effect service of same and that if difficulty were experienced
he would call upon this office for assistance.

Very truly yours,


R. L. SHIVERS
Special Agent in Charge

CC: Mr. E. J. Connelley (Cincinnati)
Cincinnati

April 22, 1937

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I have received information from a highly confidential source that Attorney Charles E. Hyde, Room 1612 Congress Building, Miami, Florida, has made the following statements in a letter recently forwarded by him to another attorney. These statements were made in connection with a discussion of the facts in the forthcoming trial of Joseph Adams and Duke Randall, who are charged with harboring members of the Barker-Karpis gang in Miami, Florida during the period that these gangsters were fugitives from justice:

"Colonel Landes (Louis Landes, New York City attorney), informed me that the important law suit which Colonel Van Dett referred to in his telegram to me sponsoring him, was an action against Sam Rosoff in the New York Courts. He told me he had saved Fred Pine, County Solicitor of this county and his associate from indictment in the Scaffa case, also that he represented Little Augie, who you probably know is an underworld character. He told me of his wide acquaintance with Federal Officers, mentioning most familiarly Erien McMahon. He said that all he wanted was a front which he explained was a request of the principals that he act. I asked him if I would not be sufficient, to which he assented." Mr. Hyde's letter then states that he met Louis Landes at the Commodore Hotel during the Jefferson dinner, at which time Landes was quite under the influence of liquor. Mr. Hyde's letter then states: "He referred to the suggestion that he made for \$500 to come to Miami and said he would have to give \$100 to Drum, and share any other fees. He made no mention of any fee and in view of his condition I thought it well to let that go.

"When I got here Mr. Adams (Joe Adams, one of the defendants) told me that Drum had told him that persons had been to the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation but were wasting their time and that it would be idle to solicit aid from Mr. Farley as it was too delicate a matter for him to be concerned with. Drum also told Adams that Landes had lunch with Erien in New York.

"Yesterday Drum received the following telegram dated April 12, 1937:

James Drum,
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of friendship and your interest in same would advise that they lay off the D.J. and A.G. office. They are playin' with fire.' - signed Colonel Louis Lander.

"As I had seen Landes on the evening of the 10th this telegram must have had some purpose. It is possible that Ebron was at the Jefferson dinner.

"No person in Washington knew of our call on McMahon except he and Carr whom he brought in at the second interview. Both interviews were on Wednesday the 7th and neither Hartnett nor I went near the department after that.

"In view of the attitude assumed by Mr. McMahon I had better outline to you exactly what has occurred.

"On March 26, Mr. Hartnett and I spoke to Mr. Farley about the case and he referred us to Mr. McMahon at the Biltmore. That same day we saw Mr. McMahon. He read over the statement which the G-Men had Adams sign. Then he said that the action of the Department would be based solely on the merits; that Mr. Carr thought he could convict him although the Government was not interested in convictions solely. He did say that Adams couldn't be a good citizen because when he learned about the shooting scrape at the cottage in Florida he didn't report it. As a matter of fact, even then he didn't know as much as the G-Men, who were in the shooting affair.

"The statement signed was read to not by Adams and the statement in it that 'No threats have been made against me, no promises have been made to me. I know that this statement can be used against me in a criminal court.' was not read to him. Indeed it is not the truth. In the beginning threats were made but when they had taken his statement they wrote it out themselves and it contains the following: 'After having had this statement read to me by Special Agent Hanson, I voluntarily affix my signature hereto, no promises having been made to me, nor any force exercised against me.' That also is false because they insisted up to the moment he signed it that he was not wanted and would not be arrested and that as a good citizen they were sure he wanted to help the Government. He testified to this on the motion to suppress which was denied as premature.

"Randall the co-defendant was held at a hotel incommunicado for several days, chained to a bed most of the time and with a man holding a machine gun on his knee guarding him. On the motion to suppress the Government admitted handcuffing Randall but said it was to assure him a good night's rest and to protect him against an effort outside to effect his escape.

"While I was away, a man named McGuire said to be associated with the private law office of Mr. Cummins in Stamford was in Miami and a lawyer having his office in the same suite as mine, and who knows that Adams is a friend of mine, came to my secretary, a young man, and said he wanted me to meet the gentleman as he was sure he could be of service to my friend. He had spoken to me once before about this man who was in Miami before this season. I do not like to mention such things but it does seem strange that these suggestions come from so many sources.

"Mr. Hyde then states in his letter that defendant Adams is requesting his attorney to proceed to trial, and states further:

"One thing I forgot to say. Brien's inquiry as to what the attitude of the local people was to Adams did not seem to square with the suggestion that the matter would be decided on its merits. But his cold-blooded statement that he believed Adams to be guilty and as such a criminal and that that was not only his opinion but that of Mr. Hoover, left me no further opportunity to pursue the argument for in my 44 years at the bar, I have never asked a prosecuting attorney to refrain from trying a man he believed guilty.

"As the matter stands now, however, I can see nothing but a trial. It does seem a shame, that this fine young man, his mother nearly 90, his daughter just graduating from high school, his devoted wife with her two-year-old baby, to say nothing of his father and mother-in-law should be subjected to the ignominy which a scandalmongering press, will heap upon them unless the Attorney General and others in authority put an end to it."

Certain personal observations, apparently extraneous to this matter are then set forth in Mr. Hyde's letter, after which he asks the person to whom the letter is addressed whether Landes should be retained on contingency.

Because of the various rumors and innuendoes concerning technicalities in this case, I am bringing this matter to your attention and desire to point out that previous rumors had reached me that Colonel Landes of New York would be retained as defendant's counsel in the case, in view of his alleged contacts apparently in the Department.

I am transmitting copies of this memorandum to Mr. McMahon and Mr. Keenan for their information.

I am advised Jan a Drug, referred to in Mr. Hyde's letter,
is a former Captain of Police in New York City.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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April 23, 1937

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. McIntire telephoned me from San Francisco and advised that Karpis absolutely refused to cooperate with the Bureau in its efforts to have him induce Dolores Delaney to testify in the Joe Adams trial. Mr. McIntire stated that Karpis was very bitter and stated that if he were to give Dolores Delaney any advice he would advise her not to testify. Mr. McIntire stated that in discussing the matter with SAC Stein he was advised by Mr. Stein that Dolores Delaney's mother used to come into the St. Paul office frequently and "cried on Stein's shoulder". Stein felt that he might be able to induce Mrs. Delaney to induce Dolores to testify in this case and I accordingly authorized Stein to go to St. Paul for the purpose of interviewing Mrs. Delaney. Mr. McIntire is returning directly to Washington.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm
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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.**

SEP:11

April 24, 1937.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

Re: George Timiney; Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with
aliases, Fugitive, I. C. 1232; et al;
Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping
Obstruction of Justice; Harboring of Fugitives;
National Firearms Act.

Reference is made to the memorandum of the Bureau
to Mr. Coffey dated April 14, 1937, in connection with the
above-entitled case, with which were transmitted documents
and handwriting specimens involving Duke Randall and Joe
Adams, with a request that a comparison be made to determine
whether or not Duke Randall and Joe Adams wrote certain
questioned documents.

No conclusion was reached with regard to the
comparison of the handwriting of the notation written on
the stationery of the Ta Miami Hotel, the inscription being
in green ink and quoted as follows:

"Stop at Danmore Hotel
& ask for Mr. Bill Morley
New Richmond Hotel
ask for Mr. Young.
Bob Brown
137 S. Mass. Ave.
Kentucky Ave."

and the handwriting of Duke Randall, because of the very
limited amount of the known handwriting of this individual.
It is believed that additional specimens of the handwriting
of Randall would be of great value in establishing a definite
conclusion.

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April 24, 1937.

It is believed that the card addressed to Mrs. Ryan and the envelope carrying this name were written by Joe Adams. In accordance with the request appearing in paragraph 2, page 4, of the reference memorandum, the handwriting specimens of Joe Adams, referred to as Item #2, were not used.

Reference is made to paragraph 3, page 4, of the reference memorandum wherein appears a statement to the effect that if the handwriting specimens of Joe Adams transmitted from the Jacksonville Division to the Bureau, under cover letter dated May 23, 1935, designated as serial #6120, are used, then Supervisor K. R. McIntire should be notified so appropriate arrangements could be made for the location of subpoenaing of former Special Agent W. E. Peters. Attention is called to the fact that in addition to the initials of Mr. Peters, the initials S. K. M., also appear on the specimens.

All of the specimens submitted with the reference memorandum will be transmitted to Special Agent McIntire within the next several days after photographic copies have been made for the completion of the Laboratory's files.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey
E. P. Coffey

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NYC 4/27/37 5:40 PM HGL:JGF 7-120 Via Western Union

Mr R L Shivers
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U S Department of Justice
1500 Biscayne Bldg
Miami Florida

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BREXID INQUIRY LOCATION MRS DELANEY SHOULD BE DISCREET POSSIBLY
CAN BE OBTAINED THROUGH PROBATION OFFICER STPAUL TO WHOM PAT REILLY
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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
APRIL 24, 1937 12:45 PM

BREKID DELANEY INFORMATION DESIRED SAC STEIN AND SA MCINTIRE NOW DEPARTED

SANFRANCISCO STOP SAC STEIN WILL ADVISE YOU DIRECT FROM LOSANGELES

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C W STEIN
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
224 FEDERAL BUILDING
OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA

BREKID MRS HELEN DELANEY RESIDING FIFTEEN FIVE EIGHT EAST SEVENTH STREET STPAUL
AS COMMONLAW WIFE LEIGH W SETZER

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Chg. Federal Bureau of Investigation,
404 New York Building,
ST. PAUL, Minn.

S.H:ACF

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

April 27, 1937.

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

In re: BREKID

It is requested that you immediately forward to the Chicago office one copy each of the original photographs of Francis L. Keating and Frank Nash.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: B R E K I D

Please refer to your letter of October 19, 1936, with which you forwarded a list of Thompson submachine guns sold in the state of Kansas by the Federal Laboratories, Inc., of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, from 1928 to January, 1936, instructing that a checkup be made in connection with these weapons.

You are advised that Special Agent A. E. Farland contacted the Warden at the United States Penitentiary Annex, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and ascertained that Thompson submachine guns numbers 13274 and 13046 are now in his possession and that these weapons were purchased through the Bureau of Prisons, Washington, D.C., June 17, 1935.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley

DWIGHT BRANTLEY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Special Agent in Charge,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

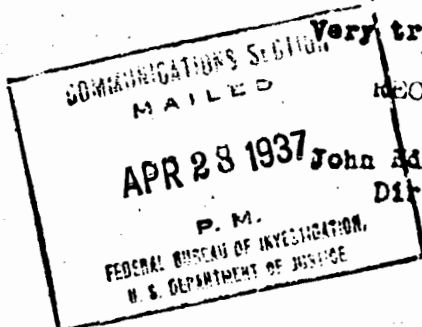
Re: GEORGE TIMINNEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232;
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIRE-
ARMS ACT.

On March 8, 1937, a letter was directed to
Miss C. Louise Clausen, of Clear Lake, Iowa, by the
Bureau in answer to Miss Clausen's letter of February
26, 1937, in which she made reference to a \$6,700
swindle which may have been perpetrated by William Elmer
Lead.

Miss Clausen was informed that an Agent from
the Omaha office would interview her for further particulars,
and a copy of the letter was furnished to your office.

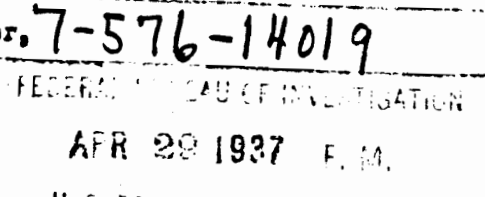
To date, the files of the Bureau fail to reflect
the receipt of a report covering the results of this
interview, and it is desired that the matter receive atten-
tion in the immediate future.

Very truly yours,



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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
April 27, 1937

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

It is my intention to leave Oklahoma City Saturday afternoon for St. Paul for the purpose of interviewing Mrs. Delaney, mother of Dolores Delaney. It appears that this little delay will have no bad effect and will permit me to submit efficiency reports on the employees of this office at the proper time.

Very truly yours,

C. W. Stein

C. W. STEIN,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc St. Paul
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April 29, 1937

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. Tamm

Re: Remington Rand Strike

Upon my return to Washington I noted on my desk a news flash to the effect that at New Haven, Connecticut, on April 26, 1937, James H. Rand, Jr. and Pearl L. Bergoff appeared in Federal Court at New Haven, Connecticut, on that date entering pleas of not guilty to the indictment which was recently returned against them. The news item indicated that trial will be held on May 17, 1937, before Judge Edwin S. Thomas at Hartford, Connecticut.

In view of the fact that it appears that the trial has already been set for May 17, 1937, I immediately telephonically communicated with Judge Jones of the Criminal Division who is to prosecute this matter. The fact that these men had both entered pleas of not guilty and the further fact that the trial has been set for the above mentioned date was completely unknown to Judge Jones. I asked him what the possibility was of the matter coming up on trial on the date mentioned. He said that he did not know anything about it but that he would immediately get in touch with Brien McMahon and the United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut. I asked him whether there was any possibility that the defendants would indulge in dilatory practices. Judge Jones stated he did not know whether such practices would be indulged in. This matter is considered of importance because of the fact that Assistant to the Attorney General, Charles Carr, who is to handle the Joe Adams Case in Miami, Florida, is likewise assisting Judge Jones in the Remington Rand Case. The trial of Adams comes on at Miami, Florida, on June 7, 1937. Quite obviously, therefore, if the trial of Rand and Bergoff actually comes on to be heard on May 17, 1937, the efforts of the Government in both cases will be somewhat dissipated as a result of the division of interest in both cases, not only by myself, but also by Mr. Charles Carr.

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I will keep in touch with Judge Jones of the Criminal Division as to the possibility of the Remington Rand trial being continued until a later date and will keep you advised.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

607 U. S. Court House
Foley Square
New York, N. Y.

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April 29, 1937

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In accordance with telephonic request received from Mr. K. McIntire of the Bureau, there will be found enclosed herewith, affidavit of Deputy U. S. Marshal Mae Maher, affidavit of U. S. Marshal Robert G. Lindsay, and torn subpoena which was served on Guaranti, and which he threw in the Marshal's Office when he called there today.

Efforts will be made to determine whether or not the man who was served by Deputy U. S. Marshal Maher is Andrew Guaranti, and it is requested that the Miami Division arrange for another subpoena to be forwarded to the U. S. Marshal, Eastern District of New York, for service in the event it is determined that the man actually served is not Andrew Guarante.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley
R. WHITLEY,
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

April 29, 1937

Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Sir,

Re: BREKID

Transmitted herewith are five copies of each of the photographs requested in your letter of April 15, 1937, with the exception of Frank Nash and Francis Keating. Request has been made of the Kansas City Office for an original copy of the photographs of these two individuals and as soon as same are available, five copies of each will be transmitted to you.

The original photographs are returned herewith. It is noted, however, that only the bust and stand-up photographs of Fred Barker were received at this Office.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

1105 Mills Tower
220 Bush Street
San Francisco, California.
April 29, 1937.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir: Re: GEORGE TIMINEY, DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232,
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
Kidnaping. Harboring of Fugitives.
Obstruction of Justice. National Fire-
arms Act.

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated Dec-
ember 22, 1936 (Bureau file #7-576), instructing that discreet
inquiries be made at Alcatraz regarding a story to the effect
that ALVIN KARPIS has been furnishing Warden Johnston with con-
siderable information relative to criminal activities.

This will advise that on recent trips made
by Special Agent J. H. RICE, of this office, to Alcatraz, in-
quiry in a diplomatic manner has been made on several occasions.

Mr. E. J. MILLER, Deputy Warden, and Mr. F.
REICHEL, Secretary to the Warden, have advised that within their
knowledge ALVIN KARPIS has made no statement, nor furnished any
information whatsoever to Warden Johnston, or anyone else while
at Alcatraz, concerning his criminal activities.

It has so happened that Warden J. A. John-
ston has not been available at Alcatraz during the recent trips,
but as soon as he is available, he will be approached, in a dip-
lomatic manner, concerning the information made reference to,

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and the Bureau will be advised as to the results.

Very truly yours,

W. L. Listerman

W. L. LISTERMAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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c.c. Chicago.
c.c. St. Paul.
c.c. Cleveland.
c.c. Cincinnati.

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

404 New York Building
Saint Paul, Minnesota
April 30, 1937

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

O BREKID

Reference is being made to Bureau letter dated April 17, 1937 relative to giving assistance to the United States Marshal in serving a subpoena on Mrs. Florence Humphrey, 417 West Catlin Street, Pipestone, Minnesota.

Please be advised that Special Agent E. H. Williams has contacted Mr. Stephen Picha, Deputy United States Marshal on several occasions and offered the services of this office. The Humphrey subpoena has not been received by the United States Marshal to date.

Very truly yours,


E. P. GUINANE
Special Agent in Charge

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April 30, 1937.

Special Agent in Charge,
Newark, New Jersey.

RE: GEORGE TIMINEX; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1232, et al; EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping; Ob-
struction of Justice; Harboring
of Fugitives; National Firearms
Act

Dear Sir:

With reference to the forthcoming trial of Joseph H. Adams and Henry Duke Randall at Miami, Florida on June 7, 1937, the Bureau desires that the investigation set out hereinafter be conducted by your office. As a matter of information it should be stated that on the night of January 16, 1935, after the shooting episode had occurred at Oklawaha, Florida, at which time Fred Barker and Kate Barker were killed, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette got in touch with Randall at Miami, Florida. It was on this occasion that Randall advised the said persons to proceed to Atlantic City, New Jersey, where they could seek haven at the Danmor Hotel. Later on that evening Randall took Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette to his room at the Tamiari Hotel, Miami, Florida, where he wrote on the stationery of that hotel a note which was directed to William A. Morley as "Bill Morley". This note directed Morley to take care of these women. He likewise penned other notes which were written in green ink on the stationery of the Tamiari Hotel. The note directed to Morley was never located but on January 20, 1935, immediately subsequent to the shooting event at the Danmor Hotel at Atlantic City, Special Agents located among the personal effects of Dolores Delaney such a piece of stationery of the Tamiari Hotel on which were the following notations:

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"Stop at Danmore Hotel
COMMON ROOM for Bill Morley.
New Richmond Hotel,
ask for Mr. Young.
Bob Brown
137 S. Mass. Ave.
Kentucky Ave."

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The Bureau is desirous of establishing, if possible, the fact that these notations are in the handwriting of Henry Duke Randall. Specimens of Randall's known handwriting in the possession of the Bureau have proved insufficient to make such an identification possible. Practically the only handwriting specimens in the Bureau's possession are those of the signature alone of Randall. It is desired, therefore, that you immediately get in touch with Gregory I. Codomo, a close personal friend of Randall. Recent correspondence directed by the Bureau to your office has furnished you with all the addresses known through which Codomo can be located.

It is believed that Codomo will have in his possession personal letters written in the handwriting of Randall which handwriting can be positively identified by Codomo as that of Randall. All available specimens of such handwriting should be obtained and forwarded to the Bureau without any delay. In the event that such personal letters are not in the possession of Codomo, it is possible that he may be able to suggest the identity of other persons to whom Randall has written personal correspondence in his own handwriting. It should be established, of course, that such persons have sufficient knowledge of the characteristics of the handwriting of Randall so that they will be able to testify the writing in question, to wit: the correspondence, is in the handwriting of Randall.

In the event that these suggestions prove unproductive of satisfactory results, it is desired that appropriate inquiry be conducted by you through known friends and acquaintances of Randall to ascertain the location of any known handwriting specimens of Randall, such as, legal documents, contracts, etc. I wish to point out to you that in obtaining such handwriting specimens of Randall the signature alone will be of practically no value since it contains an insufficient variety of letters to establish an identification.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
607 US COURT HOUSE
FOLEY SQUARE
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

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G. N. LOWDON,
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FAIRHILL STREET PHILADELPHIA TO DETERMINE WHETHER ANDREY GUARANTE IS KNOWN
FOR PURPOSE OF SERVING GUARANTE WITH SUBPOENA

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April 30, 1937.

Memo for Mr. Tamm

Re; Andrew Gurante.

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At 4:07 P.M. today I called Mr. T.J. Donnegan of the New York office to find out what they were doing in their efforts to locate and identify Albert Gurante. You will recall that he is the one who tore up the subpoena and later declared that he was not Andrew Gurante to whom the subpoena was directed, but that Andrew is his brother. I told Donnegan that there ~~was~~ one or more of the agents of the N.Y. Office who know Albert Gurante on sight, and that they should make immediate efforts to locate him to ascertain whether he is or is not the party who was served. There is a possibility that it was Andrew Gurante who was served, but that he is shielding himself by stating that he is in fact Albert Gurante.

Mr. Donnegan stated that he has two men out on it, and as soon as they have located Albert Gurante and have completed enough investigation to let us know just where we stand, he will call the Bureau. I told him that if the Agents are not able to make a positive identification of Albert Gurante, several pictures of him should be taken so that they can be sent to SAC J.H. Hanson, who will be able to state definitely whether the party is Andrew or Albert Gurante. Hanson interviewed Andrew Gurante, and knows him.

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K.R. McIntire.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SAC, MIAMI, FLORIDA.

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BREKID. DUKE RANDALL WAS EMPLOYED AS GUARD FOR MERLE B. ROLFE OF
ROLFE ARMORED CAR SERVICE, MIAMI, FLORIDA DURING JANUARY, 1935. DESIRE
YOU ENDEAVOR TO OBTAIN SPECIMENS OF KNOWN HANDWRITING OF RANDALL THROUGH
ROLFE AND FORWARD TO BUREAU IMMEDIATELY. MAKE APPROPRIATE AND EXHAUSTIVE
INQUIRIES FOR ANY OTHER KNOWN SPECIMENS OF RANDALL'S HANDWRITING. SUGGEST
TAMiami HOTEL MAY ASSIST AS RANDALL FORMERLY RESIDED THERE.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COFFEY

Re: BREKID

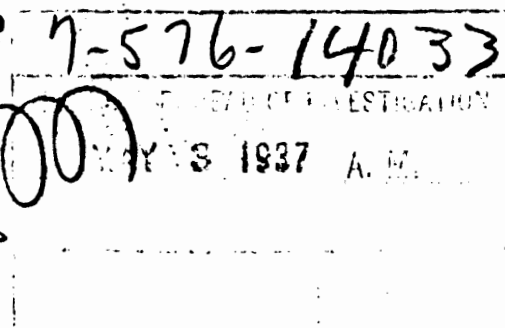
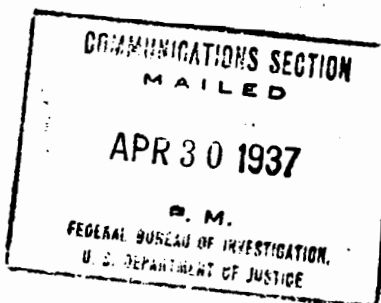
Reference is made to the recent identification of the handwriting of Joseph H. Adams which was made by Messrs. Pickering, Blackburn, and Appel of the Technical Laboratory.

It is desired that appropriate charts and photographic enlargements of the questioned document, together with the specimens of the original handwriting of Joseph H. Adams, be prepared and that the matter be arranged for presentation during the trial of this matter in Miami, Florida. Adams and Randall will be tried at Miami, Florida on June 7, 1937. It is not possible at this moment to advise you as to the exact date on which the testimony of Mr. Pickering or such other of the Laboratory Technicians who you may designate for this purpose, will be used. I should like to advise you, however, to have one of the three above mentioned technicians available on or about June 7, 1937, so that he may be able to present these matters at the appropriate time.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
MAY 1, 1937.

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID.

In accordance with your request, there is enclosed here-
with one copy, each, of the photographs of Francis I. Keat-
ing and Frank Nash.

Very truly yours,

DIGHT BRANTLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. R. L. Shivers,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 2889,
Miami, Florida.

RE: GEORGE TIMINAY; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1232, et al; EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping; Ob-
struction of Justice; Harboring
of Fugitives; National Firearms
Act

Dear Sir:

The attention of the Bureau has been directed to an allegation made by William Bryan Bolton to the effect that on or about the time of the Bremer trial in St. Paul, Minnesota, Bolton was approached by Special Agent S. K. McKee, who informed that he, Bolton, would be placed on probation, in consequence of which it would be advisable for Bolton to communicate with his wife and make appropriate preparations for his departure from the Ramsey County Jail and from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Bolton has alleged that as the result of this information being imparted to him he did communicate with his wife and arranged for her to give up her employment in Chicago and to sell some of her personal effects, including her furniture. Information reaching the Bureau is to the effect that this alleged disclosure was made to Bolton by Agent McKee and caused the former considerable hardship and embarrassment.

It is my desire that you discuss this matter with Special Agent McKee and, if there is any truth in the allegation, it is requested that you arrange to have Agent McKee submit a full and complete memorandum to the Bureau with reference to this allegation.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Laughman
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Dawsey
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Joseph
Mr. Lester
Mr. Nichols

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Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: NEW YORK May 1, 1937

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BREMID MIAMI OFFICE ADVISES NO RECORD OF ANDREW GURANTE RECEIVING MAIL AT
POSTOFFICE MIAMI, FLORIDA DURING PAST YEAR AND A HALF. DESIRE YOU PLACE
MAIL COVER IMMEDIATELY UPON ALL MAIL RECEIVED BY ALBERT GURANTE IN EFFORT TO
ASCERTAIN PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF ANDREW GURANTE. ALSO DESIRE YOU TAKE
ADDITIONAL STEPS TO LOCATE ANDREW GURANTE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Jones
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

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1300 Liberty Trust Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

April 30, 1937.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re - GEORGE TIMINNEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases & FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated September 4, 1936,
and the report of Special Agent J. L. Fallon, Philadelphia,
Pa., dated 7-7-36.

Please be advised that Special Agent J. L. Fallon has been
away from the Philadelphia Office for a long period. He
informed that the letter of September 4, directed to him
at the National Police Academy was not received.

Upon questioning Agent Fallon, he stated that it is his
recollection that Thelma Holst, when interviewed, stated
she did not know the subjects mentioned on page two of the report
dated July 7, 1936, under their real names; that she learned
them later and subsequent to the time she had been associating
with them. She emphatically denied she had any knowledge as
to their real identity.

Very truly yours,

G. N. LONDON,
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 1, 1937.

Special Agent in Charge,
Miami, Florida.

RE: GEORGE TIMINEX; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1232, et al; EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping; Ob-
struction of Justice; Harboring
of Fugitives; National Firearms
Act

Dear Sir:

Please have reference to the letter of the Jacksonville office under the signature of Special Agent R. A. Alt to the Trenton office, dated at Jacksonville October 15, 1935. It is noted therein that the Jacksonville office received a letter from Henry Duke Randall written on the stationery of the Hotel Grant, 832 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey, which letter is dated October 13, 1935.

It is desired that this letter be forwarded to the Bureau immediately for appropriate handwriting comparison with a questioned document believed to have been written by Randall.

Your files will disclose that on November 25, 1935, Randall appeared at the Jacksonville office, at which time he executed a receipt for the Ford V-8 Coupe, Motor No. 18-1037480. It is my desire that you ascertain from Special Agent Alt whether on November 25, 1935, at which time the receipt was executed by Randall in the name of Henry Stern, Agent Alt discussed with him the letter which he, Randall, wrote to the Jacksonville office, as noted above, and which was signed by Henry Duke Randall. It is particularly desired that the Bureau be advised whether Randall admitted having written the letter of October 13, 1935 with reference to the return of his automobile.

The purpose of this inquiry is to establish definitely that the letter of Randall dated October 13, 1935, is actually in his own handwriting.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Dawsey
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Quinn

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

FILE NO. 7-36

REPORT MADE AT Oklahoma City, Okla.	DATE WHEN MADE 4/29/37	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/30; 4/1, 12, 15, 20-22/37	REPORT MADE BY W. E. Hopton
TITLE GEORGE TIMINEY, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; Et Al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE Kidnaping; Obstruction of Justice; Harboring of Fugitives; National Firearms Act.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="text-align: center;">I. E. Webb, Ponca City, Okla. Police Department, has received no information concerning Milton Lett since last contacted. Machine guns in possession of various peace officers in the State of Oklahoma checked.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Bureau letters dated 10/19/36 and 3/9/37, and report of Special Agent John R. Welles, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated 12/31/36.</p>			
DETAILS: <p>Special Agent V. I. Parry was advised by Detective I. E. Webb, Ponca City, Oklahoma Police Department, that he has received no information whatsoever concerning Milton Lett since he was last contacted. He stated that his informant, Ray Moore, who was supposed to have been able to furnish him information concerning "Happy" White, has left town and he has not heard where he is presently located. White is alleged to be a friend of Lett. He likewise stated that he has no information as to White's present location. Mr. Webb advised Agent Parry that he would attempt to locate these men in order that they may be interviewed by a Bureau Agent.</p> <p>With reference to Bureau letters dated October 19, 1936 and March 9, 1937, Special Agent V. I. Parry has personally inspected the</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>C. W. L. T. M.</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">7-576-14038</div> <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold;">MAY 4 1937</div> <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">MAY 3 AM</div>	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT 3 - Bureau 2 - Cincinnati 2 - Cleveland 1 - Chicago 2 - Okla. City		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> COPIES DESTROYED 20 MAR 25 1965 LMB </div>	

following machine guns:

Police Dept., Chief Jack Ary, Drumright, Okla.	#7775
Police Dept., F. W. Stroupe, Cushing, Okla.	#422
Kay County, Sheriff W. C. Cook, Newkirk, Okla.	#7271
Police Dept., Chief J. E. McFadden, Ponca City, Okla.	#3388
Payne County, Sheriff L. L. Fisher, Stillwater, Okla.	#5668
Pawnee County, Sheriff C. M. Burkdoll, Pawnee, Okla.	#2929
Police Dept., Chief Howard Cress, Perry, Okla. (Gun in possession of Sheriff Merle Harman)	#3571

With reference to Thompson submachine gun #7419, listed to the Union National Bank, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, same having been sold to them on December 11, 1933, Special Agent V. I. Parry contacted Mr. H. V. Foster, Chairman of the Board, and also President of the Foster Oil Company, at Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Foster said he had purchased this gun at that time both for the use of the bank and also for his own protection because it was at the time of the Urschel kidnaping and he was rather worried. He stated he has this gun locked in a vault at his home and has not had it out for at least eighteen months. He displayed to Agent a report made to the Internal Revenue Department, which shows the serial number to be 7419.

Special Agent J. V. Murphy personally inspected machine gun bearing Serial #9810, same being presently in the possession of Sheriff H. T. Kimbell, Altus, Oklahoma.

Special Agent L. E. Kingman personally inspected Thompson sub-machine gun, Serial #3065, which is presently in the possession of John Riehl, Chief of Police, Blackwell, Oklahoma.

Special Agent C. O. Hurt, while at Ada, Oklahoma, personally checked Thompson submachine gun, Serial #3276, same being in the possession

of Roy Keller, Chief of Police, Ada, Oklahoma.

Jake Sims, Chief of Police, Seminole, Oklahoma, advised Agent Hurt that Walter Colbert, former Sheriff, Ardmore, Oklahoma, attended a peace officers convention at Seminole during January, 1929, and that he believes Colbert ordered a machine gun from Joe Miller to be delivered at Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Casual inquiries of Jim Lathrop, Deputy Sheriff, Ardmore, Oklahoma, revealed that he knew nothing about this gun. An interview will be had in the near future with Walter Colbert concerning Thompson submachine gun, Serial #8042.

The Sheriff's office at Ardmore, Oklahoma presently has in its possession Thompson submachine gun, Serial #7922.

The writer personally inspected the following machine guns:

Lawton, Oklahoma Police Department	Serial #8527
Fort Sill, Okla., Provost Marshal	Serial #11491 and #11782
Duncan, Oklahoma Police Department	Serial #7461
Jefferson County Sheriff's office, Waurika, Okla.,	Serial #5760 and #7527.
Caddo County Sheriff's office, Anadarko, Okla.	Serial #3003
Anadarko Police Department	Serial #12818
Ardmore, Oklahoma Police Department	Serial #5404.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE OKLAHOMA CITY FIELD DIVISION at Ardmore, Oklahoma will discreetly interview Walter Colbert, former Sheriff, and ascertain if he purchased machine gun, Serial #8042, in addition to machine gun, Serial #7922, which is now in the possession of the Sheriff's office at Ardmore, Oklahoma.

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Memo for Mr. Tamm.

Re; Andrew ~~Gurante~~.

Wm. L. Garrison

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He informed that his brother, Andrew Gurante is receiving his mail General Delivery, Miami, Florida; that he is not there all the time; that he is employed in some kind of work which takes him out of Miami occasionally, but that he can be reach through Gen'l Delivery. Albert informed that he writes to his brother there, that none of his letters ever come back, which leads him to believe that Andrew is actually getting his mail at that point.

I told Mr. Donegan to call the Miami office and to explain the matter to that office in detail, and to instruct them to immediately place agents at the post office so that they will be able to locate Andrew Gurante in case he comes in to call for his mail. I also told Donegan to tell Miami to get in touch with the U.S. Attorney, advising him of what happened to the subpoena so that he could arrange to issue an alias subpoena for the appearance of Andrew Gurante. He said that he would do this.

K.R.M.
K.R. McIntire.

May 1, 1937.

Memo for Mr. Tamm. *BT*

Re; Andrew Gurante.

At 10:15 A.M. today I called Mr. Shivers of the Miami Office to find out what they were doing in their efforts to locate Andrew Gurante. He said that inquiries at the post office had disclosed that this man had not been getting his mail there for more than a year and a half. Quite obviously the information which was given to the N.Y. Agents by Albert Gurante to the above effect was erroneous, and probably intentionally false. I therefore wired the N.Y. Office instructing them to place a mail cover immediately upon the mail of Albert Gurante, and to take such other steps as would appear logical, looking toward the location of Andrew Gurante.

Mr. Shivers stated that the U. S. Attorney at Miami, might want to take some steps toward punishing Albert Gurante for tearing up the subpoena. I told Mr. Shivers that I would therefore furnish him with copies of the affidavits secured in N.Y. and would likewise furnish such copies to Mr. Charles Carr, so that Carr and the U.S. Attorney in Miami could mutually decide just what steps they desired to take.

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A.R. McIntire
K.R. McIntire. MAY 3 1937 P.M.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
1300 Biscayne Building
Miami, Florida

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May 3, 1937

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

AIRMAIL-SPECIAL DELIVERY

Re: GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases-FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232,
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-Victim;
Kidnaping; Obstruction of Justice;
Harboring of Fugitives; National
Firearms Act.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Bureau's letter of May 1, 1937, (7-576) requesting that the letter addressed to the Special Agent in Charge by Henry Duke Randall, on the stationery of the Hotel Grant, 882 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey, dated October 13, 1935, be forwarded to the Bureau for appropriate handwriting comparison with a questioned document believed to be written by Randall.

When Randall appeared at the Jacksonville office on November 25, 1935 and executed a receipt for Ford V-8 coupe, motor number 18-1037480, he was interviewed by former Special Agent R. B. Donaldson and he executed the receipt in Mr. Donaldson's presence. I understand Mr. Donaldson is now in Tampa, Florida with some Government agency. He will be contacted for the purpose of ascertaining if Randall admitted writing the letter in question at the time he executed the receipt for the automobile.

In this connection there is transmitted herewith a letter addressed to Mr. R. A. Alt on November 29, 1935, on the stationery of the El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida, which was written by Henry Stern alias Duke Randall. This letter reads as follows:

"Mr. R. A. Alt.

Dear Sir.

I accordance with Mr. Donaldson's request I am stopping at the above Hotel. However after I earn enough money to pay my expenses home I will leave here. This I hope will only be a matter of two wks. If you can you may send me the title and registration here.

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" Thanking you for your past courtesies I
am,

Respectfully yours,

Henry Stern. "

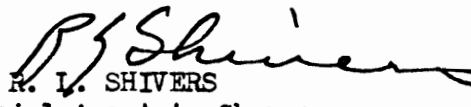
This letter was today presented to Duke Randall by Special Agent S. K. McKee, of this office, and he acknowledged it as his handwriting and stated the letter was written by him personally.

There is also attached the signed receipt executed by Henry Stern at Jacksonville, November 25, 1935 for the Ford V-8 coupe, mentioned above, which was delivered to him at that time.

It is believed that the attached specimens of Randall's handwriting will be sufficient for the Bureau's purpose.

Randall was not acquainted with the purpose for which it was requested that he identify the letter and he thought it had some connection with the automobile.

Very truly yours,


R. L. SHIVERS
Special Agent in Charge

Encl.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Report

Case: BREKID

Number: 7-576-14041

Specimens:

7-576-14041 K 5 Two sheets containing the known handwriting of Henry Duke Randall.
One one sheet, only the signature of Henry Stern, alias Henry Duke Randall is given.

Examination requested by: Miami, Fla.

Date received: 5-4-37 (4:00 PM kr)

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:

Examination by: Pickering #1

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Paul
Carter
at
Miami

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Report

Case: **BURKID**

Number: **7-576-14041**

Specimens:

7-576-14041 K 5 Two sheets containing the known handwriting of Henry Duke Randall.
One one sheet, only the signature of Henry Stern, alias Henry Duke Randall is given.

Examination requested by: **Miami, Fla.**

Date received: **5-4-37 (4:00 PM hr)**

Examination requested: **Document**

Result of examination:

AIRMAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

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5/4/37
Examination by: **W. J. Blackburn & L.**

*for Mr Young
at 7 Hotel
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Q12 Danmore Ave R S
K5-K6 Duke Ave R S
wait New Hotel
for Mr Yours*

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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April 29, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

RE: TRIAL OF JOSEPH H. ADAMS
AND HENRY DUKE RANDALL

In the memorandum submitted to you by Supervisor McIntire dated April 9, 1937, it is pointed out that the Government's case against Joe Adams particularly would depend to a large extent upon the testimony of Andrew Gurante, since it is felt that through this witness it would be possible to establish knowledge on the part of Adams that he was harboring a person or persons for whom a Federal process had been issued. Considerable reliance was placed upon the expected testimony of Gurante, particularly in view of the fact that he seemed to have intimate knowledge of the true facts with reference to the harboring at the El Comodoro Hotel. Due to the importance of this witness, a subpoena was issued calling for his appearance at Miami, Florida on June 7, 1937.

The Bureau has now been advised by a telegram from the New York field division to the effect that on April 27, 1937 this subpoena was served upon Gurante by a Deputy United States Marshal of the Eastern District of New York; that Gurante tore the subpoena in pieces and exclaimed that he would not accept service. This matter was accordingly brought to the attention of Mr. Charles Carr, Special Assistant to the Attorney General who will try this matter in Florida. He stated that the only alternative was to obtain an affidavit from the Deputy United States Marshal setting out full and complete facts with reference to the service, such conversation as ensued between Gurante and the Deputy United States Marshal and the general conduct of Gurante in tearing the subpoena in pieces, together with the time and place the said incident occurred. This matter was brought to my attention by Supervisor McIntire and I authorized him to call the New York office requesting that such an affidavit be obtained.

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Mr. Carr explained to Supervisor McIntire that the purpose of obtaining this affidavit was to submit it to the court in Florida in order that a bench warrant could be issued ordering the arrest of Gurante as a material witness.

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Memo for the Director.

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Time - 1:05 P. M.

Accordingly, today Supervisor McIntire telephonically communicated with Special Agent T. J. Donegan and explained that a full and complete affidavit with reference to this matter should be secured at once. Mr. Donegan informed that he would have the affidavit forwarded to the Bureau to arrive here sometime tomorrow. He further stated that the Deputy United States Marshal who served this subpoena is a woman.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm
E. A. Tamm. *EAT*

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607 U. S. Court House,
Foley Square,
New York, N. Y.

May 1, 1937

Mr. William J. Thornton,
Postmaster,
Long Island City, N. Y.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this Division, it is requested that for a period of thirty days mail tracings be submitted upon all first class mail addressed to:

ALBERT and ANDREW GUARANTE,
2802 -35th Street,
Astoria, Long Island, N. Y.

and

ALBERT GUARANTE,
Post Office Box 32,
Woolsey Station,
31st Street,
Astoria, Long Island, N. Y.

In submitting tracings in this matter, it is requested that they be marked for the attention of New York File No. 7-120.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter,

I am

Very truly yours,

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R. WHITLEY, Special Agent in Charge.
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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May 1, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. L. B. NICHOLS

This will advise you that your presence as a necessary witness will be required at Miami, Florida, on or about June 7, 1937, in connection with the trial of Joseph H. Adams and Henry "Duke" Randall.

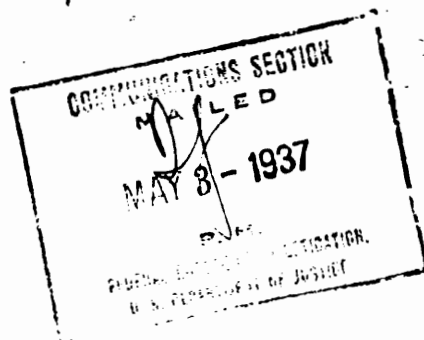
It is desired that you arrange your work appropriately, so that you may be available at such time as your presence is necessary as a witness.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc - Mr. Joseph

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Dewey
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Nease
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Connelley

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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May 3, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM. *Jf*

Time -
2:30 P. M.

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RE: BREKID

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I received a call from SAC Stein today who was then in St. Paul. He advised me that he had been able to locate Mrs. Delaney, mother of Dolores Delaney; that she is now living at her regular address in St. Paul; that she has expressed a willingness to either write a letter to Dolores or to go personally to Milan, Michigan and endeavor to induce Dolores to stand by her statement and testify in behalf of the Government. Mrs. Delaney expressed the feeling that this is the only sensible thing for Dolores to do, particularly in view of the fact that she is not being called upon to testify against Alvin Karpis; further that her so testifying would not in any way prejudice her position with the Government.

Mr. Stein told me that he informed Mrs. Delaney the testimony of Dolores was not indispensable to the successful prosecution of the case but that it would be of great assistance. Mr. Stein indicated that he had handled the matter in such a fashion that the Bureau would not in any way be particularly indebted either to Dolores or Mrs. Delaney. Mr. Stein suggested that either Agent Madala or Agent Sullivan be detailed to accompany Mrs. Delaney in the event she proceeds to Milan. I told Mr. Stein that both Agents Madala and Sullivan, according to my understanding, are tied up on a matter from which they cannot presently be relieved. He then told me that if Mrs. Delaney goes to Milan she has no money, in consequence of which the expenses of her trip will have to be undertaken by the Bureau.

Mr. Stein further informed me that it would be necessary for him to be in St. Paul again on Monday morning, May 10th, where he will be a witness for the Government in an income tax case involving Morris Roisner. You will recall that Roisner made certain admissions to Mr. Stein when he was taken into custody by Agents during the Hamm kidnaping investigation. In view of this fact I told Mr. Stein the Bureau feels it would be better for him to proceed to Milan instead of calling upon either Agent Madala or Agent Sullivan, because otherwise

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he would have nothing to do in St. Paul during this week and if he returned to Oklahoma City he would arrive there only in time to commence his trip back to St. Paul. I told him I would discuss this matter with Bureau officials and advise him of the Bureau's decision. I talked this matter over with Mr. Foxworth and then called Mr. Stein back advising him that the Bureau would stand the expense of the trip of Mrs. Delaney to Milan and that the same should be handled by blue slip. I further told him that the Bureau considered it advisable for him to proceed to Milan with Mrs. Delaney so that the Bureau could be fully advised as to the attitude of Dolores Delaney. He said he would take care of this matter and advise the Bureau concerning his departure from St. Paul and would further inform the Bureau as to the results of the interview as soon as same had been terminated.

Respectfully,


K. R. McIntire.

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BREKID. INSTRUCT AGENT MADALA TO IMMEDIATELY COMMUNICATE WITH
MR. MCINTIRE OF THE BUREAU BY TELEPHONE.

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May 4, 1937.

Special Agent in Charge,
Newark, New Jersey.

RE: GEORGE TIMINEX; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1232, et al; EDWARD
GEORGE BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping;
Obstruction of Justice; Harboring
of Fugitives; National Firearms Act

Dear Sir:

For the information of the New York office it is stated that the trial of Henry Duke Randall alias Henry Stern and Joseph H. Adams will be heard at Miami, Florida on June 7, 1937. You are further advised that on the night of January 16, 1935, just after the shooting episode which occurred at Oklawaha, Florida, on which occasion Kate and Fred Barker were killed while resisting arrest, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette contacted Randall in Miami, Florida, at which time he advised them to seek refuge at the Danmor Hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey. Prior to the departure of the two women he furnished them with a note directed to William A. Morley in the name of Bill Morley. This note was written in green ink on the stationery of the Tamiami Hotel in Miami. It instructed Morley to take care of these people since they were friends of his, Randall. In addition thereto, it is understood that Randall penned certain notations likewise in green ink on the stationery of the Tamiami Hotel, which were further instructions to the women with reference to their proceeding to the Danmor Hotel. This latter notation was found among the personal effects of Dolores Delaney at the Danmor Hotel on January 20, 1935, which was the day on which the shooting episode occurred when Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis made their escape from that hotel.

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The Bureau is making every effort to identify the handwriting on this notation as being that of Duke Randall. A review of the file discloses that Randall first became acquainted with Joseph M. Adams at Newark, New Jersey on or about April 16, 1934. At that time Adams was visiting points in New Jersey in the hope of obtaining certain gambling concessions. Randall was his chauffeur on this occasion and occupied such position from approximately four to six weeks. Randall became acquainted with Adams

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through one Ariel who was at that time a clerk at the Douglas Hotel in Newark and who was then living at the Grant Hotel in Newark. It is pointed out that Randall was likewise living at the Grant Hotel at that time.

It is the Bureau's desire that the Newark office attempt to obtain from Mr. Ariel handwriting specimens of Duke Randall. It is believed possible that Mr. Ariel may have in his possession personal letters sent to him by Randall. It should be ascertained definitely that he is familiar enough with the handwriting of Randall to testify as to the original character of that writing.

A review of the file also discloses that Duke Randall during January, 1935 had a girl friend by the name of Peggy O'Neill who was then living at 460 -45th Street, Brooklyn, New York. It is pointed out that at that time he had known her for a period of approximately two and a half years. At the time of his apprehension he likewise advised that this woman had a sister by the name of Della. It is the Bureau's desire that an Agent of the New York City office locate Peggy O'Neill and conduct an investigation similar to that requested above of the Newark office. If such handwriting specimens of Duke Randall are obtained a complete statement should be secured from the person furnishing such specimens indicating that that person is thoroughly familiar with the handwriting of Randall and is well able to recognize it as such.

In the event that such specimens are not forthcoming from the above named sources, it is desired that appropriate inquiries be made of these persons to ascertain the identity of any other person having handwriting specimens of Randall which could be made available for the above mentioned purposes.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

CC - New York City

**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

1448 Standard Building,
Cleveland, Ohio

May 4, 1937

~~PERSONAL and CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. John Edgar Hoover,
Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Mr. Hoover:

On May 3, 1937, during the absence of the writer, Acting Special Agent in Charge R.T. Ross conferred with United States Attorney E.B. Freed at his office at the request of Mr. Freed. There was also present Gerald P. Openlander, First Assistant United States Attorney at Toledo, Ohio. Mr. Freed advised Agent Ross that it was his intention to present the facts relative to the Harboring case to the regular session of the Federal Grand Jury at Toledo, Ohio, beginning May 17th, and stated that he would like to have Special Agent E.J. Wynn available at once inasmuch as Mr. Wynn was the person who handled the details of this investigation and was familiar with all angles. He stated that it would be necessary, undoubtedly, to re-interview certain witnesses and that there were numerous other details to be taken care of. Mr. Freed requested that as soon as he was available, Mr. Wynn should contact Mr. Openlander at Toledo. Further, Mr. Freed advised that he would be tied up in a trial at Cleveland until after the 17th and, therefore, expected that the presentation of the facts to the Grand Jury at Toledo would be handled by Mr. Openlander for the first two or three days and that he, Mr. Freed, would probably be there to continue the presentation of the facts after that time. Mr. Freed requested that he be advised as to when Mr. Wynn would be available.

The information as set out above, as obtained by Agent Ross from Mr. Freed, was conveyed by telephone to Mr. Foxworth of the Bureau, who stated that this office would be advised, probably by May 4th, as to Agent Wynn's availability in connection with this matter.

This office is in receipt of a teletype from the Bureau dated May 4th, stating that Inspector Connelley is now under subpoena as witness in the trial of a case and cannot be released, and Special Agent Wynn is also engaged in a matter from which he cannot be released at this time; that it will, therefore, be impossible to comply with the request of United States Attorney Freed for the immediate presence of Agent Wynn at Toledo.

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Substance of the information contained in the above mentioned teletype was given to Mr. Freed by Agent Ross. Mr. Freed then requested that he be advised as to the probable date when Special Agent Wynn might be available in order that he might plan his course of action accordingly.

It is respectfully requested that you advise the writer as to the probable date when Special Agent Wynn will be available in order that this information might be transmitted to Mr. Freed.

Very truly yours,

J.P. MacFarland
J.P. MacFARLAND, *RTP*
Special Agent in Charge

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Department of Justice
Washington

April 30, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HOOVER

Thank you for the copy of the memorandum which you addressed to the Attorney General under date of April 22, 1937, in regard to the case involving Joseph Adams and Duke Randall of Miami, Florida.

Mr. Hyde has, for the most part, correctly interpreted my remarks. As you know, it is our intention to try this case on June 7th to a conclusion. No effort is to be spared in the securing of a conviction.

Brien McMahon
Brien McMahon,
Assistant Attorney General.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
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April 30, 1937

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM *JH*

Re: Andrew Gurante

W. Brennan

With reference to the advice from the New York Office to the effect that Andrew Gurante tore up the subpoena which was served upon him calling for his appearance at Miami, Florida, and with further reference to my telephonic conversation with Agent Donegan of the New York Office requesting that that office obtain affidavits in this matter, this will advise you that at 4:50 P. M., April 29, 1937, I received a call from Mr. Donegan advising me that a man giving his name as Albert Gurante had presented himself to the United States Marshal's office in Brooklyn, New York yesterday at which time he brought into the office the torn up pieces of the subpoena. He then advised that he was not identical with Andrew Gurante, but was in fact Albert Gurante; that Andrew Gurante was his brother whose whereabouts were not known to him.

It is pointed out that the Deputy United States Marshal who served this subpoena is a woman by the name of Mae Maher. Mr. Donegan stated that in obtaining the affidavit from her she said that when she knocked at the door of the Gurante apartment and asked the man if he were Andrew Gurante, he admitted that he was; that she then served him with the subpoena and after having read the same he declared that he was not Andrew Gurante but was in fact Albert Gurante; that he then tore the subpoena in pieces and exclaimed that he would not accept service, nor would he honor it by presenting himself at Miami, Florida as requested. Mr. Donegan stated that these affidavits would reach the Bureau today. He further informed that when Albert Gurante presented himself at the United States Marshal's office in Brooklyn, New York, he brought with him a New York automobile license issued in the name of Albert Gurante, the purpose of which was to identify him as such as distinguished from Andrew Gurante.

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I told Mr. Donegan that Special Agent Dickerson who is still attached to the New York Office had conducted certain inquiries last year in an effort to locate Andrew Gurante and it was my conclusion that he had actually interviewed Albert Gurante to this end. I called Mr. Donegan's attention to the reports reflecting such investigation on the part of Agent Dickerson and suggested that Agent Dickerson should be given an opportunity to observe the individual who appeared at the Marshal's office stating that he is in fact Albert Gurante and not Andrew Gurante. Mr. Donegan stated that this would be taken care of.

It is suggested that if Agent Dickerson fails to make an identification, a photograph of the person proposed to be Albert Gurante should be obtained and forwarded to Special Agent in Charge Hanson. It will be remembered that Mr. Hanson personally interviewed Andrew Gurante when he appeared in the New York Office on August 22, 1935 furnishing a statement containing very pertinent information with reference to the harboring of members of the Karpis-Barker gang by Joseph H. Adams at Miami, Florida. Mr. Donegan stated that he would advise the Bureau of the results of Agent Dickerson's observation.

Respectfully,



K. R. McIntire.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
936 Raymond-Commerce Building
Newark New Jersey

May 5, 1937

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1232, et al; EDWARD
GEORGE BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping;
Obstruction of Justice: Harboring
of Fugitives: National Firearms Act

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated April 30, 1937 (Bureau File 7-576) requesting that this office endeavor to secure handwriting specimens of Duke Randall from Gregory I. Codomo of 91 Washington Avenue, Nutley, New Jersey or from any other source possible.

Today Special Agent John A. Murphy, of this office, contacted Gregory I. Codomo who said, that about a month ago, he received a letter from Duke Randall who was at that time at the El Comodora Hotel, Miami, Florida and in this letter Randall asked Codomo why he didn't write to him. Codomo did not reply. Mr. Codomo thoroughly searched various drawers in his office and his effects in his residence but was unable to find the letter in question. He feels sure that he has destroyed it. He furnished the name of Peggy O'Neill of 460 - 45th Street, Brooklyn, New York as a former sweetheart of Duke Randall and who might be able to furnish a letter bearing the handwriting specimens of Randall. But it appears from Bureau letter dated May 4, 1937, directed to this office, that a request was made for the New York Division to locate and interview Peggy O'Neill for this purpose.

For your information, Gregory I. Codomo today wrote a letter to Duke Randall, c/o El Comodora Hotel, Miami, Florida, advising him that he had just received a subpoena to appear at Miami, Florida on May 31, 1937 and asking what the case was all about and to write him as soon as possible as he planned to motor to Florida and would probably make a pleasure trip in connection with the subpoena requiring his presence at Miami. Codomo believes that Randall will immediately reply to this letter and Codomo will then advise this Field Division so that the handwriting specimens of Randall can be procured and forwarded to the Bureau. Other leads have been suggested by Codomo and these are being followed at the present time.

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It is noted in this letter of April 30, 1937, particularly paragraph one on page two thereof, that you state that practically the only handwriting specimens in the Bureau's possession are those of the signature alone of Duke Randall. I desire to call your attention to my letter of April 15, 1937 with which I transmitted to you one original letter dated November 5, 1935, received at our former office in Trenton, New Jersey, from Henry Randall. It is believed that this letter was in Randall's handwriting and it is known that it was some three paragraphs in length. If any question should arise as to the identification of Randall's handwriting, Gregory Codomo has advised that he would easily recognize Randall's writing and would be willing to testify thereto. I consider it advisable to call your attention to Randall's letter of November 5, 1935 which was recently transmitted to the Bureau in the event that it has not been submitted already to the Laboratory for comparison purposes.

It may be well also to call your attention to the fact that Gregory Codomo advised Agent Murphy today that at the time he was picked up in Florida with Duke Randall, he knows that an Agent ---- Jones of this Bureau procured from Randall a piece of paper which he believes was hotel stationery which bore the handwriting of Duke Randall and as he recalls, it contained various notations as to expense items of Duke Randall. This matter is called to your attention in view of the fact that possibly such piece of evidence may now be in the possession of the Bureau or the Miami office and could be used for comparison purposes.

Very truly yours,



W. S. DEVEREAUX
Special Agent in Charge

WSD:LLM

cc New York
Miami

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1300 Biscayne Building
Miami, Florida

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May 3, 1937

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Re: GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1323,
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-Victim.
Kidnaping; Obstruction of Justice;
Harboring of Fugitives; National
Firearms Act.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the instructions contained in your letter of May 1, 1937, I have conferred with Special Agent S. K. McKee concerning the allegation made by William Bryan Bolton that Mr. McKee advised him he would be placed on probation and suggested to him that he make arrangements to have his wife come to St. Paul to take care of him when he was released from the Ramsey County Jail.

Mr. McKee has informed me that there is no foundation for these statements and that he did not at any time advise Bolton or intimate to him that he would be placed on probation and at no time suggested to him that he communicate with his wife for the purpose stated. Mr. McKee informs me that he did interview Bolton a number of times during the Hamm investigation in St. Paul but he does not recall interviewing him during the course of the Hamm trial.

Mr. McKee states that the question of probation was probably mentioned by Bolton in some of these interviews but that he at no time even intimated to Bolton that he would be given a probationary sentence and did not tell him that he even thought he would get such a sentence or that he was entitled to one. Mr. McKee says that the only thing he ever said to Bolton in this connection was that it would seem he should be entitled to some consideration in view of the testimony he had given for the Government in the trial of the Hamm and Bremer cases and the aid rendered in the investigation of those cases.

From my conversation with Mr. McKee I am satisfied that the allegations made by Bolton in this instance are not true.

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Very truly yours,

R. I. SHIVERS
Special Agent in Charge

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May 4, 1937.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Missouri.

RE: GEORGE TIMINEX; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
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BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping;
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of Fugitives; National Firearms Act

Dear Sir:

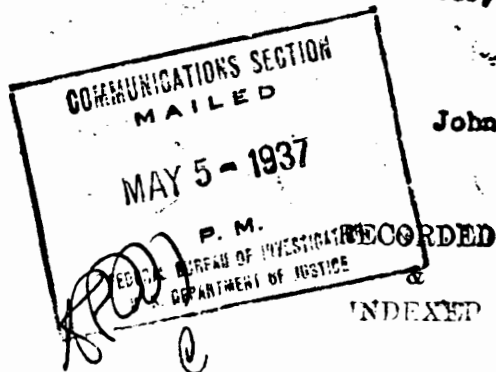
This will advise you that former Special Agent J. R. Sharp will be a necessary witness in the trial of Henry Duke Randall and Joseph H. Adams at Miami, Florida. This trial will commence on June 7, 1937.

The Bureau's records disclose that his latest address was given as 137 South Second Street, Greenville, Illinois. He was maintaining this address during December of 1936. It is the Bureau's understanding that he is practicing law and is a member of the firm of Holles and Sharp, attorneys and counselors at law.

It is the Bureau's desire that you immediately ascertain whether Mr. Sharp is presently located at the above address so that a subpoena may be issued calling for his appearance at Miami, Florida on or about June 7, 1937.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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P. O. Box 709
Portland, Oregon

April 22, 1937

Special Agent in Charge
Seattle, Washington

re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In view of the re-allocation of territory affecting the Seattle and Portland Divisions, there are forwarded herewith the following serials from the above file which contain undeveloped leads requiring attention in the Seattle Division. The Office of Origin in this case is Cincinnati, Ohio. As there are no undeveloped leads in the Portland Division, this case is Referred Upon Completion to the Office of Origin.

Copy of Kansas City letter, 4-5-37, to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

C. C. SPEARS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 5, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CHARLES CARR,
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Reference is made to the information which has previously been furnished to you by Mr. K. R. McIntire of this Bureau to the effect that when a subpoena issued for the appearance of Andrew Guaranta at Miami, Florida on May 31, 1937, was served upon a person who later proved to be one Albert Guaranta he tore it up, alleging that he was not Andrew Guaranta and that he would not honor the subpoena.

In keeping with your request the New York field division of this Bureau obtained affidavits from Moe Maher, Deputy United States Marshal for the Eastern District of New York, who served the said subpoena, and also from Robert G. Lindsay, United States Marshal for the Eastern District of New York, with reference to this incident. This Bureau has also been furnished with the torn subpoena.

Photostatic copies of the torn subpoena and the affidavits have been prepared and one copy of each is being transmitted to you herewith for such attention as you deem appropriate.

Please be advised that a photostatic copy of each of the above mentioned papers is being forwarded to the Miami field division of this Bureau with the request that same be transmitted to the United States Attorney for the District of Florida for such attention as he deems appropriate.

The Miami field division has also been advised that this matter has been brought to your attention.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Washington, D.C.

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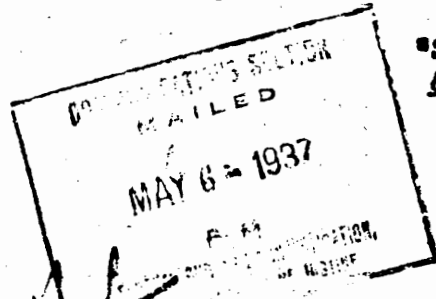
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COFFEY

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RE: GEORGE TIMINEX; DR. JOSEPH P.
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struction of Justice; Harboring of
Fugitives; National Firearms Act

Reference is made to the memorandum written by you on April 24, 1937, directed to Mr. Nathan. It is noted therein that you were unable to make identification of a questioned document believed to be in the handwriting of Duke Randall, since the available specimens of Randall's handwriting contain insufficient characteristics to make this identification.

Reference is now made to a letter directed to the Bureau by the Miami office dated May 3, 1937, wherein it is shown that attached to said letter was forwarded a letter addressed to Mr. R. A. Alt by Duke Randall in the name of Henry Stern. This letter, which is in the handwriting of Duke Randall, was presented to him by Special Agent S. K. McKee at Miami, Florida on May 3, 1937, at which time he admitted having written the said letter.

It is desired that these additional handwriting specimens of Randall be compared with the questioned document which was forwarded to your office by a memorandum of the Director, dated April 14, 1937, and which questioned document is in part as follows:



"Stop at Danmore Hotel
& ask for Mr. Bill Morley."

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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May 6, 1937.

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Mr. Chapman Fletcher,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

RE: GEORGE TIMBAY; DR. JOSEPH P.
OMOFAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1232, et al; EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping; Ob-
struction of Justice; Harboring of
Fugitives; National Firearms Act

Dear Sir:

This will inform you that Joseph E. Adams and Henry Duke Randall will be tried at Miami, Florida on June 7, 1937 on the charge of having harbored Alvin Karpis. It is understood that during the course of the trial the defense intends to raise the question of the admissibility of the signed statements which were obtained from Adams and Randall in an effort to cause their suppression. It will be necessary, of course, for the Government to be prepared to meet any such motion by competent evidence showing the voluntary character of the said statements.

In reviewing the Bureau's files it has been observed that Special Agent John L. Madala interviewed Joseph E. Adams at St. Paul, Minnesota in the office of the United States Attorney during the month of January, 1936. This information is disclosed in the report of Agent Madala dated at Chicago, Illinois February 6, 1936. There are brief references therein to material contained in the signed statement of Adams and the fact that he permitted himself to be interviewed and expressed an apparent willingness to discuss matters relating to the harboring of Alvin Karpis would seem to indicate that the original information had been obtained from him by other Agents at Miami, Florida, as the result of a free and voluntary disclosure on his own part.

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You will note, of course, that the testimony of Agent Madala becomes very material during the course of a collateral inquiry to show that Adams expressed a willingness at times, other than the occasion on which his statement was obtained, to discuss these matters with freedom and without restraint. - 1937

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On the evening of May 4, 1937 Mr. E. R. McIntire of the Bureau discussed this matter telephonically with Special Agent Madala, who is now located in your field office territory. At that time Mr. McIntire requested Agent Madala to make efforts to recall all of the matters which he discussed with Adams. It is the Bureau's belief that Agent Madala may have talked over other matters contained in the signed statement of Adams which were not reported. If this be true such a discussion would become very material from the Government's standpoint in meeting any allegation on the part of the defense that the written statement was obtained by force or as the result of trickery.

In keeping with the request of Agent Madala there is being transmitted herewith to your office a copy of the report of that Agent dated at Chicago, Illinois February 6, 1936, which records his interview with Adams in St. Paul, Minnesota. There is also being transmitted herewith a mimeographed copy of the report of Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, dated at Jacksonville, Florida February 20, 1935, which reflects on Page 66 and the following pages the signed statement of Joseph H. Adams made at Miami, Florida on January 29, 1935. These reports are being submitted for the examination of Agent Madala in the belief that they will assist him in refreshing his memory as to the matters which he discussed with Adams. If it is possible for Agent Madala to recall that he did discuss other matters contained in the signed statement of Adams and that Adams expressed a willingness to discuss these matters freely and voluntarily, it is desired that a full and complete memorandum be submitted by Agent Madala to the Bureau without any delay, incorporating such further admissions made by Adams and such other discussions as he held with Adams pertaining to these particular matters.

To this end it is my desire that you bring this matter to the attention of Agent Madala immediately upon the receipt of this communication.

You should arrange to return to the Bureau the two reports which are transmitted to you herewith.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Encl. #1035144

REGISTERED MAIL

May 5, 1937.

Special Agent in Charge,
Miami, Florida.

RE: GEORGE TIMLARY; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1234; et al; EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping; Ob-
struction of Justice; Harboring
of Fugitives; National Firearms Act.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the incident when a subpoena calling for the appearance of Andrew Guaranta at Miami, Florida on May 31, 1937, was served upon his brother, Albert Guaranta who tore up the subpoena with the exclamation that he would not honor it. Affidavits have now been obtained from Mae Maher, Deputy United States Marshal for the Eastern District of New York, who served the subpoena and from Robert G. Lindsay, United States Marshal for the Eastern District of New York, with reference to this incident. The Bureau has also been furnished with the torn subpoena.

There is being transmitted herewith one photostatic copy of each of the affidavits submitted in this matter, together with a photostatic copy of the subpoena in question. It is desired that these photostats be forwarded by you to the United States Attorney for the District of Florida for such attention as he deems appropriate.

For your information there is enclosed herewith a copy of a memorandum, dated May 5, 1937, which the Bureau has directed to Mr. Charles Carr, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, who has been assigned to prosecute the case against Duke Randall and Joe Adams.

Very truly yours,

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MAY 6 - 1937

John Edgar Hoover
Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
UNITED STATES MARSHAL
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
UNITED STATES COURT HOUSE AND POST OFFICE BUILDING
BROOKLYN, N. Y.

AFFIDAVIT OF DEPUTY U.S. MARSHAL MAE MAHER RE: ANDREW GUARANTI

I hereby certify that on the evening of Monday, April 26th, 1937, at about 7:30 P.M., I entered the premises located at 2808 35th Street, Astoria, Queens, N.Y., for the purpose of serving subpoena on one Andrew Guaranti at this given address. I learned that a party by that name was a tenant in Apartment 1-M. On being admitted to this apartment, I inquired for the respondent, Andrew Guaranti, and the man who answered me acknowledged that he was Andrew Guaranti. I thereupon served him with a copy of the subpoena issued by the U.S. District Court at Miami, Florida, and upon receiving the same, this man questioned my authority of service. I informed him that I was a Deputy United States Marshal connected with the Department of Justice, and identified myself as such. Said Andrew Guaranti denied he was the party to be served, and tore the subpoena in my presence with the remark "The Department of Justice don't mean a thing to me" I then left the premises and this man followed me into the street, where he stated "I'll show you whether you can serve me or not."

Dated April 29, 1937

Mae Maher
MAE MAHER, DEPUTY U.S. MARSHAL EDNY

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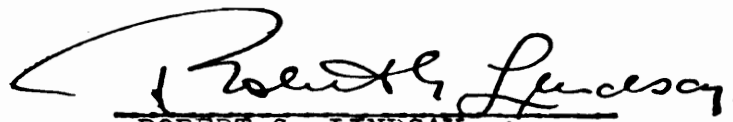
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
UNITED STATES MARSHAL
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
UNITED STATES COURT HOUSE AND POST OFFICE BUILDING
BROOKLYN, N. Y.

AFFIDAVIT OF UNITED STATES MARSHAL ROBERT G. LINDSAY
OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK RE: ANDREW GUARANTI.

I hereby certify that on Wednesday April 28th, 1937, a man stating his name was Guaranti phoned this office and stated he was served by a process server of this office with a subpoena intended for another party. He was advised that it would be necessary for him to call at this office in person and explain the matter, as this office would not discuss such matters over the telephone.

On Thursday morning, a man entered this office complaining that he was served with a subpoena by a lady attached to this office, which was intended for another party. I interviewed this man, and he showed me a torn subpoena. I asked him what authority he had for tearing a subpoena issued by the United States Government. He thereupon replied that he could do as he pleased with anything in his possession, and added "to hell with the Government". Upon being asked to identify himself, he showed an automobile license issued to one "Albert Guaranti", and denied ever knowing of any one named "Andrew Guaranti", and that no one by the latter name lived in his house, namely 2808 35th Street, Astoria, Queens. He threw the torn pieces of the subpoena on the counter in this office, used abusive language and left stating "We could do as we damn please about it".


ROBERT G. LINDSAY,
UNITED STATES MARSHAL,
E.D., N.Y.

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SUBPOENA TICKET

Form No. 23

United States District Court
Southern District of Florida.

Andrew Guaranta 2808 35th St. Astoria, Long Island, NY

BY VIRTUE OF A SUBPOENA issued by the United States Southern District Court, you are

required to be and appear before the said Court at Miami, Fla.

at 9:00 o'clock A.M. on the 31st day of May 1937

then and there to testify on behalf of the United States in the case of

United States vs. M-Grim

and not to depart without leave. If you fail to obey such subpoena you may be fined and imprisoned, as

the Court may direct.

Robert L. ...
U. S. Marshal

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Transmit the following Teletype message to: **KNOXVILLE**
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PHONE. BREKID. SUBPOENAS CALLING FOR PRESENCE AT MIAMI OF HARRY COOK, ROY ARP, FRANK JENNINGS AND DR. F. A. NICHOLS, ALL OF ETOBAH, TENNESSEE, HAVE BEEN FORWARDED TO USM, KNOXVILLE, FOR SERVICE. SUBPOENA FOR GREGORY CADOMA HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO USM AT NEWARK, NJ. SUBPOENAS FOR HARRY HELLER, SAMUEL E. MORLEY, WILLIAM A. MORLEY AND ELIZABETH MORLEY, ALL OF ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY, FORWARDED TO USM, TRENTON FOR SERVICE. SUBPOENA FOR MARY GOODMAN HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO USM, CLEVELAND, OHIO FOR SERVICE AT CLEVELAND. ALL DIVISIONS ARE REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE RESPECTIVE MARSHALS OFFICES AND RENDER ASSISTANCE NECESSARY IN EFFECTING SERVICE OF THESE SUBPOENAS. ADVISE MIAMI DIVISION TELEGRAPHICALLY WHEN SERVICE IS COMPLETED.

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Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

May 6, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CHARLES CARR,
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Reference is made to a possible defense which will be had in the case involving Joseph H. Adams and Henry Duke Randall to the effect that Special Agents of this Bureau resided at the El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida, coincidental with the residence of members of the Karpis-Barker gang at that point, and that it would be reasonable to assume, if such Special Agents were unable to identify gang members then resident at that place, neither Adams nor Randall would have been able to have identified them.

Inquiry into this matter discloses that the first Special Agents who were ordered to register at the El Comodoro Hotel for the purpose of making an investigation in this matter were former Special Agent H. C. Douglas and Special Agent M. C. Falkner. These Agents registered in Rooms 917 and 1001 of the said hotel on November 18, 1934. Their purpose in remaining in the hotel was to maintain a vigil for Duke Randall and Gregory I. Codomo and for the purpose of ascertaining whether any members of the Karpis-Barker gang were in contact with Randall who then had possession of a 1934 Ford Coupe, Motor No. 18-1037480. This Ford Coupe was purchased by Alvin Karpis in the name of Charles Bronson from the George A. Falke Motor Company, 17600 Detroit Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio on July 19, 1934. On or about November 5, 1934 this car was registered in the State of Florida under the name of Duke Randall, El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida. The former Jacksonville office of this Bureau was notified of such registration by the office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles for the State of Florida. In consequence of this notification former Inspector S. P. Cowley, accompanied by former Special Agent H. E. Hollis and Special Agents Clarence O. Hurt and C. G. Campbell, proceeded to Miami, Florida by airplane from Chicago, Illinois, arriving at that point at 3:10 A. M. on November 18, 1934. At that place the Agents from the Chicago office were joined by the following Special Agents from the Birmingham office: Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, Agent P. C. Dunne and former Agent L. J. Metcalf, and the following Special Agents from the former Nashville office: R. E. Peterson, M. C. Falkner and H. C. Douglas.

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Mr. Charles Carr.

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The Agents from the Birmingham and Nashville offices had arrived at Miami, Florida at 2:45 P. M. on November 17, 1934 by airplane, but their investigation was held in abeyance until the arrival of Inspector S. P. Cowley on November 18, 1934.

Special Agents Douglas and Falkner maintained a surveillance of the lobby of the El Comodoro Hotel on November 18 and 19, 1934. They registered out of the said hotel on November 19, 1934, whereupon Special Agents Hurt and Campbell were ordered to register at the hotel. With reference to the surveillance maintained by Agents Hurt and Campbell, the latter has submitted a letter dated April 29, 1937 concerning his recollection of the facts in this matter. In regard to the dates, it is believed that Agent Campbell has furnished the exact dates on which incidents of importance occurred. This conclusion is reached because he was aided in the submission of this letter by certain rough draft memoranda which he and Agent Hurt prepared while they were engaged in this investigation in Miami, Florida and vicinity. A copy of Agent Campbell's letter is being attached hereto for your information.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Encl. #1035145

MEMBERS:
ARTHUR D. WOOD, CHAIRMAN
CHARLES WHELAN, M. D.
T. WEBBER WILSON

Department of Justice
United States Board of Parole
Washington

May 6, 1937

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

In re: Byron Bolton, #955-DD

Your memorandum to the Attorney General of April 29, in relation to the above captioned case, has been referred to this Board for attention.

We thank you for the information transmitted with regard to the possibility of reprisals from the underworld should this subject be permitted to return to Chicago upon release by expiration of sentence or otherwise.

The record discloses that due to a tubercular condition, he has been transferred from the Federal Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, to the U. S. Hospital for Defective Delinquents, Springfield, Missouri. It is further shown that because of his physical condition, subject has expressed a desire to go to New Mexico upon release.

Subject reaches parole eligibility August 24, 1937, and, while it is contrary to our practice to make a pre-determination in any case in advance of eligibility, opportunity for careful study of the accumulated record, interrogation and observation, the record discloses that the parole privilege has not been granted in any instance thus far to a prisoner committed for a violation of the Act of June 22, 1932, (18) USCA 408-a), more commonly known as the Lindbergh Law.

Again thanking you, I am

Very truly yours,

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ARTHUR D. WOOD,
Chairman.

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Mr. Pennington	
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Mr. Gandy	

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

PEF:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

May 3, 1937.

Time - 3:00 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harboring Cases at Toledo.

Special Agent R. T. Ross of the Cleveland Division telephoned me and said that United States Attorney Freed had just called the office and wanted to get intouch with Agent Wynn right away. Mr. Ross told him that he did now know where Wynn was at this time, whereupon Mr. Freed said that they propose to start presenting this matter to the Federal Grand Jury at Toledo on the 17th of this month, and in the meantime, he wanted Wynn to re-interview certain witnesses, etc. Mr. Freed continued that to avoid publicity, he proposes to have Mr. Openlander, the first assistant at Toledo, start presenting the case on the 17th, and he, Freed, won't show up until two or three days later, thus prevent publicity for that length of time.

Mr. Ross said that in view of the instructions which have been issued to his office by the Bureau with reference to this matter, he wanted to convey the above information to the Bureau for instructions and advice.

I informed Mr. Ross that you are out of the city at this time, and consequently, I wouldn't have a chance to talk to you about it until tomorrow that, however, as soon as your instructions have been received in the premises, I would let him know. In the meantime, I told Mr. Ross that if Freed calls back, he should be informed that Mr. Wynn is engaged in a confidential investigation being handled out of Washington, and that his request for a conference with Wynn had been referred to the Bureau in Washington.

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Respectfully,
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Wynn & all others
are tied up now. We
have waited 6 months
for U. S. Atty to act & now we
can't expect to drop everything
to suit him since he & Mr. Mahon have delayed for
one half a year.

This is
funny in
view of all
publicity
given to the
matter by
Mr. Mahon
& Freed at
Wash. a
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Transmit the following message to:

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CLEVELAND, OHIO

INSPECTOR CONNELLEY IS NOW UNDER SUBPOENA AS WITNESS IN TRIAL OF
CASE AND CANNOT BE RELEASED SA WYNN IS ALSO ENGAGED IN MATTER FROM WHICH HE
CANNOT BE RELEASED AT THIS TIME IT WILL THEREFORE BE IMPOSSIBLE COMPLY
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Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

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DIRECTOR

PHONE. 0 BREKID US ATTORNEY E B ~~FREDY~~ FREED REQUESTS
ADVICE AS TO PROBABLE DATE SPECIAL AGENT E J WYNN WILL BE
AVAILABLE TO ASSIST PREPARATION HARBORING CASE FOR TRIAL

MAC FARLAND

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FBI WASHINGTON DC JW

*I think he is tied
up at Kansas City
on Baker murder case.
Since U. S. Atty has waited
6 mos before starting case
& then sets date without
consultation with us we can't
be expected to drop everything
for his convenience.*

*Cleveland advised
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P. O. Box 1276,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,
May 4, 1937

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated April 14, 1937 (Bureau file 7-576), advising that the trial of Joseph L. Adams and Henry Duke Randall on the charge of having harbored Alvin Karpis in Miami, Florida, will come on for trial at that point on June 7, 1937, and requesting that a memorandum be submitted to the Bureau setting forth in detail as much as possible the investigative activities of this Agent and Special Agent C. G. Campbell, primarily as to surveillance conducted of the El Comodoro Hotel and secondarily as to the residence of these Agents at other points in Miami, Florida and vicinity and investigation at that point.

My travel diary, now in my possession, which contains original and accurate notes, reflects that I left Chicago, Illinois by airplane at 1:50 P.M. on November 17, 1934 with the late Inspector S. P. Cowley, the late Special Agent H. E. Hollis and Special Agent C. G. Campbell, and arrived at Miami, Florida at 3:10 A.M. on November 18, 1934. I distinctly recall that upon our arrival at Miami we were met at the airport by Special Agent Rober Main and Special Agent in Charge John Hanson, who were driving a rented automobile. I accompanied Inspector Cowley, together with those named, to the Columbus Hotel in Miami, where Inspector Cowley had us in conference until nearly daylight on November 18, 1934.

Agent Campbell and I occupied a room together at the Columbus hotel on November 18, 1934 and Inspector Cowley and Agent Hollis occupied another room in the same hotel on the same night. After the conference we went to bed in that hotel and slept until about noon of November 18, 1934. Inspector Cowley told Agent Campbell and me to join them in the room of Special Agent in Charge Hanson at the Alcazar Hotel in Miami. Campbell and I joined Inspector Cowley and Agents Hollis, Faulkner, Special Agent in Charge Hanson and others in Special Agent in Charge Hanson's room at the Alcazar Hotel in Miami, in the early after-

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noon of November 18, 1934 where another conference was held, at which time Inspector Cowley presided, and which conference lasted during most of that afternoon.

After the conference above mentioned, on the afternoon of November 18, 1934 and before dark, I accompanied Inspector Cowley and Agents Hollis and Campbell in an automobile, and we drove by the El Commodoro Hotel in Miami, where we observed a Ford automobile which Inspector Cowley had told us Karpis had purchased. Inspector Cowley had given us the license number and description of that automobile. I recall that we drove by the El Commodoro Hotel and observed the Ford car before dark because Agent C. G. Campbell and I ate an early supper lunch as we thought we would be on duty the remainder of the night. It is my recollection that we observed the Ford car at the El Commodoro Hotel at about 5:00 P.M. After we had observed the Ford car parked at the El Commodoro Hotel we, that is, Inspector Cowley and Agents Hollis and Campbell and I, driving a rented car secured by Agent Roger Main, with Agent Campbell at the wheel, drove west for about a block and a half, turned around, drove east and parked the car on the south side of the street, about one-half block west of the El Commodoro Hotel where we could observe the Ford car, a coupe. After we had been parked in that position for about thirty or forty-five minutes, a woman came out of a house directly opposite our car, wanted to know what we were doing there and threatened to call the police if we did not leave. This woman was about 35 years of age, stoutly built and wore a sleeveless dress. We then drove our car about twenty feet eastward from the woman's driveway. While we, Cowley, Hollis, Campbell and I, were in the last position named, watching the Ford car, the Ford car was driven from the El Commodoro Hotel and we followed it to the residential section and observed it being parked in front of a house. We drove on by that house and noted the address, then at the corner we observed the name of the street on which we were driving, from a street marking. As instructed by Inspector Cowley, Campbell drove the car we were riding in, around two blocks, first having parked a half block west and a half block north from the house where the Ford coupe was parked and not being able to observe the Ford coupe from that location. After circling two blocks we saw that the Ford coupe had been driven away and we then drove back to the El Commodoro Hotel and saw this Ford coupe parked in front of the El Commodoro Hotel, headed north on the east side of the street. Agent Campbell then drove Inspector Cowley and Agent Hollis to the corner near the Everglades Hotel and let them out of the car. Agent Campbell and I drove to a position about half a block south of the El Commodoro Hotel and parked our car headed north, where we maintained a surveillance of the Ford Coupe until early in the morning of November 19, 1934.

Upon discontinuing our surveillance of the Ford coupe, Agent Campbell and I drove to the Alcazar Hotel where we parked our car. That morning we had further conferences with Inspector Cowley and the others present, which was on the morning of November 19, 1934. Following the

instructions of Inspector Cowley, Agent Campbell and I went to the El Commodore Hotel in Miami, Florida and checked in, which to the best of my recollection was during the afternoon. This was on November 19, 1934 and was the first time Campbell or I had ever been in the El Commodore Hotel. Agent Campbell and I went to the El Commodore Hotel on November 19, 1934 for the sole purpose of observing the movements of Duke Randall and Gregory Codomo, as instructed by Inspector Cowley. Campbell and I were assigned to a room on the eleventh floor, north side of the hall, in the El Commodore Hotel. In keeping with our instructions, Campbell and I did closely observe the movements of Randall and Codomo and were fully occupied in so doing.

While Agent Campbell and I were observing Randall and Codomo at the El Commodore Hotel in Miami, Florida on November 20, 1934, we had L. E. Gray, clerk, come to our room, where Gray was interviewed relative to Randall and Codomo. We felt him out at length and he related to us that he was not satisfied with his job, was not being paid enough and did not feel too kindly toward Joe Adams, the manager of the hotel; that Adams had told him, Gray, that he met Randall and Codomo somewhere in New Jersey during the summer of 1933, at which time Randall and Codomo entertained him and took him to their home where he was treated with the utmost courtesy; that during this visit he, Adams, invited Randall and Codomo to come to Miami during the fall of 1934 where they could be his, Adams, personal guests at the El Commodore Hotel. Gray stated that to the best of his knowledge, both Randall and Codomo were free guests at the El Commodore Hotel through the courtesy of Mr. Joe Adams, manager of the hotel. Mr. Gray was advised of the official capacity of Agents and was interviewed at length concerning Randall and Codomo. However, no mention was made or photographs of any of the Barker-Karpis gang shown to Mr. Gray during this interview, which was the only private interview had with Mr. Gray during Agents stay at the El Commodore Hotel during November, 1934.

Campbell and I reported our observation of Randall and Codomo to Inspector Cowley and Campbell and I reported to Cowley and Hanson my conversation with Gray, together with the descriptions of Randall and Codomo, based on observations at the El Commodore. I recall that Randall and Codomo stayed in the lobby of the El Commodore a great deal and we were kept busy watching them. I recall that Randall and Codomo both were dressed in white trousers and white shirts, without coats. Occasionally Randall wore a short sleeved, light colored polo shirt with an open collar.

During the observation of Randall and Codomo, maintained by Special Agent C. G. Campbell and me, which began on November 19, 1934 and

and ended on the night of November 20, 1934, we noticed that Randall and Codomo contacted or were contacted only by such persons as we were able to identify, such as the hotel room clerk and the girl at the cigar stand at the El Commodoro Hotel, and a taxicab driver in front of that hotel. Beginning on the morning of November 21, 1934, the date of which I now fix by an original memorandum, prepared and signed by me on November 21, 1934, Agent C. G. Campbell and I were engaged in locating and interviewing numerous people located some distance from Miami, Florida. These included Riggs Harreld, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, John Jefferies, Fort Lauderdale and Henry Townsend, Fort Lauderdale. On the morning of November 21, 1934 before going to Fort Lauderdale to locate and interview these people, Campbell and I moved from the El Commodoro Hotel to the La Salle Hotel located in Miami, Beach, Florida. After the interviews at Fort Lauderdale, Campbell and I returned to Miami Beach, Florida where we arrived at the La Salle Hotel at about 2:00 A.M. on November 22, 1934. From then on, Agent Campbell and I were engaged in locating and interviewing known contacts of ours in Fort Lauderdale, Hollywood and vicinity and visited gambling houses, race tracks and numerous such places but did not return to the El Commodoro Hotel and did not make any observations or surveillance there after the night of November 20, 1934.

I wish to point out to the Bureau that the main reason for my being in Miami, Florida and vicinity was for the purpose of making contacts with various former acquaintances of mine, who might have knowledge of the presence of members of the Barker-Karpis gang, at race tracks, gambling houses and other such places, other than at the El Commodoro Hotel. I was so informed of this reason for my being in Miami by Inspector Cowley and Special Agent in Charge Hanson. For this reason, no more time than as stated above was spent by me in the El Commodoro Hotel and most of my investigative hours were spent elsewhere than at the El Commodoro Hotel. While at the El Commodoro Hotel I did not hear of Nathaniel Heller. During the time Agent Campbell and I were at the El Commodoro Hotel, we did not know of hear of anyone connected with this case who checked out of that hotel before November 19, 1934 or of anyone who registered into the El Commodoro after November 20, 1934.

Agent Campbell and I resided at the El Commodoro Hotel on November 19th and 20th, 1934, left the El Commodoro on the morning of November 21, 1934 and moved to the La Salle Hotel, 844 Collins Street, Miami Beach, Florida, where we resided until November 29, 1934 on which date we checked out of the La Salle Hotel and moved to Apartment 11, 236 Northeast 28th Street, Miami, Florida, where we resided until December 5, 1934 when we departed for San Francisco, California. We did not reside at any other addresses in Florida from November 18th to December 5, 1934 and were not in the El Commodoro Hotel at Miami, Florida except on November 19th and 20th, 1934.

Very truly yours,
C. G. Hurt
C. G. HURT,
Special Agent.