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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
ATT.: CRIME RECORDS

FROM: SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-96)

DENNIS MARTIN
MISSING PERSON

DENNIS MARTIN, age 7, has been missing in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park since Saturday, 6/14/69. DENNIS, an older brother, [redacted] WILLIAM MARTIN, father of the missing child, the grandfather, and other family members had been on a camping trip in a remote area known as Spence Field. It is to be noted that Spence Field is some four or five miles by mountain trail from the nearest point that can be approached by automobile. The children had been playing when it was discovered that DENNIS, age 7, was missing.

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Since that time, literally thousands of people have participated in a terrain search in an effort to locate the missing child. This has included Army and Air force helicopters, National Guard units, regular Army units, and various volunteer groups, all under the direction of Park Service officials. This office has maintained liaison with the National Park Service in order that we be notified immediately in the event there is any indication of foul play. The area where this occurred is a Federal Park with at least concurrent Federal jurisdiction. To date, however, there has been absolutely no indication of any foul play and there is no reason whatsoever to believe that this is other than a simple situation of a child of tender years

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getting separated from his group in a wilderness area. The point where the child disappeared is extremely dense with rhododendron and laurel thicket and it is generally conceded by all concerned that unless the child responded vocally, persons could pass within feet of the child and never find him.

In the 6/24/69 evening edition of the "News-Sentinel", a daily newspaper published at Knoxville, Tennessee, the Chief Ranger, National Park Service, Chief SNEDDON, is quoted as revealing "that the FBI has been checking various aspects of the situation for a week. He said FBI men have checked out theories that DENNIS could have been kidnapped along with various other rumors that have cropped up which the FBI is better equipped than the NPS to check. He said the investigation has turned up nothing of significance".

This arose from the following facts:

On the morning of 6/24/69, an Agent routinely called on LEE SNEDDON at Park headquarters in furtherance of our close liaison. While talking with SNEDDON, SNEDDON received a telephone call from [redacted] reporter for the Knoxville News-Sentinel. During the telephone conversation, [redacted] asked SNEDDON if the Park Service had considered the possibility of the boy being kidnapped, to which SNEDDON replied, "Yes, as a matter of fact, I'm talking to the FBI right now, but there has been nothing to indicate that a kidnaping occurred".

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Following this publication, I have received numerous inquiries from other newspapers and press services asking about our participation in the search for the missing boy, and I have replied that we have not entered the investigation.

Foregoing for Bureau's information.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, LOUISVILLE (79-104) (RUC)
RE: DENNIS [redacted] OYD MARTIN
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OO: Knoxville

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RE Knoxville teletype dated 7/31/69.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at Hopkinsville, Kentucky, on 7/31/69, and 8/1/69. The Hopkinsville Cross Reference and Telephone Directories were searched. Sgt. [redacted] Hopkinsville, Kentucky Police Department, [redacted] Dispatcher, Hopkinsville PD, G.H. NORFLEET, Sheriff-elect, Christian County, and Credit Bureau records checked for people with name of [redacted]

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[redacted] white male, age [redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed 8/1/69. Stated he and his wife, [redacted] have never been to Gatlinburg, Tennessee, or Smokey Mountains. Said he was working [redacted] 6/13 and 14/69, which can be verified at maine office, [redacted] Nashville, Tennessee, where records of work are maintained. Stated he has four boys, [redacted]

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MA [redacted] interviewed 8/1/69. She verified husband's statement that they have never been to Gatlinburg or [redacted]
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Smokey Mountains. The four boys observed by SA [redacted]

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[redacted] aka. [redacted]
white male, [redacted] He was interviewed
at his residence on 8/1/69. This individual according to
Sgt. [redacted] had [redacted]
[redacted] and has had no
regular employment since. His wife [redacted] is employed in
a factory and they have a young son, age six or seven.
This man has no arrest record at Hopkinsville, and has a
good reputation.

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[redacted] stated he, his wife, and
son [redacted] age seven, along with his, [redacted]
parents, [redacted] who reside on
[redacted] went to Gatlinburg,
Tenn., on 6/13/69, and spent two days. They spent one
night, 6/13/69, at Bear Lake Motel, and on 6/14/69,
stayed at a motel in Gatlinburg, name unrecalled, which
was located on a creek, motel was a one story twin unit,
painted brown, located directly across the street from a
cafeteria, name unrecalled.

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[redacted] stated he and his family heard about
the young boy who was lost in the mountains while they
were at Gatlinburg, and he and his wife followed this
matter on the news. He stated that he and his wife were
particularly interested and disturbed about this child
being lost as his son is of same age as missing boy.
Stated he is employed part time in [redacted]

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[redacted]
[redacted] Stated he was in Nashville, Tenn., [redacted]
[redacted] during week following disappearance of victim.
He recalls discussing this disappearance with three or
four people who he stated he did not know. [redacted]
stated he mentioned that he had a boy the same age as the
victim and had been in Gatlinburg when this boy disappeared.

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[redacted] was at the residence when his father was being interviewed. It was noted this boy is [redacted]

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It was noted that [redacted] is a [redacted]

G. H. NORFLEET, Sheriff-elect, Christian County, and Sgt. [redacted] stated that [redacted] father of [redacted] is a [redacted] in his [redacted] [redacted] has an excellent reputation and has no children residing at home.

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Record checks, officers interviewed, and the above mentioned people with the name of [redacted] interviewed, all stated that they know of no other [redacted] in the Hopkinsville area other than those above mentioned.

No other investigation being conducted in Louisville unless advised to the contrary by the Office of Origin.

LEADS

Leads at Gatlinburg verifying [redacted] [redacted] stay at Gatlinburg and verification of [redacted] [redacted] employment on 6/13-14/69, being left to the discretion of Knoxville.

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TO: DIRECTOR (AIR MAIL)
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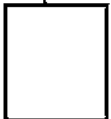
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FROM: KNOXVILLE (79-96)

DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN, MISSING PERSON.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF LOUISVILLE, DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN, AGE SEVEN, WENT ON A WEEKEND CAMPING TRIP INTO THE GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK, JUNE THIRTEEN LAST, WITH HIS FATHER AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. AT ABOUT FOUR TO FOUR FIFTEEN PM, JUNE FOURTEEN, SIXTYNINE, DENNIS BECAME SEPARATED FROM OTHER MEMBERS OF THE GROUP AND TO THIS DATE NEITHER HE NOR HIS BODY HAS BEEN LOCATED. A MASSIVE TERRAIN SEARCH WAS CONDUCTED BY THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, ASSISTED BY MEMBERS OF THE TENNESSEE NATIONAL GUARD, U. S. ARMY, TENNESSEE HIGHWAY PATROL AND OTHERS.

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ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE BOY HAD SIMPLY BECOME LOST IN THE RUGGED WILDERNESS AREA. THERE HAS BEEN NO EVIDENCE WHATSOEVER

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OF FOUL PLAY. CGR IS APPLICABLE IN AREA WHERE BOY DISAPPEARED.

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AN ANONYMOUS LETTER RECEIVED THIS DATE KNOXVILLE OFFICE,
POSTMARKED NASHVILLE, TENN., READING QUOTE CHECK OUT

OF HOPKINVILLE, KY. HE WAS IN THE AREA WHERE DENNIS
MARTIN WAS LOST AND HAS A BOY ABOUT SEVEN YEARS OLD UNQUOTE.

DENNIS MARTIN DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, BORN JUNE TWENTY,
NINETEEN SIXTYTWO, KNOXVILLE, TENN., HEIGHT FOUR FEET, WEIGHT
FIFTYFIVE POUNDS, BUILD MEDIUM, EYES DARK BROWN, HAIR BROWN AND
CURLY, PECULIARITIES - HEAD LARGER THAN NORMAL, PARENTS MR. AND
MRS. WILLIAM CLYDE MARTIN, KNOXVILLE, TENN.

LEAD:

AT HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY, IDENTIFY AND
RESOLVE IDENTITY OF CHILD.

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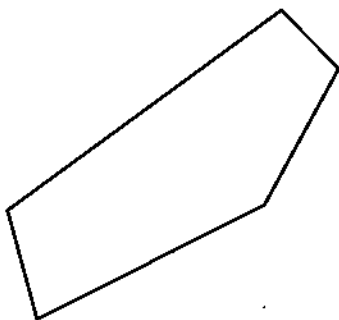
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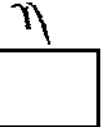
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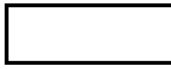
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DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN, MISSING PERSON

Reference

RE KNOXVILLE LETTER AUGUST TWO LAST AND BUREAU PHONE CALL AUGUST SIX, LAST.



WILLIAM MARTIN, FATHER OF THE MISSING CHILD, WAS CONTACTED BY SAC WALLACE F. ESTILL ON THE MORNING OF AUGUST SEVEN INSTANT AND WAS AGAIN ADVISED OF THE BUREAU'S JURISDICTION IN THIS MATTER. IT WAS CLEARLY POINTED OUT TO MR. MARTIN THAT THE BUREAU CAN ACCEPT NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR A TERRAIN SEARCH FOR HIS MISSING CHILD AND THAT IN THE ABSENCE OF SOME SPECIFIC INFORMATION INDICATING A KIDNAPING OR OTHER VIOLATION OF FEDERAL LAW, WE CAN CONDUCT NO INVESTIGATION. WE WILL CONTINUE TO BE INTERESTED IN RECEIVING ANY INFORMATION THAT MIGHT INDICATE A VIOLATION AND UPON RECEIPT OF SUCH WILL CONDUCT ANY INVESTIGATION INDICATED, BUT THAT WE HAVE NO INQUIRIES PENDING AT THE PRESENT TIME.



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TO : Mr. DeLoach *[Signature]*

FROM : A. Rosen *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON

DATE: August 4, 1969

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Shroder
- 1 - Mr. McKinnon

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As instructed, affidavits, which are attached, have been obtained from Special Agent in Charge (SAC) Estill and Special Agent (SA) James H. Rike of the Knoxville Office concerning Mr. W. C. Martin's statement in a letter to Congressman John J. Duncan of Tennessee that Martin had been assured "that they would continue their investigation." Mr. Martin had written concerning the disappearance of his 7 year old son during a trip the family made to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in June, 1969.

This matter appears to be a misunderstanding on the part of Martin as SAC Estill states he did tell Martin the FBI has a continuing interest concerning the disappearance of his son to discharge our responsibilities should a Federal violation be indicated. SAC Estill and SA Rike deny that they advised Martin that the FBI would continue investigation. SAC Estill stated he talked with Martin and his wife on 7-16-69 and explained to Martin that in the absence of specific information that foul play had befallen his child the FBI would not conduct active investigation. SA Rike states he similarly advised Martin.

The Knoxville Office since the time of the child's disappearance has conducted inquiries to establish the location of two individuals of questionable reputation who may have been in the area of the child's disappearance. It was established that neither had been present in the National Park when the boy disappeared. Additionally, one individual has been interviewed who reportedly heard a scream during the pertinent period; however, investigation revealed the scream was in an area other than where the child disappeared. We are currently attempting to identify an individual who resides in Kentucky as a result of an anonymous letter received at the Knoxville Office stating that he had been in the park and "has a boy about 7 years old."

The Knoxville Office will continue to maintain close contact with appropriate authorities to determine if any information is developed indicating a Federal violation.

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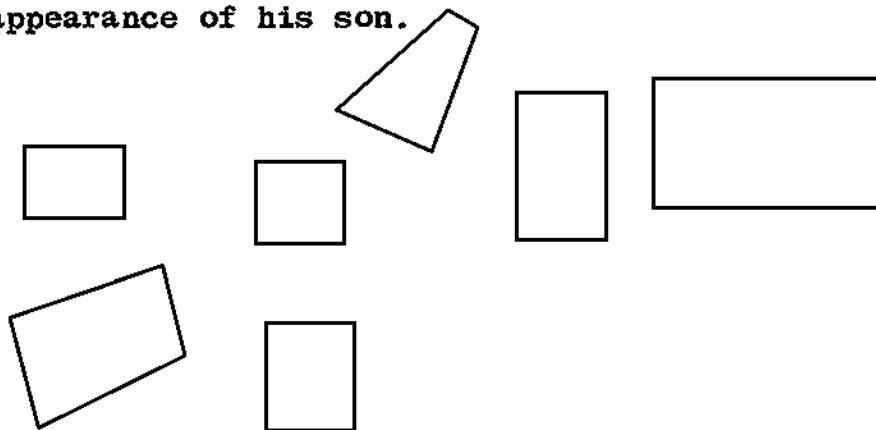
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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
RE: DENNISLOYD MARTIN

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SAC Estill has stated Martin has been in almost daily contact with the Knoxville Office since 6-27-69 rektng information received from visionaries and others which is vague and not specific. The Knoxville Office has properly declined to initiate investigation based on this non-specific information. Mr. Martin has confused inquiries we have and will continue to conduct which could be of significance in determining whether a Federal violation has been committed with that of a full kidnaping investigation into the disappearance of his son.



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During the course of the search, an individual named [redacted] of questionable reputation seemed unduly curious and was a constant bystander at principal points of operation to the point Park Service officials became suspicious of his motives. We discreetly established that [redacted] had not been present in the Park on the day of disappearance of the child.

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On July 21, 1969, five weeks after DENNIS' disappearance, [redacted] of Carthage, Tennessee, notified the press that he had been in the Park on the day the child disappeared and had heard a scream late in the afternoon and thereafter got a glimpse of a man moving through underbrush. [redacted] was not well acquainted with the Park and he was not sure where he was in relation to Spence Field from which the child disappeared. Arrangements were made to have [redacted] accompany an Agent to the Park.

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In the Park, [redacted] pointed out to an Agent and a Park Ranger the exact location where [redacted] was standing when he heard the scream. This point is at such a distance from the point where the child disappeared that in the opinion of Rangers familiar with the Park and considering the time element involved it would not have been possible for the scream to have had any connection with the disappearance of the child.

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On August 1, 1969, the Sheriff of Blount County L. B. SUTTON advised that he had received information that [redacted] had been living in Cades Cove inside the Great Smoky Mountains National Park for [redacted] Cades Cove is located near the trail which leads to Spence Field, the distance being approximately seven miles. Sheriff SUTTON had received a felony warrant from the State of Illinois charging [redacted] with [redacted] SUTTON thereafter took [redacted] into custody and an Agent interviewed [redacted] as to his whereabouts on the day of disappearance of the MARTIN child. [redacted] stated that he had worked all day in Cades Cove and we verified this from

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his employer, definitely establishing his whereabouts at the time of the disappearance of the child. This point would have been some three hours by foot or horseback from the point where the child disappeared and thus completely eliminated [redacted] as a suspect in this matter.

An anonymous letter was received by the Knoxville Office, 7/31/69, alleging that one [redacted] of Hopkinville, Kentucky, had been in the area where DENNIS MARTIN was lost and "has a boy about 7 years old". The Louisville Office is endeavoring to identify [redacted] and resolve this allegation.

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As previously noted the above limited inquiries have been conducted to protect our own interest in the matter under our CGR responsibility and as a cooperative measure with the National Park Service.

We have consistently declined to conduct any investigation for WILLIAM MARTIN based on the many visions and "insights" of cranks and others that have contacted the MARTIN family.



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Knoxville, Tennessee
August 4, 1969

I, JAMES H. RIKE, Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Knoxville, Tennessee, having been duly sworn make the following statement.

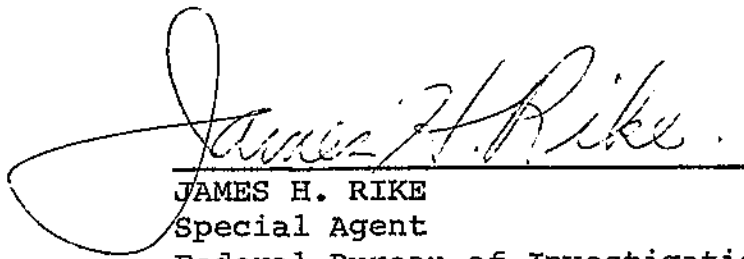
I have been shown a copy of a letter written by WILLIAM C. MARTIN to Congressman JOHN J. DUNCAN and dated July 18, 1969. This letter reads in part, "My wife and I reviewed certain items with the local FBI Director, Mr. ESTILL, this past Wednesday. He assured us they would continue their investigation."

I was not present on Wednesday, July 16, 1969, at the time that Mr. and Mrs. MARTIN visited the Knoxville Office and talked to SAC W. F. ESTILL. I have talked to Mr. WILLIAM MARTIN on numerous occasions since the disappearance of his child, DENNIS MARTIN, in the Great Smoky Mountains

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National Park. I have carefully and tactfully explained to Mr. MARTIN that this office could not conduct an active kidnaping or crime on a Government reservation investigation in the absence of information that such a crime had occurred. It was specifically pointed out to Mr. MARTIN that the Knoxville Office wanted to maintain close liaison with him and the National Park officials in order that we may learn of any evidence to indicate a violation over which this Bureau had jurisdiction.

At no time did Mr. MARTIN ever indicate to me in any way that he had been assured by Mr. ESTILL or anyone else with the FBI that the FBI would continue its investigation because it had been made clear to Mr. MARTIN by me that we were not conducting a kidnaping investigation in connection with the disappearance of his child and that we would not conduct any investigation in the absence of specific information or specific leads indicating a violation within our jurisdiction.


JAMES H. RIKE
Special Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Knoxville, Tennessee

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this fourth day of August, 1969

WALLACE F. ESTILL, Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation, Knoxville, Tenn.

Knoxville, Tennessee
August 4, 1969

I, W. F. ESTILL, Special Agent in Charge of the Knoxville Office of the FBI, having been duly sworn make the following statement.

A copy of a letter to Congressman JOHN J. DUNCAN from WILLIAM C. MARTIN dated July 18, 1969, has been made available to me. This letter reads in part, "My wife and I reviewed certain items with the local FBI Director, Mr. Estill, this past Wednesday. He assured us they would continue their investigation".

On July 16, 1969, WILLIAM MARTIN, father of DENNIS MARTIN, accompanied by Mr. MARTIN's wife, VIOLET HANLEY MARTIN, came to the FBI Office in Knoxville and I talked to them. Mr. MARTIN stated that since his child, DENNIS MARTIN, had not been found by the searching party he believed that the child had been kidnaped and he requested that the FBI enter the case and conduct a full investigation on this basis. MARTIN wished that the FBI conduct a crime scene search in the Great Smoky Mountains and otherwise initiate a full-fledged kidnaping investigation with widespread publicity in an effort to locate the child.

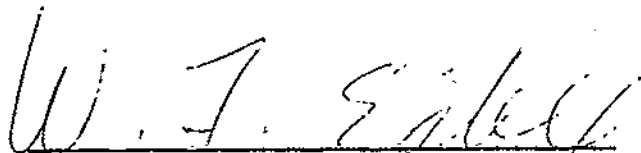
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I explained to Mr. MARTIN that in the absence of specific information indicating a kidnaping and in the absence of specific information that any type of foul play had befallen his child, the FBI would not undertake a full investigation. Mr. MARTIN was aware through previous contact with him and through his contact with the Park Service that the FBI was closely following the matter and interested in receiving immediately any information indicating a criminal act. During my conversation with him on July 16, 1969, I again impressed upon him our desire to immediately receive any specific information that would indicate the commission of a criminal offense.

At the time of my conversation with Mr. MARTIN we were not conducting any investigation. We had conducted some limited inquiry to round out information and to establish the significance of the information. This had been handled both in cooperation with the Park Service and in meeting our responsibilities in the matter. I do not know whether or not MARTIN was aware of any specific inquiries that had been conducted by us. There was no such inquiry pending at the time of my conversation with MARTIN and I informed MARTIN

W. I. Schick

that we were conducting no investigation at that time. Thus I did not give any assurance to MARTIN that we would continue our investigation, as I in fact informed him that we were not conducting any investigation, which was true as of the time I talked to him. I did assure him that we had a continuing interest in receiving any information indicating foul play and that upon receipt of such would conduct appropriate investigation.



W. F. ESTILL
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Knoxville, Tennessee

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this fourth day of August, 1969



Asst. Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Knoxville, Tennessee

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July 29, 1969

- 1 - Mr. DeLoa
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malle
- 1 - Mr. Shrod
- 1 - [Redacted]

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Honorable John J. Duncan
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

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My dear Congressman:

Dennis Lloyd Martin

I have received your letter of July 24, 1969, together with its enclosure, a letter to you from Mr. William C. Martin.

On June 14, 1969, Dennis Martin, aged seven, was on a camping trip with members of his family in a remote and densely wooded area of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. The child became separated from his group and an intense search was instituted immediately by a variety of organizations, including the National Park Service Rangers, the National Guard, the U. S. Army, the Tennessee Highway Patrol, and numerous volunteers. The search for the missing child continued until June 29, 1969.

Throughout the search for this child representatives of the Knoxville Office of this Bureau maintained regular contact with the Chief Park Ranger and no evidence was forthcoming to indicate that any foul play had occurred with reference to the child's disappearance. In the absence of such evidence there is no information whatever to indicate that a violation of the Federal Kidnaping Statute or any other Federal Statute over which this Bureau has jurisdiction has occurred. Mr. William C. Martin has been advised of the jurisdictional limitations of this Bureau concerning the disappearance of his son.

I trust the foregoing will answer your inquiry.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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SENT [Redacted]
7-30-69

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NOTE:

On 6/14/69, Dennis Martin, aged 7, disappeared from a family camping trip in a remote area of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Extensive search by hundreds of persons representing various agencies was unable to locate the child. The search continued from 6/14-29/69 and Chief Park Ranger is of the opinion that the child is dead and perhaps his body is buried in a crevice or a sink hole and covered with debris. The extensive search never developed any evidence of foul play and there is no evidence that a Kidnaping or Crime on Government Reservation violation has occurred. Due to jurisdictional limitations the Bureau has not actively entered this investigation and we have apprised the missing child's father of our jurisdictional limitations. Knoxville has advised that the missing child during the past year had been sent to a special school for children of low learning ability and with emotional difficulties. The consensus of opinion of those involved in the search is that the child is dead, but the father seems unwilling to accept this probability. The child's father is in almost daily contact with the Knoxville Office concerning information he has received from visionaries and clairvoyants.

The attached letter is in response to an inquiry of Congressman Duncan of Tennessee. Congressman Duncan is not on the Special Correspondents List and our relations with him are cordial.

Being done
on 8/16/69 -
[Redacted]

I think we should get a
statement from SAs Estill
& Riles re allegations of
their discussions with
W.C. Martin.

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

July 24, 1969

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

William MARTIN

I am attaching hereto a letter from Mr. William C. Martin, [redacted] which is self-explanatory.

I am sure you can understand the anxiety and concern of parents when they have gone through the ordeal of losing a child.

Many authorities, including the Blount County Sheriff, who have searched the Great Smoky Mountains National Park for the child are of the opinion the child could have been taken out of the park by someone.

In view of the fact that this disappearance was on Federal property, and there is a strong possibility of a kidnapping, I would appreciate it very much if you would have made whatever investigation you deem advisable.

Sincerely,

John J. Duncan
JOHN J. DUNCAN
Member of Congress

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JOHN J. DUNCAN

Congressman John J. Duncan:
117 House Office Bldg.
Washington D. C.

Dear Mr. Duncan;

As I explained to you in our telephone conversation last night, I feel that more information is available to the F.B.I. than they already have regarding our son's disappearance.

During the past few days, I received a resume' of the search from Park Headquarters. There were several items in this report which I know are inaccurate. I discussed certain items with chief ranger Lee Sneddon. These particular items may not have any bearing upon the investigation but there may be other information that they may have that is not accurate.

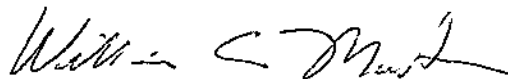
My wife and I reviewed certain items with the local F.B.I. Director, Mr. Estill, this past Wednesday. He assured us that they would continue their investigation. Mr. Rike, the investigator, and I discussed the circumstances regarding Dennis's disappearance just before I called you. I asked him to describe to me just how he understood that Dennis disappeared. I corrected him on several things regarding location, number of people, identification of people, Etc. This disturbs me. To my knowledge no one from the F.B.I. has taken any information on descriptions from any person who was present when Dennis disappeared. The investigator has not been closer to the site than five miles. I feel that this investigation is based on Second Hand Information.

We request that additional information be assembled. Our preference is that this information be gathered by someone who is not familiar with the case. After this information is assembled and a comparison is made with the present file, an evaluation can be made as to further investigation.

Can you contact someone with authority with the F.B.I. and have them discuss this further investigation with us?

We thank you again for your interest and assistance. Last Night, I learned of the trouble in getting resque squads into the park. Even though Dennis has not been found, I feel we are fortunate to have received the help from Resque Squads, Military, Private Companies and Individuals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William C. Martin".

William C. Martin

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FBI KNOXVLE
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SEVEN PAGES
TO DIRECTOR
FROM KNOXVILLE 79-96

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CHANGED. DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN; MISSING PERSON.
TITLE CHANGED TO ADD MIDDLE NAME LLOYD.
RE KNOXVILLE AIRTEL JUNE TWENTYFOUR LAST AND BUREAU
PHONE CALL JULY TWENTYFIVE INSTANT FROM SUPERVISOR

B. APPROX. 1962

DENNIS MARTIN, AGE SEVEN, WAS ON FAMILY CAMPING TRIP
IN GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK ON JUNE THIRTEEN
LAST. AT APPROXIMATELY FOUR THIRTY PM THAT DATE HE WAS
PLAYING WITH THREE OTHER CHILDREN SLIGHTLY OLDER IN A REMOTE
AREA OF THE PARK ACCESSIBLE ONLY BY TRAIL KNOWN AS SPENCES
FIELD. THE CHILDREN HAD BEEN PLAYING IN AN AREA NEAR THE
TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN COVERED BY SCRUBBY GROWTH AND HEAVY
UNDERBRUSH WITH SCATTERED GRASSY PATCHES. HE WAS LAST SEEN
BY ADULT MEMBERS ABOUT FORTY YARDS AWAY. IMMEDIATELY UPON
REALIZING THE CHILD WAS MISSING, ADULT MEMBERS OF PARTY
UNDERTOOK SEARCH TO LOCATE HIM AND BEING UNSUCCESSFUL IN

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THIS, MISSING CHILD'S GRANDFATHER MADE HIS WAY TO NEAREST RANGER CABIN SOME SEVEN MILES DISTANT REPORTING THERE AT ABOUT EIGHT THIRTY PM THAT THE CHILD WAS MISSING. AN IMMEDIATE SEARCH WAS INITIATED BY PARK SERVICE AND AT THE REQUEST OF THE PARK SERVICE AIR NATIONAL GUARD, NATIONAL GUARD, U.S. ARMY, TENNESSEE HIGHWAY PATROL, AND NUMEROUS UNORGANIZED VOLUNTEERS AS WELL AS RESCUE UNITS THEREAFTER JOINED THE SEARCH. ON ONE DAY AS MANY AS FOURTEEN HUNDRED PEOPLE PARTICIPATED. THIS MASSIVE SEARCH CONTINUED UNTIL JUNE TWENTYNINE WHEN DECISION WAS MADE BY PARK SERVICE OFFICIALS THAT EVERYTHING LOGICALLY POSSIBLE TO FIND THE CHILD'S BODY HAD BEEN DONE. THEY HAD LONG PERVIOUSLY CONCLUDED THE CHILD COULD NOT HAVE SURVIVED. SEARCH ADMITTEDLY WAS NOT ABSOLUTE. THIS IS EXTREMELY RUGGED TERRAIN COVERED WITH HEAVY BRUSH AND WOODS AND CONTAINING MANY DEEP CREVICES AND SINK HOLES.

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AN EXTREMELY HEAVY RAIN ESTIMATED AT TWO AND ONE HALF INCHES FELL AT ABOUT DARK ON DAY CHILD DISAPPEARED AND INTERMITTENT HEAVY RAINS CONTINUED FOR TWO DAYS THEREAFTER CAUSING SLIDES, WASHES, AND SWOLLEN STREAMS. LEE SNEDDON, CHIEF PARK RANGER, HAS ASSURED ME THAT IN HIS OPINION THE BODY OF THIS CHILD HAS BEEN WASHED INTO CREVICE, LODGED OUT OF SIGHT AND PERHAPS COVERED WITH DEBRIS, AND FROM THE VERY VASTNESS AND RUGGEDNESS OF THE AREA, FURTHER SEARCH IS IMPRACTICAL.

IT IS TO BE NOTED ALSO DENNIS MARTIN THIS PAST YEAR WAS SENT TO SPECIAL SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN WITH EMOTIONAL DIFFICULTIES AND LOW LEARNING ABILITY.

INASMUCH AS WE HAVE INVESTIGATIVE JURISDICTION UNDER ~~CCR~~ IN NATIONAL PARK WHERE DENNIS DISAPPEARED, LIAISON WAS ESTABLISHED WITH PARK SERVICE OFFICIALS WITH THE UNDERSTANDING WE WOULD BE IMMEDIATELY APPRISED OF ANY INDICATION WHATEVER OF KIDNAPING OR OTHER ^LFOUR PLAY.

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ON JUNE TWENTYFIVE WILLIAM MARTIN CONTACTED THIS OFFICE AND RECOUNTED FACTS CONCERNING DISAPPEARANCE OF HIS CHILD. HE WAS ADVISED THAT IN ABSENCE OF SOME SPECIFIC INDICATION OF FOUR^L PLAY OR KIDNAPING THIS OFFICE COULD NOT ENTER THE SEARCH OR CONDUCT AN ACTIVE INVESTIGATION. IT WAS MADE CLEAR TO HIM WE WANTED TO BE ADVISED IF HE RECEIVED ANY SPECIFIC INFORMATION INDICATING A CRIMINAL ACT IN CONNECTION WITH THE DISAPPEARANCE OF HIS CHILD AND WAS ASSURED THAT WE WOULD CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AT THAT TIME.

AS RESULT OF NATIONWIDE PUBLICITY NUMEROUS CLAIRVOYANTS AND VISIONARIES BEGAN TO CONTACT MARTIN FAMILY AND BEGINNING ON JUNE TWENTYSEVEN MARTIN HAS BEEN IN ALMOST DAILY CONTACT WITH THIS OFFICE RELATING INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM VISIONARIES WHICH INFORMATION IS VAGUE AND NONSPECIFIC. WE COURTEOUSLY DECLINED TO INITIATE INVESTIGATION BASED UPON SUCH NONSPECIFIC INFORMATION.

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DURING COURSE OF THE SEARCH AN INDIVIDUAL NAMED

[REDACTED] SEEMED UNDULY CURIOUS AND WAS CONSTANT

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BYSTANDER AT PRINCIPAL POINT OF OPERATION TO THE POINT
PARK SERVICE OFFICIALS BECAME SUSPICIOUS OF HIS MOTIVES.
WE DISCREETLY ESTABLISHED THAT THIS MAN WAS NOT PRESENT
IN PARK ON DAY OF DISAPPEARANCE OF THE CHILD. WE DID THIS
IN ORDER TO COVER ANY POSSIBILITY AND OUR INQUIRIES INTO THIS
HAVE RECEIVED ABSOLUTELY NO PUBLICITY.

ON JULY TWENTYFIRST, FIVE WEEKS AFTER DENNIS' DISAPPEARANCE,
[REDACTED] OF CARTHAGE, TENN., NOTIFIED PRESS HE HAD BEEN
IN PARK ON JUNE FOURTEEN AND HAD HEARD A SCREAM LATE IN THE
AFTERNOON AND THEREAFTER CAUGHT GLIMPSE OF MAN MOVING
THROUGH UNDERBRUSH. HE WAS NOT SURE WHERE HE WAS IN
RELATION TO SPENCE FIELD. [REDACTED] STATED HE DID NOT THINK THIS
HAD ANY SIGNIFICANCE AT THE TIME BUT LATTER FELT HE SHOULD
REPORT IT TO SOMEONE. ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE TO HAVE [REDACTED]
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ACCOMPANY AN AGENT TO PARK AND POINT OUT EXACTLY WHERE HE HAD HEARD THIS SCREAM ONE DAY IN QUESTION. IT WAS ESTABLISHED HE WAS AT SEA BRANCH IN CADES COVE. CHIEF RANGER LEE SNEDDON SAID IN HIS OPINION NEITHER CHILD NOR ANY POSSIBLE ABDUCTOR COULD HAVE GOTTEN FROM SPENCE FIELD TO SEA BRANCH BY SIX PM, AND HE DID NOT ASSOCIATE THIS SCREAM WITH DISAPPEARANCE OF THE CHILD.

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THIS OFFICE HAS NOT PARTICIPATED IN TERRAIN SEARCH. SEARCH HAS BEEN SUPERVISED BY NATIONAL PARK SERVICE PERSONNEL AND WE HAVE AVOIDED ANY INVOLVEMENT IN THAT ASPECT. WE HAVE NOT SENT A MAN TO THE ACTUAL SITE OF DISAPPEARANCE AS NO USEFUL PURPOSE WOULD HAVE BEEN SERVED BY DOING SO AND THE NUMEROUS PRESS REPRESENTATIVES ON HAND WOULD HAVE IMMEDIATELY INFERRED A KIDNAPING ASPECT.

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PARK OFFICIALS HAVE NOTED THE ATTITUDE OF WILLIAM MARTIN HAS UNDERGONE MARKED CHANGE~~XXXXX~~ CHANGE FROM TIME WHEN HE WAS FRANTICALLY SEARCHING FOR HIS CHILD AND APPRECIATIVE OF ALL HELP RENDERED. HE HAS INCREASINGLY COME UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF VISIONARIES, [REDACTED] IS UNWILLING TO ACCEPT FACT HIS CHILD IS DEAD, AND PREFERS TO BELIEVE CHILD HAS BEEN KIDNAPED AND MIGHT YET BE FOUND ALIVE.

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WITHIN THE PAST WEEK HE HAS BECOME CRITICAL OF PARK PERSONNEL WHO HAVE DIRECTED SEARCH AND THEY, TO THEIR SUBSEQUENT REGRET, PERMITTED HIM TO HAVE COPY OF PORTIONS OF THEIR OFFICIAL REPORT ON THE MATTER. MARTIN NOTED MINOR DISCREPANCIES IN THEIR REPORT WHICH HE HIMSELF ADMITS IN HIS LETTER TO DUNCAN "MAY NOT HAVE ANY BEARING."

MARTIN IN HIS LETTER TO DUNCAN STATED THAT I ASSURED WE WOULD CONTINUE OUR INVESTIGATION. THIS ^I~~IS~~ COMPLETE FABRICATION BY MARTIN AS IT HAS BEEN REPEATEDLY EXPLAINED TO HIM WE WILL NOT CONDUCT ANY INVESTIGATION IN ABSENCE OF SPECIFIC INFORMATION OF FOUL PLAY.

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FBI KNOXVLE

10:32 AM URGENT 7-30-69

TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: KNOXVILLE (79-96) (C) 1 P

DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN, MISSING PERSON.

FOR INFORMATION BUREAU, ON NIGHT JULY TWENTYNINE, SIXTYNINE,

TAPED INTERVIEW OF PARENTS OF DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN BY

NEWS ANNOUNCER, SHOWN ON WBIR- TV STATION, KNOXVILLE,

TENN. MAJOR PORTION OF INTERVIEW RELATED TO SERIES OF EVENTS

AND DISCUSSION OF MISSING BOY LEADING UP TO HIS DISAPPEARANCE.

FATHER, WILLIAM MARTIN, INDICATED MASSIVE SEARCH HAD BEEN

CONDUCTED OF THE VICINITY WHERE BOY LAST SEEN UNDER SUPERVISION

OF GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK OFFICIALS.

AT CONCLUSION INTERVIEW, FATHER SPECULATED POSSIBILITY

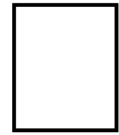
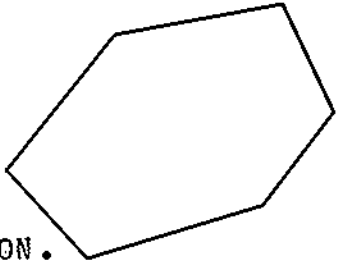
OF FOUL PLAY SINCE SON HAS NOT BEEN LOCATED, BUT FURNISHED NO

BASIS FOR THIS INFERENCE. NO REFERENCE MADE TO FBI DURING THIS

TAPED INTERVIEW.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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Felt	_____
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Holmes	_____
Gandy	_____

TO : Mr. Rosen

DATE: July 31, 1969

FROM : R. I. Shroder

- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Shroder
- 1 - Mr. McKimmon

SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON

B. APPROX. 1962

complaint

Today William Martin, father of the missing boy Dennis, called me from Knoxville, Tennessee, requesting the FBI investigate the disappearance of his son. By way of background, Dennis Martin, age 7, was on a camping trip with members of his family in a remote area of the Great Smokey Mountains National Park, Tennessee. The child became separated from his group on June 14, 1969, and an intense search was instituted. However, the boy has never been located. According to our Knoxville Office there is no evidence whatsoever that the boy was kidnapped nor is there any type of evidence to suggest a violation of Crime on a Government Reservation.

The father has been in frequent contact with our Knoxville Office and wrote Congressman Duncan requesting FBI investigate the matter. We informed Congressman Duncan by letter dated July 29, 1969, that there was no indication of a Federal violation in this matter. Therefore, no investigation was being instituted.

Mr. Martin requested we conduct an investigation, basing his request on the following points:

(1) In reviewing the report submitted by the National Park Service, Mr. Martin observed several inaccuracies such as the exact situs of the crime, who was present, and the exact time of the disappearance. He felt that these inconsistencies should be sufficient for the FBI to initiate investigation. He was politely informed of our jurisdictional limitations and that such information would not appear to have any jurisdictional basis.

(2) Mr. Martin referred to the strange activities of one [redacted] who for two weeks remained in the area of the search, not actively participating in it but allegedly annoying the Rangers and other law enforcement officials. [redacted] subsequently became acquainted with a man claiming to have ESP, and Martin feels that the activities of these two individuals are

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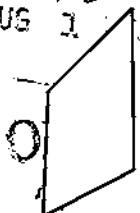
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Memorandum to Mr. Rosen
Re: Dennis Lloyd Martin

sufficiently suspicious to allow the FBI to conduct investigation. Mr. Martin was again reminded of our jurisdictional limitations and that these people's suspicious activities after the boy's disappearance would not appear to be reason for us to conduct investigation.

I called SAC Estill, Knoxville Office, and furnished him the substance of Mr. Martin's call. He said that Martin frequently calls the office, has endeavored to get the FBI in the investigation, and is using every means at his disposal to accomplish this. Estill said that as a matter of cooperation with Park Service authorities we did conduct investigation to determine the whereabouts of [redacted] on the day victim was lost. It was definitely determined that [redacted] was not in or near the area.

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Mr. Martin accepted the Bureau's explanations as to its limitations in this matter. However, he is understandably distressed as, of course, any father would be. He will undoubtedly make additional efforts to have the FBI investigate the disappearance of his son.

ACTION:

This is submitted for record purposes.



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- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. DeLoach _____
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- Mr. Conrad _____
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August 8, 1969

Honorable John J. Duncan
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Shroder
- 1 - Mr. McKinnon

My dear Congressman:

Your letter of August 5, 1969, has been received.

The reports prepared by the National Park Service into this matter have been reviewed in detail; and since there is no information to establish a kidnaping, this Bureau has not repeated the investigation conducted by the National Park Service.

With regard to Mr. Martin's comment pertaining to correcting "the investigator," any such correction would pertain to data set forth in the National Park Service reports since Mr. Martin has been furnished no reports prepared by this Bureau.

Mr. Martin has been in frequent contact with representatives of the Knoxville, Tennessee, FBI Office. The Special Agent in Charge of that office saw Mr. Martin on August 7, 1969, and again explained to him our jurisdiction with respect to missing persons.

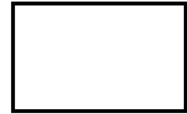
Since the child's disappearance, inquiries have been made by the FBI to establish the location of two individuals of questionable reputation who could have been in the area where the child disappeared and where an individual reportedly heard screams on the day the child was reported missing. Neither was in the area at the time of the child's disappearance nor were the reported screams heard in that area. Special Agents of this Bureau have identified and located a person as the result of an anonymous letter indicating this individual had been in the park area and had a seven-year-old male child with him. These inquiries do not reveal any evidence of an abduction of Dennis Lloyd Martin. This Bureau will continue to conduct those inquiries which could be of significance to determine if there has been a Federal violation.

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Sincerely yours,
J. EDGAR HOOVER

1 - Knoxville (Encs. 2)

NOTE FOR SAC, KNOXVILLE: One copy each of Congressman Duncan's letter 8-5-69, and Mr. Martin's letter of 7-18-69, enclosed.



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COPY MADE FOR MR. TOLSON

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Honorable John J. Duncan

NOTE: A second letter from Congressman John J. Duncan of Tennessee has been received concerning the disappearance of Dennis Lloyd Martin on June 14, 1969, in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Congressman Duncan previously had forwarded a letter written to him by the child's father, in effect requesting FBI assistance. Martin's letter had stated that Martin had been advised the FBI would continue to investigate and mentioned Martin having corrected the facts surrounding his son's disappearance. We acknowledged Congressman Duncan's letter by letter dated July 29, 1969, advising him no Federal violation was indicated concerning the disappearance of the seven-year-old child. Duncan's letter of August 5, 1969, states that he feels sure the FBI has done about all that can be done, but suggested it might be better for everyone concerned if an Agent would further discuss this matter with the Martins. Our Knoxville Office has maintained close contact with appropriate authorities, and no Federal violation is indicated. SAC, Knoxville, has advised Martin that the FBI has a continuing interest concerning the disappearance of his son in order to discharge our responsibilities should a Federal violation be indicated. Affidavits were secured from the SAC and a Special Agent in which they deny telling Martin that investigation would continue to locate his missing son. SAC, Knoxville, was instructed on August 6, 1969, to recontact Martin on August 7, 1969, and make certain that Martin understands our jurisdiction. We have had cordial relations with Congressman Duncan.

JOHN J. DUNCAN
25 DISTRICT, TENNESSEE

117 CANNON HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING
PHONE: 225-5435

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

August 5, 1969

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ON THE FEDERAL-AID
HIGHWAY PROGRAM

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Bishop	✓
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	✓
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Reference is made to your reply of July 29, 1969, in response to my inquiry of July 24 concerning a letter had received from Mr. William ~~C~~ Martin of Knoxville, Tennessee.

Complained

You will note that Mr. Martin states that the investigator has been no closer to the site than five miles, and that he had to correct the investigator on several things.

I feel sure the FBI has done about all that can be done, but in view of the contents of the letter it would perhaps be better for everyone concerned if one of your agents would discuss this further with the Martins. I think such a discussion would satisfy everyone. The Martins live in Knoxville, and it would only take about an hour of time to do this.

Sincerely,

John J. Duncan
JOHN J. DUNCAN
Member of Congress

EXP. PROC.
30 AUG 6 1969

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Enclosure

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My interest was not made 8/6/69

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

DATE: 10/7/69

FROM : [redacted] KNOXVILLE (79-96) (P)

SUBJECT : LLOYD MARTIN
[redacted] NG PERSON

PC-C, 1970

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Re KX airtel to Bureau dated 6/24/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau is one pair of boys under-
shorts.

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For the information of the Lab, WILLIAM MARTIN,
father of DENNIS MARTIN, advised 10/4/69 that [redacted]

[redacted] who claims to be
endowed with extra sensory perception, advised him that she
knew that there was a cabin with a porch in the area of
Spence Field and that she could see some shiny object in the
far left corner as one faces the cabin. MARTIN, [redacted] and
Mr. [redacted] Great Smoky Mountain National Park Ranger
Supervisor, went up to Spence Field and determined that the
cabin seen by [redacted] in her vision could be none other
than the old hikers shelter which is located at Spence
Field. MARTIN crawled under a bunk in the left corner of
this shelter and under a rock found the enclosed shorts.
It is impossible for anyone to have dropped these shorts in
that particular place inasmuch as there is no room between
the wall and the bunk to do so.

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Copy & specs retained in Lab
for Lab action & report.

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REFERRED TO
RECORDS BRANCH FOR undershorts
The Lab is requested to attempt to determine
the brand name of these shorts and also attempt to determine
any laundry marks which may be contained on these shorts.

79-1 Inasmuch as there appear to be stains on the
shorts, the Lab is requested to determine the nature of these
stains. The Lab is also requested to advise the Knoxville
Division if there is any way through which it may be
determined as to how long these particular shorts had lain
where they were found.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Knoxville (79-96)

Date: October 17, 1969

[Redacted]

Re: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN;
MISSING PERSON

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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FBI File No. 79-31142
Lab. No. PC-C1970 NB LX

Examination requested by: Knoxville

Reference: Letter 10/7/69

Examination requested: Microscopic Analyses - Miscellaneous - Chemical
Analyses

Remarks:

Specimen Q1 is being returned as an enclosure
to this report. OR:

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MAILED 24
OCT 17 1969
COMM-FBI

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

To: **FBI, Knoxville**
Re: **DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN;
MISSING PERSON**

Date: **October 17, 1969**
FBI File No. **79-31142 Q1**
Lab. No. **PC-C1970 NB LX**

Specimens received **10/10/69**

Q1 Undershorts

Results of examination:

The Q1 undershorts are badly deteriorated and are about the size worn by a small child. No visible or invisible cleaners or laundry marks were found on Q1. It was not possible to determine the source or brand of Q1 nor how long Q1 could have been at the site where it was found.

No hairs or fibers were found on Q1.

No blood was identified on specimen Q1.

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- Trotter _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Holmes _____
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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN;
MISSING PERSON

File # 79-31142-9
Lab. # PC-C1970 NB LX

Examination requested by: FBI, Knoxville (79-96) *let 10-7-69*

Examination requested: Micro Anal (hairs)(fiber)
Misc (laun) Chem Anal(bioc)
Result of Examination:

Date received: 10-10

Examination by:



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Specimens submitted for examination

Q1 Undershorts

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Q1 Undershorts, ~~to~~ white, badly deteriorated
waistband & some of lower portion. no labels,
No vis or inner markings
appears to be infants or small ^{boys?} children undershorts
± 16" waist

(no H/F)

no determination of how all items were @
site

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File #
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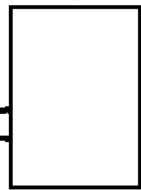
Examination requested by: FBI, Knoxville (79-96) let 10-7

Examination requested: Micro Anal (hairs)(fiber)
Misc (laun) Chem Anal(bioc)

Date received: 10-10

Result of Examination:

Examination by:



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*no blood was identified
on Q1*

Specimens submitted for examination

Q1 Undershorts

Results

*Q1 Child's socks, undershorts appear to be
fairly effected by weather & rot - no cotton in
shorts some reddish stains neg benz cloth is
very rotten.*

SAC, Richmond

November 13, 1969

Director, FBI

1 - [redacted]

**DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON**

B. APPROX

For the information of Richmond, Dennis Lloyd Martin, aged 7, disappeared from a family camping trip in a remote area of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park on June 14, 1969. Extensive searches have been conducted by local authorities and others but the child has never been found.

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SAC, Knoxville has apprised the boy's father of the lack of FBI jurisdiction in this matter and the Bureau has conducted no investigation whatever since there is no evidence of foul play or of an abduction.

On October 31, 1969, a number of "reward circulars" concerning the Martin child were mailed to State Police Department, Washington, D. C., with a return address of Mrs. [redacted]. These "circulars" were delivered to the Department of State who thereafter transmitted them to the Bureau.

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Enclosed with the "circulars" was a note copy of which is enclosed herewith and reads as follows "To State Police Dept. Would you Please give the Reward Posters out as They have ask me To help By mailing the Posters out Be on the Look out for him Please Would you Please Write Me Back so Mr and Martin Can see I have sent the Posters over Poster to you all Please anser We thank You No one noes the Where abouts of this Little Boy - My add [redacted]"

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Inasmuch as the letter from [redacted] was not addressed to FBI, Washington, D. C., it is not being acknowledged from the SOG. Richmond should immediately contact [redacted] acknowledge receipt of her note with enclosures and explain to her that we have no investigative jurisdiction in this matter and therefore are returning the "circulars" to her.

1 - Knoxville (79-96)
Enclosures (17)

[redacted] (5)

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NOTE:

The victim, a missing person, disappeared from a family picnic in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in Tennessee on June 14, 1969. In the absence of any investigative jurisdiction we have conducted no investigation in this matter. A correspondent, [redacted] has sent a number of reward circulars to "State Police Department, Washington, D. C." which were delivered to the Department of State and thereafter sent to the Bureau. We are instructing Richmond to return the circulars to [redacted], acknowledge her communication and explain our jurisdictional limitations to her. Bureau files contain no references identifiable with [redacted]

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ENCLOSURE

To State Police Dept.

Would you please give the Reward.
Posters out as they have ask me to help
By mailing the posters out Be on the look
out for him please Would you please Write
Me Back so Mr and Martin can see I have sent the

Posters given. over

Posters to you all
Please answer
We thank you

No one
Does the House
about of this
Little Boy.

my add



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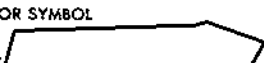
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REMARKS

This enclosure was mistakenly mailed to U.S. Special Police, Department of State Building. It is forwarded to you for any action that you consider taking.

FROM	CO	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10
NAME AND/OR SYMBOL						BUILDING, ROOM, ETC.					
Capt. 						Dept of State Rm 1928					
Col & 3rd Br.						TELEPHONE			DATE		
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\$5000⁰⁰ REWARD

**For information leading to
the safe return of**

OUR SEVEN YEAR OLD SON WHO DISAPPEARED ON
JUNE 14, 1969, IN THE GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS
NATIONAL PARK.

**contact your local law
enforcement agency or:**

William C. Martin
738 Murray Road
Knoxville, Tennessee 37912
Telephone (615) 689-5015



DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN

\$5000⁰⁰ REWARD

**For information leading to
the safe return of**



DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN

Disappeared on June 14, 1969 at Spence Field, in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. After extensive search efforts, no trace has been found.

Age7 (Born June 20, 1962)
HeightApproximately 4 feet
WeightApproximately 55 pounds
HairDark brown and wavy
EyesDark brown with long eyelashes

Family names: Father, Bill Clyde
Mother, Violet
Brothers, Douglas and Michael
Sister, Sarah

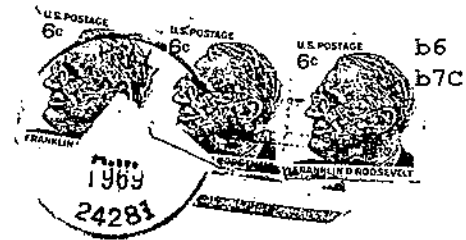
Dennis has a German Shepherd dog called 'Lady.'

Anyone having information regarding the whereabouts of this youngster, please contact your local law enforcement agency or:

William C. Martin
738 Murray Road
Knoxville, Tennessee 37912
Telephone (615) 689-5015

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La State Police Dept

Washington D.C.

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Date: 11/20/69

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Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Wick	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
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Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Soyars	
Tele. Room	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR (AIR MAIL) (79-31142)
PORTLAND

FROM: KNOXVILLE (79-96)

[redacted]
DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN, MISSING PERSON.

FOR INFORMATION OF PORTLAND, DENNIS MARTIN, AGE SEVEN,
DISAPPEARED ON JUNE FOURTEEN LAST WHILE ON A FAMILY CAMPING TRIP
IN THE GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK NEAR TENNESSEE - NORTH
CAROLINA BOUNDARY. HE WAS PRESUMED TO HAVE BECOME LOST IN THE
FOREST, ALTHOUGH A MASSIVE TERRAIN SEARCH UNDER SUPERVISION OF
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE FAILED TO LOCATE ANY REMAINS OR TRACE OF
THE CHILD. MATTER DID NOT APPEAR TO BE A KIDNAPING, BUT LIMITED
INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN CONDUCTED FROM TIME TO TIME ON SPECIFIC
LEADS WHERE ACTION WARRANTED.

PARENTS OF CHILD, MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM C. MARTIN OF KNOXVILLE,
HAVE MADE WIDE DISTRIBUTION OF REWARD POSTERS FOR THE MISSING CHILD
WITH QUANTITIES MAILED TO ALL SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN U. S.

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1 - [redacted]

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Approved: [redacted]

Special Agent in Charge

Sent [redacted]

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MARTIN FAMILY NOW IN RECEIPT OF LETTER DATED NOV. FOURTEEN
LAST FROM [REDACTED] SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR, PORTLAND PUBLIC
SCHOOLS, PORTLAND, OREGON, TELEPHONE NO. FIVE ZERO THREE DASH
TWO THREE FOUR DASH THREE THREE NINE TWO, EXT. [REDACTED]
HOME PHONE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ENCLOSING PHOTOGRAPHS OF AN UNNAMED BOY ENROLLED IN
PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS, FIRST GRADE, ON SEPT. SIXTEEN LAST.

[REDACTED] STATES DISCREPANCIES APPEAR IN THE BOY'S RECORDS WHICH
HAVE AROUSED SUSPICIONS AND SIMILARITY NOTED TO PHOTOGRAPH OF
DENNIS MARTIN. STATES BOY ON ONE OCCASION ANSWERED TO NAME
DENNIS WHEN SPOKEN TO.

MISSING CHILD IS DESCRIBED IN THE POSTER AS AGE SEVEN,
BORN JUNE TWENTY, SIXTYTWO, APPROXIMATELY FOUR FEET TALL, FIFTYFIVE
POUNDS, DARK BROWN WAVY HAIR, DARK BROWN EYES WITH LONG EYE LASHES.

NOT PUBLISHED IS THE FACT THAT DENNIS HAS A BROWN BIRTH MARK
ABOUT THE SIZE OF A DIME OR SLIGHTLY SMALLER LOCATED ON THE TOP

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OF ONE FOOT NEAR THE JUNCTION OF FOOT AND ANKLE. THIS IS PROBABLY LEFT FOOT, BUT PARENTS ARE UNCERTAIN. MARK IS DESCRIBED AS LOOKING LIKE A QUOTE DROP OF COFFEE UNQUOTE. DENNIS ALSO HAS A STRAWBERRY SPLOTCH ON THE BACK OF HEAD AND NECK ABOUT TWO INCHES IN DIAMETER LOCATED SO THAT MAJOR PORTION OF SPLOTCH IS TO THE RIGHT OF THE CENTER LINE. IT IS VISIBLE ONLY WHEN CHILD HAS A CLOSE HAIRCUT OR WHEN HAIR IS PULLED BACKWARD, ALLOWING SKIN TO BE OBSERVED UNDERNEATH.

PORTLAND CONTACT [REDACTED] AND RESOLVE IDENTITY OF FIRST GRADER THERE AND SUTEL.

IN RESOLVING THIS IDENTITY, PORTLAND SHOULD BEAR IN MIND POSSIBILITY THAT THE PORTLAND CHILD MAY BE THE SON OF SUBJECT OF CASE ENTITLED, [REDACTED]

O.O. KNOXVILLE. [REDACTED] CASE NOT RELATED TO MARTIN CASE.

[REDACTED] INDICTED MAY EIGHT, SIXTYSEVEN, USDC, EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE, FOR VIOLATION TITLE EIGHTEEN, SECTIONS
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TWO THREE ONE TWO AND TWO THREE ONE THREE. HE FAILED TO APPEAR AT ARRAIGNMENT, MAY TWENTYSECOND, SIXTYSEVEN, AND BENCH WARRANT ISSUED. HE IS BELIEVED TO BE TRAVELING WITH HIS WIFE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND THREE OR FOUR CHILDREN, INCLUDING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AFTER LEAVING EAST TENNESSEE, THE [REDACTED] FAMILY RESIDED FOR A WHILE IN CANADA, [REDACTED] AND APPROXIMATELY EIGHT MONTHS AGO HE IS BELIEVED TO HAVE LEFT CANADA, RETURNING TO U. S.,

BUT WHEREABOUTS STILL UNKNOWN. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS A WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED] UNVERIFIED, WITH BIRTH DATES

RANGING FROM [REDACTED] HAS

ALSO GIVEN [REDACTED] AS BIRTH DATES. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OCCUPATIONS - [REDACTED]

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[Redacted]

[Redacted] NCIC FINGERPRINT CLASSIFICATION [Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

SUBJECT'S WIFE DESCRIBED AS MAIDEN NAME, [Redacted]

WHITE, FEMALE, BORN [Redacted]

[Redacted]

PHOTOGRAPH OF [Redacted] BEING FORWARDED BY AIRTEL.

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TO: SAC, KNOXVILLE
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (79-75) (RUC)

DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN, MISSING PERSON.

[REDACTED] AT PORTLAND, OREGON. [REDACTED] IS THE UNNAMED
WM CHILD, DOB [REDACTED] BIRTH
VERIFIED, [REDACTED] SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR, PORTLAND
PUBLIC SCHOOLS HAS BEEN MAKING BACKGROUND INQUIRY OF.

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[REDACTED] OBSERVED AND INTERVIEWED BY SA AND [REDACTED] TODAY.
IT HAS BEEN DEFINITELY ESTABLISHED [REDACTED] IS NOT IDENTICAL
DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN. [REDACTED] DOES NOT HAVE BIRTHMARKS AND
STRAWBERRY SPLOTCH.

[REDACTED] AND FORMERLY [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED, STATES [REDACTED] BORN OUT OF
WEDLOCK AND FATHER IS [REDACTED] SHE
PRODUCED GROUP KINDERGARTEN PHOTO OF [REDACTED] FOR NINETEEN SIXTY-
EIGHT AND NINETEEN SIXTY-NINE CLASS AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] MOTHER, [REDACTED] SUPPLIED HOSPITAL CERTIFICATE
REVEALING HER DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
SCHOOL INVESTIGATOR [REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED
BY THE MARTINS TODAY AND ADVISES HE IS REPLYING TO THEM
BY LETTER.

NO FURTHER ACTION WARRANTED HERE. THIS MATTER HAS
NO CONNECT [REDACTED] CASE.

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Date: 11/26/69

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
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TO DIRECTOR (79-31142) (MAIL)
INDIANAPOLIS

FROM KNOXVILLE (79-96)

DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN. MISSING PERSON.

FOR INFORMATION OF INDIANAPOLIS, DENNIS MARTIN, AGE SEVEN, DISAPPEARED ON JUNE FOURTEEN LAST WHILE ON A FAMILY CAMPING TRIP IN THE GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK NEAR TENN. - N. C. BOUNDRY. HE WAS PRESUMED TO HAVE BECOME LOST IN THE FOREST, ALTHOUGH A MASSIVE TERRAIN SEARCH FAILED TO LOCATE ANY REMAINS OR TRACE OF THE CHILD. MATTER DID NOT APPEAR TO BE A KIDNAPING, BUT LIMITED INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN CONDUCTED FROM TIME TO TIME ON SPECIFIC LEADS WHERE ACTION WARRANTED.

PARENTS OF CHILD, MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM C. MARTIN OF KNOXVILLE, HAVE MADE WIDE DISTRIBUTION OF REWARD POSTERS FOR THE MISSING CHILD.

MARTIN CONTACTED THE KNOXVILLE OFFICE ON NOV.

TWENTYSIX INSTANT WITH REGARD TO KIDNAPING OF [redacted]

[redacted] BY [redacted]

HE THOUGHT THAT INASMUCH

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Approved: [redacted]
(2) [redacted]
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 2:07 P M Per [redacted]

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AS [] HAD KIDNAPED ONE BOY AND ATTEMPTED TO KILL HIM
AND WAS TO BE QUESTIONED WITH REGARD TO THE SLAYING OF
ANOTHER SIX YEAR OLD BOY THAT THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT
[] MIGHT HAVE BEEN IN THE GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS
NATIONAL PARK ON OR ABOUT THE DATE DENNIS MARTIN DISAPPEARED.

LEAD. INDIANAPOLIS AT HAMMOND, IND., WILL INTERVIEW
[] AND DURING THE COURSE OF INTERVIEW WILL ATTEMPT TO
DETERMINE [] WHEREABOUTS ON JUNE FOURTEEN LAST AND
DETERMINE WHETHER THERE IS ANY POSSIBLE CONNECTION BETWEEN
HIM AND THE DISAPPEARANCE OF DENNIS MARTIN.

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Memorandum

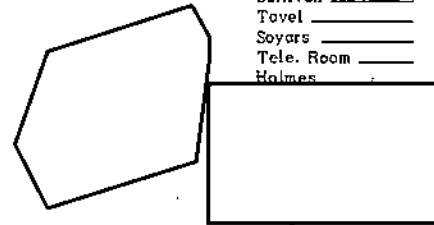
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TO : Mr. Bishop

DATE: January 27, 1970

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON



[redacted] Administrative Assistant to Senator Howard H. Baker (R-Tenn.) telephonically contacted Inspector [redacted] on 1/27/70 and advised that William Martin of Knoxville, Tennessee, father of captioned missing person, had been by the Senator's office earlier that morning and was returning at about 2:30 p. m. to further discuss the situation concerning his missing son. [redacted] stated it would be most helpful to him if he could determine from us prior to Martin's return what actions the FBI has taken in this matter.

Dennis Lloyd Martin, aged 7, disappeared from a family camping trip in the remote area in Great Smoky Mountains National Park near the Tennessee-North Carolina border on 6/14/69. Extensive searches by park police, local authorities and others failed to locate any trace of the child. There is no evidence of foul play or of an abduction and we have conducted no investigation. Our lack of jurisdiction in this matter has been explained to William Martin by the Special Agent in Charge at Knoxville. Martin has previously communicated with Congressman John J. Duncan (R-Tenn.) concerning this matter and we have informed the Congressman of our lack of jurisdiction.

The foregoing information was furnished to [redacted] on 1/27/70 prior to 2:30 p. m. At that time he advised Martin was conferring with Washington representatives of the National Broadcasting Company concerning possible publicity about his son's disappearance over NBC. [redacted] indicated Martin is also endeavoring to secure national publicity through newspapers and possibly magazines.

[redacted] asked if it would be possible for someone from the FBI to discuss this matter with Martin. He was told this already has been done by the Special Agent in Charge of the Knoxville Office. [redacted] was most appreciative of our prompt response on this matter which he indicated was most helpful to him.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - M. A. Jones

- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - [redacted]

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JAN [redacted]
1 - Mr. Rosen
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, (79-NEW)

DATE: 11/20/78

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON
OO: KNOXVILLE

On November 15, 1978, Blount County, Tennessee Sheriff L. B. SUTTON, Maryville, Tennessee, telephonically advised that [redacted]

[redacted] (Protect Identity) [redacted]

[redacted] told Sheriff SUTTON that [redacted]

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[redacted] was informed by (FNU) [redacted] that [redacted] had kidnapped DENNIS MARTIN in the Great Smoky Mountain National Park (GSMNP) and sold MARTIN to an unknown individual [redacted]

SUTTON advised that he had been Blount County Sheriff in 1967 or 1968 when the incident occurred and SUTTON remembered it. SUTTON further advised he called the record center at [redacted] and confirmed that during the period [redacted] there were [redacted] incarcerated there. They were [redacted] were from [redacted] Tennessee.

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Sheriff SUTTON further stated that although [redacted] at the time of DENNIS MARTIN's disappearance, he knew several key factors about the case which caused SUTTON to believe [redacted] story.

It is recommended a new Missing Person case be opened and assigned to SA [redacted]

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- KNOX [redacted]



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By _____

To Be Returned Yes
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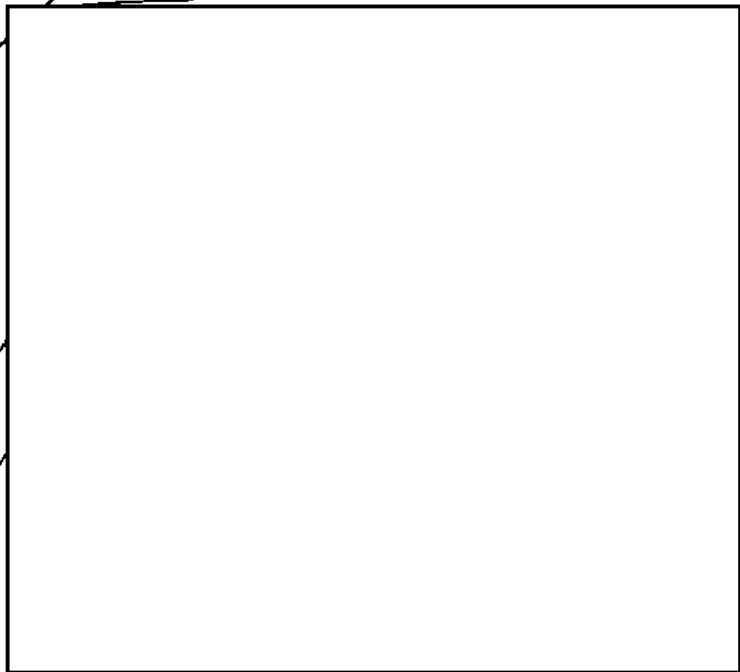
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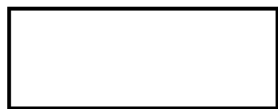
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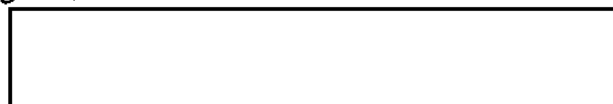
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(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By _____
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned Yes
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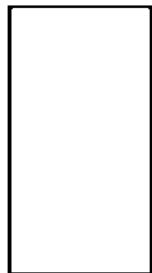
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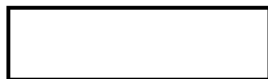
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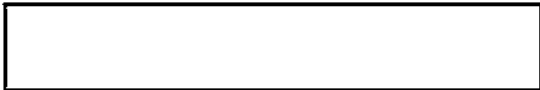

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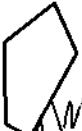

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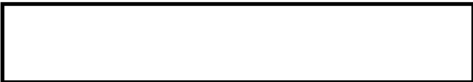
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(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

By

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned Yes
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Date Received 9-27-79

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(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

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By
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Field File No. 44-187-1A7

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From 

Dustin TX
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

By 
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned Yes No

Receipt Given Yes No

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[Redacted]

[Redacted] - did time with in [Redacted]

said he was called over by FBI and they (FBI) were asking [Redacted] questions about Jim [Redacted] concerning an incident involving a child in Chato.

This conversation took place approx [Redacted] ago. [Redacted] matter - He + [Redacted] very short time. Couldn't get along. Knew [Redacted] as he was housewife raised with him as kids.

[Redacted] starting all kinds of stories around the pen to get Jim [Redacted] in trouble. Was spreading stories around the pen that he had something to do with kidnapping or killing a child. In the pen you are alerted if anything to do with killing a child.

[Redacted] felt that he had [Redacted]

[Redacted] (LNU) works in [Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted] Told Jim [Redacted] about

[Redacted] saying he was talked to by FBI about

[Redacted] kidnapping a child.

[Redacted] said something about [Redacted]

Went to [Redacted]

Went to [Redacted] before that.

[Redacted] Sent a short vehicle +

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sent back to [Redacted]
in return.

In school before that - [Redacted]

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[REDACTED]

The following investigation was conducted by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in Knoxville, Tennessee, on November 16, 1978:

[REDACTED] News Sentinel Newspaper, 208 Church Avenue, South West, Knoxville, Tennessee, provided the News Sentinel's article files entitled "DENNIS MARTIN" and a second file of missing persons and searches in the Great Smoky Mountain National Park. Sas [REDACTED] reviewed these files, and from the enclosed articles, teletypes and pictures, extracted the following information:

DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN, date of birth 6/20/62 was reported missing from Spence Field, near Blockhouse Mountain, in the Great Smoky Mountain National Park, near Gatlinburg, Tennessee. He had been playing in the field with his father, WILLIAM C. MARTIN, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] his grandfather, [REDACTED] a brother, and other adults. MARTIN was described as being a quiet child, wearing a red shirt. The article stated he became missing very quickly and that the search had begun within three minutes. After the search began by the adults, the park rangers were called and the search escalated quickly, eventually involving approximately 1,400 rangers, police and Federal agents and troops from U. S. Army Special Forces batallion stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia. On August 9, 1969, MARTIN's father, WILLIAM C. MARTIN, offered a \$5,000 reward for information leading to DENNIS' return. Several thousand posters were printed and distributed in Gatlinburg, Knoxville and Maryville, Tennessee areas describing DENNIS MARTIN and asking for assistance in his return.

The articles showed the search wound down after approximately two weeks and the final article in DENNIS MARTIN's file was dated approximately one year later or mid

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June, 1970. This article recapped the intense search and noted the fact that no trace whatsoever was ever found of DENNIS MARTIN.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

11/20/78

Date of transcription

[redacted] (Protect Identity) formerly
of [redacted] was interviewed at
[redacted] where he was incarcerated
[redacted] initially requested complete confidentiality in the following matter, stating he did not wish his name to be made public to any non FBI individual.
[redacted] then voluntarily furnished the following information:

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Interviewed on 11/16/78 of [redacted] File # KX 79-NEW
by SAs [redacted] Date dictated 11/17/78

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 11/22/78

FROM : SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-¹⁸⁷~~NEW~~)

SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN-
MISSING PERSON
OO: KNOXVILLE

On November 16, 1978, [redacted] (PROTECT
IDENTITY) advised that [redacted]

[redacted] he was told by [redacted]
[redacted] (FNU) [redacted] that [redacted] had kidnapped a seven
year old boy, DENNIS MARTIN, from Great Smoky Mountain
National Park and sold him to a man [redacted]
provided details allegedly told him by [redacted] which bears
a resemblance to the mysterious disappearance of DENNIS LLOYD
MARTIN, DOB June 20, 1962, from Spence Field, Great Smoky
Mountain National Park, near Gatlinburg, Tennessee, on
June 14, 1969.

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[redacted] Blount
County Sheriff L. B. SUTTON received telephonic information
regarding [redacted] incarcerated at [redacted] between

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[redacted]

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

The Bureau is requested to search their indices
and furnish Knoxville with xerox copies of any reports,
documents and other information in the Bufile concerning
DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN - Missing Person, June 14, 1969.

MEMPHIS DIVISION

At Nashville, Tennessee

Will contact prison authorities at [redacted]
to determine information regarding any [redacted] incarcerated

- 2 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis
- 2 - Knoxville

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there during [redacted] period ending October 1978. In particular: Periods of incarceration, descriptions and last known addresses or parole information is requested.

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memorandum

DATE: November 30, 1978

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Director, FBI

SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON
OO: KNOXVILLE

TO: SAC, Knoxville (79-187)

ReKXlet to the Bureau dated 11/22/78.

A review of Bureau indices fails to disclose any record concerning Dennis Lloyd Martin, born 6/20/62.

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Re-assign to
11/3/78

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (79-187) (P)

DATE: 1/3/79

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN -
MISSING PERSON
OO: KX

On 11/16/78, [redacted] (Protect Identity) advised that [redacted] he was told by [redacted] (FNU) [redacted] that [redacted] had kidnaped DENNIS MARTIN from the Great Smoky Mountain National Park (GSMNP) and sold him to a man [redacted] SAs [redacted] reviewed Knoxville News Sentinel article files entitled "DENNIS MARTIN" and found a number of similarities between these articles reporting the mysterious disappearance and subsequent massive search for DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN and information given by [redacted]

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Leads sent to Bureau requesting they search indices for any information on DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN and lead to Nashville to furnish information regarding (FNU) [redacted] during same period as [redacted]

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NCIC and TIES searched for [redacted] fitting description given by [redacted] (Printouts in 1-A).

On 11/30/78, Bureau notified Knoxville that their indices failed to disclose any record for DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN, DOB 6/20/62.

According to SA [redacted] who worked the case of DENNIS MARTIN when he became missing in 1969, Knoxville may have worked the case as a missing

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[redacted]
(2) [redacted]

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[redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]



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person, and having no reason to do so, may not have sent a report to the Bureau.

Upon receipt of information regarding (FNU) [redacted] from Nashville RA, new case Agent can make determination as to whether [redacted] should be interviewed regarding his activities during the period in 1969 when DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN became missing. It is realized that without an admission by a subject, it would be virtually impossible to prove kidnaping after 10 years. However, due to the nature of the case and the similarity in [redacted] stories and the facts of the matter, it was decided that the case should be opened for at least preliminary investigation.

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Since SA [redacted] is under transfer to WFO, it is recommended this case be reassigned.

SAC, MEMPHIS

1/30/79

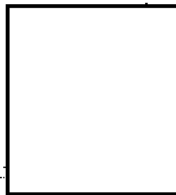
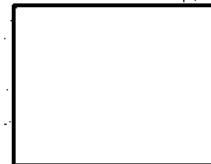
SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187) (P)

DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON
OO: KNOXVILLE

Re Knoxville letter to Bureau, 11/22/78.

Memphis requested to advise the results of their investigation in this matter.

2 - Memphis
2 - Knoxville



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DATE: 2/16/79

REPLY
ATTN: [redacted]

SAC, MEMPHIS (79-121) (RUC)

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SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON

XX: (00: Knoxville)

TO: SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187)

Re Knoxville letter to Bureau 11/22/78.

On 1/18/79, [redacted] Secretary to the
Warden, [redacted] Tennessee, furnished the
following information:

This facility opened in [redacted] After searching
her files she ascertained only two individuals by the
name of [redacted] have ever been confined to this institution.

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[Large redacted block]

She advised also that [redacted]

[Redacted block]

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[Redacted block]

- ② - Knoxville
- 1 - Memphis

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, (79-187) (P)

DATE: 3/28/79

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON
OO: KNOXVILLE

On 3/28/79 the writer discussed the facts of this case with SA [redacted]

After reviewing the case, SA [redacted] advised that if the information provided by [redacted] (PROTECT IDENTITY) regarding (FNU) [redacted] stealing MARTIN from the Park and selling him [redacted] is accurate, this is a state kidnaping violation and, therefore, is also a CGR - KIDNAPING violation.

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If the man to whom [redacted] sold MARTIN took MARTIN interstate, both [redacted] and the man who bought MARTIN are subject to Federal Kidnaping charges.

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From [redacted]

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[REDACTED]

The following investigation was conducted by SA
[REDACTED] on March 28, 1979, at Maryville,
Tennessee: .

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[REDACTED] Records Department, Blount County
Sheriff's Office, searched the records of that office and
advised that she could locate no record for [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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RECD [REDACTED]

MAR 29 1979

[REDACTED] KNOXVILLE [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (79-121)

DATE: 4/30/79

FROM : SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187) (P)

SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON
(OO: KNOXVILLE)

Re Knoxville letter to Director, 11/22/78, and
Memphis letter to Knoxville, 2/16/79.

Investigation at Knoxville has determined that [redacted]
[redacted] (PROTECT IDENTITY) is currently incarcerated in
the [redacted]

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Following is a description of [redacted]

- Race
- Sex
- Date of Birth
- Place of Birth
- Height
- Weight
- Former prison #

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MEMPHIS DIVISION

AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

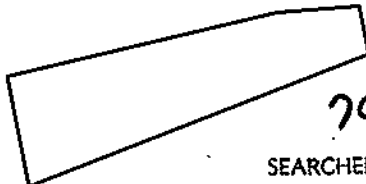
Will obtain photographs of [redacted] and
[redacted] and discreetly display photographs to [redacted]
to see if he can make a positive identification with the
individual who told him the story about stealing a young boy
in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in 1969.

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- 2 - Knoxville

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (79-121)

FROM : SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187) (P)

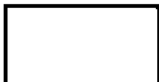
SUBJECT: DLNNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON
(OO: Knoxville)

DATE: 7/24/79

Reference Knoxville letter to Memphis, dated 4/30/79.

Memphis is requested to advise Knoxville of results of investigation requested in referenced letter so that Knoxville may bring this matter to a logical conclusion.

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- Priority
- Routine

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- UNCLAS

Date 8/23/79

TO: SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (79-121) (RUC)

SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON

(OO: KX)

Re Knoxville letters to Memphis dated 4/30/79 and 7/24/79.

Enclosed for Knoxville are the original and one copy of an FD-302 reflecting interview with [redacted] at the [redacted]

Also enclosed for Knoxville are an FD-340 containing the original signed statement of [redacted] and an FD-340 containing 12 photographs displayed to [redacted]

On 8/21/79, [redacted] identified a photograph of [redacted] as [redacted] who told him the story concerning the kidnaping of captioned subject.

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- 1 - Memphis

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Date 8/28/79

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TO DIRECTOR ROUTINE

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ATTENTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

— DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN, MISSING PERSON, OO:KX.

INVESTIGATION BY KNOXVILLE HAS DEVELOPED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AS A SUSPECT IN THE ABDUCTION OF MARTIN. [REDACTED]

DESCRIBED AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

REQUEST OF BUREAU:

BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH KNOXVILLE WITH ARREST

RECORD FOR [REDACTED]

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20537

TO:

Date 8-29-79

SAC Knoxville (79-187) P

Your inquiry 8-28-79

RE:

[Redacted box]

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- Attached furnished in reply to your inquiry.
- Attached furnished in compliance with request from
- Only record(s) available attached.
- This matter is receiving attention and you will be advised at an early date.
- Supplementing FBI Laboratory report dated
- Records FBI #
- are furnished since there is a possibility that one may pertain to the subject in whom you are interested.
- Fingerprint files fail to disclose

- Confirming FBI wire of
- A wanted notice has not been placed as subject appears to be in custody. Clear or cancel (CW or XW) your NCIC record.
- When you no longer desire your notice maintained, please advise.
- If you determine subject to be in custody, please advise so that your notice may be canceled.
- Subject of your inquiry searched in name indices only. Enclosed record(s) possibly identical. If identical, resubmit request and wanted (or flash) notice will be placed.
- If it is determined that the subject of this record is not the individual in whom you are interested, please advise.
- Your communication is returned.
- The subject of this Identification Record has a Computerized Criminal History Record entered in the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) which is not enclosed and is not covered by this certification.
- For your information, most court authorities take judicial notice of the FBI Identification Record and accept it as the valid arrest record of an individual, as maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, without requiring a certification. However, if deemed necessary or if an agency/department is acting under instructions of a court to obtain a certified copy of an identification record, the FBI will honor such a request.
- The attached is furnished in compliance with your telephonic request of
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Date 9/18/79

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (79-121)
 FROM: SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187) P

DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
 MISSING PERSON
 (OO: KNOXVILLE)

Re Memphis airtel to Knoxville, 8/23/79, no copy Birmingham.

Enclosed for recipients is one copy of an arrest record for [redacted]

For information Mobile, in August of 1969, DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN, DOB 6/20/62, was reported missing from Spence Field in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park near Gatlinburg, Tennessee. An extensive search was instituted immediately involving approximately 1400 federal, state and national park personnel, but no trace of MARTIN has ever been found.

On 11/16/78, [redacted] (protect identity) was interviewed by Knoxville Agents at [redacted], where he was incarcerated for [redacted] he furnished the following information:

[Large redacted area]

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- 2 - Mobile (Enc. 1)
- 3 - Knoxville

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A review of newspaper articles in the Knoxville newspapers concerning MARTIN's disappearance indicates that the story told by [redacted] is essentially accurate.

On 8/21/79, [redacted], who is currently incarcerated at [redacted] was shown two photo spreads in an attempt to have him make an identification of the man who had told him the story about snatching a boy in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. After reviewing the photo spread, [redacted] picked the photo of [redacted] as the man who had told him the above story. [redacted] also furnished a signed statement regarding the story [redacted] told him.

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On 9/17/79, the facts of this case were discussed with AUSA [redacted] Eastern District of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee. AUSA [redacted] advised that [redacted]

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LEADS

MEMPHIS DIVISION

AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

Will contact [redacted] at the [redacted] and determine his willingness to take a polygraph examination regarding the story [redacted] allegedly told him about abducting MARTIN. During contact with [redacted]

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MOBILE DIVISION

AT MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

Will conduct arrest check for [redacted] at the Department of Public Safety, for his arrest on [redacted] for [redacted] while using the name [redacted]. Determine identities of any individuals arrested with [redacted] during this incident.

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KNOXVILLE DIVISION

AT CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE

Will conduct arrest check for [redacted] at the Chattanooga Police Department. Determine identities of any individuals arrested with [redacted] by that Department on [redacted]. Also attempt to determine details of [redacted] by Chattanooga Police Department and attempt to determine [redacted] current address.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187) (P)

DATE: 10/1/79

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON
OO: KNOXVILLE

Re Knoxville airtel to Memphis dated 9/18/79.

Attached to this memorandum are the following items:

(1) Police Department record number [redacted] pertaining to [redacted]

(2) FBI rap sheet, FBI # [redacted] pertaining to [redacted]

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(3) Copy of Chattanooga Police Department record number [redacted] pertaining to [redacted]

(4) FBI rap sheet, FBI # [redacted] pertaining to [redacted]

Photographs of each [redacted] and [redacted] were obtained and placed in the 1A section of this file.

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Review of the Chattanooga Police Department records pertaining to [redacted] reveals that both were charged on [redacted]

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It appears that both [redacted] and [redacted] are currently confined to the [redacted].

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TRANSMIT VIA:

- Teletype
- Facsimile
- airtel

PRECEDENCE:

- Immediate
- Priority
- Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

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

Date 10/3/79

TO: SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187)
 FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (79-121) (P)
 SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
 MISSING PERSON

(OO: KX)

Re Knoxville airtel to Memphis dated 9/18/79.

On 9/25/79, [redacted]

[redacted] advised he would be "too happy to take a polygraph examination" on captioned matter. He also stated that he would testify in court.

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MEMPHIS

At Nashville, Tennessee:

Will await further instructions from Knoxville re the polygraph examination for [redacted]

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2 - Memphis

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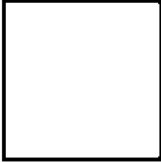
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187)

DATE: 10/10/79



SAC, MOBILE (79-104)(RUC)

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SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON

OO: Knoxville

Re Knoxville airtel to Memphis, 9/18/79.

On 10/4/79, [redacted] Identification Division, Alabama Department of Public Safety, Montgomery, advised that [redacted] was arrested [redacted] for [redacted] no disposition shown. [redacted] was described as a [redacted]

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[redacted], Alabama Bureau of Investigation, Montgomery, advised her files reflect [redacted] true name [redacted] was arrested by ABI Investigator [redacted]

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[redacted] stated [redacted] was arrested with a [redacted] aka [redacted]

[redacted] supra, advised [redacted] true name [redacted] was arrested on [redacted] for [redacted] described as a [redacted]

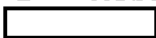
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[redacted] relatives all deceased. Warrant not served since [redacted] escaped from Tennessee and was turned over to Tennessee authorities.

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MEMPHIS DIVISION

- ② - Knoxville
- 2 - Memphis
- 1 - Mobile



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AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE. Check State Penal System records to determine if [redacted] presently incarcerated in State Penal System. [redacted] who was arrested with [redacted] used name [redacted] and [redacted] used name [redacted]

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at [redacted] Any further details re the arrest can possibly be obtained by the Birmingham Division from [redacted] authorities. This lead left to discretion of OO.

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DATE: 12/5/79



SAC, MEMPHIS (79-121) (NVRA) (RUC)

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SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON
OO: KX

TO: SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187)

Re Mobile letter to Knoxville, 10/10/79.

On 11/23/79, SC [redacted] caused a check of the records at Central Records Bureau, Tennessee Department of Correction, Nashville, Tennessee, and was advised that the records did not indicate that a [redacted] is presently incarcerated in the state penal system.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (79-121)

FROM : SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187) (P)

SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON
OO:KX

DATE: 1-4-80

Re Knoxville airtel to Memphis, dated September 18, 1979, Memphis airtel to Knoxville, dated October 3, 1979, and Memphis letter to Knoxville, dated December 5, 1979.

Investigation by Knoxville in captioned matter indicates that on [redacted]

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[redacted] is described as follows:

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RACE:
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DOB:
POB:
HEIGHT:
WEIGHT:
SSAN:
FBI NUMBER:
HAIR:
EYES:
SCARS, MARKS & TATTOOS:

[redacted]

Both [redacted] are apparently confined in the state prison in [redacted] Tennessee.

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In view of the fact that [redacted] told the story about his kidnapping Martin to [redacted]

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2 - Knoxville

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[redacted] Knoxville feels that [redacted] has also told this story to other of his associates.

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LEADS

MEMPHIS DIVISION

At Nashville, Tennessee

1. Will determine if [redacted] and [redacted] are currently incarcerated in the Tennessee Prison System.

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2. If investigation determines [redacted] is incarcerated in the Tennessee Prison System, Memphis will interview [redacted] in an attempt to determine if [redacted] ever told him of his participation in the kidnapping of Martin.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA [redacted] at Nashville, Tennessee:

On January 16, 1980, [redacted] Clerk, Central
Records Section, Tennessee State Bureau of Corrections, con-
ducted a search of her records and advised that [redacted]
[redacted] and [redacted] were incarcerated in the
Tennessee Prison system at [redacted]

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On the same date, [redacted] inmate number
[redacted], advised that he was
an associate of inmate [redacted]. He stated that he
is very well acquainted with [redacted] and that [redacted] is a
"compulsive liar". He stated that [redacted] has related many
stories to him concerning his past exploits, but has never
mentioned anything about the kidnaping or murder of a young
boy.

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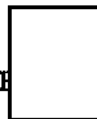
SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON
(OO: KX)

TO: SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187)

Re Knoxville letter to Memphis dated 1/4/80.

Enclosed for Knoxville are two copies of an
investigative insert reflecting investigation at Nashville,
Tennessee.

2 - Knoxville (RUC) (2)
1 - Memphis
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (

DATE: 5/16/80

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: REASSIGNMENT OF CASES
ASSIGNED TO SA [redacted]

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In view of the writer's reassignment from the road trip to headquarters city, it is recommended that the following cases currently assigned to the writer be reassigned to SA [redacted]

- | | |
|------------|---------------------|
| 149-128 | [redacted] |
| 26-27659 | 183-263 |
| 87-10942 | 88-7427 (two leads) |
| 91-5907 | |
| 26-27651 | |
| [redacted] | |
| 88-7557 | |
| 26-27695 | |
| 87-10945 | |
| 79-187 | |

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| 1 - 91-5907 | ① - 79-187 |
| 1 - 26-27651 | 1 - [redacted] |
| 1 - [redacted] | 1 - 183-263 |
| | 1 - 88-7427 |

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- Immediate
- Priority
- Routine

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- TOP SECRET
- SECRET
- CONFIDENTIAL
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- UNCLAS

Date 7/30/80

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (79-121)

FROM: SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187) (P)

DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN;
 MISSING PERSON
 OO: KNOXVILLE

Re Knoxville airtel to Memphis, 9/18/79, Memphis letter to Knoxville, 12/5/79, Knoxville letter to Memphis, 1/4/80, and Memphis letter to Knoxville, 2/15/80.

As reported in Memphis letter dated 2/15/80, investigation conducted by Memphis at [redacted] Nashville, Tenn., revealed [redacted] claimed no knowledge of [redacted] participation in kidnap of Martin.

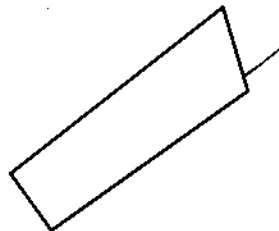
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AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE. Will interview [redacted] [redacted] regarding possibility of his participation in 1969 kidnaping of Dennis Lloyd Martin and subsequent sale of this individual.

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- Teletype
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- Immediate
- Priority
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CLASSIFICATION:

- TOP SECRET
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- UNCLAS

Date 8/19/80

TO: SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (79-121-NVRA) (RUC)

SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN;
MISSING PERSON

(OO: KX)

Re Knoxville airtel to Memphis dated 7/30/80.

On 8/19/80, [redacted] Clerk, Central Records Division, Tennessee Department of Corrections, Nashville, Tennessee, advised from her records that inmate [redacted] was paroled [redacted] and he was to reside in the Chattanooga, Tennessee area. She further advised that [redacted] could be located by contacting his parole officer, [redacted] 409 Chestnut Street, Suite 207, Chattanooga, Tennessee, telephone 266-6442.

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At Chattanooga, TN:

Will locate [redacted] by contacting his parole officer, [redacted] as indicated above.

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1 - Memphis

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Lead to [redacted]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187) (P)

DATE: 8/22/80

FROM :

SA [redacted]

SUBJECT:

DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON
(OO: KX)

Reference Memphis airtel to Knoxville 8/19/80.

Investigation to date in this matter has revealed

that [redacted]

[redacted] had talked of taking a young boy from the Great Smoky Mountain National Park. [redacted] advised

[redacted] (Protect Identity), of the following facts:

[Large redacted block]

[redacted] advised that [redacted] talked of this

[redacted]

Inasmuch as a Dennis Lloyd Martin, date of birth 6/20/62; was reported missing during August, 1969, from Spence Field in the GSMNP, it would appear that [redacted]



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information is essentially accurate. It is noted that an intensive search was instituted immediately following Martin's disappearance and involved approximately 1,400 Federal, State, and National Park Personnel, but no trace of Martin has ever been found.

On 8/19/80, it was determined that [redacted] [redacted] was paroled from [redacted] Tennessee, and is currently residing in the Chattanooga, Tennessee, area.

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KNOXVILLE DIVISION

AT CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE

Contact [redacted] Parole Officer, 409 Chestnut Street, Suite 207, telephone 266-6442, to determine current address of [redacted] and, will interview [redacted] regarding possibility of his participation in 1969 kidnaping of Dennis Lloyd Martin and subsequent sale of this individual.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date of transcription 9/9/80

[redacted] Parole Officer, State of Tennessee, Department of Correction, 409 Chestnut Street, Suite 207, Chattanooga, Tennessee, business telephone number 266-6442, was contacted by the interviewing agent concerning information on the whereabouts of [redacted] State parolee, Tennessee State Department of Correction, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

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He advised that [redacted] was under his supervision and [redacted] was living at [redacted] home telephone number [redacted]. He also was advised [redacted]

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He stated that he [redacted] had been convicted of [redacted] and received a sentence from [redacted] on the previously mentioned accounts. He noted after [redacted] he was given probation.

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However, he advised complete details of [redacted] Criminal record could be made available to FBI if necessary in the future.

Investigation on 8/26/80 at Chattanooga, Tennessee File # KX 79-187-30
by SA [redacted] Date dictated 8/9/80

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]
[redacted] FBI, at Chattanooga, Tennessee, on August 7, 1980:

[redacted]

[redacted] contacted the interviewing agent and advised that she was the former wife of [redacted] [redacted] at that time she did not know the whereabouts of the subject.

She advised that the subject and herself have been divorced for [redacted]. She noted that the subject was previously employed with [redacted]. However, due to [redacted] the subject was no longer employed at the previously mentioned place of business. She noted that he (subject) was now living with his parents somewhere in [redacted] Tennessee.

Additionally, she advised that she would make an effort to get in touch with the subject in the very near future.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] at Chattanooga, Tennessee, on October 29, 1980:

[REDACTED] Superintendent, [REDACTED] Education Board, [REDACTED] advised that several years ago, the [REDACTED] School was burned and all the records pertaining to the school were destroyed. He noted it would be very difficult to recreate the records because there were no records at state level unless the person had graduated from high school. Therefore, in view of the fact that [REDACTED] did not graduate, he had no way of knowing if [REDACTED] was in attendance at the period of time in question.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/7/80

[redacted]
[redacted] presently unemployed, was interviewed in the presence of his former wife, [redacted]

[redacted] concerning information on his possible involvement with the kidnaping of a young boy by the name of Dennis Lloyd Martin from the Great Smoky Mountains National Park (GSMNP) and selling Martin to an unknown person [redacted]

He advised that while he was an inmate in the [redacted]

an associate as well as a fellow inmate, had approached him and informed him that he had been interviewed by the FBI concerning his [redacted] involvement with the kidnaping of a child from Chattanooga, Tennessee. He stated that he considered [redacted] to be a habitual liar and he attempted to verify his [redacted] story by contacting the guard on duty, however, the guard informed him that his records did not show anyone from the FBI having interviewed him [redacted]. He noted that he and [redacted]

[redacted] He advised that he and [redacted] have been associated for [redacted]. However, he added that after he and [redacted] were incarcerated in [redacted] Tennessee, their relationship was dissolved.

He advised he assumed that [redacted] had told him the story about the FBI and kidnaping the child in order to get him in trouble with the other inmates. He stated this conversation with [redacted] took place approximately [redacted]. He assumed that [redacted] created the story for pure vindictiveness on his part due to the fact that most inmates view the harming of a child as being a crime against them personally. He noted, that if a person has committed a crime against a child he normally will be treated with some animosity.

He advised [redacted] was thought to have been an [redacted] [redacted] and he personally did not trust him. He noted that after he had gotten the story about the kidnaping of the child, he attempted to conduct his own internal investigation.

Investigation on 10/29/80 at Dayton, Tennessee File # KX 79-187-28
by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] Date dictated 10/29/80

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He added that he was determined that [redacted] had told other prisoners about the situation, however, he was able to convince other inmates that [redacted] was lying on him and wanted to make trouble for him. He talked to several inmates about [redacted] but the only person he could recall talking about the situation was [redacted] (Last Name Unknown) who worked in the [redacted]. He described [redacted] as having been a [redacted]

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[redacted] He stated he thought [redacted] had told other inmates but he could not recall their names.

He advised the only time he has been anywhere near GSMNP was during July, 1976, and he was escorted by his wife, [redacted]

Additionally, he advised he was in the [redacted] from [redacted] as a result of being found guilty of various juvenile charges. He stated that prior to that time he was a student at the [redacted] Tennessee. He stated he was approximately [redacted] at that time.

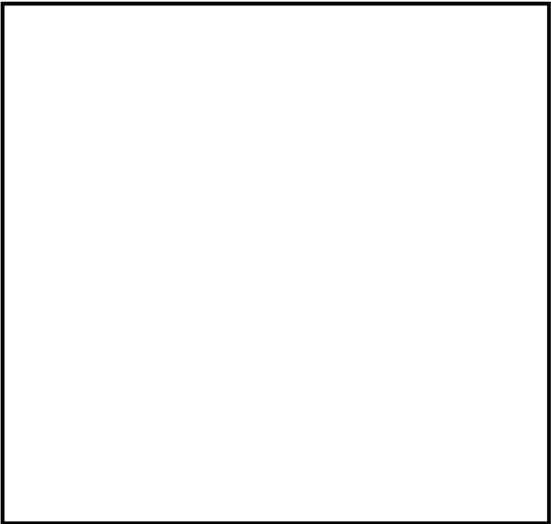
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He advised during this previously-mentioned period of time he lived with his mother in [redacted] Tennessee. He noted the records at the aforementioned school could be verified.

The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

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- Race
- Sex
- Date of Birth
- Place of Birth
- Height
- Weight
- Hair
- Eyes
- Residence

Prior Arrest



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187)

DATE: 1/22/81

FROM : SSA [redacted]

SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN
MISSING PERSON
(OO: KNOXVILLE)

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[redacted] appeared at this office on 1/22/81 at 11:00 a.m., and furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that about nine years ago a seven-year-old boy was lost in Cades Cove area and was never found.

[redacted] stated on 1/21/80, he and other individuals were talking about this boy and he received information that [redacted] who works at [redacted] in Knox County, knew where subject Martin was. [redacted] stated that Martin was alive and well. *victim*

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[redacted] stated he would help any way he could if a Special Agent would contact him. [redacted] asked that his name be kept confidential.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, KNOXVILLE (79-187) (P)

DATE: 4/1/81

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: DENNIS LLOYD MARTIN;
MISSING PERSON
OO: Knoxville

On 1/23/81, [redacted] was contacted regarding information he had furnished to SSA [redacted] on 1/22/81, regarding captioned matter. [redacted] stated that he overheard [redacted] say that subject Martin was alive and well. [redacted] who works at [redacted] did not, however, say where Martin was living.

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On 1/22/81, [redacted] was contacted at his place of employment and advised that he knew nothing about the Martin boy and obtained his information from a neighbor of his, [redacted] was thereafter telephonically contacted at [redacted] in an attempt to obtain directions to his residence and set an appointment for an interview. At that time, [redacted] was informed as to the purpose of the interview but stated that he had never heard of Dennis Lloyd Martin and could provide no information as to Martin's current whereabouts.

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On 3/26/81, [redacted] was again contacted at his place of employment and stated that he is positive [redacted] is the individual who provided the information about Martin. [redacted] stated that [redacted] who is approximately [redacted] years old, used to live in Georgia and had claimed that Martin was living with relatives in that area. [redacted] is of the opinion that Martin was never forcibly taken from the park and that relatives were involved for some unknown reason. [redacted] who advised that [redacted] lives in a remote area of [redacted] agreed to point out [redacted] residence so that he may be interviewed at a future date.

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