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To: SAC, Memphis

From: Director, FBI

Subject: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL
FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL - VICTIMS
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Rebuairtel 7/25/63 and urtel 7/27/63.

Advise by teletype results of display of photos
of possible subjects as to whether identifications made and
follow with report when full results of interviews completed.

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Reurep 7/24/63, page 12, which reflects that City
Commissioner Hammond advised that "the two Mississippi State
Highway Patrolmen stationed in Winona were also at the sheriff's
office," on June 12, 1963.

If not already done, ascertain from Hammond the identities
of these two Mississippi State Highway Patrolmen if known, and if
one of them is other than Basinger, conduct investigation to ascertain
if the other patrolman is the unknown subject.

In addition, if not already done, attempt to identify the
prisoner named Akers, named by on page 16 of rerep and
pursue leads indicated.

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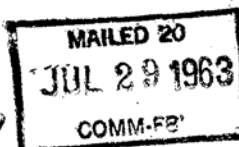
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FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (44-22262)

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.

FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL.

DASH VICTIMS. CR.

REBUAIRTEL JULY TWENTYFIVE.

ADVISE BY RETURN TEL, STATUS OF DISPLAY OF PHOTOS TO
VICTIMS AS INSTRUCTED IN REBUAIRTEL. THIS MUST BE VIGOROUSLY
PURSUED AND COMPLETED AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE. ADVISE ANY
REASONS FOR DELAY.

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EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL, FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL, DASH
VICTIMS, CR.

REBUTEL TODAY.

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AGENTS IN GREENWOOD TODAY ATTEMPTING TO DISPLAY PHOTOS
OF VICTIMS. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF RESULTS OF EFFORTS BY
TELETYPE TODAY.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /44-22262/

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063/ 1 P

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL, FANNIE LOU HAMER, ETAL, DASH
VICTIMS, CR.

RE BUREAU TEL THIS DATE AND MEMPHIS TEL TO BUREAU INSTANT.

MRS. LULA BELL JOHNSON, MOTHER OF VICTIM JUNE ELIZABETH
JOHNSON, GREENWOOD, ADVISED VICTIM JOHNSON DEPARTED GREENWOOD,
MISS., JULY ONE LAST ENROUTE SNCC WORKSHOP CAMP CLAIREE, HAMBERG,
CONN. AND WILL NOT RETURN UNTIL APPROXIMATELY SEPT. ONE NEXT. WILLIE
PEACOCK, SNCC HEADQUARTERS, GREENWOOD, MISS., ADVISED PRESENT
WHEREABOUTS OF VICTIM PONDER UNKNOWN BUT SHE COULD POSSIBLY BE LOCATED
THROUGH SCLC ATLANTA, GA. PEACOCK ADVISED VICTIM SIMPSON CARE OF
SNCC, GREENVILLE, MISS. VICTIM HAMER BELIEVED TO BE AT RESIDENCE
NEAR RULEVILLE, MISS. PEACOCK STATED VICTIM FREEMAN BELIEVED TO BE
AT RESIDENCE NEAR COMMUNITY OF BROWNIE, MISS. VICTIM GUYOT
PRESENTLY CONFINED MSP, PARCHMAN, MISS. PEACOCK DID NOT KNOW
WHEREABOUTS OF VICTIM WEST BUT STATED HE COULD POSSIBLY BE
LOCATED THROUGH RESIDENCE NEAR ITTA BENA, MISS. THIS MATTER
BEING VIGOROUSLY PURSUED AND CONTINUOUS EFFORTS BEING MADE TO
LOCATE VICTIMS AND EXHIBIT PHOTOGRAPHS. BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED
OF PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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cc - Mr. Sullivan

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063/ 3P

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL, FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL,
VICTIMS, CR.

RE MEMPHIS TEL JULY THIRTY LAST.

EMMA BELL, SNCC, GREENWOOD, ADVISED VICTIM PONDER
DEPARTED FOR ATLANTA JULY TWENTYEIGHT LAST AND WILL NOT
RETURN TO GREENWOOD UNTIL AUGUST FIVE NEXT. PONDER WILL
BE CONTACTED UPON HER RETURN. PHOTOGRAPHS OF COP HEROD,
SHERIFF PATRIDGE, MHSP CHARLES T. PERKINS, WILLIAM SURRELL,
ALONG WITH OTHER PHOTOS EXHIBITED TO VICTIMS FREEMAN, WEST,
SIMPSON AND HAMER. VICTIM FREEMAN IDENTIFIED COP HEROD
AND AN MHSP, NAME UNKNOWN, AS THE ARRESTING OFFICERS. SHE
IDENTIFIED SHERIFF PATRIDGE AND MADE A POSSIBLE IDENTIFICATION
OF SURRELL AND BEING AT MONTGOMERY COUNTY JAIL IMMEDIATELY
AFTER HER ARREST. FREEMAN MADE NO IDENTIFICATION OF PERKINS.
VICTIM WEST IDENTIFIED PHOTO OF HEROD AS THE OFFICER WHO
INFORMED VICTIMS TO LEAVE STALEY'S CAFE AND AS ONE OF THE
ARRESTING OFFICERS ALONG WITH A MHSP WHO RESEMBLED THE
PHOTO OF PERKINS. WEST COULD NOT IDENTIFY SHERIFF PATRIDGE
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AS BEING PRESENT AT SCENE OF ARREST OR AT JAIL AND MADE NO IDENTIFICATION OF SURRELL. VICTIM SIMPSON STATED SHE AND OTHER VICTIMS WERE ARRESTED BY A MHSP WHOSE PHOTO WAS NOT IN THE GROUP EXHIBITED TO HER. SHE COULD NOT IDENTIFY OFFICER WITH THIS PATROLMAN AT TIME OF ARREST. SHE IDENTIFIED PHOTO OF COP HEROD AS BEING AT JAIL IMMEDIATELY AFTER HER ARREST BUT COULD NOT IDENTIFY HIM AS ONE OF THE OFFICERS THAT TOOK HER TO JAIL. SIMPSON STATED SHE BELIEVED SHERIFF PATRIDGE WAS AT JAIL BUT COULD NOT MAKE POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION. SHE IS OF THE OPINION BUT NOT POSITIVE THAT PATRIDGE IS THE INDIVIDUAL THAT ~~QUOTE~~ POKED ~~UNQUOTE~~ HER IN THE SIDE WITH SOME KEYS AT THE JAIL. SIMPSON IDENTIFIED SURRELL AS BEING AT JAIL ALONG WITH JAILER FOWLER IMMEDIATELY AFTER HER ARREST. SHE STATED SURRELL WAS WITH THE MHSP WHEN SHE WAS TAKEN OUT OF HER CELL FOR QUESTIONING. VICTIM HAMER IDENTIFIED PHOTO OF PATRIDGE AS OFFICER WHO ARRESTED HER AND AS PERSON WHO KICKED HER AS SHE WAS ENTERING AUTO IMMEDIATELY AFTER ARREST. SHE IDENTIFIED PHOTO OF PERKINS AS POSSIBLY THE PERSON WITH SHERIFF PATRIDGE AT THIS TIME AS BEING PRESENT DURING PART OF

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HER BEATINGS AND AS THE PERSON WHO HIT HER IN THE HEAD. HOWEVER, SHE COULD NOT BE POSITIVE. SHE ADVISED THE PHOTO OF SURRELL LOOKED SIMILAR TO A PERSON WHO WAS AT THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY JAIL IMMEDIATELY AFTER HER ARREST, THE OFFICER WHO TOOK HER TO COURT TWO DAYS AFTER ARREST AND AS ONE OF THE PERSONS PRESENT DURING HER BEATING. SHE ADVISED SHE SAW BASINGER-S NAME TAG ON HIS UNIFORM AND IDENTIFIED HIM BY NAME AS THE PERSON WHO GAVE THE BLACKJACK TO THE NEGRO PRISONER WHO BEAT HER AND AS ONE OF THE PERSONS PRESENT DURING PART OF HER BEATING. SHE IDENTIFIED HEROD-S PHOTO AS COP, WINONA, BUT DID NOT RECALL SEEING HIM AT JAIL IMMEDIATELY AFTER ARREST OR DURING BEATING.

ATTEMPTS TO INTERVIEW VICTIM GUYOT AT MISSISSIPPI STATE PENITENTIARY WILL BE MADE ON AUGUST ONE NEXT. P.

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REURTEL JULY THIRTY-FIRST LAST.

ALSO DISPLAY PHOTOGRAPHS TO JUNE JOHNSON FOR
IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES. ADVISE IF PHOTOGRAPHS OF ALL
SUBJECTS POSSIBLY INVOLVED IN THIS MATTER WERE SHOWN TO
VICTIMS MENTIONED IN RETEL.

IN FURTHER EFFORT TO ASCERTAIN IF PERKINS IS
UNSUB, IF NOT ALREADY DONE, CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE
HIS WHEREABOUTS AT TIME OF INCIDENT INCLUDING CHECK OF
MHSP RADIO LOG IF POSSIBLE TO ASCERTAIN IF HE CHECKED IN
EVEN THOUGH REPORTEDLY OFF DUTY ON THAT DATE IT BEING
NOTED THAT TWO WITNESSES HAVE STATED THAT TWO MHSP CARS
WERE AT BUS STATION ON DATE OF INCIDENT.

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DASH VICTIMS, CR.

RE MEMPHIS TEL JULY THIRTYONE LAST.

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C. E. BREZALE, SUPERINTENDENT, MISS. STATE PENITENTIARY,
PARCHMAN, ADVISED VICTOM GUYOT IS IN CUSTODY OF LEFLORE
COUNTY, AND FACILITIES IN WHICH HE IS BEING RETAINED AT
PARCHMAN ARE BEING LOANED TO LEFLORE COUNTY BY STATE
AUTHORITIES.

BREZALE SAID INASMUCH AS GUYOT IS NOT A STATE PRISONER
HE COULD NOT MAKE GUYOT AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW UNLESS HE
HAD A LETTER FROM THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, LEFLORE COUNTY,
AUTHORIZING HIM TO DO SO.

EFFORTS ARE BEING MADE THIS DATE TO CONTACT DISTRICT
ATTORNEY, LEFLORE COUNTY, FOR SUCH LETTER. P.
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To: SACs Atlanta
Memphis

From: Director, FBI

EARLE WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.;
FANNIE LOU HANER, ET AL. - VICTIMS
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Enclosed for each office are copies of a letter
from the Department dated 8/1/63.

In addition to the pictures which reportedly may
be obtained from Walker, the Department has advised that
Walker reportedly has tape recordings of interviews
conducted with some of the victims. Department also requests
that you attempt to obtain such recordings from Walker.
If not available from Walker, Department advises they may
be in possession of Wiley Branton.

Atlanta handle immediately upon receipt and forward
requested material to Bureau promptly. Advise Memphis and
Bureau of results of your inquiries.

Advise persons contacted that this is being done
at the request of Mr. Burke Marshall, Assistant Attorney
General, Civil Rights Division, U. S. Department of Justice.

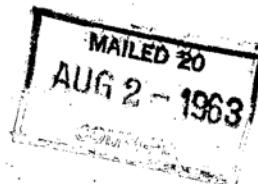
Atlanta refer to your file 44-1452 for background
information in this matter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: AUG 1 1963

FROM : *BM*
Burke Marshall
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

BM:JMR:arg 13,562

SUBJECT: *(1)*
Earle Wayne Patridge, et al,
Subjects; *(1)*
Fannie Lou Hamer, et al., Victims

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In connection with the continuing investigation of the beating of six Negroes by police officials in Winona, Mississippi, on June 9, 1963, we have been informed by Miss Annell Ponder that Mr. Perry, a photographer for the Atlanta World, took pictures of Miss Ponder and Mrs. Fannie Lou Hamer when they came to Atlanta shortly after their release from jail. These pictures are supposed to be in the possession of Mr. Wyatt Tee Walker, Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 41 Exchange Place, S. E., Atlanta 3, Georgia

Please contact Mr. Walker and obtain these prints from him, if possible. If Mr. Walker does not have the pictures, you might contact Miss Ponder, who is in Atlanta this week, through Mr. Walker's office or through the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee in Atlanta, and perhaps she can help track them down.

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DASH VICTIMS. CR.

IMMEDIATELY S U T E L RESULTS OF INTERVIEWS AND DISPLAY
OF PHOTOGRAPHS TO ALL VICTIMS TO REACH BUREAU NO LATER THAN
AUGUST SIX, NEXT.

COMPLETE ALL OTHER ASPECTS OF INVESTIGATION AND SUREP
ON THOSE ASPECTS BY AUGUST EIGHT, NEXT.

THIS MATTER MUST BE VIGOROUSLY PURSUED AND COMPLETED
WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY.

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PONDER, JOHNSON AND GUYOT MUST REACH BUREAU PRIOR TO NOON,
EDT, AUGUST THREE, NEXT.

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NOTE: Per request of Mr. St. John Barrett, CRD, 8-2-63.

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FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063/ 3-P

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL, FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL
DASH VICTIMS, CR.

RE BUREAU TEL AUG. ONE LAST AND MEMPHIS TEL AUG. ONE
LAST.

INVESTIGATION TO DATE HAS IDENTIFIED CHIEF OF POLICE
HEROD, SHERIFF PATRIDGE, MHSP BASINGER, MHSP PERKINS AND
PATROLMAN SURRELL AS SUBJECTS. PHOTOGRAPHS OF THESE EXCEPT
BASINGER HAVE BEEN EXHIBITED TO ALL VICTIMS EXCEPT JOHNSON AND
PONDER. PHOTOS OF SUBJECTS BEING FORWARDED TO NEW HAVEN IN
ORDER THAT THEY MAY BE EXHIBITED TO JOHNSON. PHOTOS WILL BE
EXHIBITED TO PONDER AUG. FIVE NEXT WHEN SHE IS SCHEDULED TO
RETURN TO GREENWOOD. VICTIM GUYOT IDENTIFIED BASINGER BY NAME
AS THE MHSP THAT KNOCKED HIM DOWN IN FRONT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY
COURTHOUSE JUST PRIOR TO ARREST AND AS THE OFFICER THAT ARRESTED
HIM. AFTER ARREST GUYOT IDENTIFIED PHOTOGRAPHS OF PATRIDGE AND
PERKINS AS BEING INDIVIDUALS WHO QUESTIONED HIM ALONG WITH
BASINGER. GUYOT IDENTIFIED BASINGER; PERKINS AS TWO OF THE
OFFICERS THAT BEAT HIM. HE SAID HE WAS ALSO BEATEN BY A THIRD
OFFICER WHO WAS A PATROLMAN FROM WINONA POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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INVESTIGATION INDICATES THIS IS POSSIBLY SURRELL BUT GUYOT FAILED TO IDENTIFY ^SURRELL-S PHOTO. HE IDENTIFIED PHOTOS OF CHIEF OF POLICE HEROD, SHERIFF PATRIDGE AS BEING PRESENT DURING BEATING AND SAID JAILER PAREN FOWLER END PAREN ALSO PRESENT. B. A. HAMMOND ADVISED HE WAS IN WINONA ON JUNE TWELVE LAST IN AN EFFORT TO GET PATROLMAN PERKINS REINSTATED ON MHSP. HE EXPLAINED ON MAY THIRTYFIRST LAST PERKINS AND PATRIDGE WERE CHASING A WHITE MALE SPEEDER TOWARD GREENWOOD. GREENWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT SET UP ROADBLOCK AND APPREHENDED SPEEDER. WHEN PERKINS ARRIVED AT SCENE OF ARREST SPEEDER WAS BEING DETAINED BY A GREENWOOD PATROLMAN. PERKINS HIT THE SPEEDER CAUSING THE SPEEDER-S HEAD TO HIT THE NOSE OF THE GREENWOOD POLICE OFFICER. THIS BLOW BROKE THE POLICE OFFICER-S NOSE. ACCORDING TO HAMMOND, PERKINS WAS IMMEDIATELY FIRED BY COLONEL T. B. BIRDSONG, COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY, BUT THIS WAS LATER CHANGED TO INDEFINITE SUSPENSION. ACCORDING TO HAMMOND, PERKINS WAS IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES ON JUNE TWELVE LAST AND HE DOES NOT RECALL SEEING ANOTHER MHSP. HAMMOND SAID PERKINS HAS BEEN ON AN INDEFINITE SUSPENSION SINCE THAT TIME AND IS BELIEVED TO BE PRESENTLY AT HIS HOME IN MACON, MISS.

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VICTIM WEST ON JULY THIRTYONE LAST ADVISED HE WAS
WHIPPED BY TWO NEGRO PRISONERS WHOM HE IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED] AND
[REDACTED] PAREN LNU END PAREN. LIST OF PRISONERS AT TIME OF
VICTIM-S ARREST INCLUDE [REDACTED] SHERIFF PATRIDGE THIS
DATE IDENTIFIED [REDACTED] AND SAID [REDACTED]
ARE STILL IN HIS CUSTODY AT THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY JAIL.
PATRIDGE REFUSED TO MAKE [REDACTED] AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW.
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TO SAC NEW HAVEN

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL., FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL.

DASH VICTIMS. CR.

REBUTEL AUGUST FIVE.

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NOTE: Victim of police brutality in Mississippi was to be interviewed in New Haven at request of Department to determine if victim can identify photos of subjects. Department has inquired as to results of interview.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /44-22262/

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063/ 2P

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL, FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL DASH
VICTIMS, CR. ME OO.

REMETEL AUGUST TWO AND YOUR TEL THIS DATE CAPTIONED QUITE
UNSUBS, JAMES HAROLD WEST DASH VICTIM, CR UNQUOTE.

VICTIM PONDER REINTERVIEWED GREENWOOD THIS DATE. SHE IDENTI-
FIED PHOTOGRAPH OF PATRIDGE AS ARRESTING OFFICER BUT BELIEVES HE
IS COP, WINONA. BASINGER WITH PATRIDGE AT TIME OF ARREST. PONDER
IDENTIFIED PHOTO OF PERKINS AS INDIVIDUAL WITH CREWCUT AND DRESSED
IN CIVILAIN CLOTHES, AS PERSON THAT FIRST HIT HER, AND ONE THAT
TOOK PART IN HER BEATING. SHE STATED PHOTO OF SURRELL RESEMBLES
THE OFFICER IN BLUE UNIFORM WHO TOOK PART IN HER BEATING BUT SHE
COULD NOT MAKE POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION. PONDER IDENTIFIED
BASINGER BY NAME AS ONE OF THE OFFICERS THAT BEAT HER AND IDENTIFIED
PHOTO OF PATRIDGE AS OFFICER THAT KICKED HER. SHE IDENTIFIED PHOTO
OF COP HEROD AS BEING PRESENT DURING BEATING BUT SHE BELIEVES HE IS
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Mr. Mohr
Mr. Casper
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
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SHERIFF. CONCERNING YOUR TEL TODAY CAPTIONED QUOTE UNSUBS, JAMES HAROLD WEST DASH VICTIM UNQUOTE BUREAU-S ATTENTION IS CALLED TO FACT THAT WEST IS ONE OF SEVEN VICTIMS IN INSTANT INVESTIGATION. DURING THIS INVESTIGATION WEST WAS INTERVIEWED ON JUNE ELEVEN AND JULY THIRTYONE LAST. INFORMATION OBTAINED INDICATES WEST AS WELL AS VICTIM FANNIE LOU HAMER WAS BEATEN BY NEGRO PRISONERS AT MONTGOMERY COUNTY JAIL ON INSTRUCTIONS OF SUBJECT BASINGER. MEMPHIS REPORT OF SA TIMOTHY M. CASEY, JR. DATED JUNE SEVENTEEN LAST REFLECTS RESULTS OF INTERVIEW OF WEST ON JUNE ELEVEN LAST. ATLANTA REPORT OF SA ROBERT B. NICHOLS DATED JUNE FOURTEEN LAST REFLECTS RESULTS OF INTERVIEW WITH HAMER. MEMPHIS REPORT BEING SUBMITTED BY AUGUST EIGHT NEXT WILL REFLECT REINTERVIEWS OF WEST AND HAMER WITH REGARD TO DISPLAY OF PHOTOGRAPHS AND INFORMATION OBTAINED REGARDING NEGROES WHO BEAT THEM. INASMUCH AS ALL INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM WEST AND OTHER VICTIMS BEING REPORTED IN CAPTIONED CASE, NO SEPARATE CASE BEING OPENED WITH WEST AS VICTIM, UACB. P.

END AND ACK PLS

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TO SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1063)

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (44-2262)

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EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL., FANNIE LOU HAMER,
ET AL. DASH VICTIMS, CR.

REURTEL AUGUST TWO LAST.

BY RETURN TEL ADVISE RESULTS OF DISPLAY OF PHOTO-
GRAPHS TO JOHNSON IF RECEIVED FROM NEW HAVEN.

IF DISPLAY OF PHOTOS COMPLETED IN YOUR TERRITORY,
MAIL TO BUREAU COMPLETE SET OR SETS OF PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWN
TO VICTIMS INCLUDING ALL PHOTOS OF PERSONS NOT SUBJECTS
WHOSE PHOTOS WERE USED TO EFFECT OBJECTIVE IDENTIFICATION.
IF DIFFERENT SETS USED ON DIFFERENT VICTIMS, SO INDICATE IN
ACCOMPANYING COMMUNICATION. REC-12 44-22262-103

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NOTE: Per request of St. John Barrett, CRD.

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TO SAC MEMPHIS

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

UNSUBS. JAMES HAROLD WEST DASH VICTIM. CR.

REURTEL AUGUST SECOND CAPTIONED QUOTE EARL WAYNE
PATRIDGE, ET AL. FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL. DASH VICTIMS. CR.
END QUOTE.

SUTEL WHETHER THERE IS ANY ALLEGATION OR INDICATION THAT
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS CONSPIRED, AIDED, ABETTED OR
CONDONED THE BEATING OF THE VICTIM BY NEGRO PRISONERS.
SUBMIT CLOSING REPORT UNDER CIVIL RIGHTS CAPTION.

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NOTE: West complained 7-31-63 that he had been beaten
by two Negro prisoners while being held in jail
at Greenwood, Mississippi.

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EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL., FANNIE LOU HAMER,

ET AL. DASH VICTIMS, CR.

MEMPHIS ADVISES THAT BY AIRTEL AUGUST THREE LAST
YOUR OFFICE WAS REQUESTED TO DISPLAY PHOTOS TO VICTIM JUNE
JOHNSON. IF NOT ALREADY DONE, IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIPT
OF MEMPHIS AIRTEL HANDLE AND SUTEL RESULTS AND FOLLOW
WITH REPORT. ALSO ON COMPLETION FURNISH BUREAU COMPLETE
SET OF PHOTOS DISPLAYED TO JOHNSON IN ADDITION TO THOSE OF
SUBJECTS. PHOTOS OF PERSONS OTHER THAN SUBJECTS WHICH ARE
DISPLAYED TO JOHNSON IN ORDER TO EFFECT OBJECTIVE IDENTIFICATION,
IF ANY, SHOULD INCLUDE PHOTOS OF SOME PERSONS WHO BEAR SOME
SIMILARITY TO SUBJECTS IF POSSIBLE.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /44-22262/
FROM SAC, NEW HAVEN /44-137/

~~EARL~~ EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ETAL DASH
VICTIM. CIVIL RIGHTS.

RE NEW HAVEN TELETYPE TO BUREAU AUGUST SIX LAST. PLEASE ADD
THAT VICTIM JUNE JOHNSON ADVISED THAT SHE ^{WAS} STRUCK ON HEAD WITH
BLACKJACK. POSSIBLY BY PERSON SHE BELEIVES TO BE IDENTICAL WITH
PHOTO OF SUBJECT PERKINS.

REPORT BEING SUBMITTED.

ONE MAIL COPY SENT MEMPHIS.

END AND ACK PLS

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URGENT 8-6-63 4-49 PM LAC

TO DIRECTOR FBI /44-22262/

AND SAC MEMPHIS

FROM SAC, NEW HAVEN /44-137

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL

ROSIE MARY FREEMAN DASH VICTIM, ET AL

CIVIL RIGHTS

RE MEMPHIS AIRTEL TO NEW HAVEN EIGHT THREE LAST AND
BUTEL TO NEW HAVEN EIGHT SIX INSTANT.

VICTIM JOAN ELIZABETH JOHNSON INTERVIEWED AT HAMBURG.
CONN. TODAY AND PHOTOS OF HEROD, SURRELL, PERKINS AND PATRIDGE
SHOWN TO VICTIM AMONG NUMBER OF OTHER PHOTOS. SHE POSITIVELY
IDENTIFIED HEROD, SURRELL AND PATRIDGE AND FEELS CERTAIN OF
PHOTO OF PERKINS AS PERSONS INVOLVED IN ARREST AND / OR
DETENTION OF VICTIMS AT WINONA, MISS., SIX NINE DASH TWELVE
LAST. SHE STATES HEROD NOT INVOLVED IN ANY MISTREATMENT TO
HER KNOWLEDGE AND ADVISES PERKINS IS PERSON WHO WAS WEARING
CIVILIAN CLOTHES AND WHO WAS PRESENT AT JAIL WHEN PATRIDGE
KICKED HER OFF HER FEET AND HIGHWAY PATROLMAN IN UNIFORM
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CURSED HER AND SLAPPED HER FACE. SHE STATED PARTRIDGE AND
SAME UNIFORMED HIGHWAY PATROLMAN TOOK SIGNED STATEMENT FROM
HER LATE MONDAY NIGHT OR EARLY TUESDAY MORNING, SIX TEN
DASH ELVEN LAST, WHEREIN SHE WAS INSTRUCTED TO REFLECTE IN
STATEMENT THAT SHE WAS NOT HARMED AND THAT SHE WAS ~~YXX~~TREATED
ALL RIGHT.

PHOTOS AND REPORT BEING SUBMITTED. MA
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FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (44-1810) (P)

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FANNIE LOU HAMER; ET AL - VICTIMS
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OO: MEMPHIS

Rerep SA SAMUEL N. JENNINGS, 7/17/63, New Orleans.

Enclosed for the Bureau and Memphis are two copies each of photographs of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, Sheriff of Montgomery County, Mississippi, and TOMMY HEROD, Chief of Police, Winona, Mississippi, obtained from the 1959 issue of "The Winona Times" on file at the Department of Archives and History, Jackson, Mississippi, on 7/16/63.

Additional efforts being made to obtain photographs of other individuals as requested by the Department.

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*Sent 1 photo of Patridge & one photo of Herod to CKD
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*Appl NO airtel 7/19/63 + ME tel 7/19/63
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Special Agent in Charge

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE; ETAL
FANNIE LOU HAMER; ET AL -VICS
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ENCS. TO BUREAU: TWO PHOTOS EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE
" " TOMMY HEROD

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Earl Patridge Case
Photos taken with
robot camera

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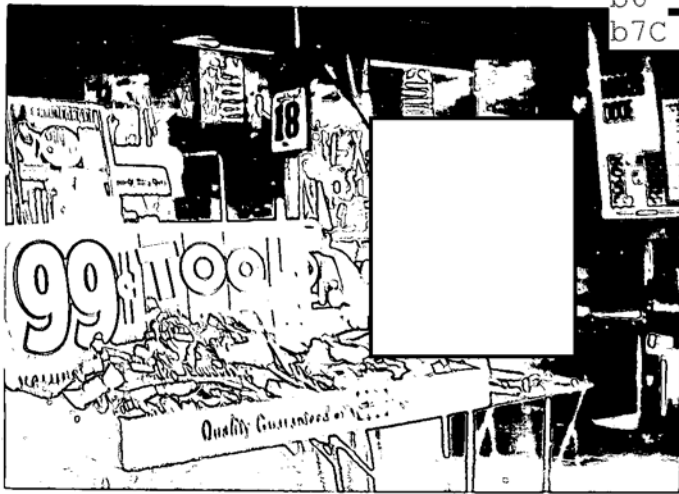
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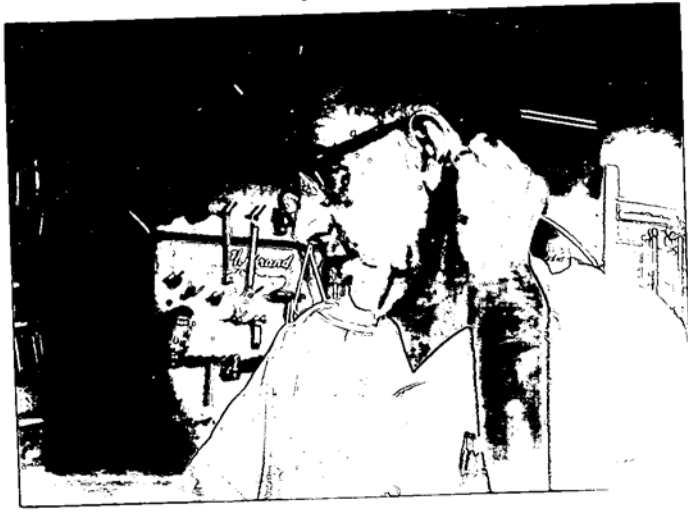




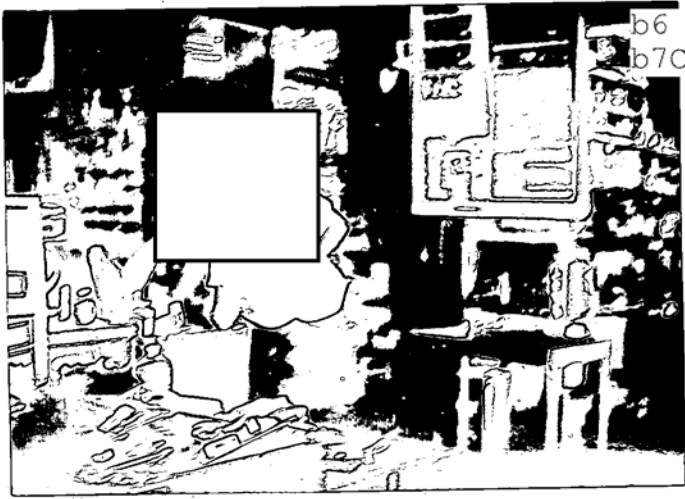


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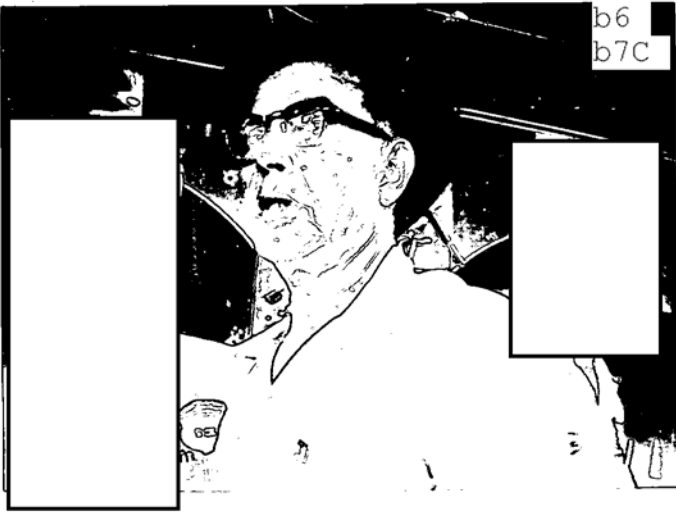




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Chief of Police
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VICTIMS
CR - IMPERSONATION

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Re Memphis teletype to Bureau and New Orleans,
dated 7/18/63.

Enclosed for the Bureau and the Memphis Office
are two copies each of a photograph of CHARLES THOMAS
PERKINS, Macon, Mississippi.

On 6/19/63, SA JOHN H. PROCTOR, JR., reviewed
the back issues of the "Macon Beacon, newspaper but was
unable to locate any photograph of CHARLES THOMAS PERKINS.

On 6/19/63, efforts were made to contact Mr. GEORGE
COONS, Principal, Macon, Mississippi, High School, in an
attempt to obtain a photograph of PERKINS. However, he was
not available.

On 6/19/63, a pretext interview with Noxubee
County Sheriff EMMETT FARRAR, Macon, Miss., disclosed that
PERKINS once attended East Mississippi Junior College,
Scooba, Mississippi.

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Approved: EE. Wick

Special Agent in Charge

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On 6/19/63, Mr. WILLIE NEAL, Registrar, East Mississippi Junior College, Scooba, Miss., advised that PERKINS attended that school for two quarters in 1957. NEAL made available the East Mississippi Junior College Year Book for 1958, which contained a photograph of CHARLES THOMAS PERKINS. Enclosed photographs were copied from this year-book and are a good likeness of PERKINS. No other photographs of PERKINS are available.

Enclosures to BUREAU from SAC, NEW ORLEANS

RE: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE;
UNSUBS.; ET AL;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN;
FANNIE LOU HAMER; ET AL -
VICTIMS
CR - IMPERSONATION

Two photographs of CHARLES THOMAS PERKINS

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CHARLES THOMAS
PERKINS

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Title and Character of Case

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE; UNSUB;
ET AL; ROSIE MARY FREEMAN,
ET AL - VICTIMS
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Date Property Acquired

6/18/63

Source From Which Property Acquired

JUNE JOHNSON, Greenwood, Mississippi

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

Bulky Exhibit Room
Shelf #23

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

Being submitted to FBI Laboratory.

Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same

1. Dress
2. Brassiere

Submitted by SA's EDWARD V. SCHAUM and ORVILLE V. JOHNSON.

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Title and Character of Case

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UNSUBS; FANNIE HAMER,
ET AL - VICTIMS
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Date Property Acquired

Source From Which Property Acquired

6/11 & 12/63

Bureau photographs

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

Bulky Exhibit Room
Shelf #23

Evidence

Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same

1. Photographs of victims.

Submitted by SA LAWRENCE J. OLSON, SR.

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Date Property Acquired 7/11/63	Source From Which Property Acquired Bureau	
Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit Bulky Exhibit Room Shelf #23	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same Evidence	
Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same		

1. One blue and green print cotton dress.

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TO SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE ET AL;
FANNIE LOU HAMER ET AL - VICTIM
CR

REUREPS IN THIS MATTER.

BY RETURN TELETYPE ADVISE IF AGENTS OBSERVED PERKINS AT
JAIL ON JUNE TWELVE LAST. IF SO, ADVISE TIME SEEN, HOW WAS HE
DRESSED AND DID HE APPEAR TO BE ACTIVE IN ANY MANNER IN HANDLING
PRISONERS OR JAIL FUNCTIONS.

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U R G E N T 8/12/63 7-26 PM WPS

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /44-22262/

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063/

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ETAL, FANNIE LOU HAMER, ETAL, VICTIM, CR.
REBUTEL TODAY.

SAS ORVILLE V. JOHNSON, ROBERT B. FORD, LAWRENCE J. OLSON,
SR., AND TIMOTHY M. CASEY, JR. ADVISED DID NOT SEE PERKINS ON JUNE
TWELVE LAST AT WINONA, MISS. SA JOHNSON ADVISED THAT B. A. HAMMOND,
COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, GREENWOOD, MISS., CONTACTED PATROLMAN
PERKINS OF THE MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY SAFETY PATROL AT THE SHERIFF-S
OFFICE, WINONA, MISS., ON THAT DATE. SA JOHNSON ADVISED MONTGOMERY
COUNTY JAIL LOCATED THREE BLOCKS FROM SHERIFF-S OFFICE AND THAT
HAMMOND SAW THE ABOVE SA-S AFTER LEAVING THE SO AND WHILE GREETING
OFFICERS AT THE JAIL. HAMMOND DID NOT RECALL EXACT DATE HE WAS IN
WINONA BUT REMEMBERED IT WAS ON THE DATE HE HAD SEEN THE AGENTS AT
THE JAIL, AND THE ABOVE AGENTS WERE CONDUCTING INTERVIEWS AT THE
JAIL ON JUNE TWELVE. OF ABOVE AGENTS, ONLY SA FORD KNEW PERKINS.
SA FORD DOES NOT RECALL SEEING PERKINS AT THE JAIL AT ANY
TIME DURING INVESTIGATION. OTHER SA-S AFTER VIEWING PHOTO OF
PERKINS UNABLE TO RECALL HAVING SEEN HIM.

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TO: SACS, ATLANTA (enc. - 4)
MEMPHIS (enc. - 8)
FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI
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FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL. - VICTIMS
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Re Atlanta airtel 8-5-63.

Enclosed for Atlanta are photos provided by Wyatt T. Walker for return to him.

Tape recording will be furnished when Department has used it for its purposes.

Enclosed for Memphis are two sets of photos provided by Walker.

Copies of photos have been furnished to Civil Rights Division.

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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (44-1452) (RUC)

RE: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.;
FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL. - VICTIMS
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Enclosed herewith for Bureau are: 2 photos of victim PONDER; 1 photo of victim HAMER; and 1 photo of victims HAMER and PONDER together, taken 6/13/63 by HARMON PERRY, "Atlanta Daily World," an Atlanta, Ga., Negro newspaper, at the offices of Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 332 Auburn Ave., N.E., Atlanta, Ga. These photos should be returned to WYATT T. WALKER, Executive Director of SCLC, 332 Auburn Ave., N.E., Atlanta, Ga.

Also enclosed herewith for Bureau is one tape recording of interview of victims made in Atlanta about 6/13/63. This recording should be returned to WILEY BRANTON, Director of the Voters Education Project of Southern Regional Council, Inc., #5 Forsyth Street, Atlanta, Ga.

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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (44-1452)

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Enc. with airtel are 4 photos of victims and 1 tape recording
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REPORTING OFFICE NEW HAVEN	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MEMPHIS	DATE 8/7/63	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/6/63
TITLE OF CASE EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL; FANNY LOU HAMER, ET AL - VICTIMS		REPORT MADE BY SA FRED A. COOTS	TYPED BY hmg
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Fifteen photographs, including photographs of subjects, PERKINS, HEROD, SURRELL, and PATRIDGE in accord Bureau request.

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For the information of the Bureau, during course of interview of victim, JUNE ELIZABETH JOHNSON on 8/6/63, victim was called to the telephone and returned advising that a MARION WRIGHT of Washington, D.C. wanted to talk with interviewing agent.

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SA FRED A. COOTS talked with this person who advised that she wanted to know what Bureau's interest and questioning of JUNE JOHNSON was about. She was told that this involved a Civil Rights investigation and that Miss JOHNSON was being interviewed as a possible witness in the matter. She then stated that she knows Mr. DOER (phonetic) in Washington, D.C. She was advised that no further information regarding this interview could or would be given to her by the agent. She advised that she realized that she is not known to the agent. She was told that she can obtain details as to questions asked of JUNE JOHNSON by agents from JUNE JOHNSON herself if JUNE JOHNSON cares to discuss same with her. Caller then advised that she understands position of the agent and requested that she be permitted to talk with JUNE JOHNSON again. Upon JUNE JOHNSON's return from phone call, she advised that she is leaving Connecticut as of August 7, 1963 for New York City where she will join MARION WRIGHT, an attorney from Washington, D.C. who is in New York on business.

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Report of: SA FRED A. COOTS
Date: August 7, 1963
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Title: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL;
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Synopsis:

JUNE ELIZABETH JOHNSON, Camp Laire, Hamburg, Conn., identified photo of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE as person who kicked her. She identified photos of SURRELL and HEROD as two persons who transported her and other victims to and from court on morning of 6/10/63 at Winona, Mississippi. She states she is not certain but believes that photo of CHARLES THOMAS PERKINS is identical with white male dressed in dark trousers and white shirt who hit her on head one time with blackjack at the jail on 6/9/63 and who was present while she was slapped and hit by uniformed Mississippi State Highway patrolman who initially arrested her at the bus station at Winona, Mississippi. Detailed interview of JUNE JOHNSON and her relations with subjects set out.

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DETAILS:

Date August 7, 1963

JUNE ELIZABETH JOHNSON, [redacted] Mississippi, was interviewed by Special Agents DAVID W. MILLER and FRED A. COOTS who identified themselves to Miss JOHNSON at the beginning of the interview. She was told that the interview was a follow-up of her interview of June 12, 1963, at Winona, Mississippi, by Bureau Agents and concerned her arrest and incarceration of June 9, 1963.

She was shown the following photographs as numbered and requested to comment on any photograph that looked familiar to her:

1. [redacted] Hartford, Connecticut, Police Department, arrest number 9416;
2. THOMAS J. HEROD, JR. (apparently taken in tool shop);
3. [redacted]
4. [redacted]
5. Photo of WILLIAM SURRELL taken through a screened door;
6. [redacted] Hartford Police Department, [redacted]
7. CHARLES THOMAS PERKINS;
8. WILLIAM SURRELL with hand covering lower chin;
9. [redacted] Identification Order [redacted]
10. THOMAS J. HEROD, JR. with unknown white male;
11. [redacted] Connecticut State Prison [redacted]
12. [redacted]
13. [redacted]

On 8/6/63 at Hamburg, Connecticut File # NH 44-137
by SAs DAVID W. MILLER and FRED A. COOTS/kjb Date dictated 8/7/63

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15. EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE.

Upon viewing photograph #1 as reflected above, interviewee advised that she was not certain that she had ever seen him before. Upon viewing photograph #2 she advised that that was the man who walked her and her associates to court on Monday morning, June 10, 1963, at Winona, Mississippi, and after court, he rode back to the jail with her and other associates.

She advised that photographs #3 and #4 have no significance to her. Regarding photograph #5 which reflected faintly a picture of a man and child taken through a screen door as well as a man with his back apparently to the camera, interviewee advised that the man facing the camera through the screen door is the same person who drove her and her girlfriends back from court at Winona, Mississippi, on June 10, 1963, at which time the person reflected in photograph #2 was present.

Interviewee advised that photograph #6 is not significant to her.

Interviewee advised, upon viewing photograph #7 (PERKINS) that she is not certain but she believes this to be photograph of a white, male, about age 35, dark crewcut hair, dressed in civilian dark trousers and white shirt who was present with a uniformed Mississippi Highway Patrolman, and with EARL PATRIDGE (identified from photo #15 and not by name) when PATRIDGE knocked her off her feet by kicking her in the legs. She said that it, "looks like the guy that hit me in the head, I'm not sure". She then advised that she does not recall that this person, PERKINS, did her any bodily harm but was present when PATRIDGE and the uniformed highway patrolman cursed her as well as physically harmed her.

Regarding photograph #8, a picture of SURRELL with his hand covering lower part of chin, she advised that she believes that this is the same person as reflected in photograph #5 but is not sure since this picture is not clear.

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Regarding photograph #9, she advised that this photograph does not remind her of anyone that she has ever met.

Upon checking photograph #10 (THOMAS J. HEROD, JR.), she advised that this is the same person as in photograph #2 and again stated that this man walked her and her friends to court at Winona, Mississippi, on the morning of June 10, 1963, and then rode back in a car with them to the jail. She again stated that this person did not curse her or assault her or threaten her. She stated that she has no knowledge of this person cursing or assaulting or threatening any of her companions who were arrested with her at Winona, Mississippi, on June 9, 1963.

Regarding photographs #11, 12, 13 and 14, interviewee advised that these photographs remind her of no one that she has seen in the past.

Upon viewing photograph #15 (EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE) interviewee advised that she knows this man as one of the persons who cursed her, kicked her, and slapped her.

Interviewee furnished the following information regarding her arrest at Winona, Mississippi, on June 9, 1963, about 10:00 AM.

She was traveling by bus from Charleston, South Carolina, to Greenwood, Mississippi, with following persons who had attended a "workshop" of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee: ROSE MARY FREEMAN, FANNY LOU HAMER, ANNELL PONDER, EUVESTER SIMPSON, RUTH DAY and JAMES HAROLD WEST. She stated that the bus stopped at the Winona bus station shortly before 9:00 AM, June 6, 1963. RUTH DAY and EUVESTER SIMPSON got off the bus first and started to the white women's bathroom in the Trailways bus station and police steered them away from the bathroom telling them to go to the colored rest room. She said that at this point, she, ANNELL PONDER, ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, and JAMES HAROLD WEST then got off the same bus and all went into the snack bar for white people at the same bus station, and sat at the counter. She said that several bus drivers were sitting around a table in this section of the snack bar. One of the bus drivers got up from the table and

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walked towards the kitchen of the snack bar. A short time later, perhaps a minute or two, after the bus driver left the table heading towards the kitchen, a uniformed Mississippi Highway patrolman, and a man dressed in dark trousers and a white shirt wearing a holster and gun and carrying a black jack in his hand, appeared in the white snack bar. The uniformed Highway patrolman, who is not known to interviewee by name, is described by interviewee as being white, 5' 9", 170 pounds, light brown to blond short hair, 35 - 40 years old and blue eyes. There were no other uniformed Highway patrolmen involved with interviewee and interviewee's companions to her knowledge. These two men came up to ROSIE MARY FREEMAN and JAMES WEST and the man in the dark trousers and white shirt touched ROSIE MARY FREEMAN and JAMES WEST with his black jack saying to them, "Go to the other side" -- meaning the colored snack bar since he was pointing with his black jack in that direction. ANNELL PONDER and interviewee got up from the counter and joined JAMES WEST and ROSIE MARY FREEMAN in leaving the snack bar and terminal. As they approached the bus that they had alighted from, EUVESTER SIMPSON and FANNY LOU HAMER came out of the bus and asked them what had happened. They told these two what had happened and then they engaged in talking and laughing.

ANNELL PONDER then said that she was going to wait and talk with the police about why they could not eat in the white section of the snack bar at the bus terminal. A white man carrying a small baby in his arms walked over near the bus where interviewee and her companions were talking. Interviewee and her companions all agreed that they would get the license tag number of the Mississippi Highway Patrol car and interviewee feels that the white man with the baby in his arms heard them make and agree to the suggestion because he walked back into the bus terminal while interviewee and her companions, minus FANNY LOU HAMER who had gotten back into the bus, went to the vicinity of the Highway Patrol car. ANNELL PONDER took a piece of paper from her bag and started writing something behind the patrol car when the uniformed Highway Patrolman and the man with the black jack and gun dressed in civilian clothes both appeared. Both these men told interviewee and the group standing just to the rear of the Mississippi Highway Patrol car that they were all under arrest and ordered them into the car.

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At this point, FANNY LOU HAMER got off the bus and asked interviewee and her companions if they wanted her to go on ahead to Greenwood, Mississippi, or to remain behind and interviewee and her companions told FANNY LOU HAMER to go on to Greenwood, Mississippi. Interviewee recalled that at this point a dark brown late-model Pontiac drove up behind the Mississippi Highway Patrol car and the uniformed Highway patrolman told the driver of the dark brown Pontiac to "Get that one over there" -- pointing to FANNY LOU HAMER. Both cars then proceeded to the jail at Winona, Mississippi, arriving there about the same time.

Interviewee stated that when she and her group arrived at the jail, the uniformed Highway Patrolman unlocked the two jail doors which they had to go through in order to get into the jail, proper. When they got inside the jail, the Highway Patrolman turned to the group and asked, "What did you niggers come down here for? God damned demonstration?" Interviewee said that ANNELL PONDER answered, "no". She said that the uniformed Highway Patrolman who was sitting on a writing table on which a telephone was located, got up from the table and said to ANNELL PONDER, "Listen, nigger, don't say 'no' to me, say 'yes sir'". Interviewee said that this was said as the Highway Patrolman came up to ANNELL PONDER's face.

Interviewee stated that at this point, PATRIDGE (identified by photograph #15) came in behind interviewee and her companions and as he was passing behind EUVESTER SIMPSON, he pushed a small key, apparently on a key ring, into EUVESTER's side and EUVESTER held her side and turned to face PATRIDGE. He was walking from her at the time and he stopped and faced her and said, "Hit me if you want.". Interviewee said that at this point the uniformed Highway Patrolman asked, "Where are all you niggers from?", and each of the group under arrest furnished their respective addresses. The uniformed Highway Patrolman then took the three suitcases belonging to ANNELL PONDER, ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, and interviewee and the police all went into the corner to talk. By this time there were several other men in the jail and interviewee stated that she does not know who they were or where they came from but it appeared to her that they came into the jail while and shortly after interviewee and her companions were brought to jail.

He said that following this conference in the corner of the room by the police, PATRIDGE called to JAMES WEST and said, "Come here nigger" and, as WEST went through the door leading to a cell, PATRIDGE kicked WEST in the rear. WEST kept walking into the cell and PATRIDGE closed the door after him and then said to interviewee and her female companions, "The rest of you niggers come on" and then PATRIDGE turned to interviewee and said "Not you in the black rag." Interviewee said that at the time of her arrest, she was wearing a black head scarf. Interviewee said that her four girlfriends were put into two cells by PATRIDGE who closed the doors after them.

Interviewee said that she was taken to the office and the uniformed Highway Patrolman asked her if she was a member of the "NAACP" and interviewee answered, "Yes sir" and the uniformed Highway Patrolman then slapped her in the mouth and she fell over some equipment described to her as a whiskey still. The uniformed Highway Patrolman, according to interviewee, shouted at her telling her "to get up and get off that God Dammed floor." She said that she got up but did not cry. She said that there was a white man dressed in dark trousers and white shirt, not wearing a gun, but carrying a black leather blackjack in his hand, who was present at this time when she was slapped in the face. This civilian had a crewcut haircut and was about 5' 10" tall and about 30 years old. Interviewee said that this person was not at the bus station when she and her companions were arrested. She believes this person to be identical to photograph of CHARLES THOMAS PERKINS, photograph # 7, which interviewee observed at the start of this interview. Interviewee said that she did not know the names of any of the white men. She said that when she got up after having been slapped in the mouth by the Highway Patrolman in uniform, the civilian with the blackjack said, "We ought to kill her," and then the uniformed Highway Patrolman pushed her and when he did, the civilian with the blackjack struck her on the head with the blackjack which she described as short with black leather binding. Interviewee looked at photograph # 7 again at this point and said that she believes that it was this person who struck her with the blackjack. She said that she is not certain but feels sure. She said that it is her recollection that the civilian's hair was not quite as dark as reflected in photograph # 7.

She first said that PERKINS did not harm her but recalls that he did hit her with his blackjack once on her head as described. She said that the uniformed Highway Patrolman then asked her if she was given money by the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee and she stated that she said, "No" and he slapped her in the face with his open hand and said, "Don't lie to me." She said at this point that PATRIDGE (by photo and not name), PERKINS and the uniformed Highway Patrolman were present during this time and at the point when she answered, "No" to the question as to whether or not she had been paid any money by SNCC, the three men "came right up to her face" and PATRIDGE (by photo and not name) said that she was lying and kicked her off her feet by kicking her in the legs twice. She said that when she fell to the floor on this occasion, she put her hands and arms up to her head. She could not see any one at this point but some one kicked her in the back and she yelled to the three men "to go ahead and kill me." She said that someone tore her dress in the rear near the waist and also under one of her arms at this time.

She said that she got up from the floor and the uniformed Highway Patrolman asked her who her leader was and she told him that she had no leader. She said that the uniformed Highway Patrolman struck her on the jaw and chin with his fist at this time and that her chin was swollen and she got a cut just below the center of her lower lip. She said that the Highway Patrolman in uniform kept saying that ANNELL PONDER was the leader and he then said to put her in the cell. As she was leaving for the cell, the Highway Patrolman in uniform kicked her in the rear. She was led to the cell where ANNELL PONDER was. She said that the three men were present when the Highway Patrolman in uniform asked her how long she had worked with the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee and she told him that she worked six months on this Committee. HETHEN asked her how she and her friends manage to make their grades in school and she said that she told him that she attended meetings after school hours. She said that after this discussion in her cell, the Highway Patrolman told her to wash out her dress. She said at this time that her dress had blood on the front of it.

Another civilian, identified by photograph as WILLIAM SURRELL (photograph # 5) was present in the cell at this time and told interviewee not to remove her dress to wash same until he and the other men had left the cell. Interviewee at this point stated that SURRELL did not do or say anything unkindly to her during her contact with him. She said that she washed out her dress on Sunday, June 9, 1963, at the jail as she was instructed to do. She said that she had on a slip which also had blood on it and she did not wash this garment out until Tuesday, June 11, 1963, while in Jail.

Interviewee stated that after her having been put in a cell, ANNELL PONDER was taken from the same cell leaving her with ROSIE MARY FREEMAN as a cellmate and the cell next to hers was occupied by EUVESTER SIMPSON and FANNIE LOU HAMER. She said that following ANNELL PONDER's going to the office, EUVESTER SIMPSON and FANNY LOU HAMER were taken from their cell to the office. She said that she heard her companions being shouted at in the office but she does not know who was doing the shouting. She recalled that one of the men in the office said "You are trying to do like this nigger at Ole Miss - we do not want to eat with you - we do not want out children at school with you. Why can't you go to your own places." She said that she heard EUVESTER SIMPSON talk back and someone of the men in the office told her to be quiet.

She said that FANNY LOU HAMER, who has been crippled through infantile paralysis, was called out of her cell, and she heard her "holler." She said that FANNY LOU HAMER told her upon her return to her cell that the police did not beat her or harm her but that some negroes did hurt her. She said that she noticed that FANNY LOU HAMER's hair was "messed up" and her eyes were blood shot when she returned to her cell and further that FANNY LOU HAMER said that her hips were sore.

JUNE ELIZABETH JOHNSON added that EUVESTER SIMPSON was called into the office and when she returned to her cell, she told interviewee and her companions that she had not

been beaten and that the Highway Patrolman told her that she looked like she had white blood in her.

Interviewee stated that this activity as described took place within an hour and a half of their having been arrested at Winona Bus Terminal.

She said that after the men got through questioning her and her companions, a negro man with a mop and bucket, called [] by the police officers, came to her cell and asked her if there was any blood on the floor of the cell and she told him that there was no blood on the floor. She said that she asked this colored man if she could make a telephone call and he told her to ask one of the officers.

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Interviewee advised that for the remainder of Sunday afternoon, June 9, 1963, she and her companions were not interviewed. She said that about 5:00PM they were brought food. She said that on the following morning, she asked a jailer, a white, tall man with glasses, if she could make a telephone call and he said that she could as long as she called collect. Interviewee said that ROSIE MARY FREEMAN made a telephone call from the jail.

JUNE ELIZABETH JOHNSON stated that on Monday morning, June 10, 1963, she and her companions, minus FANNY LOU HAMER, who rode in a car, were walked to court by HEROD, whom she identified by photograph, while SURRELL drove FANNY LOU HAMER. She said that after court, all rode back to the jail in the car driven by SURRELL.

Interviewee advised that late Monday night, June 10, 1963, or early morning June 11, 1963, the same uniformed Highway Patrolman and PATRIDGE (by photo and not name) got interviewee and her companions and took a group picture of them and then photographed them separately. She said that ROSIE MARY FREEMAN went in first to be photographed alone and that when she returned to her cell, she told interviewee that the officers wanted a statement from her. She said that she went into the office and the uniformed Highway Patrolman and PATRIDGE asked her if she could write. The Highway Patrolman handed her a pencil and paper and told

her to write out a statement to the effect that everybody was treated all right and that nobody was hurt and further that the statement was to be given of her own free will. She said that she was told that she could write whatever else she wished and that she started to write something having been mistreated and the Highway Patrolman told her to erase it. She said that she was going to write about being mistreated. She was asked what she erased and she said that she had not gotten around to writing only a couple words which she could not recall.

Interviewee was asked specifically after she related the above if she knew any of the men by name and she advised that she does not and did not. She said that she could identify the uniformed Highway Patrolman referred to if she saw him again. She said that she knows it was a Mississippi Highway Patrolman because she noted his uniform and also noted the emblem on the vehicle that he was driving at the time of her arrest.

She stated that she was hit and kicked by the Highway Patrolman in uniform as described and that she was kicked by PATRIDGE as described. She said that she believes PERKINS, dressed in civilian clothes, struck her on the head with his blackjack. She said that she could not be certain from the photograph # 7 shown to her if it was PERKINS, but she feels that it was. She stated that SURRELL and HEROD did not harm her or her associates, to her knowledge.

Interviewee said that WILLIAM SURRELL (identified by photograph # 5) was in a police uniform on Sunday afternoon, June 9, 1963, at the jail at Winona, Mississippi, and recalled that on one occasion, SURRELL came to the cells with the uniformed Highway Patrolman who had grasped ROSIE MARY FREEMAN's dress by the front near the collar and pushed her towards the cell wall, stating that she needed her "ass whipped." He also asked her if she was going to go to another white lunch counter.

Regarding her appearance in court at Winona, Mississippi, on June 10, 1963, JUNE JOHNSON stated that when she told the judge that she was 15 years old, he told her that she would be released and that she should contact her mother or

parents. She said that when she got back to jail, she called her mother and told her that she was going to stay in jail with her companions until her companions were released though she understood that she could be released to her parents. She said that her mother said that this would be all right. She advised that this was how she happened to stay in jail after Monday, June 10, 1963.

Regarding telephone calls made outside by her, she stated that she only called her mother but she did request her cellmate, ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, to call LAWRENCE GUYOT or ROBERT MOSES at Greenwood, Mississippi, to advise them of their arrest. She said that ROSIE MARY FREEMAN was apparently permitted to make this call because she reported back to interviewee that one WILLIE answered the telephone and told ROSIE MARY FREEMAN that GUYOT had left late Sunday night for Winona, Mississippi, to see interviewee and her companions. She advised that as of this time, Monday morning, June 10, 1963, they had not seen or heard from GUYOT.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MEMPHIS	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MEMPHIS	DATE 8/7/63	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 7/30-8/6/63
TITLE OF CASE "CHANGED" ① EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, Sheriff, Montgomery County, Mississippi; THOMAS J. HEROD, JR., Chief of Police, Winona, Mississippi; JOHN L. BASINGER, Patrolman, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol; CHARLES THOMAS PERKINS, Patrolman, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol; WILLIAM SURRELL, Patrolman, Winona Police De- partment; ROSIE MARY FREEMAN - VICTIM; LAWRENCE GUYOT - VICTIM; FANNY LOU HAMER - VICTIM; JUNE ELIZABETH JOHNSON - VICTIM; ANNELL PONDER - VICTIM; EUVESTER SIMPSON - VICTIM; JAMES HAROLD WEST - VICTIM		REPORT MADE BY SA ORVILLE V. JOHNSON	TYPED BY MNR
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Title is marked "changed" to include the names of
subjects CHARLES THOMAS PERKINS and WILLIAM SURRELL.

REFERENCES:

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Will contact USA H. M. RAY, Oxford, for his opinion as to merits of this case and will follow and report prosecutive action.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

The Bureau's attention is called to the fact that the department requested a photograph of Patrolman ALDEN STIDHEM be obtained along with photographs of subjects PATRIDGE and SURRELL. On 7/18/63 SA's HENDERSON HILLIN, JR., and JAMES M. STOCKTON, using the pretext of attempting to locate a Bureau fugitive, contacted ALDEN STIDHEM. The Agents attempted to obtain a photograph of STIDHAM by using the [] hidden 35 millimeter robot camera. Due to malfunction of the camera, however, no suitable photograph was obtained. Prior and subsequent investigation has identified the 5 subjects involved in this case and that investigation has failed to indicate STIDHAM was present during the arrest of any of these victims or that he was present during the time any of the victims were beaten. When contacted by Agents, STIDHEM has been very belligerent, uncooperative, and refused to furnish the Agents with any information. In view of the above facts no further efforts will be made to obtain a photograph of STIDHEM UACB.

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Title: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, Sheriff
Montgomery County, Mississippi;
THOMAS J. HEROD, JR., Chief of Police,
Winona, Mississippi;
JOHN L. BASINGER, Patrolman,
~~Character~~ Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol;
CHARLES THOMAS PERKINS, Patrolman,
Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol;
~~Subject~~ WILLIAM SURRELL, Patrolman, Winona
Police Department;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN - VICTIM;
LAWRENCE GUYOT - VICTIM;
FANNY LOU HAMER - VICTIM;
JUNE ELIZABETH JOHNSON - VICTIM;
ANNELL PONDER - VICTIM;
EUVESTER SIMPSON - VICTIM;
JAMES HAROLD WEST - VICTIM

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Synopsis: Photographs of subjects PATRIDGE, HEROD, PERKINS, and SURRELL, along with other photographs, exhibited to victims FREEMAN, WEST, SIMPSON, HAMER, GUYOT, and PONDER. Victim FREEMAN identified Chief of Police HEROD and a patrolman of the MHSP as arresting officers. She identified Sheriff PATRIDGE and made a possible identification of SURRELL as being at Montgomery County Jail immediately after her arrest. Victim WEST identified photograph of HEROD as the officer who informed victims to leave Staley's Cafe and as one of the arresting officers along with a patrolman of the MHSP who resembled the photograph of PERKINS. Victim SIMPSON stated she and other victims were arrested by a patrolman of the MHSP whose photograph was not in the group exhibited to her.

She identified photograph of HEROD as being at jail immediately after her arrest. SIMPSON believes PATRIDGE was at jail after arrest but could not make positive identification. She believes that PATRIDGE "poked" her in the side with some keys at the jail. Victim HAMER identified photograph of PATRIDGE as officer who arrested her and as person who kicked her as she was entering automobile immediately after arrest. She identified photograph of PERKINS as possibly the person with Sheriff PATRIDGE at this time as one of the individuals present during part of her beating and as the person who hit her in the head. She identified the photograph of SURRELL as looking similar to a person who was at the Montgomery County Jail immediately after her arrest, the officer who took her to court 2 days after arrest, and as one of the persons present during her beating. She identified BASINGER by name as the person who gave the blackjack to the Negro prisoner who beat her and as one of the persons present during part of her beating. Victim GUYOT identified BASINGER by name as the officer that knocked him down just prior to arrest and as the officer that arrested him. GUYOT identified photograph of PATRIDGE as being individual who questioned him along with BASINGER. He identified BASINGER and PERKINS as 2 of the officers that beat him but could not make a positive identification of the third officer. Victim PONDER identified photograph of PATRIDGE as arresting officer and identified BASINGER by name as being with PATRIDGE at the time of arrest. She identified photograph of PERKINS as individual with crewcut and dressed in civilian clothes, as person who first hit her, and one that took part in her beating. She said the photograph of SURRELL resembled the officer in the blue uniform who took part in her beating. She identified BASINGER by name as one of the officers that beat her and identified photograph of PATRIDGE as officer that kicked her.

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DETAILS:

On July 30, 1963, Mrs. LULA BELL JOHNSON, mother of victim JUNE ELIZABETH JOHNSON, Greenwood, Mississippi, advised victim JOHNSON departed from Greenwood, Mississippi, on July 1, 1963, en route to a Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) workshop believed to be at Camp Clairee (Phonetic), Hamburg, Connecticut, and stated she will not return until approximately September 1, 1963. Mrs. JOHNSON stated she was not sure that the above address was exactly correct for her daughter but pointed out that the correct address could be obtained from ROBERT MOSES, SNCC headquarters, Greenwood, Mississippi.

On July 30 and 31, 1963, efforts were made to locate and interview ROBERT MOSES concerning the exact address of Miss JOHNSON, but he was out of town on these days and consequently could not be reached. Additional inquiries for Miss JOHNSON's address were made at SNCC headquarters, Greenwood, but no one knew that exact address.

On August 1, 1963, ROBERT MOSES advised Miss JOHNSON can be located at the SNCC workshop, Camp Claire, Hamburg, Connecticut.

On July 30, 1963, WILLIE PEACOCK and other individuals at SNCC headquarters, Greenwood, were contacted in an effort to locate victims FREEMAN, HAMER, GUYOT, SIMPSON, WEST, and PONDER. WILLIE PEACOCK advised victim PONDER was believed to be in Atlanta, Georgia, victim SIMPSON in Greenville, Mississippi, victim HAMER in Ruleville, Mississippi, victim FREEMAN at Browning, Mississippi, victim WEST at Itta Bena, Mississippi, and victim GUYOT at the Mississippi State Penitentiary, Parchman, Mississippi.

On July 31, 1963, EMMA BELL, SNCC worker, Greenwood, Mississippi, advised victim PONDER departed from Greenwood to Atlanta, Georgia, July 28, 1963 and would not return to Greenwood until August 5, 1963.

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ROSIE MARY FREEMAN was interviewed at [redacted] near Greenwood, Mississippi, and immediately advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents as well as the nature of instant investigation. She was advised she did not have to furnish any information and any information she furnished may be used in a court of law.

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She stated she is a [redacted] and resides in the community of [redacted] Mississippi, but has a mailing address of [redacted] Mississippi.

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Photographs of subjects PATRIDGE, HEROD, PERKINS, and SURRELL, along with other photographs, were exhibited to Miss FREEMAN.

Miss FREEMAN identified the photograph of Chief of Police HEROD as one of the officers that was in Staley's Cafe when she and the other victims first entered the cafe. She said she does not know HEROD's title or position and pointed out that at the time she entered the cafe, she recalls he had on a white shirt. She advised that there was another officer with HEROD at the time and stated that she did not see the photograph of this officer in the group of photographs exhibited to her. She identified the photograph of Chief of Police HEROD as the officer that touched her on the back and said, "The colored cafe is on the other side." She identified HEROD's photograph as the officer that informed her and the other victims that they were under arrest.

Miss FREEMAN pointed out that, although she does not see the photograph of the officer that was with Chief of Police HEROD at this time, she knows that he was a patrolman on the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol (MHSP). She said he was dressed in uniform at the time. She advised that she and victims WEST, PONDER, SIMPSON, and JOHNSON were put into a patrol car of the MHSP and that the patrolman drove this vehicle and was accompanied by an individual whose photograph she stated was identical with HEROD. Miss FREEMAN said these are the only two officers she saw at the Continental Trailways Bus Station on the day of her arrest. She

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said she believed she saw another car which she identified as a police car at the bus station and was of the opinion it was black and had "Police" printed on the side. She did not see anyone in this vehicle. She pointed out that she did not see the person the patrolman was talking to when he shouted out instructions to arrest Mrs. HAMER.

Miss FREEMAN said after she arrived at the Montgomery County Jail there were five or six men in the front room of this jail. She identified the photograph of Sheriff PATRIDGE as one of these individuals, however, she did not know his position. She identified the photograph of SURRELL as resembling one of the men present, but she could not be positive and does not recall how the person she believes identical with SURRELL was dressed at the time. She said that the jailer of the Montgomery County Jail, name unknown, was also present but stated she did not recognize him in any of the pictures exhibited to her.

Miss FREEMAN continued by advising that she cannot identify any other individuals from the photographs exhibited to her as being at the jail immediately after her arrest. She said she does not recall seeing but one patrolman of the MHSP. She advised that she cannot identify the officers that cursed her and the other victims and does not remember which officer put her and victim PONDER in the cell. She pointed out that when JUNE JOHNSON was brought back to her cell, after she heard noises indicating that JOHNSON had been whipped, she believes JOHNSON was accompanied by the patrolman of the MHSP. She reiterated that she did not recognize the photograph of this individual as being in the group exhibited to her. She said she believes this same patrolman was the officer that took victim PONDER out of her cell. FREEMAN said she was questioned by the highway patrolman and identified the photograph of SURRELL as being the individual possibly with the patrolman at the time. She could not identify any other officers being present at this time. She pointed out she did not see the officers who took

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Mrs. HAMER out of her cell and did not see the officer when Mrs. HAMER was returned to her cell. Miss FREEMAN stated that none of the officers, with the exception of the individual identified as a patrolman of the MHSP, mistreated her, and she stated she did not personally witness any of the officers mistreating or physically abusing any of the other victims.

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JAMES HAROLD WEST, [redacted] Itta Bena, Mississippi, was advised of the nature of this investigation, the identity of the interviewing agents, and that any statement made could be used in a court of law. At this time WEST viewed an assemblage of photographs which included photographs of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, THOMAS J. HEROD, CHARLES T. PERKINS, and WILLIAM SURRELL. WEST furnished the following information in regard to events which transpired on June 9, 1963, at Winona Bus Station and the Montgomery County Jail:

He believes that the photograph of CHARLES T. PERKINS looks something like the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrolman whom he saw at the Winona Bus Station; however, he is not very sure if this is the same individual or not. The most he can say is that there is a resemblance between the photograph and this individual.

He identified the photograph of THOMAS J. HEROD as being the officer who told his companions and him to leave the Bus Station Cafe.

He does not know the identity of the officer who arrested Mrs. HAMER at the Bus Station inasmuch as the only time he saw this individual at the Bus Station, the officer's back was turned toward him. He did observe that this officer was driving a brown 1960 or 1961 Pontiac sedan and had a "whip" antenna attached to it. He did not observe any markings on this automobile. He stated that if he ever saw again the the officer who arrested Mrs. HAMER, he would not recognize him.

The highway patrolman drove the highway patrol car in which he, PONDER, FREEMAN, SIMPSON, and JOHNSON were transported to the Montgomery County Jail. He identified the photograph of HEROD as the individual who rode in the front seat of the highway patrol car to the Jail. He said that he does not know this individual (HEROD) by name but he later found out that he was the Chief of Police of Winona.

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When they arrived at the Jail, there were only four white men present, as he recalls. There were the highway patrolman, the Chief of Police, and a man wearing civilian clothes whom he believes to have been the jailer; however, he cannot recall what this individual looked like well enough to describe him. He believes that the person who arrested Mrs. HAMER was also there but he cannot recall for certain.

It was the highway patrolman who ordered the two Negro prisoners to whip him. He has recalled that the first name of the [] year old prisoner who whipped him was []. He cannot recall his last name. The [] year old prisoner who whipped him goes by the name of [].

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He identified the photograph of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE as one of the individuals who was present at the court house when he signed the statement regarding his arrest. He does not recall seeing PATRIDGE at the jail before, while, or immediately after he was being whipped.

He stated that he cannot identify by name any of the individuals whose photographs he selected. He said that none of the other individuals depicted in the photographs were at the jail during the time he and his friends were being mistreated, to the best of his recollection. However, he selected photographs of Special Agents HENDERSON HILLIN, JR., and CARL S. LESTOR as looking familiar to him. He said that he believes that he saw these two individuals at the court house when he signed the statement.

WEST stated that he had not actually seen anyone other than himself being mistreated at the jail. However, he did hear the girls hollering on different occasions.

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EUVESTER SIMPSON was interviewed at the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) headquarters, 901½ Nelson Street, Greenville, Mississippi, and immediately advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents as well as the nature of instant investigation. She was advised she did not have to furnish any information and any information she furnished may be used in a court of law.

EUVESTER SIMPSON stated she is presently working at the SNCC headquarters, Greenville, Mississippi, but still resides with [redacted] Mississippi, with a mailing address of [redacted] Mississippi.

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Photographs of subjects PATRIDGE, HEROD, PERKINS, and SURRELL, along with other photographs, were exhibited to Miss SIMPSON.

Miss SIMPSON advised that when she and RUTH DAYS first entered the Continental Trailways Bus Station, she saw a police officer whom she believes was a patrolman of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol (MHSP). She said she does not recognize the photograph of this individual as being in the group of photographs exhibited to her. She said this is the officer that told her and DAYS, "Keep straight on through." She related that at this time she did not see any other police officer in the bus station. Miss SIMPSON related she and victims PONDER, JOHNSON, WEST, and FREEMAN were placed under arrest by the patrolman she had previously seen in the bus station. She advised that they were then asked to get into a patrol car of the MHSP at which time the patrolman got in the car as the driver, accompanied by a second officer. Miss SIMPSON related she does not recognize the photograph of the second officer in the group exhibited to her and said she could not describe him. Miss SIMPSON recalled that shortly thereafter the patrolman called to another officer and requested that he arrest Mrs. HAMER. SIMPSON said the officer was in a light colored car, and she was of the opinion he was alone. She said she did not see him well enough to identify him by photograph and could not describe him.

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Miss SIMPSON related after she arrived at the Montgomery County Jail there were four or five white men in the room in which she was taken. She identified the photograph of Chief of Police HEROD as being in this room at the time. She picked out the photograph of Sheriff PATRIDGE and said she believes that he was present at the time, however, she could not be positive. Miss SIMPSON said she does not know PATRIDGE's position or title. She was of the opinion, however, that PATRIDGE had on glasses at that time. SIMPSON said she believes he was the officer that "poked" her in the side with some keys. She also identified PATRIDGE as possibly the officer that told her to get out of his way. She said the jailer, name unknown, of the Montgomery County Jail was also present but stated she does not see or recognize his photograph in the group exhibited to her. She identified the photograph of SURRELL as being at the jail just after she arrived but stated she does not know how he was dressed at that time. She said she recalls seeing SURRELL at a later time when he was dressed in a blue uniform. Miss SIMPSON identified the photograph of Sheriff PATRIDGE as one of the officers that called her and the victims "Niggers" and one of the individuals that was cursing them. She identified the officer known to her as the patrolman of the MHSP as the other officer that cursed them. Miss SIMPSON recalled only one person whom she identified as a patrolman with the MHSP.

Miss SIMPSON continued by advising she could not identify the officers that questioned victim JOHNSON inasmuch as she did not see them. She was of the opinion that it is the patrolman of the MHSP that brought JOHNSON back to the cell after being questioned and possibly whipped and as the person that asked victim FREEMAN where she had been just prior to her arrest. She could not identify the officer that took ANNELL PONDER out of the cell and said she cannot identify the officers that questioned PONDER, since she did not see them. She could not identify the officers that brought PONDER back to the cell after being questioned and possibly whipped.

Miss SIMPSON related that when the patrolman from the MHSP came to her cell, there were two other officers with him. She identified the photograph of SURRELL as being one of those officers but stated she could not identify the third officer. She said SURRELL and the patrolman of the MHSP questioned her at this time. She could not identify the photographs of any of the officers that took HAMER out of her cell and said inasmuch as she did not see the officers beat HAMER, she cannot identify them. Miss SIMPSON went on to explain that she cannot identify by photograph the officer that took her out of her cell to another cell at the Montgomery County Jail where there was a Negro prisoner present. She said she was positive that it was not the patrolman of the MHSP and did not believe it was SURRELL. She further advised that she does not believe that it is the Chief of Police or Sheriff PATRIDGE. She said she is doubtful whether or not she could identify this person. She pointed out that this individual was the only officer present when she was told to lie down on the bunk in the cell. Miss SIMPSON pointed out that none of the officers actually abused her except the individual she has identified as the one that punched her with some keys. She advised she did not personally witness any of these officers abusing or mistreating any of the other victims.

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FANNY LOU HAMER, Ruleville, Mississippi, was advised of the nature of this investigation, the identity of the interviewing agents, and that any statement made could be used in a court of law. At this time Mrs. HAMER viewed an assemblage of photographs which included photographs of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, THOMAS J. HEROD, CHARLES T. PERKINS, and WILLIAM SURRELL. Mrs. HAMER furnished the following information in regard to events which transpired on June 9, 1963, at the Winona Bus Station and the Montgomery County Jail:

She did not get a good enough look at the Winona police officer and the Mississippi Highway Patrolman who arrested her associates to be able to identify these officers. She identified the photograph of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE as the individual who arrested her at the Bus Station. She said that this photograph depicts the individual known to her as Sheriff EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE. After PATRIDGE arrested her, he put her in the back seat of his car and as he was doing so, he kicked or kneed her. He also said something to her that she does not recall.

The white male, previously described as unknown subject # 2, who rode in the car to the jail with the sheriff and her, somewhat favors the photograph of CHARLES T. PERKINS. As she recalls, unknown subject # 2 had a crew hair cut but she cannot positively identify the photograph of PERKINS as being unknown subject # 2. She said that the photograph bears a strong resemblance to unknown subject # 2. She said that it was unknown subject # 2 who hit her in the face a couple of times with his fist during the course of her beating.

Included in the group of white officers present at the County Jail was the jailer, Mr. FOWLER. She knows FOWLER by name and sight but she advised his picture is not present in this group of photographs.

Also present at the jail was an individual previously identified as unknown subject # 3, a Mississippi Highway Patrolman, who is known to her by the name of BASINGER. She recalled seeing

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this officer's name plate. She stated she does not see his picture in this group of photographs; however, she thinks that the photograph of Special Agent HENDERSON HILLIN, JR., somewhat favors BASINGER.

Also present at the jail was an individual previously described as unknown subject # 4. Mrs. HAMER selected the photograph of WILLIAM SURRELL as possibly being identical with this individual. She said that the photograph is similar to unknown subject # 4; however, she cannot positively identify him. She believes that she could identify unknown subject # 4 if she should ever see him again in person.

She identified the photograph of THOMAS J. HEROD as being the person known to her as the Chief of Police. She also indicated that she knew that his name was HEROD. She stated that she recognized the photograph of HEROD as being the person whom she asked for ice water while confined at the jail after the beating. She cannot recall if HEROD was present during the time of her beating.

She identified BASINGER by name as the individual who gave a black jack to one of two Negro prisoners and ordered them to beat her.

As she previously stated, BASINGER and unknown subjects # 2 and # 4 were present when she was being beaten by the Negro prisoners. She does not believe that there was any other officer present at this time.

It was BASINGER who took the photographs of the members of her group on the night of June 10, 1963. On the morning of June 11, 1963, the group was taken out of jail in order to appear in court. The other members of her group walked to the court house while she rode in a police car to the court house. The car was driven by unknown subject # 4. He asked her if she had ever seen him before and she told him that she had not seen him before. It was at this time that he told her his name and, as she recalls, his name was [redacted] but she cannot be certain. Mrs. HAMER stated that when her group was first brought to the jail, she recalls seeing the officer now known to her as [redacted] stomp on JAMES WEST's feet.

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She does not know the identity of the two Negro prisoners who beat her, but she believes that she would recognize them if she should ever see them again.

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On August 1, 1963, Mr. C. E. BREZALE, Superintendent, Mississippi State Penitentiary, Parchman, Mississippi, advised, although victim GUYOT is at the Mississippi State Penitentiary, he is still technically in custody of Leflore County authorities. Mr. BREZALE stated the facilities in which GUYOT is presently being retained at Parchman are being loaned to Leflore County by State authorities. He said inasmuch as GUYOT is not a State prisoner, he could not make GUYOT available for interview unless he had a letter from the District Attorney, Leflore County, authorizing him to do so.

On August 1, 1963, Mr. PARHAM WILLIAMS, District Attorney for Leflore County, Lexington, Mississippi, advised victim GUYOT is not under his control inasmuch as GUYOT was not convicted in a Mississippi State Circuit Court. Mr. WILLIAMS pointed out that GUYOT was convicted in a Justice of the Peace Court, therefore, is under the care and custody of Sheriff JOHN ED COTHRAN, Leflore County, Mississippi.

On August 2, 1963, Sheriff JOHN ED COTHRAN, Leflore County, Greenwood, Mississippi, advised he has no objection whatsoever to Agents of the FBI interviewing victim GUYOT at the Mississippi State Penitentiary. Sheriff COTHRAN furnished the Agents a letter authorizing Superintendent BREZALE to make GUYOT available for interview.

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LAWRENCE THOMAS GUYOT, JR., was interviewed at the Mississippi State Penitentiary, Parchman, and immediately advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents as well as the nature of instant investigation. He was advised he did not have to furnish any information and any information he furnished may be used in a court of law.

Photographs of Sheriff PATRIDGE, Chief of Police HEROD, Patrolman PERKINS, and Patrolman SURRELL, along with other photographs, were exhibited to GUYOT.

GUYOT stated that he does not recognize the photograph of the officer whom he first contacted on June 9, 1963. He pointed out that this officer was sitting in a patrol car parked in front of the Montgomery County Courthouse but said he does not know his identity other than he was believed to be a Winona city patrolman. He said he then went to the Montgomery County Jail and talked to the jailer, name unknown. He said he does not recognize the photograph of this individual as being in the group of photographs exhibited to him.

He said he returned to the courthouse and contacted the Chief of Police. He identified the photograph of HEROD as being the Chief of Police and as the person contacted. GUYOT also identified the photograph of Sheriff PATRIDGE and the photograph of Patrolman PERKINS as being in the Sheriff's office at the time. He said he knows that PATRIDGE is the Sheriff and further stated that PERKINS was in a uniform of the MHSP. He advised that Patrolman BASINGER of the MHSP was also present but said he does not recognize BASINGER's photograph as being in the group exhibited to him. GUYOT said he knows that this individual's name is BASINGER inasmuch as he saw his name plate on his MHSP uniform. ✓

He further related that there was also an officer whom he believes to be a patrolman of the Winona Police Department. GUYOT did not recognize the photograph of this individual in the group exhibited to him but stated that the officer was in uniform and about twenty-five years old, six feet tall, 150 to 160 pounds, color of hair and eyes unknown.

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He said from the conversations he had with this individual he believes that this officer is well education and well informed.

GUYOT said that the jailer of the Montgomery County Jail was also present but he could not identify him by name and did not recognize his photograph if it was included in the group exhibited to him. GUYOT pointed out that there was possibly another officer from the Winona Police Department present at that time, but he said he could furnish no further description of this individual.

GUYOT stated after entering the Sheriff's office he merely inquired about the charges and the amount of bail for the individuals previously arrested. He identified the photograph of Sheriff PATRIDGE as being the person who told him to leave town. He said he walked out in front of the Montgomery County Courthouse and after being outside was contacted by BASINGER. He identified BASINGER as the officer that struck him and knocked him down. He pointed out that WILLIE SHAW and MILTON HANCOCK, who are presently on the Leflore County Farm, saw BASINGER hit him and knock him down. He said he identified BASINGER as the person who placed him under arrest and stated BASINGER was accompanied at the time by the jailer, name unknown.

GUYOT said after he returned to the Sheriff's office he was questioned by Sheriff PATRIDGE, Patrolman PERKINS, and Patrolman BASINGER. He identified photographs of PATRIDGE and PERKINS. He stated he was beaten by BASINGER, PERKINS, and the officer whom he previously described as being with the Winona Police Department and who was approximately twenty-five years old. GUYOT identified the photograph of PERKINS as one of the officers that beat him. He said PERKINS and BASINGER had slapjacks. He said the twenty-five year old officer kicked him when he was on the floor and was the one who took out his pistol and clicked it two times, at which time the pistol was pointed not directly at him but in his general direction.

GUYOT identified BASINGER and PERKINS as the officers that told him to lie down on the floor and to take his pants down. He said these two officers then instructed him to write on a letter "in the car" and sign his name to that. GUYOT pointed out that the officers wanted this to make handwriting comparisons of a letter which they found on his person. He pointed out that during the time he was being beaten the other officers previously identified were present but did not take any active part in that beating.

GUYOT continued by identifying the photograph of Chief of Police HEROD as one of the officers that took him to Carrollton, Mississippi, after his arrest. GUYOT stated that the officer previously described as the twenty-five year old officer also accompanied him. GUYOT stated that he does not recognize a photograph of the individual that contacted him at the Carrollton County Jail and said he was with the FBI. He pointed out he was only in the Carrollton County Jail from approximately 3:00 to 6:00 P.M. when he was transported back to Winona, Mississippi, by the Chief of Police and an elderly, gravel-voiced officer. He further described this officer as being about fifty years old, five feet four inches tall, 200 pounds, fat, large stomach, color of hair and eyes unknown.

GUYOT further related that on Monday evening after his arrest at approximately 4:45 P.M. Patrolman BASINGER and Chief of Police HEROD took him to the Sheriff's office in the Montgomery County Courthouse. He identified the photograph of Sheriff PATRIDGE as being present in his office at that time. He said BASINGER, HEROD, and PATRIDGE tried to get him to sign a statement to the effect that he had come to Winona, Mississippi, on June 9, 1963, and that he had trouble with the law but that he had received his bruises when he fell out of his car. He stated that BASINGER hit him once or twice during this time with his fists. GUYOT identified the photograph of Sheriff PATRIDGE as the individual he asked to see a doctor. He identified the photograph of Chief of Police HEROD as the officer who talked to him about that time about dropping the charges against him if he signed the statement. He identified the photograph

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of Sheriff PATRIDGE as the officer that kicked him on the flank and said, "You have just earned yourself a long trip to Whitfield and Parchman." He identified the officers that took him back to jail on this occasion as being Chief of Police HEROD and possibly another city officer whom he could not further describe.

GUYOT continued by advising that on June 10, 1963, he was examined by Dr. HOWARD. He then identified Sheriff PATRIDGE as being the officer in front of the jail, at which time there were approximately twenty-five white men present. He said that Sheriff PATRIDGE questioned him, such as, "Where were you born" and "What is your name." He said he was then taken back into the jail at which time he was photographed by Sheriff PATRIDGE, BASINGER, and Chief of Police HEROD.

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Sheriff EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE advised that the prisoner in the Montgomery County Jail on June 9, 1963, identified as [redacted] Sheriff PATRIDGE also stated that [redacted] was also a prisoner of the Montgomery County Jail on June 9, 1963. PATRIDGE related that [redacted] are still serving time in the Montgomery County Jail and, therefore, are still in his care and custody. Sheriff PATRIDGE stated he did not desire to make [redacted] available to Agents of the FBI in order that they may be interviewed.

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Miss ANNELL PONDER, 25 Burbank Drive Southwest, Apt. 3, Atlanta, Georgia, was advised of the nature of this investigation, the identity of the interviewing agents, and that any statement made could be used in a court of law. At this time Miss PONDER viewed an assemblage of photographs which included photographs of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, THOMAS J. HEROD, CHARLES T. PERKINS, and WILLIAM SURRELL. Miss PONDER furnished the following information in regard to events which transpired on June 9, 1963, at the Winona Bus Station and the Montgomery County Jail:

The Mississippi Highway Patrolman who was at the Winona Bus Station had a metal name tag on his shirt which bore the name BASINGER. She selected the photographs of WILLIAM SURRELL as looking somewhat similar to BASINGER. However, she stated that she is not certain if the individual depicted in the photographs is actually BASINGER. She said that there is a resemblance between this individual and BASINGER.

She selected a photograph of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE as being the individual known to her as the Chief of Police who was also present at the Bus Station. She said that she does not know the Chief of Police by name but she is quite certain that the photograph of this individual (PATRIDGE) is the Chief of Police.

As she recalls, it was the Chief of Police (PATRIDGE) who placed them under arrest and told them to get into the patrol car. She does not see in this group of photographs a photograph of the individual who arrested Mrs. HAMER. She selected the photographs of THOMAS J. HEROD and CHARLES T. PERKINS as also being present at the jail when BASINGER and the Chief of Police (PATRIDGE) arrived there with her group of friends. She believes that PERKINS was riding in the car that drove Mrs. HAMER to jail. She said that the photograph of PERKINS depicted the individual whom she previously described as having a crew hair cut. She does not know this individual by name.

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In regard to the photograph of HEROD, she stated that she does not know this individual by name; however, she thinks that he is the local sheriff.

There was also an officer wearing a blue uniform at the jail at that time. She selected the photographs of WILLIAM SURRELL as looking somewhat similar to this individual. She stated that she cannot make a positive identification from these pictures. She does not know the name of this officer.

The individual previously described as having a crew hair cut (PERKINS) was the first person to strike her. She stated she clearly recognizes his photograph. The blue uniform officer struck her second and it was he who asked her if she had enough respect to say "Yes Sir" to him. When the blue uniform officer first struck her, she raised her hands to protect her face and the officer hurt his hand on the bracelet she was wearing. She identified the photograph of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE as being the individual who offered the blue uniform officer his black jack. She said that this individual offered the blue uniform officer the black jack on two occasions. The first time the blue uniform officer did not take the black jack but after he hurt his hand, he took the black jack and used it on her.

During the course of her beating, BASINGER struck her four or five times with his black jack and it was BASINGER who struck her in the stomach with his fist. She identified the photograph of PERKINS as the individual who struck the first blow and subsequently hit her three or four times in addition.

She identified the photograph of PATRIDGE as the individual who kicked her in the calf as he placed her in her cell after the beating.

She identified BASINGER by name and the photographs of PATRIDGE and HEROD as the persons who advised her sometime during the evening of June 10 that their trial would be held the following morning. She identified BASINGER by name as the person who took her photographs at the jail.

At the trial the following morning, the Chief of Police was called on to testify, and it was at this time that she found out his official title. She identified the photograph

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of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE as being the individual known to her as the Chief of Police.

She identified the photograph of PATRIDGE as the individual who stomped on JAMES WEST's feet right after they were brought to the jail.

She stated no one, other than the people she previously identified, struck her while she was at the jail. She did not see any other members of her group receive their beating.

Miss PONDER advised that she usually can be located in care of SCLC, Atlanta, Georgia, or through her mother, Mrs. MARIE PONDER, 1389 Lansing Street Southeast, Atlanta, phone 525-4781.

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(JUSTICE DEPT.)

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ATTY. GEN. ROBERT F. KENNEDY SAID THE CHARGES WERE MADE IN A SEVEN-POINT CRIMINAL INFORMATION FILED IN A FEDERAL COURT IN OXFORD, MISS.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1963

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Mr. Kennedy said one count of the information charged them with conspiring to deprive the Negro prisoners of their constitutional rights. The other six counts charged specific beatings.

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Two other women, Rose Marie Freeman and Euvester Simpson also were arrested at the terminal June 9. Guyot, a Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee representative, was arrested later the same day when he sought the release of the other six.

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The information said the defendants acted "under authority of their respective offices and under color of the laws of Mississippi."

Section 242 of Title 18 of the United States Code makes such deprivation of rights by law enforcement officers a federal offense.

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Patridge, Herod, and Martin C. Billingsley, mayor of Winona, are defendants in a civil suit brought by the Department June 17 seeking an immediate halt to further prosecution of the six arrested Negroes. That suit is in pre-trial stages and no trial date has been set.

On June 11, the six were convicted of disorderly conduct and resisting arrest and were released on \$100 appeal bonds. Their appeals are pending.

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Enclosed herewith are 14 photographs, each identified, which were shown to victims HAMER, SIMPSON, GUYOT, WEST, FREEMAN, and PONDER by the Memphis Division to effect objective identification of subjects PATRIDGE, HEROD, PERKINS and SURRELL.

This set of photographs was used when interviewing all victims within the Memphis Division. Different photographs were forwarded to New Haven Division for their use.

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③ CHARLES THOMAS PERKINS, Patrolman,
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④ WILLIAM SURRELL, Patrolman, Winona
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DETAILS:

On September 9, 1963, Mr. H. M. RAY, U. S.
Attorney, Oxford, Mississippi, advised SA ROBIN O. COTTEN
that on that date he filed a 7-count information against

the subjects in U. S. District Court, Oxford, Mississippi. He advised the charges in the information constitute a misdemeanor, and instant case has been set for trial during the November, 1963, term of court in Oxford, Mississippi.

The 7 counts in the information as filed by Mr. RAY are as follows:

"FIRST COUNT

"Commencing on or about June 9, 1963 and continuing through June 12, 1963, Earle Wayne Patridge, Sheriff of Montgomery County, Mississippi, Thomas J. Herod, Jr., Chief of Police of the City of Winona, Mississippi, William Surrell, a police officer of the City of Winona, Mississippi, John L. Basinger, a patrolman of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, and Charles Thomas Perkins did, within the Northern District of Mississippi, conspire with each other and with other persons to the United States Attorney unknown to commit the following offenses against the United States:

"(A) That they would, while acting under authority of their respective offices and under color of the laws of Mississippi, unlawfully and summarily punish Fannie Lou Hamer, June Elizabeth Johnson, James Harold West, Annell Ponder, Euvester Simpson and Rose Marie Freeman, each an inhabitant of the State of Mississippi then being held in custody of the defendants in the Montgomery County Jail located in Winona, Mississippi, and would thereby deprive each of said persons of his right to be punished only in accordance with procedures established by law, and

"(B) That they would, while acting under authority of their respective offices and under color of the laws of Mississippi, compel and coerce Fannie Lou Hamer, June Elizabeth Johnson, James Harold West, Euvester Simpson and Rose Marie Freeman each to make and sign a statement against his will regarding his treatment while in the custody of the defendants in the Montgomery County Jail.

"In furtherance of the conspiracy, and to achieve the objects thereof, the defendants committed the following overt acts, among others, within the Northern District of Mississippi:

"1. On June 9, 1963, John L. Basinger struck June Elizabeth Johnson in the face while she stood in the booking room of the Montgomery County Jail.

"2. On June 9, 1963, Earle Wayne Patridge kicked June Elizabeth Johnson while she lay on the floor of the booking room in the Montgomery County Jail.

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"6. On June 9, 1963, in the Montgomery County Jail, John L. Basinger directed two jail inmates to beat James Harold West.

"7. On June 10, 1963, in the Montgomery County Jail and in the presence of Earle Wayne Patridge and Thomas J. Herod, Jr., John L. Basinger directed Fannie Lou Hamer to write a statement in words dictated by him.

"In violation of Section 371, Title 18, United States Code.

"SECOND COUNT

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Constitution of the United States, not to be deprived of liberty without due process of law.

"In violation of Section 242, Title 18, United States Code.

"THIRD COUNT

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"In violation of Section 242, Title 18, United States Code.

"FIFTH COUNT

"On June 9, 1963, at Winona, Mississippi, in the Northern District of Mississippi, Earle Wayne Patridge, Sheriff of Montgomery County, Mississippi; Thomas J. Herod, Jr., Chief of Police of the City of Winona, Mississippi; William Surrell, a police officer of the City of Winona, Mississippi; John L. Basinger, a patrolman of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, and Charles T. Perkins, acting under color of the laws of the State of Mississippi, did wilfully procure and compel two prisoners who were then confined in the Montgomery County Jail in Winona, Mississippi, to beat Fannie Lou Hamer, an inhabitant of the State of Mississippi, all with the intent and for the purpose of imposing summary punishment upon her, and did thereby wilfully deprive Fannie Lou Hamer of the right, secured and protected by the Constitution of the United States, not to be deprived of liberty without due process of law.

"In violation of Section 242, Title 18, United States Code.

"SIXTH COUNT

"On June 9, 1963, at Winona, Mississippi, in the Northern District of Mississippi, Earle Wayne Patridge, Sheriff of Montgomery County, Mississippi; Thomas J. Herod, Jr., Chief of Police of the City of Winona, Mississippi; William Surrell, a police officer of the City of Winona, Mississippi, and John L. Basinger, a patrolman of the Mississippi Highway Patrol, acting under color of the laws of the State of Mississippi, did wilfully strike, beat and kick Lawrence Guyot, an inhabitant of the State of Mississippi, with the intent and for the purpose of imposing summary punishment upon him, and did thereby wilfully deprive Lawrence Guyot of the right, secured and protected by the Constitution of the United States, not to be deprived of liberty without due process of law.

"In violation of Section 242, Title 18, United States Code.

"SEVENTH COUNT

"On June 10, 1963, at Winona, Mississippi, in the Northern District of Mississippi, Earl Wayne Patridge, Sheriff of Montgomery County, Mississippi; Thomas J. Herod, Jr., Chief of Police of the City of Winona, Mississippi, and

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John L. Basinger, a patrolman of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, acting under color of the laws of the State of Mississippi, did wilfully strike and beat and did threaten to strike and beat Lawrence Guyot, an inhabitant of the State of Mississippi, with the intent and for the purpose of imposing summary punishment upon him and of compelling and coercing him against his will to make and sign a statement regarding his treatment while in the custody of the defendants, and did thereby wilfully deprive Lawrence Guyot of the right, secured and protected by the Constitution of the United States, not to be deprived of liberty without due process of law.

"In violation of Section 242, Title 18, United States Code."

Memorandum

TO : Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE NOV 1 1963

FROM : Burke Marshall
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

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SUBJECT: Earl Wayne Patridge, et al.,
Subjects;
Rosie Mary Freeman, et al., Victims
Civil Rights

144-40-295

The defendants in United States v. Earl Wayne Patridge, et al., Criminal Action No. W-CR-6343, will be arraigned before the United States District Court for the Northern District of Mississippi, in Oxford, Mississippi, on November 11, 1963. We anticipate that they will be tried during the November Term of court in Oxford, which commences on November 18, 1963. To assist in our preparation for trial, the following investigation is requested:

I.

The victims in this case were charged by the defendants with having resisted arrest. Previous investigations by the Bureau of other civil rights complaints involving these same defendants have disclosed instances in which one or more of the defendants, after allegedly beating the victim, have charged the victim with resisting arrest. See your files in Charles Thomas Perkins, Subject; [redacted] Victim, Memphis Field Office File No. [redacted] Earl Wayne Patridge, Subject; [redacted] Victim, Bureau File No. [redacted] Earl Wayne Patridge, et al., Subjects, [redacted] et al., Victims, Active File. It may become important in the trial of this case to establish, through proof of other similar instances, that it is the practice of the defendants when they have unlawfully inflicted some injury upon an arrested person, to charge such person with resisting arrest. Accordingly, the following investigation is requested:

1. By examining court, jail and police records, determine the identities of all persons who have, since June 1, 1962, been arrested for or charged with resisting arrest by Thomas Herod, William Surrell, Earl Wayne Patridge, John Bassinger, or Thomas Perkins.

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2. Determine, for the period and for each of the defendants just referred to, what proportion of the total number of arrests by such defendant involved a charge of resisting arrest.
3. Interview each of the persons charged with resisting arrest for details regarding the circumstances of the arrest and of the resistance.

II.

The Bureau has previously interviewed certain individuals who were prisoners in the Montgomery County Jail at the time the victims were beaten. Other prisoners, however, were not interviewed because of Sheriff Patridge's refusal to give consent to the interviews. The following additional interviews should now be conducted:

1. Interview [redacted] who was a white prisoner in the jail on June 9, 1963. A news article appearing in the Winona Times of October 24, 1963, states that [redacted] received [redacted] after a plea of guilty. Presumably he is now serving this sentence in Parchman Penitentiary.
2. Interview [redacted] a Negro who was a prisoner in the Montgomery County Jail on June 9, 1963 (see report of Special Agent Ford dated June 22, 1963, p. 5). Information which we have received in preparing this case for trial indicates that [redacted] has left the Montgomery County Jail and is now being held elsewhere, possibly in Parchman Penitentiary.
3. Re-interview [redacted] Miss; see report of Special Agent Ford, June 22, 1963, p. 7).

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4. Re-interview Everett Howard Devine, of Stewart, Mississippi (see report of Special Agent Ford, June 22, 1963, p. 16).

In connection with the interview or re-interview of each of the above persons, the interviewee should be shown photographs of the subjects. Each interviewee should be asked to identify which of the subjects were in the Montgomery County Jail during the period that the victims were in the jail, and should be asked to describe the conduct of each of the subjects with respect to the victims. Details should be obtained to the extent not already obtained of any unusual noises heard by the interviewees, and any conversations which they had while in the jail regarding any of the victims, or the conduct of the subjects toward the victims.

III.

The following material should be prepared for use during the trial:

1. A diagram showing the floor plan of the Montgomery County Jail. This diagram should be of appropriate size to use before a jury. Details regarding the construction of this diagram should be discussed with St. John Barrett, of this Division.
2. A diagram showing the exterior outlines, relative positions, and streets connecting the Montgomery County Jail, the Montgomery County Courthouse, and the Winona City Hall. Details should be discussed with Mr. Barrett.
3. Photographs should be obtained of the front exterior of the Montgomery County Jail, the Montgomery County Courthouse, and the Winona City Hall. Photographs should also be obtained of the official car used by Sheriff Patridge, the black patrol car used by the Winona Police Department, and the white patrol car used by Patrolman Basinger (or another similar such car). Three 8 x 10 prints should be made of each photograph.

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Airtel

To: SAC, Memphis
From: Director, FBI

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL. - VICTIMS
CIVIL RIGHTS

Enclosed are two copies of a letter from the Department dated 11-1-63.

You should conduct the investigation requested advising appropriate officials and others contacted that this investigation is being conducted at the specific request of Mr. Burke Marshall, AAG, CRD, USDJ. Handle pursuant to Manual of Instructions, Section 27.

With respect to the request for the preparation of diagrams to be used in the trial, it is suggested that you attempt to obtain official blue prints of the pertinent public buildings and appropriate city maps showing the relative locations of the buildings and streets involved. If such material is not available, make appropriate detailed sketches with pertinent measurements and also supplement any public source material obtained with any other pertinent sketches necessary to cover the Department's request. You should also obtain the desired photographs requested in the last paragraph on Page 3.

These aspects must be handled immediately and requested material furnished the Bureau in order that the Exhibits Section can prepare the desired charts and the photographic laboratory can make the enlargements in sufficient time to meet the possible trial date.

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Airtel to SAC, Memphis
RE: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.

Relative to the display of photographs of the subjects to interviewees, you should insure that a sufficient number of photographs of other persons not necessarily connected with the case are also displayed in order that any identification made is done in as objective a manner as possible. It is suggested also that if feasible some of the photos of other persons be of individuals whose general facial characteristics approximate those of the subjects.

Handle investigative aspects and surep to reach Bureau by 11-14-63 indicating therein the scope of investigation requested.

NOTE:

We conducted extensive investigation of an allegation that subjects participated in or directed the beating of Negro victims after they were arrested on entering a restaurant connected with the bus terminal in Winona, Mississippi, on 6-9-63. We have also conducted investigation of other civil rights complaints involving the same subjects. Department points out that in many instances the subjects charged the victims with resisting arrest.

Department requests we check appropriate records relative to persons charged with resisting arrest since June 1, 1963, to present and interview such persons for details of arrest and resistance involved. Department also requests interviews of several inmates who Sheriff Patridge would not make available while incarcerated in his jail and who are now in other jails or released and that we show photos of subjects to them.

Department also requests two diagrams of jails involved which will be referred to Exhibits Section for handling when diagrams received and that we photograph jails and pertinent patrol cars used by subjects. *Exhibits Section alerted.*

Information filed 9-9-63 charging subjects with beating victims in violation of Title 18, Section 242 (color of law). Department advises subjects will be arraigned 11-11-63 and case may be set for trial during term beginning 11-18-63.

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TO : MR. CALLAHAN

DATE: 11-5-63

FROM : L. J. GAUTHIER *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.,
SUBJECTS; *[Circled]*
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL., VICTIMS
CIVIL RIGHTS
TRIAL CHARTS

Reference letter from Civil Rights Division to Director, 11-1-63, wherein the Bureau was requested to furnish charts to be used in the trial of captioned subject accused of unlawfully inflicting some injury upon an arrested person.

Attorney St. John Barrett who is handling this case advised that this matter is being presented to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Mississippi in Oxford, Mississippi, on 11-11-63 and that he anticipates the defendants will be tried during the November term of court in Oxford which commences on November 18, 1963.

The Department advised that these charts will be necessary for the preparation of this trial and for presentation of testimony. The office of origin is Memphis which has investigated this matter.

The following material must be obtained in Oxford before the trial charts can be prepared:

1. Floor plan of the Montgomery County Jail. In the absence of blueprints, exact measurements will have to be made. *[Signature]*
2. Trial charts showing the streets, and sidewalks adjacent to the County Jail, County Court House, City Hall and *Bus Terminal* *[Signature]*
3. Suitable photographs of the exterior of the Jail and of the official cars used by Sheriff Patridge and the patrol car used by the Winona Police Department and the white patrol car used by Patrolman Bassinger.

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Re: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL
11-5-63

In order to expedite this request and to prepare charts suitable for use in the trial of this case, it will be necessary that an Exhibits Specialist proceed to Oxford, Mississippi, in order to gather necessary data.

RECOMMENDATION:

UACB, Exhibits Specialist Horace J. Heafner will proceed to Memphis Field Office where he will work with Agents in gathering necessary data.

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TO SAC MEMPHIS

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL., SUBJECTS; ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL., VICTIMS, CIVIL RIGHTS.

DEPARTMENT HAS REQUESTED BUREAU TO PREPARE CHARTS SHOWING AREAS WHERE ALLEGED OFFENSES OCCURRED. THESE NEEDED FOR USE IN U. S. DISTRICT COURT, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI, OXFORD, MISSISSIPPI, AT SESSION BEGINNING NOVEMBER EIGHTEEN NEXT.

IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE GATHERING NECESSARY CHART INFORMATION, EXHIBITS SPECIALIST HORACE J. HEAFNER WILL LEAVE WASHINGTON AT ELEVEN FIFTY A. M., EST, NOVEMBER SIX, VIA AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO SEVEN, WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE MEMPHIS TWO ZERO EIGHT P. M., CST, TODAY.

ALL POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE SHOULD BE GIVEN TO HEAFNER IN HIS TASK OF GATHERING NECESSARY CHART INFORMATION. HE WILL HAVE LIST OF SPECIFIC AREAS TO BE CHARTED WHEN HE ARRIVES.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI ATTN ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION EXHIBIT SECTION

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EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ETAL., SUBJECTS, ROSIE MARY
FREEMAN, ET AL., VICTIMS, CIVIL RIGHTS.

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FROM SAC, MEMPHIS 44-1063 6P

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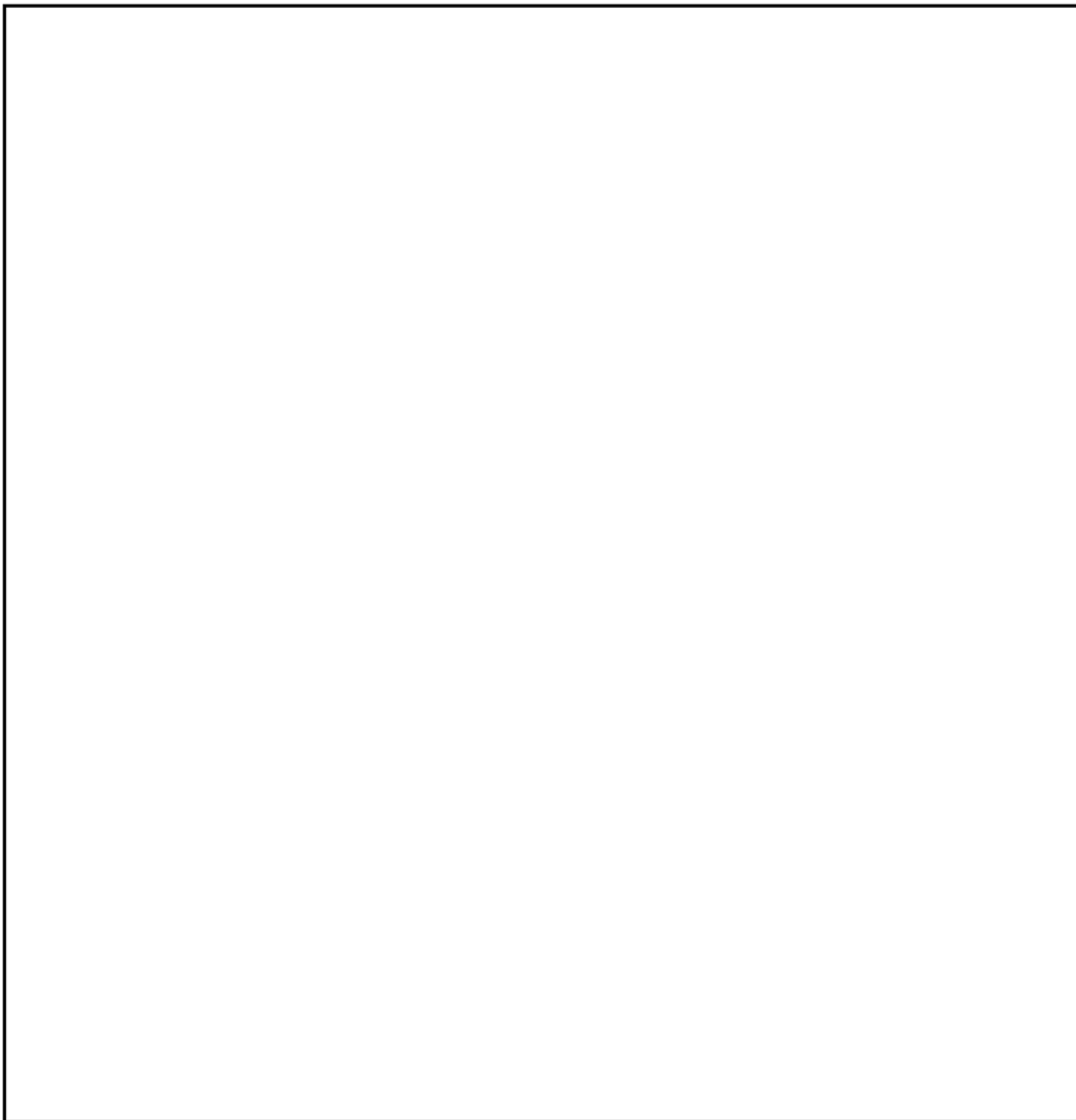
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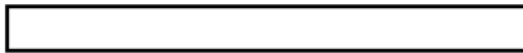
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DEPARTMENTAL MEMO AND MEMPHIS AIRTEL NOVEMBER TWELVE LAST.

ON NOVEMBER ELEVEN LAST USDJ, OXFORD, MISS., SET INSTANT
CASE FOR TRIAL DECEMBER TWO NEXT.

SHERIFF PATRIDGE DECLINED TO MAKE JAIL RECORDS AVAILABLE
AND REFUSED TO PERMIT REQUESTED DIAGRAMING OF JAIL AND COURT
HOUSE. MAYOR M. C. BILLINGSLEY FURNISHED MAYOR-S DOCKET FOR
REVIEW AND AGREED TO REQUESTED DIAGRAMING. EXHIBIT SPECIALIST
HORACE J. HEAFNER MADE APPROPRIATE SKETCHES OF CITY HALL AND
BUS STATION AND APPROXIMATED DIAGRAMS OF COURT HOUSE AND JAIL.
PHOTOS TAKEN EXTERIOR VIEWS OF ALL REQUESTED SCENES.

IN ADDITION TO REVIEW OF MAYOR-S DOCKET, RECORDS OF FOUR OF
SEVEN MONTGOMERY COUNTY JUSTICES OF PEACE REVIEWED. THREE
JUSTICES INCLUDING TWO AT WINONA, MISS., WHO HANDLE MAJORITY OF
CRIMINAL CASES IN COUNTY REFUSED TO MAKE RECORDS AVAILABLE.
NAMES OF TWENTY PERSONS SECURED CHARGED WITH RESISTING ARREST.

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INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW THESE PERSONS PRESENTLY IN PROGRESS. ONLY NAMES, SOME OF WHICH INCORRECT, AVAILABLE, NO IDENTIFYING INFO OR ADDRESSES AVAILABLE.

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DEPARTMENT INSTRUCTED THESE ARRESTEES BE INTERVIEWED RE ARREST AND RESISTANCE. SEVERAL OF THESE PERSONS INTERVIEWED TO DATE CLAIM BEATINGS BY OFFICERS UPON ARREST INCLUDING SOME OFFICERS NOT PRESENTLY LISTED AS SUBJECTS THIS CASE. NAMES OF SOME WITNESSES FURNISHED. UACB AT THIS TIME IN VIEW OF DEPARTMENT-S LIMITING INSTRUCTIONS NO OTHER INTERVIEWS BEING CONDUCTED BASED ON INFO FURNISHED BY THESE ARRESTEES AND NO SEPARATE CASES BEING OPENED.

REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED BY NOVEMBER TWENTY, NEXT. P.

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INCLUDE NAMES OF SUBJECT OFFICERS, VICTIMS AND DATES OF
ALLEGED INCIDENTS. UPON RECEIPT OF THIS INFORMATION, THIS
WILL BE DISCUSSED WITH THE DEPARTMENT FOR A DETERMINATION AS
TO ANY FURTHER INVESTIGATION DESIRED RELATIVE TO THESE
SPECIFIC INCIDENTS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-22262)

ATTENTION: ADMINISTRATIVE
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FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1063)

SUBJECT: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE; ET AL;
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ReBuairtel to Memphis, 11/4/63.

Enclosed herewith are 9 photographs of interior
of Winona City Hall. Also enclosed is a copy of the
blueprint of the floor plan of the first floor of the
Winona City Hall.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-22262)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1063) (P)

SUBJECT: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, Sheriff,
Montgomery Co., Miss.;
THOMAS J. HEROD, JR., Chief of Police,
Winona, Miss.;
JOHN L. BASINGER, Patrolman,
Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol;
CHARLES THOMAS PERKINS, Patrolman,
Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol;
WILLIAM SURRELL, Patrolman, Winona
Police Department;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN - VICTIM;
LAWRENCE GUYOT - VICTIM;
FANNY LOU HAMER - VICTIM;
JUNE ELIZABETH JOHNSON - VICTIM;
ANNELL PONDER - VICTIM;
EUVESTER SIMPSON - VICTIM;
JAMES HAROLD WEST - VICTIM
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DATE 1-5-99 BY SP7 ci/cam
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ReBuairtel to Memphis, 11/4/63, enclosing copies
of letter from the Department dated 11/1/63.

Enclosed herewith to Miami are one copy of
reairtel and one copy of Department letter to Bureau.

For the information of Miami, Mayor's Docket,
Winona, Miss., reflects that [redacted] arrested
[redacted] by Officers SURRELL and STIDHAM for [redacted]
Public Drunkenness, and Resisting Arrest. Fined [redacted]
\$60 for Public Drunkenness and Resisting Arrest, and [redacted]

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Investigation at Winona, Miss., reflects that
[redacted] Negro male, age [redacted] who formerly
lived in Winona, left Winona late 1962 or early 1963 and
last known to be living at [redacted] Fla.

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and in correspondence with relatives has advised that he has been in hospital for heart trouble. Relatives believe he may have been in VA Hospital in Miami or vicinity.

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MIAMI DIVISION

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will locate and interview [] regarding circumstances of his arrest and of the resistance, if any. In the event [] alleges that he was physically abused, will sutel summary of information furnished to Bureau and surep immediately with copy designated for USA, Oxford, Miss. Buded past.

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TO SAC MEMPHIS (44-1063)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (44-22262)

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL., ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL.
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[REDACTED] MENTIONED IN ENCLOSURE TO
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ADDRESSES ARE SECURED ON ARRESTEES MENTIONED IN URTTEL NOVEMBER
FOURTEEN AND ANY OTHER ARRESTEES DEVELOPED DURING COURSE OF
INVESTIGATION IN ORDER THAT DEPARTMENT WILL HAVE THIS INFORMATION
FOR SUBPOENA PURPOSES. SEPARATE COMMUNICATION NEED NOT BE
SUBMITTED ON THIS LATTER ASPECT BUT INCLUDE IN UREP.

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IF RESULTS OF INTERVIEWS WITH [REDACTED] NOT
AVAILABLE FOR SUBMISSION TO BUREAU OVER WEEKEND FOR FORWARDING
TO DEPARTMENT, DEPARTMENT ATTORNEY ROSENBERG WILL CONTACT YOUR
OFFICE IN MEMPHIS OVER WEEKEND TO OBTAIN THIS INFORMATION.
REQUESTED INFORMATION SHOULD BE FURNISHED ROSENBERG AT THAT TIME
AND BUREAU ADVISED. EXPEDITE INVESTIGATION AND SUREP TO REACH
BUREAU BY NOVEMBER TWENTY NEXT.

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11-18-63

Airtel

To: SAC, Memphis (44-1063)

From: Director, FBI (44-22262)

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL. - VICTIMS
CIVIL RIGHTS

In connection with the trial in this matter set for 12-2-63 in U. S. District Court, Oxford, Mississippi, Department requests that Agents who conducted interviews with subjects and took photographs of victims be available for possible testimony in this case.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS 44-1063 4P

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL., ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL,
DASH VICTIMS, CR. OO MEMPHIS.

REBUTEL NOVEMBER FIFTEEN LAST.

ON NOVEMBER EIGHT LAST [REDACTED] CONFINED MSP,
PARCHMAN, MISS., [REDACTED], ADVISED
AGENTS HE WOULD NOT FURNISH ANY INFO OR DISCUSS ANY MATTERS THAT
OCCURRED WHILE HE WAS CONFINED TO MONTGOMERY CO. JAIL, WINONA,
MISS., DURING JUNE LAST.

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ON NOVEMBER EIGHT LAST UPON INTERVIEW, [REDACTED], MSP,
PARCHMAN, MISS., ADVISED THAT HE RECALLS INCIDENT
ON A SUNDAY IN JUNE LAST WHEN FIVE NEGRO WOMEN AND ONE NEGRO MALE
WERE BROUGHT TO THE MONTGOMERY CO. JAIL, WINONA, WHERE HE WAS
INCARCERATED. [REDACTED] STATES MHSP BASINGER WHIPPED ANNELL PONDER
IN THE OFFICE ADJACENT TO HIS CELL AND THAT HE OBSERVED THIS
WHIPPING THROUGH THE PARTLY OPENED CELLBOLCK DOOR. [REDACTED] STATES SHE
WAS WHIPPED FOR APPROXIMATELY THIRTY MINUTES AND THAT SUBJECTS
HERROD, PATRIDGE, PERKINS AND SURRELL WERE PRESENT. [REDACTED] STATES

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cc - Mr. [unclear]
cc - Mr. [unclear]

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NEGRO MALE WHO HE IDENTIFIES AS QUOTE LAWRENCE UNQUOTE BUT WAS ACTUALLY JAMES WEST, WAS PLACED IN CELLBLOCK WITH HIMSELF,

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[REDACTED] STATES BASINGER HIT QUOTE LAWRENCE UNQUOTE ONE TIME KNOCKING HIM ON BED AND THEN OFFICERS TOLD [REDACTED] TO BEAT QUOTE LAWRENCE UNQUOTE WITH BLACKJACK WHICH THEY DID. THEY THEN GIVEN BOTTLE OF WHISKEY FOR DOING SO. [REDACTED] STATES MRS. FANNIE HAMER THEN BROUGHT INTO CELL BLOCK, THAT HE [REDACTED] WHIPPED HER ON INSTRUCTIONS OF OFFICERS AND THEY WERE THEN GIVEN MORE WHISKEY. STATES NO WHIPPINGS TO HIS KNOWLEDGE IN THE JAIL AFTER THE SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON WHICH THE PRISONERS WERE ORIGINALLY BROUGHT INTO THE JAIL. [REDACTED] STATES LAWRENCE GUYOT WHO HE IDENTIFIED FROM PHOTO, AS BEING BROUGHT INTO JAIL NIGHT OR TWO LATER IN A BRUISED AND BLOODY CONDITION CLAIMING TO HAVE BEEN WHIPPED BY OFFICERS BEFORE HE CAME TO THE JAIL. STATES GUYOT NOT WHIPPED TO HIS KNOWLEDGE AFTER HIS ARRIVAL AT JAIL. [REDACTED] IDENTIFIES PHOTOGRAPHS OF ALL SUBJECTS AS WELL AS PHOTOS OF FIVE FEMALES AND GUYOT AS VICTIMS INVOLVED.

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INVESTIGATION AMORY, MISS., DISCLOSED [REDACTED] HAD MOVED TO [REDACTED] WAS FARM NEAR PONTOTOC, MISS. ON NOVEMBER
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EIGHT LAST [REDACTED]
MISS., ADVISED [REDACTED] LEFT HOME IN CAR ON
NOVEMBER ONE LAST AND THAT THIS CAR WAS FOUND WITH MOTOR BURNED
NEAR NEW ALBANY, MISS., SEVERAL DAYS LATER. HE HAS NOT SEEN OR
HEARD [REDACTED] SINCE AND SAID [REDACTED] FREQUENTLY LEAVES AND
IS GONE FOR EXTENDED PERIODS WITHOUT CONTACT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HAS BEEN LIVING WITH HIM SINCE MOVING FROM
VICINITY OF [REDACTED] MISS., DURING AUGUST LAST. HE SAID HE COULD
NOT LOCATE [REDACTED] EVEN IF NECESSARY IN CASE OF EMERGENCY.

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[REDACTED] MISS.,
ADVISED [REDACTED] HAD MOVED [REDACTED] DURING AUGUST LAST

[REDACTED] WHICH HAS BEEN KNOWN [REDACTED] FOR YEARS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] KNOWN TO HIM AS QUOTE [REDACTED] UNQUOTE. [REDACTED] SAID

ON NOVEMBER ONE LAST [REDACTED] TOOK [REDACTED] CAR AND DEPARTED
AND THAT CAR LATER FOUND NEAR NEW ALBANY, MISS., CONTAINING A
GUN WHICH [REDACTED] CHARGES

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FOR THE THEFT OF THIS GUN WERE PLACED [REDACTED] BUT WERE
LATER DISMISSED UPON THE GUN/S RECOVERY. [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

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APPARENTLY BELIEVES HE IS A FUGITIVE IN VIEW OF THE THEFT OF THE GUN AND IS FLEEING TO AVOID APPREHENSION AND FOR THIS REASON HE WOULD NOT ADVISE [REDACTED] OF HIS WHEREABOUTS.

[REDACTED] AGREED TO IMMEDIATELY ADVISE UPON RECEIPT OF INFORMATION ON [REDACTED] LOCATION.

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IN VIEW OF ABOVE, UACB NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED TO LOCATE [REDACTED] P.

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URGENT 11-15-63 8-54 PM KGF

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL, ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL, VICS. *CPS*

CR. OO MEMPHIS.

RE MEMPHIS TEL NOV. THIRTEEN, LAST.

THE FOLLOWING REFLECTS SUMMARY OF ADDITIONAL INTERVIEWS WITH
PERTINENT ARRESTEES WHO CLAIM PHYSICAL ABUSE IN CONNECTION WITH
RESISTING ARREST CHARGES/ [REDACTED] NEGRO MALE, CLAIMS
DURING SUMMER, SIXTY TWO, WAS ARRESTED [REDACTED]

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PRESENTLY SERVING SENTENCE ON UNRELATED MATTER

AT BOLIVAR COUNTY, MISS. PRISON FARM. CLAIMS [REDACTED]

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WITH RESPECT TO REQUEST RE INTERVIEW OF EVERETT HOWARD DEVINE PER DEPT. MEMO, PAGE THREE, NO. FOUR, DEVINE ON INTERVIEW ADMITS PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED FALSE INFO WHEN HE ADVISED AGENTS THAT NONE OF VICTIMS STRUCK BY SUBJECTS. NOW STATES THAT SUBJECTS PERKINS, PATRIDGE, AND SURRELL PARTICIPATED IN BEATING FOUR NEGRO WOMEN AND ONE NEGRO MAN BROUGHT INTO MONTGOMERY CO. JAIL WHILE DEVINE CONFINED THERE. STATES TWO NEGRO PRISONERS IN JAIL GIVEN PINT OF CORN WHISKEY BY ONE OF SUBJECTS, BELIEVED TO BE PERKINS, TO TAKE TWO OF NEGRO WOMEN INTO ANOTHER ROOM AND BEAT THEM.

DEVINE STATES [REDACTED] CALLED HIM LONG DISTANCE ABOUT THREE A. M., NOV. TEN, LAST, TELLING HIM TO COME TO STEWART AND ON SAME DATE HE WENT TO STEWART BY BUS
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WHERE HE WAS CONTACTED BY SUB. PATRIDGE AT BUS STATION AT KILMICHAEL, MISS. PATRIDGE TOLD HIM FBI AGAIN LOOKING FOR HIM AND TOLD HIM TO TELL SAME STORY HE HAD PREVIOUSLY TOLD FBI. PATRIDGE TOLD HIM HE COULD NOT TELL TRUTH IN COURT ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED IN WINONA JAIL BECAUSE IF HE DID PEOPLE OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY WOULD TURN AGAINST HIM FOR TESTIFYING AGAINST OFFICERS INVOLVED. PATRIDGE ALSO GAVE AS ANOTHER REASON WHY DEVINE SHOULD NOT TELL THE TRUTH, FACT THAT PATRIDGE WAS PERMITTING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND LATTER PAYING PATRIDGE ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS PER WEEK FOR THIS PRIVILEGE. PATRIDGE ALSO TOLD DEVINE THAT WHEN PATRIDGE-S CASE CAME UP IN FED. COURT, PATRIDGE WOULD COME FOR DEVINE AND TAKE HIM TO COURT.

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NO OTHER INFO RECEIVED TO DATE INDICATING DIRECT EFFORT OF SUBJECTS TO INFLUENCE WITNESSES OR VICTIMS, HOWEVER, DURING INV INFO RECEIVED THREE PERSONS CONTACTED BY AGENTS ADVISED THAT PATRIDGE AND / OR SURRELL [REDACTED]

REPORT FOLLOWS.

END AND ACK PLS

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. CALLAHAN

DATE: 11-13-63

FROM : L. J. GAUTHIER

SUBJECT: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.,
SUBJECTS
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL., VICTIMS
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Synopsis:

Exhibits Specialist Horace J. Heafner traveled to Winona, Mississippi, on 11-6-63 for purpose of obtaining information to use in preparing charts for trial of captioned case. With assistance of Special Agents Lawrence Olson and Joseph Canale, Memphis Office, data was obtained regarding town layout of Winona, Mississippi; City Hall, Mayor's Office and Continental Trailways Bus Terminal, Winona. Measurements not made of Montgomery County Jail nor of Montgomery County Courthouse due to refusal of Sheriff Patridge to permit these measurements to be made. Some data regarding Courthouse and Jail obtained through other sources. Heafner returned to Washington on 11-9-63 and conferred with SOG case supervisor Edward J. McDonough and Department Attorney St. John Barrett on 11-12-63 regarding preparation of requested charts in light of available information. Work going forward on charts. Trial scheduled for 12-2-63.

Recommendation:

None; for information only.

Details:

Upon arrival at Winona, Mississippi, on afternoon of 11-6-63, SAS Olson and Canale and Exhibits Specialist Heafner attempted to contact Chief of Police Thomas Herod and Sheriff Patridge. Chief Herod was located and advised that City Hall and

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Memo Gauthier to Callahan
Re: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL
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Mayor's Office measurements were needed. He advised that Mayor M. C. Billingsley must approve this action and would be available on 11-7-63.

Attempts to contact Sherrif Patridge at home were fruitless and he was located later in the evening at the Courthouse at which time Agents advised him that they desired to review past arrest records and take measurements of Sheriff's Office, County Jail and Courthouse. Sheriff Patridge indicated he would meet with them on the following morning (11-7-63). On morning of 11-7-63 Sheriff Patridge met FBI personnel and advised that records would not be made available and refused to allow measurements of Jail, Courthouse or Sheriff's Office to be made.

Contact was made with Chief Herod and Mayor Billingsley on 11-7-63 and measurements of Mayor's Office and conference room in City Hall were completed that day. Mayor Billingsley also made blueprint of Winona City Hall available for copying.

It was also noted that a Department of Agriculture aerial photo of the town of Winona, showing City Hall and otherppublic buildings is available. A copy of this photograph will be obtained. In addition, a street map of Winona was purchased at City Hall.

Later that day Walter Johnson, Ticket Agent, Continental Trailways, Winona Bus Terminal, was contacted and was advised of Bureau's desire to make measurements and drawings of bus terminal. He stated he did not have authority to grant permission for this and referred request to Regional Manager P. Dobbins, Jackson, Mississippi. Dobbins was contacted by telephone, stated he would consult attorney and would call back within ten minutes if any objection. No call received and measurements were made on afternoon of 11-7-63 and morning of 11-8-63. It was noted that bus terminal cafe had been removed. Neither Johnson nor Dobbins knew if blueprints of the terminal existed.

Upon completing measurements, Exhibits Specialist Heafner prepared scaled drawings from his field notes for checking purposes. At time these drawings were completed, no transportation for Memphis was available; and, as a result, he left Greenwood, Mississippi, by Southern Airlines on the morning of 11-9-63 for Memphis and returned to Washington by American Airlines, arriving at 3:05 p.m., 11-9-63.

Memo Gauthier to Callahan
Re: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL
11-13-63

Heafner and SOG case supervisor Edward J. McDonough conferred with Department Attorney St. John Barrett, Civil Rights Division, on 11-12-63 at which time Attorney Barrett indicated that information obtained was sufficient for preparing the type of charts he desires. Barrett further advised that trial is presently scheduled for 12-2-63, in United States District Court, Northern District of Mississippi, Oxford, Mississippi.

Chart preparation is now going forward.

11-18-63

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To: SAC, Memphis (44-1063)
From: Director, FBI (44-22262)
EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL. - VICTIMS
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Reurtel 11-16-63.

Continue any reasonable efforts to locate [redacted] Department Attorney Rosenberg will be in close contact with your office and when [redacted] located and interviewed, advise Rosenberg of his whereabouts.

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Department also desires you conduct background check on subjects to include credit and criminal, military, prior employment and education record checks and any other background data to assist Department in handling trial of this case.

Immediately set out leads to St. Louis and any other office involved in background checks by teletype and instruct they be handled immediately and reports submitted in view of trial set for 12-2-63.

Advise any persons contacted this investigation is being conducted at the specific request of Mr. Burke Marshall, AAG, CRD, USDJ. Handle pursuant to Manual of Instructions, Section 27.

Every aspect of this case must be handled on expedite manner and matter completed prior to trial date.

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NOTE:

This case involves alleged beating of six victims by Sheriff Patridge, Montgomery County, Mississippi, and other police officers on 6-9-63. Trial set for 12-2-63.

[] is possible witness whose whereabouts are unknown. Department Attorney Rosenberg requested efforts continue to locate [] and that background checks be made on subjects. Rosenberg is confirming by memo.

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Airtel

To: SAC, Memphis (44-1063)

From: Director, FBI (44-22262) - 133

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Enclosed is copy of Department letter dated 11-18-63. As previously instructed in reBuairtel, conduct investigation requested.

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Memorandum

TO : Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: NOV 18 1963
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FROM : *RAM* Burke Marshall
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

144-40-295
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SUBJECT: U.S. v. Patridge; Request for Background Information
on Subjects.

The trial date for the case of U. S. v. Patridge has been set for December 2. In connection with your investigation of this case, please conduct a background investigation on the subjects of this action. This investigation should include, but not be limited to, records of time spent in the Armed Forces and in various schools; credit information; previous lawsuits; previous disciplinary action; previous jobs and reasons for leaving; applications for federal jobs, if any; other offices held, if any.

The subjects are: Earl Wayne Patridge, Sheriff Montgomery County, Miss.

Thomas J. Herod, Jr., Chief of Police, Winona, Miss.

William Surrell, Patrolman, Winona, Miss. Police Department.

John L. Basinger, Patrolman, Mississippi Highway Patrol.

~~Thomas Perkins~~, Present occupation unknown; formerly Patrolman, Miss. Highway Patrol.

Please carry this investigation out on an expedited basis.

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TO SAC MEMPHIS (44-1063)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (44-22862)

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.; ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL.

DASH VICTIMS. CR.

RE MIAMI TEL TO BUREAU AND MEMPHIS THIS DATE.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY ROSENBERG, NOW IN YOUR AREA AND IN DAILY CONTACT WITH YOU, HAS PREVIOUSLY STATED HE DOES NOT DESIRE PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION AT THIS TIME SUCH AS THAT SUGGESTED BY MIAMI REGARDING VICTIM [REDACTED] HE WILL PROBABLY FEEL THE SAME ABOUT THE [REDACTED] CASE. DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH HIM BEFORE INITIATING ANY INVESTIGATION AND ADVISE THE BUREAU OF YOUR RESULTS.

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NOTE: This case involves alleged beating of six victims by the Sheriff of Montgomery County, Miss., and other police officers on 6-9-63. Trial is set for 12-2-63. At Department's request we are examining available records and are interviewing all persons who can be identified who have been arrested and charged with resisting arrest by five of the subjects since 6-1-62. Department request was only to interview the victims to date. Miami had identified one such victim and in retel suggested a PI be initiated. Facts discussed with Departmental Attorney Murphy who stated he did not believe Department desired PI but suggested as double check that the matter be discussed with Rosenberg who is now in Memphis territory as Memphis is aware.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /44-22262/ AND SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063/

FROM SAC, MIAMI /44-1408/ /P/ 3 P

RE/ CHANGED. EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE/ ET AL/ ROSIE MARY

FREEMAN/ ET AL DASH VICTIMS/ [REDACTED] DASH VICTIM.

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TITLE CHANGED TO INCLUDE [REDACTED] AS VICTIM

THIS MATTER.

RE MEMPHIS AIRTEL TO BUREAU NOVEMBER FOURTEEN LAST.

[REDACTED] NEGRO MALE, BORN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] MISS. INTERVIEWED THIS DATE, MIAMI

AND IN SIGNED STATEMENT ADVISED IN EARLY NOVEMBER, SIXTY TWO

WAS ARRESTED BY [REDACTED] AND FNU STIDHAM, WINONA, MISS.

PD UNIFORMED PATROLMEN AND LATER CHARGED WITH DRUNK

[REDACTED] AND RESISTING ARREST. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TAKEN WINONA PD JAIL AND UPON ENTERING CELL

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[] STIDHAM NOT INVOLVED IN BEATING. BEATING WITNESSED BY QUOTE ACORN END QUOTE, NEGRO MALE, NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED, WHO WORKS AND SLEEPS AT JAIL.

[] SAID IN NO WAY RESISTED ARREST OR PROVOKED [] NEXT MORNING [] TAKEN TO OFFICE OF FNU [] WINONA ATTORNEY, BY PD CHIEF TOM HEROD AND FORMERLY CHARGED THERE.

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FNU WILSON, FORMER HIGH SHERIFF, ALSO PRESENT IN OFFICE. [] DENIED ALL CHARGES BEFORE RINGO BUT FINED EIGHTY FIVE DOLLARS. [] ADVISED WAS IN PAIN DUE TO BEATING AND []

MAYOR OF WINONA, NAME NOT RECALLED, SUGGESTED [] RECEIVE MEDICAL TREATMENT. [] WENT TO LOCAL DOCTOR NAME UNRECALLED, WHO HAS OFFICE [] [] WINONA, BUT DOCTOR REFUSED TO TREAT HIM AS HE HAD NO MONEY.

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[] LEFT WINONA NOVEMBER THIRTEEN, SIXTYTWO, AS HAD NO MONEY TO PAY FINE AND BECAUSE HE FEARED WINONA PD.

[] DESCRIBED [] AS WHITE MALE []

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MISS.

IN ADDITION TO STATEMENT, [REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]
NEGRO MALE, [REDACTED]

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MEMPHIS, AT WINONA, MISS. INTERVIEW ALL LOGICAL WITNESSES
RE [REDACTED] BEATING. LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED] AND
OBTAIN FACTS RE [REDACTED]
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-22262)

FROM: *WAF* SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1063) P

SUBJECT: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL;
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ReBuairtel to Memphis 11/18/63.

The trial in instant case has been set for 12/2/63 in the USDC, Oxford, Miss. The Department has requested that Agents who conducted interviews with subjects and took photographs of victims be available for possible testimony.

SA ROBERT B. FORD, presently assigned to the New Haven Division, and SA TIMOTHY M. CASEY, JR., on temporary assignment to the Birmingham Division, conducted most of the investigation during early stages of this case and their testimony will be needed during instant trial. SAS FORD and CASEY will be in Oxford, Miss. on 12/2/63 for possible testimony, UACB.

SAS JOHN H. PROCTOR and MICHAEL F. CAMPBELL of the New Orleans Division interviewed subject CHARLES T. PERKINS, Macon, Miss., on 7/11/63. These Agents should note date of instant trial and be available if the Department feels that their testimony is vital during instant trial.

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C. C. Wick

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-22262)
ATTENTION: MECHANICAL SECTION
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1063) (P)
SUBJECT: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE; ET AL;
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OO: MEMPHIS

Re Bureau airtel to Memphis, 11/4/63, and enclosed
Departmental Memorandum.

Enclosed herewith are appropriately identified
photographs and negatives of the following scenes:

- (1) Exterior of Montgomery County Jail
- (2) Exterior of Montgomery County Courthouse
- (3) Exterior of Winona City Hall
- (4) Exterior of Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol
Unit #51
- (5) Exterior of Sheriff PATRIDGE's official car
- (6) Interior of Continental Trailways Bus Station,
Winona, Mississippi

The above items with the exception of the photographs
of the interior of the Continental Trailways Bus Station,
Winona, Mississippi, are being forwarded to the Bureau for
appropriate copying and enlargement in compliance with
instructions set out in referenced Departmental Memorandum.
It is requested that sufficient copies of these photographs
be reproduced to allow one copy each for the Memphis file and
for the U. S. Attorney, Oxford, Mississippi. It is further
requested that the above-mentioned enlargements be appropriately
identified.

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It is requested that the negatives and original photographs be returned to Memphis upon completion of processing.

The interior photographs of the Continental Trailways Bus Station, Winona, are to be forwarded to Exhibits Specialist HORACE J. HEAFNER for utilization in preparing diagrams of the bus station.

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Date: 11/20/63

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FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1063) P

SUBJECT: ① EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, Montgomery
County, Miss. ② THOMAS J. HEROD, JR.,
Chief of Police, Winona, Miss.,
③ JOHN L. BASINGER, Patrolman, MHSP,
④ CHARLES THOMAS PERKINS, Patrolman, MHSP,
⑤ WILLIAM SURRELL, Patrolman, Winona PD;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL - VICTIMS
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ReBuairtel to Memphis 11/18/63.

By re airtel, Bureau advised the Department desires all available background information, including criminal and military checks, for each of the above subjects to assist the Department in handling the trial of this case which has been set for 12/2/63 in the USDC, Oxford, Miss.

④ PERKINS is described as WMA, about 45 years old, 5'11", 150 lbs., dark brown, curly hair, ruddy complexion.

② HEROD described as WMA, age 54, 5'9", 150, gray hair, blue eyes.

⑤ SURRELL described as WMA, born [redacted] Miss., 6'1", 190, brown eyes, black hair.

③ BASINGER described as WMA, born [redacted] Miss., 6', 180, dark brown hair, blue eyes.

④ PERKINS described as WMA, born [redacted] Miss., 6', 197, brown eyes, black hair.

Identification Division requested to immediately check the records of their division for any record relating to the subjects and forward that information immediately to the Memphis Division in order that it might be furnished Department.

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TO SAC MEMPHIS (44-1063)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (44-22262)

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL. ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL.
DASH VICTIMS. CR.

ADVISE STATUS OF EFFORTS TO LOCATE EVERETT DEVINE AND
IF LOCATED ADVISE ADDRESS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-22262)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1063) (P)

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE; et al;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN; et al - VICTIMS
CRRe Miami tel to Bureau 11-20-63 and Bureau teletype to
Memphis 11-20-63.

On 11-21-63, Departmental Attorney JOHN ROSENBERG advised of information obtained from [redacted] and referred to in referenced Miami tel. Mr. ROSENBERG advised that he does not see any need for further investigation concerning [redacted] except that the Department may wish to subpoena [redacted] to testify in instant trial but this matter will be decided at a later date.

Concerning [redacted] a possible witness for instant trial, Mr. ROSENBERG inquired as to whether or not he had been located and stated when [redacted] is located that the USM, Oxford, Miss., be advised in order that [redacted] might be served a subpoena.

Continued efforts are being made to locate [redacted] and the Bureau, as well as Departmental Attorney ROSENBERG, will be kept advised of developments.

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URGENT 11-22-63 1-55 PM HDS
TO DIRECTOR/44-22262/ AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS/44- 1810//
FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063/ /1P/
EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE/ET AL/ ROSIE MARY FREEMAN/ ET AL-
VICTIMS/ CR. MEMPHIS ORIGIN.

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DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN ROSENBERG HAS ADVISED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IS IMPARTANT WITNESS IN INSTANT CASE, WHICH
HAS BEEN SET FOR TRIAL IN USDC, OXFORD, MISS., DECEMBER TWO,
NEXT. ROSENBERG REQUESTED INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MISS., [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] PRESENTLY IN CARE OF [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], AND
EMPLOYED [REDACTED] BATON ROUGE, LA.

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NEW ORLEANS WILL IMMEDIATELY LOCATE [REDACTED]
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TO SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1063) *44-1063-1119*
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (44-2262) *22262*

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL. ROSIE MARY FREEMAN,
ET AL. DASH VICTIMS. CIVIL RIGHTS

IN ADDITION TO AGENTS WHO PHOTOGRAPHED VICTIMS,
DEPARTMENT REQUESTS AGENTS WHO INTERVIEW ☐ AND
DEVINE BE AVAILABLE FOR TESTIMONY AT TRIAL DECEMBER
TWO, NEXT, IN OXFORD.

DEPARTMENT HAS ALSO REQUESTED ADDITIONAL COPIES OF
COLOR PHOTOS MADE OF VICTIMS BOTH BY AGENTS OF YOUR
OFFICE AND AT BUREAU. IF NEGATIVES OF THESE COLOR
PHOTOS ARE IN YOUR FILES, SUBMIT TO BUREAU IMMEDIATELY.
S U T E L AS TO WHETHER IN YOUR FILES.

DEPARTMENT ATTORNEY S. J. BARRETT WILL ARRIVE IN
ME NINE PM, NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT, REMAIN OVERNIGHT AND
PROCEED TO GREENWOOD, MISSISSIPPI, MORNING OF NOVEMBER
TWENTYNINE. DESIRES TO CONFER WITH AGENTS OF YOUR OFFICE

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TELETYPE TO SAC, MEMPHIS
RE: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.

WHO TOOK PHOTOS OF VICTIMS.

ADVISE IF MORE DESIRABLE FOR AGENTS TO CONFER
WITH BARRETT ON EVENING OF NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT AT
MEMPHIS OR AT GREENWOOD ON NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE.

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To: SAC, Memphis (44-1063)
From: Director, FBI (44-22262)

KARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL - VICTIMS
CIVIL RIGHTS

Department requests that only Agents who took photographs of victims be available for possible testimony in this case on 12-2-63 in U. S. District Court, Oxford, Mississippi. Department also requests that you have available at U. S. District Court, Oxford, Mississippi, on 12-2-63, all original FD-302's, signed and unsigned statements taken in this case.

Handle appropriately.

For your information, Department has also requested SA Rene Bidez of Laboratory and Bureau photographer Roy Preston be available for testimony in connection with trial on 12-2-63.

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NOTE: Per request of Department Attorney John Rosenberg, CRD. He is confirming in writing.



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To: SAC, Memphis (44-1063)

From: Director, FBI (44-22262)

**EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL. - VICTIMS
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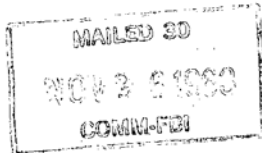
**In addition to Agents who took photos of victims,
Department also desires that Agents who interviewed
be available for testimony in this case.**

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NOTE: Per Department Attorney John Rosenberg.

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TO SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1063)

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (44-2262)

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL. ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL.
DASH VICTIMS. CIVIL RIGHTS.

REURTEL NOVEMBER TWENTY SIX LAST.

SA O. V. JOHNSON SHOULD BE AVAILABLE TO CONFER WITH
DEPARTMENT ATTORNEYS BARRETT AND ROSENBERG AT MEMPHIS UPON
THEIR ARRIVAL THERE ABOUT NINE P. M. CST NOVEMBER TWENTY EIGHT
NEXT. DEPARTMENT ATTORNEYS WILL CONTACT YOUR OFFICE AT THAT
TIME.

SA OLSON NEED NOT BE AVAILABLE AT THAT TIME BUT SHOULD BE
AT OXFORD, MISSISSIPPI, BY EVENING OF DECEMBER ONE NEXT AND
CONTACT BARRETT AND/OR ROSENBERG THROUGH USA'S OFFICE FOR
CONFERENCE.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /44-2262/

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063/ /1P/

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL. ROSIE MARY FREEMAN,
ET AL. DASH VICTIMS. CIVIL RIGHTS.

REURTEL TODAY REQUESTING ADVICE AS TO NEGATIVES OF
COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN OF VICTIMS. THE FOLLOWING NEGATIVES
IN POSSESSION OF THE MEMPHIS OFFICE BEING FORWARDED TO BUREAU
AMSD, LAWRENCE GUYOT, JAMES HAROLD WEST, JUNE ELIZABETH
JOHNSON, FANNY LOU HAMER, AND ANNELL PONDER.

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SA LAWRENCE J. OLSON SR, WHO TOOK PHOTOGRAPHS IS ON
ANNUAL LEAVE IN OKLAHOMA CITY THRU DECEMBER ONE NEXT.
ADVISE WHETHER ESSENTIAL FOR SA OLSON TO RETURN NOVEMBER
TWENTYNINE NEXT FOR CONFERENCE.

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OK for Olson to be
available at trial.

PLS CORRECT DATE 11-26-63

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cc-m' J. R. P. R.

12-2-63

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To: SAC, Memphis (44-1063)

From: Director, FBI (44-22262) - 145

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ET AL. - VICTIMS
CIVIL RIGHTS

Reurairtel 11-20-63.

Enclosed are prints and negatives.

Appropriately identify prints and return two sets to Bureau, one for dissemination to Department.

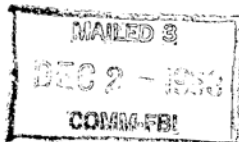
Furnish one set of prints to USA and retain remainder in your files.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-22262)
ATTENTION: MECHANICAL SECTION
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1063) (P)
SUBJECT: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE; ET AL;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN; ET AL -
VICTIMS
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OO: MEMPHIS

Re Bureau airtel to Memphis, 11/4/63, and enclosed
Departmental Memorandum.

Enclosed herewith are appropriately identified
photographs and negatives of the following scenes:

- (1) Exterior of Montgomery County Jail
- (2) Exterior of Montgomery County Courthouse
- (3) Exterior of Winona City Hall
- (4) Exterior of Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol
Unit #51
- (5) Exterior of Sheriff PATRIDGE's official car
- (6) Interior of Continental Trailways Bus Station,
Winona, Mississippi

The above items with the exception of the photographs
of the interior of the Continental Trailways Bus Station,
Winona, Mississippi, are being forwarded to the Bureau for
appropriate copying and enlargement in compliance with
instructions set out in referenced Departmental Memorandum.
It is requested that sufficient copies of these photographs
be reproduced to allow one copy each for the Memphis file and
for the U. S. Attorney, Oxford, Mississippi. It is further
requested that the above-mentioned enlargements be appropriately
identified.

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It is requested that the negatives and original photographs be returned to Memphis upon completion of processing.

The interior photographs of the Continental Trailways Bus Station, Winona, are to be forwarded to Exhibits Specialist HORACE J. HEAFNER for utilization in preparing diagrams of the bus station.

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TO DIRECTOR 44-22262

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS 44-1063 1P

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL. ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, ETAL,
DASH VICTIMS, CR.

REBUTEL NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX, SIXTYTHREE.

EVERETT DEVINE LOCATED AT PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT, HOME OF MRS.
ELKIN MARTIN, EAST TUPELO, MISS., AND WAS SERVED WITH SUBPOENA BY
USM, NOVEMBER TWENTYONE, SIXTYTHREE. CURRENTLY RESIDING SOUTH
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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-22262)

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN; ET AL - VICTIMS
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Relet Department letter to Bureau 11-1-63 and urairtel
11-20-63.

For your information:

Referenced Department letter requested Bureau to furnish
charts for use in trial of captioned case, U. S. District Court,
Northern District of Mississippi, 12-2-63.

These charts are being sent directly to Department
Attorney St. John Barrett, c/o United States Attorney, Oxford,
Mississippi, by air express under Bill of Lading Number B5256048.

Charts being forwarded to Attorney Barrett are as follows:

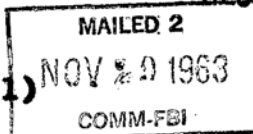
1. One 40" x 60" map of portion of Winona, Mississippi,
showing streets and public buildings.
2. One 40" x 60" plan view of Montgomery County Jail,
Winona, Mississippi.
3. One 40" x 60" plan view of Continental Trailways Bus
Terminal, Winona, Mississippi.

Photographic prints of interior of Continental Trailways
Bus Station forwarded with urairtel are being returned herewith.

At conclusion of trial, please comment regarding use and
value of charts for court use. Direct this information to: Exhibits
Section, Administrative Division.

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