

FILE (164-81)

4/10/72

SAC, SEATTLE

NORJAK

On 4/10/72 I called SAC CALAME at Salt Lake City and advised him that in examining the photograph of the subject of the SALJAK case, it appeared that he had a striking resemblance to the subject of the NORJAK case. I asked him to forward photographs of the subject to us immediately, to Portland and Minneapolis, for display to the witnesses and to establish the whereabouts of McCOY during the pertinent period.

SAC CALAME called me back and advised that in examining the material obtained during their investigation, they have determined that McCOY is a makeup artist. One of the stewardesses in their case described the subject as being swarthy or dark or possibly a Mexican. He had a dark mustache. However, they have located some mustache paste in his effects.

In addition, they have determined that using the name of R. McCOY, which is his name, he made a flight from Salt Lake City to Denver and the same flight from Denver to Los Angeles one week earlier on the same airlines.

The similarities in the SALJAK and NORJAK cases are striking in that in both cases he asked for 2 back packs and 2 chest pack parachutes. In addition, he requested the UAL to give him his own luggage from the plane's cargo department before they departed, and his own parachute and jump suit, helmet and flares, together with 100 ft. of rope in his luggage. SAC CALAME speculates that the subject in the SALJAK case tied the money in his other effects, together, and when he was ready to leave the plane let them descent first, hung onto the rope, just before he landed dropped them and he could make the landing safely. In addition, he dropped 2 parachutes which they have not located. One parachute was located in Nevada and one near where he landed in Utah. The whereabouts of the other chutes are unknown.

SAC CALAME is causing a check to be made of the UAL flights from Salt Lake City to Portland or Seattle for two weeks prior to 11/24/71. We should immediately commence inquiry to determine if an individual using the name of either DAN COOPER, D. COOPER, R. McCOY or RICHARD McCOY made a flight from Portland to Seattle on NW flight 405 2 weeks prior to 11/24/71.

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TO : FILE (164-81)

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FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

Sub 386
McCoy

SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 4/10/72 I called SAC HELD in Minneapolis.

I asked him to check the records of Northwest Airlines flights between Seattle and Portland both ways from November 10 through November 24, 1971, to see if there was any record of a DAN COOPER, D. COOPER, RICHARD FLOYD McCOY, or any combination of those initials made such a flight, and to let us know.

I also advised SAC HELD that the Salt Lake City Office was forwarding a photograph of RICHARD FLOYD McCOY to Minneapolis and asked him to locate the witnesses so the photographs could be displayed immediately.

I called SA in Portland and advised him to make the same check with respect to the witness there and to show the photograph of McCOY to the witness as soon as received.

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TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 4/11/72

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

Sub 386
McCoy

SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 4/10/72 I talked to Mr. SCHUTZ at the Bureau.

I told him of the likeness of RICHARD FLOYD MCCOY to the artist's conception of the UNSUB in the captioned case. I advised him we were checking the flights from Portland to Salt Lake City and Portland to Seattle for two weeks prior to 11/24/71 to see if the UNSUB had made a similar pre-trial flight to that made by FLOYD MCCOY in the SALJAK case.

I also advised him that we were having the photographs sent here so that we could display them to the witnesses, and had arranged for the Minneapolis and Portland Offices to do the same thing.

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Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 4/11/72

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

Sub 386
McCoy

SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 4/10/72 I talked to SAC CALAME and SA [] in Salt Lake City; SAC CALAME advised that the black and white as well as Poloroid pictures of McCoy were being forwarded by air courier to Seattle on the morning of 4/11/72. The colored pictures would be sent later.

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In response to SA [] request, I had Mr. BIBLER check the file and advise SA [] that in searching the plane on arrival at Reno, the contents of the ashtray were sent to the Laboratory and the report reflected that there were 8 Raleigh cigarettes with no latent fingerprints on wrappers. I told SA [] to check United Airlines flight and Air West Flight from Portland to Salt Lake City and return from November 10 through November 27, 1971, to see if there was any record of RICHARD FLOYD MCCOY or DAN COOPER making that flight.

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JEM:eon
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cc: 164-93 *det'd*

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4/11/72

SAC, SEATTLE

NORJAK

On 4/11/72 SAC CALAME called from Salt Lake City. He advised that ASAC [] Minneapolis, had called and informed that one of the witnesses had called the Minneapolis Office and advised that the photograph of the subject of the SALJAK case, RICHARD FLOYD McCOY, looks very much like the subject of the NORJAK case.

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I asked SAC CALAME to forward us by facsimile a copy of the man's military record, his employment record, and such background as he has so that we can commence establishing the possibility that he actually had an acquaintance with this territory.

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NR 019 SF PLAINTEXT

8:59PM NITEL 4/11/72 JAK

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SALT LAKE CITY

SEATTLE

PORTLAND

CHICAGO

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 1P

NORJAK

RE RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR., CAA - HIJACKING; INTERFERENCE
WITH FLIGHT CREW MEMBERS. 00: SU

RE SU TEL TO BUREAU, ET AL, DATED APRIL TEN LAST.

ON APRIL ELEVEN INSTANT, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HUGHES AIR WEST, SECOND AND ELLSWORTH, SAN MATEO, CALIF.,
MADE AVAILABLE THE HUGHES AIR WEST TICKETS REQUESTED IN REFERENCED
COMMUNICATION. THE ABOVE MENTIONED TICKETS WERE REVIEWED
AS REQUESTED IN RETEL. THE REVIEW OF THESE TICKETS WAS MET
WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. THIS REVIEW FAILED TO REFLECT ANY R. MC COY
D.B. COOPER, OR ANY NAME SIMILAR, FLYING FROM SU TO SE, OR PD, OR FROM

PD OR SE TO SU.

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PLS ACK FOR TWO TELS

ACKN NR'S 012 & 019

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: April 11, 1972

FROM :

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Sub 386

SA Minneapolis Division, advised the writer, at 8:45 PM, this date, that he had interviewed two of the stewardesses aboard the SUBJECT flight regarding similarities between ROBERT MCCOY and NORJAK UNSUB.

stated that both stewardesses said that the two individuals were definitely not identical. advised that he would interview the last (third) stewardess in the morning and would back up this conversation with a teletype.

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NR 008 SU PLAIN

12:58 AM SENT 4/12/72 PM IMMEDIATE 4/11/72 ACJ

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

PORTLAND (164-41)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SALT LAKE CITY (164-24)

Sub 386

NORJAK. 00:SE.

REVIEW OF NORJAK CASE FILE, SU DIVISION, REVEALED NUMEROUS SIMILARITIES IN M.O. OF CAPTIONED CASE AND SU CASE ENTITLED "RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR.; CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT DASH HIJACKING; INTERFERENCE WITH FLIGHT CREW MEMBERS (UAL).

IN NORJAK ENVELOPE CONTAINING INSTRUCTIONS FURNISHED STEWARDESS. IN UAL, ENVELOPE AND TWO-PAGE SINGLE ^{SPACED} ~~ACERTY~~ TYPE - WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS, WITH ENVELOPE CONTAINING HAND GRENADE SAFETY PIN AND FORTY-FIVE CALIBER CARTRIDGE GIVEN TO STEWARDESS.

SUBJECT IN NORJAK EXHIBITED CONTENTS OF ATTACHE CASE ALLEGED TO CONTAIN DYNAMITE. IN UAL CASE, HIJACKER EXHIBITED GUN AND GRENADE AND INDICATED HE HAD PLASTIC EXPLOSIVE. GRENADE AND

*SAC advised
12/25/8 JRM*

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NORJAK CASE, UNSUB DICTATED MESSAGE TO STEWARDESS AS FOLLOWS:

"I WANT TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS BY FIVE PM IN CASH. PUT IT IN A KNAPSACK. I WANT TWO BACK PARACHUTES AND TWO FRONT PARACHUTES. WHEN WE LAND, I WANT A FUEL TRUCK READY TO REFUEL. NO FUNNY SZUFF, OR I'LL DO THE JOB."

UAF CASE, SPECIFIC TYPEWRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN FOR UAL TO HAVE FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS IN VARIOUS DENOMINATIONS, TWO BACK AND TWO FRONT PARACHUTES OF A SPECIFIC MANUFACTURE AND LOCATION WHERE THEY COULD BE OBTAINED AT SAN FRANCISCO, THAT FUEL TRUCK WITH SIX HOURS FUEL AND TWO MEN ON TRUCK BE AVAILABLE; THAT ALL VEHICLES BE ONE HUNDRED FEET FROM NOSE OF AIRCRAFT ON LEFT SIDE, AND THAT CAPTAIN OF HIJACKED PLANE USE RUNWAY NINETEEN LEFT AT SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

IN JORJAK, PASSENGERS WERE DEPLANED AND ONE STEWARDESS AND THREE MALE FLIGHT CREW MEMBERS REMAINED ON BOARD. IN UAL, ALL PASSENGERS DEPLANED, TWO STEWARDESSES AND THREE FLIGHT CREW PERSONNEL REMAINED ON BOARD.

NORJAK CASE, HIJACKER INSTRUCTED HE BE FLOWN TO MEXICO CITY,
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INSTRUCTING PILOT TO FLY AT NOT MORE THAN TEN THOUSAND FEET, WITH FLAPS AT FIFTEEN DEGREES, THE LANDING GEAR DOWN AND REAR STEPS OF PLANE ALSO DOWN, PLANE INVOLVED BEING BOEING SEVEN TWO SEVEN, A TRI-JET, WITH STAIRS AT REAR. HIJACKER FINALLY AGREED TO HAVING STEPS RAISED. (IT IS NOTED BOEING SEVEN TWO SEVEN AIRCRAFT UNABLE TO TAKE OFF WITH STAIRS IN LOWERED POSITION. HOWEVER IN ORDER FOR STAIRS TO BE LOWERED IN FLIGHT, IT IS NECESSARY THAT REAR PRESSURED DOOR BE IN OPEN POSITION ON TAKE-OFF.)

CONTINUING IN NORJAK, STEWARDESS REMAINED IN CABIN WITH HIJACKER, AND HIJACKER HAD STEWARDESS SHOW HIM HOW TO LOWER STEPS AND ORDERED HER TO GO TO FIRST-CLASS SECTION. UAL CASE, HIJACKER ORDERED STEWARDESS TO GO TO FRONT SECTION OF PLANE AND DID NOT REQUIRE INSTRUCTIONS AS TO HOW TO OPERATE LOWERING MECHANISM OF REAR STAIRS.

NORJAK CASE, PLANE CAPTAIN IN CONTACT WITH HIJACKER BY INTERCOM AND JUST PRIOR TO FINAL COMMUNICATION WITH HIJACKER, CAPTAIN HAD SIGNAL INDICATING STAIRS HAD BEEN LOWERED.

UAL CASE, PLANE CREW ON OXYGEN FLYING AT SIXTEEN THOUSAND
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FEET FOR PERIOD OF ONE AND ONE-HALF HOURS PRIOR TO HIJACKER JUMPING DUE TO OPEN REAR STAIRS.

NORJAK CASE, BOEING SEVEN TWO SEVEN FLYING AT ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY KNOTS. UAL CASE, BOEING SEVEN TWO SEVEN FLYING AT ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY KNOTS, WHICH APPROXIMATES TWO HUNDRED MILES PER HOUR OR THREE MILES PER MINUTE, AT INSTRUCTION OF HIJACKER.

NORJAK CASE, TWO PARACHUTES REMAINED ON AIRCRAFT WHEN IT ARRIVED RENO, NEVADA, ONE OF WHICH WAS OPEN AND THREE SHROUD LINES HAD BEEN CUT AND REMOVED FROM PARACHUTE, PRESUMABLY TO TIE RANSOM MONEY PACKAGE TO HIJACKER. UAL CASE, HIJACKER JETTISONED ONE, TWO OR THREE PARACHUTES IN NEVADA, AT LEAST ONE CONTAINING HOMING DEVICE AND HAD ROPE OR HARNESS IN HIS POSSESSION TO FASTEN MONEY AND EQUIPMENT TO HIM. IN UAL CASE ROPE WAS NINETEEN FEET LONG, WITH EYE GROMMETS. IN INTERVIEW OF LOCAL NATIONAL GUARD PARACHUTE JUMPER, HE INDICATED IT IS STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE IN NATIONAL GUARD UNITS TO HAVE "H" HARNESS WITH WHICH EQUIPMENT PACKAGE IS STRAPPED TO BODY. APPROXIMATELY TWENTY-FOOT ROPE IS FASTENED TO HARNESS AND EQUIPMENT PACKAGE, AND AFTER PARACHUTE IS OPENED, JUMPER
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LOWERS PACKAGE SO IT DANGLES BELOW HIM. AS JUMPER APPROACHES GROUND, HE RELEASES ROPE FROM BODY HARNESS WITH RESULT PACKAGE WILL DROP IN IMMEDIATE AREA OF LANDING. JUMPER CANNOT REIN CKA FASTENED TO BODY AS THIS WOULD HINDER LANDING OPERATION AND POSSIBLY CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION IN BOTH CASES IS REMARKABLY SIMILAR. IN NORJAK CASE, SUBJECT IS DESCRIBED AS POSSIBLY IN MID-FORTIES, AND PERSONAL OBSERVATION OF SUBJECT, AGE TWENTY-NINE, GIVES IMMEDIATE IMPRESSION OF MAN POSSIBLY FORTY. COMPOSITE PHOTOGRAPH OF NORJAK SUBJECT BEARS STRONG RESEMBLANCE, PARTICULARLY HAIRLINE, HAIR PART, SHAPE OF FACE AND NOSE. IN NORJAK CASE, WITNESSES DESCRIBED SUBJECT'S COMPLEXION AS OLIVE, LATIN APPEARANCE, MEDIUM SMOOTH. IN UAL CASE, WITNESSES LIKEWISE DESCRIBED SUBJECT AS OF DARK COMPLEXION, POSSIBLY MEXICAN, BELIEVED DUE TO MAKE UP. IN NORJAK CASE, SUBJECT DESCRIBED AS HAVING SIDEBURNS AT LOW EAR LEVEL. SUBJECT IN UAL CASE UPON ARREST HAS SIDEBURNS TO BOTTOM LOBE OF EAR. IN NORJAK CASE, WITNESSES STATED VOICE HAD NO PARTICULAR ACCENT, POSSIBLY FROM MID-WEST SECTION OF U.S. IN UAL CASE,

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WITNESSES DESCRIBED SUBJECT'S VOICE AS NORMAL AND DID NOT REFER TO ANY ACCENT OF ANY TYPE.

IN NORJAK CASE, UNSUB DESCRIBED AS HEAVY SMOKER OF RALEIGH FILTER TIP CIGARETTES. IN UAL CASE, SUBJECT BROUGHT SUPPLY OF CANDY AND CONTINUALLY EATING CANDY DURING FLIGHT. IT IS NOTED UAL INVESTIGATION HAS NOT INDICATED UAL SUBJECT SMOKES; HOWEVER IS FROM RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA. CANDY COULD BE SUBSTITUTE FOR CIGARETTES; HOWEVER SUBJECT IN EACH CASE OBVIOUSLY NERVOUS.

IN UAL CASE, THERE IS OBVIOUS EVIDENCE SUBJECT ATTEMPTED TO DISGUISE HIMSELF AFTER BOARDING PLANE, IN THAT HE ON TWO OCCASIONS SPENT EXTENDED PERIODS IN LAVATORY AND EMERGED WITH BLACK HAIR WIG AND FALSE MUSTACHE.

NORJAK CASE, SUBJECT DURING LATTER PART OF FLIGHT PUT ON DARK WRAP-AROUND SUNGLASSES, WITH DARK RIMS. UAL CASE, SUBJECT BOARDED PLANE WITH MIRROR TYPE SUNGLASSES.

IN NORJAK CASE, SUBJECT BELIEVED TO HAVE DEPARTED PLANE IN AREA CONTAINING A NOTICEABLE BEACON AND FARM LAND. IN UAL CASE, SUBJECT DEPARTED PLANE SHORTLY AFTER HEADING EAST, ~~UTALAKE~~

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NEAR AIRPORT WITH BEACON AND IMMEDIATELY BEYOND, FARM LAND THUS PROVIDING EXCELLENT BEARINGS FOR JUMP.

IN NORJAX CASE, UNSUB VERY INSISTENT UPON RETRIEVING INSTRUCTIONS AFTER READING BY PILOT. IN UAL CASE, SUBJECT LIKEWISE INSISTENT UPON RETRIEVING INSTRUCTIONS. ADVANCE PREPARATION OF FLIGHT PLAN INSTRUCTIONS IN UAL CASE COULD LOGICALLY REPRESENT REFINEMENT OF M.O.

INTERVIEW OF SISTER-IN-LAW OF UAL SUBJECT INDICATES SUBJECT HAD ADVISED HER THAT IF HE WERE EVER TO BE INVOLVED IN HIJACKING, HE WOULD NOT SPEND ANY OF HIJACKED LOOT FOR MANY YEARS BECAUSE IT WOULD BE MARKED WITH SUBSTANCE THAT WOULD BE VISIBLE BY USE OF AN ULTRAVIOLET LIGHT AND HE WOULD NOT SPENDSANY OF THE MONEY FOR MANY YEARS BECAUSE HE BELIEVED HE COULD NOT BE PROSECUTED AFTER SEVEN YEARS FOLLOWING THE CRIME.

INTERVIEWS OF ACQUAINTANCES OF SUBJECT IN UAL CASE INDICATE SUBJECT OBSESSED WITH IDEA OF HIJACKING AND CONTINUALLY BROUGHT UP DISCUSSIONS WHEREIN HE ATTEMPTED TO OBTAIN OPINIONS AS TO WHAT THE OTHER HIJACKERS HAD DONE WRONG IN THEIR OPERATION. THESE ACQUAINTANCES DESCRIBED SUBJECT IN UAL CASE AS NOT PARTICULARLY EXPERT

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JUMPER AND FURTHER DISCUSSED SPECIAL PROBLEMS ATTENDANT TO NIGHTTIME JUMPS.

IT IS NOTED THAT IN SEARCH OF UAL SUBJECT'S VEHICLE, HE HAD NEWSPAPER ARTICLE CONCERNING UAL HIJACKING IN CAR, AND IT IS FURTHER NOTED THAT SEARCH OF SUBJECT'S RESIDENCE DISCOVERED FILE OF NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS CONCERNING NORJAK CASE.

SU IS ATTEMPTING TO ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF UAL SUBJECT NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR LAST AND PERIODS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR THERETO.

BANK ACCOUNT RECORDS HAVE BEEN LOCATED AND WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE APRIL TWELVE NEXT.

INSTRUCTORS AT BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY (BYU) ADVISED ATTENDANCE RECORDS NOT KEPT AND THREE INSTRUCTORS RECALLED PERIODS OF ABSENCE DURING AUTUMN SEMESTER, NINETEEN SEVENTY-ONE, WHICH COULD POSSIBLY BE DURING PERTINENT PERIOD. HOWEVER, NO SPECIFIC INFORMATION DEVELOPED THESE SOURCES.

TELEPHONE TOLL RECORDS BEING OBTAINED.

NATIONAL GUARD RECORDS BEING OBTAINED TO DETERMINE POSSIBLE DUTY OF SUBJECT DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

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SINCE UAL SUBJECT BELIEVED TO HAVE MADE DRY RUN ON SAME DAY OF WEEK ONE WEEK BEFORE HIJACK FLIGHTS, LEADS SET OUT TO CHECK FOR TRANSPORTATION ONE, TWO, THREE OR FOUR WEEKS BEFORE NORJAK.

IT IS NOTED PHOTOGRAPHS OF UAL SUBJECT HAVE BEEN FURNISHED TO NORJAK OFFICES HAVING WITNESSES, THESE PHOTOGRAPHS BEING STANDUP FRONT AND PROFILE, BLACK AND WHITE PHOTOGRAPHS, AS WELL AS TWO TYPES OF COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS.

ABOVE IS BASED ON VERY LIMITED INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO SU ON NORJAK CASE. HOWEVER, SEATTLE IS SENDING ADDITIONAL DETAILS AND IT IS BELIEVED THERE WILL BE MANY MORE SIMILARITIES IN THESE TWO CASES.

SU'S REPORT IS IN TYPING AND COPY WILL BE FURNISHED SE AND PD.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SALT LAKE CITY (164-81)

SEATTLE (164-73)

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 2P

Sub 386

NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE AND SALT LAKE CITY TELEPHONE CALLS TO MINNEAPOLIS
APRIL ELEVEN LAST; AND SALT LAKE CITY TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR
APRIL ELEVEN LAST.

THIS DATE A SERIES OF PHOTOGRAPHS CONTAINING THAT OF
RICHARD FLOYD MC COY WAS SHOWN TO NORTHWEST STEWARDESSES AT
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

THE THREE STEWARDESSES STATED THERE WERE SOME SLIGHT
SIMILARITIES, BUT EACH WAS QUITE CERTAIN THAT MC COY WAS NOT
IDENTICAL WITH COOPER.

SOME OF THE DIFFERENCES IN PHYSICA CHARACTERISTICS THAT
WERE NOTED WERE THAT MC COY'S EARS STUCK OUT FURTHER FROM HIS
HEAD THAN THOSE OF COOPER, COOPER'S HAIR WAS FULLER THAN THAT
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THAT OF MC COY'S , MC COY'S NOSE WAS BROADER THAN THAT OF COOPER; AND [REDACTED] THE ONLY STEWARDESS WHO SAW COOPER WITHOUT HIS GLASSES, STATED THAT COOPER'S EYES WERE BROWN. IT IS NOTED FROM THE PHOTOGRAPH OF MC COY, HIS EYES WERE BLUE. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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JFK FBI SEATTLE

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: 4/12/72

Sub 386

SA [redacted] Portland, advised that Portland witness [redacted] said that MC COY's photo definitely was not UNSUB.

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Portland witness [redacted] advised that a group of photos containing MC COY did not contain a photo of the hijacker.

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Witness [redacted] at Eugene, Oregon advised MC COY definitely not identical.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 4/12/72

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Sub 386

ASAC ^{*MD.*} advised that all three ^{*Stenches*} witnesses viewed photograph of MC COY and advised he was not identical to NORJAK subject.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 4/12/72

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Sub 386

On 4/12/72 I called SA HENRY SCHUTZ at the Bureau.

I advised him that the 3 stewardess witnesses in Minneapolis had observed the photograph of RICHARD FLOYD McCOY and advised that he was not identical with the NORJAK subject.

I told him that one witness here had observed certain similarities between the photograph of McCOY and the NORJAK subject; however, this witness, [redacted] said that if McCOY were wearin a wig and had cosmetic makeup, it would change his complexion to a darker shade and there would be more similarity.

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Witness [redacted] advised that after viewing the photograph of McCOY, he would eliminate McCOY as a suspect in NORJAK. He did say there were facial similarities but based on the photograph displayed to him of McCOY, he would be eliminated as a suspect.

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A 3rd witness here was unable to identify McCOY as the subject of NORJAK.

I told Mr. SCHUTZ that in spite of this, in view of the obvious similarity in the two cases, together with the apparent similarities of McCOY's photograph to that of the artist's sketch, I thought we should immediately establish positively his whereabouts during the pertinent period through independent witnesses, and that we would continue the investigation endeavoring to determine if McCOY had made a pre-hijacking flight from Salt Lake City to Portland and return and/or from Portland to Seattle and return.

I advised him later some time today we would send him a teletype concerning this matter.

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cc: 164-93

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Memorandum

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DATE: 4/12/72

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Sub 386

On 4/12/72 I talked to SA [redacted] in Salt Lake City and referred to the Bureau's teletype today concerning this case.

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I told him the 3 stewardesses had indicated that the photograph of McCOY was not identical with the UNSUB in this case. Two of the witnesses here had indicated there was a strong likeness and they would not eliminate him.

I suggested in view of this that they concentrate their investigation on establishing the whereabouts of McCOY on Thanksgiving, 11/25/71, and specifically during the pertinent period of 11/24/71, that being from 3:30 PM until 8:12 PM.

I advised him that they should interview neighbors, family members, establish where McCOY had Thanksgiving dinner and go from there. He advised that the doctor would not let him interview [redacted] McCOY. I suggested having the doctor [redacted] He advised this would be done.

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10:49 AM URGENT 4-12-72 GXC

TO SEATTLE SALT LAKE CITY

PORTLAND MINNEAPOLIS

FROM DIRECTOR (164-2111)

Sub 386

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RE SALT LAKE CITY TELETYPE APRIL ELEVEN LAST SETTING OUT SIMILARITIES EXISTING BETWEEN NORJAK AND HIJACKING OF UNITED AIR LINES FLIGHT EIGHT FIVE FIVE APRIL SEVEN LAST, BY RICHARD FLOYD MC COY.

THERE APPEARS TO BE LITTLE DOUBT THAT MC COY CAPITALIZED ON THE MO UTILIZED IN NORJAK. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT IMMEDIATE AND INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION BE CONDUCTED TO ESTABLISH MC COY'S WHEREABOUTS UNEQUIVOCALLY ON NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR LAST, DATE OF NORJAK. THIS PORTION OF NORJAK INVESTIGATION IS TO BE COORDINATED BY THE SALT LAKE CITY OFFICE AND ALL LEADS ARE TO BE HANDLED BY TELEPHONE, CONFIRMED BY TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, OFFICE OF ORIGIN, AND INTERESTED OFFICES. THE SEATTLE OFFICE IS TO IMMEDIATELY DISSEMINATE COPIES OF THE REPORT OF SA CHARLES E. FARRELL AT SEATTLE DATED FEBRUARY SIXTEEN LAST TO THE WEST COAST OFFICES IN ORDER TO FACILITATE

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THIS INVESTIGATION.

SALT LAKE CITY OFFICE SHOULD IMMEDIATELY INTERVIEW ALL ASSOCIATES OF MC COY NOTING HE HAS FREELY DISCUSSED HIS HIJACKING INTERESTS OVER A PERIOD OF TIME AND COULD HAVE DISCUSSED NORJAK PRIOR TO ITS OCCURRENCE. IMMEDIATELY FURNISH PERTINENT INFORMATION FOR A REVIEW OF MC COY'S BANK RECORDS AND TELEPHONE CALLS. DETERMINE WHAT CREDIT CARDS MC COY HAS AND HAVE THE RECEIPTS EXAMINED TO DETERMINE IF CHARGES WERE MADE IN PERTINENT AREAS AT TIME OF NORJAK. DETERMINE IF MC COY HAD NATIONAL GUARD DUTY AROUND THANKSGIVING, SEVENTY ONE, PARTICULARLY NOTING IF HE COULD HAVE FLOWN OR BEEN FLOWN IN NATIONAL GUARD AIRCRAFT TO THE PORTLAND-SEATTLE AREA. ADVISE BUREAU RESULTS OF CHECKS BEING MADE CONCERNING POSSIBLE DRY RUN MADE BY MC COY PRIOR TO NORJAK.

INFORMATION CONCERNING MC COY'S ALLEGED LEG INJURY SHOULD BE FULLY EXPLORED INCLUDING INTERVIEW OF DOCTOR TREATING SAME, AND DETERMINE CAUSE, DATE AND EXTENT OF INJURY. FOR INFORMATION OF SALT LAKE CITY, SEARCH OF NORJAK AIRCRAFT BY BUREAU AGENTS AT RENO, NEVADA, LOCATED IN SEAT NUMBER EIGHTEEN E, SEAT UTILIZED BY UNSUB, BLACK CLIP-ON TIE WITH TIE CLASP DESCRIBED AS YELLOW GOLD IN COLOR WITH WHITE PEARL CIRCULAR STONE IN THE CENTER. PRINCIPAL WITNESS ADVISES THIS POSSIBLY BELONGED TO THE UNSUB. THIS TIE WAS AN INEXPENSIVE TIE WHICH BORE THE LABEL "TOWN CRAFT" WHICH ARE SOLD AT J. C. PENNY DEPARTMENT STORES. INVESTIGATION DETERMINED THIS TIE HAD BEEN PURCHASED ABOUT A YEAR OR ONE-HALF AGO. TIE AND CLASP BEING MAINTAINED AS EVIDENCE BY LAS VEGAS OFFICE. SALT LAKE CITY

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IMMEDIATELY INSTITUTE INVESTIGATION COORDINATED WITH LAS VEGAS
TO DETERMINE IF THE TIE AND CLASP COULD BELONG TO MC COY.

SALT LAKE CITY DETERMINE IF MC COY HAS EVER BEEN EMPLOYED IN
THE AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY OR WITH ANY SUB-CONTRACTOR IN THIS INDUSTRY.
BECAUSE OF THE KNOWLEDGE DEMONSTRATED BY THE HIJACKERS CONCERNING
BOEING SEVEN TWO SEVEN AIRCRAFT, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT NORJAK
SUBJECT IS A FORMER EMPLOYEE IN THE AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY.

THIS MATTER IS TO RECEIVE CONTINUOUS AND VIGOROUS ATTENTION
UNTIL FULLY RESOLVED. KEEP BUREAU IMMEDIATELY ADVISED OF
PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: 4/12/72

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On 4/11/72 witness [REDACTED] advised that there is certain similarities between photograph of MC COY and hijacker D.B. COOPER, although [REDACTED] felt that if MC COY were wearing a wig and had cosmetic make-up, it would change his complexion to a darker shade and there would be more similarity. [REDACTED] said that based on the photograph displayed him, he could not positively identify MC COY as the NORJAK hijacker.

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

DATE: 4/12/72

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE
BUfile 164-2111

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On April 11, 1972, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Seattle, Washington, viewing a photo
of RICHARD FLOYD McCOY, advised that this individual is
not identical with his recollection of the hijacker in
this case, but since he bears some facial resemblances
he could not be positively eliminated as identical with
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TO DIRECTOR

SEATTLE (164-81)

CHARLOTTE

FROM SALT LAKE CITY (164-24) 3P

NORJAK.

RE SALT LAKE CITY TELETYPE, APRIL ELEVEN LAST TO
BUREAU; AND SALT LAKE CITY TELEPHONE CALL TO CHARLOTTE
INSTANT DATE.

REVIEW OF RECORDS, WALKER BANK AND TRUST COMPANY,
INDICATES RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR., SUBJECT OF HIJACKING
OF UNITED AIR LINES FLIGHT EIGHT FIVE FIVE, APRIL SEVEN
LAST, HAD MAINTAINED AN ACCOUNT AND HAD LOANS AT WACHOVIA
BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA AND AT
THE BANK OF NORTH CAROLINA (BANK IDENTIFIER SIX SIX TWO
ZERO SIX), KINGSTON, NORTH CAROLINA. MC COY ALSO INDICATED
IN BANK CARD APPLICATION THAT HE HAD A MASTER CHARGE BANK
CARD AND A BANKAMERICARD.

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[REDACTED] ZIONS FIRST NATIONAL BANK,
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, ADVISED TODAY MC COY HAD OBTAINED CASH
ADVANCE OF TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS ON MASTER CHARGE CARD A DAY OR
TWO PRIOR TO APRIL SEVEN LAST. COMPLETE DETAILS BEING OBTAINED.

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[REDACTED] BELIEVES MASTER CHARGE CARD HAD BEEN ISSUED TO MC COY BY
NORTH CAROLINA BANK.

[REDACTED] FIRST SECURITY BANK OF UTAH, "N.A.,
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, ADVISED MC COY HAS BANKAMERICARD
THROUGH HIS BANK. HE WILL PROVIDE PHOTOCOPIES OF ALL
CHARGE TICKETS ON BANKAMERICARD BY MORNING OF APRIL THIRTEEN
NEXT.

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CHARLOTTE IMMEDIATELY CONTACT WACHOVIA BANK AND TRUST
COMPANY, RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA, AND BANK OF NORTH CAROLINA,
KINGSTON, NORTH CAROLINA. DETERMINE IF MC COY HAD ANY BANK CARD
ISSUED BY THOSE BANKS, ANY SAVINGS ACCOUNTS, CHECKING ACCOUNTS,
LOANS AND SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES. OBTAIN PHOTOCOPIES OF ALL BANK
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CHARGE CARD TICKETS, DETAILS OF DEPOSITS TO ANY SAVINGS ACCOUNTS LOCATED AND PHOTOCOPIES OF ANY CHECKS DEPOSITED OR DRAWN ON ANY OF MC COY'S ACCOUNTS DURING PERIOD OCTOBER NINETEEN SEVENTYONE TO PRESENT. ALSO DETERMINE IF SAVINGS DEPOSIT BOX LOCATED, ANY DATES OF ENTRY TO SAME. ALSO OBTAIN COPIES OF MONTHLY STATEMENTS DURING OCTOBER NINETEEN SEVENTYONE TO PRESENT TIME.

CHARLOTTE SHOULD BE PARTICULARLY ALERT FOR ANY WITHDRAWALS OF CASH, CHECKS OR LOANS DURING PERIOD IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO NORJAK CASE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST.

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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4:33 P M URGENT 4-12-72 LJQ

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (164-24)

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1P

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NORJAK

RE SALT LAKE CITY TELETYPE TO BUREAU, ET AL, APRIL TWELVE
NINETEEN SEVENTYTWO.

PHOTOS OF RICHARD FLOYD MC COY SHOWN IN SUITABLE GROUPS
TO PORTLAND DIVISION WITNESSES [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] FELLOW
PASSENGER OF SUBJECT THIS MATTER. NONE COULD MAKE ANY IDENTIFICATION.

[REDACTED] STATED POSITIVELY MCCOY NOT IDENTICAL
WITH NORJAK UNSUB, AND [REDACTED] STATED HE DOES NOT RECALL ENOUGH TO
MAKE POSITIVE STATEMENT.

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TO: DIRECTOR (164-2111)

LAS VEGAS

PORTLAND (164-41)

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FROM SALT LAKE CITY (164-24) 3P

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RE SU TEL, APRIL TWELVE INSTANT, TO BUREAU, SE AND CE.

RE: RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR. - SUSPECT.

INTERVIEW OF ACQUAINTANCES TO DATE OF MC COY GIVE NO INFORMATION REFLECTING MC COY WAS OUT OF PROVO UTAH, AREA DURING PERIOD NOVEMBER TWENTY-THREE TO TWENTY-FIVE LAST.

[REDACTED] MC COY STATED THIS DATE SHE RECALLED HAVING THANKSGIVING DINNER, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FIVE LAST, AT APPROXIMATELY TWO PM, AND MC COY HAD HELPED PREPARE DINNER.

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RECORDS OF [REDACTED] BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY, PROVO, UTAH, INDICATE MC COY ATTENDED CLASS EIGHT AM TO NINE THIRTY AM, NOVEMBER TWENTY-THREE LAST.

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MASTER CHARGE AND BANKAMERICARD TRANSACTIONS BEING OBTAINED AND EFFORTS BEING MADE TO DEVELOP INFORMATION CONCERNING POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL CREDIT CARDS UTILIZED BY MC COY.

NATIONAL GUARD (NG) RECORDS INDICATE NO ATTENDANCE AT DRILLS BETWEEN PERIOD NOVEMBER TWENTY LAST AND DECEMBER ELEVEN LAST. NG RECORDS INDICATE ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL, FT. CARSON, COLORADO, FEBRUARY TWENTY-EIGHT TO MARCH FIVE LAST, AND TRIP TO DAVIS-MOTHAN AIR FORCE BASE, ARIZONA, TO FERRY HELICOPTER TO UTAH, NOVEMBER TWO TO SIX LAST. NO OTHER TRAVEL LOCATED IN NG RECORDS.

NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION DEVELOPED REGARDING TRAVEL OF MC COY FOR "DRY RUNS" OR ACTUAL TRAVEL REGARDING NORJAK.

INTERVIEW OF DR. TREATING MC COY REGARDING LEG INJURY INDICATED INJURY LEGITIMATE. PHYSICAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR STATES HE WAS IN SKI AREA AND SAW MC COY FALL WHILE SKIING; THEREFORE, FELT INJURY WAS LEGITIMATE. HOWEVER, MC COY DID NOT RECEIVE BROKEN LEG AS SUSPECTED BUT SPRAIN, WHICH REQUIRED HIM TO WEAR CAST FOR PERIOD OF APPROXIMATELY FOUR DAYS, THE INJURY HAVING OCCURRED WHILE SKIING ON MARCH TWENTY-ONE LAST.

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INVESTIGATION TO DATE DOES NOT INDICATE EMPLOYMENT OF MC COY
IN AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY OR WITH ANY SUBCONTRACTOR IN INDUSTRY.

TELEPHONE TOLL CALL RECORDS FOR PERIOD SEPTEMBER TWENTY-EIGHT
LAST TO MARCH TWENTY-FOUR LAST CONTAIN NO OBVIOUSLY SIGNIFICANT
TOLL CALLS, EXCEPT POSSIBLY FOR COLLECT CALL TO RESIDENCE FROM LAS
VEGAS TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] ON
NOVEMBER TWENTY-FIVE LAST. LAS VEGAS LEAD SET TELEPHONICALLY.

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INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO POSITIVELY ESTABLISH MC COY'S
WYEREABOUTS NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR LAST.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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SALT LAKE CITY (164-24)

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CHICAGO

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 1P

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NORJAX

RE RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR. CAA - HIJACKING; INTERFERENCE
WITH FLIGHT CREW MEMBERS, OO: SALT LAKE CITY

RE SEATTLE TEL TO BUREAU, ET AL, APRIL ELEVEN LAST; AND SAN
FRANCISCO TEL TO BUREAU, ET AL, APRIL ELEVEN LAST.

REVIEW OF TICKETS AT HUGHES AIR WEST, SAN MATEO, CALIF., FAILED
TO REFLECT ANY COOPER OR ANY MC COY FLYING BETWEEN SALT LAKE CITY
TO PORTLAND OR SEATTLE OR FROM PORTLAND OR SEATTLE TO SALT LAKE CITY.
DURING REVIEW OF TICKETS, REVIEWING PERSONNEL WERE INTRUCTED TO PULL
ANY TICKETS WITH NAMES COOPER OR MC COY ON THEM. NO TICKETS LOCATED.
REVIEW CONDUCTED BY BUAGENTS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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PHOTOGRAPH OF RICHARD FLOYD MCCOY HAS BEEN DISPLAYED TO THREE WITNESSES BY PORTLAND DIVISION, THREE WITNESSES BY SEATTLE DIVISION AND THREE STEWARDESSES IN MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION. NONE IDENTIFY MC COY AS THE HIJACKER. TWO SEATTLE WITNESSES ADVISE THAT THERE ARE CERTAIN SIMILAR CHARACTERISTICS BETWEEN MC COY AND UNSUB NORJAK CASE BUT DO NOT IDENTIFY MC COY AS HIJACKER.

SALT LAKE CITY DIVISION REQUESTED TELEPHONICALLY TO EXPEDITE INVESTIGATION TO ESTABLISH MC COY'S EXACT WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD THIS CASE.

INVESTIGATION MC COY BEING CONDUCTED TO POSITIVELY ELIMINATE HIM AS A SUSPECT THROUGH ESTABLISHING WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD. THE BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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FROM CHARLOTTE (164-101) 3P

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RE CHARLOTTE TELETYPE TO BUREAU, APRIL THIRTEEN, LAST,
RE: SUSPECT RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR.

ON APRIL FOURTEEN, INSTANT, MC COY'S CHECKING ACCOUNT
AT WACHOVIA BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, RALEIGH, N.C., WAS COMPLETELY
REVIEWED AND ALL ACTIVITY AND TRANSACTIONS WERE NOTED FROM
OCTOBER ONE, SEVENTY ONE, THROUGH THE PRESENT DATE. IT SHOULD
BE OBSERVED THAT THERE WERE NO EXTREMELY UNUSUAL DEPOSITS OR
DEBITS NOTED DURING THE ABOVE PERIOD.

DURING THE PERTINENT PERIOD FROM NOVEMBER EIGHTEEN, SEVENTY
ONE, THROUGH DECEMBER FIFTEEN, SEVENTY ONE, SUSPECT AND
WROTE EIGHTEEN CHECKS AND MADE TOTAL DEPOSITS OF SEVEN HUNDRED
FIFTY DOLLARS WITH BALANCE ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN, SEVENTY ONE, OF
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TO: DIRECTOR 164-2111

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FROM: CHARLOTTE 164-101 3P

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RE SALT LAKE CITY TELEPHONE CALL TO CHARLOTTE ON
APRIL TWELVE, LAST.

RE: SUSPECT RICHARD FLOYD MCCOY, JR.

INVESTIGATION AT WACHOVIA BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, RALEIGH,
N. C., REVEALED THAT RICHARD FLOYD MCCOY, JR.,

HAVE CURRENT CHECKING ACCOUNT WITH
BALANCE OF FORTY DOLLARS AND TWELVE CENTS. WHICH ACCOUNT
WAS OPENED ON JULY TWENTY ONE, NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE, WHEN
THEY RESIDED IN RALEIGH, N. C. RICHARD FLOYD MCCOY, JR.,
ALSO HAS A MASTER CHARGE ACCOUNT CARD WITH WACHOVIA AND
INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THIS ACCOUNT IS BEING OBTAINED
FROM WACHOVIA COMPUTER CENTER, WINSTON-SALEM, N. C. MCCOY
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HAS FIVE HUNDRED DOLLAR LIMIT ON MASTER CHARGE ACCOUNT AND PRESENTLY OWES BANK FIVE HUNDRED THIRTEEN DOLLARS AND SEVENTY TWO CENTS, INCLUDING INTEREST. ACCOUNT CURRENT AND DEEMED SATISFACTORY.

NO RECORD COULD BE LOCATED AT THE MAIN OFFICE AT WACHOVIA OR ANY BRANCH OFFICE IN RALEIGH, INDICATING MCCOY HAS ANY OUTSTANDING LOANS OR HAS A SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX. MCCOY PREVIOUSLY HAD SAVINGS ACCOUNT WITH WACHOVIA, HOWEVER, THIS ACCOUNT WAS CLOSED ON JULY TWENTY FIRST, NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE AND HAS NOT SINCE BEEN REOPENED.

INFORMATION PERTAINING TO MCCOY'S CHECKING ACCOUNT AND MASTER CHARGE ACCOUNT ACTIVITIES PRESENTLY BEING COMPILED BY BANK OFFICIALS AND WILL BE OBTAINED AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME.

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RECORDS AT THE BANK OF NORTH CAROLINA, KINSTON, NORTH CAROLINA, REVEALED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NORTH CAROLINA, [REDACTED]

AND THE NAME OF RICHARD FLOYD MCCOY, JR., ON SEPTEMBER FOURTEEN, SEVENTY ONE, WITH A DEPOSIT OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NO ACTION IN THIS ACCOUNT SINCE. TELLER WHO OPENED THE ACCOUNT ADVISED [REDACTED] NO RECORDS OF SUSPECT HAVING CHECKING ACCOUNT, LOAN, OR SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX, BANK OF NORTH CAROLINA, KINSTON, NORTH CAROLINA, HOWEVER, [REDACTED] OBTAINED A SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX ON AUGUST TWENTY THREE, SEVENTY ONE, AND HAD BEEN BACK TO SAME ONE TIME ON SEPTEMBER FOURTEEN, SEVENTY ONE.

CHARLOTTE AT WINSTON-SALEM. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING CONCERNING ACTIVITY OF MCCOY'S MASTER CHARGE ACCOUNT.

CHARLOTTE AT RALEIGH. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING CONCERNING MCCOY'S CHECKING ACCOUNT.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 4/20/72

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

Sub: 386

SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 4/19/72 SAC CALAME called from Salt Lake City.

He advised that they had been unable to establish the whereabouts of RICHARD FLOYD McCOY on 11/24/71, the day of the hijacking. They have noted that gas purchases were made with his credit card at Provo, Utah; Cedar City, Utah -and at Las Vegas, Nevada, for his automobile on 11/25/71, the last one being made at Las Vegas, Nevada, some time between 11:00 PM on 11/25/71, and 9:00 AM on 11/26/71. Further, McCOY and [redacted] are inveterate users of credit cards, purchasing meals and other small items on credit cards, but they have been unable to locate any purchases on the credit cards for 11/24/71.

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A long distance telephone call was made from a public phone in the Tropicana Motel at Las Vegas to McCOY's home in Provo collect on 11/25/71. I suggested to them that they have Las Vegas find out who made the call since the Telephone Company maintains records on the identity of the caller.

They advised that [redacted] when shown the photograph of the necktie and tie clip found in the Northwest Airlines plane related that he had seen McCOY wear similar ties. In addition, he said the tie clasp looks familiar but he cannot say for sure if McCOY had one exactly like it.

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During the conversation SAC CALAME suggested, and I agree, that we should check with the Army at Fort Lewis and at McChord AFB to see if McCOY could have made any flights on a military plane arriving at McChord or Fort Lewis on November 22, 23 or 24, 1971, or made any flight from there on those dates or November 25 or 26, 1971.

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In addition, steps should be initiated at once through the appropriate airline to determine if McCOY using the name R. McCOY, RICHARD FLOYD McCOY, D. COOPER, DAN COOPER or J. JOHNSON, made any flights from either Seattle or Portland to San Francisco, Los Angeles, or Las Vegas subsequent to 8:15 PM on 11/24/71. This should be done at once.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

RE: NORJAK;
RICHARD FLOYD McCOY, JR.

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Enclosed for the Bureau is carbon copy of BankAmericard invoice and 2 carbons of same for purchases of gasoline at a Power Thrust Service Station, Las Vegas, Nevada, in the name of RICHARD F. McCOY, JR.

The Laboratory is requested to compare the signature RICHARD F. McCOY on the enclosed documents with the handwriting in the military record of RICHARD FLOYD McCOY, JR., Army Service Number RA14796789 and any other known handwriting samples of McCOY submitted in the investigation captioned, "RICHARD FLOYD McCOY, JR.; CAA-HIJACKING; INTERFERENCE WITH FLIGHT CREW MEMBERS."

In the event no identification is effected, enclosed documents should be preserved for possible latent fingerprint examination at a future date if requested by Seattle or Salt Lake City. In this regard, enclosed

- 2 - Bureau (Encl. 3)
- 1 - Portland (164-41)
- 1 - Salt Lake City (164-24)
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documents were furnished and handled by [redacted]
[redacted] of the Power Thrust Station and probably [redacted]
[redacted] who feels he probably handled the
original transaction.

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Las Vegas will defer submission of elimination
prints from the foregoing individuals pending a request
for same from the Bureau.

Salt Lake note that the carbon enclosure for
the Bureau lists the license number as "SA1334 No. CAROL",
and while stamped date is 11/25/71, the written date is
listed as 11/26/71.

The Bureau is requested to advise all interested
offices receiving this communication results of the handwriting
examination.

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Date of transcription 4/20/72

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] was contacted and advised that at the present time
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[redacted] further advised that he is personally
acquainted with McCOY, SR. [redacted]
[redacted] He advised
he recently spoke with McCOY, SR. concerning his son,
RICHARD F. McCOY, JR., and that according to McCOY, SR.,
he was completely shocked and very upset concerning the
recent arrest of his son by the FBI in conjunction with
a hijacking of an aircraft.

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[redacted] also noted that in general conversation with
McCOY, SR., he stated that he would possibly [redacted]
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In the event it should be necessary to produce
the above records, a subpoena duces tecum should be directed
to [redacted]
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Interviewed on 4/18/72 at Raleigh, N. C. File # CE 164-101

by SA [redacted] :dlr Date dictated 4/19/72

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SU 164-24

By communication dated April 27, 1972, the Identification Division of the FBI advised "latent prints previously reported this case not identical major case prints RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, FBI Number 919 406 J2."

By communication dated April 27, 1972, the FBI Laboratory advised as follows:

"Q42 Carbon copy and two carbons of BankAmericard invoice for account #4763 160 217 773 in the name of Richard F. McCoy, Jr., bearing dates 11/25/71 and 11/26/71

"Result of examination:

"It was concluded that the Richard F. McCoy, Jr. signature on Q42 was prepared by RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR., whose known signatures appear on K1 in the case 'RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR.; United Airlines Flight 855 Denver, Colorado, to Los Angeles, California, 4/7/72; CAA - Hijacking.'

"Q42 was photographed and is herewith."

UNKNOWN SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 4/21/72

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 4/29/72 SAC CALAME from Salt Lake City called and while on the phone I talked to SA [redacted]

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They related that McCOY had brown hair. They recalled that some brown hair was found on the back of the seat in which the UNSUB sat. [redacted] was advised that this hair was very likely in possession of Las Vegas. He advised that he would obtain a sample of McCOY's hair and have Las Vegas forward the sample they have to the Bureau for comparison. They also mentioned that since there were some smudges of fingerprints found in the plane by Las Vegas, they would have the Bureau examine them and compare them with McCOY's fingerprints to see if identifiable.

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8:53 PM URGENT 4-21-72 RMB

TO: SALT LAKE CITY (164-24)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (0)

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NORJAK

RE SUSPECT RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR.

RECORDS OF THE THREE SEPARATE MILITARY UNITS AT PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (01A) CHECKED, DISCLOSED NO RECORD OF ANY FLIGHT MADE DURING PERTINENT PERIOD BY SUSPECT MC COY.

RECORDS OF UNITED AIR LINES AND AIR WEST FOR PORTLAND FLIGHTS TO LAS VEGAS BEING CHECKED ELSEWHERE. WESTERN AIR LINES RECORDS AT PORTLAND FAIL TO SHOW ANY FLIGHT MADE BY SUSPECT MC COY DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Las Vegas (164-60)

Date: April 27, 1972

FBI File No. 164-2111

Re: NORJAX

Lab. No. D-720425034 LL

Specimens received 4/24/72

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Q42 was photographed and is returned herewith.

164-81-3311

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THE SUN-JOURNAL, NEW BERN, N. C.

THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 1972

PLEASE HELP

The family of Richard Floyd McCoy, Jr., who is a native of Craven County in the Cove City area, are asking friends who would like to contribute to his legal defense, to send funds to Russell E. McCoy, Box 7, Cove City, N. C.

He has served his country in the army nine years and has three different missions to Vietnam. He was in the Special Forces, a helicopter pilot and suffered head wounds in action and underwent head surgery. He was awarded the Purple Heart and many other decorations.

He was attending Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, as a law enforcement officer, and was to graduate in August 1972. His only funds for support was the G.I. bill. He has two minor children, ages 2 and 4, and his wife is in the hospital.

Your help will be greatly appreciated.

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5/31/72

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AIRMAIL

TO : SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (164-24)
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
SUBJECT: ~~NORJAK~~

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Re Las Vegas airtel to Seattle and Salt Lake City
4/24/72.

Salt Lake City requested to advise if they have been
able to establish the whereabouts of RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR.,
on 11/24/71.

It is noted that according to information set forth
in an FD 302 dated 4/19/72, reflecting interview with [redacted]
[redacted] as forwarded to Salt Lake City by the Charlotte
Division, by their airtel 5/4/72, a check in the amount of
\$5.00 was issued by RICHARD F. MC COY at Brigham Young
University on 11/23/71.

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164-81-3376

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: 5/31/72

Attached is copy of memo prepared by SAC, SEATTLE, 4/20/72, setting forth suggested investigation at Ft. Lewis and Mc Chord AFB.

LEADS

SEATTLE DIVISION

At Ft. Lewis and McChord AFB

Will determine if subject MC COY either under the name RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR., R. MC COY, RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, D. COOPER, DAN COOPER or J. JOHNSON, might have had a military flight by the Air National Guard into or out of Ft. Lewis or McChord AFB during the period 11/22, 23 or 24, 1972.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/31/72*Sub 3 86*

[redacted] North Carolina, was contacted at the residence of [redacted] who resides on [redacted] North Carolina. [redacted] was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the purpose of the interview and provided the following information.

[redacted] advised that on November 24, 1971, [redacted] RICHARD FLOYD McCOY attended his regular morning classes at Brigham Young University, leaving from [redacted] Utah, at about 7:30 A.M. [redacted] advised that at this time RICHARD had only morning classes at Provo High School and he thus left home at approximately 10:30 A.M. in order to reach school by 11 A.M. [redacted]

[redacted] further advised [redacted] arrived home from Brigham Young University, which was always somewhere between 10:45 and 11 A.M. [redacted] further advised [redacted] sure RICHARD got home all right. [redacted] stated [redacted] could not be absolutely positive the above occurred as set forth above on November 24, 1971, but if anything had differed from this routine [redacted]

[redacted] further advised [redacted] attended [redacted] at Brigham Young University from [redacted] and RICHARD always [redacted] [redacted] stated as far as [redacted] as normal on November 24, 1971 and [redacted] RICHARD [redacted]

[redacted] further advised [redacted] arrived at their residence at about 6:30 P.M. on the evening of November 24, 1971 and spent the night.

[redacted] stated further that on Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 1971, after eating Thanksgiving dinner, she and [redacted] left Provo, Utah, at about 4:15 P.M. and drove to Las Vegas, Nevada while [redacted]

Interviewed on 8/24/72 at [redacted] N. C. File # Charlotte 164-101

by SA [redacted] *sjw*

Date dictated 8/25/72

164-81-4004

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[redacted] She advised she [redacted]
[redacted] placed a collect call to [redacted] at Provo from the
[redacted] in Las Vegas to check on
[redacted] This call was made at about 10:30 P.M.
[redacted] stated [redacted] RICHARD did some
gambling in this hotel and spent the night in their car
before returning to Provo.

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Date: 11/27/74

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81 Sub.386)

FROM: SAC, NORFOLK (164-41) (P)

NORJAK
(OO: SEATTLE)

Re Seattle airtel to Bureau 11/13/74.

For the information of Charlotte and Seattle, [redacted] was interviewed on two occasions by Norfolk Agents and [redacted] has refused to discuss anything pertaining to his or RICHARD FLOYD McCOY's activities at this time. [redacted] did indicate that if and when he decided to talk, it would only be to benefit himself in some way; and at such time, he would insist on telling the whole story to Special Agents [redacted] of the Norfolk Office.

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On 11/21/74, [redacted] U.S. Marshal's Office, EDVA, Norfolk, Virginia, advised that [redacted] was transferred on [redacted] Raleigh, North Carolina, to [redacted]

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Will interview [redacted] as requested in referenced airtel by Office of Origin. to determine if, at any time while McCOY and [redacted] McCOY claimed to be perpetrator of captioned crime.

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Approved: [Handwritten signature]

Special Agent in Charge

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ESCAPED FEDERAL PRISONER, BANK ROBBERY

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8-26-74

WANTED BY FBI

RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR.

FBI No. 919,406 J2

ALIAS: T. Johnson

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Photographs taken 1972

Photographs taken 1973



Richard F. McCoy Jr.

DESCRIPTION

AGE: 31, born December 7, 1942, Kinston, North Carolina
HEIGHT: 5'10"
WEIGHT: 170 pounds
BUILD: medium
HAIR: brown
EYES: blue
COMPLEXION: dark
RACE: white
NATIONALITY: American
SCARS AND MARKS: scars on left ring and left little fingers, left side of nose, left bicep, right inside thigh
REMARKS: has large protruding ears and may be wearing mustache. While in military service McCoy received training as an Army aviator, helicopter pilot, demolition specialist and parachutist.
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER USED: 237-66-2779

CRIMINAL RECORD

McCoy has been convicted of Aircraft Piracy.

CAUTION

MCCOY ESCAPED FROM THE FEDERAL PENITENTIARY, LEWISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA, ON AUGUST 10, 1974. HE IS BELIEVED TO BE IN THE COMPANY OF MELVIN DALE WALKER, THE SUBJECT OF IDENTIFICATION ORDER 4625. MCCOY AND WALKER SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

A Federal warrant was issued on August 19, 1974, at New Bern, North Carolina, charging McCoy with bank robbery (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 2113d). On August 21, 1974, a warrant was issued at Williamsport, Pennsylvania, charging McCoy with being an escaped Federal prisoner (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 751a).

IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS PERSON, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FBI OFFICE.
TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES OF ALL FBI OFFICES LISTED ON BACK.

Identification Order 4624
August 26, 1974

Con Kelley
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C. 20535

DB Cooper-740

FBI

TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype
☐ Facsimile
☒ AIRTEL

PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate
☐ Priority
☐ Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET
☐ SECRET
☐ CONFIDENTIAL
☐ UNCLAS E F T O
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Date 8/26/92

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164A-SE-81)
 FROM *EFP/CA* SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (164A-SE-81) (RUC)
 SUBJECT : NORJAK;
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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

Reference Seattle airtel to Salt Lake City dated 6/10/92.

This airtel summarizes information contained in 164A-SE-81, (formerly 164A-36) entitled "RICHARD FLOYD MCCOY, JR., aka; CAA-AIR PIRACY; EFP; OO:SU, which relates to RICHARD FLOYD MCCOY, JR. and which does not appear to be attached to a communication indicating that the information was forwarded to Seattle Division. The following is a summary of such information:

1. Serial 18 - Interview of [redacted] stated that MCCOY was a skydiver, a Vietnam Veteran, and a helicopter pilot. MCCOY told [redacted] how it would be possible to hijack an airplane and that if he were going to do it, he would ask for \$500,000. [redacted] told [redacted] that MCCOY tried to get her to help him with the hijacking. [redacted] expressed concern to [redacted] on 4/7/92 that MCCOY might be involved in a hijacking. MCCOY told [redacted] that if the plane he hijacked was followed by chase planes, he would tell them that he planted a bomb on a second plane in order to get them to withdraw. MCCOY told [redacted] that if he was successful in obtaining \$500,000, he would leave the country.

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2. Serial 22 - Teletype from St. Louis. Review of Army records revealed that MCCOY served on active duty U.S. ARMY, 3/31/62 until 1/22/65. On 6/1/65, MCCOY enlisted in the UTAH NATIONAL GUARD. MCCOY enlisted in the regular Army on 1/22/66, and was discharged on 2/13/67 as a Specialist 5th Class. He then accepted a Warrant Officer commission. He was honorably released from active duty as Chief Warrant Officer on 3/11/70. When MCCOY was honorably released as Chief Warrant Officer, he transferred to USAR CONTROL, St. Louis, Missouri. On 6/12/70, he transferred from Army reserve to NATIONAL GUARD OF CALIFORNIA as Chief Warrant Officer. He was transferred on 10/30/70 to UTAH NATIONAL GUARD and assigned to "HHQ, 115 ENGS. GP (ARAV UTAH)" as a rotary wing pilot. In 1971, MCCOY was placed on permanent flying status with the UTAH NATIONAL GUARD. While in the Army, MCCOY received a parachutist badge.

3. Serial 25 - Teletype from San Francisco. A photograph of MCCOY, along with six other photographs were displayed to [redacted] who identified MCCOY as the hijacker of UAL Flight 855.

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4. Serial 32 - Teletype to Salt Lake City Division indicating that the FBI Laboratory identified MCCOY's handwriting on a note utilized by hijacker to instruct flight crew.

5. Serial 39 - Two latent fingerprints developed on back of "Mainliner" magazine marked "seat 20D" from envelope were identified as fingerprints of RICHARD FLOYD MCCOY, JR.

6. Serial 94 - On 3/12/72, [redacted] advised that Chief Warrant Officer MCCOY was released from regular Army and joined the 115th Engineering Group of the UTAH NATIONAL GUARD in Murray, Utah on 10/30/70. [redacted] stated that MCCOY remained in that unit until 1/1/72, at which time he transferred to the 1457th in American Fork. [redacted] stated MCCOY was unknown to most members of the unit in so much as he did not attend drills at the guard armory but reported to ARMY NATIONAL GUARD AIRCRAFT HEADQUARTERS next to the SALT LAKE CITY AIRPORT.

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7. Serial 96 - Memorandum to SAC, Salt Lake City from SA [redacted] That document indicates that the FBI Laboratory determined that a note with the hijacker's handwriting, which had been retained by flight attendants, was identical to the handwriting of MCCOY.

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8. Serial 99 - Airtel to Salt Lake City from FBIHQ. Latent prints developed on a tickets were identical to prints to MCCOY.

9. Serial 256 - Interview of [redacted]
[redacted] On 4/9/72, [redacted] was shown a photo spread and he identified MCCOY as the hijacker on UNITED Flight 855.

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10. Serial 209 - Report of the Identification Division, from the Latent Fingerprint Section. Two latent fingerprints developed on UNITED AIRLINES ticket number 1 016 55817417 0, bearing the name "R/MCCOY", issued on 3/31/72, for travel from Salt Lake City to Denver, were identified as finger impressions of MCCOY.

11. Serial 283 - Interview of [redacted]
[redacted] informed [redacted] that she was at MCCOY's residence on 4/8/72. [redacted] noticed that MCCOY and his wife possessed a satchel which she later learned contained money obtained during the hijacking. [redacted] also told [redacted] that MCCOY's wife asked [redacted] for assistance in moving a large quantity of money and that MCCOY's wife threatened [redacted] if she did not help.

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12. Serial 261 - Airtel from Salt Lake City to Cleveland. A search of the residence of [redacted] revealed the existence of two typewriters. One of the typewriters was determined by the FBI Laboratory to be the one which prepared flight plans used in the hijacking of the UAL Flight 855.

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The above information was used to convict MCCOY of hijacking UAL Flight 855. Case file 164A-SU-38005 did not appear to contain information relating to MCCOY's involvement in other hijackings. Unless Salt Lake City Division receives additional requests concerning MCCOY, this matter is considered RUC.

To: Criminal Investigative From: Seattle
Re: SE 164A-81-DNA, 07/29/2004

Last known address: [redacted] Egg Harbor
Township, New Jersey [redacted]

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[redacted] a prior resident of Eugene, Oregon surfaced as a suspect in 1972 on a referral from the Los Angeles Division. One witness onboard NW 305 subsequently advised that [redacted] bore a very strong resemblance to the UNSUB. Investigation could not rule [redacted] out based a one week gap in his work attendance at the time of the hijacking. [redacted] worked for TWA as a [redacted] and, although pilot trained, was unsuccessful in securing a flying job with TWA as he was described as a "rebel" by his supervisor, and as someone who had money problems. There is no record that [redacted] was ever contacted by the FBI or has any knowledge of his mention as a suspect in this matter.

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3. Richard Floyd McCoy Jr. (deceased) (SUB 386).
SSN 237-66-3779
****CAUTION SUGGESTED****
****Family may be uncooperative****

McCoy was convicted of a copycat hijacking of a United Airlines flight in April, 1972 in which he successfully parachuted from that flight over Utah with \$500,000. McCoy was arrested/convicted of that offense and most of the hijack proceeds were recovered. McCoy later escaped from prison and was shot and killed in November, 1974 after drawing a weapon on FBI Agents attempting his arrest in Virginia Beach, Virginia. McCoy never claimed to have been COOPER, and there was significant differences in methodology between the two crimes. Evidence indicated McCoy was in Salt Lake City on 11/25/1971, and had possibly attended class at BYU on 11/24/1971. Some evidence exists that McCoy and his wife actually drove to Las Vegas on 11/24/1971. Although the weight of the evidence points toward the elimination of McCoy, speculation continued. In July, 1972 McCoy allegedly told his Pre-Trial officer in Salt Lake City prior to his receiving a 45 year sentence for the UAL hijacking, that he had done "another one". In light of some contradiction in evidence concerning McCoy, and the possibility that the differences in methodology between the hijacking can be partially explained as a possible natural refinement of methods, a DNA sample is being sought.

It is recognized that McCoy's family may still be uncooperative, and appropriate caution should utilized. During McCoy's trial in 1972, [redacted] testified against him. [redacted] at the time was [redacted] now remarried under the name [redacted] [redacted] may have assisted MCCOY immediately before his death while a fugitive. Perhaps with the passage of thirty

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To: Criminal Investigative From: Seattle
Re: SE 164A-81-DNA, 07/29/2004

years, cooperation of [redacted] to provide a sealed envelope, or similar item from RICHARD McCOY is possible.

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Last located address of [redacted]
date of birth [redacted] Social Security number [redacted]
is [redacted] Salt Lake City, UT [redacted] (as of 10/2003).

To: Criminal Investigative From: Seattle
Re: SE 164A-81-DNA, 07/29/2004

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1: (Adm)

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE

AT WASHINGTON, DC

For information of VCMOS, MT/TCU.

Set Lead 2: (Info)

LABORATORY

AT WASHINGTON, DC

For information of DNA1.

Set Lead 3:

NEWARK

AT EGG HARBOR TOWNSHIP, NJ

Discreetly locate and obtain DNA samples from [redacted]
[redacted] Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey,
as outlined above. Interview [redacted] about his whereabouts and
employment in November 1971. Submit DNA directly to the
Laboratory, DNA 1, Attn: [redacted] The EC and related FD-
302 should be uploaded to SE 164A-81-DNA.

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Set Lead 4:

SALT LAKE

AT SALT LAKE CITY, UT

Discreetly locate and obtain DNA samples from the
effects or family of RICHARD FLOYD MCCOY, as outlined above.
Initial contact should be made with [redacted]
[redacted] Salt Lake City, Utah. It is
suggested that the assigned Agent review the Salt Lake McCoy file
prior to contact with [redacted] Appropriate caution is suggested in
any contacts with McCoy's family due to McCoy's death at the
hands of FBI Agents in 1974.

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