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On July 13, 1972, [redacted] of American Airlines, Dallas Love Field, advised SAC J. GORDON SHANKLIN and SA WILL HAYDEN GRIFFIN that he had been instructed by American Airlines headquarters in New York City to obtain \$200,000 from the Republic National Bank (RNB) and deliver the \$200,000 to an American Airlines aircraft at Greater Southwest Airport who in turn would transport the money to Oklahoma City for payoff to the hijacker.

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SAC J. GORDON SHANKLIN and SA GRIFFIN accompanied [redacted] to the RNB. [redacted], RNB, and [redacted] RNB, in the company of [redacted] SAC SHANKLIN and SA GRIFFIN, obtained \$120,000 in twenty dollar bills and \$80,000 in ten dollar bills. The \$200,000 in cash had been recorded on film which is designated Roll #1, of Bag #1, dated May 2, 1972, copy one of three copies. This film is being retained by the bank. The straps were removed from the money and placed in a brown leather bag by [redacted] SHANKLIN, and GRIFFIN. The brown leather bag furnished by RNB was approximately 22" x 26", made of dark leather with light leather bottom. Around the top was a light leather strap. The bag contained metal eyes and a hasp where the strap could be locked to secure the money in the bag. On the bottom of the bag was "CAN-PRO CORP. FOND DU LAC WISCONSIN". On the bag at the top was "Security Model No. 553". On the outside of the strap on the top of the bag were the words "Yellow Cab of Dallas, Inc.". On the inside of the strap in ink was 1610 South Ervay Street, Dallas, Texas RI 7-3131-60".

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After the money was placed in the leather bag, [redacted] accompanied by SAC SHANKLIN and SA GRIFFIN, transported the money to Greater Southwest Airport at Arlington, Texas, where [redacted] delivered the money to [redacted] American Airlines, who was in charge of the crew aboard a twin engine jet owned by American Airlines, for delivery to Oklahoma City.

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[redacted] Ticket Lift Agent, American Airlines (AA), Will Rogers World Airport, was contacted at 1:50 a.m., on July 13, 1972, while on duty at AA ticket counter at the above airport. A dual exposure photograph depicting a front and side view of [redacted] was exhibited to [redacted]. At the same time, a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, taken by the Cleveland County Sheriff's Office (SO), on January 25, 1972, SO #1381, was exhibited to [redacted].

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[redacted] advised he was unable to identify the photograph of [redacted] as anyone he had ever seen. He stated he considered the photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER as a person known to him only as Mr. FISHER. He stated this individual was a frequent customer of AA in approximately November, 1971. [redacted] recalls this individual normally purchased a ticket at the above airport on Sunday evenings for a flight to Dallas, Texas, on AA. FISHER usually paid for this travel by personal check and in accordance with AA rules, FISHER was asked to display personal identification upon each occasion when he paid by check. FISHER usually displayed annoyance with this procedure. On one occasion FISHER purchased a ticket for such travel with an insufficient funds check and thereafter, his checks were not accepted and cash was demanded for his ticket. [redacted] recalled that AA Ticket Agent [redacted] was the AA employee who accepted the bad check from FISHER.

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[redacted] recalls he saw Mr. FISHER on numerous occasions in connection with these weekly flights to Dallas during the approximate period from November, 1971, to January, 1972. He stated he believes FISHER started traveling with Braniff International shortly after the event of the bad check.

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[redacted] stated he did not observe FISHER in the airport on the evening of July 12, 1972, and he feels certain he would recall the event if he had observed FISHER on that date.

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[redacted] stated he learned very little of FISHER's background during the above mentioned period, but is of the

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definite impression he lived in a city located outside of Oklahoma City. [] stated he had no recollection of associating FISHER in any manner with Norman, Oklahoma.

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[] stated he recalls FISHER became ill on one occasion when purchasing a ticket from him. He took FISHER to the Red Cross room to lie down until he recovered. He recalls the physical ailment involved FISHER's neck in some manner. [] recalls that FISHER was accompanied by a male individual whom he identified as [] on that occasion. [] does not recall any name used by this [] and could describe him only as a Caucasian male, probably in his early 30's, who was of short stature and heavy build. [] stated he believes this [] possessed a different surname than FISHER, although he has no recollection of the name involved. [] stated [] was also on duty on the occasion that FISHER became ill in the airport. He stated this is the only time he recalls FISHER being accompanied by the individual he claimed to be []

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[] recalls FISHER as being a Caucasian male, approximately 48 years of age, approximately 74" in height, with a stooped posture and walks with his head down. He recalls FISHER as having a fairly thin build - weighing approximately 190 pounds. FISHER appeared to have sunken cheeks and a flat chin. His hair was described as fairly dark and graying, worn combed back more than to one side.

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[] checked AA records wherein identities of passengers who had issued bad checks were retained; however, no record of FISHER was located.

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[redacted] Ticket Agent, American Airlines (AA), Will Rogers World Airport, was contacted at approximately 1:45 a.m., July 13, 1972, while on duty in the Operations Office of AA at the above airport.

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Photographs of [redacted] and MELVIN MARTIN FISHER were exhibited to him. [redacted] stated he was unable to identify the photograph of [redacted] as anyone known to, or observed by him.

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The photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, taken January 25, 1972, by the Cleveland County Sheriff's Office (SO), SO Number 1381, was identified by [redacted] as being identical to someone he had previously observed. [redacted] stated he could recall nothing further concerning this individual or the circumstances of his having observed this person, but he felt certain he had seen him on one or more occasions.

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[redacted] Ticket Agent, American Airlines (AA), Will Rogers World Airport, was contacted while on duty at the AA ticket counter of the above airport at approximately 1:50 a.m., on July 13, 1972. b6
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Photographs of [redacted] and MELVIN MARTIN FISHER were exhibited to him. [redacted] advised he was unable to identify the photographs as depicting anyone known to or observed by him.

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[redacted] Ticket Lift Agent, American Airlines (AA), Will Rogers World Airport, was contacted at approximately 1:50 a.m., on July 13, 1972, while on duty at the AA ticket counter at the above airport.

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Photographs of [redacted] and MELVIN MARTIN FISHER were exhibited to [redacted]

He advised he was unable to identify either photograph as depicting anyone known to or observed by him.

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[redacted] Stewardess, American Airlines (AA), was contacted in the AA Operations Office, Will Rogers World Airport, shortly after she was released with the passengers from the hijacked AA Flight 633, during the early morning hours of July 13, 1972.

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Photographs of [redacted] and MELVIN MARTIN FISHER were exhibited to [redacted]. She was unable to identify the photograph of [redacted] as anyone known to or observed by her.

[redacted] identified a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, taken January 25, 1972, by the Cleveland County Sheriff's Office (SO), SO Number 1381, as being positively identical to the hijacker then aboard the hijacked AA Flight 633. [redacted] said she had observed the hijacker at close range and felt certain of her identification. She explained she had held approximately six separate conversations with the hijacker which lasted for several minutes each. [redacted] stated she first observed the passenger, who turned out to be the hijacker of AA Flight 633, sit in the coach portion of the plane in the area she recalled as approximately 16D. At that time she asked this passenger, whose name she never learned, if he cared for coffee. He replied in the affirmative and moved as if to follow her to the buffet area for coffee. As he moved in his seat to arise, [redacted] noted he wore a gun in a holster on his belt. She proceeded on toward the buffet, contending to carry out the pretext of getting coffee, but her actual intentions were to go directly to the Captain of the plane to inquire if he had information that an armed officer was aboard. [redacted]

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[redacted] She said the passenger, who subsequently turned out to be the hijacker, started to follow her but apparently turned and followed stewardess [redacted] to the rear of the plane, [redacted] having passed her in the aisle at this approximate time. As [redacted] reached the buffet area, she turned to determine the location of the armed passenger and observed him standing in the rear of the plane motioning with his hand for her to return to him there. [redacted] followed these instructions

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and as she proceeded to the rear, stewardess [] left the passenger en route to the front of the plane. [] was carrying what [] described as a box radio with an antenna. [] subsequently learned the armed passenger had directed [] to take the radio to the pilot's compartment so he could monitor conversations in the pilot's cabin while seated in the rear of the plane on a companion radio. [] told [] as they passed in the aisle, that the passenger was hijacking the plane. Upon arriving at the rear of the plane the hijacker asked [] to be seated beside him; he sat in seat 20B, the last row of seats on the plane. b6 b7C

[] asked the hijacker why he was hijacking the plane. He replied that he was sorry, that he did not plan on hurting anyone, but he needed the money. [] said this, to her knowledge, was the only time the hijacker answered this question, as she heard others ask him the same general question. On these subsequent occasions of being asked this question, the hijacker ignored the question. b6 b7C

[] stated the hijacker possessed a radio receiver with which they could clearly hear conversations taking place in the pilot's cabin while they were seated at the rear of the plane. b6 b7C

The hijacker instructed [] and the other stewardesses to lower the window shades on all windows in the plane, including these in the first class section. They complied with these instructions, leaving the shade up only at the window at the seat occupied by the hijacker himself. [] subsequently observed the hijacker remove his gun from his holster and place it in his waistband. The hijacker also informed [] he also had a bomb and offered to show it to her, at which time he opened his Samsonite attache case. She observed a tubular shaped object which appeared to be wrapped in cotton. She said the object appeared to be approximately ten inches in length. She immediately told the hijacker she did not want to see the bomb, whereupon he closed the attache case. The hijacker, during one of their conversations, stated he was a pilot and if the pilot did not fly the plane according to his directions, he would take over the plane and fly it himself. b6 b7C

[] stated she and the other stewardess, to her knowledge, attempted to comply with his demands in order b6 b7C

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not to create an incident. She and the other stewardesses made frequent offers to serve him coffee, and she noted he accepted approximately three cups of coffee from her and approximately two cups from [redacted] during the time she was on the plane. She offered him food, to which he replied that he never ate while he worked.

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The hijacker also instructed the stewardess to move all passengers forward in the plane, and to fill all vacant seats thereby leaving the seats vacant near him in the plane.

The hijacker later moved in the plane to the pilot's cabin and sat directly behind the captain. On a couple of occasions the hijacker requested to talk to the captain and on those occasions he directed stewardess [redacted] to stand between himself and the captain. The hijacker became upset when he considered it was taking too long for AA to secure the ransom money he demanded; however, after the captain talked to him and explained their problem in securing money at that hour, the hijacker appeared to relax and resumed his calm, polite manner.

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The hijacker stated there was nothing political in his actions on one occasion.

[redacted] stated she was unable to describe the gun in the possession of the hijacker, but was of the impression it was an old gun. She stated she could not give a physical description of the hijacker, but did note he wore a pink shirt, a dark maroon colored tie, black shoes and socks, and a dark suit.

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[redacted] furnished her permanent address as being [redacted]
[redacted] telephone
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[redacted]
 telephone [redacted] was interviewed shortly after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633, Will Rogers World Airport, and provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised that she is an American Airlines stewardess supervisor and that she was flying as a passenger on American Airlines Flight 633 for the purpose of check riding the three stewardesses aboard. She stated that her business address is American Airlines, Dallas Love Field, Dallas, Texas, and the business telephone is FL1-9911.

[redacted] advised that she boarded Flight 633 at Chicago, Illinois, with a final destination of Dallas, Texas, and that she occupied seat number 20D throughout the flight.

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[redacted] stated that the hijacker, for the majority of the flight, was seated in seat 20B, which was across the aisle from her seat, and she described the hijacker as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	6'2"
Weight	170
Age	Late 50s
Eyes	Unknown color; eyes glazed; no eye glasses
Build	Slender
Characteristics	Appeared to be in ill health
Hair	Dark, curly; short; thinning; grey on the sides; no sideburns
Marks	None observed
Scars	None observed

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[redacted] stated that the hijacker had told one of the stewardesses aboard that he was ill both mentally and physically, and was going to die regardless of the outcome of this incident. She stated that the hijacker had a nervous twitch in which he kept continually wrinkling his forehead and that when talking he did not move his eyes, but stared straight ahead. She

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stated that the hijacker continually chain smoked Camel Cigarettes and appeared very nervous, and also that he spoke in a low voice. She stated that he had two or three walkie talkies in his possession and that during the first part of the hijacking, he had ordered one of the stewardesses to take one of the walkie talkies to the cockpit for communication purposes. She further stated that throughout the entire incident the hijacker drank a large quantity of coffee.

[redacted] stated that the individual sitting next to her, [redacted] observed the weapon the hijacker had in his possession and he had stated it was a .38 caliber, four inch barrel revolver. She stated the hijacker had his hand on the revolver at all times. [redacted] advised she is convinced the hijacker would have used this weapon had his demands not been met.

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[redacted] stated that the hijacker had indicated he had a bomb in his suitcase which [redacted] described as a black attache case, small in size. She stated that she had briefly seen the inside of this attache case on two or three occasions, and it appeared to have medicine bottles of some sort inside and she did not think there was actually a bomb. She advised the hijacker had indicated he was concerned about not hurting any of the passengers, but that he would not be trapped in any manner.

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[redacted] described the hijacker as wearing a black suit with a pink dress shirt and having wine-colored French cuffs, and a wine colored tie. She stated that his clothing appeared to be somewhat out of style, but she would not consider him to be poorly dressed.

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Captain [redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed shortly
after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633, Will
Rogers World Airport, and furnished the following information:

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[redacted] stated he is [redacted]
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business telephone [redacted] home telephone [redacted] He
stated that he boarded American Airlines Flight 633 at
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and his destination was San Antonio,
Texas. He stated that during the entire flight he occupied
seat number 18C. [redacted] described the hijacker as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	45-50
Height	5'10-11"
Weight	160
Build	Slender
Hair	Black, closely cut, grey with no sideburns
Eyes	Green; appeared to be glazed; no eye glasses
Scars or marks	None noted
Dress	Dark grayish suit with thin lapels; small collared white shirt; thin black tie. He noted the clothing did not appear to be up to date in style but that the hijacker's general appearance was that of being clean.

[redacted] stated that the hijacker appeared to be in
poor health and that he was somewhat pale. when he first
observed him; however, later in the flight his complexion
was more of a flush nature. He stated that he heard very
little of the conversation by the hijacker. He stated the
hijacker's movements were slow and deliberate, and he was
extremely cool throughout the hijacking. [redacted] stated

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that the hijacker appeared to be "jazzed up" on something and could possibly have been on drugs of some kind.

[redacted] stated that the hijacker had a weapon which he carried in a holster on his hip and that he never observed this weapon out of the holster. He stated that the hijacker allegedly had a bomb located in his attache case which [redacted] stated was a standard size Samsonite type case.

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[redacted]
[redacted] business address [redacted]

was interviewed after emerging from American Airlines flight 633, Will Rogers World Airport, and related that on July 12, 1972, he was aboard the above American Airlines flight enroute from Chicago, Illinois, to Dallas, Texas. He advised the flight was uneventful until the plane reached the area of Dallas, about 8:15 or 8:20 PM when the Captain announced that "a man back there wants some money" and [redacted] understood from that remark that the plane was being hijacked. [redacted] noted that at that time the hijacker was at the rear of the plane and was apparently keeping a stewardess back there with him.

[redacted] then observed the hijacker move forward to the cockpit with the stewardess and that the hijacker had a handgun at his belt which he appeared to be holding at an angle toward the stewardess. It was apparent to [redacted] that the hijacker was in control of the aircraft and crew. [redacted] next saw the hijacker after the aircraft landed for the second time at Oklahoma City at which time the hijacker directed a passenger to pick up a parachute and a package on the runway and bring same into the plane. After that was accomplished, the passengers were allowed to leave the plane through the rear door and [redacted] left with the others. He was not harmed during the incident. [redacted] described the hijacker as a white male, age 40's, 6', 175-180 pounds, medium build, neatly dressed in dark clothing and stated that the hijacker acted in a business-like manner and appeared to know exactly what he was doing.

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[redacted] business address [redacted]
 [redacted] was interviewed upon emerging from American Airlines flight 633, Will Rogers World Airport, and related that on the evening of July 12, 1972, he boarded the above American Airlines flight at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, enroute to Los Angeles, California, via Dallas, Texas, and was assigned seat [redacted]. He advised the flight was uneventful until the plane arrived in the Dallas area at which time the Captain made an announcement to the effect that a man aboard wanted some money and [redacted] understood the plane was being hijacked. [redacted] observed a stewardess walk several times from the man to the cockpit of the aircraft and return to him and saw that the hijacker was apparently a man seated at the very rear of the plane. He later saw this man walk forward to the cockpit and observe that the hijacker had a holstered weapon, a walkie-talkie radio and a brief case. [redacted] remained in his seat during the incident which included the two landings at Oklahoma City and he left the plane with other passengers after the second landing and after a parachute and a package apparently containing currency had been brought into the aircraft by a passenger upon the instructions of the hijacker.

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[redacted] did not hear the hijacker speak. It was apparent to him that the hijacker was in control of the aircraft. [redacted] described the hijacker as a white male in his 40's, about 6'2" tall, weighing about 170 or 180 pounds, slender build, dark short hair, rough, cracked hands, who appeared to have a [redacted]. [redacted] said he was not harmed during the incident.

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A brown, leather pouch containing United States currency in denominations of \$10 and \$20 bills [redacted] [redacted] by officers of the Oklahoma City Police Department in the presence of Special Agent GLENN E. SILVEY at American Airlines Operations Office, Will Rogers World Airport.

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The pouch was then sealed and the pouch containing the United States currency and one United States Air Force parachute were taken by SA SILVEY to Runway 17 East and placed on the numeral 7, painted on the north end of the north end of the runway, at approximately 3 a.m., July 13, 1972. This location was approximately 30 yards in front of an American Airlines Boeing 727 aircraft designated as Flight 633.

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MELVIN MARTIN FISHER was arrested by Special Agents WILLIAM R. CARTER, HAROLD E. DUNCAN, and A. RAYMOND SWITZER at 4:28 a.m. aboard American Airlines Flight 633 at Will Rogers World Airport. SA DUNCAN informed FISHER of the identities of the arresting Agents and that he was charged with hijacking that aircraft.

He was then given a preliminary search, taken from the aircraft, and orally advised by SA SWITZER of his right to remain silent, that anything he might say could be used against him in court, that he had the right to talk to an attorney for advice before answering any questions, and to have the attorney present during any questioning. He was also informed that if he could not afford to hire an attorney, one would be appointed for him. Also, if he should decide to answer questions without an attorney present, he still had the right to stop answering questions at any time until he talked to an attorney.

While proceeding to an automobile for transport to the Oklahoma County Jail, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, FISHER volunteered that the money given to him by American Airlines officials was still on board the aircraft on one of the back seats.

At 4:40 a.m., while being transported to the Oklahoma County Jail, FISHER stated he was sick and going to vomit. The car was stopped and FISHER vomited. At his request, he was given some liquid Maalox, which he had in his left suit pocket.

FISHER was booked into the Oklahoma County Jail, at 5:06 a.m. and charged with Crime Aboard Aircraft (Hijacking). He was then thoroughly searched by the jailers in the presence of the Agents and the following items were in his possession:

Six .38 caliber center-fire cartridges were removed from his front pants pockets and seized as evidence. Also seized was the

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carbon copy of an American Airlines ticket issued to Mr. M. FISHER, dated July 12, 1972 from Oklahoma City to Dallas on American Airlines 633, the folder this ticket was in, and a boarding pass for Flight 633 indicating 15D as his seat assignment.

The following items were also on FISHER's person and left in the custody of the Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office:

1. \$32.47
2. White, 5 fluid ounce plastic bottle containing liquid Maalox;
3. One clear plastic ~~pill~~ bottle containing pink and red capsules, 3 black and green capsules, and one yellow tablet;
4. One cigarette lighter, clear plastic;
5. Three packages of Camel cigarettes;
6. Two wick-type pens;
7. One gold Bulova wrist watch
8. One gold ring with red stone;
9. Wallet containing two business cards for
 Attorney;
10. Oklahoma Drivers License 1358320;
11. Social Security Card 445-18-7840; and
12. One 1972 Oklahoma fishing license.

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[redacted] provided the following information and items listed below from American Airlines Flight 633, Will Rogers World Airport:

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[redacted] advised he is employed by American Airlines as a flight engineer. [redacted] further advised that on July 12, 1972, he boarded American Airlines Flight 633 at Washington, D.C., and served in the capacity as flight engineer. He advised he served as flight engineer during the entire attempted hijacking of American Airlines Flight 633.

He advised the itinerary of American Airlines Flight 633 called for stops at O'Hare Field, Chicago, Illinois, and Will Rogers World Airport, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, with final destination of Dallas, Texas. After the attempted hijacking of Flight 633, [redacted] gave the following items to the interviewing Agent on July 13, 1972:

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1. One piece of 10½" by 7¼" Holiday Inn stationery. The stationery contained a Holiday Inn crest in the upper left-hand corner. Across the top of the stationery was written the following: "Holiday Inn of Norman, 2600 West Main Street and Interstate 35. P. O. Drawer HI Norman, Oklahoma 73069." In the upper right-hand corner appeared the telephone number 329-1624. Written on the Holiday Inn of Norman stationery was the following:

"Flares
"550-000 100.00
"Greeter S. W. VOR..
"Parachute. 5000,000"

The word "Greeter S.W. VOR" and "Parachute" were circled in black ink. The four figures of "5000 were circled in black ink. All of the above information appearing on the Holiday Inn of Norman stationery was written or printed in black ink.

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2. One brown holster. Contained on the front snap of this holster was "Brauer, Bro's. Mfg. Co., St. Louis." Contained on the back of the holster was the following: "Brauer Bro's. Mfg. Co., St. Louis. Moose Brand Sporting Goods." Also appearing on the back of the holster was "LW 5."

3. One .38 Smith and Wesson pistol with Serial Number S72312. The pistol was black in color with brown handles.

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[redacted] business address [redacted]
 [redacted] was interviewed upon emerging from American Airlines Flight 633, Will Rogers World Airport, and related that on the evening of July 12, 1972, he boarded the above American Airlines flight at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, enroute to Los Angeles, California, via Dallas, Texas. He advised the flight was uneventful until the aircraft arrived in the area of Dallas at which time the Captain made an announcement to the effect that a man aboard wanted some money and [redacted] understood the plane was being hijacked. [redacted] observed a man at the rear of the plane who was the hijacker and described him as a white male, age 35-40 years, 5'11"-6', 165-170 pounds, slender build, dressed in a dark suit with a pink shirt with cuff links. He observed that the hijacker had a weapon described by [redacted] as a .38 caliber Colt pistol in an old holster and a walkie-talkie radio. With the exception of walking forward in the plane, [redacted] did not observe the hijacker do anything and did not hear him speak. [redacted] was aware that following the second landing at Oklahoma City, a passenger was instructed by the hijacker to pick up a parachute and a package apparently containing currency on the runway and to bring same into the plane. After the above was accomplished, the passengers were allowed to leave the aircraft and [redacted] left with them. He was not harmed during the incident.

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[redacted] was interviewed immediately upon emerging from American Airlines Flight 633, Will Rogers World Airport, and related that on the evening of July 12, 1972, she boarded the above American Airlines flight at Oklahoma City enroute to Odessa, Texas, via Dallas, Texas, and she was assigned seat #18A. She advised the flight was uneventful until the plane arrived in the Dallas area at which time there was an announcement by the captain to the effect that a man aboard wanted some money. The announcement was made after [redacted] had observed that a man in the rear of the plane had called the stewardess to him several times. [redacted] turned in her seat several times to observe the hijacker and she saw him face to face when she left the plane after the second landing at Oklahoma City. She did not hear the hijacker speak nor did she observe any weapon. She described the hijacker as a white male in his late 40's, tall and slender, dark hair. [redacted] said she was not harmed during the incident and that she left the aircraft with the other passengers.

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[redacted] was exhibited a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER and she stated the individual pictured thereon was identical with the hijacker.

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[redacted] Business address [redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed immediately upon emerging from American Airlines Flight 633, Will Rogers World Airport, and related that on the evening of July 12, 1972, he boarded the above flight at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, enroute to Shreveport, Louisiana, via Dallas, Texas, and he was assigned seat #9C. He advised that flight was uneventful until the aircraft arrived in the Dallas area at which time the captain made an announcement to the effect that a man aboard wanted some money and [redacted] was then aware that the plane was being hijacked. [redacted]

[redacted] observed a stewardess apparently taking messages from a man in the rear to the captain and then saw the captain make at least one trip to the rear of the plane. He later observed the hijacker move to the front of the plane and noted that he carried a brief case. [redacted] described the hijacker as a white male, age about 50, 6'-6"1"; about 170 pounds, slender build, nervous and he stated that he observed that the hijacker had a holstered handgun. It was apparent to [redacted] that the hijacker was in control of the aircraft. [redacted] did not hear the hijacker make any statements, however, he did observe that a passenger left the aircraft after the second landing at Oklahoma City and that the passenger returned to the plane with a parachute and a package which apparently contained currency. [redacted] stated he left the plane with the other passengers and that he was not harmed during the incident.

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[redacted] was exhibited a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER which he stated was identical with the hijacker.

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was interviewed immediately upon emerging from American Airlines Flight 633, Will Rogers World Airport, and related that on the evening of July 12, 1972, she boarded American Airlines flight 633 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, enroute to San Diego, California, via Dallas, Texas. She advised the flight was uneventful until the plane reached the area of Dallas, Texas. The plane did not land at Dallas and when [redacted] asked the stewardess concerning the fact, she was advised there was a storm in the area. Shortly thereafter the captain made an announcement that a man aboard the aircraft wanted some money and [redacted] was then aware that the plane was being hijacked. [redacted] observed the hijacker who was at the rear of the plane and described him as a white male, age late 40's, tall, dark hair, who appeared very nervous and "wild eyed". She stated that she observed that the hijacker had a weapon which she could not describe in a holster and saw him escort the captain forward holding the weapon in the ribs of that man. [redacted] did not hear the hijacker speak, however, it was apparent to her that he was in control of the aircraft through the crew. [redacted] remained in her seat, 11B, during the incident which included two landings at Oklahoma City and she was aware that a passenger had left the plane at the instruction of the hijacker and that the passenger had picked up a package apparently containing money and a parachute and had returned with those items to the aircraft. [redacted] left the aircraft through the rear door with other passengers and she was not harmed during the incident.

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A photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER was exhibited to [redacted] and she stated that that person was identical with the hijacker.

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[redacted] business address Suite 77, National Foundation Center, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, was interviewed upon emerging from American Airlines flight 633, Will Rogers World Airport, and related that on the evening of July 12, 1972, he boarded the above flight at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, enroute to Shreveport, Louisiana, via Dallas, Texas, and he was assigned seat #9B. He advised the flight was uneventful until the flight arrived in the Dallas area at which time the captain made an announcement to the effect that a man aboard the aircraft wanted some money.

[redacted] questioned a stewardess concerning the announcement, while he did not recall her reply, the answer was that the plane was being hijacked by a man in the rear of the aircraft. [redacted] observed the hijacker only after the plane had landed at Oklahoma City at which time the passengers were ordered to draw the window blinds. He said that the hijacker had a brief case, a walkie-talkie radio and a holstered weapon which [redacted] was unable to describe further. He stated that it was apparent to him that the hijacker was in control of the aircraft through the crew. [redacted] said the hijacker was a white male, in his late 40's, 6', about 180-185 pounds in weight, dark hair, dark complexion, no visible distinguishing marks. [redacted] observed when the plane landed for the second time at Oklahoma City a passenger was sent by the hijacker to pick up a parachute and a package from the runway near the plane, following which the passengers were allowed to leave the plane through the rear door. [redacted] was not harmed during the incident.

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[redacted] was exhibited a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER and he stated that Mr. FISHER was identical with the hijacker.

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[redacted]
 [redacted] business address same, was interviewed upon emerging from American Airlines flight 633, Will Rogers World Airport, and related that on the evening of July 12, 1972, he was aboard the above American Airlines flight enroute from Chicago, Illinois, to Dallas, Texas, and was assigned seat #14F. He advised that the aircraft left Oklahoma City and was approaching the Dallas, Texas, area when the Captain made an announcement indicating the plane was being hijacked. [redacted] thereafter saw a stewardess go forward to the cockpit with a walkie-talkie radio. [redacted] was aware that the hijacker was at the rear of the plane, however, he did not turn to observe him. He saw the hijacker face to face only when he left the plane with other passengers after the second landing at Oklahoma City. [redacted] saw the hijacker go forward to the cockpit during the incident at which time he observed that the hijacker had a holstered weapon, that he was dressed in a black suit and that his "knees appeared weak". [redacted] was not harmed during the incident. He described the hijacker as a white male, age late 40's or early 50's, 175-180, dark brown or black hair, slender build.

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[redacted]
 [redacted] business address [redacted]
 [redacted] residence telephone number
 [redacted] business telephone number [redacted] employer
 [redacted]

advised he was a passenger on Flight 633, American Airlines, departing Oklahoma City at 7:45 P.M., on July 12, 1972. He said his destination was San Fernando, California. [redacted] advised that while in flight he discovered the aircraft was being hijacked by a white male. [redacted] said he occupied seat 19F in the coach section and the hijacker was seated directly behind him. [redacted] said he could positively identify the individual. He said the man was between 45 and 48 years of age, standing 6'1" or 6'2" tall, dark hair cut very short, and weighed approximately 180 pounds.

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He said the man carried a walkie-talkie and a gray brief case and appeared to be armed with some sort of revolver which he wore in a holster or against the side of his body somehow.

[redacted] was shown a photograph of MELVIN FISHER and advised he was positive this was the person referred to above.

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[redacted]
 [redacted] residence telephone number [redacted]
 [redacted] business [redacted]

business telephone number [redacted] advised she is an American citizen traveling to San Diego, California, having departed Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on Flight 633 of American Airlines at 7:45 P.M. She said she occupied seat 9A. [redacted] said that upon discovering that the aircraft was being hijacked by a white male, she became rather ill due to [redacted] and was afforded a seat where she could lay down at the rear of the aircraft. She said she did not see the man who was holding the pilot at gunpoint until he came back to the back of the aircraft to pick up the money. She said she believed she could make a positive identification of the individual since he was standing right beside her at that point. She said that he threw his brief case into a seat across the aisle from her when he came to the rear of the aircraft to pick up the money.

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[redacted] said she was positive she could identify the individual. She said she remembered him as a man in his 40's, with dark hair in a crew cut style with curls on the front edges. He wore a dark suit, had a slender build and sort of pointed ears. She said his shirt was beige or pink in color and he acted very nervous. She said he sniffed a lot as if he had a cold and appeared to be carrying a gun on his hip. She said he also carried a walkie-talkie. She said upon the hijacker receiving the money, he allowed the passengers to depart through the rear exit. She said she was the first person off of the aircraft once the money had been paid to the hijacker.

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[redacted]
 [redacted] residence telephone number [redacted]
 business address [redacted]
 [redacted] business
 telephone [redacted] advised he was en route to
 Los Angeles, California, on Flight 633 of American
 Airlines which he had boarded at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,
 at 7:45 P.M., on July 12, 1972. [redacted] explained that he
 was in Chicago, Illinois, on the morning of July 12,
 1972, and had arrived in Oklahoma City at about 1:58 P.M.,
 from Chicago. He said he initially had reservations on
 the 5:10 P.M., flight however because of personal
 commitments did not make his departure until 7:45 P.M.,
 on Flight 633 of American Airlines. He said upon
 boarding the aircraft he commenced reading a book and
 did not discover that there was something wrong until
 the aircraft began to circle Oklahoma City. He said at
 this point he discovered the aircraft was being hijacked
 by a white male, approximately 42 to 48 years of age, and
 who was 6'1" to 6'2½" tall. He said the man had a thin
 face and dark hair cut very short. [redacted] said he
 observed him as he walked to the rear of the plane and
 that when he first saw the hijacker he reminded him of
 a friend of his by the name of [redacted] from California.
 [redacted] said he was certain he could positively identify
 this individual if seen again.

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[redacted] said he remembered the pilot referring to
 a man dressed in a red suit as the individual who would
 depart the aircraft on the command of the hijacker to
 pick up the money and bring it back to the plane. [redacted]
 said upon the money being brought aboard, the hijacker
 permitted the passengers to depart by the rear exit and
 he said he again observed the hijacker who was standing
 by the door at the rear exit as he departed. [redacted] said
 that in the event it was necessary for him to be
 contacted in California, he could be reached in Santa
 Monica at telephone number [redacted]

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[redacted]
[redacted] telephone [redacted] was interviewed at the Will Rogers World Airport immediately after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633 and provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised he is employed by [redacted]
[redacted] telephone [redacted]
[redacted] He stated he was in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on July 12, 1972, to meet with attorneys for Wood Brothers Homes, Denver, Colorado. [redacted] stated he met with [redacted] Denver, Colorado, for approximately one hour.

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[redacted] advised after the meeting with [redacted] he went to the Will Rogers World Airport and secured transportation to Dallas, Texas, aboard American Airlines Flight 633. He advised he occupied seat 3A.

[redacted] advised approximately 8:30 p.m., July 12, 1972, while aboard American Airlines Flight 633, he noticed an unusual amount of activity was taking place. He stated he noticed the stewardess make several trips from the rear of the airplane to the pilot's compartment.

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[redacted] advised approximately 10:00 p.m., July 12, 1972, one of the passengers went from the rear of the airplane to the pilot's compartment. He advised this passenger was carrying a bottle of Maalox and a dark briefcase which was approximately 12" by 16". He advised a few minutes later the pilot announced over the intercom system that a passenger had just requested that he wanted an undisclosed amount of money. He further advised the pilot requested the aisle should remain clear and all passengers should remain in their seats. He also advised that all shades on the windows should be lowered.

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[redacted] advised the passenger who went to the pilot's compartment remained with the pilot.

[redacted] advised the plane returned to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and landed. He stated he did not see the passenger during this period of time. He advised after a lengthy period of time, the plane departed Oklahoma City.

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[] advised the plane was airborne for approximately three hours and then landed again at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

[] advised a passenger emerged from the pilot's compartment and to the middle of the airplane. He advised the passenger had two walkie-talkies, one of which he kept in his possession and one which he gave to the stewardess to give to the Captain.

While the passenger was standing in the middle of the airplane, [] stated he noticed the individual was wearing a holster which contained a pistol. He stated he recognized the pistol as a .38 caliber. He advised the holster was brown in color, but could not further identify it. [] advised the pilot then made an announcement via the intercom for one of the passengers to leave the airplane to pick up the ransom money demanded by the passenger.

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[] advised the rear door of the airplane was lowered and the passenger who had been ordered to obtain the ransom money left the airplane. He advised the passenger returned to the airplane carrying a large bag. He stated the bag was given to the hi-jacker. He stated once the transaction was completed, the hi-jacker ordered the pilot to join him in the rear of the airplane. He stated while the hi-jacker and the pilot stood at the rear of the airplane he noticed the hi-jacker's hand was on the pistol and that the pistol was still in the holster. [] advised the hi-jacker then ordered the stewardess to tell the passengers to collect their hand luggage and to file out of the rear door of the airplane in an orderly fashion. He stated the passengers complied with his order and filed out of the rear of the airplane, in an orderly fashion. [] described the hi-jacker as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	45 to 50
Height	5'11"
Weight	170 - 180
Hair	Light and worn in crew cut fashion
Eyes	Glassy
Complexion	Ruddy
Characteristics	Nervous twitch around the eyes
Clothing	Plain gold long sleeve shirt with large gold cuff links, a tie and wearing a brown suit

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[redacted] advised the hi-jacker wore no jewelry and did not have any distinguished marks.

[redacted] advised he would recognize this individual if he saw him again. [redacted] was then shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, Sheriff's Office number 1381 dated January 25, 1972, and he identified him as being identical with the individual who hi-jacked American Airlines Flight 633.

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[redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed in the lobby of Gate Number 40 at Will Rogers World Airport shortly after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633, and furnished the following information:

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He is employed by [redacted] and boarded Flight 633 American Airlines, Will Rogers World Airport, for a flight to Los Angeles, California, on business. [redacted] stated he boarded flight 633 after the last call inasmuch as he was running late.

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[redacted] stated he was seated in seat number 3E, third row in the first class section which is located on the right hand side of the aisle, aisle seat.

[redacted] stated he noticed nothing irregular at first in this flight and stated the Captain of the plane, after being in flight, announced they would arrive at Dallas at approximately 8:30 p.m. Around 9:00 p.m., the Captain made an announcement that there was a gentleman on board who had issued instructions that the plane was being hi-jacked. [redacted] stated he has since found out that the man hi-jacking the plane was sitting in the last row in the coach section. Shortly after the Captain announced the hi-jacking, the man in the rear herded all of the passengers forward in the airplane. [redacted] stated the passengers coming from the rear told him the location of the hi-jacker.

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[redacted] stated that sometime later this man came forward and sat in the cockpit of the airplane, behind the Captain. Previous to this time, the hi-jacker was apparently issuing instructions to the Captain by using the stewardesses as messengers. Shortly after this man came forward, instructions were issued that the middle aisle be kept clear at all times. [redacted] further noted he observed the man occasionally looking from the cockpit and insuring that the passengers were not causing any problems.

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[redacted] stated he observed a leather holster on the right side of this man's waist. The hi-jacker kept

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his hand around the holster at all times, but [redacted] never observed a weapon and never observed the man pull the weapon from the holster. He further stated the man was carrying a four inch olive colored Samsonite briefcase which he maintained in his possession at all times.

[redacted] described this individual as a white male, approximately 45 years old, 6'1" tall, 175 pounds, brown hair, sallow complexion, and clean shaven. This individual was wearing a dark suit and a pink shirt and appeared to be alone at all times.

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[redacted] viewed a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, Sheriff's Office number 1381 dated January 25, 1972, and he immediately advised the hi-jacker was identical to the person appearing in this photo.

[redacted] advised during the first landing and while the plane was being re-fueled the hi-jacker was in the cockpit and had instructed that all curtains remain closed.

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[redacted] First Pilot, American Airlines Company, [redacted] advised he was First Pilot on American Airlines Flight 633, on July 12, 1972, which flight he boarded at Washington, D.C. He stated this flight was to travel to Chicago, Oklahoma City, Dallas, Los Angeles, and San Diego. [redacted] advised that they arrived in Oklahoma City on time, shortly after 7 p.m., at Will Rogers World Airport, deplaned the Oklahoma City passengers and boarded the passengers from Oklahoma City to other points. He stated they departed from the American Airlines ramp at Will Rogers World Airport at approximately 7:50 p.m. and took off en route to Dallas. He stated at approximately 8:12 p.m. one of the stewardesses from the coach section came to the cockpit with a walkie talkie radio, the antenna which was extended, and the radio turned on. He said the stewardess informed him a man in the coach section wanted to talk to him on the radio. [redacted] stated he could not understand the radio transmission from the man in the back of the plane and he requested the stewardess to so inform the passenger.

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Shortly thereafter, the same stewardess returned to the cockpit area with a handwritten note which stated in substance the passenger wanted to go to the Greater Southwest Airport at Fort Worth, Texas; to hold over the airport there at 20,000 feet; and to request an aircraft, a parachute, and \$550,000 in a bag. The aircraft containing these items was to rendezvous and follow to another landing site. [redacted] stated he went back to talk to the man in the coach section to explain to him they were low on fuel and due to the weather and the probability it would require some length of time to prepare a ransom in that amount, he felt the fuel would not be sufficient for that length of time. [redacted] advised the individual subsequently agreed to return to Oklahoma City where arrangements could be made for his demands.

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[redacted] advised they returned to the Oklahoma City airport where they landed and took on approximately 37,000 pounds of fuel and immediately before the landing in Oklahoma City this individual entered the cockpit area where he remained at all times. [redacted] stated he observed a revolver

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pistol in the possession of this individual, which he kept in his lap or on the seat between his legs during the incident.

[] advised this individual had in his possession a radio which enabled him to monitor the radio transmissions from the airplane to the control tower and from the tower to the airplane, therefore, he was aware of all activities in the cockpit and at the control tower. [] advised at the time he entered the cockpit area he requested that the overhead radio speakers be switched on in order that he could continue to monitor the radio transmissions.

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[] advised this individual permitted him to make a public announcement to the other passengers on the plane as to what was transpiring and to assure them that no one would be injured and to continue the flight as a routine flight.

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[] advised they cruised in the vicinity of Oklahoma City awaiting the arrival of the parachute and ransom money and at approximately 2:15 a.m. on July 13, 1972, he was notified the money and parachute were ready for delivery and he so informed the hijacker. He stated he was then instructed to land the airplane at Will Rogers World Airport, which he did, at approximately 2:15 a.m., and the plane remained at the north end of runway 17, east, with the orders the money and parachute were to be delivered and placed on the runway in front of the aircraft. [] advised that when the money and parachute were delivered, this individual directed another passenger to exit the plane through the rear emergency stairway and bring the money bag and parachute to him inside the plane.

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[] pointed out the pirate had originally informed him the passengers would be released when the money and parachute were delivered, and he planned to have the passengers exit through the slide chute emergency exit through the front of the plane. [] stated he pointed out to the pirate there were several children and elderly people on the plane as passengers and to exit by the slide chute was somewhat dangerous. He stated the pirate then agreed to allow the passengers to deplane by the emergency stairway exit at the rear of the plane with the understanding that he, [] would stand in front of him at the rear exit while the passengers were deplaning. [] stated he agreed and this is the manner in which the passengers were released and deplaned.

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[] advised when the money pouch and the parachute were returned to the plane, the pirate permitted all the passengers and two of the three stewardesses to exit the plane. He stated the rear door was then closed and after they took on additional fuel, they took off at the direction of the pirate.

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[] advised the pirate directed him to fly to the Kingfisher radio branch and maintain an altitude of 3,000 or 4,000 feet. He stated a short time later the pirate directed him to fly from the Kingfisher radio branch station on a heading between downtown Oklahoma City, and the airport radio towers and then to turn south along Interstate Highway 35. He stated the rear emergency stairwell was again lowered by the flight engineer and he assumed the pirate was planning to parachute from the plane. He stated a few minutes later the pirate came back to the cockpit area and told him to circle Oklahoma City and again fly down Interstate 35, and the pirate again went to the rear of the aircraft. [] stated while he was circling back, the remaining stewardess on the plane knocked on the door and had in her possession the pistol used by the pirate, and she told him the pirate was ready to give up and fly back to Will Rogers World Airport, Oklahoma City, which he did.

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[] stated all during the piracy, the pirate would not expose himself at the windows and told the stewardess to pull the shades on all the passenger windows. [] stated the pirate appeared to be very knowledgeable about the aircraft, flying, radio communication, and navigational devices. He further stated the pirate said on several occasions he did not want to injure anyone, that he was desperate and needed the money very badly.

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[] advised the pirate ordered him to open the leather bag containing the ransom money and when the pirate noted the bag was filled with \$10 and \$20 bills instead of the \$100 bills he has asked for, he became very agitated, and stated he wanted the larger bills in order that the bag would not be so large and that he did not want to lose the money when he jumped as other pirates had.

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[] advised he had ample opportunity to observe the pirate very closely and was certain he would recognize the pirate if he saw him again. He described the pirate as being 40-45 years of age; 5'11"-6' tall; rather large built; medium cut hair; and clean shaven. He stated he did not notice the man's clothing. He stated it one time the pirate stated he was very ill, had six children, and had been charged with a crime he did not commit.

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[redacted] Stewardess, American Airlines Company, [redacted] advised she was a stewardess in the coach section on American Airlines Flight 633, on July 12, 1972. She stated she and the other two stewardesses boarded the flight at Chicago, Illinois, en route to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Dallas, Texas; Los Angeles, and San Diego, California.

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She stated they departed Will Rogers World Airport, Oklahoma City, approximately on time at about 7:45 p.m., and approximately 15 minutes out of Dallas, Texas, she was informed by one of the other stewardesses the plane was being hijacked by one of the passengers in the coach section. She stated this individual, at the time, was sitting in seat 20B, and she then saw stewardess [redacted] carry an object which appeared to be a walkie talkie with the antenna extended, to the pilot's compartment on the aircraft. She stated sometime later during the flight, this man directed they move all the passengers to the forward part of the aircraft; and then he entered the cockpit area of the plane with the pilot, copilot, and engineer. She stated at one point during the second landing she was ordered by the pirate to sit in the cockpit, and she had an opportunity to closely observe him at that time. She stated she would be able to recognize this individual if she saw him again, and she positively identified a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER as being the individual who pirated the airplane.

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[redacted] stated she did not recognize FISHER as being a previous passenger on any flight she had handled in the past and described him as being approximately 42 years of age; 6'1" tall; salt and pepper colored hair, balding; short in length; clean shaven; and as having a twitch around his eyes and eyebrows as he talked. She stated he was wearing a dark suit, white shirt, red tie, and black or tan colored shoes.

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[redacted] advised she observed the pistol in the possession of FISHER; however, he did not gesture with the pistol in his hand and made no really threatening moves toward

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any employee or passenger. She further stated there was no question whatever in her mind the aircraft was being pirated by FISHER.

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[redacted]
 [redacted] telephone [redacted] business address [redacted]
 [redacted] telephone [redacted] was interviewed immediately after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633 at Will Rogers World Airport. [redacted] stated he had boarded this flight at Oklahoma City approximately 8:00 p.m., July 12, 1972, and was enroute to San Antonio by way of Dallas, Texas. [redacted] stated he was seated in seat 11F.

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[redacted] was shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, Sheriff's Office number 1381 dated January 25, 1972, and he stated this photograph resembled the individual whom he had observed aboard flight 633 during the period from about 8:30 p.m., July 12, 1972, until the plane landed at Will Rogers the second time shortly before 3:00 a.m., July 13, 1972.

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[redacted] stated he did not get a real close look at the individual aboard this airplane whom he had been advised by fellow passengers had hi-jacked the airplane. He stated he did observe this individual to place his hand over his coat on his right hip and he observed a bulg which to him resembled the outline of a gun and holster. [redacted] stated this individual was a white male, approximately 55, with dark hair, thin face and tall in stature. He was wearing a dark colored suit and carrying a briefcase.

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[redacted] stated he did not hear this individual speak and could provide no additional information concerning him.

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[redacted]
[redacted] telephone [redacted] business address [redacted]
[redacted] telephone [redacted] was

interviewed immediately after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633 at Will Rogers World Airport. [redacted] stated he had boarded this flight at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at approximately 8:00 p.m. on July 12, 1972, and was enroute to Dallas.

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[redacted] was shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, Sheriff's Office number 1381 dated January 25, 1972, and he identified this photo as being identical to an individual whom he observed aboard the above described flight approximately 30 minutes after departing Oklahoma City. He also said he was seated in seat 13A and FISHER was occupying the seat several rows behind him.

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[redacted] stated he would describe FISHER as a white male, 45 to 50 years of age, 6'1" to 6'2" tall, weighing 180 pounds, black hair, cut short, graying at the temples, light complexion, almost white, with a glassy stare to his eyes and wearing a dark colored suit.

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[redacted] stated FISHER had a gun in a holster on his hip on the right side. [redacted] was unable to further describe the gun or the holster. [redacted] stated he did not hear FISHER speak, but could tell by his actions that he was hi-jacking the airplane.

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[redacted]
 telephone [redacted] who listed her occupation as retired, was interviewed immediately after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633 at Will Rogers World Airport.

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[redacted] was shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, Sheriff's Office number 1381, dated January 25, 1972, and she identified this photo as being identical to the person she observed aboard the airplane approximately 30 minutes after its departure from Oklahoma City sometime after 8:00 p.m., July 12, 1972. [redacted] stated she had boarded this flight at Oklahoma City and was seated in seat 11A.

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[redacted] stated she observed FISHER move about the aisle of the airplane and observed he had a briefcase and a pistol which he was holding in his hand. [redacted] stated she could not further describe the briefcase or the pistol and she did not overhear any speech made by FISHER.

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[redacted] stated she would describe FISHER as a white male, about 6' tall, age approximately 50, dark hair, with a light complexion.

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[redacted]
 [redacted] telephone [redacted] business address [redacted]
 [redacted] telephone [redacted] was interviewed at
 Will Rogers World Airport immediately after emerging from the
 American Airlines (AAL) Flight 633. [redacted] stated he boarded
 this flight at Oklahoma City at about 8:00 p.m., July 12, 1972,
 and was enroute to Dallas.

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[redacted] was shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN
 FISHER, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, Sheriff's Office number
 1381, dated January 25, 1972, and he identified this photograph
 as being identical to an individual whom he observed aboard
 the airplane after it departed Oklahoma City. [redacted] stated he
 personally was seated in seat number 12 (window). [redacted] stated
 he observed FISHER who was seated several seats behind him and
 he observed that FISHER was carrying a dark colored briefcase
 and had a gun and a holster on his hip. [redacted] stated he could
 not further describe the gun holster or briefcase.

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[redacted] stated FISHER's speech was inaudible to [redacted]
 however, he could observe by FISHER's actions that he was
 hi-jacking the airplane. He stated he observed that FISHER
 was "bouncing around the plane on his tiptoes", and he had a
 noticeable twitch around his eyes. FISHER had either a small
 scar or wrinkles above one eye. FISHER had been described by
 [redacted] as a white male in his late 40's, 6'1" tall, weighing
 175 pounds, with a light complexion.

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[redacted] was interviewed at Will Rogers World Airport shortly after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633. She advised that she was the first passenger to return to her seat, number 16A, at the Oklahoma City terminal on flight 633. She first noticed the individual, later known to her to be the person to hijack the aircraft, when he entered the plane at Oklahoma City and was sitting in a seat, 15F, across the aisle and just in front of her. Evidently he was sitting in the seat of another passenger, as he was asked to move. He moved to the aisle seat on the 15th row.

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She later noticed, while in flight, that he asked one of the stewardesses to come to his seat. Evidently he showed her something inside of his coat, because she showed a surprised expression on her face. The man talked to her a very short time and then accompanied the stewardess to the last row of seats, at the rear of the plane, on the left hand side as you face the front of the plane. While they were sitting there, she noticed the man take something from his briefcase and extend an antenna. The stewardess left the back of the plane, and headed to the cockpit with what appeared to be a walkie talkie. She returned from the cockpit with her hands in her pockets and without the walkie talkie. [redacted] [redacted] said the stewardess dropped a brown, western-type holster in the aisle beside her [redacted] seat. The stewardess picked up the holster, returned to the rear of the plane, and took her seat beside the man.

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[redacted] described the hijacker as a white male; 6'2-3", tall; less than 200 pounds; 50-54 years of age; dark hair, greying in front, receding, and crewcut; lean and muscular built; and dressed in a black or dark suit, black shoes, cranberry colored tie, light or pink colored shirt, and cuff links.

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[redacted] was shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, and she immediately identified the photograph of this individual as being that of the hijacker.

[redacted] stated to her knowledge the hijacker

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made no threats to any of the passengers, but while deplaning he stood behind the captain of the plane at the front of the aircraft with his hand on his pistol still in the holster and tilted it toward the captain.

At no time did [redacted] see inside of the gray briefcase that the hijacker was carrying, but did notice that he drank from a bottle of Malox while the plane was in flight.

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After the plane took off from the Oklahoma City terminal the second time with the hijacker aboard, the hijacker went to the cockpit of the plane, stayed inside the cockpit, and held the door open to the cabin area.

When the plane landed to pick the money up and the parachute, [redacted] stated [redacted] was requested by the captain over his radio, to deplane, pick up the money, and the parachute and return to the plane, which he did. He placed the money in the rear seat of the aircraft and returned to his seat.

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[redacted] was interviewed at the Will Rogers World Airport shortly after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633, and furnished the following information:

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[redacted] stated that he was seated in seat 16E, a middle seat on the right side, facing the front of the cockpit on Flight 633, en route to Austin, Texas, his destination. [redacted] stated that he first saw the hijacker when a lady seated in front of him, row 15, center seat, turned around and stated to him, "There's something rotten in Denmark on this flight." She then motioned to the back of the airplane and [redacted] said when he looked back he saw the hijacker seated in the very last seat on the left, in an aisle seat. The hijacker was holding a walkie talkie with the antenna drawn and pointed up the aisle toward the front. [redacted] advised that at that point he did not see a gun and the other passengers on the airplane were not aware yet that a hijacking was in progress, in his opinion.

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[redacted] stated that he heard a bell to call a stewardess, and he observed a stewardess carrying a walkie talkie, which the hijacker gave her, to the cockpit of the airplane. [redacted] estimated that this was approximately 8:35 to 8:40 p.m., just prior to the plane's scheduled landing in Dallas, Texas. [redacted] said he noticed the hijacker calling the stewardesses quite frequently, and he noticed them going from the hijacker to the cockpit many times. He said he also noticed the captain of the aircraft going back two times.

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[redacted] stated that the hijacker called a stewardess back and the stewardess then advised all of the passengers to move to the front of the airplane, and to fill all vacant seats in front. [redacted] said the hijacker then gave a verbal command, "all shades drawn." Following this the hijacker walked to the front of the airplane, at which time [redacted] observed a gun in the possession of the hijacker. [redacted] described the gun as a nickel plated revolver, short in length, and the hijacker had most of the gun covered by his hand. [redacted] said he observed a light tan holster,

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approximately eight inches long, and he noticed that it appeared to be much longer than the gun in the hijacker's possession. [redacted] stated that after the hijacker went to the front of the airplane, he remained in the cockpit until after the plane had landed.

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[redacted] advised that the plane landed with all shades drawn and was refueled, after which it took off again and about 15 minutes later the pilot came over the public address system and stated, "The gentleman has requested that we go to Oklahoma City and that the amount of money he has requested will be brought on the plane and all passengers will be allowed to deplane at Oklahoma City." [redacted] said the plane then began circling and after the plane landed the hijacker came out of the cockpit and went back to the rear of the plane. He said the hijacker took the pilot with him and also told the pilot, "I want a stewardess also." [redacted] stated that he heard the hijacker command a man in a red suit to go out of the back of the plane to obtain a parachute. [redacted] stated that the passengers were then allowed to deplane, and he could recall nothing more concerning the incident. He advised he would recognize the hijacker again if he saw him again, or a photograph of the hijacker.

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[redacted] provided the following descriptive data concerning the hijacker:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	45-52 years
Height	6'3"
Weight	208-210 lbs.
Build	Medium
Hair	Black and curly with large amount of grey
Complexion	Ruddy; appeared very tan
Dress	well groomed; wearing a grey suit.

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telephone [redacted] was interviewed at Will Rogers World Airport shortly after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633 and provided the following information:

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[redacted] stated he is self-employed at [redacted] telephone [redacted] is [redacted]. He was flying in the Coach section of American Airlines in seat number 16D, boarded at Chicago, Illinois, and was destined for Dallas, Texas.

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He believed the hi-jacker was seated initially in seat 14D or 17D in front of him and sat by the window at first, but later moved to an aisle seat. He also viewed the hi-jacker drinking something from a medicine bottle and he described him as being approximately 6'3" tall, weighing 200 pounds, broad shoulders, dark curly hair, possibly gray, approximately 50 years of age and possessing a black holster with a strap and a .38 caliber revolver with a black handle, dark in color.

He said the hi-jacker later moved to the right rear seat and on his way, dropped his holster in front of [redacted]. He also described the hi-jacker as possessing two walkie-talkies and the hi-jacker had the airline stewardess take one of these to the pilot when he attempted to take over the plane. The hi-jacker also forced all passengers forward and later moved to the front of the plane himself. The plane flew around for approximately four hours with the hi-jacker in control and the pilot cooperated with him. The hi-jacker also possessed a thick Samsonite gray attache case which he never let out of his sight. The Negro stewardess, according to [redacted] told him that she had seen the bomb inside the attache case. He said the hi-jacker relayed everything to the passengers through the stewardess from the cockpit.

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[redacted] was shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, Sheriff's Office number 1381 dated January 25, 1972, and he advised the hi-jacker and FISHER were the same.

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[redacted]
[redacted] was contacted in the Operations Office, American Airlines, Will Rogers World Airport. [redacted] advised he was the Flight Engineer on Flight 633, American Airlines, and has been employed by American Airlines for six years. [redacted] furnished the following information regarding the events surrounding the hi-jacking of Flight 633.

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At approximately 8:15 p.m., while the flight was approaching Dallas, Texas, the crew in the cockpit was notified by one of the stewardesses, who was carrying a walkie-talkie and demand note, that a gentleman in the rear of the plane was hi-jacking the plane and that he desired to talk to the Captain over the walkie-talkie. [redacted] stated the Captain attempted to converse with the hi-jacker using the walkie-talkie, but the walkie-talkie failed to work. [redacted] stated thereafter during the first two hours of the diversion of this flight, the hi-jacker issued instructions to the cockpit crew by using the stewardesses as messengers. [redacted] further stated the walkie-talkie was placed in the cockpit per instructions of the hi-jacker and that the walkie-talkie was apparently transmitting the conversations taking place in the cockpit to the hi-jacker.

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[redacted] stated the hi-jacker had demanded \$500,000 in ransom and at first wanted to land at the new airport in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. [redacted] stated this was not possible because of weather conditions. Therefore, the crew was instructed to return to Oklahoma City where the money was to be obtained by the hi-jacker.

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When the flight was on the final approach to Will Rogers World Airport for the first landing, a man came forward to the cockpit and sat on the rear jump seat where he remained until the passengers were allowed off sometime later.

[redacted] stated that this individual had a sidearm for a weapon and also claimed he had a bomb which [redacted] saw at one time being held by this man. [redacted] stated the "bomb" was approximately 18 inches long, two inches in diameter at one end and three inches in diameter at the other end. The "bomb" was taped and had black and white stripes. [redacted] stated the

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bomb was carried in the briefcase by the hi-jacker at first, but later was removed and when [] observed it, it was being held by the hi-jacker. [] further stated that this man had a device in his hand which he referred to as a detonator about the size of a man's hand with a chrome antenna and that, to [] knowledge, the "detonator" remained in this man's hand at all times.

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[] stated he had very limited conversations with this individual, but that the man did state he was taking over the plane and demanding the ransom money because he was "up against the wall". The man also mentioned at one time that there are definitely not enough restrictions on air travel and that tighter restrictive measures must be taken for the security of the passengers. The man never mentioned his intentions as to the disposition of the money or his ultimate destination. [] further noted that the man was drinking Maalox frequently.

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[] stated after the second landing and the passengers were allowed to disembark, the hi-jacker instructed the plane to fly over Kingfisher, Oklahoma. After traveling to Kingfisher, the hi-jacker instructed the plane be turned around, fly over Oklahoma City between certain radio and television towers and then fly on south directly over Interstate 35 where he intended to parachute over Interstate 35 approximately ten miles south of Norman. During the maneuvering over Norman, Oklahoma, and the surrounding area, this individual kept instructing the pilot to make minor adjustments in his flight pattern and stated "If I don't get this just right I won't know where I am." [] stated that one of the rear exits was lowered for the man to use for his jump and he believes this man disposed of the walkie-talkies and the "bomb" through this opening.

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[] stated that when there was very little fuel left the man surrendered his gun to the stewardess who remained on board and the stewardess in turn gave the gun to [] stated he then went to where the man was sitting in the first class section, ask the man if he was through, the man indicated he was and [] then asked about the bomb. The man stated he threw the bomb and the detonator out previously.

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[] stated after the money was placed on board and the

passengers disembarked that this individual went to the rear section of the plane where [] observed him looking at and working with the money and he appeared to be transferring the money from the package that it was contained in when it came on board to other packages. [] stated apparently from some chemical located on the money, the man had purple dye all over his hands and face.

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[] stated at one point during the flight the man stated he was deathly afraid that the FBI would get too close to the plane and he wanted absolutely no violence where he may be harmed by the FBI.

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[] advised after the plane landed he furnished the weapon and demand note to FBI Agents who boarded the plane and took the hi-jacker into custody.

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[] furnished the following description of this individual:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	45 - 50
Height	6'
Weight	160 - 170
Hair	Dark - graying
Clothes	Dark suit
Other	Clean shaven

[] further advised that when the weapon was handed to him by the stewardess that it was not loaded.

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telephone [redacted] who is self-employed as a [redacted]

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[redacted] was interviewed immediately after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633 at Will Rogers World Airport.

[redacted] stated he boarded this flight at Chicago, Illinois, earlier on July 12, 1972, and was enroute to Dallas, Texas.

[redacted] was shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, Sheriff's Office number 1381 dated January 25, 1972, and he identified this photograph as being identical to an individual whom he first observed aboard American Airlines Flight 633 after the flight had departed Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at approximately 8:00 p.m., July 12, 1972. [redacted] stated the flight had departed Oklahoma City sometime after 8:00 p.m. and had flown to the Dallas-Fort Worth area where the plane had circled the airport and later returned to Oklahoma City and landed. [redacted] stated he had learned approximately 30 minutes after the original take-off from Oklahoma City that the plane was being hi-jacked. [redacted] stated he was seated in seat number 20C and after the plane had landed in Oklahoma City FISHER had come up to him, pointed a gun at [redacted] and ordered him to move out of his seat. [redacted] stated he immediately got up at which time FISHER told him to sit in a seat one row forward and on the right hand or opposite side of the aisle. He stated FISHER then sat down in seat number 20C.

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[redacted] stated FISHER was carrying what appeared to him to be a .38 caliber revolver, dark steel, with a big handle and about a five inch barrel. FISHER was carrying a black attache case approximately four inches in thickness. FISHER then took two walkie-talkie radios out of the briefcase and gave one to the stewardess and told her to take it to the Captain. [redacted] stated he could not overhear all of FISHER's conversation, but did hear him say he had a bomb and wanted things done his way. He stated FISHER gave instructions to the Captain by means of talking over the walkie-talkie and by delivering instructions through the stewardess. He stated he observed the Captain come back and talk to FISHER on two occasions. [redacted] stated he did not overhear FISHER make any additional demands.

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[] stated FISHER talked in a low voice and he appeared to be "calculating" in his actions. [] stated that at one point FISHER dropped his holster on the floor of the plane and he made the stewardess get it for him. [] stated he observed on several occasions that FISHER had a noticeable "twitch" around his eyes.

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[] stated after he learned the plane was being hi-jacked he had made some notes in his personal notebook and according to his notations, the airplane had circled the Greater Southwest Airport until 10:30 p.m., at which time they had returned to Oklahoma City and landed at Will Rogers World Airport at 11:00 p.m. The plane was re-fueled and took off again at approximately 11:55 p.m., then circled for almost three hours before landing again at Will Rogers World Airport at about 2:40 a.m., July 13, 1972.

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[] described FISHER as a white male, in his early 40's, 6'2" to 6'3", 175 to 180 pounds, dark short hair, graying at the temples, wearing a dark blue suit.

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[redacted]
[redacted] telephone number [redacted] was immediately interviewed after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633, Will Rogers World Airport, and advised as follows:

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[redacted] advised she was flying enroute to San Diego, California, with [redacted]. She advised she was seated across the aisle from [redacted] on flight 633 and observed essentially the same activity as that of [redacted]. [redacted] advised she could furnish no additional information than that furnished by [redacted].

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[redacted] was also shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, Sheriff's Office number 1381, dated January 25, 1972, and she advised this individual was identical to the hi-jacker aboard flight 633.

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[redacted]
[redacted] telephone number [redacted] was interviewed at the Will Rogers World Airport immediately after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633, at which time he furnished the following information.

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He advised he is employed as a [redacted] for [redacted] [redacted] and was flying first class, sitting in seat number 5A aboard the flight. He advised he boarded Flight 633 at Oklahoma City, where he was spending his vacation with [redacted] and was returning to San Diego, California. He advised he first saw the hi-jacker when he was seated in the left rear corner seat and he described him as being approximately 6'1" tall, dark graying hair, normal cut, approximately 50 years of age, 180 pounds, and possessing a .38 revolver and holster on his right hip with a standard four inch barrel. He also described an attache case which the hi-jacker kept in his hands at all times and he said he wore a dark suit with no tie and possibly possessing an Oklahoma accent. He said the hi-jacker sat in the Coach section of the airplane and therefore he did not see him until he attempted to take over the plane which was at a later time. He described his eyes as blinking a lot and being possibly blue in color.

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[redacted] was shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, Sheriff's Office number 1381 dated January 25, 1972, and [redacted] advised FISHER was identical to the hi-jacker.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted] was interviewed at Will Rogers World Airport shortly after emerging from American Airlines Flight 633 and provided the following information:

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He advised he was seated in seat number 15C, boarded at Oklahoma City and was enroute to Dallas, Texas. He advised he is self-employed at [redacted] business telephone [redacted]

He described the hi-jacker as being approximately 6'1" tall, dark gray hair with a normal haircut, approximately 50 years of age, 180 pounds and possessing what appeared to be a .38 caliber Police Colt and holster on his right hip with a standard four inch barrel. The hi-jacker, according to [redacted] also possessed an attache case and kept this in his hands at all times. [redacted] said the hi-jacker was wearing a dark suit and possibly had an Oklahoma accent, and was riding in the Coach section of the airplane. He also described the hi-jacker's eyes as blinking a lot and being possibly blue in color with no glasses.

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[redacted] was shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, Sheriff's Office number 1381 dated January 25, 1972, and [redacted] advised FISHER was identical with the individual who hi-jacked the airplane.

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] passenger on American Airlines flight 633, seat 15A, on July 12-13, 1972, which was skyjacked shortly after departing Will Rogers World Airport, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, enroute to Dallas, Texas, at approximately 8:15 PM on July 12, 1972, was interviewed immediately upon her emerging from flight 633 in the gate 40 lounge area of Will Rogers World Airport Terminal and provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised she boarded American Airlines flight 633 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, destined for Los Angeles International Airport, Los Angeles, California. She said she was certain that the hijacker boarded flight 633 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and said he took a seat directly across the aisle from her seat. She said the man appeared very strange and that he possibly had stomach problems because she observed him consume two bottles of "Maalox" stomach medicine before hijacking the flight. She said she further noticed him when he entered the plane because he had a nervous twitch in both eyes, walked bent over and had washed out appearance of a sick man.

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[redacted] advised she first became aware that the man intended to hijack the flight about twenty minutes out of Oklahoma City when she observed the man move a revolver from his brief case and place it in a holster which he already had on his belt. She said she thought there was a very bulky item remaining in his brief case after he removed the revolver because he struggled several minutes before he succeeded in reclosing his brief case. She said she also observed the man had two walkie-talkies which she said he later employed in communicating with the pilot of the plane.

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[redacted] provided the following description of the hijacker:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	50

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Height	6'2"
Weight	175
Hair	Dark graying hair, worn in crewcut, slight balding on top
Clothing	Black suit, pink shirt

stated she could positively identify the man if she saw him again.

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Col. [redacted] U.S. Air Force, Retired,

[redacted] telephone [redacted]

telephone 280-2428, passenger on American Airlines flight 633, seat 17A on July 12-13, 1972, which was skyjacked shortly after departing Will Rogers World Airport, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, enroute to Dallas, Texas, at approximately 8:15 PM on July 12, 1972, was interviewed immediately upon his emerging from flight 633 in the gate 40 lounge area of the Will Rogers World Airport Terminal and provided the following information:

[redacted] advised he boarded American Airlines flight 633 at O'Hare International Airport, Chicago, Illinois, and was destined for Southwest Airport, Dallas, Texas.

[redacted] stated he was in the restroom at the rear of the coach section of the plane when the plane was hijacked. He stated he first became aware of the hijacker when he came out of the restroom and observed a man sitting in the window seat in the last row of seats on the left hand side of the plane talking on a walkie-talkie. He stated that besides this walkie-talkie, this man was in constant possession of a standard-looking brief case and a "little transistor pack about the size of a cigarette pack with a silver button in the center and a four inch antenna protruding from it". He stated he believed this was the triggering device for a bomb which he assumed was contained in the man's brief case although he never saw a bomb or heard any reference to a bomb from the hijacker, aircraft crew or passengers.

[redacted] provided the following description of the hijacker:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	45-50
Height	6'1"-2"
Weight	170-180

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Hair	Short graying black hair
Dress	Blue-gray suit, pink shirt and gold cuff links with red stones
Characteristics	Nervous twitch in both eyes, pale appearance and a nervous snort or sniff at approximately five minutes intervals; drawn face
Weapon	Observed the butt of a gun which he described as a .38 caliber

was shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER and stated there was no doubt in his mind that the hijacker and the man in the photograph were identical.

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[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] telephone [redacted]
or [redacted] residence address [redacted]
[redacted] telephone [redacted] passenger
on American Airlines flight 633, seat 19C on July 12-13,
1972, which was skyjacked shortly after departing Will
Rogers World Airport, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, enroute to
Dallas, Texas, at approximately 8:15 PM, on July 12, 1972,
was interviewed immediately upon his emerging from flight 633
in the gate 40 lounge area of Will Rogers World Airport
Terminal and provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised he boarded American Airlines
flight 633 at Chicago, O'Hare Airport, destined for Southwest
Airport, Dallas, Texas.

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[redacted] advised that the hijacker got on flight
633 at Oklahoma City and selected a seat one row back and
one seat left of his seat in the coach section of the plane.
He said the man announced his intentions to hijack the plane
at approximately 8:15 PM as the plane was enroute from
Oklahoma City to Dallas, Texas.

[redacted] provided a four-page handwritten diary
of the events on flight 633 from the time the hijacker
commandeered the flight until the passengers were finally
released from the plane. [redacted] diary reads as
follows:

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"8:15 To rear seat - girl talked shortage fuel
supply -

"9:15 Company contacted N.Y. to arrange for
money - can not come up with money as soon as
he desires - Capt. told we had 26,000# when
we left O.C. - enough for 2 1/2 hours.

"Capt wanted to land S.W. airport with
assurance to H.J. that F.B.I. would not

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intercede in any matter -
No soap - Capt. also told him thunderstorm
over head did not help.
H.J. "you trap me and we all go."

"Prior to coming back, Capt. informed
us passengers - 'H.J. meant no harm to
anyone!!! wanted to land for money,
release all passengers and can time

"9:35 Stewardess assured H.J. Capt.
would know something soon.

"9:50 Capt. returns to H. J., money on
its way - trouble because of downpour,
assured H. J. one man would approach
plane with money the type of bag H. J.
requested. 7000# of fuel!

"H.J. instructed Capt. to return to
O.C., Capt. stated should be there in
30 or 40 minutes. I believed H.J.
intends to release us in Dallas - Capt.
assured all lights would remain on at
Dallas S.W. airport.

"H.J. uses 2-way radio communicate with
Capt. at 10:15 difficulty in hearing.
one another started.

"10:35 - Capt. to H.J. 30 miles out of O.C.
H.J. wants all shades closed - fuel for long trip
'no tricks'

"10:50 - H.J. 'All passengers forward' then we
landed - he then went to cockpit.

"11:05 Runway - shades down - lights on.
Seat '20 C'???

"11:07 'permission to go to restroom
one at time' - Capt P.A.

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"11:40 Overhead on cockpit PA that small plane would arrive in 1 to 1 1/2 hours with money.

"11:50 engines started in motion

"11:56 'In flight'

"1"46 AM 7/13 will return to OC when parachute and money are available (over heard on cockpit radio)

"2:30 landed 2:30, passenger told prior to landing to prepare to slide down shut - ladies no high heels."

[redacted] described the hijacker as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	Approximately 48 years
Height	6'4"
Weight	195
Clothing	Dressed neatly, dark suit, wore cuff links
Weapon	Colt .38 caliber revolver with a four inch barrel

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[redacted] was shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER and stated there was no doubt in his mind that FISHER was the man who hijacked American Airlines flight 633.

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] who listed her occupation as housewife, was interviewed immediately upon her emerging from American Airlines flight 633 at Will Rogers World Airport. [redacted] stated she had boarded flight 633 at Oklahoma City at about 8 PM, July 12, 1972, and was enroute to Dallas, Texas. [redacted] was assigned seat 15F and when she boarded the plane at Oklahoma City, a man was seated in this seat. At [redacted] request, this man moved to the aisle seat and allowed her to occupy her assigned seat which was two seats over.

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[redacted] described this individual as a white male in his late 40's, 6' or taller, well built, dark hair (probably black), pale blue eyes (glossy appearing). This individual was wearing rings on the ring finger of both his left and right hands, containing very large solitaire stones, red in color. This individual was carrying a brief case which he opened and took from it a bottle of Maalox. The man offered [redacted] a drink of the Maalox and she declined. [redacted] also observed that the man had something inside his brief case which was yellow in color, shiny in appearance, and looked to her to be cloth or an item of clothing.

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[redacted] stated this man was very nervous in his appearance and he repeatedly raised his eyebrows and was repeatedly sniffing.

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[redacted] stated that the above-described man is identical to the individual who had taken over the airplane about 30 or 40 minutes out of Oklahoma City and had caused the airplane to return to Oklahoma City, refuel and take off again and later to return to Oklahoma City.

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[redacted]
 telephone [redacted] business address [redacted]
 [redacted] telephone [redacted] was interviewed immediately upon his emerging from American Airlines flight 633 at Will Rogers World Airport. [redacted] advised he had boarded flight 633 at Oklahoma City at about 8 PM, July 12, 1972, and was enroute to Dallas, Texas. [redacted] stated he was seated in 4B.

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[redacted] advised that approximately 30 minutes after this flight departed Oklahoma City, he learned that an individual had hijacked the airplane. He advised that sometime later, exact time unrecalled, he observed a man walk toward the cockpit of the plane. This was after an announcement had been made that a man had taken over the plane. [redacted] described this individual as white male, 6'1", average build, red face, short brown hair, exact age unknown. This individual appeared to be "jumpy" and had a gun in his holster on his right hip. The gun had a brown handle but he could provide no additional description of the gun. [redacted] advised that this individual had a briefcase under his left arm and a walkie-talkie radio in his hand.

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[redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed immediately upon emerging from American Airlines flight 633 at Will Rogers World Airport. [redacted] advised he had boarded flight 633 at Chicago, Illinois, during the afternoon of July 12, 1972, and was enroute to Austin, Texas, via Dallas. [redacted] stated he was seated in seat 16F and that he had occasion to observe an individual who was seated a few seats behind him. He described this individual as a white male, about 38, 6'2", 175, thin face, dark complexion, wearing a dark colored suit. This individual was carrying a small black brief case and was wearing a holster with a gun on his hip.

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[redacted] stated he observed this individual moving about the plane but did not hear him speak. [redacted] stated he could furnish no additional description regarding this individual or the gun which he was carrying.

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[redacted]
 [redacted] telephone [redacted] business address
 [redacted] telephone [redacted]

was interviewed immediately after emerging from American Airlines flight 633 at Will Rogers World Airport. [redacted] stated he had boarded flight 633 at Chicago, Illinois, during the afternoon of July 12, 1972, and was enroute to San Diego, California. [redacted] stated he was seated in seat 18F and he had occasion to see a man who was seated just behind him on the plane. [redacted] advised this individual is described as a white male, 38-40, 175 pounds, 6'2", dark complexion, dark hair, wearing dark-colored suit. This individual was carrying a small brief case and had a gun in a holster on his right hip. [redacted] advised that this individual had taken over the airplane and was moving up and down the aisle. [redacted] advised he did not hear this individual make any particular statement. [redacted] advised he could furnish no additional description of this individual or the gun which he was carrying.

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telephone [redacted] business address [redacted]
 [redacted] telephone [redacted] was interviewed immediately
 after he emerged from American Airlines flight 633 at Will
 Rogers World Airport.

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[redacted] was shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN
 FISHER, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, Sheriff's Office #1381
 dated January 25, 1972, and he advised this photograph
 is identical to an individual he observed to take over
 flight 633 about 30 or 40 minutes after it left Oklahoma
 City. [redacted] stated he boarded flight 633 at Chicago,
 Illinois, during the afternoon of July 12, 1972, and was
 enroute to Dallas, Texas. He stated he was seated in
 what he believes was seat 17 and FISHER was seated very
 close behind him.

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[redacted] described FISHER as a white male, about 50,
 6'1", high cheek bones, black hair, well built. He stated
 FISHER was carrying a brief case and had revolver in a holster.
 He stated the revolver appeared to be a Colt with about a
 three-inch barrel and to be a dark metal. He stated he
 observed FISHER reach under his coat while talking to another
 man in the airplane and this other man got up out of the
 seat and let FISHER sit down.

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[redacted] stated that FISHER talked in a low, monotone
 and had no noticeable accent.

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[redacted]
 [redacted] telephone [redacted] business address
 [redacted] telephone

[redacted] was interviewed immediately after emerging from American Airlines flight 633 at Will Rogers World Airport. [redacted] stated he had boarded this flight at Oklahoma City at about 8 PM on July 12, 1972, and was enroute to Midland, Texas, by way of Dallas.

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[redacted] was shown a photograph of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, Sheriff's Office 1381 dated January 25, 1922, and he identified this photograph as being identical to individual he had observed to take over this airplane 30 or 40 minutes after it left Oklahoma City. [redacted] described FISHER as white male, about 45, 6'-6'1", 180-185 pounds, shallow complexion, dark hair, graying, high cheek bones, wearing a dark suit and tie and light colored shirt. FISHER was carrying a black attache case and had a gun in a holster on his hip. The gun was either black or blue steel with a brown handle.

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[redacted] passenger aboard American Airlines flight 633, who resides at [redacted] telephone [redacted] and whose business is located at [redacted] telephone [redacted] was interviewed at Will Rogers Airport shortly after emerging from American Airlines flight 633, and provided the following information concerning the hijacked aircraft:

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[redacted] stated he was seated in seat 17C in the tourist section of the aircraft. [redacted] stated that the hijacker was seated two seats behind him. [redacted] first became suspicious that the aircraft was going to be hijacked when he saw a holster in the aisle of the aircraft after the hijacker had stood up.

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[redacted] stated the hijacker walked up and down the aisle two or three times during the course of the hijacking, and that he had no direct contact with the hijacker.

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[redacted] described the hijacker as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	40-50
Height	6'2"-3"
Weight	180
Hair	Dark and curly with a fresh haircut
Clothing	Dark suit with a pink stripe shirt and maroon tie
Characteristics	Nervous, polite and sniffed heavily

[redacted] stated that the hijacker had a revolver in a holster on his right side which he kept his hand on most of the time. The revolver was blue steel with a brown handle.

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[redacted] advised that he boarded the aircraft at Oklahoma City and was scheduled to depart the aircraft at Dallas.

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[redacted] a passenger aboard American Airlines flight 633, who resides at [redacted] [redacted] telephone number [redacted] and who is employed by the [redacted] [redacted] telephone number [redacted] was interviewed at Will Rogers World Airport shortly after emerging from American Airlines flight 633, and provided the following information concerning the aircraft hijacking:

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[redacted] stated that he boarded American Airlines flight 633 in Oklahoma City and was scheduled to deplane in Dallas. [redacted] advised he was seated in the third row of the tourist section of the aircraft and he stated he had no direct contact with the hijacker and that he only saw him when he passed by in the aisle two or three times.

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[redacted] stated that the hijacker carried a blue steel revolver in a holster on his right-hand side, and that he carried a brief case under his left arm.

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[redacted] described the hijacker as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	45-48
Height	6'2"-3"
Weight	200
Hair	Dark, curly
Wearing apparel	Dark suit, pink shirt with french cuffs and unusual cuff links with a large purple stone in the center
Scars or marks	Scar over right eyebrow
Characteristics	Nervous twitch in face and continued sniffing

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[redacted] a passenger aboard American Airlines flight 633, who resides at [redacted] telephone number [redacted] and who is a member of the [redacted] telephone [redacted]

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[redacted] was interviewed at Will Rogers Airport shortly after emerging from American Airlines flight 633, and provided the following information concerning the hijacked aircraft:

[redacted] stated that he was seated in seat 19A which he described as being one seat forward of the hijacker. [redacted] stated that he had no direct contact with the hijacker and that he was aware that a hijacking was in progress when the hijacker walked by with a revolver. [redacted] stated that the hijacker kept his right hand on the revolver which he described as a blue steel revolver possibly a .38 caliber. [redacted] advised that the hijacker also carried a black attache case.

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[redacted] described the hijacker as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	50
Height	6'
Weight	170
Build	Slender
Complexion	Dark
Hair	Dark brown with a close cut and a bald spot in front
Wearing apparel	Dark suit, pink shirt with french cuffs, red tie, ring on right hand with black stone, black shoes and black socks
Characteristics	Very nervous

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[redacted] stated that the hijacker appeared to have compassion for the passengers and he did not believe that that hijacker would have harmed anyone. [redacted] advised that he saw the hijacker with two walkie-talkies and a rope in addition to the revolver and attache case.

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[redacted] stated that for the next two weeks he would be traveling and then he would return to his residence in [redacted]

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MELVIN MARTIN FISHER was interviewed at the Oklahoma County Jail, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. At the beginning of the interview FISHER was advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents and the interview was to be regarding the pirating of American Airlines Flight 633 on July 12, 1972.

He was also advised of his rights as listed in a waiver of rights form which he read, stated he completely understood and signed, waiving these rights.

FISHER furnished the following voluntary signed statement:

"Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
July 14, 1972

"I, Melvin Martin Fisher, make the following voluntary statement to Harold E. Duncan and Glenn E. Silvey who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the FBI. I have been advised of my rights as listed on an advice of rights form. I have read this form, understand my rights, and have signed the form waiving these rights. I have been advised of the purpose of the interview.

"I am 49 years old. I was born November 26, 1922, at Norman, Oklahoma. I have completed 2 years of college.

"Some time ago I became involved in a business venture which lost considerable money. I am in poor health and have been unable to work because of my poor health. I have experienced very big financial problems in the recent past.

"A short time ago, I decided to hijack an airliner to obtain money for my family and because of my financial problems. On July 10, 1972, I decided to hijack an American Airlines plane enroute from Oklahoma City to Dallas, Texas. I drove my car to the airport and bought a ticket on

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American Airlines, 7:45 p.m. flight to Dallas. I paid for the ticket with a personal check. I had planned to hijack this plane and had 2 walkie-talkie radios, a hunting coat to carry the money in. I had planned to bluff my way on the hijacking. I don't remember how much I planned to ask in ransom money.

"When I got on the airplane and we took off for Dallas, I decided not to hijack the plane. When I arrived in Dallas, I took another plane back to Oklahoma City.

"On Wednesday, July 12, 1972, I again decided to hijack an American Airlines plane. I drove my car to the Holiday Inn motel at Norman, Oklahoma, and caught a taxi cab to the airport in Oklahoma City. I purchased a one-way ticket from Oklahoma City to Dallas, Texas, on Flight 633. I paid cash for this ticket. The plane left Oklahoma City for Dallas at about 7:45 p.m. I had a .38 caliber pistol, 2 walkie-talkie radios, a monitor radio to monitor the airlines radio, a hunting coat, and 5 cloth shoe bags in a dark gray brief case. The hunting coat and the shoe bags were to use for the ransom money. I planned to show the gun in the hijacking and had the walkie-talkie radios to maintain communication with the pilot of the plane.

"About 15 minutes after we left for Dallas, I was in seat 15D. I opened my brief case, took my pistol out of the brief case; it was in a holster and I put it under my coat. The lady in the seat next to me did not see the pistol. The pistol was not loaded. The ammunition was in my pants pocket.

"As a stewardess came by, I opened my coat so she could see the pistol. I told her to move the man out of the seat on the back left of the cabin. As I reached over to get my brief case to accompany the stewardess to the rear of the plane, the holster for the pistol fell to the floor. I just walked on back to the back seat keeping the pistol under

the coat, not pointed at anyone. I had the stewardess bring me the holster and I put the gun back in the holster where it remained the remainder of the incident. I opened the brief case and gave a walkie-talkie radio to the stewardess. I turned the radio on and pulled up the antenna, and told her to take it to the captain. The captain could not hear me over the radio so I sent the stewardess to the captain with a note. The note said \$550,000 in 100 dollar bills and wanted him to slow fly, conserve gas and hold in Ft. Worth area. I at first said fly toward Albuquerque and the captain said low on fuel. I then said fly in Ft. Worth area. Captain said he would do as ordered and would relay instructions about money. I told the captain to advise the passengers of the condition and that no one would be injured in any way. I told the stewardesses to allow all to go to the rest room if needed, and to wait on other passengers as if it was a normal flight. I did not want to hurt anyone.

"I then moved all the passengers up to the front of the cabin and I went into the cockpit with crew. The captain said was low on fuel and I ok'd landing in Dallas for one tanker of fuel. We then took off again but just held in area. At 2:15 a.m., on July 13, 1972, we landed at Oklahoma City after I was told the money and parachute were ready for delivery.

"I directed the money and parachute to be placed in front of the plane on the runway and sent one of the passengers for both through the rear emergency exit. I had originally planned to use the chute slide emergency exit to let passengers off the plane, but I noticed some children and an elderly lady on the plane. I told the captain we would use the rear emergency steps if he would stand in front of me. The captain agreed to this plan.

"After the passenger brought the parachute and

money back in the plane, I released all the passengers through the rear exit. I also released 2 of the 3 stewardesses. I had the captain open the bag with the money in it and saw there were 10's and 20's in the bag.

"I then told the captain to take off which he did. I told him to fly to the Kingfisher VOR and hold at 4000 feet. I took the money from the bag and put it in the hunting coat and shoe bags and 2 of the pillow cases on the plane. I wired the bags to the hunting jacket. I then had the rear door opened by the flight engineer and had them fly between downtown Oklahoma City and the towers and down Interstate 35. I didn't get back to the exit quick enough and we had passed the South Canadian River where I planned to jump. I told the captain to circle for another run. While the captain circled the plane, I decided to give up and turned the pistol over to the stewardess. I told her to tell the captain to return to Oklahoma City.

"I wish to say I did not load the pistol at any time. I did not ever plan to hurt anyone at any time if the plan went bad.

"I had originally planned to jump over the South Canadian River with which I am very familiar. I did not try to hide my identity in any way.

"I have read this statement of this and four other pages and it is true to the best of my recollection.

"/s/ Melvin Martin Fisher

Witnessed:

"/s/ Glenn E. Silvey, Special Agent, FBI, Okla. City
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"/s/ Harold E. Duncan, Spec. Agent, FBI, Oklahoma City, Okla."

FISHER advised he did not own a pickup truck at this time and that the pickup truck he had formerly owned was sold by him to his father-in-law approximately one week ago. He stated his wife, whom he has divorced, drives an older Cadillac automobile which is the car he was driving on the night he attempted the hi-jacking and which was left by him at the Holiday Inn motel, Norman, Oklahoma.

FISHER denied having any accomplice in the attempted hi-jacking.

FISHER denied making any statement to the effect he had a bomb on the airplane and stated the only items he had in his possession which were not recovered on the airplane were the two walkie-talkie radios and the monitoring radio he had carried in his briefcase. FISHER refused to divulge his disposition of the two walkie-talkies and the monitoring radio.

The following description was obtained at the time of interview:

Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	November 26, 1922
POB	Norman, Oklahoma
Height	6' 3½"
Weight	180
Build	Medium
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Dark brown - graying (balding on top)
Scars & Marks	Appendectomy; surgical scar center abdomen; surgical scar right hip and surgical scar front of neck at top of sternum
Tattoos	None
Education	Two years college
Marital Status	Divorced
Residence Address	1710 Classen Norman, Oklahoma
Military	U. S. Air Force

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changes." [] stated that the plane was running low on fuel and they convinced the hijacker to return to Oklahoma City to refuel the aircraft. After receiving fuel at Oklahoma City, AA Flight 633 again took off and circled Oklahoma City waiting for the ransom money to be prepared and delivered to Oklahoma City. During this time Captain [] and the Flight Engineer [] attempted to convince the hijacker to surrender himself.

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After the money was delivered to AA Flight 633 and the passengers had deplaned, the aircraft again took off and followed a northwest heading for the Kingfisher, Oklahoma, VOR. According to [] the aircraft circled the vicinity of Kingfisher, Oklahoma, for approximately 15 minutes. The hijacker then instructed the pilot to fly to the vicinity of the "four towers" and from there to Norman, Oklahoma, Airport. Upon reaching Norman, they were instructed to fly south along Highway I-35. During the flight south out of Norman, the hijacker had the rear door and stairway lowered and gave small degree right and left heading corrections. During this time the hijacker appeared to be very dis-orientated and ~~undecisive~~. The hijacker kept running back and forth from the rear of the plane to the cockpit and appeared to become quite confused. The hijacker finally gave the stewardess his gun and came to the cockpit and said, "It's over, let's land." The engineer went to the rear of the plane to close the door and to check to see if the hijacker's briefcase with the alleged bomb was still in the plane.

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[] remembered that the hijacker had made a couple of strange statements to the effect, "They're going to have to do something to control crime, they are instigating crime and they've driven me up the wall."

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[] advised he would describe the hijacker as being white male in his middle forties, 6 feet to 6 feet two inches, 165 pounds, and appeared to have some sort of skin discoloration. He recalled that the hijacker drank large quantities of a patent medicine, "Maalox" and appeared to have a pint bottle of it in his pocket. [] remembered the hijacker appeared to have a "twitch" and habitually sniffed through his nose. He also described the hijacker as being reasonably well groomed and clean shaven.

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[redacted] recalled that the hijacker had informed the crew at the beginning of the hijacking that they would not be leaving the country nor would they be flying very far once he had the money. The hijacker appeared to know the Oklahoma City area very well and was quite knowledgeable about commercial aircraft operations, although it was obvious he was not a professional pilot or airlines employee. He knew a great deal about the model 727 aircraft and was able to give an air speed ratio while flying with full flaps down. [redacted] stated he could definitely identify the hijacker again.

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In the event it is necessary to contact [redacted] during the Month of July, he furnished the following flight schedule when he would be in travel status:

July 15, 16, 19-21, 25-27, 1972.

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During search of American Airlines 727 Airplane flight 633, Will Rogers World Airport, on July 13, 1972, observed in seat 20C was a black Samsonite attache case with the initials "M. F." thereon. The brief case was opened and the following items were found therein:

1. Size 34, Jockey Thorobred yellow swimming trunks.
2. Size 34, Jockey Thorobred blue swimming trunks.
3. Bottle Squibb Theragran-M-High Potency Vitamin Formula with minerals.
4. Photograph, gold frame, photo of five small children with black Ford 100 Pickup in background.
5. Laminated honorable discharge, U.S. Army for MELVIN M. FISHER, 18 051 753, dated November 25, 1945.
6. One plastic container, Polident tablets.
7. Schick Safety Razor.
8. Denture brush and plastic case with ticket from Walgreens.
9. Continental Airlines tag with name FISHER.
10. Earphone and jack with cord in plastic container.
11. Earphone and jack.
12. Jenis hair brush.
13. Plastic black comb in brown plastic case.
14. Schick Super Stainless Razor Blades.

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15. Black "Ace" hair comb.
16. Snapshot small child.
17. Pair black socks.
18. Pair brownish-gold socks.
19. Tie clasp, gold.
20. Two Samsonite keys
21. Four envelopes, return address Holiday Inn of Norman, 2600 W. Main & I-35, Norman, Oklahoma.
22. Two post cards, Holiday Inn, Norman, Oklahoma

Found under attache case in seat were the following:

1. Four sheets letterhead paper - Holiday Inn, Norman, Oklahoma.
2. Earphone and jack and small plastic bag.

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[redacted] United States Citizen, [redacted] telephone number [redacted] was interviewed at Will Rogers World Airport, after he emerged from American Airlines Flight 633, which had been hijacked. [redacted] stated he is employed by [redacted]

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted]

[redacted] advised he boarded American Airlines Flight 633 at Chicago, Illinois, was assigned seat [redacted] and his destination was Dallas, Texas. He said he plans to take the next available flight out of Oklahoma City to Dallas.

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[redacted] stated he first observed the hijacker not too long after the aircraft left Oklahoma City. He said the hijacker was sitting in a seat across the aisle, next to the aisle, one row forward from his location. He observed this individual "digging" in an attache case and observed him take out a bottle of Malox and take a drink. He said he also saw a brown shirt in the attache case. [redacted] stated he knew something was wrong when he saw this individual accidentally drop a gun holster on the floor when he got up out of his seat and took a stewardess with him to the back of the aircraft. Very shortly after this occurred, [redacted] stated the stewardess returned to this individual's seat, picked up the holster, and took it back to him.

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[redacted] advised the hijacker remained at the back of the aircraft for about one hour and during this period of time had the stewardess move the passengers to the front of the aircraft. After about one hour [redacted] stated the hijacker walked up the aisle of the aircraft, had a gun and holster on his right hip, and his hand on the gun. He apparently conversed with the pilot and the pilot informed the passengers that there was a man on board with a gun who demanded money.

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[redacted] advised that when the aircraft landed at Will Rogers World Airport the second time, money was placed by officials on the runway in front of the aircraft. He said the hijacker stated, "I want the guy in the red suit to pick"

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up the money and the parachute which is in front of the plane." [redacted] stated he did as instructed and returned the parachute and money to the aircraft. He said the hijacker had his gun pointed it him and he was very nervous. [redacted] said the hijacker gave every indication that he believed [redacted] was going to "jump him." [redacted] said he commented to the hijacker "Calm down, it's not worth it to me." [redacted] said he could definitely identify this hijacker should he see him again, and would be very willing to testify in court.

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[redacted] described the hijacker as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	49-52
Height	6'1"-2"
Weight	180
Hair	Greying, slightly receding and short
Build	Lanky, muscular
Clothing	Black suit; light pink, long sleeve shirt; cranberry color tie; black oxford shoes and carrying a charcoal colored attache case.
Peculiarities	Continually raised eyebrows up and down.

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[redacted] a United States Citizen, residing at [redacted] telephone number [redacted] [redacted] was interviewed shortly after he emerged from American Airlines Flight 633, at Will Rogers World Airport, Oklahoma City, which flight had been hijacked. He provided the following information:

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He advised he is employed by [redacted] [redacted] telephone number [redacted]

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[redacted] advised he boarded American Airlines Flight 633, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, was assigned seat [redacted] and en route to Dallas, Texas. He stated he plans to continue to Dallas, Texas.

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[redacted] said he first saw the hijacker when the hijacker went to the pilot's compartment, when the aircraft was letting down for landing at Dallas, Texas. He said he also saw the hijacker when the hijacker let the passengers off the aircraft after it landed at Will Rogers World Airport, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, the second time. When he last saw the hijacker, he was standing with the pilot and a stewardess at the back door of the aircraft. The hijacker had his hand on a gun which was in a holster on his right hip. [redacted] stated he had no direct contact with the hijacker, but would recognize him should he see him again.

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He described the hijacker as follows:

Name	Unknown
Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	Approximately 40
Height	6'1"
Weight	165-175
Build	Slender
Hair	Short, brown, and greying
Peculiarities	Nervous

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[redacted] a United States Citizen, residing at [redacted] telephone number [redacted] was interviewed at Will Rogers World Airport after he emerged from American Airlines Flight 633, which had been hijacked. [redacted] advised he is employed by [redacted] telephone is in the process of being installed. [redacted] said he boarded American Airlines Flight 633 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, was assigned seat 22F, and his destination was Austin, Texas.

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[redacted] said he was first aware that something was wrong aboard the aircraft when he observed the hijacker get up from his seat, walk to the rear of the aircraft carrying his briefcase and two walkie talkies. He also observed this individual with a receiver which he used to monitor all of the aircraft pilot's calls. He stated the hijacker also had a gray object approximately 4" x 3" x 2", which he thought was a detonating device. In addition, he stated the hijacker had a .38 caliber revolver in a holster on his right hip and observed him to control the activities of the crew and the passengers on the airplane.

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[redacted] said he watched the hijacker very carefully and considered on several occasions "jumping him" and would have done so had he not seen the hijacker with what he thought was a detonating device. He stated he was able to see into the briefcase the hijacker was carrying and observed that he had a tan overall type outfit in the briefcase.

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[redacted] stated apparently the hijacker felt that [redacted] might jump him and asked him to move to the rear of the aircraft while the hijacker was in the pilot's compartment.

[redacted] said he very definitely would recognize the hijacker should he see him again and would be willing to testify in court as to the hijacker's activities.

[redacted] described the hijacker as follows:

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Sex	Male
Age	51
Height	6'1"-2"
Weight	175-180
Hair	Dark, greying on side, short with sideburns to the bottom of his ear.
Clothing	Dark suit, pink shirt, cuff links, purple tie; wore a gold ring with a ruby stone on right ring finger.
Peculiarities	Observed a .38 caliber colt revolver, 4 inch barrel tucked in waistband of trousers on left side and later in a holster on the right hip. Right handed. Very seldom used left hand. Smoked Camel Cigarettes. Sniffed constantly. Raised eyebrows up and down continually.

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[redacted] advised she is a supervisor employed by American Airlines who works out of Dallas, Texas, as a check rider. She explained that she had flown to Chicago, Illinois, at 2:45 P.M., on Flight 310 and returned from Chicago on Flight 633 of American Airlines which arrived in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and departed at 7:45 P.M., on July 12, 1972, for Dallas. She said that in view of her position with American Airlines, she was immediately informed by Airline Stewardess [redacted] that the aircraft was being hijacked. She said [redacted] notified her of this at 8:15 P.M. She said they were about 15 minutes out of Dallas at this point. She said she only observed the hijacker from behind, seeing him walk toward the pilot's compartment. She said he appeared to be somewhat stoop-shouldered, his hair was cut in the style of a crew cut, and he appeared to be rather neat in appearance wearing a suit and tie. She said he kept his hand on his hip as if he was wearing a holster with a gun in it. She said she remained in her seat along with the other passengers and departed the aircraft upon the command of the hijacker and the pilot. She said she remembered [redacted] repeating that the hijacker had said he hated to do this but he really needed the money. [redacted] said that she did not believe that she could make a positive identification of the individual since she did not get a chance to look at him face to face. [redacted] said she could be contacted through her residence telephone number [redacted] or through her business telephone number FL1-9911, extension [redacted] in Dallas, Texas. [redacted] said that she was traveling in seat 6E, first class, on the above flight.

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The following items were taken from American Airlines Flight 633, and given to SA DONALD W. BOTTLES by [redacted] [redacted] of American Airlines, Will Rogers World Airport, which contained \$200,000.00 in ransom money:

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1. Two yellow-orange, Royal Imperial Florsheim shoe bags approximately 13" in length and 8" in width.
2. Two light brown, Ambassador Creation Boutique made in Italy shoe bags approximately 13" in length and 6½" in width.;
3. One beige shoe bag approximately 13" in length and 7" in width. On the shoe bag was a picture of two lions supporting a five-point star and crest. Within the crest was the initial "A". Joined below the lions and crest were the words, "Depositata Made in Italy."
4. One white pillowcase with purple stains, approximately 19" in length and 10½" in width.
5. One lower portion of a white pillowcase with purple stains approximately 9½" in length and 12½" in width.
6. One brown hunting vest. Attached to the hunting vest was a piece of copper wire, a rope, and the upper half of a white pillowcase.
7. One dark brown security bag with model number 553 appearing on the side of the bag near the top. Written on the bottom of the bag was "CAN Pro Corp, Fond-DU-Lac, Wisc." Written on the inside of the strap to the bag was "1610 So. Ervay St., Dallas, Texas, RI 7-3131-60."

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Upon the return of American Airlines Flight 633 to Will Rogers World Airport, Assistant Special Agent in Charge of the Oklahoma City Division of the FBI, JAMES A. ABBOTT, and SAs DONALD W. BOTTLES and CHARLES A. SALEMME boarded American Airlines Flight 633.

When the ransom money given to the hijacker of Flight 633 was discovered aboard the airplane, it was given to [redacted] American Airlines, Air Supervisor, Airport Service, Will Rogers World Airport.

Assistant Special Agent in Charge ABBOTT and SA BOTTLES accompanied [redacted] and the ransom money to the office of [redacted] American Airlines [redacted] Will Rogers World Airport.

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While in the office of [redacted] the ransom money given to the hijacker of Flight 633 was counted to verify the exact sum taken from the aircraft.

Representing and counting the money for American Airlines was [redacted] Security Representative, American Airlines, Dallas Love Field, Dallas, Texas. The above three individuals took the ransom money from several bags that were brought to the office by [redacted]. All the ransom money was in denominations of \$10 and \$20 bills. The representatives of American Airlines separated the \$10 and \$20 bills. The money was then counted in packets of \$1,000 by denominations.

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The money was then handed to SA LOUIS M. KELLEY, Oklahoma City Division of the FBI. SA KELLEY made a separate count of the money and recorded his transaction. The money was then given to SA BOTTLES. SA BOTTLES made a separate count of the money and recorded his transaction. The money was then given to [redacted] American Airlines, Ticket Lift Agent, Will Rogers World Airport. [redacted] banded the money with rubber bands and recorded the amount given to him on an adding machine.

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After the ransom money was counted, American Airlines

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Representatives [redacted], and SA BOTTLES and KELLEY, all arrived at the figure of \$200,000. Representatives of American Airlines furnished the following receipt to the FBI:

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"Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
July 13, 1972

"We as authorized representatives of American Airlines, Inc. do hereby acknowledge receipt of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) in U.S. currency, consisting of ten (10) and twenty (20) dollar denominations, from Special Agents Louis M. Kelley and Donald W. Bottles of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which said currency represents the ransom money paid to the hijacker of American Airlines Flight #633 on July 13, 1972.

"Signature [redacted]
"Title [redacted]

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"Signature [redacted]
"Title [redacted]

"Witnessed:
/s/ Donald W. Bottles
Special Agent, F.B.I.

/s/ Louis M. Kelley
Special Agent, F.B.I."

Present during the counting of the ransom money were the following individuals:

[redacted] American Airlines, [redacted]
Airport Services, Will Rogers World Airport;

[redacted] American Airlines [redacted]
Will Rogers World Airport

[redacted] Security Representative, American
Airlines, Dallas Love Field, Dallas, Texas;

[redacted] American Airlines, Ticket Lift Agent,
Will Rogers World Airport;

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SA DONALD W. BOTTLES, Oklahoma City Division, FBI;

SA LOUIS M. KELLEY, Oklahoma City Division, FBI;

ASAC JAMES A. ABBOTT, Oklahoma City Division, FBI;

Lieutenant BILL R. VETTER, Oklahoma City Police
Department Intelligence;

Sergeant R. J. MELTON, Oklahoma City Police Department
Intelligence;

Officer LARRY BAKER, Oklahoma City Police Department
Intelligence

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[redacted] Holiday Inn, Interstate 35 and Main Street, Norman, furnished the records regarding one MELVIN M. FISHER, residence 1710 Classen, Norman, Oklahoma, 73069. These records, as reflected on a registration card, disclosed that FISHER checked into the Holiday Inn at 3 p.m., July 12, 1972, registering for one night and paying cash. There was no vehicle description shown on the registration card and the room was for one person only.

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[redacted] stated that FISHER is known to motel employees as he occasionally spent the night at the Holiday Inn. She stated neither she nor her records could furnish any further information.

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[redacted] Stewardess, American Airlines, who resides [redacted] residence telephone [redacted] was interviewed in American Airlines Operations Office, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, where she advised as follows:

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She has been employed for three weeks and one day by American Airlines and on July 12, 1972, began her workday on American Airlines flight number 633 at Tulsa, Oklahoma, at 11:55 AM, July 12, 1972, which flight had scheduled stops at Chicago, Oklahoma City, and Dallas, where the flight was scheduled to terminate at 8:24 PM, July 12, 1972. [redacted] stated she was serving soft drinks in the coach area of the plane at which flight she was serving from the front of the coach cabin to the rear, when an individual stood up next to her in the aisle. She said she did not immediately realize what he was doing but assumed he was trying to get by her to go to the rear of the cabin. She said he did proceed to the back where he sat down in a back row seat and held a brief case on his lap in which she said he had two devices which appeared to be a short wave radio and another device in which he appeared to be tuning in and was fingering some device which she said might be a detonator and [redacted] said this individual told her that there was a bomb in his brief case. [redacted] said that it was at this point when this man gave her one of the "short wave things" and told her to take it to the captain with the oral message that he wanted to go to Albuquerque right now. [redacted] said at about this time, the aircraft was beginning descent to Dallas.

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[redacted] advised that she also recalled that when this man first stood up from his initial seat and stepped into the aisle and he held his right hand inside his jacket and held his hand there as he walked to the rear seat. She said she recalled that as he stood in the aisle, he had told her "go on back there." She said that when he took a seat in the rear he occupied seat 20B which was the middle seat of the three seats on the left side of the aircraft.

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She said this man told the man who had been occupying the seat that he wanted this seat and it appeared that the man apparently did not understand at first and at this time, she, [] told the passenger to please trade seats with the man giving the orders.

[] stated that after being instructed to carry the short wave unit to the captain that she did so and she told the captain in affect "we are in trouble" and that the man giving the instructions said to go to Albuquerque "right now" and [] said she thinks she told the captain also that the man said he had a bomb.

[] stated that she recalled that the hijacker had told her that if she, the flight personnel, did not do as he said that he would push the detonator which he said was on a bomb.

[] said that when she informed the captain of the instructions given by the hijacker, the captain instructed her to find out if the aircraft was to land in Albuquerque and the captain pointed out that he was short of fuel.

[] stated that she then went back to speak to the hijacker at the back of the plane at which time, he gave her instructions that he wanted \$550,000 in \$100 bills and she said she thinks that the hijacker said that they were to be circulated bills. The hijacker at that time, also gave instructions for the money to be on an airplane at the Greater Southwest International Airport at Fort Worth, Texas. She stated that she must have asked the hijacker if "we" weretto land because of the fuel situation and the hijacker said no that he did not want to land at all. [] stated that she then went back to the captain, who at this time, in interview identified the captain as Captain [] at which time the captain reiterated the shortage of fuel and to tell the man definitely of the shortage of fuel which [] stated she did.

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[] stated that she thinks at this time, the hijacker stated that he wanted to stay in the air circling the Dallas, Fort Worth area until the money was gotten together at the Greater Southwest International Airport.

[] said the hijacker also said at this point that the airplane with the money and a parachute should fly up at 20,000 feet and meet their aircraft at Greater Southwest International Airport and that he would then give additional instructions. [] stated that she relayed all of this information to the captain.

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She stated that things then settled down to a more or less normal situation and she sat in the back on her jump seat and tried to talk to the hijacker. She stated she asked him why he wanted to do this but that he did not want to tell her. She stated she asked him if he had a wife and he said he did not want to talk about that. She said she asked the hijacker what he wanted to do with \$550,000. She said he did not want to discuss that either. She said she asked him if he knew how to fly and his answer to this was "of course." She said she asked him where he learned to fly, if it had been in the service. She said he replied yes but did not identify which branch of service.

[] stated that subsequently, the captain came back and talked with the man and told him there was only enough fuel for 2½ hours and that they were having trouble getting the money together. The captain returned to the cockpit and the hijacker kept asking how much longer it would be before the money could be obtained.

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[] said that she gave the hijacker coffee several times thinking possibly that this might cause him to go to the bathroom but he soon said that it was taking too long to get the money. [] returned to the cockpit and told the captain of this, and the captain instructed her to inquire of the hijacker if he would allow the plane to go to Oklahoma City, land and refuel.

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She said the hijacker finally consented to this after the captain came back and talked to the hijacker at the rear of the coach cabin. [] said that up to this point, the hijacker had remained seated at the back of the coach cabin.

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[] said that before the aircraft landed at Oklahoma City, the hijacker told her to move all the passengers toward the front of the aircraft which she stated she did.

At this point, in interview, [] advised that she recalled that while the hijacker was moving from his original seat on the plane to the back of the coach cabin, that he had dropped his holster which [] stated she had given to her supervisor who was seated directly across the aisle from the hijacker's original seat. She said that later in flight, the hijacker asked for his holster which [] said she recovered from her supervisor and returned to the hijacker. She said the holster was light tan or tan in color with a "fuzzy" covering.

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[] said that after she had moved the passengers forward in the aircraft that the hijacker instructed her to pull all the shades down on all of the windows which she did. She said that the hijacker, after all passengers were moved forward, then sent [] to the cockpit where she, [] remained seated on the plane on her jump seat.

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She said that after refueling at Oklahoma City that the aircraft took off again during which time the captain made an announcement to passengers aboard as to how they were to deplane. He made two such announcements. She said she had no contact with the hijacker while the airplane was on the ground being refueled in Oklahoma City.

She said that after refueling and circling Oklahoma City, the plane again landed at which time, a passenger in a red suit left the aircraft and recovered

the money for the hijacker, which money had been deposited on the runway. She said that after this, the hijacker gave instructions for the rear steps to be pulled up. She said the rear steps were again opened and the hijacker allowed the passengers to deplane at thich time, only the cockpit crew and [redacted] were left aboard the plane with the hijacker.

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[redacted] stated that while the aircraft was again being refueled the hijacker was stuffing the money into about five bags, one pouch, and two pillow cases. She said he appeared to be anxious to get off the ground again and after all the bags containing the money were tied with wire the hijacker took them and the brief case to the back of the aircraft. After the aircraft had taken off again, after the passengers had deplaned she said the hijacker surprised her by just merely handing her his gun. She stated that she took the gun over to the flight engineer in the cockpit. She stated that the hijacker himself gave his holster to the flight engineer and said to the flight engineer, to the best of her recollection, "Lets go to Oklahoma City, I quit." She stated the aircraft then returned and landed at Oklahoma City.

[redacted] described the hijacker as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	50 to 52
Height	Approximately 6'
Weight	"Not hefty, kind of thin"
Hair	"Thin on top"
Eyes	Blue
Clothing	Dark suit, pinkish suit.

She said she noted that the hijacker had a habit of raising his eyebrows when he talked.

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On July 13, 1972, Federal Aviation Aircraft Boeing 720, N113, flown by Captain [redacted] copilot [redacted], and flight engineer, [redacted], was used as a surveillance plane. This plane occupied by SA BILL L. KELLEY, and SA EUGENE T. YORK took off from Will Rogers Field at 2:20 a.m., and cruised at an altitude of 5,000 feet in the area of Oklahoma City until the American Airlines plane took off at approximately 3:33 a.m. This plane was immediately followed in a northwesterly direction to the vicinity of Kingfisher at an altitude between 3,000 and 3,500 feet. The plane was followed by means of wing lights and was never out of sight. The plane made approximately five circles in a five-mile area of Kingfisher and then headed east to the vicinity of the Channel 9 television towers, northeast of Oklahoma City, then south across Tinker Air Force Base, and directly across Westheimer Field, west of Norman. The plane proceeded south approximately ten miles, then back north to the vicinity of Norman. This circle was repeated seven times. During this period, a light was noted at the rear of the plane which appeared to be the rear hatch open and light omitting from inside the plane. Following these circles the plane proceeded north to Will Rogers Field where it landed on the north-south runway.

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The surveillance plane thereafter returned to the Federal Aviation Administration installation on Will Rogers at 4:40 a.m.

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[redacted] who resides [redacted]
 [redacted] residence phone [redacted]
 [redacted] whose business address is [redacted]
 [redacted] advised he had boarded
 American airlines flight 633 at Oklahoma City on July 12, 1972
 and was assigned seat number 2A in the first class section,
 the seat being located in the second row, being a window
 seat on the left side. [redacted] stated the take off from
 Oklahoma City was normal being about a 30 minute flight to
 Dallas, Texas.

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[redacted] stated approximately 20 minutes after take
 off he noticed that the stewardesses were frequently going
 back and forth from the flight deck to the Captain's cabin
 numerous times. He stated he thought this was unusual in that
 he stated he flies a lot and stated he is also an expilot.
 He stated he thought at first that the flight might have been
 going to experience bad weather and that subsequently
 the Captain made an announcement and stated the aircraft
 would vary from its flight pattern due to electrical dis-
 turbance and there was a gentleman on board who demanded some
 money. [redacted] stated that following that announcement
 a young lady passenger from the rear came forward to the
 first class section and sat near [redacted] and he
 learned from her that a man in the back row in the
 coach cabin was armed and this young lady mentioned she had
 seen this man in possession of a pistol.

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[redacted] stated he subsequently observed
 the hijacker when he came forward to the Captain's cabin
 and knocked two or three times on the compartment door, was
 admitted and then stepped into the compartment. He stated
 at this time he observed that the man had his back
 on the right side and held his hand over a holster and weapon
 at his right side.

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[redacted] stated the aircraft, after passing
 over the Dallas area, returned to Oklahoma City and landed

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at which time he stated the hijacker was in the Captain's cabin seated on the jump seat with the door open so he could look back into the aircraft watching passengers. [redacted] stated that later the hijacker ordered a passenger to the rear of the plane, which passenger he stated had long hair.

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[redacted] stated he observed that the hijacker had some sort of a bag with him and he observed that when he opened the bag in one instance it contained a jar of Maalox which [redacted] said was a type of stomach medicine. The hijacker also had about a 3/8 inch manila rope which he laid on the floor near him in the pilot's compartment.

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[redacted] stated he recalled at one point that the Captain made an announcement that the hijacker did not want anyone hurt and the passengers were ordered to comply with the instructions. [redacted] stated also he heard radio communications concerning money which the hijacker apparently wanted and he heard one communication that the money could be at Oklahoma City at around 2AM - 2:15 AM. [redacted] stated that prior to landing at Oklahoma City Airport for the second time the Captain gave instructions that the passengers could deplane through a chute however, later an announcement was made that the hijacker had agreed that the passengers could exit by the rear steps in an orderly fashion. After landing at Oklahoma City [redacted] stated he observed that a car equipped with a rear deck antenna came out onto the runway and apparently delivered money and a parachute after which everyone left the cockpit including the hijacker. [redacted] stated he noted that a man in a red suit had been sent out to pick up the money and parachute. He stated that after this the passengers were allowed to deplane.

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[redacted] described the hijacker as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	45
Complexion	Pale faced, not smooth
Hair	Slightly curly
Clothing	Brown suit

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[redacted] residence telephone [redacted] who is a [redacted]
[redacted] advised he boarded American Airlines Flight 633 at Oklahoma City on July 12, 1972, and was assigned seat number 17F. [redacted] advised he had not had any observation of the hijacker prior to boarding the flight at Oklahoma City, however, in flight he became aware of the hijacker who initially had been seated in front of [redacted] being in the second row ahead of [redacted] [redacted] in seat number 15 D, he thought. He said he observed that the hijacker had a brief case and had a weapon which looked like a .38 caliber revolver which [redacted] advised he observed in a holster on the person of the hijacker as he moved from his initial seat to the rear of the coach cabin when the hijacker took up a rear seat.

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He stated in fact that as the hijacker left his original seat to move to the back of the cabin he had dropped the holster and a stewardess picked it up and took it to him at the rear of the cabin where he sat on the left side. He stated that sometime after this observation the Captain notified the passengers informing there was a gentleman on board who demanded a certain amount of money and had specified an unknown destination.

[redacted] stated he observed that the hijacker remained in the back seat of the plane until the plane returned and landed back at Oklahoma City, at which time the hijacker went forward and sat in the cockpit cabin leaving the door open.

[redacted] stated he noted that at the time the hijacker had dropped the holster in the aisle he had his right hand inside of his jacket holding his hand over his left chest and as he moved back in the cabin to take a rear seat.

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[redacted] stated that the hijacker had caused all the passengers to be moved forward in the airplane after returning to Oklahoma City from the Dallas, Texas area

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and he stated he noted that the hijacker remained in the cockpit cabin from the time he initially went into the cockpit cabin until the money was delivered on the aircraft from the runway at Oklahoma City.

[] stated that when the passengers were allowed to deplane in Oklahoma City that the Captain was standing near the back exit with his hands behind him as though he may have been handcuffed, although [] said he could not say if he was in fact handcuffed and that the hijacker was standing behind the Captain at the rear steps of the aircraft while the passengers deplaned. [] advised that he observed that a man in a red shirt and red pants, who was a passenger, was the one who picked up the money from the runway in Oklahoma City and delivered it aboard the aircraft.

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[] described the hijacker as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	6'3" - 4"
Weight	150
Hair	Dark
Complexion	Ruddy, however had a rather pale or "sick" look
Clothing	Brown suit, pinkish colored shirt, no hat

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Upon entering the aircraft of American Airlines Flight 633, Will Rogers World Airport, SA CHARLES A. SALEMME went directly to the rear of the plane to a seat at the rear of the left side of the plane, facing the front, and found an undetermined amount of money in denominations of \$10 and \$20 bills in several different sacks which were tied together. The individual sacks were not in a container. Also found was a seal that had been broken and possibly sealed the outer contained of the money.

The money was given by SA SALEMME to Supervisor, American Airlines, Airport Service, Will Rogers World Airport, Oklahoma City, and he, escorted by SA DONALD W. BOTTLES and Assistant Special Agent in Charge of the Oklahoma City Division of the FBI, JAMES A. ABBOTT, left the plane.

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[redacted] advised she is a Stewardess for American Airlines and was on duty as a Stewardess aboard American Airlines Flight 633 on July 12, 1972. Two photographs of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, with photographs of [redacted]

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[redacted] were exhibited to [redacted]

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[redacted] advised he is a Flight Engineer for American Airlines and was on duty as a Flight Engineer aboard American Airlines Flight 633 on July 12, 1972. Two photographs of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, with photographs of

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[redacted] were exhibited to [redacted]

[redacted] selected the two photographs of FISHER from the group as the individual who hijacked his aircraft.

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[redacted] interviewed at Dallas Love Field, Dallas, Texas, advised he is a co-pilot for American Airlines and was on duty as a co-pilot aboard American Airlines Flight 633 on July 12, 1972. Two photographs of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, with photographs of [redacted] were exhibited to [redacted]

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[redacted] selected the two photographs of FISHER from the group as the individual who hijacked his aircraft.

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[redacted]
 [redacted] interviewed at Dallas Love Field, Dallas, Texas, advised he is a pilot for American Airlines and was on duty as a pilot aboard American Airlines Flight 633 on July 12, 1972. Two photographs of MELVIN MARTIN FISHER with photographs of [redacted]
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 [redacted] were exhibited to Captain [redacted]

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Captain [redacted] selected the two photographs of FISHER from the group as the individual who hijacked his aircraft.

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MELVIN MARTIN FISHER was interviewed at the Oklahoma County Jail, at which time he was advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents and that he was to be questioned concerning the piracy of American Airlines Flight 633 from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma to Dallas, Texas on July 12, 1972. FISHER was orally advised of his rights by SA CALHOUN and was allowed to read a Waiver of Rights Form. FISHER stated he did not desire to sign the form, but did understand his rights and would answer questions orally.

FISHER advised that during recent months he recalls that he had written about three insufficient funds checks in the amount of \$24., payable to American Airlines, which were for passage between Oklahoma City and Dallas, Texas. He stated these checks have since been paid off, and he does not now have any bad checks outstanding.

FISHER advised that on Monday, July 10, 1972, he had written a \$24. check to American Airlines to cover a flight from Oklahoma City to Dallas. At the time he wrote this check, he did not have sufficient funds in the bank to cover it, however, on his instructions, FISHER's wife later sent the money to American Airlines to cover payment of the check. FISHER stated that on his return trip from Dallas to Oklahoma City on the night of July 10, 1972, he had paid cash for his passage. FISHER advised that during this trip from Oklahoma City to Dallas on American Airlines Flight 633 on July 10, 1972, he had taken along two walkie-talkie radios and several shoe bags, however, he had changed his mind after getting aboard the airplane.

Concerning his hijacking of American Airlines Flight 633 from Oklahoma City to Dallas, on July 12, 1972, FISHER stated he had been taking what he believed to be codine and several other types of drugs, which had been prescribed for him by his physician. He stated he was taking these drugs every four hours for relief of pain, which he was suffering as the result of a broken neck experienced by him on October 19, 1971. He stated his

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FISHER advised that during the afternoon of July 12, 1972, he was at the Holiday Inn in Norman, Oklahoma and at about 4:15 to 4:30 p.m., he had consumed two alcoholic drinks at the club, consisting of "VO and 7-Up". He stated that after arrival at the Will Rogers Airport at about 7 p.m., he had consumed about $\frac{1}{2}$ of a "Bloody Mary", which he had been served at the airport club.

FISHER stated that to the best of his recollection, on July 12, 1972, he had traveled from the Holiday Inn in Norman to Will Rogers Airport by Yellow Cab. He stated he was alone on this trip, except for the cab driver.

FISHER stated that on July 10, 1972, he had driven to Will Rogers Airport from Norman, Oklahoma in his Cadillac and had parked the car in the airport lot. He stated upon his return from Dallas on July 10, 1972, he had been drinking and that he therefore left the car in the lot and was picked up by an individual whom he declined to identify. He stated that this person "drives him everywhere he goes". He stated he was taken back to the airport later that day by his friend and he picked up his car at that time.

FISHER stated he does not recall what happened to the radios during the hijacking on July 12, 1972, but that he must have thrown them out of the plane while the rear door was open.

FISHER denied that he ever stated he had a bomb or a detonator or that he made any reference to a bomb or detonator during the hijacking of the flight on July 12, 1972. He stated he recalled the Negro stewardess aboard the plane had asked him if he had a bomb. FISHER stated he told her that he "had the goodies" or something to that effect. He stated that he had a walkie talkie radio with an antenna and this may have been mistaken for a bomb. When questioned regarding an object in the shape of a cylinder, which reportedly was in FISHER's possession during the hijacking, FISHER stated he does not want to answer any questions concerning the cylinder. FISHER remarked that he will answer regarding the cylinder at a later time.

FISHER stated that during most of the hijacking, he

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was in a daze, although he was not intoxicated. He said that when he saw the dye on his hands from the money, he first woke up and realized what was happening. He stated that up until this point, he thought he was committing the hijacking for his kids, but he cannot explain his reasons for this thinking.

FISHER advised that when the hijacking first began a few years ago, he had actually studied to become an air marshal, however, when he inquired about the job he learned he was too old.

FISHER said that the .38 caliber pistol which he had with him during the hijacking was unloaded at all times although he admitted he had the bullets to the gun in his pants pockets. He stated he had removed the bullets from the gun when he had taken the gun from a chest at the residence of [redacted] in Norman, Oklahoma on Tuesday, July 11, 1972. He stated the gun had not been fired in several years, except for two shots which he fired into the air about one week prior to the hijacking. This occurred when he discovered two prowlers in his yard at [redacted]. He stated the incident was reported to the Norman police, however, the prowlers were not apprehended.

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FISHER said he had been issued this gun when he was a police officer with the El Paso, Texas Police Department in 1949 or 1950. He stated he quit this job in 1951 and since the gun had been paid for by him he was allowed to keep it.

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[redacted]
 was contacted at her residence. [redacted] furnished the following information regarding her former husband, MELVIN M. FISHER, including her current relationship with him and his activities leading up to the hi-jacking of an American Airlines airplane for which he is currently charged on the night of July 12, 1972.

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[redacted] advised she was married to MELVIN in Cleveland County on February 18, 1959, and was divorced from him in Cleveland County on March 26, 1971. She stated she has [redacted] as a result of this marriage. She advised her husband has an acute condition of arthritis which has hendered him from participating in manual labor for the past four or five years. She stated as a result of this they have encountered financial problems and at one point, over MELVIN's reluctance, they applied for and received welfare. [redacted] stated MELVIN finally decided he could not accept welfare any longer, but realized [redacted] and [redacted] needed to remain on welfare. She stated it was a result of their severe financial problems that lead to their divorce in March of 1971, and pointed out that it was not a result of marital difficulty. She stated even though they are divorced, MELVIN has maintained his residence at their address on [redacted] and spends the night at home at least two or three times a week.

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[redacted] stated on Monday, July 10, 1972, MELVIN telephonically contacted her stating he was at the airport in Oklahoma City and requested she pick him up. She stated she drove to Will Rogers World Airport in Oklahoma City, but did not find MELVIN and thereafter returned to her home in Norman alone.

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The next day, Tuesday, sometime during the morning when he arrived at the house and asked to borrow her Cadillac. She stated this was not unusual for him inasmuch as he was always borrowing this vehicle. He did not state to her his intentions and purpose of borrowing the car, but told her if the car was not back by Wednesday night they could pick it up at the Holiday Inn in Norman. She stated this was the last time

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she saw her former husband prior to the hi-jacking. She stated she does not know where he slept Tuesday night and he gave no indication of where he would be after he borrowed the car.

On Wednesday at approximately 1:00 p.m., MELVIN telephonically contacted her and told her she could pick up the car that evening at the Holiday Inn. She stated they did not specifically talk about anything in particular, but mainly he inquired about [redacted]. She stated she wished to point out at this time that MELVIN has an intense love for [redacted] [redacted] and would "do anything for them". She stated it was her opinion that he became involved in this hi-jacking because of his worry over the financial status of his family.

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[redacted] continued that at around 6:00 or 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 12, 1972, she took a taxi from her residence on [redacted] to the Holiday Inn where she located her Cadillac parked on the east side of the motel near the front. She stated the ignition key had been left by MELVIN on the floor of the car and she also had her ignition keys. She stated she traveled to the Holiday Inn with [redacted] and believes it was by Checker Cab.

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[redacted] stated she did not think MELVIN acted strange during the past several weeks leading up to the hi-jacking. She stated the first she knew about the hi-jacking was she received a telephone call from the Norman Police Department and later from the Federal Bureau of Investigation inquiring about the whereabouts of her husband. She stated he never at any time indicated to her his intentions of hi-jacking an airplane and needless to say, she was quite shocked when she learned of his futile efforts to hi-jack the plane.

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In the event these records are to be produced in a court of law a subpoena duces tecum should be directed to



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MELVIN MARTIN FISHER, inmate, Federal Correctional Institution (FCI), was advised as to the identity of the interviewing agents and that the purpose of the interview was regarding information that he had furnished the Oklahoma City office of the FBI by telephone. FISHER was asked if he had contacted the Oklahoma City office of the FBI and he advised that he had telephoned the office regarding a [redacted]. He thereafter furnished the following signed statement:

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"7/5/79
"El Reno, Ok.

"I Melvin Martin Fisher, furnish the following free and voluntary statement to Paul T. White, Jr. and George Zeigler, who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the FBI.

"I am a 56 year old white male. I am an inmate at FCI El Reno, Ok. I have prison #20501-175. I have completed the 10th grade and can read and write.

"During the early of 1972 myself and [redacted] sat down and began to plan a plane highjacking. Later that year [redacted] became involved in our plan, at my suggestion. Also during this period of time [redacted] and [redacted] was present, from time to time, in the planning of the crime, by [redacted]. They were not involved in the planning themselves, however they were present and may have heard what was going on.

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"On July 10, 1972 [redacted] [redacted] drove me to the Will Rogers Airport in Oklahoma City, Ok. I backed out, after boarding an aircraft to Dallas, Tex. I flew to Dallas and returned later that night.

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"The next day [redacted] [redacted] had a discussion about the matter. Later [redacted] gave me some medication. This medication was black and green pills and I took these pills. I then decided to pull off the deal.

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"The next day, Wednesday 7/12/72 [redacted] drove me to the Will Rogers Airport and before boarding the plane I took some more of the pills given me by [redacted] I boarded the plane and attempted to complete the plan. I took control of the plane and demanded \$550,000 and they brought me \$200,000.

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"We took off and circled the preplanned route, at 1,500 feet. While we circled I gave my gun to the girl and we returned to Will Rogers Airport.

"I have read the above statement of this and two other pages and it is true and correct.

"/s/ Melvin Fisher

"/s/ Paul T. White, Jr, Special Agent, FBI.
"/s/ George Zeigler."

The following physical description of FISHER was obtained through observation and interview:

Name	MELVIN MARTIN FISHER
Alias	Melvin Fisher
Race	White

Date of Birth	November 26, 1922
Place of Birth	Norman, Oklahoma
Height	6'3½"
Weight	195
Hair	Brown-graying
Eyes	Green