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> RE: REPORT OF GRANT AHRENS, 2736 DELORES STREET, ANTIOCH, CALIFORNIA, CONCERNING CONVERSATION ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT 296 BETWEEN MEMPHIS AND LOUISVILLE, MARCH 28, 1968

The following investigation was conducted by SA MANNING C. CLEMENTS on April 11, 1968:

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JESSE ORR, Security Representative, American Airlines, (former Special Agent), determined that American Airlines flight 296 was in fact a 727 jet, departed Dallas at 1:20 PM, March 28, 1968, with stops at Memphis and Louisville in route to LaGuardia, New York City. Mr. ORR stated the question of making seating charts is discretionary with the stewardesses on a flight, since it is primarily for their benefit. If made, the seating chart is normally thrown away by the stewardesses on arriving at the terminal point of the flight. In connection with this particular flight, the stewardesses who took the plane from Memphis to New York City are based in New York City, names not known to Mr. ORR. Mr. ORR furnished a list of passengers who boarded flight 296 in Dallas on March 28, 1968. Fifteen persons were first class passengers, the remainder beginning with the name G. AHRENS were coach passengers. In addition, two military personnel on "stand-by" were shown to have boarded in Dallas. No information is available except slips of paper. One slip shows the name "SGT" (illegible, possibly REYNOLDS or REVNOERS) who first checked with the airline at 12:30 PM and was destined for Louisville. The other was one FARRIS, rank and service not shown, who first contacted the atiline at 11:45 AM, March 28, 1968, and was also destined for Louisville. Mr. ORR noted that this would have been a poor choice of flights for a person traveling from Dallas to Richmond, however, there are undoubtedly flights from Louisville to Richmond.

Mr. ORR determined that the numbers which follows the passengers' names on the list furnished are numbers which identify information in the Brier Cliff Computer System, New York City. Such information will normally indicate full details, including address and/or telephone number given to the airline teservations.

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