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RACIAL INFORMANTS

Reurairtel to Oklahoma City, 3/23/65, and in case of CC titled "JOHN GIBSON DILLON, aka - FUG. BAIL JUMPER" following references: myairtel to Bureau 11/19/63; IV teletype to Bureau 11/20/63; mytel to Bureau, 11/21/63.

For all offices: The Jackson Division has advised as follows:

On 3/17/65, [redacted] advised that he had received unverified information that in 1964 the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi had hired a "killer" from the State of Oklahoma to murder MARTIN LUTHER KING when KING was in Jackson, Mississippi. This "killer" was known as "TWO JUMPS" and came to Jackson to "case" the layout and while in Jackson stayed at the Tarrymore Motel. He was to use a high-powered rifle with telescopic sights. This deal fell through when the Klan could not raise the \$13,000 cash demanded by "Two Jumps".

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"TWO JUMPS" was allegedly also the killer of a Bureau Top Ten Fugitive whose last name was DILLION. He killed DILLION at the Flamingo Motel, in Jackson, Mississippi and transported the body to Oklahoma or Kansas and dumped it. This killer was also hired to kill a burglar in Mississippi but did not do so, reason unknown.

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The Las Vegas Division by teletype dated 11/20/63 reported that a group known as the Marshall - Deford Group was operating out

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of Las Vegas, Nevada, included among many others was one [REDACTED] further Las Vegas reported [REDACTED] was then dealing on a confidential basis with LVPD, Detective BOB CLEVELAND in furnishing information concerning Top Ten Fugitive JOHN GIBSON DILLON.

Las Vegas cautioned at this time that this information should not be disclosed outside the Bureau and if necessary to do so, it should be paraphrased to conceal the source. This should still hold true to all offices receiving this communication.

[REDACTED] advised CLEVELAND on 11/20/63 that a group of characters from Las Vegas had departed LV, midnight 11/18/63 to travel to Biloxi, Miss. for a meeting which was suppose to include Top Ten Fugitive DILLON, RUBY CHARLES JENKINS and possibly other members of DILLON's associates and including individual only known to [REDACTED] as "TWO JUMPS". TWO JUMPS, according to Informant [REDACTED] had a souped-up Chrysler 200 in which he delighted in outrunning law enforcement officers.

Based on this information, extensive investigation was conducted in an effort to identify TWO JUMPS. Not only in the planned robbery in this instance but later on when information was developed that TWO JUMPS had allegedly killed DILLON.

During this interim 11/63, a recent releasee from Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary was being interviewed, at Tulsa, Oklahoma since he purported to have information re DILLON.

On 11/6/63, [REDACTED] on interview, furnished among other things the fact he had been associating with two close DILLON associates names CHARLES RUSSELL JORDAN AND TOMMY MARSHALL EDWARDS. During this time they told him DILLON was in the El Paso, Texas area and exhibited to him photographs of them as well as with a person [REDACTED] identifies as DONALD EUGENE SPARKS, who [REDACTED] personally called "TWO SHOES". Based on this information, collaterally with that obtained from Las Vegas, investigation was pressed to identify "TWO SHOES" and "TWO JUMPS" throughout the southwestern part of the United States.

Investigation developed that "TWO JUMPS" was very possibly identical to RUBY CHARLES JENKINS or DONALD EUGENE SPARKS since SPARKS had been known as "TWO SHOES" before. However, SPARKS was known to not being the type to attempt to outrun police officers where on the other hand JENKINS was known to delight in outrunning the police.

In November, 1963, both JENKINS and SPARKS drove new Chryslers, JENKINS had a 1963 Chrysler 300 white four-door bearing 1963 Oklahoma license MG 9189, having VIN 8233206887; SPARKS had a 1963 Chrysler 300 four-door hardtop sedan, bearing 1963 Oklahoma license ZL 6411, VIN 8233223097. SPARKS' car had a 360 horsepower engine, remote control, mirror outside left side, air condition, tinted glass, tortqueflite transmission.

During this same period of time, [REDACTED] on 11/15/63 recalled positively that CHARLES RUSSELL JORDAN and TOMMY MARSHALL EDWARDS had mentioned to him the names of JACKSON and VICKSBURG, Mississippi to him with reference to a score plan in Mississippi. They told him a prior attempt had been made on a victim in Mississippi but [REDACTED] did not know whether they meant an individual, gambling club or a group of gamblers.

The New Orleans Division conducted extensive investigation and developed that one JOE BUCHANAN, Jackson, Miss. was described as a fingerman for setting up jobs. It was developed that telephone contact had been made with JOE BUCHANAN in Jackson, Miss. from phones available to DILLON's associates, JORDAN and EDWARDS.

On 3/25/and 26/65, old-time ranking police officers in major PDs and in Tulsa and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and the director of the Oklahoma State Crime Bureau were contacted for any information re a hired killer named "TWO JUMPS". Additionally, JOE HARKINS, Secretary, to the Warden, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, made a thorough check of his files on 2/26/65 without developing the identity of anyone using the moniker of TWO JUMPS.

All Agents of the Oklahoma City Division have been requested to contact their sources, informants and PDs for any information re "TWO JUMPS".

Surrounding pertinent offices are also being requested to furnish JACKSON with any information in their files re TWO JUMPS and to contact any old-time police officers.

It is most possible that TWO JUMPS referred to by Jackson informant is identical to JENKINS or SPARKS. JENKINS is presently confined to the Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary receiving a 16-year bank burglary sentence. He was confined on 3/5/64. SPARKS is presently confined to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma serving a 2-year burglary sentence and was confined on 3/9/65.

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Being enclosed to the Jackson Division is one photograph each of RUBY CHARLES JENKINS and DONALD EUGENE SPARKS.

LEAD:

JACKSON DIVISION

At Jackson, Mississippi

Furnish Oklahoma City Division complete background on informant [REDACTED] and any information showing him connected with the hoodlum element in Mississippi with specific names of hoodlums if possible for more complete indices search in Oklahoma City.

Jackson should note that JENKINS was confined in the Penitentiary on 3/5/64 and is yet confined. SPARKS was free during all of 1964.

Jackson should exhibit photographs of SPARKS and JENKINS to logical persons at the Terrymore Motel. If informant [REDACTED] can furnish an approximate time TWO JUMPS was in Jackson, complete review of the Terrymore Motel registrations should be made and all names furnished to Oklahoma City for indices search against aliases known to be used by the members of DILLON's gang.

DALLAS DIVISION

At Dallas, Texas

Contact Capt. WILL FRITZ, DLPD, and determine if he knows of a person named TWO JUMPS known in the underworld as a hired killer. Conceal reason for this contact other than to say TWO JUMPS is a suspect in the killing of DILLON.

KANSAS CITY DIVISION

Search indices re person named TWO JUMPS and furnish results to JACKSON.

LITTLE ROCK DIVISION

Search indices re person named TWO JUMPS and furnish results to Jackson.

In addition, at Texarkana, Arkansas, contact COP MAX TACKETT, determine if he or his sources may know of a hired killer named TWO JUMPS, use same discretion as set forth in Dallas lead.

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LAS VEGAS DIVISION

At Las Vegas, Nevada

It is requested Las Vegas contact Det. BOB CLEVELAND and determine if he has developed any information pointing to the positive identification of TWO JUMPS. If so, have him re-contact
[REDACTED]

NEW ORLEANS DIVISION

Conduct indices search re TWO JUMPS. Furnish results to Jackson.

Advise Jackson results of investigation in DILLOV matter, conducted in vicinity of Biloxi, Miss. when it was thought a meeting of Las Vegas and Oklahoma hoodlums was to be in that vicinity.