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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dallas, Texas
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On August 5, 1964, Mrs. Helen Markham telephonically contacted the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. She said she had visited her son, James Markham, in County Jail, at Dallas, on the preceding day, and that he had asked to be contacted by an Agent.

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b7c [JAMES ALFORD MARKHAM was interviewed at the Dallas County Jail where he is being held for [REDACTED] He furnished the following signed statement:

"Dallas, Texas
"August 5, 1964

"I, James Alfred Markham, presently confined to the Dallas County Jail make the following voluntary statement to W. James Wood, who has identified himself to me as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"I was born 5/2/43 in Grand Prairie, Texas.

b7c "Early on the morning of about July 30, 1964, I was awakened from sleep at my mother's house, 328½ E. 9th, Dallas, where I was spending the night. Three officers of the Dallas Police Dept. were there to arrest me [REDACTED] I got up and got dressed and went into the bathroom. In an effort to escape, I crawled out the window of the bathroom on the 2nd floor of the house. I was sitting in the window with my head out and my legs in the room, getting ready to swing out the window when someone pushed me out the window. In the house at the time was my mother, the police officers and my small niece and nephew. I did not see who pushed me and do not know the identities of the officers.

"I was in a daze for some time after that and did not recover my thinking until the next day.

"About a week ago I was interviewed by Agent Wood on another matter. At that

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"time I told him I had jumped from the window and was not pushed. I also talked to my mother about this and she said she knew nothing about my being pushed.

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"The reason I am telling the truth now and lied before was because my mother had been told by [REDACTED]'s Police Dept. that I would only have to serve 3 years for [REDACTED] and would not be charged with [REDACTED] for which I was arrested on about 7/30/64. One day last week I received a copy of a true bill showing I had been indicted for [REDACTED]. I thought I would take the 3 years for [REDACTED] and cause no fuss, but because the police have broken their word, I now want to change my story to show I was pushed from the window.

"I have read Statement of this and two other page and it is true.

"/s/ James Alford Markham

"Witnessed: W. James Wood
Special Agent, Federal Bureau
of Investigation, Dallas, Tex.
8/5/64"

MARKHAM furnished the following descriptive data concerning himself:

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Name
 Sex
 Race
 Age
 Born
 Height
 Weight
 Hair
 Eyes
 Scars and marks

JAMES ALFORD MARKHAM
 Male
 White
 21 years
 5/2/43, Grand Prairie, Texas
 5'9"
 145 pounds
 Brown, worn long, wavy
 Green
 Tattoo "PAT" on left wrist,
 cut scar left wrist, inner,
 partial tattoo left lower
 arm.

Education

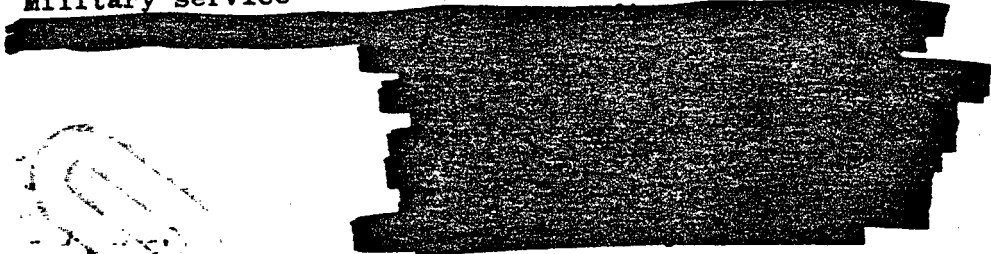
8th grade, James Bowie School, Dallas.

Marital status
 Relatives

Single
 Mother - HELEN MARKHAM, 328 1/2
 East 9th;
 Brother - WILLIAM EDWARD
 MARKHAM, aged 19, Dallas,
 exact address not known;
 Sister - PAT DULWORTH, 1206
 Hidden Valley, Dallas.

Military service

None



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Name	JAMES ALFRED MARKHAM
Sex	Male
Race	White
Age	21 years
Born	5/2/43, Grand Prairie, Texas
Height	5'9"
Weight	145 pounds
Hair	Brown, worn long, wavy
Eyes	Green
Scars and marks	Tattoo "PAT" on left wrist, cut scar left wrist, inner, partial tattoo left lower arm.
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