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On March 27, 1967, Joseph T, Provost, Post Office Box 385, telephone 871-4576, Window Rock, Arizona, Area Director for the Boy Scout Program on the Navajo Indian Reservation, furnished the following information to Special Agent Proctor C. Lescoe:

Sometime during February, 1967, Provost contacted Keith Murphy, aged 27, at Murphy's residence, 302 East Oak Street, Winslow, Arizona, concerning Scouting business. Murphy is a "Member at Large" in the Scouting field.

While talking with Murphy on that occasion, they discussed the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. In connection with the assassination of the President, Keith Murphy said "Don't believe everything you read or hear." Murphy then took a photograph from a drawer. This photograph showed three men standing side by side. One of these men was Keith Murphy, one was Lee Harvey Oswald and the third a man Murphy referred to as "Mucker" or "Mugger" (phonetic). The three men shown in this photograph were dressed in Army attire, in the opinion of Provost. Provost got the impression from viewing this photograph that it was an Army picture and that Murphy had known the other two men pictured in this photograph well. Murphy also made the statement to Provost: "You think Oswald was radical? You should have seen Mucker. He went out of his mind when he saw or heard Kennedy." Murphy said he never saw anyone shoot a rifle as well as Mucker.

Provost got the idea from his conversation with Murphy that Murphy was or is from New Orleans, Louisiana, and was released from Military Service before his time was up. Murphy is presently employed with the Atchison, Topeka

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and Santa Fe Railroad Company as a Brakeman in Winslow, Arizona. Provost described Murphy as an adventurer and reportedly has property in Alaska. Murphy reportedly is a member of the unidentified flying objects gang. Provost advised he considers Keith Murphy to be reliable and not emotionally unbalanced. Murphy is believed to have been born and reared in the area of Holbrook and Winslow, Arizona.

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