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mesto 11:01 PM DEPERRED 2-5-69 FMK TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1487) AND NEW ORLEANS (157-106537

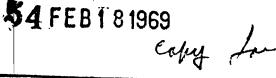
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574) 3 P

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RE LOS ANGELES PHONE CALL TO NEW ORLEANS FEBRUARY FIVE INSTANT.

DAVE LARSEN, LOS ANGELES TIMES REPORTER, ADVISED FEBRUARY FIVE INSTANT THAT DURING APRIL SIX EIGHT WHEN SEARCH WAS BEING MADE TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE JAMES EARL RAY, HE INTERVIEWED CHARLES STEIN, RE HIS ASSOCIATION WITH RAY. STEIN ATTEMPTED TO SELL FOR ABOUT TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS TO LARSEN AND FELLOW REPORTER JERRY COHEN, A PIECE OF PAPER WHICH STEIN STATED BORE RAY'S HANDWRITING. PAPER WAS SLIP USED IN MOTELS TO RECORD MESSAGES FOR GUEST WHEN AWAY FROM ROOM.

STEIN ALLEGEDLY CAME INTO POSSESSION OF PAPER WHEN RAY, DURING TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS FROM LOS ANGELES IN DECEMBER ONE NINE SIX SEVEN, GAVE STEIN PHONE NUMBER IN NEW ORLEANS WHERE HE COULD BE CONTACTED RE RETURN TO LOS ANGELES. 17 FEB REC-8 END PAGE ONE



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HAD MADE A RENDEZVOUS WITH A RAUL AT A GREYHOUND BUS STATION AND THOUGHT THE FOREGOING MAYBE OF SIGNIFICANCE.

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LOS ANGELES WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATED CHARLES STEIN TO DETERMINE IF HE STILL HAS PAPER IN HIS POSSESSION.

NEW ORLEANS SHOULD DETERMINE CORRECT SUBSCRIBER TO PHONE NUMBER AND IDENTIFY RAUL V. ESQUIBEL. NEW ORLEANS SHOULD COMPARE THIS PHONE NUMBER WITH PHONE NUMBER OF MOTEL WHERE RAY STAYED IN NEW ORLEANS IN DECEMBER ONE NINE SIX SEVEN, TO DETERMINE IF NUMBERS HAVE ANY SIMILARITY.

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