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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, MEMPHIS 44-1987, LOS ANGELES 44-1574

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RE LOS ANGELES TELEPHONE CALL TO NEW ORLEANS 2/5/69, AND  
LOS ANGELES TELETYPE FEB. FIVE, LAST.

MR JERRY COHEN, LOS ANGELES TIMES NEWS REPORTER IN NEW  
ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, RESIDING AT THE COCHETTA MOTEL, ROOM 216,  
TELEPHONE 822-L560, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED HE HAD CONTACTED THE  
LOS ANGELES OFFICE OF THE FBI AND HAD BEEN REFERRED TO THE  
NEW ORLEANS OFFICE OF THE FBI.

COHEN ADVISED THAT HE AND DAVE LAWSON OF LOS ANGELES,  
CALIFORNIA, WHO IS ALSO A REPORTER OF THE LOS ANGELES TIMES, HAD  
OBTAINED FROM CHARLES STEIN A TELEPHONE  
NUMBER WITHIN ONE WEEK AFTER THE ARREST OF JAMES EARL RAY.

COHEN STATED THAT DAVE LAWSON HAD MADE ALL THE NOTES OF  
THE CONVERSATION WITH STEIN, BUT THAT AS HE, COHEN, RECALLS IT,  
STEIN SHOWED LAWSON A PIECE OF PAPER WHICH CONTAINED A TELEPHONE  
NUMBER AND THAT LAWSON HAD COPIED THE TELEPHONE NUMBER FROM STEIN'S  
PIECE OF PAPER INTO LAWSON'S NOTE.

WHEN STEIN WAS QUESTIONED CONCERNING THIS TELEPHONE NUMBER,  
RAY HAD SAID THIS IS WHERE HE GOT HIS WEATHER REPORT.

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COHEN STATED THAT STEIN TWO OR THREE DAYS AFTER TALKING TO COHEN AND LAWSON HAD MADE A CALL TO NEW ORLEANS AND HAD DETERMINED THIS NUMBER WAS A NUMBER FOR TROOP B OF THE LOUISIANA STATE POLICE LOCATED IN THE GREATER NEW ORLEANS AREA.

COHEN STATE THAT NEITHER HE NOR LAWSON HAD FURNISHED THIS TELEPHONE NUMBER TO THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE OF THE FBI AND WHEN QUESTIONED AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THIS WAS AN OVERSIGHT ADVISED THAT SUBCONSCIOUSLY IT HAD BEEN FORGOTTEN WITH THE HOPE IT MIGHT MATERIALIZE INTO A GOOD STORY.

COHEN ADVISED THAT HE DID NOT HAVE THE TELEPHONE NUMBER WITH HIM BUT HAD MADE A CONTACT IN NEW ORLEANS WHILE HERE TO ATTEND THE CLAY SHAW TRIAL, WHO HAD DETERMINED THAT THERE WAS A LOUISIANA STATE TROOPER AT TROOP B NAMED RAUL V. ESQUIVEL.

COHEN ADVISED HE HAD NO FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS NUMBER, BUT THAT LAWSON WOULD HAVE MORE COMPLETE AND ACCURATE INFORMATION FROM HIS NOTES.

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WAS CONDUCTED IN NEW ORLEANS FILE 44-2401, BUREAU FILE 44-26940  
IN THE CASE CAPTIONED "TROOPER RAUL VICTOR ESQUIVEL, LOUISIANA  
STATE POLICE, FERDINAND JOSEPH HORIO, JR. - VICTIM, CR."  
INSTANT REPORT REFLECTS ESQUIVEL IN 1964 DESCRIBED AS WHITE  
MALE, DOB [REDACTED] BRITISH, HONDURAS, EMPLOYMENT LOUISIANA  
STATE POLICE, TROOP B, METAIRIE, LA., LENGTH OF EMPLOYMENT SEVEN  
YEARS, RESIDENCE [REDACTED] LA.

R. L. POLK'S NEW ORLEANS CITY DIRECTORY FOR NINETEEN  
SIXTYEIGHT LISTS TELEPHONE NUMBER FOUR EIGHT TWO DASH FIVE SEVEN  
FIVE ONE TO STATE POLICE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS TROOP B.  
THIS NUMBER WAS DIALED THIS DATE AND THE TROOPER ANSWERING PHONE  
STATED "STATE POLICE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS" AND THEN UPON INQUIRY  
STATED THAT IT WAS TROOP B.

THE CURRENT NEW ORLEANS TELEPHONE DIRECTORY LISTS TELEPHONE  
NUMBER FIVE TWO FOUR DASH SIX FOUR FOUR SIX TO THE PROVINCIAL  
MOTEL, ONE ZERO TWO FOUR CHARTRES STREET, NEW ORLEANS, LA. THE  
PROVINCIAL MOTEL IS WHERE RAY STAYED IN NEW ORLEANS IN DECEMBER,  
SIXTYSEVEN.

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UAC, NEW ORLEANS WILL, UPON RECEIPT OF RESULTS OF LOS ANGELES INTERVIEW WITH STEIN , INTERVIEW RAUL VICTOR ESQUIVEL IN DEPTH FOR ANY KNOWLEDGE HE MAY POSSESS CONCERNING RAY, STEIN AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS PERTINENT TO INSTANT MATTER. WILL ALSO DISPLAY TO ESQUIVEL, PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY, STEIN AND OTHER LOGICAL INDIVIDUALS.

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