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[redacted] was contacted May 9, 1968, by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] at which time he furnished the following additional information.

From about 10:00 p.m. on the night of May 8, 1968, until 1:00 a.m. that night, [redacted] was at the [redacted] On this occasion JOHN RAY told that JERRY RAY was still in the St. Louis area but had been at the residence of their father in north Missouri. JOHN RAY expressed expectation that JERRY would be coming in during the course of the evening while [redacted] at the tavern. JERRY did not appear there, however, and at the time of this interview, [redacted] On this occasion [redacted] had no conversation with JOHN RAY regarding subject JAMES EARL RAY. [redacted] has not seen nor talked with CAROL PEPPER since the time [redacted] was previously contacted.

Interviewing Agents made reference to [redacted] during this interview of the information [redacted] to the effect that JOHN RAY and CAROL PEPPER had indicated [redacted] in about the latter part of June, 1967, that they had knowledge of the subject's whereabouts at that time in Omaha and Los Angeles. [redacted] this had not been corroborated in interviews with JOHN RAY and CAROL PEPPER, who had denied to the FBI that they had any knowledge regarding subject's whereabouts since subject's escape from the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP). It was explained [redacted] that it was very important to resolve this conflict and inquiry was made [redacted] as to whether he was quite certain that the information he had furnished in this regard previously was absolutely true and accurate. He stated that he was quite certain in this regard and that the information he had furnished was positively true but that he could add no further details regarding the information he had furnished, since this was all the information that had been provided him. It

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by SA [redacted] SA [redacted] :ne:paw/ral Date dictated 5-21-68

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was pointed out to [redacted] that under the circumstances it appeared that either he or JOHN RAY and CAROL PEPPER had lied to the FBI, and he was specifically asked whether he had in any manner lied to us concerning this information, and it was pointed out to him that if he had lied in any way, it would be much better for him to correct such falsification now than at a later date. [redacted] said he had positively not lied. He reluctantly acknowledged that if JOHN RAY and CAROL PEPPER had denied any knowledge of subject's whereabouts after his escape from the penitentiary, then they had lied in that regard, although he added in that connection that he could not say that JOHN RAY and CAROL PEPPER had had direct contact with the subject, but their information may have come to them indirectly so far as source was aware.

With regard to the information [redacted] claimed to have received indicating that subject had been in Omaha or Los Angeles as previously referred to, inquiry was made of [redacted] as to whether it was JOHN RAY or CAROL PEPPER who had made the specific statements and furnished the specific information to [redacted] He stated it was his recollection that although JOHN RAY was the one who did most of the talking in the conversations referred to, CAROL PEPPER also indicated by her comments that she and JOHN RAY both had the same information regarding the alleged presence of subject in Omaha and Los Angeles.

[redacted] commented that he had read in the papers that subject, under the name GALT, had apparently had considerable amount of money and had been able to peel off $20 bills from a large roll of money when he purchased an automobile. In that regard [redacted] said he had some idea as to what might have been the [redacted] of that money and he hoped and expected that within a week or so he would be able to furnish his ideas in that regard. When pressed for further details at this time, the following information was elicited from source.

After [redacted] was released on bail from the [redacted] on June 23 or 24, 1967, he read in the Chicago "Tribune" newspaper a few days later, possibly only a day or two after his release from jail, of a bank robbery which had occurred in a southern state. He recognized this bank and