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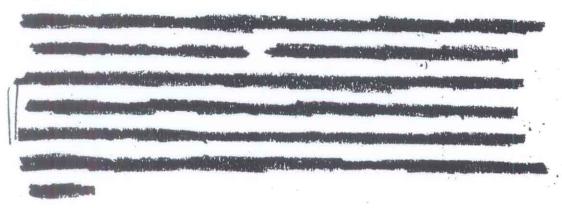
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RE LOUIS LOMAX - CHARLES STEIN.

ATTEMPTING TO TRACE A LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALL THAT THE SUBJECT OF THIS CASE MADE SOMEWHERE NEAR HOUSTON, TEXAS, DURING THE TRIP SUBJECT MADE WITH STEIN IN MID-DECEMBER SIXTY SEVEN. ACCORDING GET CHARLES STEIN TO ACCOMPANY HIM IN AN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE A PHONE BOOTH WHERE SUBJECT ALLEGEDLY MADE CALL DURING THIS TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS FROM LOS ANGELES

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FOR INFORMATION, LOMAX TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THE LOS

ANGELES OFFICE AND ADVISED THAT HE FELT THAT IF FBI AGENTS

COULD ACCOMPANY HIM AND CHARLES STEIN IN RETRACING THE TRIP

TO NEW ORLEANS, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT PHONE BOOTHS UTILIZED BY

SUBJECT COULD BE LOCATED, AND FBI AGENTS COULD TRACE THE CALL

AND GIVE THE RESULTS TO LOMAX FOR A NEWS STORY. LOMAX'S OFFER

DECLINED.

AS OF EVENING APRIL TWENTY THREE STEIN, WHO HAS BEEN
INTERVIEWED BY LOMAX DURING PAST SEVERAL DAYS, HAD NOT HAD AN OFFER
OF RETRACING THE TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS. STEIN THE MORNING OF
APRIL TWENTY FOUR ADVISES HE HAD A DEAL COOKING WITH LOMAX AND
MET WITH LOMAX AT NOON TODAY. STEIN ADVISES AS A RESULT OF THIS.
MEETING, LOMAX DESIRES HIM TO BEGIN A TRIP TO HOUSTON TONIGHT
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IN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE A PHONE BOOTH WHERE RAY ALLEGEDLY MADE

CALL. STEIN HAS ADVISED LOMAX THAT HIS ASKING PRICE FOR MAKING

TRIP IS FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS, AND THEY ARE CURRENTLY NEGOTIATING

THE PRICE STEIN WILL EVENTUALLY GET.

STEIN HAS AGAIN BEEN REINTER VIEWED CONCERNING WHAT HE CAN RECALL ABOUT THE TELEPHONE CALLS, AND HE ADVISES THAT TO THE BEST OF HIS RECOLLECTION, THERE WERE ABOUT SIX TELEPHONE CALLS IN ALL DURING, THE TRIP, MOST OF WHICH WERE IN THE TEXAS AREA. HE ADVISES THAT HE NOW RECALLS THAT ONE PHONE CALL MIGHT HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND BASED THIS INFORMATION ON THE FACT THAT HE HAD TO WAIT FOR RAY TO RETURN TO THE CAR FOR QUITE A PERIOD OF TIME. IN THE OTHER INSTANCES WHERE TELEPHONES WERE UTILIZED BY RAY HE WAS GONE SUCH A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME STEIN WAS OF OPINION CALLS WERE NOT COMPLETED. HE WAS TAKEN OVER THE TRIP ONCE AGAIN, AND HE ADVISES HE REALLY CANNOT RECALL THE EXACT PLACE OR DESCRIPTION OF THE PLACE WHERE THE CALL HE FELT WAS COMPLETED HAD BEEN MADE. IT WAS, HOWEVER, JUST WEST OF HOUSTON AT A SERVICE STATION TYPE OF ESTABLISHMENT JUST OFF OF INTERSTATE TEN, AND IT WAS AT NIGHT. TYPE OF GAS. STATION UNKNOWN, OTHER END PAGE THREE

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DESCRIPTIVE DATA FURNISHED BY STEIN IS THAT THE PHONE BOOTH IS

ON ACCESS ROAD PARALLELLING THE FREEWAY. HE DECLINED TO COMMENT EXACT

HOW FAR OUTSIDE HOUSTON THE PHONE BOOTH WAS LOCATED BUT DID

INDICATE IT WAS NEAR A LIQUOR STORE AND GAS STATION, AND AT

THIS POINT THE FREEWAY IS EIGHT LANES WIDE, AND A FENCE

SEPARATED THE FREEWAY FROM THE ACCESS ROAD, AND THAT THE TIME

OF THE CALL WAS APPROXIMATELY NINE PM, DECEMBER SIXTEEN,

SIXTY SEVEN.

STEIN ALSO RECALLED THAT THE PERSON WHOM SUBJECT WAS TO CONTACT IN NEW ORLEANS WAS A CONTRACTOR OR ENGINEER WHOSE BUSINESS WAS LOCATED NEAR INDUSTRIAL CANAL. ADVISED THAT IN TALKING TO MARIE MARTIN HE LEARNED A BETTER LOCATION WOULD BE THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL MIGHT BE LOCATED NEAR CHEF MENTUAR HIGHWAY AND JACKSON BARRACKS, NEW ORLEANS.

STEIN ADVISED HE HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH LOUIS LOMAX,

AND THAT LOMAX HAS OFFERED TO SPLIT THE REWARD OFFERED IN THIS

MATTER WITH HIM. HE INDICATED THAT LOMAX AND HE HAVE INTERVIEWED

A NUMBER OF PERSONS, AND STEIN DECLINED TO IDENTIFY SUCH

PERSONS, ADVISING THAT IF THEIR IDENTITY WAS DESIRED BY THE

BUREAU, LOMAX SHOULD BE CONTACTED. STEIN DID ADVISE HE HAS

LEARNED FROM LOMAX THAT RAY HAD ALLEGEDLY DATED A WHITE FEMALE

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BLONDE NAMED JERI DURING THE TIME RAY WAS IN LOS ANGELES.

THAT JERI IS AN ALIAS, AND SHE HAS ALSO USED OTHER NAMES.

STEIN THOUGHT THE NAME QUOTE DARELL UNQUOTE MICHT HAVE BEEN

USED. HE INDICATED THAT JERI COULD POSSIBLY BE AT MILWAUKEE,

WISCONSIN. ACCORDING TO LOMAX, A FEMALE NAMED HELENA ALSO

DATED RAY AT ONE TIME.

MADE A SECOND TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS ABOUT VALENTINE'S DAY, HAVING
PICKED UP SOME CLOTHING FROM MARIE MARTIN WHICH BELONGED TO
MARIE'S DAUGHTER, WHO LIVES IN NEW ORLEANS. THE DAUGHTER WAS
IDENTIFIED BY STEIN AS STEIN DID NOT
KNOW WHETHER OR NOT CLOTHES HAD ACTUALLY BEEN DELIVERED. STEIN
ADVISED HE ALSO TOOK PACKAGE OF CLOTHES WITH HIM IN DECEMBER
SIXTY SEVEN WHEN HE MADE THE TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS WITH RAY. THESE
CLOTHES WERE ALSO FOR MARIE MARTIN'S DAUGHTER

TRADED TV SETS WITH RAY, SHE HAD GIVEN HIM A BOX OF RECORDS

AND WEARING APPAREL TO BE DELIVERED TO HER DAUGHTER, CARE OF HER

MOTHER,

SHE ADVISED SHE DID NOT RECALL THIS UNTIL LAST NIGHT WHEN TALKING

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TO STEIN AND LOMAX, AS AT THE TIME SHE GAVE THE CLOTHES TO

RAY ABOUT VALENTINS'S DAY, SHE WAS HAVING A

PROBLEM. SHE ADVISED SHE WAS NOT SURE WHETHER OR NOT RAY HAD

EVER DELIVERED THE CLOTHES AND TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED HER

MOTHER IN NEW ORLEANS, WHO ADVISED SOME CLOTHING HAD ARRIVED

IN THE MOTHER'S ABSENCE, TIME NOT RECALLED, WHICH WERE TAKEN

FROM SOMEONE SENT BY MARIE BY HER SISTER, WHO WAS

AT THE MOTHER'S HOME. MARIE ALSO ADVISED THAT IN TALKING TO

STEIN AND LOMAX LAST EVENING, WHEN STEIN MENTIONED THE CONTRACTOR

OR ENGINEER WHOSE BUSINESS LOCATED NEAR INDUSTRIAL CANAL, SHE

RECALLED HEARING RAY MAKING REFERENCE TO SOMEONE HE KNEW WHO

IS LOCATED ON CHEF MENTUAR HIGHWAY AND JACKSON BARRACKS,

NEW ORLEANS. SHE HAD NO IDEA AS TO WHOM RAY WAS REFERRING AND

COULD NOT RECALL AT THIS TIME IN WHAT CONTEXT SHE HEARD THE

REFERENCE MADE.

CONCERNING A GIRL FRIEND OF RAY NAMED JERI, OR VARIATIONS
THEREOF, SHE ADVISED SHE KNEW NO ONE BY THAT NAME. HOWEVER
SHE DID ON ONE OCCASION AT THE SULTAN ROOM MEET A GIRL NAMED
DARELL - PHONETIC - EXACT DATE NOT RECALLED, WHOM SHE DESCRIBED
AS WHITE, FEMALE, FIVE TWO, AGE TWENTY FIVE, ONE TEN TO TWENTY,
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BLONDE HAIR, BLUE EYES, WELL BUILT. SHE ADVISED SHE HAD

NEVER SEEN DARELL WITH RAY. SHE ADVISED RAY HAD ONCE DATED

A GIRL NAMED HELEN AND RECALLS OVERHEARING THEM SAY THEY WERE

GOING QUOTE CHA CHA UNQUOTE DANCING. TO HER KNOWLEDGE, RAY

DATED HELEN ONLY ONCE, BUT SHE CANNOT RECALL THE DATE. SHE

DESCRIBES HELEN AS WHITE, FEMALE, DARK BROWN HAIR, AGE TWENTY

FIVE, HEAVY BUILD, WHO COMES IN THE SULTAN ROOM ON WEEKENDS AND

MIGHT HAVE BEEN AT THE SULTAN ROOM APRIL THIRTEEN OR FOURTEEN.

ACCORDING TO MARIE, HELEN INDICATED TO HER SHE IS A STUNT RIDER

ON HORSES.

MARIE MARTIN IS BEING REINTERVIEWED IN DEPTH FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT WILL POSSIBLY BE OF ASSISTANCE IN THIS MATTER.

INQUIRIES AT THE VEGAS CLUB LOCATED NEAR THE ST. FRANCIS
HOTEL INDICATE THAT ONE HELENA OCCASIONALLY COMES INTO THE
VEGAS CLUB WHO IS A QUOTE BELLY DANCER UNQUOTE AT A BAR LOCATED
ON SUNSET BOULEVARD. EFFORTS TO LOCATE THIS HELENA AS POSSIBLE
INDIVIDUAL WHO DATED MAY ARE UNDERWAY.

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LOMAX, IN A STORY PUBLISHED AT NEW ORLEANS AND LOS ANGELES, INDICATED HE HAD LOCATED A MYSTERIOUS BLONDE NAMED JERI WHO WAS BEING SOUGHT BY THE FBI AND WHO WAS AN ASSOCIATE OF RAY WHILE HE WAS IN LOS ANGELES. HE INDICATED IN THE STORY THAT SHE WAS A HABITUE OF THE SULTAN ROOM AND RABBIT'S FOOT BAR ALONG HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD. PERSONNEL OF THE RABBIT'S FOOT BAR ADVISED JERI ENTIRELY UNKNOWN TO THEM, AND THAT LOMAX WAS IN BAR EVENING APRIL TWENTY THREE ATTEMPTING TO FIND SOMEONE WHO KNEW SOMETHING ABOUT GIRL NAMED JERI. THEY ADVISED HE WAS APPARENTLY UNSUCCESSFUL. PERSONNEL OF SULTAN ROOM CLAIM NO ONE NAMED JERI IS KNOWN TO THEM, BUT THAT THEY HAVE HEARD LOMAX MAKING INQUIRIES CONCERNING GIRL OF THAT NAME. IT WAS INDICATED LOMAX HAS MADE THE SULTAN ROOM SORT OF HEADQUARTERS FOR HIS INQUIRIES CONCERNING KING MURDER AND HAS BECOME A NUISANCE. THEY WERE UNAWARE OF ANY PRODUCTIVE RESULTS ON THE PART OF LOMAX AS FAR AS A FEMALE NAMED JERI WAS CONCERNED.

TWO LAST SHE WAS AT SULTAN ROOM AND OBSERVED LOUIS LOMAX TALKING WITH SEVERAL PEOPLE, INCLUDING CHARLES STEIN ADVISES SHE RECALLS LOMAX TALKING OF A MARIA, A RITA AND A JERI.

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FOUR INSTANT TO ASCERTAIN ALL INFORMATION POSSIBLE IN SULTAN ROOM CONCERNING ANY JERI.

MARIE MARTIN AND RITA STEIN ARE BEING REINTERVIEWED AT LENGTH TO DETERMINE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THEY MAY HAVE.

MARIE MARTIN AT PRESENT TIME IS AWAITING ARR WAL OF PHYSICIAN BECAUSE SHE ADVISES SHE IS NOT WELL.

IT WOULD SEEM THAT STEIN, IN VIEW OF LOMAX'S OFFER TO SPLIT THE REWARD WITH HIM, HAS BECOME INVOLVED IN ATTEMPTING TO INVESTIGATE THE CASE BY HIMSELF. THE PROVISIONS CONCERNING OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE WILL BE POINTED OUT TO STEIN SHOULD HE ATTEMPT TO CONCEAL ANY DATA THAT MIGHT COME TO HIS ATTENTION CONCERNING THIS MATTER.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON LOMAX INDICATES HE WAS BORN
LOUIS EMANUEL LOMAX, VALDOSTA, GEORGIA, AUGUST SIXTEEN, TWENTY
TWO, AND HAS BEEN A HIGHLY CONTROVERSIAL NEGRO TV PERSONALITY
IN LOS ANGELES AREA. HE IS AUTHOR OF A BOOK ENTITLED QUOTE
THE NEGRO REVOLT UNQUOTE. ACCORDING TO LOCAL NEWS MEDIA,
HE IS CURRENTLY WRITING SCRIPT FOR MOVIE TO BE BASED ON LIFE
OF FORMER MALCOLM X. HE FORMERLY HAD INDIVIDUAL TV SHOW ON

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CHANNEL ELEVEN IN THIS AREA WHICH WAS DROPPED BY THE STATION APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH AGO.

LOS ANGELES CONTEMPLATES NO CONTACTS WITH LOMAX AT THIS TIME.

MARIE MARTIN'S MOTHER SO TIME OF THIS POSSIBLE SECOND TRIP CAN

HOUSTON THROUGH CONTACTS AT PHONE COMPANY SHOULD ENDEAVOR
TO HAVE TOLLS ON ALL POSSIBLE PHONE BOOTHS IN AREA DESCRIBED
BY STEIN OBTAINED FOR PERIOD OF TWELVE SIXTEEN SIXTY SEVEN AT
ABOUT NINE PM.

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