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August 2, 1967

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On August 1, 1967, Herbert J. Huber, 4909 Vale Street,
Metairie, Louisiana, advised that he is "working" for Louis Ivon,
an investigator for the New Orleans, Louisiana, District Attorney's
Office. He stated that in doing so, he is attempting to obtain
a tape recording from Bernard Spirdel of Holmes, New York, for
the New Orleans District Attorney's Office. He advised that this
tape "involves" Walter Sheridan, a National Broadcasting Company
investigator, currently appearing before the New Orleans Grand
Jury, and that this tape would aid New Orleans District Attorney
James Garrison in prosecution of Sheridan.

Huber stated that in an attempt to obtain this tape, he had opened checking accounts in the Fidelity National Bank of Slidell, Louisiana, the First National Bank of Slidell, Louisiana, and the Cemmercial Bank and Trust Company of Covington, Louisiana. He stated that these accounts were opened with cash deposits ranging from \$100 to \$125 on July 28, 1967, and that he later made deposits in the two Slidell banks with bank drafts which he had forged and were worthless. These drafts were drawn on the Peoples Bank and Trust Company, Balexi, Mississippi, for \$4820; on the Hancock Bank, Gulfport, Mississippi, for \$4875, and were deposited respectively in the Fidelity Mational Bank of Slidell and the First National Bank of Slidell and the First National

The drafts were made payable to H. J. Hubel (the name under which Haber opened the accounts), signed Allis Jocibi, on the draft draw on the Habeck County Bank; and Dennis Curtis on the one drawn on the Peoples Bank and Trust Company. Huber claims that be used the name Hubel because that is the way his name appears on his Louisiana driver's license, which was mistakenly misplicated. He advised that he uses his driver's license for identification and made the deposit in the name of Hubel to correspond with the name on his driver's license.

According to Huber, he was to fly to Holmes, New York, or August 2, 1967, and contact Spindel regarding the above mentioned tape recording. Huber contends that he was to offer

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Spindel a large sum of money for this tape and that the above mentioned accounts were to be used as proof that he had the money in the bank. Huber further related that he, with the promise of offering Spindel money, was to entice Spindel to return with him to New Orleans, Louisiana, where District Attorney James Garrison would have him arrested and confiscate the tape.

Huber stated that this is all he will reveal regarding the above and his only reason for revealing this much was by way of explaining why he opened the above mentioned bank accounts and made deposits with forged bank drafts. He claims he did not realize he was breaking any laws as he had no intention of trying to benefit in any way from the above bank transactions. He also claimed that he was not going to write any checks on these accounts over the amount that he had deposited in cash.

Huber claimed that he was not being paid by the New Orleans District Attorney's Office, but that he was doing the above for "personal reasons" and that his story could be verified by contacting Louis Ivan, investigator for District Attorney James Garrison. Huber did add, however, that he at one time, worked with Spindel during the Federal Bureau of Investigation's investigation of James Hoffa, approximately five years ago and as a result, is well acquainted with Spindel. He refused to discuss the above situation any further.