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was interviewed at his apartment,

San Leandro, California. After proper identification, he was advised that investigation was being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning a violation of Federal Law in connection with the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. Further, that an allegation had been received that might have information pertinent to this matter on the basis of remarks is reported to have made concerning such matters in the presence of others.

advised that he has no information concerning the murder, and except for his personal opinion as to who might be responsible, has no specific information concerning the murder. He said he had absolutely no objection to discussion of the matter.

advised that he is extremely active in the political field at the present time and in the recent past. He, is a member of

the American Independent Party (AIP) in California, and particularly in behalf of the candidacy of former Governor GEORGE WALLACE of Alabama for President. He stated that most persons not familiar with the AIP program and objectives, seem to assume that those favoring AIP are what is sometimes termed "negro-baiters." He denied that this is true, and said that from the view point of promoting the AIP, the murder of Dr. KING under such circumstances was a set back to the AIP who might have favored their principles.

He said that no one knowledgeable in affairs of the AIP would have caused or participated in a situation or action such as this in that it would be certain to make a "Martyr" of Dr. KING, which would hurt the AIP.

"However, since persons generally seem to associate AIP members with 'negro-baiters," he is frequently "kidded" along such lines by certain persons with whom he regularly comes into contact.

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He said that in recent months he has regularly frequented the Blue Dolphin, a San Leandro restaurant, and in fact assisted in arranging a couple of luncheons there in honor of WALLACE. Therefore, he has become acquainted with the owner of the Blue Dolphin, BILL PELUSO, and with many of the employees, including the bartenders.

When he goes to the cafe, he frequently goes to the bar and the bartenders frequently "kid" him concerning some current event involving Negroes or the AIP. This has been going on for several months, and everything said has been in jest.

However, he speculated that some person hearing such conversation might misinterpret the conversation, and draw a conclusion which would not be warranted.

In connection with Dr. KING's murder, he recalls such a conversation in the bar of the Blue Dolphin either the same night Dr. KING was killed, or possibly the evening after that.

As he recalled he had been driving on the Mimitz Freeway in Oakland, about 5:00 pm the night of the murder, April 4, 1968, when he first heard the announcement on the car radio.

When next visiting the Blue Dolphin, he recalled one of the employees greeting him with the comment "Well, I see you got him," or some similar comment. He believed he replied that "It wasn't me."

The next comment dealt with "How did you get back from Memphis so soon?"

As he recalled, he made some facetious remark such as "There's planes leaving every hour."

He again stated that the above conversation was strictly in the nature of "kidding," and except for the actual specific subject matter, was very similar to other comments made at the same place on numerous occasions.

he believed that these comments could have been misconstrued by someone who heard them, if the listener did not understand the circumstances or attached some literal interpretation to the remarks.

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said that he had no objection to furnishing his whereabouts on March 29,30, 1968 and April 4, 1968, and to furnishing independent substantiation if he could.

Relative to the date April 4, 1968, said that he could definitely establish his whereabouts on that date. He stated that he left the Bay Area in his own car sometime between 7:00 and 9:00 am, drove to Berkeley, California, where he picked up a real estate dealer named telephone

They then proceeded to Oroville, California, to look at some real estate which they were considering for investment purposes.

He recalled that they visited a savings and loan association in Oroville, but does not recall the name of it, although would probably know. To the best of his recollection, they returned to the Bay Area about 5:00 pm. He dropped off at his car in Berkeley, and proceeded out the Nimitz Freeway toward San Leandro. It was at this time that he first heard of the killing of Dr. KING on his car radio.

In further support of his whereabouts, said that when in San Leandro he frequently charges his gasoline at a Douglas Service Station on Marina Blvd. When traveling, he pays cash. He does not use a credit card. Whether charged to his account, or when paying cash, he usually obtains a purchase ticket. He throws these tickets in the glove compartment of his Cadillac where they are available if needed for his business records.

He located in his glove compartment the following charge tickets which he said recorded purchases at Douglas Service Station, Marina Blvd., San Leandro, both dated April 4, 1968:

Ticket #B 036026 dated 4/4/68 recording purchase of \$5.00 of gasoline.

Ticket #3 36186 recording purchase of \$4.55 of gasoline.

car in the morning when leaving for Oroville, and had put in gas upon his return that evening:

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A search of the available tickets failed to record any purchase of gasoline in the Oroville area, although believed they must have purchased gasoline. He does not recall, but thought that perhaps had paid for some gasoline in the area.

Relative to his whereabouts on Earch 29,30, 1968, said that he does not recall specifically where he was. He stated that he tries to go to his home in Southern California every other weekend to visit his wife and 2 1/2 year old son. By consulting a calendar, he determined that this would have been the weekend when he normally visited his wife.

When he makes this trip, he normally leaves on Saturday morning, which in this instance would have been March 30, 1968. He sometimes drives and sometimes flies via Air California from Oakland, California Airport to Orange County Airport.

He searched his available gasoline tickets and could locate no record of purchases on March 29 or 30, 1968. This indicated to him that if he had visited his home in Southern California that weekend he had probably gone by air.

abouts on March 29 & 30, 1968 through other records. He said that his business records probably would not show such information, with the exception of his appointment book, which might give him a clue as to where he had been. He contacted his secretary and ascertained there were no notations in his appointment book for those dates.

He said that he has discontinued the use of a checking account due to several civil suits having been filed against him, so he could not establish his whereabouts by cancelled checks.

He does not use credit cards, whether for gasoline or airline travel. He examined numerous airline ticket folders which he found in his apartment. He said he makes no particular effort to save these. He found some undated and none for the pertinent dates. There were no copies of tickets.

distance telephone calls, business, personal and political in nature. He makes them from his business phone, and from the phone in his apartment,

He said his telephone bill for the period contains record of numerous long distance telephone calls which could definitely establish that he was in San Leandro on March 29, 1968 and probably on March 30, 1968. He furnished the following concerning these records:

### March 29, 1968

10:13 am Telephone call to Anaheim, California where he talked to an ex-business associate

4:34 pm Telephone call to Fullerton, California, where he talked to brother of above

3:49 pm Telephone call to Mr. MAYALL, State Chairman of the Committee directing AIP campaign in California. He believes this telephone number is no longer in use, but Mr. MAYALL can be reached through in Bakersfield, which believes is the home telephone of

Collect telephone call, person to person, received by him from who was calling from telephone in Oroville, California. does not have a telephone, so location of above phone is unknown to him. can be located through the

#### March 30, 1968

His telephone records reflect that at 12:11 pm, a call was placed from his office to the phone number of his employee, who works in San Leandro but returns to his home in Roseville on Friday evening for the weekend.

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does not specifically recall making this call, and in reality it could have been made by any company employee. However, he sometimes handles Saturday business at the office so can go home on Friday, and it is most likely that he is the one who made the call.

Since this is the last recorded call on Saturday, March 30, 1968, and since he is quite certain he visited his wife in Southern California on that weekend, he feels that shortly after this call he went to the Oakland Airport and got a flight to Orange County Airport.

He said he would have flown Air California Air Lines and since they make their reservations by name, this line should have a record of his having made such a trip.

He also volunteered information on a trip he had made back East. He said his mother-in-law.

Johnson City, Tennessee, died about two to three weeks prior to March 1, 1968. His wife had naturally gone back for the funeral. His wife remained there for two or three weeks after the funeral to clear up details of the death and the estate.

said that he desired to visit his wife's relatives and to bring his wife back to California. He decided to drive his car back to Johnson City, and because of his interest in activities of the AIP, he decided to stop and confer with leaders of that party in Montgomery, Alabama.

He said that en route to Johnson City, he stopped in Montgomery on the night of February 27, 1968, at which time he stayed at the Holiday Inn, Midtown. Next day he drove to Johnson City, where he stayed a few days at

On March 3, 1968, accompanied by his wife and small son, he was again in Montgomery en route to California. At this time, he stayed at the Town House Motel.

He next has record of a cash receipt from Cotton's Truck Stop, Las Cruces, New Mexico on March 5, 1968, which he said was for the purchase of gasoline on his return trip to California.

advised that he was born He has been in California most of the time since 1945. He attended high school at Golden Gate Academy, which was at that time in Berkeley, California, but which moved to some hill area near Oakland. He is not sure it is still in operation. He graduated in 1947.

During the school year 1950-51 he attended La Sierra College in Riverside, California.

From 1951 to 1953 he was in the U.S. Marine Corps under MSN Since 1953, he has worked as a salesman, principally in California, but actually traveling in numerous states.

He is married and his wife lives in Southern California. He said he is reluctant to furnish her specific address because he feels that reprisals against his wife and child are very possible because of his political activities in behalf of AIP should her address become generally known.

He said that he established a business in Sacramento, California in July, 1967, known as

He came to San Leandro in December, 1967, and established his present business known as

He is active in experimenting with gold dredging combined with skin diving, and spends some weekends in the Sierra stream areas searching for gold, or conducting experiments along those lines.

He also had interest in speculative investment in businesses in the Oroville area, which are in a depressed state—due to departure of the workmen engaged in building the now completed Oroville Dam. He believed such property could be purchased cheaply and held until business picks up, insuring an excellent profit. He has abandoned this idea, at least temporarily.

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He said that he has no photo of himself at the present time due to theft of his billfold, with the exception of the photo on his driver's license, California



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AT ANAMEIM, CALIFORNIA: Locate through telephone number a business associate of to verify telephone call he received from 3/29/68.

AT FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA: Locate brother of to verify telephone call he recieved from 3/29/68.

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AT BERYELEY, CALIFORNIA: Will interview realtor telephone number to verify he took a trip with to Oroville on 3/29/68.

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AT OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA: At Oakland Airport, ascertain if made trip to Orange County Airport on 3/30/68.

AT SAN LEANDRO, CALIFORNIA: Verify gas charges of at Douglas Station, Marina Roulevard, on 4/4/68, and any record of charges on 3/29,30/68.

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### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Jackson, Mississippi 39205 May 3, 1968

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; MISSISSIPPI LICENSE NUMBER 120-134. COMPLAINANT -

By communication dated April 24, 1968, FBI Headquarters, Washington, D. C., forwarded a copy of the following letter from to the Jackson, Mississippi, Office.

44-38861-2672 ENCLOSURE



Wr. Ramsey Clark, United States Attorney General U.S. Department of Justice Constitution Avenue & Tenth Street Mm., Washington, D.C., 20530

Honorable Sir:

About 9:30 PM, on the night of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther, Jr., I sat white convertable 1967 "Mildest" with a Clarke County Mississippi tag number 120-134. This car passed me on South Frantiss (in Jackson, Mississippi). We were both traveling South; this car turned West on Central Street, and so did I. The next turn was South on Eastview Street, after our turn on Fastwick Street, this wildcat abruptly stopped and parked.

As soon as I passed, this car turned completely around and heried in the apposite direction.

This car may not be in any may connected with the crime that took place in Memphis 2 to 3 hours earlier, but it was on my mind and it bothered my conscience.

'If you think it will help in solving the case of the uncaught killer please check it out.

Sincerely.

V. P. Collier

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4/15/69

PS: Honorable Sir: Since sending you the original of the above letter, I have seen and exemined the sketch (in the News paper) of the suspected killer. So let me please add this: The driver of the white convert ble Wildert was White male fully natured. In his opical turn of the head to get a look at who was following him, he shock loose the long hair that was covering a ball spot on the back part of his head. So I was you to please check out this above described autwrobile.

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT; MISSISSIPPI LICENSE NUMBER 120-134

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On April 25, 1968, Miss Sherry Armstrong, Motor Vehicle Comptroller's Office, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that there is no such prefix as 120 for automobile registrations in the State of Mississippi, and further that there is no such tag number issued as 12-0134.

The 1968 Mississippi tag 12-134 is registered to Mrs. J.N. McRee, Quitman, Mississippi (Clarke County) for use on a 1954 Ford.

The 1968 Mississippi tag 12-1034 is registered to W. W. Buckley, Jr., Route 2, Enterprise, Mississippi (Clarke County) for use on a 1961 Ford.

The 1968 Mississippi tag 12D-134 is registered to William E. Sikes, Jr., Stonewall, Mississippi, (Clarke County) for use on a 1965 Buick, Vehicle Identification Number 464675X132855.

A review of the Road and Bridge Privilege Tax receipt for 1968 tag number 12D-134 disclosed it is registered to William E. Sikes, Jr., Stonewall, Mississippi, for use on a 1965 Buick Wildcat, white convertible, eight cylinder, bearing Vehicle Identification Number 464675X132855.

On April 29, 1968, Mrs. Beatrice Sikes, mother of William E. Sikes, Jr., operator of Stonewall Hotel, Stonewall, Mississippi, advised that her son, William E. Sikes, Jr., is employed at the Emporium Department Store, Jackson, Mississippi, and resides at 820 Eastview Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

On May 2, 1968, Mr. William E. Sikes, Jr., was located at the Emporium Department Store, Jackson, Mississippi, where he is employed as a salesman.

Mr. Sikes advised that on April 4, 1968, he worked

at the Emporium Department Store in downtown Jackson from 12:00 noon to 9:00 P.M., closing time. He stated he could not specifically recall whether or not he went anywhere that particular night after working but his usual procedure is to go home to his Eastview Street address immediately after work. Mr. Sikes could not recall any unusual event on the night of April 4, 1968, but assumes he went straight home after work. He advised that South Prentiss Street is less than a block away from his home on Eastview Street. He said he could not recall whether or not anyone followed him home this particular night.

Mr. Sikes advised that he is leaving the Jackson, Mississippi, area around June 1, 1968, and is taking a new position as a salesman with the National Jewelry Company, Ruston, Louisiana, and that his new address will be 1602 Ridge Street, Ruston, Louisiana.

The following descriptive information was obtained through observation and interview:

Name Address

Place of birth
Date of birth
Height
Weight
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Eyes
Social Security Number
Military Service

Marine Serial Number

William E. Sikes, Jr.
820 Eastview Street
Jackson, Mississippi
Meridian, Mississippi
December 22, 1924
Five feet eight inches
One hundred sixty pounds
Gray
Blue

United States Marines, Honorable Discharge

Mr. Sikes is not identical to James Earl Ray

UNKNOWN SUBJECT: MISSISSIPPI LICENSE NUMBER 120-134

but does bear a slight resemblance in height, weight, and age only.

Mr. Sikes advised he has no information other

than what he has read in the newspapers concerning the assassination of Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

FBI, Los Angeles (44-1574)

May 3, 1968

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John Edgar Hoover, Directo

FBI File No. 44-38861 Leb. No. D-562013 JK

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Remarks

A separate report is being furnished on the latent fingerprint examination and the disposition of Q300 and Q301.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

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Specimens received 4/30/68

Q300 Envelope postmarked "LOS ANGELES CALIF. 4A PM APR 22 1958" bearing typewritten address "Editor, Citizens News, 1545 N. Wilcox, Hollywood, Calif. 90028" and return address "James E. Ray, Far Away"

Q301 Accompanying clipping captioned "88 Days in a Red Prison" which appears to have been smeared with a fecal material and bears on the reverse side typewriting beginning "The Citizens News has. . ."

#### Result of examination:

It was determined that the typewriting on Q300 and Q301 is not identical to typewriting on material previously submitted in this case attributable to Eric S. Galt.

Q300 and Q301 were searched in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Copies have been added to this file for future reference. The typewriting on these specimens most closely resembles Corona pica style of type spaced ten to the inch. The submitted material was examined for watermarks and indented writing with. ... negative results.

Q300 and Q301 have been photographed and are being returned to Los Angeles separately.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) ATTN: FBI Laboratory CT

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SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed for laboratory examination is an envelope addressed to the editor, Citizen News, 1545 North Wilcox, Hollywood, California, with returning address of JAMES E. RAY, Far Away, and its contents which is a clipping captioned "88 Days in a Red Prison" which appeared to have been sucared with a fecal material. On the reverse side of this clipping is typed "The Citizen News has become toilet paper".

The enclosure: is submitted for latent fingerprint and typewriting examination and to be compared with pertinent information developed in this matter.

The enclosed was furnished by HAL: HUBBARD, Hollywood Citizen News, 1540 North Wilcox Avenue, Los Angeles. He advised that several individuals employed at this newspaper handled the letter in the normal procedures connected with the mail department and the routine handling of mail at this newspaper. He stated that it is not possible to identify all the explorees who have handled the enclosures.

SA THEODORE J. A'HEARN was the only Dureau employee who handled this letter.

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arriving at her home and have been coming to her home since; however, she denies having participated in this correspondence in any way. She has saved all letters received and displayed them for review. None of the letters viewed were from RAY under any of his known aliases. She claimed she was not acquainted with RAY or any of his known aliases. She was left a copy of the I.O. on RAY and advised she would immediately contact the FBI if she received any contact from RAY or anyone with a picture resembling him.

## \_ AT CHICO, CALIFORNIA

Owner of dwelling at this address since January, 1965, and does not recall

A neighborhood resident remembers name of however, possesses no information. The 1964 Chico "Polk's City Directory" lists a line and at the listed as U. S. Army. Subsequent directories negative re family. U. S. Post Office, Chico, has no address in records under name. Forwarding addresses cleared every two years by U.S. Post Office, Chico. No reard Chico PD re family.

It would appear "Swinger Correspondence Club" in view of U. S. Post Office clearing forwarding addresses every two years and Sacramento contemplates no investigation re

#### AT FRESNO, CALIFORNIA

sister of the advised has been married 3 years and previously belonged to Swinger Correspondence Club and all mail received from club during past 3 years destroyed by at request since has a jealous husband and mail was vulgar in content. The does not recall any correspondence from GALT or ERIC and added all mail received was destroyed without attention to sender. She advised no mail was forwarded to mail.

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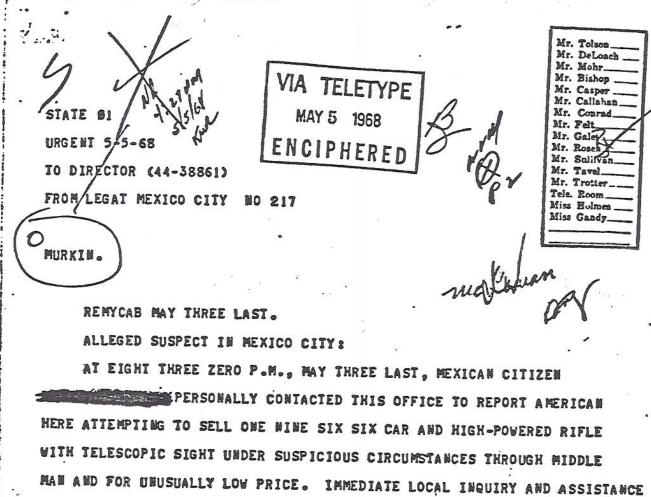
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Fresno, advised she formerly resided in trailer court at She advised she may be listed as member of club but never signed up for membership. She has, however, received a quantity of mail as result of joining two other clubs. She stated most of mail vulgar in content and she could recall no correspondence with anyone named ERIC or GALT and photograph of GALT not familiar to her. A review of correspondence in her possession failed to reflect any correspondence from ERIC or GALT.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Mr. Tologo U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DeLack COMMUNICATION SECTION Mohr. Mr. Bishop. 4 1968 FEI WASH DC Mr. Conrad Mr. FRI DETROIT Mr. Mr. Tavel URGENT Mr. Trotter 5-4-6F Tele Room Miss Holmes 44-38861 Miss Gandy MEMPHIS DETROIT MURKIR RE NEW YORK TEL TO DIRECTOR, APRIL TWENTYFIVE, LAST. PE: WILSHIRE BOOK COMPANY, LCS ANGELES, CAL. FLOYD PAY. FLINT, MICH. INTERVIEWED AND IS NOT IDENTICAL TO JAMES EARL RAY. FLOYD RAY IS FROM SOUTHERN MISSOURI, NORTHERN ARKANSAS AREA, HOWEVER, TO HIS KNOWLEDGE, JAMES EARL PAY IS NOT RELATED. HE HAD PRVER HEARD OF JAMES RAY UNTIL RECENT PUBLICITY REGARDING THE ESASSIMATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING. JR. END BJM. FBI WASH DC 44-3886/-30 TATE STITE INE E3 :: 63 7 79 MAY 14 1968



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WITH TELESCOPIC SIGHT UNDER SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES THROUGH MIDDLE

MAN AND FOR UNUSUALLY LOW PRICE. IMMEDIATE LOCAL INQUIRY AND ASSISTANCE

FROM LOS ANGELES OFFICE ESTABLISHED THAT SUSPECT IS

GARDENA, CALIFORNIA.

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HIS DOCUMENTS SHOW HE

CROSSED BORDER WITH CAR ON APRIL TWO LAST AND HIS MOTHER IN CALIFORNIA

DESCRIBES HIM AS UNSTABLE AND STATES HE HAS BEEN GONE SEVERAL WEEKS

AND PRESUMABLY IN MEXICO; ALSO VERIFIED THAT CAR REGISTERED IN HIS NAME

AND NO STOLEN REPORT.

HAS CRIMINAL RECORD IN CALIFORNIA FOR

MINOR OFFENSES BUT NOT CURRENTLY WANTED. SINCE HE CROSSED BORDER

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INVESTIGATION AT CAMPECHE, CAMPECHE:

AGENT ON SCENE REPORTS MAXIMUM COOPERATION BEING RECEIVED FROM CAMPECHE STATE JUDICIAL POLICE AND STATE HIGHWAY POLICE. THESE TWO AGENCIES HAVE BROADEST JURISDICTION AND A RADIO COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FOR USE IN COVERING EACH COMMUNITY IN A STATE WITH SOME ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY THOUSAND INHABITANTS AND AN AREA SLIGHTLY LARGER THAN THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, CONSISTING OF ABOUT TWO ONE SEVEN ZERO ZERO SQUARE MILES. CAMPECHE CITY HAS OVER FIVE FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO PEOPLE AND THERE ARE SEVEN OTHER MUNICIPAL AREAS IN THE STATE WHICH ARE ONLY MAJOR POPULATION CENTERS BESIDES CITY OF CAMPECHE. SOME PUBLICATIONS HAVE ALREADY PRINTED NEW ITEMS CONCERNING CASE SINCE ARRIVAL OF AGENT IN AREA AND ADDITIONAL PUBLICITY EXPECTED IN MAJOR EDITIONS THIS WEEKEND. RELIABLE AMERICANS WITH ESTABLISHED RESIDENCE IN AREA ALSO BEING ALERTED FOR ASSISTANCE IN DEVELOPING ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECT.

HAS CHECKED ALL HOTELS, MOTELS, BARBER SHOPS,
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BY SUBJECT SOME YEARS AGO OR HAS SEEN ANYONE ANSWERING HIS DESCRIPTION
IN RECENT PAST.

RE SUSPECT IN CIUDAD OBREGON, SONORA:

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DRIVERS OF TRES ESTRELLAS DE ORO BUS NUMBER ONE FOUR INTERVIEWED AT GUADALAJARA, JALISCO, MAY FOUR INSTANT AND STATE THAT ON APRIL TWO FIVE LAST ONLY THREE PASSENGERS BOARDED BUS AT CIUDAD OBREGON, SONORA. ALL THREE WERE MEXICANS AND PERSONALLY KNOWN TO DRIVERS AS FREQUENT PASSENGERS ON THIS RUN.

AT CIUDAD OBREGON WILL COMPLETE INTERVIEWS

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COPY SENT TO LOS ANGELES BY MAIL.
ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

RECEIVED: 2:39AM RM

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