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Woman Is Sought in Carr Case

A 30-year-old black woman from Cleveland is being sought in connection with the murder of black militant James E. Carr.

Santa Clara county authorities identified a Minerva Palmer as the registered owner of the car being driven by two murder suspects when they were arrested.

Carr, who was a friend of slain "Soledad Brother" George Jackson, was shot down in front of his San Jose home April 6. Lamarr Lloyd Mims, 21, and Richard Rodriguez, 22, were stopped in the blue 1969 car less than an hour after the shooting.

Both are charged with murder and are scheduled for arraignment on Friday. Assistant district attorney William Hoffman has claimed they were paid \$540 by an unidentified Los Angeles source to kill Carr.

In addition to the Cleveland woman, authorities are also looking for an unidentified "tall and slender black woman" seen with Rodriguez when he rented an apartment in San Jose March 17.

The car registered to Minerva Palmer, authorities said, carried Ohio plates reading AL 9580.

On Wednesday, Charles Swain, who lives near the Carr home, testified at a preliminary hearing that he remembered seeing a similar car in the neighborhood a week before the shooting.

Because it looked suspicious, he said, he jotted down its license number — he had it AL 95280.