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DB Cooper-1896

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/28/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

*Sub C*  
SUB. - SEARCH

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b7C

// He called back subsequently and said that he had talked to the man who was working the radar at Portland which was very accurate since it was very close to the plane at the time and determined that the plane was actually one to two miles east of the center of this particular fly-way. He said for this reason, we might consider moving the center of the circle described above one or two miles due east.

This information was furnished to SA MANNING on November 28, 1971. He was instructed to make certain that this area was thoroughly searched and to consider air coverage on November 29, 1971.

*C. TO MANNING  
By Phone 11-28-71*

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*W. A. MANNING*

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DB Cooper-1897



SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/28/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164- 81 )

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DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Northwest Flight 305  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING, EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Susp

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On 11/26/71 at 11:45 am [redacted] home telephone [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that [redacted] In the past he knew a jumper who might have been crazy enough to pull the hijacking, but he cannot recall the man's name.

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This man used to be associated with [redacted] Oregon) in an [redacted] Washington. (There is a turf landing strip at [redacted] per FAA records, 11/26/71.)

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This man, about six years ago came to a [redacted] [redacted] was not present at [redacted] but this man is reputed to have [redacted] and to have [redacted] said that he saw the [redacted] after the event.

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Further, this man frequently [redacted] [redacted] at social gatherings.

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The man was about 6', lean, tough and would now be middle aged.

[redacted] might know his name and whereabouts, or else the [redacted] might know it.

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b7C  
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The latter is, or was, [redacted] who used to be with the [redacted] at Portland, Oregon. [redacted] used to live at [redacted] Oregon, which is a suburb of Portland, telephone number not known. 164-81-152

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ACTION: Advise Portland of above.

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*Tel sent PD  
11/29/71*

*Have interviewed [redacted]*

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*advised by teletype*

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]  
SUSPECT [REDACTED]

On 11/26/71 SA [REDACTED] exhibited photographs of the  
above two suspects to [REDACTED]  
Washington.

[REDACTED] stated definitely that neither of these suspects  
resembled the unsub.

ELIM

CNG  
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GLOSSY PHOTO

REC'D BY R/S to SA [REDACTED]

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SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB; Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: SUSPECT  
SUSPECT

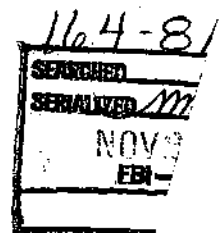
[REDACTED]

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b7C

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED] (P)

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NWA Flight #305,  
Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71  
CAA - Hijacking; Extortion  
OO: SE

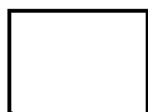
On 11/28/71 [REDACTED] advised that he had talked to  
an unknown man in the [REDACTED] Wash. area 11/26/71 who  
said that there had been [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] every night. However,  
he said that the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] failed to appear [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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jlk  
(3)

cc: [REDACTED] edit'd

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Pl check with [REDACTED]  
if they can't help, drop it.  
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[REDACTED] 1648

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/29/71

SA [redacted] (P)

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UNSUB; NWA Flight #305,  
Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71  
CAA - Hijacking; Extortion  
00: SE

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[redacted] every night. However,  
he said that the [redacted]  
[redacted] failed to appear [redacted]  
[redacted]

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(3) cc: [redacted]

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NR 01 PX PLAIN

1022 AM URGENT 11-29-71 WJG

TO SEATTLE

CHARLOTTE

INDIANAPOLIS

FROM PHOENIX (164-100)

*SUSP*

*X also L. m...*

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN, PORTLAND, OREGON,

ELEVEN TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING. OO: SEATTLE.

---ARMED AND DANGEROUS---

ARIZONA

TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED TODAY THAT HE HAD OBSERVED ARTIST'S DRAWING  
OF UNSUB ON TV. [ ] ADVISED THAT HE HAD BEEN [ ]

[ ] WAS ASSIGNED TO [ ]

[ ] FNU [ ] (PHONETIC) WAS IN [ ]

END PAGE ONE

*NOTE THAT CH.  
+ IP are [ ]  
[ ]*

*act file to*  
[ ]

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[REDACTED] (FNU) [REDACTED] (PHONETIC) WAS ALSO

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED THAT [REDACTED] FNU

[REDACTED] (PHONETIC) HAD [REDACTED] HE DESCRIBED [REDACTED]

(PHONETIC) AS WMA, FORTY TO FORTYFIVE YEARS, FIVE FEET TEN,  
ONE HUNDRED FIFTY, [REDACTED] HAIR ON TOP, HIGH CHEEK BONES,  
AND THIN CHIN AND WORE GLASSES PART OF TIME. HE KNEW NOTHING RE.  
BACKGROUND OF SUSPECT [REDACTED] (PHONETIC).

CHARLOTTE AT [REDACTED] WILL ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FNU [REDACTED] WHO HAD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

INDIANAPOLIS AT [REDACTED] WILL ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY

[REDACTED] WHO WAS IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CAN BE LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED AS TO IDENTITY OF

[REDACTED] FNU [REDACTED] (PHONETIC).

PENDING.

END

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DB Cooper-1905



NR 000 PD PLAIN

9:20 PM URGENT 11-27-71 RMR

TO: SEATTLE

CHICAGO

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

*Re: Susp*

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR,  
NINETEEN SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING ; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE CHICAGO Airtel TO PORTLAND AND SEATTLE DATED ELEVEN TWENTYSEVEN  
INSTANT, PORTLAND CALL TO CHICAGO AND SEATTLE AND SEATTLE CALL TO  
PORTLAND ELEVEN TWENTYSEVEN INSTANT.

[REDACTED] NORTHWEST AIRLINES ADVISED THAT ONE  
[REDACTED] DEPARTED  
ON FLIGHT FIVE SIX EIGHT TO O'HARE AIRPORT THIS DATE. [REDACTED] ALSO  
ADVISED [REDACTED] ACCOMPANIED BY A MAN UP UNTIL FLIGHT DEPARTURE  
BUT UNABLE TO DESCRIBE MAN ACCOMPANYING [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

PORTLAND IS TAKING NO FURTHER ACTION PENDING THE SHOWING OF  
PHOTO OF [REDACTED] TO WITNESS WHO WOULD RECOGNIZE UNSUB.

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b7C

END

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FBI SE CLP

SAC COGNIZANT

*have  
PD witness  
what  
photo.  
OK  
DONE*

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NR 002 PD PLAIN

9:20 PM URGENT 11-27-71 RMB

TO: SEATTLE

CHICAGO

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZZRO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR,  
NINETEEN SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING ; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE CHICAGO NITEL TO PORTLAND AND SEATTLE DATED ELEVEN TWENTYSEVEN

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BUT UNABLE TO DESCRIBZ MAN ACCOMPANING [REDACTED]

PORTLAND IS TAKING NO FURTHER ACTION PENDING THE SHOWPNG OF  
PHOTO OF [REDACTED] TO WITNESS WHO WOULD RECOGNIZE UNSUB. 156

END

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

Sub. D  
EC - PARACHUTES.

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

REBUCALL TODAY.

LAS VEGAS NITEL TO BUREAU AND SEATTLE, PORTLAND, NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX LAST, TRANSMITTED ELEVEN FIFTYTWO P.M., REVEALS THAT ONE CHEST PACK AND ONE BACK PACK PARACHUTE FOUND IN FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE ON LANDING IN RENO, NEVADA. EXAMINATION OF BACK PACK PARACHUTE BY MILITARY EXPERT REVEALED IT WAS IN USABLE CONDITION AND COMPLETE AND OPERABLE IN ALL DETAILS. CHEST PACK PARACHUTE OF BRIGHT PINK, ORANGE COLOR, DETERMINED BY MILITARY EXPERTS TO BE IN OPERABLE CONDITION. HOWEVER, IT WAS OPENED WITH THE DROUGE CHUST MISSING IN THE AIRPLANE. .1

EARL J. COSSEY, MASTER PARACHUTE RIGGER AND CHIEF RIGGER FOR SEATTLE SKY SPORTS, ISSAQUAH, WASHINGTON, ADVISED THAT HE PERSONALLY RIGGED A CHEST PACK PARACHUTE WHICH WAS USED FOR TRAINING

JEM:eon  
(1)

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

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PURPOSES, SEWING THE PARACHUTE PACK UP IN SUCH A WAY THAT IT WAS COMPLETELY INOPERABLE AS A PARACHUTE.

THIS PARTICULAR PARACHUTE, ACCORDING TO COSSEY, IS ONE OF  
THE TWO CHEST PACK PARACHUTES THAT WERE DELIVERED TO THE WASHINGTON STATE PATROL FOR DELIVERY TO THE NORTHWEST AIRLINES FOR DELIVERY TO THE HIJACKER.

SINCE FOUR PARACHUTES WERE GIVEN TO THE HIJACKER, TWO CHEST PACKS, TWO BACK PACKS, AND SINCE ONE CHEST PACK AND ONE BACK PACK CHUTE WERE FOUND IN THE PLANE, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE ONE CHEST PACK CHUTE MISSING WOULD HAVE TO HAVE BEEN USED BY THE HIJACKER, THE SECOND BACK PACK CHUTE PROVIDED THE HIJACKER WAS  
OPERABLE.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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TO : SAC, PORTLAND

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

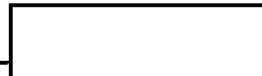
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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE, CAA DASH HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. OFFICE OF ORIGIN: SEATTLE.

INFORMATION DEVELOPED NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT LAST AT  
VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON, THROUGH CONTACT WITH EXPERIENCED  
AVIATION PERSONNEL REFLECTS POSSIBILITY THAT A VOR RECEIVING  
DEVICE, POSSIBLY COMPOSED OF TRANSISTERIZED COMPONENTS, AND  
SMALL ENOUGH TO BE PLACED IN A POCKET, COULD HAVE BEEN USED BY  
THE SUBJECT TO MAKE GROUND CONTACT EVEN THOUGH VISUAL CONTACT  
WAS IMPOSSIBLE.

SEATTLE DIVISION SECURING LIST OF DISTRIBUTORS OF VOR  
COMPONENTS AT A AVIATION COMPANY IN VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON, AND  
IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED THAT ANOTHER MANUFACTURER OF SUCH  
COMPONENTS IS HILLSBORO AVIATION AT HILLSBORO, OREGON.

PORTLAND, AT HILLSBORO, OREGON, CONTACT HILLSBORO AVIATION  
SECURE LIST OF DISTRIBUTORS OF SMALL VOR UNITS AND CONDUCT  
APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE  
PURCHASED SUCH ITEMS FROM THE DISTRIBUTORS. P. 164-81-158

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Special Agent in Charge

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TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE; CAA DASH HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. OFFICE OF ORIGIN: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] SEATTLE, WHO IS [REDACTED]  
RECALLS A WHITE MALE, NAME UNKNOWN, WHO WAS PARACHUTIST IN THE  
PAST, AND CONSIDERS THIS PERSON LOGICAL SUSPECT.

SUSPECT FORMERLY ASSOCIATED WITH [REDACTED]  
OREGON, AND QUOTE [REDACTED] UNQUOTE, [REDACTED]  
WASHINGTON.

SUSPECT ALSO KNOWN TO [REDACTED] WHO MIGHT STILL BE  
ASSOCIATED WITH [REDACTED] PORTLAND, AND WHO USED TO LIVE  
[REDACTED] OREGON.

SUSPECT ABOUT SIX YEARS AGO PURPORTEDLY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] WASHINGTON, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] SUSPECT FREQUENTLY [REDACTED] AT SOCIAL  
GATHERINGS. DESCRIBED AS SIX FEET, LEAN, TOUGH, AND NOW MIDDLE  
AGED.

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Approved: *[Signature]*  
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : *JEM* SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

Re: SUSPECT - 

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b7C


Enclosed is photo of captioned subject.



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b7C

## LEADS

### PORTLAND DIVISION

Display photo to  who recalls subject.

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b7C

1 - Portland (Encl 1)  
1 - Seattle  
CEF:klb  
(2)



*SO  
Sent by  
facsimile  
11/15/AM  
Rec'd  
LJA*

**WILSON** *WILSON*

DB Cooper-1912

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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DATE: 11/29/71

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Re: SUSPECT -

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## LEADS

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subject.

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1 - Portland (Encl 1)  
1 - Seattle  
CEF:klb  
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TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

SUSP

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE; CAA DASH HIJACKING;  
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AGED.

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add  
LJG

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PORTLAND INTERVIEW [REDACTED] IF NOTHING PRECLUDES IT, AND

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b7c[REDACTED] REGARDING IDENTITY THIS SUSPECT. SET OUT  
APPROPRIATE LEADS. PApproved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
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Via ~~TELETYPE~~ \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO : SAC, PORTLAND

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FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

RESE TELECALL THIS DATE.

[REDACTED] NORTHWEST AIRLINES,  
MINNEAPOLIS, CALLED ON NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE INSTANT. HE SAID

A [REDACTED] OF PORTLAND, TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] OR IN CARE OF THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
OFFICE, HAD CALLED NORTHWEST IN MINNEAPOLIS. HE SAID THAT A  
MAN NAMED [REDACTED] IN THE  
PORTLAND AREA, LOOKED LIKE THE ARTIST CONCEPTION AND WAS AN  
EXCELLENT SUSPECT. HE SAID THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THAT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE HAD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE PORTLAND AIRPORT.

PORTLAND CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION RE

[REDACTED] AND ADVISE BY SUTEL.

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Special Agent in Charge

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This information previously furnished to ASAC VINNIE RUEHL, Portland, who said he believes [REDACTED] had been eliminated as a suspect already, but that he would appreciate getting a teletype and he will give us an official statement by return teletype.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE 164-81

DATE: 11/28/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

*X - as suspect  
from clinic,  
a my card.*

On 11/28/71 at 5:59 am [REDACTED] University  
Towers Hotel, 45th Avenue NE and N. Brooklyn, Seattle, telephoned  
this office and advised that on 11/27/71 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] known only to him as [REDACTED] was on site at the  
time of the call.

[REDACTED] said [REDACTED] is a "dead wringer" for the unsub  
in this matter.

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED] who is  
known to [REDACTED] who can be reached at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as a white male, 40 years, 6' [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] dark hair, [REDACTED] eyes, 170 pounds.

SAC advised 6:05 am

ADDENDUM: On 11-28-71, [REDACTED]  
University Towers, Seattle, advised the writer  
that [REDACTED]

ASAC advised 6:56 am

SA [REDACTED] advised

[REDACTED] on 11-28-71, and [REDACTED] Wash., [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] years, [REDACTED]  
The writer discreetly

observed [REDACTED] who does not appear similar to description of  
unsub. [REDACTED] has [REDACTED]

CNC  
(2) hair moderately long, 5'9", 155 pounds approximately [REDACTED]  
years old. [REDACTED] stated that since [REDACTED]  
has not [REDACTED] as of time of interview.  
No further action.

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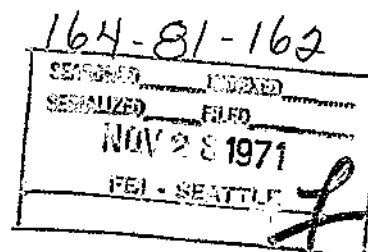
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-81) (P)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

*Susp.*

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LEADS

SEATTLE  
At [REDACTED] Washington

[REDACTED] is well known to Chief of Police BENIFIELD and [REDACTED] is presently living in [REDACTED]. It is to be noted that his present description closely meets that of the hijacker and his photograph on last arrest does not meet his present appearance. While at [REDACTED] subject was a [REDACTED] is in good shape now. Further, his [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] This caper is something that [REDACTED] is very capable of doing. It is suggested that BENIFIELD might be able to eliminate [REDACTED] by ascertaining his location last Wednesday night. If not, a photograph of [REDACTED] if a recent one can be located, should be exhibited to witnesses.

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*DO NO ASH TILL PHOTO  
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*obtaining photo  
checking in  
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Wheeler*

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SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB;  
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FLIGHT 0305  
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11/24/71  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE. CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO SEATTLE

ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF HIJACKER HAS BEEN RECEIVED. WITNESSES  
OBSERVED HIJACKER NUMEROUS TIMES WITHOUT GLASSES. IT IS  
SUGGESTED THAT ARTIST PREPARE ANOTHER CONCEPTION WITHOUT GLASSES  
AND THEREAFTER THE TWO PHOTOGRAPHS BE MOUNTED ALONG WITH THE  
FOLLOWING CONPOSITE DESCRIPTION ON A WANTED FLYER TYPE PAPER,  
TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO MAILING LISTS THROUGHOUT COUNTRY, ALONG  
WITH SUCH SPECIAL MAILINGS AS MAY BE INDICATED AS INVESTIGATION  
PROGRESSES. FOLLOWING COMPOSITE TAKEN FROM INTERVIEWS OF  
WITNESSES WHO WERE IN A POSITION TO SEE UNSUB.

RACE, WHITE; SEX, MALE; AGE, MID FORTY'S; FIVE FT TEN TO SIX  
FT., ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY TO ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY POUNDS, AVERAGE TO  
WELL BUILT, OLIVE COMPLEXION, LATIN APPEARANCE, MEDIUM SMOOTH  
COMPLEXION, DARK BROWN OR BLACK HAIR, NORMAL STYLE, PARTED ON  
LEFT, COMBED BACK; SIDEBURNS, LOW EAR LEVEL; EYES, POSSIBLY BROWN,  
DURING LATTER PART OF FLIGHT PUT ON DARK, WRAP-AROUND SUNGLASSES

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Special Agent in Charge

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WITH DARK RIMS. LOW VOICE, SPOKE INTELLIGENTLY, NO PARTICULAR ACCENT, POSSIBLY FROM MIDWEST SECTION OF U.S.; HEAVY SMOKER: OF RALEIGH FILTER TIP CIGARETTES; WORE BLACK OR BROWN SUIT, WHITE SHIRT, NARROW BLACK TIE, BLACK DRESS SUIT, BLACK RAIN TYPE OVERCOAT OR DARK TOP COAT, DARK BRIEFCASE OR ATTACHE CASE. HE CARRIED PAPER BAG FOUR INCHES BY TWELVE INCHES BY FOURTEEN INCHES, WORE BROWN SHOES.

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Special Agent in Charge

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI,  
SAC, LAS VEGAS,  
SAC, MINNEAPOLIS, &  
SAC, PORTLAND

SUB <sup>D-</sup> CHUTES.

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

EARL J. COSSEY, MASTER PARACHUTE RIGGER, AND JUMP  
INSTRUCTOR, INTERVIEWED THIS DATE. STATES HE PACKED THREE  
PARACHUTES GIVEN TO SUBJECT, AND FROM AVAILABLE INFORMA-  
TION, HAS DETERMINED MISSING BACK PACK IS A MODEL N B SIX  
(NAVY BACK PACK SIX). CONTAINER IS SAGE-GREEN, NYLON  
AND PARACHUTE IS TWENTYEIGHT FT. NYLON WHITE FLIGHT CIRCULAR  
(NON STEERABLE). BACK PACK EQUIPPED WITH SPECIAL FOAM  
CUSHION AND HAS SAGE-GREEN NYLON HARNESS WITH NO. "D" RINGS  
TO MOUNT CHEST PACK.

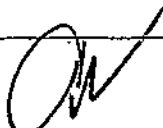
COSSEY STATES CHEST PACK USED BY SUBJECT IS DUMMY  
TRAINING RIG, WHICH IS INOPERABLE. COSSEY SPECULATES SUB-  
JECT USED CHEST PACK FOR MONEY.

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COSSEY STATES NIGHT JUMPING VERY DANGEROUS, WHEN  
TERRAIN UNKNOWN AND DISTINCT POSSIBILITY SUBJECT SUFFERED  
ANKLE AND/OR LEG INJURIES ON LANDING, ALSO, IF WEARING  
STREET SHOES, POSSIBILITY OF INJURY GREATER, AS SUBJECT  
UNABLE TO CONTROL RATE OF DESCENT OR JUDGE SHOCK IMPACT

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Special Agent in Charge

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5:43 PM URGENT 11/26/71 JJT

TO DIRECTOR

LAS VEGAS

MINNEAPOLIS

PORTLAND

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING;  
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TERRAIN UNKNOWN AND DISTINCT POSSIBILITY SUBJECT SUFFERED  
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RATE OF DESCENT OR JUDGE SHOCK IMPACT, ALSO, IF WEARING STREET  
SHOES, POSSIBILITY OF INJURY GREATER.

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5:34M PM URGENT 11/26/71 JJT

TO DIRECTOR  
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MINNEAPOLIS  
PORTLAND

FROM SEATTLE (164-31)

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MP009 SE PLAIN

6:46 PM URGENT 11/26/71 JJT

TO DIRECTOR

LAS VEGAS

MINNEAPOLIS

PORTLAND

FROM SEATTLE (164-S1)

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)  
SAN DIEGO (164-91)  
LOS ANGELES

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

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SUSP: UNSUB

MAN ON FLIGHT  
201, SAN DIEGO TO  
BURBANK. 11-8-71

SOURCE - [REDACTED]

*On Card: Say L.A. getting list of  
movie company & will send to  
S.F.*

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST. CAA - HIJACKING AND EXTORTION.

RE SAN DIEGO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE TODAY. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED AT HILTON INN, SAN FRANCISCO AIRPORT. [REDACTED]

RECALLS CONVERSATION WITH UNIDENTIFIED MAN ON FLIGHT TWO ZERO ONE,  
FROM SAN DIEGO TO BURBANK, NOVEMBER EIGHT LAST. STATES HE AND

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[REDACTED] HAVE AGAIN DISCUSSED THIS CONVERSATION  
AND NEITHER OF THEM CAN RECALL THE NAME OF THE INDUSTRY, MOVIE  
COMPANY, OR NAMES OF PARTICULAR MOVIES UNMAN CLAIMED TO HAVE WORKED  
FOR. ONLY RECALLS THAT MAN MENTIONED HE IS NOW WORKING ON COMEDIES  
OR "LIGHT" MATERIAL WHICH ARE GOOD FOR A LAUGH. RECALLS MAN  
APPROACHED THEM AFTER HE SPOKE TO [REDACTED] WHILE THEY WERE RIDING  
AS DEADHEAD PASSENGERS. UNMAN SAT IN SEAT BETWEEN THEM AT FRONT  
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OF PLANE. HE EXPLAINED HE WAS WRITING A SCRIPT INVOLVING THE THROWING OF AN OBJECT FROM A PLANE TO A LOCATION ON THE GROUND AND WANTED ADVICE AS TO HOW THIS COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED. DID NOT MENTION ANY PARTICULAR TYPE OF AIRCRAFT. ASKED IF POSSIBLE TO DEPRESSURIZE CABIN AND THROW FROM WINDOW. MAINLY DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF USING WINDOW NOT DOOR.

[ ] DESCRIBED MAN AS WELL-DRESSED IN BROWN BUSINESS SUIT AND TIE, WORE ONE OR TWO LARGE DIAMOND RINGS, THIRTY SIX TO FORTY YEARS OLD, SIX FEET OR OVER, HEAVY, POSSIBLY TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, LIGHT COMPLEXION, ROUNDED HEAVY FACE, NO DISTINCTIVE FEATURES, DARK WAVY HAIR WORN LONG OR FULL, EDUCATED, MODULATED VOICE, GOOD SPEAKER, CARRIED ATTACHE CASE, WROTE ON YELLOW PAD. TOGETHER ABOUT FIFTEEN MINUTES. UNMAN NEVER SMOKED DURING THIS TIME. MOVIES HE MENTIONED WORKING ON WERE LISTED ON SLIP OF PAPER.

[ ] ALSO INTERVIEWED AND STATES [ ] HAVE REVIEWED THEIR CONTACT WITH UNMAN AND STILL UNABLE TO RECALL ANY IDENTIFICATION OF MOVIE COMPANY, FILMS OR INDUSTRY CONNECTIONS

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OF HUMAN. [ ] STATED POSSIBLE LISO, CPAPPRESENTED TO

THEM FOR REVIEW, COULD RECALL NAME. [ ] HOME ADDRESS IS [ ]

[ ] SAN DIEGO, CALIF., PHONE NUMBER [ ]

[ ] HOME ADDRESS IS [ ]

[ ] CALIF., PHONE NUMBER [ ]

SUGGEST POSSIBILITY THAT LOS ANGELES ASSEMBLE LIST OF MOVIE  
COMPANIES FOR DISPLAY TO [ ]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164- )

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA MAX L. WILSON

Susp: [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305;  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On 11/29/71 [redacted] telephonically contacted this office to advise that he had observed the artist's likeness of the unsub and he stated that it and the description of unsub were similar to that of [redacted]

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[redacted] years ago. About [redacted] ago [redacted] was [redacted] Seattle. [redacted] possibly in the NE or NW section. [redacted] does not know if [redacted] is still in the city. According to [redacted] was a very [redacted]

[redacted] requested that his identity not be disclosed.

On 11/30/71, [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that [redacted]

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[redacted] and was on [redacted]  
He advised he did not know his full name, only [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164- )

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA MAX L. WILSON

Susp: [REDACTED]

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CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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ME334 WA PLAIN

8:11 PM URGENT 11-27-71 REM

TO LAS VEGAS (164-63)

SEATTLE (164-31)

PORTLAND

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

SUB EVIDENCE

X-LATENT PRINTS.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACK-  
ING; EXTORTION.

RE LAS VEGAS LETTER NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX LAST.

LATENT PRINTS LIFTS NO VALUE.

CONFIRMING.

END

DCA.....FBI SEATTLE CLP

SAC ADVISED 11/28/71  
(DCA)

OK

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NR 001 MR PLAIN

3:47 PM URGENT 11-28-71 BLB

TO: SEATTLE (164-91)

FROM: MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) P

*Sub. C.*  
**cc - SEARCH**

UNSUB: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTY ONE. CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION OO: SEATTLE.

PERMYTEL ELEVEN TWENTYSEVEN SEVENTYONE.

[REDACTED]  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES, MINNEAPOLIS TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THIS DATE  
THAT INFIGHT RECORDER READINGS FROM SUBJECT AIRCRAFT INDICATE THE  
POSSIBILITY THAT UNSUB TOUCHED GROUND THREE (3) STATUTE MILES EAST  
NORTHEAST OF LA CENTER, WASHINGTON ON A BEARING ZERO EIGHT ZERO  
DEGREES TRUE.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT HE WAS IMMEDIATELY FURNISHING THIS  
INFORMATION TELEPHONICALLY TO FBI SEATTLE.

END

BTB

FBI SEATTLE CLP

**TO MANNING**

*Manning advised  
11/28/71*

*an*

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<b>MANNING</b>	

*SAC*

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NR003 IP PLAIN

3:57PM URGENT 11/29/71 OJS

TO CHARLOTTE

PHOENIX (164-100)

SEATTLE

FROM INDIANAPOLIS (164-NEW) 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN, PORTLAND, ORE.,

NOV. TWENTYFOUR NINETEEN SEVENTYONE CAA - HIJACKING.

OO: SEATTLE.

RE PHOENIX TEL INSTANT DATE.

INVESTIGATION AT ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE AND ARMY FINANCE  
CENTER, FORT HARRISON, IND., INSTANT DATE, REVEALED

SSAN

BORN

AT

WAS ASSIGNED IN SEPT. LAST TO

N.C.

HAS IN EXCESS OF

END PAGE ONE

*Charlotte office handling*

*ah*

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DB Cooper-1940

IP 614-UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN, PORTLAND, ORE.

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[REDACTED]  
HOME OF RECORD LISTED AS [REDACTED]

AND ADDRESS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] N.C.  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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b7C

[REDACTED] APPEARS IDENTICAL  
TO [REDACTED] DESCRIBED IN RE TEL.

ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION AT FORT HARRISON FAILED TO  
INDICATE [REDACTED] (FNU) [REDACTED] PRESENTLY ON ACTIVE DUTY. VARIATIONS  
[REDACTED] ALSO NEGATIVE.

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b7C

CHARLOTTE, INTERVIEW [REDACTED] IN AN EFFORT  
TO IDENTIFY (FNU) [REDACTED]

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

-RUC-

END

JRW FBI SE CLR

DB Cooper-1941

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

**ARTIST SKETCH**

SA HENRY SHUTZ called from the Bureau on 11/29/71.

He said that he talked to the artist who interviewed one of the stewardesses, the only one who saw the man without glasses and she was unable to definitely recall what his eyes looked like. I told him we would interview our witnesses here immediately to try to get a set of eyes for the UNSUB and would let him know.

JEM:eon  
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**DONE**

**TT**

**11-29-71**

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DB Cooper-1942

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : [REDACTED]

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b7C

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

Susp [REDACTED]

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b7C

On instant date [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] home # [REDACTED] work [REDACTED]  
telephonically contacted this office. [REDACTED] advised that  
he has [REDACTED]

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b7D

[REDACTED] looks like the photo in the paper of the Unsub.

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] gave the following description of [REDACTED]

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b7D

AGE	[REDACTED]
Height	6' 0"
Weight	175 lbs
Hair	Brw
Complexion	Med

[REDACTED] could be darker due to the fact he has been in  
[REDACTED] advised that the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Seattle indices negative.

GJW:gjw  
(2)

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[REDACTED]

b6  
b7C



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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM :

[REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

On instant date [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] home # [REDACTED] work [REDACTED]  
telephonically contacted this office. [REDACTED] advised that  
he has [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] looks like the photo in the paper of the Unsub.

b6  
b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] gave the following description of [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

AGE	[REDACTED]
Height	6' 0"
Weight	175 lbs
Hair	Brw
Complexion	Med

b6  
b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] could be darker due to the fact he has been in  
[REDACTED] advised that the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Seattle indices negative.

GJW:gjw  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

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FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

SUSP:

SOURCE ~~FROM~~ SAC DALLAS

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On 11/29/71 SAC GORDON SHANKLIN from Dallas called and advised that a complainant had called in and informed them that a [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] resembled UNSUB.

He didn't know what to do with it. I told him to get the complainant interviewed in detail, endeavor to get as much identifying data about the suspect as possible and then endeavor to pursue it through Air Force channels to see if he could be identified.

JEM:eon  
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DB Cooper-1945

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: November 29, 1971

FROM : SAC J. E. MILNES

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

PUB. Sub. C

At 6:35 AM, on November 29, 1971, SA JAMES BLAND at the Bureau called. He advised that the UPI, AP and many of the eastern newspapers were carrying stories in this matter, quoting SA MANNING, the Agent in charge at the search scene, as having said "The man has to be a professional sky diver or he is crazy". Another quote is to the effect "If he was wearing street clothes he would obviously be injured", which is attributed to MANNING. He advised they expected a teletype from us as a result of SA [redacted] call on November 27.

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I told him that [redacted] did not request such a teletype and I did not offer one. I told him, however, that MANNING had been told not to make any remarks to the press and that the remarks described by him were common talk among the law enforcement officials and that the Sheriffs from Clark and Cowlitz had been interviewed extensively by the press, and that I was certain that MANNING had made no such remarks.

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He requested a teletype about it.

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JEM/cjw  
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*[Handwritten signature]*

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*[Handwritten mark]*



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DB Cooper-1946



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/29/71

EARL J. COSSEY, 349 North 101st, Seattle, telephone SU3-0475, appeared at the Seattle Office at which time he furnished the following information:

He is a master parachute rigger and jump instructor at Seattle Sky Sports, Issaquah, Washington, telephone EX2-3050.

In May, 1971, [redacted] Washington, [redacted] needed two parachutes. COSSEY packed two parachutes which were furnished to [redacted] on or about May [redacted] 1971. He described these parachutes as back packs, commonly referred to as "emergency" parachutes. He also packed the two chest pack parachutes which were furnished to Northwest Airlines on November 24, 1971.

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The two parachutes recovered from the Northwest Airlines flight 305 at Reno, Nevada, on November 24, 1971, were described in detail to Mr. COSSEY at which time he described the missing back pack parachute as having a sage green nylon container, model NB6 (Navy Back pack 6) with sage green nylon harness, which harness has no "D" rings to mount a chest pack. The parachute is a 28 foot nylon white flat circular with a specially fitted foam padded cushion. The pilot chute is also white.

Mr. COSSEY said that the missing chest pack parachute is a ground training pack dummied up to look like a good one. He said that by "dummied up" he means that tie downs were attached to the container. This chest pack was devised by COSSEY to teach trainees while hung in a harness how to open the chest pack in the event of an emergency. The folds of the parachute are sewen together to preclude the parachute opening in the training room. Mr. COSSEY said that the back packs furnished the hijacker did not have the necessary hooks on the harness to attach a chest pack.

Mr. COSSEY said that if the hijacker opened one of the chest packs on the airplane he probably would remove the parachute and put the money in the chest pack

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by SA [redacted] SA CHARLES J. HENRY/CJH:set Date dictated 11/29/71

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as it would be impossible to hold anything in his hand when the parachute opened. Mr. COSSEY said it would be quite possible to parachute from a 727 jet if the jet was below 10,000 feet and flying at a very slow rate of speed. The person jumping from the plane would have to free fall to earth for several thousand feet to slow himself down and get himself in position for the back pack to open. Even an experienced parachutist would experience considerable shock from the chute opening, however, this would cause little or no personal injury. He said that anyone who had six or seven practice jumps could accomplish this as the first five jumps would be on a static line and the subsequent jumps would be free fall.

He said that jumping at night materially increases the chance of injury and in this case he would consider the parachutists chances of not being injured as "nill." Mr. COSSEY said the back pack used by the hijacker is non-steerable and he would have no chance of slowing down or picking the spot on which to land. Also at night he would be unable to gauge his distance to the ground which would result in a much harder impact. It was his opinion the skyjacker would suffer severe ankle and or leg injuries from this jump.

Mr. COSSEY said that the fact the hijacker wore street shoes would also increase the chance that he would be injured on landing as the most experienced jumpers wear jump boots or some rigid ankle support.

Mr. COSSEY expressed the opinion that the pilot of the jet would notice some oscillation when the hijacker departed the rear of the aircraft.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: November 29, 1971

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

*SUSP*

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b7C

At 12:15 p.m., November 29, 1971 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Tacoma, Washington, phone  
[REDACTED] telephonically advised that he believes [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] has information concerning the  
identity of the hijacker. He said that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] a close  
associate named [REDACTED] (LNU), [REDACTED] said that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
(LNU) was the hijacker. [REDACTED] (LNU) is a  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] can be contacted at [REDACTED] Tacoma,  
Washington, phone number [REDACTED] He said that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] not to mention anything about  
[REDACTED] (LNU) although he feels she will cooperate when  
confronted.

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*OK out*

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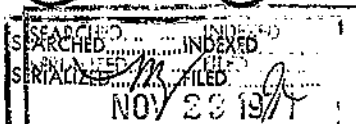
AT TACOMA, WASHINGTON

Contact [REDACTED] Tacoma,  
Washington, phone number [REDACTED] for information she  
may have concerning captioned hijacker. This is the residence  
[REDACTED]

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

November 29, 1971

SA [REDACTED]

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

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[REDACTED] (LNU) although he feels she will cooperate when  
confronted.

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LEAD

SEATTLE

AT TACOMA, WASHINGTON

Contact [REDACTED] Tacoma,  
Washington, phone number [REDACTED] for information she  
may have concerning captioned hijacker. This is the residence  
[REDACTED]

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b7C  
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DB Cooper-1953

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE

DATE: Nov. 26, 1971.

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUB-D

SUBJECT: UNSUB  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
Nov. 24, 1971.  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.  
OO: SEATTLE

At 12:21 A.M. a Mr. CLOSSY, Associated Press, Seattle, talked to SAC (and earlier to SA FARRELL) inquiring about a "new story" that one of the chutes given the unsub "would not even open, even if he tried." CLOSSY said he got his information from EARL COSSY who packed the chutes. He said something to the effect the chute was for demonstration on land only and not for bailing out.

The reporter apparently talked to COSSY late afternoon or night of Nov. 25, 1971. We had tried all day (up to 3:30 P.M. to reach him at his home SU3-0475 or Sky Sports, Issaquah Airfield EX2-3050.

LEAD      Seattle

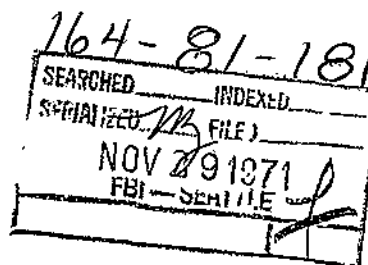
Contact COSSY for full particulars on these chutes.  
Did he pack all four?  
Try for some identifying number so we can eliminate those we found at Reno.  
Also to resolve above info from AP.

Lead assigned to SA

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CEF.(2)

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DB Cooper-1958

SAC, SEATTLE

Nov. 26, 1971.

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNSUB  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
Nov. 24, 1971.  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.  
OO: SEATTLE

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LEAD      Seattle

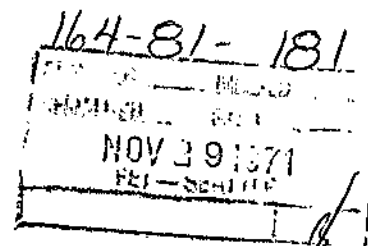
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Did he pack all four?  
Try for some identifying number so we can eliminate those we found at Reno.  
Also to resolve above infrom from AP.

Lead assigned to SA \_\_\_\_\_



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CEF.(2)



DB Cooper-1959

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]  
MILWAUKEE

*Susp*

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE 11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION;  
OO: SEATTLE

This will confirm Milwaukee telephone call from  
SA [REDACTED] to SA DONALD J. STEELE as follows:

On 11/29/71, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Milwaukee, Wisconsin, advised she had noted an  
artist's composite drawing of the unknown subject in the  
Milwaukee Journal (dated 11/28/71, Page three).

[REDACTED] continued that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] the Seattle area. Several  
times since then [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] in Seattle. He remarked  
that he was [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] who lived in Seattle. [REDACTED] advised  
[REDACTED] had previously [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Milwaukee, and she thought he had  
a picture taken there. [REDACTED]  
photograph of [REDACTED]

She continued [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
years old and [REDACTED] pounds since photo  
taken. She described [REDACTED] as follows:

Name  
Race  
Sex  
Date of Birth  
Place of Birth

White  
Male

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JWH:md  
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Dates Army Service [redacted]  
Military Service [redacted]

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Service Serial  
Number  
Selective  
Service No.

Complexion  
Height  
Eyes  
Weight  
Hair

Medium  
6'3/4"

175 pounds

Dark brown, very high forehead,  
receding hairline. Hair thin  
on top, parted on left with  
[redacted]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Sideburns  
Teeth

Full to top of ear.

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Hands

Other

Heavy smoker of Pall Mall non-  
filter cigarettes [redacted]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Scars

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Glasses

Always wore sunglasses, night and  
day.

Miscellaneous

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Clothing

Very sharp dresser, always wore  
tailor made clothing and always  
very dressed up appearance.  
Usually wore very dressy felt  
snap brim hats. Always wore  
either black or brown shoes,  
flashy ties and shirts.



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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] advised she had attempted to contact  
or locate [redacted]

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b7D

[redacted]  
and apparently currently resides at an unknown address in  
[redacted] Wisconsin. [redacted] advised [redacted]  
[redacted] and as a consequence,

On 11/29/71, [redacted]  
[redacted] Milwaukee,  
Wisconsin, furnished a photograph of [redacted] taken  
[redacted] The photographs obtained from [redacted]  
[redacted] are being forwarded for the assistance of Seattle.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

11/29/71

SA [REDACTED]  
MILWAUKEE

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UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE 11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION;  
OO: SEATTLE

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times since then [REDACTED]  
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that he was [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] who lived in Seattle. [REDACTED] advised  
[REDACTED] had previously [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Milwaukee, and she thought he had  
a picture taken there. [REDACTED]  
photograph of [REDACTED]

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She continued [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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taken. She described her ex-husband as follows:

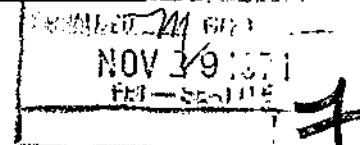
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Name  
Race  
Sex  
Date of Birth  
Place of Birth

[REDACTED]  
White  
Male

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b7C  
b7D

JWH:md  
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DB Cooper-1963

SE 164-81

Dates Army Service  
Military Service

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Service Serial  
Number  
Selective  
Service No.

Complexion

Medium

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Height

Eyes

Weight

175 pounds

Hair

Dark brown, very high forehead,  
receding hairline. Hair thin  
on top, parted on left with

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b7D

Sideburns

Full to top of ear.

Teeth

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Hands

Other

Heavy smoker of Pall Mall non-  
filter cigarettes

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b7C  
b7D

Scars

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Glasses

Always wore sunglasses, night and  
day.

Miscellaneous

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b7C  
b7D

Clothing

Very sharp dresser, always wore  
tailor made clothing and always  
very dressed up appearance.  
Usually wore very dressy felt  
snap brim hats. Always wore  
either black or brown shoes,  
flashy ties and shirts.

SF 164-81

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] advised she had attempted to contact  
or locate [redacted]  
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and apparently currently resides at an unknown address in  
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On 11/29/71, [redacted]  
[redacted] Milwaukee,  
Wisconsin, furnished a photograph of [redacted] taken  
[redacted] The photographs obtained from [redacted]  
[redacted] are being forwarded for the assistance of Seattle.

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FBI

Date: 11/29/71

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Via TELETYPE

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(Priority)

**SUB PUB**

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
SACS DETROIT, LOS ANGELES, SAN FRANCISCO, PORTLAND

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

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3:34PM URGENT 11/29/71 VAB

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SAN FRANCISCO

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DRL FBI WASH DC

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/29/71

[redacted]  
Washington, furnished the following information:

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[redacted] was home during the evening of November 24, 1971 and heard a jet plane going over his house sometime during the evening at approximately 9:00 p.m., although the exact time was not known. This aircraft was extremely loud and sounded as if it were flying very low.

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[redacted] did not bother to get up and make an attempt to see the aircraft as he felt he would not be able to see anything due to the darkness.

[redacted] thought that this was someone flying in to land at Portland. Aircraft landing at Portland frequently are placed in a holding pattern in this neighborhood. [redacted] stated that [redacted]

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[redacted] This jet was headed south and slightly east at an altitude that was unknown although it was low enough and loud enough to shake the house.

Interviewed on 11/28/71 at [redacted] File # SE 164-81-184  
by SA [redacted] md Date dictated 11/29/71

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: Suspects [REDACTED]

ROBERT HAMPTON KEELY

Sub. 9

- M. Wilson

On 11/29/71 SA [REDACTED] exhibited photographs of the above suspects to [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] Seattle, telephone [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] eliminated all four suspects.

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Relative to [REDACTED] stated that he is not the unsub, but that [REDACTED] bears a striking resemblance to the unsub. [REDACTED] is about [REDACTED] heavy and his hair [REDACTED] chin were as it appears in the artist's conception of the unsub, he would look even more like the unsub.

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*Sub. H - Witnesses*



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*Michael*

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PIKE E F8711 GRANDSPULLMAN WA\*

LEGAL OWNER SAME AS ABOVE

*Re G. H. J. [unclear]*

*CO - [unclear]*

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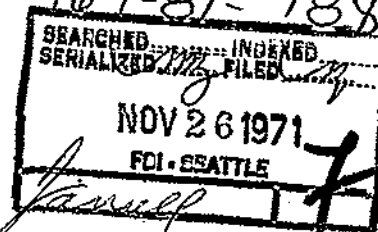
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ERNEST FLOYD PIKE DOB 10-24-17 EXP 73 PIKE/EF838P4  
644 S GREENE SPOKANE NO RESTRS  
MALE BLUE EYES 200 LBS 5-11

DO YOU HAVE FIRST NAME

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SPC [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
N.W. Airlines Flight #305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle  
[redacted]

At 6:20 PM, 11/26/71, [redacted]

[redacted] Wash. home phone [redacted] advised UNSUB may be  
one [redacted] was [redacted]

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[redacted] place unknown.  
[redacted] Oregon.

[redacted] said the physical description of UNSUB fits [redacted]  
except [redacted] hair.

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It is believed the only reason [redacted]  
hijacked the plane is because [redacted]  
[redacted] has heard [redacted] (LNU), tell of [redacted]  
[redacted] was employed at the  
[redacted] (LNU) [redacted] ago.

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[redacted] can be reached through [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] Phone  
number is [redacted]

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*check out*

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
N.W. Airlines Flight #305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

At 6:20 PM, 11/26/71, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Wash., home phone [REDACTED] advised UNSUB may be  
one [REDACTED] was [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] place unknown. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Oregon.

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[REDACTED] said the physical description of UNSUB fits [REDACTED]  
except [REDACTED] hair.

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It is believed the only reason [REDACTED]  
hijacked the plane is because [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] has heard [REDACTED] (LNU), tell of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was employed at the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] (LNU) [REDACTED] ago.

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[REDACTED] can be reached through [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Phone  
number is [REDACTED]

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Date: 11/26/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_

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TELETYPE - ~~PLAINTEXT~~

URGENT

Via \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,

11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE

DURING SEARCH TODAY WITNESS <sup>near arboy, Washington</sup> RECALLS THAT AT

APPROXIMATELY EIGHT PM, TWENTYFOURTH INSTANT, HE RECALLS

A LOW FLYING JET PLANE FLYING SOUTH AT AN UNUSUALLY LOW

ALTITUDE AND THAT ALL LIGHTS, INCLUDING NAVIGATION AND CABIN

LIGHTS WERE GOING ON AND OFF.

INTERVIEW MEMBERS OF CREW TO DETERMINE IF THIS AIRCRAFT  
WAS THE HIJACKED AIRCRAFT. INTERVIEW CREW FURTHER TO  
DETERMINE WHETHER THEY HAD ANY VISUAL SITINGS OR LANDMARKS  
AT THE TIME SUBJECT IS BELIEVED TO HAVE EXITED AIRPLANE,  
NOTING THAT A FLASHING RADIO BEACON AT KALAMA, WASHINGTON,  
COULD WELL HAVE BEEN VIEWED BY THEM AT ABOUT THIS TIME.

SUTEL.JEM:klb  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

11:40 P

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Per

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Date: 11/26/71

Transmit the following in TELETYPE  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)TO : DIRECTOR, FBI, AND SACS, CINCINNATI, CLEVELAND,  
LAS VEGAS, MINNEAPOLIS, PORTLAND, *Little Rock.*

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

SUSPECT [REDACTED] ELIMINATED.

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[REDACTED] WASHINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT ARRESTED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] POB [REDACTED]

ADDRESS [REDACTED] AT

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TWO TWENTYFIVE PM, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST, FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND HE IS STILL IN [REDACTED] JAIL AT THIS TIME.

PRB:klb  
(1)b6  
b7CApproved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 10:20 PM ALL VIA M Per PCA  
WASH. D.C.

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Date: 11/26/71

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO  
 SEATTLE, 11/24/71, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

AIR SEARCH CONDUCTED IN AREA WHERE HIJACKER  
 BELIEVED TO HAVE LEFT PLANE, UTILIZING TWO ARMY HELICOPTERS  
 FROM GRAY FIELD; ONE WEYERHAUSER COMPANY HELICOPTER AND ONE  
 BONNEVILLE POWER ADM., HELICOPTER. FOR PURPOSE OF SEARCH,  
 AREA WAS DIVIDED INTO SIX SECTIONS AND DUE TO WEATHER  
 CONDITIONS, ONLY THREE WERE COVERED TODAY. SEARCH WAS  
 NEGATIVE. A LIMITED GROUND SEARCH ALSO CONDUCTED WHICH WAS  
 NEGATIVE, EXCEPT FOR ~~TWO INDIVIDUALS IN THE~~ NORTHEAST  
 QUADRANT OF THE SEARCH AREA, WHERE TWO INDIVIDUALS MADE  
 COMMENTS CONCERNING A LOW FLYING AIRPLANE AT THE PERTINENT  
 TIME, BUT SAW NOTHING DROPPING FROM PLANE.

RELATIVE TO SUSPECT [REDACTED] PHOTO  
 DISPLAYED WITH OTHERS, TO WITNESS [REDACTED]  
 AND [REDACTED] WN.,  
 SEATTLE, WHO ADVISED PHOTO OF [REDACTED] DEFINITELY NOT  
 IDENTICAL. HE STATED HIJACKER HAD A MUCH BROADER FACE AND  
 NOSE. PHOTO OF [REDACTED] BEING DISPLAYED TO OTHER WITNESSES.

PRB:klb  
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Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

9:45 PM

Per

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DB Cooper-1995

cc - Course - Sub  
 - SEABOARD  
 - PARACHUTE  
 Sub.D

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Date:

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)PAGE TWO

ANALYSIS OF FLIGHT PATH OF AIRPLANE, UPON LEAVING  
SEATTLE, <sup>and</sup> FLIGHT LOGS PROVIDED BY NORTHWEST AIRLINES,  
SEATTLE AND MINNEAPOLIS, WOULD SUGGEST THAT UNSUB IN AIRPLANE  
AS LATE AS TIME PLANE PASSED OVER CAMP, WASHINGTON, AT EIGHT  
ZERO FIVE PM. SUBSEQUENT ENTRIES REFLECT OSCILLATION  
~~IN CABIN~~ AT EIGHT TEN PM, AT WHICH TIME PLANE IN AREA  
APPROXIMATELY TWO TO THREE MILES SOUTHWEST BY WEST  
FROM LAKE MERWIN DAM, WASHINGTON. PARACHUTE EXPERTS ADVISE  
THAT PARACHUTES LEAVING PLANE AT THAT POINT WOULD DRIFT  
APPROXIMATELY TWO AND ONE HALF MILES EAST, THEREFORE SEARCH  
IN THIS AREA BEING INTENSIFIED AM OF TWENTYSEVEN INSTANT  
VIA HELICOPTERS AND GROUND SEARCH. HELICOPTER SEARCH  
BEING MADE CONTINGENT UPON WEATHER PERMITTING. UPON  
RECEIPT OF ARTISTS CONCEPTION, INTEND TO GIVE WIDE  
DISSEMINATION TO PRESS, CONTACTS WILL BE MADE WITH AIRPORTS,  
FLIGHT SCHOOLS, PARACHUTE CLUBS IN BROAD GENERAL VICINITY.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

NR011 SE PLAIN

9:45 PM URGENT 11/26/71 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-) 2P

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

AIR SEARCH CONDUCTED IN AREA WHERE HIJACKER BELIEVED TO HAVE  
LEFT PLANE, UTILIZING TWO ARMY HELICOPTERS FROM GRAY FIELD; ONE  
MEYERHAUSE COMPANY HELICOPTER AND ONE BONNEVILLE POWER ADM.  
HELICOPTER. FOR PURPOSE OF SEARCH, AREA WAS DIVIDED INTO SIX  
SECTIONS AND DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS, ONLY THREE WERE COVERED TO-  
DAY. SEARCH WAS NEGATIVE. A LIMITED GROUND SEARCH ALSO CONDUCTED  
WHICH WAS NEGATIVE, EXCEPT FOR NORTHEAST QUADRANT OF THE SEARCH  
AREA, WHERE TWO INDIVIDUALS MADE COMMENTS CONCERNING A LOW FLYING  
AIRPLANE AT THE PERTINENT TIME, BUT SAW NOTHING DROPPING FROM  
PLANE.

RELATIVE TO SUSPECT [REDACTED] PHOTO DISPLAYED  
WITH OTHERS, TO WITNESSES [REDACTED] SEATTLE, AND [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] WASHINGTON, WHO ADVISED PHOTO OF [REDACTED] DEFINITELY NOT IDENTICAL. HE STATED HIJACKER HAD A MUCH BROADER FACE AND NOSE. PHOTO OF [REDACTED] BEING DISPLAYED TO OTHER WITNESSES.

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ANALYSIS OF FLIGHT PATH OF AIRPLANE, UPON LEAVING SEATTLE AND FLIGHT LOGS PROVIDED BY NORTHWEST AIRLINES, SEATTLE AND MINNEAPOLIS, WOULD SUGGEST THAT UNSUB IN AIRPLANE AS LATE AS TIME PLANE PASSED OVER CAMP WASHINGTON, AT EIGHT ZERO FIVE PM. SUBSEQUENT ENTRIES REFLECT OSCILLATION AT EIGHT TEN PM, AT WHICH TIME PLANE IN AREA APPROXIMATELY TWO TO THREE MILES SOUTHWEST BY WEST FROM LAKE MERVIN DAM, WASHINGTON. PARACHUTE EXPERTS ADVISE THAT PARACHUTES LEAVING PLANE AT THAT POINT WOULD DRIFT APPROXIMATELY TWO AND ONE HALF MILES EAST, THEREFORE SEARCH IN THIS AREA BEING INTENSIFIED AS OF TWENTYSEVEN INSTANT VIA HELICOPTERS AND GROUND SEARCH. HELICOPTER SEARCH BEING MADE CONTINGENT UPON WEATHER PERMITTING. UPON RECEIPT OF ARTISTS CONCEPTION, INTEND TO GIVE WIDE DISSEMINATION TO PRESS, CONTACTS WILL BE MADE WITH AIRPORTS, FLIGHT SCHOOLS, PARACHUTE CLUBS IN BROAD GENERAL VICINITY.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/27/71

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FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
N.W. Airlines Flight #305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

*cc - [REDACTED]  
Sub. E*

At 6:10 PM, 11/27/71, [REDACTED]  
Seattle, phone [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] advised he was [REDACTED] when he noticed  
two cars, and two individuals transferring something from  
one of the cars to the other car. This was about 6:00 AM,  
11/26/71, in an area [REDACTED] Washington,  
and occurring in a place where no vehicles usually go be-  
cause of the swampy terrain and woody area. [REDACTED] believes  
this may have something to do with the recent hijack and  
provided the information to us for further reference.

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[REDACTED] did not see what the two individuals looked like  
or the makes of the vehicles because of the darkness. He  
could not describe the matter being transferred for the same  
reason.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/27/71

FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

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b7C

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
N.W. Airlines Flight #305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

At 6:10 PM, 11/27/71, [REDACTED]  
Seattle, phone [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] advised he was [REDACTED] when he noticed  
two cars, and two individuals transferring something from  
one of the cars to the other car. This was about 6:00 AM,  
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and occurring in a place where no vehicles usually go be-  
cause of the swampy terrain and woody area. [REDACTED] believes  
this may have something to do with the recent hijack and  
provided the information to us for further reference.

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b7C

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or the makes of the vehicles because of the darkness. He  
could not describe the matter being transferred for the same  
reason.

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DB Cooper-2000

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-81)

DATE: 11-28-71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NWA FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE 11-24-71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO:SE

*PUB.*  
*del. C*

At 8:46 a.m. 11-28-71, SA [REDACTED] WFO, telephonically advised a package of composite pictures of the Unsub will arrive at Sea-Tac on UAL flight 175 this date at the air-freight office under receipt # 4037-3922, at 12:30 P.M. Pacific Time.

[REDACTED] of the air-freight office advised the plane is now due in at 12:47 Pacific Time. The air-freight terminal is one mile North of the passenger terminal.

The above information was furnished to SA [REDACTED] who will pick up the package.

RBC (1)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-81)

DATE: 11-28-71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB;NWA FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE 11-24-71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
00:SE

*PUB.*

At 8:46 a.m. 11-28-71, SA [REDACTED] WFO, telephonically advised a package of composite pictures of the Unsub will arrive at Sea-Tac on UAL flight 175 this date at the air-freight office under receipt # 4037-3922, at 12:30 P.M. Pacific Time.

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The above information was furnished to SA [REDACTED] who will pick up the package.

RBC (1)

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/28/71

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FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
SKYJACKING of NORTHWEST  
FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

*X- [unclear] [unclear]*  
*cc cc*  
*PUB Sub.C*  
*PARACHUTES*  
*Sub. D*

[REDACTED] Dallas, Texas,  
telephone [REDACTED] telephonically contacted this office  
to offer his expert knowledge of [REDACTED]  
qualified himself as being [REDACTED]  
in the Dallas, having been actively involved in [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised that the U.S. Parachuting Association,  
Monterey, California, licenses all parachutists in the  
country. The USPA also maintains current files on all  
members. Also headquartered with USPA is Parachutist Over  
Forty Society, POPS, an elitist group of "jumpers" 40 years  
and older. Located in Los Angeles, California, is Latin  
Sky-divers, and organization comprised exclusively of  
Latin parachutists.

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b7C

Commenting on the characteristics of the skyjackers  
parachuting from the plane, [REDACTED] indicated that the  
unsub would have to of been an expert in the sport of  
sky-diving. Jumping with an ~~unknown~~ unfamiliar chute, [REDACTED]  
advised that the unsub would have to readjust the straps to  
fit his personal needs. Not jumping with the aid of an  
altimeter would also require expert knowledge of sky-diving;  
jumping in street shoes requires expertise in sky-diving;  
high flying level of plane indicates expert ability.

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[REDACTED] further advised that it is his belief that all  
sky-divers are egotists and that for one to make a jump  
from a 727 airplane, he might conceivably write it down  
in his jump log book.

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USPA may be contacted in Monterey, California, at  
408-373-2708, and the [REDACTED] of the organization is  
[REDACTED] who has an extensive photo album of members.

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SPC [REDACTED]

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UNSUB;  
SKYJACKING of NORTHWEST  
FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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in the Dallas, having been actively involved in [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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Monterey, California, licenses all parachutists in the  
country. The USPA also maintains current files on all  
members. Also headquartered with USPA is Parachutist Over  
Phorty Society, POPS, an elitist group of "jumpers" 40 years  
and older. Located in Los Angeles, California, is Latin  
Sky-divers, and organization comprised exclusively of  
Latin parachutists.

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advised that the unsub would have to readjust the straps to  
fit his personal needs. Not jumping with the aid of an  
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jumping in street shoes requires expertise in sky-diving;  
high flying level of plane indicates expert ability.

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sky-divers are egotists and that for one to make a jump  
from a 727 airplane, he might conceivably write it down  
in his jump log book.

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USPA may be contacted in Monterey, California, at  
408-373-2708, and the [REDACTED] of the organization is  
[REDACTED] who has an extensive photo album of members.

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# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: November 29, 1971

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FROM : SAC J. E. MILNES

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

cc -  
cc -  
cc -

[Redacted Box]  
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RE: Suspect [Redacted Box]

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On November 29, 1971, SA [Redacted Box] at the Bureau called. SA [Redacted Box] wanted to know the results of the display of the photograph to the witnesses.

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I told him that the Minneapolis Office had been asked on November 27 to accomplish this immediately and had just finished talking to them and they were going to get it done.

SA [Redacted Box] then wanted to know if the Bureau could say positively that one of the parachutes was inoperable. I told him there was no doubt about it, but if he wanted a piece of paper on it I would prepare one.

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I told him we were continuing ground search but the weather made it impossible to fly down there today.

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FILE (164-81)

November 29, 1971

SAC J. E. MILNES

UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: Suspect [REDACTED]

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SA [REDACTED] then wanted to know if the Bureau could say positively that one of the parachutes was inoperable. I told him there was no doubt about it, but if he wanted a piece of paper on it I would prepare one.

I told him we were continuing ground search but the weather made it impossible to fly down there today.

2 - Seattle  
JEM/cjw  
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1147PM 11/28/71 NITEL JDD

TO BUTTE

HONOLULU - VIA WASHINGTON

LOS ANGELES

OKLAHOMA CITY

SEATTLE

FROM PHOENIX (164-100)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN, PORTLAND, OREGON,  
ELEVEN TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SACRAMENTO TEL ELEVEN TWENTYSIX LAST.

INSTANT DATE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA, ADVISED FBI COMPOSITE OF HIJACKER SHOWN ELEVEN  
TWENTYEIGHT SEVENTYONE, SAN DIEGO UNION NEWSPAPER, PAGE A - SIX.

WAS STRONGLY SIMILAR TO FACIAL FEATURES OF [REDACTED]  
JAW LINE, TOGETHER WITH HIGH FOREHEAD AND HAIRLINE, ARE STRONGLY  
SIMILAR AND ALMOST IDENTICAL TO COMPOSITE PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT.

[REDACTED] MOUTH IS SMALL, SIMILAR TO SUBJECT'S. [REDACTED] WAS KNOWN TO ALWAYS

WEAR DARK GLASSES. [REDACTED] IS KNOWN TO BE [REDACTED]

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LEAD OFFICERS

*Qpr*  
*Get photo of*  
*him onto*  
*ASS*

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[REDACTED] ADVISED LAST SAW [REDACTED]

WAS

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[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]

NAME UNKNOWN, IN [REDACTED]

AT THIS TIME

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[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]

HE HAS EVER MET. [REDACTED] HAS COMPLETE KNOWLEDGE OF ALL [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS HAD [REDACTED] WHICH INCLUDED: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]

WHILE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WOULD HAVE EXCELLENT KNOW-

LEDGE OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]

AS

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IN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THE UNITED STATES AND

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA AS OF

[REDACTED]

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WAS INTERESTED IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE, MALE, AMERICAN, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] EYES UNKNOWN, ONE SIXTY POUNDS, FIVE FEET NINE OR TEN,  
THIRTYFIVE TO THIRTYSEVEN YEARS OLD, SLIM BUILD, [REDACTED]  
VOICE.

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BUTTE AT MISSOULA, MONTANA, CONTACT [REDACTED] TO  
DETERMINE IF THEY CAN IDENTIFY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DURING LATE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE [REDACTED]

HONOLULU AT HONOLULU, CONTACT [REDACTED] TO  
DETERMINE BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

LOS ANGELES AT HEMET, CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE [REDACTED]

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IN [REDACTED] AT PALMDALE, CONDUCT SAME INVESTIGATION. AT RESEDA,  
CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE AND IDENTIFY [REDACTED]

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WHO LIVED THERE ON [REDACTED] IN EFFORT TO  
LOCATE [REDACTED] AND OBTAIN APPROPRIATE BACKGROUND INFORMATION.

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AT SANTA ANA, CONDUCT CRIMINAL CHECKS AT ORANGE COUNTY SO FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOTING HE WAS [REDACTED]

OKLAHOMA CITY AT TULSA, CONTACT FEDERAL AVIATION AGENCY, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DIVISION, RE [REDACTED] OBTAIN ALL INFORMATION AND BACKGROUND

ON [REDACTED] WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO [REDACTED]

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

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TO BUTTE

HONOLULU - VIA WASHINGTON

LOS ANGELES

OKLAHOMA CITY

SEATTLE

FROM PHOENIX (164-100)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN, PORTLAND, OREGON,  
ELEVEN TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING. 00: SEATTLE.

RE SACRAMENTO TEL ELEVEN TWENTYSIX LAST.

INSTANT DATE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA, ADVISED FBI COMPOSITE OF HIJACKER SHOWN ELEVEN  
TWENTYEIGHT SEVENTYONE, SAN DIEGO UNION NEWSPAPER, PAGE A - SIX,  
WAS STRONGLY SIMILAR TO FACIAL FEATURES OF [REDACTED]  
JAW LINE, TOGETHER WITH HIGH FOREHEAD AND HAIRLINE, ARE STRONGLY  
SIMILAR AND ALMOST IDENTICAL TO COMPOSITE PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT.

[REDACTED] MOUTH IS SMALL, SIMILAR TO SUBJECT'S. [REDACTED] WAS KNOWN TO ALWAYS

WEAR DARK GLASSES. [REDACTED] IS KNOWN TO BE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ADVISED LAST SAW [REDACTED] WAS

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[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]  
NAME UNKNOWN, IN [REDACTED] AT THIS TIME

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[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]

HE HAS EVER MET. [REDACTED] HAS COMPLETE KNOWLEDGE OF ALL [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS HAD [REDACTED] WHICH INCLUDED: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] WHILE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WOULD HAVE EXCELLENT KNOW-  
LEDGE OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] AS

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[REDACTED]  
IN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THE UNITED STATES AND

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA AS OF

[REDACTED]

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WAS INTERESTED IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE, MALE, AMERICAN, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] EYES UNKNOWN, ONE SIXTY POUNDS, FIVE FEET NINE OR TEN,  
THIRTYFIVE TO THIRTYSEVEN YEARS OLD, SLIM BUILD, [REDACTED]  
VOICE.

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BUTTE AT MISSOULA, MONTANA, CONTACT [REDACTED] TO  
DETERMINE IF THEY CAN IDENTIFY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DURING LATE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE [REDACTED]

HONOLULU AT HONOLULU, CONTACT [REDACTED] TO  
DETERMINE BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

LOS ANGELES AT HEMET, CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE [REDACTED]

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IN [REDACTED] AT PALMDALE, CONDUCT SAME INVESTIGATION. AT RESEDA,  
CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE AND IDENTIFY [REDACTED]

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WHO LIVED THERE ON [REDACTED] IN EFFORT TO  
LOCATE [REDACTED] AND OBTAIN APPROPRIATE BACKGROUND INFORMATION.

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AT SANTA ANA, CONDUCT CRIMINAL CHECKS AT ORANGE COUNTY SO FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOTING HE WAS [REDACTED]

OKLAHOMA CITY AT TULSA, CONTACT FEDERAL AVIATION AGENCY, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DIVISION, RE [REDACTED] OBTAIN ALL INFORMATION AND BACKGROUND

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ON [REDACTED] WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO [REDACTED]

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

DCA..... FBII SE CLR

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/27/71

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FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
N.W. Airlines Flight #305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

Susp. [REDACTED]

At 6:15 PM, 11/27/71, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Seattle, phone [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that UNSUB may be one [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] has [REDACTED] from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] but was [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Possibly was [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Was [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ago. [REDACTED] thinks

[REDACTED] may be UNSUB because he is described as the "type" of person who would do such a thing. He has [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Clark County SO, and [REDACTED] said [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] were the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the state of Washington.

[REDACTED] has not heard or seen [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] years of age and fits general

[REDACTED] description of UNSUB. [REDACTED] resided [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Washington, and [REDACTED] at one time.

[REDACTED] says [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] among others.

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*check out*

*ap*

*send*

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/27/71

FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
N.W. Airlines Flight #305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

At 6:15 PM, 11/27/71, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Seattle, phone [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] advised that UNSUB may be one [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] has [REDACTED] from [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] but was [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Possibly was [REDACTED]  
Was [REDACTED] ago. [REDACTED] thinks  
[REDACTED] may be UNSUB because he is described as the "type"  
of person who would do such a thing. He has [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Clark County SO, and [REDACTED] said [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] were the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] the state of Washington.

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[REDACTED] has not heard or seen [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] years of age and fits general  
description of UNSUB. [REDACTED] resided [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Washington, and [REDACTED] at  
one time.

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[REDACTED] says [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
among others.

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Date: 11/28/71

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AIR  
Sub. H.

TO: SAC, PORTLAND  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTYONE.  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELEPHONE CALL THIS DATE.

AN INDIVIDUAL IN YACOLT, WASHINGTON, WHICH IS IN THE  
PERTINENT AREA, ADVISED THAT A TWO-SEATER GRAY CESSNA  
AIRPLANE WHICH HAS A VERY LARGE RED LIGHT ON THE TOP OF THE  
TAIL, WAS SEEN FLYING IN VICINITY OF SOME SMALL AIR STRIPS  
IN THE YACOLT AREA ON THE NIGHT OF NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR,  
SEVENTYONE. THE PLANE MADE A NUMBER OF PASSES WITH ITS  
LANDING LIGHTS ON. INFORMATION HAS ALSO BEEN DEVELOPED  
THAT A CAR, MAKE AND MODEL UNKNOWN, WITH UNKNOWN LICENSE  
PLATE WAS PARKED IN ROAD IN VICINITY OF THIS LOCATION ON  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR AND TWENTYFIVE, SEVENTYONE.

SOURCE ADVISED THAT

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

OUT OF

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 319 M

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Via \_\_\_\_\_  
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PORTLAND, OREGON AREA. SOURCE SAID THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SMALL LANDING STRIPS IN THE VICINITY OF  
YACOLT AND LA CENTER, WASHINGTON.

[REDACTED] REGISTRATION NUMBER OF THE GRAY  
CESSNA AS [REDACTED] WITH NUMERALS UNKNOWN.

PORTLAND REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT THROUGH INFORMATION  
FURNISHED ABOVE TO IDENTIFY THIS AIRCRAFT. P.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 11/28/71

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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE.  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

GROUND SEARCH CONTINUED TODAY, WOODLAND, WASHINGTON  
AREA. NO POSITIVE RESULTS. ARTIST'S CONCEPTION BEING  
DISTRIBUTED TODAY TO ALL NEWS MEDIA AND LAW ENFORCEMENT  
AGENCIES IN OREGON AND WASHINGTON. NUMEROUS TELEPHONE  
COMPLAINTS RECEIVED FURNISHING INFO CONCERNING LOOK ALIKES,  
ALL OF WHICH ARE BEING HANDLED PROMPTLY AND NONE OF WHICH  
APPEAR TO BE PARTICULARLY SIGNIFICANT AT THIS TIME. GROUND  
SEARCH TO CONTINUE NOVEMBER TWENTY-NINE, SEVENTYONE.

WEATHER CONDITIONS IN PORTLAND DID NOT PERMIT SEARCH  
BY HELICOPTER BETWEEN EUGENE AND PORTLAND, OREGON; HOWEVER,  
HELICOPTERS STANDING BY AND WILL CONDUCT SEARCH AS SOON AS  
WEATHER PERMITS. P.

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*[Signature]*

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 5:08 PM

Per DA

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB:  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

*\* to MAIL only*

A person telephoned 11/29/71 saying he was [redacted] Montana. He said there had been considerable information in the press and radio to the effect that the FBI had checked him out as one of the suspects in this matter. He wanted to know what we said about him.

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I told [redacted] that the FBI in Seattle had said nothing to the press or the radio about [redacted]. He said he had already checked with the Butte Office and the Butte Office told him they had said nothing to the press or radio, but he wondered where it came from.

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I told him I could not tell him but it was not the Seattle Office. He wanted to know if he could quote me on this. I told him I did not know who he was going to quote me to but the simple fact of the matter was that the FBI in Seattle did not release any information about him to the press.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/29/71

[redacted] Seattle, Washington, telephone [redacted] was interviewed regarding the hijacking of Northwest Airlines, Flight #305, Portland to Seattle, and furnished the following information:

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She advised that she had boarded the flight at Portland, Oregon, and was seated in the coach section but could not recall the seat number. She advised that she was unaware of anything taking place while on the flight from Portland, Oregon, but that [redacted] who was seated with her during the flight might have known that something was going on. She advised that she was unaware that a hijacking was taking place until she was informed of it upon landing at the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport. She further advised she could provide no further information regarding the matter.

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Interviewed on 11/24/71 at Seattle, Washington File # SE 164-81-202  
by SA [redacted] /mlc Date dictated 11/29/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/29/71

[redacted]  
Wisconsin, [redacted] telephone [redacted] was interviewed  
regarding the hijacking of Northwest Airlines, Flight #305,  
Portland to Seattle, and furnished the following information:

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[redacted] advised that he boarded the flight at Minnea-  
polis, Minnesota, enroute to Seattle, Washington, where he was  
[redacted] in the Northwest. He  
advised that he sat in the tourist section of the airplane  
but could not remember the exact seat number. He advised  
that he was totally unaware of any hijacking and saw nothing  
which would have led him to believe that a hijacking was  
taking place. He advised that he first learned of the hi-  
jacking upon landing at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport,  
and could provide no further information about the matter.

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Interviewed on 11/24/71 at Seattle, Washington File # SE 164-81-203  
by SA [redacted] /mlc Date dictated 11/29/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/29/71

[redacted] Seattle, Washington, telephone [redacted] was interviewed regarding the hijacking of Northwest Airlines, Flight #305, Portland to Seattle, and furnished the following information:

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He advised that he had boarded the flight at Spokane, Washington, and that he had been seated in the coach section, Seat [redacted]. He advised that he was unaware of anything going on, and that he saw nothing during the flight.

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He further advised that he was first informed of the hijacking upon landing at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport and could not provide any further information regarding the matter.

Interviewed on 11/24/71 at Seattle, Washington File # SE 164-81-204  
by SA [redacted] /mlc Date dictated 11/29/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/29/71

[redacted]  
[redacted] Washington, telephone [redacted] was interviewed regarding the hijacking of Northwest Airlines, Flight #305, Portland to Seattle, and furnished the following information:

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He advised that he had boarded the plane at Portland, Oregon, and was the last third or fourth person to board the plane at Portland. He advised that he sat in the coach section in the tail end of the plane during the flight from Portland to Seattle, Washington. [redacted] further advised that he was unaware that a hijacking was taking place, that he saw nothing that would have led him to believe that a hijacking was in progress. He advised that he could provide no information as he was informed of the hijacking upon landing at the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.

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Interviewed on 11/24/71 at Seattle, Washington File # SE 164-81-205  
by SA [redacted] /mlc Date dictated 11/29/71

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

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Re: [REDACTED]

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Officer [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED] Washington Police Department advised on 11/26/71, that [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] was arrested at 2:25 AM, 11/24/71, by the [REDACTED] Police Department on a charge of [REDACTED] and was still in jail at [REDACTED]. He said [REDACTED] gave his address as [REDACTED] Portland. [REDACTED] is described as:

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Height:	6'
Weight:	155 lbs.
Hair:	[REDACTED]
Eyes:	[REDACTED]
Complexion:	Medium
Build:	Medium

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(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)*X-MONEY-Sub.M*

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA-HIT&KING;  
EXTORTION.

REBUTEL THIS DATE.

SEATTLE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, SEATTLE,  
WASHINGTON, WHO PROVIDED THE MONEY PAID ON THIS <sup>Case</sup> ADVISES THAT THE  
MONEY IN THE BAG WEIGHED NINETEEN POUNDS AND THE CONTENTS  
MEASURED ELEVEN INCHES BY TWELVE INCHES BY SIX AND ONE HALF  
INCHES.

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b7cJEM:eon  
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Above info given to SA HENRY SHUTZ at the Bureau  
11/29/71 at 1:45 PM.

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Approved: *[Signature]*  
Special Agent in ChargeSent *3:56 PM*Per *vab*

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM :

[REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
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On instant date [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Home # [REDACTED] telephonically contacted this  
office. [REDACTED] advised that she is [REDACTED] address is  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Utah [REDACTED] left Sea Tac airport  
on a United flight (# unknown) at about 7:25 AM 11/23/71. The  
flight stoped at Portland, Oregon. [REDACTED] advised that she  
and [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] a couple of days ago. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] were about a young man who sat beside [REDACTED] and  
he was stat[ing] things about the FBI had a special investigation  
on that flight. The male also stated that no one checked his  
carry-on luggage either. The male said that he was carrying a  
large camera which had lots of metal and it was not detected.  
The male got off at Portland.

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[REDACTED]  
The male passenger also stated that he ~~wasn't~~ had  
lived in [REDACTED]

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used  
The plane ~~from~~ was a 727.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM :

[REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

On instant date [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Home [REDACTED] telephonically contacted this  
office. [REDACTED] advised that she is [REDACTED] address is  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Utah [REDACTED] left Sea Tac airport  
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flight stoped at Portland, Oregon. [REDACTED] advised that she  
and [REDACTED] received  
[REDACTED] a couple of days ago. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] were about a young man who sat beside [REDACTED] and  
he was statimg things about the FBI had a special investigation  
on that flight. The male also stated that no one checked his  
carry-on luggage either. The male said that he was carrying a  
large camera which had lots of metal and it was not detected.  
The male got off at Portland.

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[REDACTED]  
The male passenger also stated that he ~~was~~ had  
lived in [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] used  
The plane ~~was~~ was a 727.

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# Memorandum

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DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
#305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

SUSP [REDACTED]

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Re: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] - SUSPECT

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On 11/28/71, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] advised the writer that he and his wife had seen the  
artist's sketch of the UNSUB in this case on television. He  
saw a striking resemblance to [REDACTED] whom  
he has [REDACTED] He said that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] said that in about the [REDACTED] went into

Subsequent to this, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He described [REDACTED] as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Approximately 42 or 43
Height:	6'1" to 6'2"
Weight:	160 lbs.
Eyes:	Dark
Hair:	Dark
Complexion:	Swarthy

[REDACTED] said that [REDACTED]

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or something like this. He continued, that he believes

[REDACTED]

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is from [redacted] and he believes they lived in this area for a while [redacted]

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He said [redacted] was reportedly in some sort of trouble [redacted] He does not know the nature of this [redacted] He said that [redacted]

[redacted] likely starting point in developing information on [redacted] He concluded that while he has no other reason to believe [redacted] may be responsible for this crime, the striking resemblance in the photo and [redacted] [redacted] was sufficiently significant to him, to report this to us.

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[redacted] requested that his identity be protected in connection with the above information.

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Subsequently on 11/26/71, [redacted] telephone [redacted] advised the writer that she saw the artist's conception of UNSUB on television and there is a striking resemblance to [redacted]

She said [redacted]

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[redacted] last talked to [redacted] [redacted] heard he was somewhere in [redacted] This was some time ago. She has been unable to [redacted]

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and that [redacted] still live in the Seattle area  
somewhere. She felt that [redacted] would possibly know  
the identity of [redacted]

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[redacted] described [redacted] as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	36-37 (looks much older because of [redacted])

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She said his height and weight would be very close to  
that described for UNSUB. [redacted] concluded that while  
she has had no contact with [redacted]  
that because of his resemblance to the photo, his knowledge  
of [redacted]

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[redacted] she felt compelled to furnish the above information to us.

[redacted] said she had no objection to [redacted]  
knowing that she had been in contact with us but requested  
that her identity be protected otherwise.

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11/29/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
#305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] - SUSPECT

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On 11/28/71, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] advised the writer that he and his wife had seen the  
artist's sketch of the UNSUB in this case on television. He  
saw a striking resemblance to [REDACTED] whom  
he has [REDACTED] He said that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] said that in about the [REDACTED] went into  
[REDACTED]

Subsequent to this, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He described [REDACTED] as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Approximately 42 or 43
Height:	5'1" to 6'2"
Weight:	160 lbs.
Eyes:	Dark
Hair:	Dark
Complexion:	Swarthy

[REDACTED] said that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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or something like this. He continued, that he believes  
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is from [redacted] and he believes they lived in this area for a while [redacted]

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He said [redacted] was reportedly in some sort of trouble [redacted] He does not know the nature of this [redacted] He said that [redacted]

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[redacted] likely starting point in developing information on [redacted] He concluded that while he has no other reason to believe [redacted] may be responsible for this crime, the striking resemblance in the photo and [redacted] [redacted] was sufficiently significant to him, to report this to us.

[redacted] requested that his identity be protected in connection with the above information.

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Subsequently on 11/26/71, [redacted] telephone [redacted] advised the writer that she saw the artist's conception of UNSUB on television and there is a striking resemblance to [redacted]

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She said [redacted]

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[redacted] last talked to [redacted] [redacted] heard he was somewhere in [redacted] This was some time ago. She has been unable to [redacted]

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and that [redacted] still live in the Seattle area  
somewhere. She felt that [redacted] would possibly know  
the identity of [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Sex:	Male
Age:	36-37 (looks much older because [redacted])

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of [redacted]  
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knowing that she had been in contact with us but requested  
that her identity be protected otherwise.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

On 11/26/71, [REDACTED] Snohomish  
County Sheriff's Office, Everett, contacted the writer to advise  
that three of their deputies: [REDACTED] and

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[REDACTED] all are [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
jumping activities and have volunteered their services to us  
in connection with instance case in a place that they might be  
needed. [REDACTED] said for instance they are equipped with  
communications facilities to maintain contact with the  
Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue truck and could if needed,  
jump anywhere that we might need them with regard to instant  
case.

Mr. BIBLER was advised and he requested this should  
be made a matter of record in event their services are needed.

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~~X-Press Release~~

November 25, 1971  
Seattle, Washington

PRESS RELEASE

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J. E. MILNES, Special Agent in Charge, FBI, Seattle, announced today that the FBI was concentrating its search for the missing hijacker of Northwest Airlines Flight 305 in the vicinity of southwestern Washington in an area generally near Aerial, Merwin, Amboy and Crawford, Washington. Mr. MILNES said the hijacker was described as white, male, American, olive complexion, Latin appearance, black hair, normal hair style parted on left, age middle forties, six feet tall, 170 to 175 pounds, average build, brown eyes. He was wearing a black suit, white shirt, narrow black tie, black rain-type overcoat, black dress suit, and was carrying a dark briefcase.

He is believed to have left the aircraft subsequent to 8:05 p.m. MILNES urged anyone in the public having knowledge of a parachutist landing on the route between Aerial, Washington, and Reno, Nevada, to notify the FBI immediately.

MILNES released an artist's conception prepared by the FBI to the press, saying that the photograph is an excellent likeness of the hijacker's present appearance.

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# Memorandum

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DATE: 11/29/71

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FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
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On 11/29/71 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Seattle, was displayed a number of photos including that of ROBERT HAMPTON KEELY. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised that none of the photos displayed were similar to the hijacker of captioned case except KEELY. This individual bore some resemblance but not strong enough for [REDACTED] to make a tentative identification. [REDACTED] pointed out a number of similarities between KEELY and the hijacker but concluded that KEELY had certain features which were not identical to the hijacker.

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[REDACTED] also advised that he had viewed the artist conception of the hijacker in the Sunday newspaper but felt that the hijacker, as he recalled, had a much broader nose, forehead, and face in general. He also noted that the hijacker had a lower hairline.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date November 29, 1971

On November 24, 1971 [redacted]  
[redacted] Washington, telephone [redacted] was  
interviewed in [redacted]  
[redacted] Seattle, Washington. He stated  
he is [redacted]  
[redacted] Seattle, Washington,  
telephone [redacted]

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[redacted] boarded Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
at Portland, Oregon on November 24, 1971 at approximately  
2:45 p.m. [redacted] passenger  
to board the aircraft. He believed he had seat [redacted] which was  
an aisle seat on the port (left) side of the aircraft in  
the rear.

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He stated that he did not realize that this air-  
craft was being hijacked until it landed at the Seattle-  
Tacoma Airport, Seattle, at approximately 5:50 p.m., to the  
best of his recollection. He recalled that when the aircraft  
first approached Seattle the pilot announced that there would  
be a delay in landing due to some mechanical difficulty and  
that he would have to circle the field to burn up the fuel.  
This would take about half an hour. However, the aircraft  
circled for a much longer period and while [redacted]  
felt that something was amiss, he did not consider that the  
aircraft was being hijacked.

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During the flight he had noticed a man seated in  
a window seat on the starboard (right) side of the aircraft  
to [redacted] rear. A brown haired stewardess, name  
unknown, was seated by this man all the time. The stewardess  
had the aisle seat. [redacted] thought this was strange.  
The stewardess said not to look at the man, but [redacted]  
said he managed to turn back and look at the man twice, who  
stayed slouched down in his seat. He never saw the man  
stand and never heard him speak. He did not see that the  
man had any packages with him. The name of this stewardess  
is unknown to him.

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At about ten minutes before the announcement was

On 11/24/71 at Seattle, Washington File # SE 164-81-213  
by SA [redacted] :kdl Date dictated 11/26/71

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made that there would be a delay in landing at the Seattle-Tacoma Airport, [redacted] rose to go to the bathroom and started toward the one on the starboard side, but the stewardess, above, told him to use the one on the port side which he did.

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After the aircraft landed, the passengers in the rear of the aircraft were told to move forward, but since [redacted] the above man, he stayed in his seat. [redacted] person to this man, except for the stewardess.

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After the landing he noticed a blonde stewardess, one of the in flight stewardesses, carrying a money bag about two feet tall. He did not see her give it to the man. [redacted] said there were three stewardesses on the flight, the one blonde and two brunettes.

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He said that he heard some parachutes had been brought on board but he did not see them.

When the passengers got off the aircraft by the forward door, the above man stayed on board. [redacted] said he had not seen this man board the aircraft but remarked that [redacted] passenger on board at Portland.

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[redacted] described the above man as follows:

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Name	Unknown
Race	Caucasian, believed to be of Mexican-American descent with possibly some American Indian blood
Sex	Male
Age	About 35 years
Complexion	Swarthy
Hair	Jet black, wavy, marcelled, greasy patent leather sheen, combed back at slight angle to the right, slight part on left, combed close to the head, slightly receding in front

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Eyes	Unknown; man wore dark glasses with very dark horn rims
Height	Man remained seated; believed to be short, maybe 5'9"
Weight	165 lbs. (estimate)
Clothing	Reddish brown suit coat with wide lapels, color was unusual, more of a russet color; light or neutral colored shirt; contrasting necktie, medium to dark color; other items of clothing unknown.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/26/71

[redacted]  
[redacted] Washington, telephone [redacted] provided the following information:

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She was a passenger on Northwest Airlines, Flight 305, boarding the flight in Portland, Oregon and sitting on the plane [redacted] in front of the hijacker on the right side of the plane, looking forward.

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[redacted] advised that a few minutes out of Portland, she observed one of the stewardesses conversing with the hijacker. She stated that this stewardess sat beside this man throughout most of the flight and that she did talk on the intercom apparently to the captain at various times through the flight. She advised that she recalled this man was sitting in the middle seat of the right rear row with the stewardess sitting next to him on the isle side.

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She advised that upon landing in Seattle, the hijacker got up from his seat and went into the restroom at the rear of the plane. He remained there for about one minute and then returned to the same seat which he had occupied throughout the flight.

[redacted] advised that the hijacker was wearing large sunglasses and an overcoat. She advised that he had dark hair and a narrow face. She advised that when he exited the restroom and returned to his seat, he was carrying a dark colored attache case on its side in both arms. She stated that on top of this case was a package which appeared to be a yellow paper bag. She described this bag as being approximately four inches high and being about two inches shorter than the width of the attache case.

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Interviewed on 11/24/71 at Seattle, Washington File # Seattle 164-81-214  
by SA [redacted] (A)/jlb Date dictated 11/26/71

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advised that she was quite certain she could not identify the hijacker if she saw him again as she did not get a good look at his face.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

On 11/26/71 [redacted] Phoenix, Called. He said that an individual in Phoenix had called after hearing about the hijacking and said he saw a man driving a car with a Washington license plate [redacted], a 1971 or 1972 Mercury Comet, who met the description. He was swarthy complected about [redacted] and had long black hair.

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I asked [redacted] if they had any other information to indicate that the individual seen was connected with the crime or if they knew where this person was now and he said "no".

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I checked DMV, Olympia, and found that the above license is issued to a Mercury Comet which belongs to the First Northwestern Mortgage Co., Inc., P.O. Box 66558, Burien, Washington.

In the absence of anything further to indicate that there is some significance to this, it does not appear any further investigation should be conducted.

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FLIGHT #305,  
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUB WITNESSES,  
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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

At 11:15 AM, 11/29/71, I telephoned Portland and advised ASAC VINNIE RUEHL that the witness [redacted] had returned to Eugene, Oregon. [redacted] is one of the four passengers we had in this area, who provided any description of the subject.

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I told RUEHL that [redacted] would be available at the [redacted] Eugene, Oregon, telephone, area [redacted]

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I told him to have the Resident Agent take the Facial Identification Catalogue and a form and talk to the witness immediately about nothing but eyes, to transmit whatever information he got to the Bureau by facsimile immediately and to call Seattle and advise when this had been done.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : KENNETH C. HOWE

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SUBJECT: RE: UNSUB: NW FLT 305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On 11/29/71 SA WICK determined in Olympia that the only forest fire fighting crew using parachutes, is based at the Okanogan National Forest Office, Okanogan, Washington, 219 2nd Avenue South.

UNSUB described as white male, mid-forties, five ten to six feet, one seventy to one eighty, olive complexion, latin appearance, dark brown or black hair combed straight back in normal style, parted on left, smoked Raleigh cigarettes.

ACTION: Display composite likeness of unsub to proper sources at Okanogan National Forest Office in effort to identify or develop suspects, and determine where likeness might be additionally profitably displayed.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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Date: 11/29/71

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) (Z P)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION,  
OO: SEATTLE.

INSTANT DATE, PORTLAND POLICE ADVISED RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL  
FROM CHIEF OF POLICE JOE MAY, WOODLAND, WASHINGTON, WHO ADVISED  
THAT ONE [redacted] PORTLAND,  
OREGON, TELEPHONE [redacted] APPEARED  
IN WOODLAND THIS A.M. AND TOLD CHIEF OF POLICE MAY THAT [redacted]  
ONE [redacted] PORTLAND, LOOKED  
LIKE THE COMPOSITE SHOWN IN PAPER OF INSTANT UNKNOWN SUBJECT.

PORTLAND INQUIRES, PORTLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT RECORDS, MULTNOMAH  
COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE RECORDS, AND DLR, SALEM, OREGON, NEGATIVE  
ON [redacted] DMV SHOWS [redacted] DOB [redacted]  
ADDRESS [redacted] PORTLAND, OREGON, AS  
REGISTERED OWNER OF NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT DODGE VALIANT, OREGON

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Approved: *[Signature]*

Special Agent in Charge

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LICENSE [REDACTED] WITH LEGAL OWNER CHRYSLER CREDIT  
CORPORATION, SEATTLE BRANCH, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.

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SEATTLE AT WOODLAND. CONTACT CHIEF OF POLICE MAY REGARDING  
INSTANT INFORMATION AND OBTAIN COMPLETE DETAILS. <sup>AT SEATTLE</sup> CHECK CHRYSLER  
CREDIT CORPORATION AND LOCAL AGENCIES.

PORTLAND AT PORTLAND, OREGON. CONTINUE ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT

[REDACTED] CONSIDER CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] AS APPROPRIATE.

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) (2 P)

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SEATTLE AT WOODLAND. CONTACT CHIEF OF POLICE MAY REGARDING  
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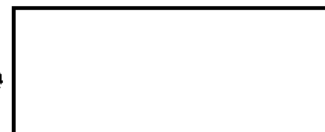
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[REDACTED] CONSIDER CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] AS APPROPRIATE.

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4:36 PM URGENT 11-29-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA2HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

RE TELCALL OF ASAC PAUL BIBLER, SEATTLE TO ASAC VINCENT  
E.HRUEHL. NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE SEVENTYONE, AND SACRAMENTO TELZTYPE  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX SEVENTYONE.

NORTHWEST AIRLINES [REDACTED] PORTLAND,  
STATES PHOTO OF SUGGESTED SUYPECT, [REDACTED] DOES NOT  
APPEAR TO HIM AS THE SUBJECT. HE LOOKS [REDACTED] IN THE  
FACE. [REDACTED] STATES THE PHOTOS OF SUGGESTED SUSPECT, ROBERT  
H. KEELY, DOES NOT APPEAR TO HPM AS THE SUBJECT AS HIS MOUTH IS  
TOO LARGE AND GENERAL HEAD SHAPE TOO SQUARE. PENDING.

END

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*Handwritten signature/initials*

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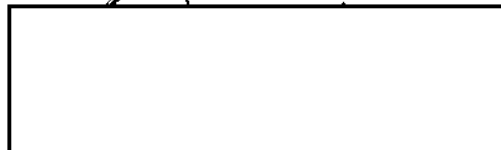
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TO DIRECTOR - PORTLAND

SEATTLE - SACRAMENTO

FROM LAS VEGAS (164-60)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO  
FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST, PORTLAND, OREGON. CAA-HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION.

[REDACTED] RENO EVENING GAZETTE, RENO, NEVADA,  
THIS DATE ADVISED ENVELOPE RECEIVED THIS DATE BY NEWSPAPER  
ADDRESS TO, "RENO NEWSPAPER, RENO, NEVADA", AND POSTMARKED  
OAKDALE, CA. P.M. NOV. TWENTYSEVEN, SEVENTYONE.

b6  
b7c

ENVELOPE OPENED AND FOUND TO CONTAIN FOLLOWING WORDS  
APPARENTLY CUT FROM NEWSPAPER AND PASTED TO PLAIN WHITE PAPER.

"ATTENTION: THANKS FOR HOSPITALITY WAS IN A RUT D.D.  
COOPER". FACSIMILE BEING SENT SACRAMENTO.

NOTE HANDLED BY AT LEAST EIGHT PERSONS AT NEWSPAPER. ELIMINATION  
PRINTS BEING OBTAINED.

NOTE BEING FORWARDED IDENTIFICATION DIVISION FOR LATENT  
PRINT EXAMINATION BY SEPARATE COVER.

END PAGE ONE

R. J. [unclear] [signature]

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PRESS INQUIRIES WILL BE ANSWERED ACKNOWLEDGING THAT LETTER  
HAS BEEN FURNISHED TO FBI AND THAT APPROPRIATE INQUIRIES BEING  
CONDUCTED TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE THE INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBLE, UACB.  
END

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : PORTLAND DIVISION

SUBJECT: UNSUB  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE; 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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b7C

*CC-ARTIST'S  
SKETCH.  
Sub. K.*

[redacted] Northwest Airlines, Portland, Oregon, [redacted] on instant flight, advised he has looked at the Facial Identification Catalog and selects therefrom Photo No. KB 8-16. He said this is in the heavy-lidded category but he does not recall this applies to UNSUB's appearance, that he has average eyes, of Latin appearance, with a sort of disinterested look (let's-get-it-over-with)

[redacted] thought the artist's conception was very good, over-all, except that the hair did not recede quite so much as he remembers it, it was a little more curly and definitely short.

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b7C

He also thinks the nose and face slightly too thin, not much, however.

Also feels artist's sketch makes him look younger than he is.

/eon



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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : PORTLAND DIVISION

SUBJECT: UNSUB  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING: EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

*cc- ARTIST'S SKETCH*  
*Sub.K.*

SA NORMAN BELEREY, Portland Division, called and advised/witness [redacted] said that the chin and cheek bone (of composite photo) are similar to KH 1-8 and facial lines similar to KK 6-3; the neck and chin of UNSUB appear as if he had been fat and lost weight, leaving some flabby skin. Everything from nose up is good; mouth is also good.

b6  
b7c

Over-all picture of composite makes UNSUB appear younger than he actually is.

NB:eon  
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : [REDACTED]

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b7C

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

Susp: [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

On instant date [REDACTED]  
Wn., telephonically contacted this office. [REDACTED] advised that  
the description of the unsub matches a man named [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] advised that the last time he  
heard from [REDACTED] was in the Portland, Oregon area.

b6  
b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] gave a physical description of [REDACTED] as:

Age	45 - 50 looks like 40
Height	5' 10" - 5' 11"
Weight	165 lbs.
Hair	Dark, thinning.
Complexion	[REDACTED]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] lived in the  
[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] knows the area around  
[REDACTED]

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b7C  
b7D

GJW:gjw  
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*when photo obtained  
PR show to handle.*

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : [REDACTED]

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b7C

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
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CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
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On instant date [REDACTED]  
Wn., telephonically contacted this office. [REDACTED] advised that  
the description of the unsub matches a man named [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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Hair	Dark, thinning.	[REDACTED]
Complexion	[REDACTED]	

b6  
b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] lived in the  
[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] knows the area around  
[REDACTED]

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b7C  
b7D

GJW:gjw  
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

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b7C

*cc- WITNESSES  
Sub. A  
ARTIST'S SK, Sub. K*

SUBJECT:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
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*PASTORAL  
WITNESS*

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b7C

On 11/29/71, [REDACTED] stated hairline was good. Hair itself should be marcelled and hair style of President NIXON is quite similar to what UNSUB had. Hair should be slicked down as characters wore in old GEORGE RAFT movies. Nose in artist's conception too pinched, should be broadened in area of nostrils. Cheeks too flat, should be more rounded to give Mexican-American appearance. Chin area good.

Concerning the eyes, [REDACTED] stated eyes appearing in photo OB7-12, Page 29, with heavy lids as appearing in photo OB8-12, Page 31, of above catalogue resemble subject.

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b7C

[REDACTED] and will prepare sketch to witness' direction.

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b7C

CNG:klb  
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to Bu 11/29/71  
kel*

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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b7C

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
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*cc - witness Sub. H*  
*Art's sketch Sub. K.*

On 11/29/71, [REDACTED] was contacted by the writer and advised that UNSUB was wearing sunglasses and he never saw his eyes.

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b7C

With respect to the artist's sketch, [REDACTED] advised that if the face were widened one sixteenth of an inch, the sketch would be an excellent likeness to UNSUB. He described UNSUB's glasses as slightly wrap-around style, dark brown. [REDACTED] who is [REDACTED] some changes on the artist sketch and this is being furnished to the Bureau by facsimile.

b6  
b7C

DSJ:klb  
(2)

*KLH*  
*Contraband*  
*in the white*  
*to Bu 11/29/71*

*done*

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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b7C

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
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*cc WITH 11-25 Sub 4  
" A 2-3/6/71  
Sub K*

[REDACTED] Seattle, advised the hijacker was wearing dark glasses when [REDACTED] saw him and he was unable to furnish any particulars about the hijacker's eyes.

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b7C

[REDACTED] (contacted 11/29/71), of [REDACTED] Seattle, was displayed an artist's conception of the hijacker. After studying the artist's sketch, [REDACTED] made the following comments.

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He stated that the hijacker had an over-all appearance which was in some ways similar to the artist's sketch; however, he recalled that the hijacker had a broader nose, wider forehead and face in general, than that depicted in the sketch. He also noted that the hijacker's hairline was somewhat lower than the sketch and the hijacker's glasses had squarer corners than the round corners or cornered glasses depicted in the sketch.

LH:klb  
(2)

*Relb  
Controlled  
Incl in Bufile  
As Teletype to Bufile  
11/29/71*

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613PM URGENT 11/29/71 LSK

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM MILWAUKEE (164-36)(P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE,  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. 00: SEATTLE.

RE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OF MILWAUKEE AND SA DONALD R. STEELE OF SEATTLE,

INSTANT DATE.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, SEVENTYONE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MILWAUKEE , ADVISED

SHE HAD NOTED ARTIST'S COMPOSITE DRAWING OF UNSUB IN  
"THE MILWAUKEE JOURNAL" DATED NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT,  
SEVENTYONE.

[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TO SEATTLE AREA.

LAST CONTACT WITH [REDACTED]

SEVENTYONE.

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[REDACTED]

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AT LAST CONTACT, [REDACTED]

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b7C  
b7D

AT SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] HAD PREVIOUSLY [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] MILWAUKEE

AND SHE THOUGHT HE HAD A PICTURE TAKEN THERE.

[REDACTED] PICTURE OF [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

SHE ADVISED [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHITE MALE, DOB [REDACTED]

POB [REDACTED] SELECTIVE SERVICE NO. [REDACTED]

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b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] COMPLEXION

MEDIUM, HEIGHT SIX FEET THREE QUARTER INCH, ONE HUNDRED  
SEVENTYFIVE POUNDS, [REDACTED] EYES, DARK BROWN HAIR, RECEDING  
END PAGE TWO

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HAIRLINE, HEAVY SMOKER, ALWAYS WORE SUNGLASSES, DAY AND NIGHT,  
EXTREMELY [REDACTED] WELL DRESSED.

b6  
b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] ADVISED SHE HAD ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT OR LOCATE

[REDACTED]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] AND POSSIBLY CURRENTLY RESIDES AT AN UNKNOWN  
ADDRESS IN [REDACTED] WISCONSIN.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, SEVENTYONE, [REDACTED]

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b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] MILWAUKEE , FURNISHED  
PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED] TAKEN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

PHOTOS OBTAINED FROM [REDACTED]  
FORWARDED TO SEATTLE.

LEADS AS INDICATED BY MILWAUKEE TELEPHONE CALL  
BEING LEFT TO DISCRETION OF OFFICE OF ORIGIN. DEATILED  
INFO RE DESCRIPTION FURNISHED SEATTLE IN TELEPHONE CALL.

END

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NR009 MI PLAIN

613PM URGENT 11/29/71 LSK

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM MILWAUKEE (164-36)(P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE,  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. 00: SEATTLE.

RE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OF MILWAUKEE AND SA DONALD R. STEELE OF SEATTLE,

INSTANT DATE.

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"THE MILWAUKEE JOURNAL" DATED NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT,  
SEVENTYONE.

[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TO SEATTLE AREA.

LAST CONTACT WITH [REDACTED]

SEVENTYONE.

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AT LAST CONTACT, [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

AT SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] HAD PREVIOUSLY [REDACTED]

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b7D

[REDACTED] MILWAUKEE

AND SHE THOUGHT HE HAD A PICTURE TAKEN THERE.

[REDACTED] PICTURE OF [REDACTED]

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SHE ADVISED [REDACTED]

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b7D

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHITE MALE, DOB [REDACTED]

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b7C  
b7D

POB [REDACTED] SELECTIVE SERVICE NO. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] COMPLEXION

MEDIUM, HEIGHT SIX FEET THREE QUARTER INCH, ONE HUNDRED  
SEVENTYFIVE POUNDS, [REDACTED] EYES, DARK BROWN HAIR, RECEDING  
END PAGE TWO

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HAIRLINE, HEAVY SMOKER, ALWAYS WORE SUNGLASSES, DAY AND NIGHT,  
EXTREMELY [REDACTED] WELL DRESSED.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED SHE HAD ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT OR LOCATE

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b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] AND POSSIBLY CURRENTLY RESIDES AT AN UNKNOWN  
ADDRESS IN [REDACTED] WISCONSIN.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, SEVENTYONE, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] MILWAUKEE , FURNISHED  
PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED] TAKEN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
PHOTOS OBTAINED FROM [REDACTED]

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FORWARDED TO SEATTLE.

LEADS AS INDICATED BY MILWAUKEE TELEPHONE CALL  
BEING LEFT TO DISCRETION OF OFFICE OF ORIGIN. DETAILED  
INFO RE DESCRIPTION FURNISHED SEATTLE IN TELEPHONE CALL.

END

VAB

FBI SEATTLE CLR

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TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

cc - EVIDENCE  
Sub G.SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
portland to SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

SA HENRY SHUTZ called me on 11/29/71 at 10:50 AM and advised there was some reference to some torn paper found at the aircraft and he wanted to know if this was sent to the Bureau for examination. He said that the stewardess had taken a note from the UNSUB but he believes it was given back to him.

This matter should be pursued and the Bureau advised.

JEM:eon  
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TO : FILE (64-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

*Sub E.*

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

*ee**See Serial*

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

SA HENRY SHUTZ called from the Bureau on 11/29/71.

He advised that it had been suggested that we place a stop with the doctors and hospitals in the pertinent area so that if anyone came in injured, we would know about it.

This should be done.

JEM:eon  
(1)

*11/29/71 JEM*  
*11/29/71 JEM*

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*[Signature]*  
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4:16PM URGENT 11-29-71 LRS

TO SEATTLE

PORTLAND

LAS VEGAS

SACRAMENTO

FROM DIRECTOR (164-2111) 1P

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST,  
CAA DASH HIJACKING.

RECEIVING OFFICES PROMPTLY ALERT HOSPITALS,  
CLINICS AND DOCTORS IN THE EVENT UNKNOWN SUBJECT  
ATTEMPTS TO OBTAIN MEDICAL AID IN YOUR RESPECTIVE  
AREAS.

SEATTLE ASCERTAIN THE WEIGHT OF THE LOOT IN  
POSSESSION OF THE UNKNOWN SUBJECT. SEATTLE ADVISE  
THE BUREAU THE RESULTS OF THE DISPLAY OF THE  
ARTIST CONCEPTION TO WITNESSES. SUTEL.

END

Rec'd  
any

TT  
11-29-71

CC Paul Sub C  
CC Sub B  
CC 11/21-11

12/29/71  
Being done  
done & advised  
11/29/71  
by "TWP"  
Jm

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PORTLAND

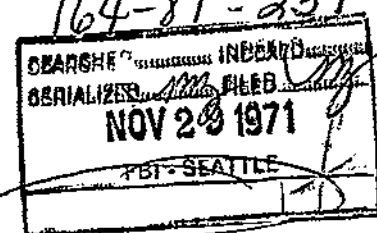
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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE. NOVEMBER  
TWENTY FOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING. OO: SEATTLE.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTY NINE, INSTANT, [REDACTED] SOUTH  
LAKE TAHOE POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED EARLIER THAT DATE HE HAD BEEN  
CONTACTED BY [REDACTED] WHO ADVISED SHE RECENTLY  
SAW COMPOSITE OF UNSUB IN NEWSPAPER AND THAT SHE DEFINITELY FEELS  
THAT [REDACTED] BORN [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] BEARS STRONG RESEMBLANCE TO COMPOSITE AND  
COULD BE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR CRIME. SHE ADVISED LAST SAW [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] YEARS AGO AT WHICH TIME [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] OREGON, RESIDING [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] TRAVELED FREQUENTLY  
BY AIR TO AND FROM SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. SHE ADVISED PRIOR [REDACTED]  
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*Handwritten signature*



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[REDACTED] MENTIONED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HOWEVER, HE NEVER ELABORATED [REDACTED] SHE ALSO ADVISED THAT WHILE SHE IS NOT AWARE OF ANY PRIOR ARRESTS FOR [REDACTED] SHE DEFINITELY FEELS HE COULD BE CAPABLE OF COMMITTING SUCH A CRIME. SHE ADVISED [REDACTED] EXTREMELY INTELLIGENT AND WELL EDUCATED, [REDACTED] SHE ALSO ADVISED [REDACTED]

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HOWEVER, DOES NOT PRESENTLY [REDACTED] SHE ALSO STATED IF [REDACTED] RESPONSIBLE FOR CRIME, [REDACTED]

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b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS WHITE MALE, FIVE FEET TEN AND ONE HALF INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE POUNDS, DARK BROWN HAIR, SLIGHTLY WAVY, RECEDING AT TEMPLES, DARK BROWN EYES, DARK OR OLIVE COMPLEXION, [REDACTED]

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b7D

[REDACTED] WEARS DARK HORNED RIMMED GLASSES, HEAVY BEARDED GIVING IMPRESSION IN CONSTANT NEED OF SHAVE.

PORTLAND AT SALEM, OREGON. ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN PHOTO OF [REDACTED]

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b7C

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FROM LOGICAL SOURCES AND ATTEMPT TO DESCREETLY ASCERTAIN   
WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD TO DETERMINE IF HE COULD BE  
CONSIDERED LOGICAL SUSPECT THIS MATTER.

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b7c

END.

VAB

FBI SEATTLE CLR

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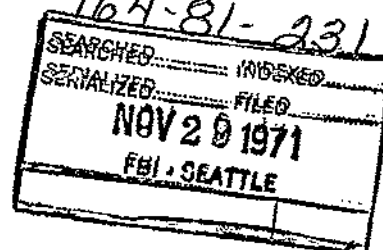
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FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 3P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE. NOVEMBER  
TWENTY FOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING. OO: SEATTLE.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTY NINE, INSTANT, [REDACTED] SOUTH  
LAKE TAHOE POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED EARLIER THAT DATE HE HAD BEEN  
CONTACTED BY [REDACTED] WHO ADVISED SHE RECENTLY  
SAW COMPOSITE OF UNSUB IN NEWSPAPER AND THAT SHE DEFINITELY FEELS  
THAT [REDACTED] BORN [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] BEARS STRONG RESEMBLANCE TO COMPOSITE AND  
COULD BE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR CRIME. SHE ADVISED LAST SAW [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] YEARS AGO AT WHICH TIME [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] OREGON, RESIDING [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] TRAVELED FREQUENTLY  
BY AIR TO AND FROM SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. SHE ADVISED PRIOR [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] MENTIONED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HOWEVER, HE NEVER ELABORATED [REDACTED] SHE ALSO ADVISED THAT WHILE SHE IS NOT AWARE OF ANY PRIOR ARRESTS FOR [REDACTED] SHE DEFINITELY FEELS HE COULD BE CAPABLE OF COMMITTING SUCH A CRIME. SHE ADVISED [REDACTED] EXTREMELY INTELLIGENT AND WELL EDUCATED, [REDACTED] SHE ALSO ADVISED [REDACTED]

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HOWEVER, DOES NOT PRESENTLY [REDACTED] SHE ALSO STATED IF [REDACTED] RESPONSIBLE FOR CRIME, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS WHITE MALE, FIVE FEET TEN AND ONE HALF INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE POUNDS, DARK BROWN HAIR, SLIGHTLY WAVY, RECEDING AT TEMPLES, DARK BROWN EYES, DARK OR OLIVE COMPLEXION, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WEARS DARK HORNED RIMMED GLASSES, HEAVY BEARDED GIVING IMPRESSION IN CONSTANT NEED OF SHAVE.

PORTLAND AT SALEM, OREGON. ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN PHOTO OF [REDACTED]

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FROM LOGICAL SOURCES AND ATTEMPT TO DESCREETLY ASCERTAIN   
WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD TO DETERMINE IF HE COULD BE  
CONSIDERED LOGICAL SUSPECT THIS MATTER.

END.

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Date: 11/29/71

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(Priority)

TO: SEATTLE 164-81

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FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, TWENTYFOURTH INSTANT. CAS - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. (Su)

ANONYMOUS MALE CALLER TELEPHONED PORTLAND OFFICE ONE  
FORTY P.M. TWENTYNINTH INSTANT. STATES DESCRIPTION AND  
ARTISTS CONCEPTION IN LOCAL NEWSPAPER STRONGLY RESEMBLE ONE

[REDACTED] IS ABOUT FIFTY AND HAIR IS LIGHT BROWN.

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OTHERWISE FITS DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB. [REDACTED] NAMED

[REDACTED] SOME YEARS AGO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA. NOW BELIEVED RESIDING IN SEATTLE  
AREA.

INFORMANT STATES [REDACTED] HENCE WONT  
GIVE NAME. HE WOULD FURNISH NO FURTHER DESCRIPTION OR  
DETAILS. SAYS [REDACTED] TO HIS KNOWLEDGE.

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PLS TRY TO IDENT.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date November 30, 1971

[redacted]  
[redacted] Washington, was interviewed at [redacted]  
[redacted]

He advised that he boarded the plane in Portland, Oregon and sat in [redacted] on the left side of the aircraft. The subject sat [redacted] in the middle seat. The subject was not noticed until he spilled a drink. Immediately after the drink was spilled, a dark haired stewardess talked to the subject and it appeared that they filled out a form. Later in flight, a blonde haired stewardess sat with the subject and talked to him. The subject boarded after [redacted] left Portland, Oregon.

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[redacted] described the subject as follows:

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Sex	Male
Race	White
Hair	Dark (no gray hair)
Characteristic	Sagging chin
Height	5'9" - 10"
Build	Medium
Apparel	Black raincoat, brown shoes, dark pants

The subject had a sack and a briefcase which he kept putting his left hand in and out of. The subject appeared to be cool and casual.

On 11/24/71 at Seattle, Washington File # SE 164-81-235  
by SA [redacted] *Jim*:kd1 Date dictated 11/30/71

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DIRECTOR, FBI  
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

11/26/71

SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60)(P)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIGHJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

CC-EVIDENCE

Enclosed for the Laboratory are eleven latents lifted from certain areas of the hijacked aircraft.

It is requested that these latents be examined to determine whether any of these have any value for identification purposes.

Advise Las Vegas, Seattle and Portland of the results.

2-Bureau (Encs. 11)  
1-Portland (Info)  
1-Seattle (164-81)(Info)  
1-Las Vegas  
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SAC, PORTLAND

SAC, LOS ANGELES

SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60)

FROM SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (164-24)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO  
FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. OO:SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE NITEL TO SU NOVEMBER TWENTYSEVEN, LAST AND  
LAS VEGAS TEL TO BUREAU, SEATTLE, PD, LA, AND SU, NOVEMBER  
TWENTYNINE, INSTANT.

RE:SUSPECT [REDACTED]

DISCONTINUE REGARDING [REDACTED] AS HIS PHOTOGRAPH SHOWN  
TO STEWARDESSES, AND NOT IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB.

END.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA JOHN LEE REEP, JR.

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight # 305,  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SE

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RE:

SUSPECT

[redacted] Seattle,  
and who resides at [redacted] Washington  
was contacted at his business establishment on 11/29/71  
by SA JOHN LEE REEP, JR. at which time he furnished the  
following information after viewing the artist's conception  
of UNSUB inx this matter:

He is [redacted] who  
[redacted]  
in his establishment. He is further aware that [redacted]  
[redacted]

The artist conception photo of UNSUB is his estimation  
is definitely not identical with [redacted]  
[redacted] at approximately 6:30 PM  
on Wednesday, 11/24/71 [redacted]  
where [redacted] resides. He is aware that [redacted]  
is approximately [redacted] and has ~~dark~~ dark curly hair.  
He further advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] which is located on [redacted] Street in  
Seattle, Washington.

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get info raising just  
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/29/71

SA JOHN LEE REEP, JR.

UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight # 305,  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
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RE: [REDACTED]

SUSPECT

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

SAN FRANCISCO

LOS ANGELES

FROM: SAN DIEGO (164-91)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST. CAA - HIJACKING AND  
EXTORTION.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTY SEVEN INSTANT, [REDACTED]  
NORTH ISLAND NAVAL AIR STATION, SAN DIEGO, FURNISHED THE  
FOLLOWING OBTAINED FROM [REDACTED] AND PREFERS [REDACTED] NOT BE  
IDENTIFIED DURING ANY INQUIRY:

[REDACTED] GENERALLY KNOWN AS [REDACTED] X

SEVERAL WEEKS AGO PRIOR TO THE HIJACKING OF CAPTIONED FLIGHT,  
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SAC ADVISED (DUA)  
11/27/71

*What is status  
of this matter now?*

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[ ] OVERHEARD [ ] BELIEVED TO  
RESIDE IN SAN DIEGO, COMMENT TO [ ] THAT AN  
INDIVIDUAL WHO SAID HE WAS A REPORTER FOR A MAGAZINE HAD  
QUESTIONED HIM ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF BAILING OUT  
(PARACHUTING) FROM A SEVEN TWENTY SEVEN JET AND [ ]  
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TO [ ] RECOLLECTION OF THE CONVERSATION.

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SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, AND SHOWN AS [ ] HOME  
TELEPHONE [ ]

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ON NOVEMBER TWENTY SEVEN INSTANT, SEATTLE FURNISHED  
THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION OF THE UNKNOWN SUBJECT OF CAPTIONED  
CASE: RACE WHITE, SEX MALE, AGE MID FORTIES, HEIGHT FIVE  
FEET TEN INCHES TO SIX FEET, WEIGHT ONE SEVENTY TO ONE EIGHTY,  
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AVERAGE BUILD, COMPLEXION OLIVE AND MEDIUM SMOOTH, HAIR  
DARK BROWN DASH BLACK, NORMAL CUT OF HAIR, LOW EAR LEVEL  
SIDEBURNS, EYES POSSIBLY BROWN, LOW VOICE DASH EDUCATED,  
POSSIBLY MID WESTERN ACCENT, WEARING WRAP DASH AROUND DARK  
GLASSES AND A BLACK OR BROWN SUIT, DARK TOPCOAT, BRIEFCASE,  
BROWN SHOES, HEAVY SMOKER OF PALEIGH CIGARETTES.

[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED INSTANT DATE. STATED THAT ON  
FLIGHT TWO ZERO ONE, NOVEMBER EIGHT LAST DEPARTED SAN DIEGO  
FOR BURBANK, CALIFORNIA APPROXIMATELY EIGHT THIRTY A.M.

SHORTLY AFTER TAKEOFF WHITE MALE ENTERED COCKPIT AREA STATING  
HE WAS SCRIPT WRITER FOR MOVIE INDUSTRY. PRODUCED BROCHURES  
REPRESENTING MOVIES HE REPORTEDLY WROTE. STATED WAS INTERESTED  
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ON GROUND AT PREDETERMINED LOCATION IN ISOLATED AREA. IN-  
DICATED THIS ACTIVITY WAS TO BE INCLUDED IN SCRIPT CURRENTLY  
WRITING. DID NOT INQUIRE SPECIFICALLY CONCERNING SEVEN  
TWENTY SEVEN NOR ANY OTHER TYPE AIRCRAFT IN PARTICULAR.  
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WAS ADVISED [REDACTED] THAT BEST METHOD  
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BROWN ATTACHE CASE AND MADE NOTES ON YELLOW LEGAL TYPE PAD.

[REDACTED] STAYING AIRPORT  
HILTON INN, SAN FRANCISCO AIRPORT INSTANT DATE SUBSEQUENT TO  
SEVEN THIRTY P.M.

LEAD: SAN FRANCISCO INTERVIEW [REDACTED] IN ATTEMPT TO  
OBTAIN NAME MOVIE INDUSTRY ABOVE INDIVIDUAL WORKED FOR AND  
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SAN DIEGO ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN FLIGHT  
MANIFESTS FOR NOVEMBER EIGHT LAST.

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625PM URGENT 11-27-71 RAK

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

SAN FRANCISCO

LOS ANGELES

FROM: SAN DIEGO (164-91)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST. CAA - HIJACKING AND  
EXTORTION.

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SEVERAL WEEKS AGO PRIOR TO THE HIJACKING OF CAPTIONED FLIGHT,  
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1026PM NITEL 11/29/71 CRH

TO: DIRECTOR

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

*By* MOVIE

*SusD. #*

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UNSUB, AKA DA COOPER, NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, FLIGHT  
THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWO FOUR, LAST, CAA - AIR PIRACY.

RE SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND SEATTLE NOVEMBER  
TWO SIX, LAST.

LISTS REFERRED TO IN RETEL WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE TO BUREAU  
AGENTS UNTIL APPROXIMATELY TEN A.M., NOVEMBER THIRTY, NEXT.  
BUREAU AND SEATTLE WILL BE FURNISHED LISTS AS SOON AS AVAILABLE.

END

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SAC Seattle  
To: SAC Chicago  
From: Director, FBI

Date: November 29, 1971

Time Transmitted:

Subject: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71;  
CAA - KIDNAPING

Transmit attached by Facsimile - PRIORITY

☐ Fingerprint Photo ☐ Fingerprint Record ☐ Map ☐ Newspaper clipping ☐ Photograph

☒ Other: ATTACHED - [redacted]

☐ (6 min) ☐ (4 min)

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10:47 PM URGENT 11-2-71 FLZ

TO DIRECTOR

SEATTLE

ALBUQUERQUE

SAN FRANCISCO

OKLAHOMA CITY

FROM CINCINNATI (164-55) 2P

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UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN JET, NOVEMBER  
TWENTY FOUR LAST. CAA HIGHJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] CINCINNATI  
OHIO, ADVISED TODAY THAT THE COMPOSITE OF THE UNSUB APPEARING IN  
THE EVENING EDITION OF THE CINCINNATI POST AND TIMES STAR TODAY APPEAR

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TO BE A MAN HE KNEW IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE MAN'S NAME IS [REDACTED]

AND

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[REDACTED] AT THAT TIME.

[REDACTED] STATED HE HAS NOT SEEN [REDACTED]

BUT HE HEARD FROM [REDACTED]

IN ABOUT

[REDACTED] HAD BEEN IN SOME TROUBLE AND WAS IN THE

[REDACTED] AREA. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WHICH WAS THE LAST CONTACT WITH HIM.

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[REDACTED]

PICTURE OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

CINCINNATI IS NOT OBTAINING PHOTO

AT THIS TIME FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES BUT [REDACTED]

IN CASE A CURRENT ONE CANNOT BE LOCATED.

[REDACTED]

DESCRIBED [REDACTED]

AS SIX FOOT ONE, ONE EIGHT FIVE LBS.,

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THIRTY FIVE - THIRTY SIX AT PRESENT TIME, [REDACTED] HAIR, AND NO

RECALLED PECULIARITIES OR CHARACTERISTICS.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT ALBUQUERQUE AND SAN FRANCISCO LOCATE CURRENT

PHOTOS OF [REDACTED] AND FORWARD SAME TO SEATTLE EXPEDITIOUSLY FOR DISPLAY  
TO WITNESSES.

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IT IS REQUESTED THAT OKLAHOMA CITY LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFO RE CURRENT LOCATION OF [REDACTED]

PERSONAL BACKGROUND, OR BACKGROUND LEADING TO IDENTIFICATION OF

[REDACTED] IN SAN FRANCISCO. EXPEDITIOUSLY FURNISH RESULTS TO  
SAN FRANCISCO AND SEATTLE.

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FBI SEATTLE HLOD

DB Cooper-2110

10:47 PM URGENT 11-20-71 FLZ

TO DIRECTOR

SEATTLE

ALBUQUERQUE

SAN FRANCISCO

OKLAHOMA CITY

FROM CINCINNATI (164-55) 2P

UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN JET, NOVEMBER  
TWENTY FOUR LAST. CAA HIGHJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] CINCINNATI  
OHIO, ADVISED TODAY THAT THE COMPOSITE OF THE UNSUB APPEARING IN  
THE EVENING EDITION OF THE CINCINNATI POST AND TIMES STAR TODAY APPEAR

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TO BE A MAN HE KNEW IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE MAN'S NAME IS [REDACTED] AND

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[REDACTED] AT THAT TIME.

[REDACTED] STATED HE HAS NOT SEEN [REDACTED]

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BUT HE HEARD FROM [REDACTED] IN ABOUT

[REDACTED] HAD BEEN IN SOME TROUBLE AND WAS IN THE

[REDACTED] AREA. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHICH WAS THE LAST CONTACT

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PICTURE OF

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[REDACTED] CINCINNATI IS NOT OBTAINING PHOTO  
AT THIS TIME FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES BUT [REDACTED]  
IN CASE A CURRENT ONE CANNOT BE LOCATED.

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS SIX FOOT ONE, ONE EIGHT FIVE LBS.,  
THIRTY FIVE - THIRTY SIX AT PRESENT TIME, [REDACTED] HAIR, AND NO  
RECALLED PECULIARITIES OR CHARACTERISTICS.

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IT IS REQUESTED THAT ALBUQUERQUE AND SAN FRANCISCO LOCATE CURRENT  
PHOTOS OF [REDACTED] AND FORWARD SAME TO SEATTLE EXPEDITIOUSLY FOR DISPLAY  
TO WITNESSES.

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[REDACTED] FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFO RE CURRENT LOCATION OF [REDACTED]  
PERSONAL BACKGROUND, OR BACKGROUND LEADING TO IDENTIFICATION OF  
[REDACTED] IN SAN FRANCISCO. EXPEDITIOUSLY FURNISH RESULTS TO  
SAN FRANCISCO AND SEATTLE.

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END

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FBI SEATTLE HLOD

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
(OO:SE)

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[REDACTED] phone [REDACTED]  
advised on November 27, 1971, that he suspects that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] could have hijacked captioned aircraft. He said [REDACTED]  
was [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] had recently [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] even though he has been [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He described [REDACTED] as being 5'8" or 5'9", hair - dark,  
graying in spots, occasionally wearing glasses, swarthy com-  
plexion. He said [REDACTED] currently resided in either [REDACTED] or  
Seattle.

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requested  
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DB Cooper-2113

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
(OO:SE)

[REDACTED] phone [REDACTED]  
advised on November 27, 1971, that he suspects that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] could have hijacked captioned aircraft. He said [REDACTED]  
was [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] had recently [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] even though he has been [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He described [REDACTED] as being 5'8" or 5'9", hair - dark,  
graying in spots, occasionally wearing glasses, swarthy com-  
plexion. He said [REDACTED] currently resided in either [REDACTED] or  
Seattle.

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*[Signature]*



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NR 003 BT PLAIN

10:02 PM 11-29-71 NITEL DD

TO: ANCHORAGE VIA WASHINGTON DC.

SAC, PORTLAND

SAC, SEATTLE

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26) 1P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE.  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] MONTANA,  
ADVISED AFTER VIEWING COMPOSITE PHOTOGRAPH OF UNSUB IN  
SPOKANE PAPER NOVEMBER TWO NINE, COMPOSITE RESEMBLED ONE

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] SEATTLE AREA. PHOTOGRAPH SHOULD  
BE ON FILE WITH [REDACTED] ANCHORAGE.

ANCHORAGE OBTAIN PHOTO OF [REDACTED] AND FORWARD TO SEATTLE.

SEATTLE ASCERTAIN BACKGROUND OF [REDACTED]

PORTLAND CHECK [REDACTED] OREGON FOR BACKGROUND AND

PHOTO.

END.

ACKN NR'S 001 & 0023

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*Note:*  
*SE PD 12/6/71*  
*NR Record*  
*KCSO 12/6/71*  
*N.R.*  
*Cred Bur. 12/8/71*  
*N.R.*  
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[REDACTED]

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NR 003 BT PLAIN

10:02 PM 11-29-71 NITEL DD

TO: ANCHORAGE VIA WASHINGTON DC.

SAC, PORTLAND

SAC, SEATTLE

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26) 1P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE.  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] MONTANA,

ADVISED AFTER VIEWING COMPOSITE PHOTOGRAPH OF UNSUB IN  
SPOKANE PAPER NOVEMBER TWO NINE, COMPOSITE RESEMBLED ONE

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[REDACTED] SEATTLE AREA. PHOTOGRAPH SHOULD

BE ON FILE WITH [REDACTED] ANCHORAGE.

ANCHORAGE OBTAIN PHOTO OF [REDACTED] AND FORWARD TO SEATTLE.

SEATTLE ASCERTAIN BACKGROUND OF [REDACTED]

PORTLAND CHECK [REDACTED] OREGON FOR BACKGROUND AND

PHOTO.

END.

ACKN NR'S 001 & 0023

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM : SA ROBERT H. WICK

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NWA FLIGHT #305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIGHJACKING; EXTORTION

On November 29, 1971, [redacted] Washington State Parole Board, Olympia, suggested the name of [redacted] DOB: [redacted] Institution [redacted] as a possible suspect in this case. He has [redacted] eyes, brown hair, [redacted] 174 pounds and was paroled on [redacted] Washington. He has a long criminal record and has been involved in bizarre methods.

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In [redacted]

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[redacted] parole board had not further details concerning this escapade.

I contacted SA FARRELL by phone, who suggested a memo be prepared since it contains a present address for suspect.

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UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 0305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
(01:52)

[REDACTED] Washington, phone  
[REDACTED] telephonically advised on November 27, 1971, that  
it was his opinion that if captioned hijacking were successful  
and that the hijacker was not caught, it would precipitate  
several more attempts at similar hijackings wherein the hijacker  
would utilize a parachute to leave the aircraft.

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He said if this should be the case the FBI may wish  
to utilize emergency radio equipment which could be secreted  
in the parachute and which would constantly transmit a signal  
which would enable the transmitter to be located subsequently  
by the use of proper equipment.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

In 11/30/71 [REDACTED] The Boeing Co., 7755 East Marginal Way South, Seattle, Washington advised that a review of Boeing personnel records failed to reveal any listing for a [REDACTED] from 1963 to the present.

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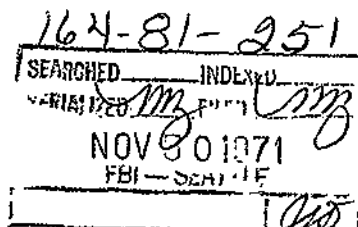
She explained that the Boeing 727 was on the drawing boards in 1963, but manufacture did not start until a later date, 1968 or 1969.

She suggested that the unsub might have become familiar with the 727 through working for an airline using the 727.

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11:54 AM URGENT 11/30/71 VLS

TO PORTLAND (164-41)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 2P

*Sub -*  
*Unsub Man observed*  
*at Susanville, Calif*  
*11/28/71*

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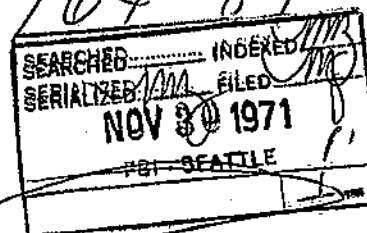
UNSUB; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER  
TWENTY FOUR, LAST. CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

THIS DATE, [REDACTED] LASSEN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE, SUSANVILLE, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED THAT ON NOVEMBER  
TWENTY EIGHT, LAST, AN UNKNOWN PERSON DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, DARK  
COMPLECTED, APPEARING SOMEWHAT INDIAN, BUT NO INDIAN, SIX FEET -  
SIX FEET TWO INCHES, BLUE DENIM TROUSERS, BROWN COWBOY HAT, WHITE  
SWEATER, WAS IN STATE CAFE AND BAR AND ROUNDUP ROOM, AT WHICH BAR IN  
SUSANVILLE HE HAD BEEN DRINKING, AND OFFERED PERSONS FIVE THOUSAND  
DOLLARS TO DRIVE HIM OUT OF TOWN. THIS PERSON WAS OBSERVED TO HAVE  
A LARGE NUMBER OF BILLS IN HIS WALLET, DENOMINATIONS NOT KNOWN.

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PERSON DESCRIBED WAS OBSERVED ENTERING AUTOMOBILE BEARING

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OREGON LICENSE [REDACTED] THIS PERSON WAS OBSERVED BY

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[REDACTED]  
PORTLAND AT PORTLAND. IDENTIFY THE OWNER OF OREGON LICENSE  
[REDACTED] OBTAIN COPY OF DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR DISPLAY  
TO WITNESSES AT SEATTLE AND TO [REDACTED] AT SUSANVILLE.  
CONDUCT CREDIT AND ARREST INVESTIGATION.

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SACRAMENTO AT SUSANVILLE. WILL DISPLAY COMPOSITE PHOTO OF  
UNSUB TO [REDACTED]

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END

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

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On November 29, 1971 [redacted] in  
[redacted] Washington, [redacted]  
[redacted] advised that he feels that [redacted]  
should be considered a logical suspect in captioned hijacking.  
He advised that [redacted] meets the physical description of the  
hijacker and further that a short time ago [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted] proficient in [redacted] stated that he did not make  
[redacted] offer but is quite sure that [redacted] would be an  
individual who would have enough nerve to attempt to  
perpetrate a hijacking of this type in captioned matter.

The records of the [redacted] Sheriff's Office  
reflected that [redacted] is White, Male, American, 5'10", 165 lbs.,  
in [redacted] brown eyes, medium complexion, DOB [redacted] It is  
to be noted that [redacted] was the subject of a 91 matter in Seattle  
Division and his name is indexed in Seattle indices.

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Investigation November 29, 1971 in vicinity of location  
furnished by Northwest Airlines Flight operations negative to  
date on individual observing a person meeting the description  
of the person depicted in the composite photograph. Weather  
conditions precluded continuance of air search but it is anticipated  
with clearing weather conditions on November 30, 1971 a helicopter  
from Bonneville Power, Vancouver, Washington, and possibly a  
private helicopter from Kelso, Washington, will be authorized  
to conduct an intensive air search in the vicinity of the  
spot pinpointed by Northwest Airlines.

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Investigation to contact doctor's clinics and hospitals from Longview to Vancouver, Washington negative to date. These contacts are being continued.

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/29/71

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

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[redacted] advised that he feels that [redacted]  
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He advised that [redacted] meets the physical description of the  
hijacker and further that a short time ago [redacted]

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from Bonneville Power, Vancouver, Washington, and possibly a  
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to conduct an intensive air search in the vicinity of the  
spot pinpointed by Northwest Airlines.

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Investigation to contact doctor's clinics and hospitals from Longview to Vancouver, Washington negative to date. These contacts are being continued.

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Date: 11/29/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)ART'S SKETCH  
Sub. K.

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) ATTN: EXHIBITS SECTION, ADM. DIV.  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE  
REMYTEL TODAY.

RE: ARTIST'S SKETCH.

THE FOLLOWING WERE PASSENGERS AND WITNESSES WHO  
OBSERVED UNSUB ON CAPTIONED AIRPLANE.

[REDACTED] WASHINGTON, STATED  
THAT CONCERNING THE EYES, THE EYES APPEARING IN PHOTO  
O B SEVEN DASH TWELVE, PAGE TWENTYNINE, WITH HEAVY LIDS AS  
APPEARING IN PHOTO O B EIGHT DASH TWELVE, PAGE THIRTYONE,  
WERE SIMILAR TO UNSUB. CONCERNING THE REMAINDER OF THE  
SKETCH, [REDACTED] HAD THE FOLLOWING TO SAY: THE HAIRLINE WAS  
GOOD. HAIR ITSELF SHOULD BE MARCELLED AND HAIR STYLE OF  
PRESIDENT NIXON IS QUITE SIMILAR TO WHAT UNSUB HAD. HAIR  
SHOULD BE SLICKED DOWN AS CHARACTERS WORE IN OLD GEORGE RAFT  
MOVIES. NOSE IN ARTIST'S CONCEPTION TOO PINCHED, SHOULD BE  
BROADENED IN AREA OF NOSTRILS. CHEEKS TOO FLAT, SHOULD BE  
MORE ROUNDED TO GIVE MEXICAN-AMERICAN APPEARANCE. CHIN AREA  
GOOD.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

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Facsimile of 1A<sup>①</sup> Sent 11/30/71 4:40 PM  
Director  
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CHEEKS SHOULD BE AS IN PHOTO O G ONE DASH FIVE, PAGE NINETY THREE, OR O H ONE DASH FOUR, PAGE NINETYNINE IN FACIAL IDENTIFICATION CATALOGUE.

[REDACTED] SEATTLE, ADVISED THE HIJACKER WAS WEARING DARK GLASSES WHEN [REDACTED] SAW HIM AND HE WAS UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY PARTICULARS ABOUT THE HIJACKERS EYES. AFTER STUDYING THE ARTIST'S SKETCH OF THE HIJACKER, [REDACTED] MADE THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS. HE STATED THAT THE HIJACKER HAD AN OVERALL APPEARANCE WHICH WAS IN SOME WAYS SIMILAR TO THE ARTIST'S SKETCH, HOWEVER, HE RECALLED THAT THE HIJACKER HAD A BROADER NOSE, WIDER FOREHEAD AND FACE IN GENERAL, THAN THAT DEPICTED IN THE SKETCH. HE ALSO NOTED THAT THE HIJACKERS' HAIRLINE WAS SOMEWHAT LOWER THAN THE SKETCH AND THE HIJACKER'S GLASSES HAD SQUARE CORNERS THAN THE ROUND CORNERED GLASSES DEPICTED IN THE SKETCH.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT UNSUB WAS WEARING SUNGLASSES AND HE NEVER SAW HIS EYES. WITH RESPECT TO THE ARTIST'S SKETCH, [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT IF THE FACE WERE WIDENED ONE SIXTEENTH OF AN INCH, SKETCH WOULD BE AN

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Special Agent in Charge

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EXCELLENT LIKENESS TO UNSUB. HE DESCRIBED UNSUB'S SUNGLASSES AS SLIGHTLY WRAP-AROUND STYLE, DARK BROWN. [REDACTED] WHO IS [REDACTED] SOME CHANGES ON THE ARTIST'S SKETCH AND THIS IS BEING FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU BY FACSIMILE.

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PORTLAND DIVISION SUBMITTING RESULTS OF INTERVIEW WITH WITNESS [REDACTED] WHO HAS RETURNED TO EUGENE, OREGON.

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[REDACTED] NORTHWEST AIRLINES, PORTLAND, OREGON, [REDACTED] ON INSTANT FLIGHT, ADVISED HE HAS LOOKED AT FACIAL IDENTIFICATION CATALOG AND SELECTS THEREFROM PHOTO NO. KB EIGHT DASH SIXTEEN. SAID THIS IS IN THE HEAVY LIDDED CATEGORY BUT HE DOES NOT RECALL THIS APPLIES TO UNSUB'S APPEARANCE, THAT HE HAS AVERAGE EYES, OF LATIN APPEARANCE, WITH A SHORT OF DISINTERESTED LOOK, LET'S GET IT OVER WITH LOOK. [REDACTED] THOUGHT ARTIST'S CONCEPTION WAS VERY GOOD OVERALL, EXCEPT THE HAIR DID NOT RECEDE QUITE SO MUCH AS HE REMEMBERS IT, IT WAS A LITTLE MORE CURLY AND DEFINITELY SHORT. HE ALSO THINKS THE NOSE AND FACE SLIGHTLY TOO THIN, ALTHOUGHT NOT MUCH. FEELS ARTIST'S SKETCH MAKES

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Special Agent in Charge

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HIM LOOK YOUNGER THAN HE IS.

~~SA NORMAN BELTRIP, PORTLAND DIVISION, CALLED AND WITNESS~~

[REDACTED] SAID THE CHIN AND CHEEKBONE OF  
COMPOSITE PHOTO ARE SIMILAR TO KH ONE DASH EIGHT AND FACIAL  
LINES SIMILAR TO KK SIX DASH THREE. THE NECK AND CHIN OF  
UNSUB APPEAR AS IF HE HAD BEEN FAT AND LOST WEIGHT, LEAVING  
SOME FLABBY SKIN. EVERYTHING FROM NOSE UP IS GOOD. MOUTH IS  
ALSO GOOD. OVERALL PICTURE OF COMPOSITE MAKES UNSUB APPEAR  
YOUNGER THAN HE ACTUALLY IS.

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Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-2138

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

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RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Washington, was contacted on  
11/29/71 concerning this case. When shown the artist's  
sketch of the above named unknown subject, [REDACTED] advised it  
strongly resembled [REDACTED]

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According to [REDACTED] when

[REDACTED] Washington. [REDACTED] also  
advised that [REDACTED] but to the best of his  
knowledge [REDACTED] reportedly had [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] he listed the  
following information:

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Name  
Address  
  
Employment  
  
Age  
Sex  
Marital status

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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Male

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in the past.

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11/30/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Washington, was contacted on  
11/29/71 concerning this case. When shown the artist's  
sketch of the above named unknown subject, [REDACTED] advised it  
strongly resembled [REDACTED]

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According to [REDACTED] when

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Washington. [REDACTED] also  
advised that [REDACTED] but to the best of his  
knowledge [REDACTED] reportedly had [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] he listed the  
following information:

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Name  
Address  
  
Employment  
  
Age  
Sex  
Marital status

[REDACTED]  
Male  
[REDACTED]

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Weight



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[redacted] finally added that [redacted] had associated  
with [redacted] in the past.

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Date: 11/29/71

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority) SUSP

TO : SAC, BUTTE

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTY-ONE; CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE.

WASHINGTON,

ADVISED ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF SUBJECT CLOSELY RESEMBLES

MONTANA,

PRESENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN TO HIM BUT


POSSIBLY CAN BE LOCATED THROUGH

MONTANA.

BUTTE AT MONTANA, WILL CONTACT

IN EFFORT TO LOCATE LOOK-ALIKE

RHW:MD  
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Approved: 

Special Agent in Charge

Sent 7:5

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Per 

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Date: 11/29/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

Pub. Sub. C.

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

X - 11/29/71

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-ONE. CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

REBUREAU CALL TO SAC SEATTLE NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, SEVENTYONE.

REMARKS IN THE PRESS ATTRIBUTED TO SA THOMAS MANNING SENIOR RESIDENT AGENT LONGVIEW, WASHINGTON, ARE COMPLETELY UNFOUNDED. MANNING HAS BEEN UNEQUIVOCALLY INSTRUCTED BY ME TO MAKE NO COMMENTS TO THE PRESS. SHERIFFS AND DEPUTIES FROM COWLITZ COUNTY AND CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON, ARE ASSISTING IN GROUND SEARCH UNDER SA MANNING'S DIRECTION, AND HAVE BEEN INTERVIEWED WIDELY BY PRESS REPRESENTATIVES. PRESS HAS CONTINUED TO GIVE MATTER INTENSE COVERAGE AND ARE ATTRIBUTING TO SA MANNING COMMENTS THAT ARE GENERAL CONVERSATIONAL TOPICS IN THE AREA.

MANNING UNEQUIVOCALLY DENIES MAKING ANY REMARKS TO THE EFFECT THAT THE UNSUB IS A SKYDIVER OR IS CRAZY OR REMARKS RE RESULTS OF SEARCH OR DETAILS OF SEARCH. I HAVE CONTINUALLY REFUSED TO FURNISH ANY INFORMATION TO THE PRESS AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO. (P)

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 6:15 P M Per 8W12

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Date: 11/30/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Priority)

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. THREE  
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR,  
NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

RE SEATTLE TEL TO PORTLAND, NOVEMBER TWENTY NINE,  
NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, WHEREIN LEADS SET FORTH TO INTERVIEW

[REDACTED] RE IDENTITY OF UNKNOWN  
SUSPECT.

ON NOVEMBER THIRTY, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] SEATTLE, RECALLED NAME OF UNKNOWN SUSPECT AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO IS CURRENTLY PURPORTED TO BE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WASHINGTON.

PORTLAND DISCONTINUE. SEATTLE WILL CHECK OUT [REDACTED]  
AT [REDACTED] WASHINGTON.

ADMINISTRATIVE: FOR BACKGROUND ONE XEROX COPY OF MEMO  
OF SA [REDACTED] 11/26/71 SHOULD ACCOMPANY [REDACTED]

LEAD. [REDACTED] PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BY FBI AT [REDACTED] AND CLAIMED

PERSECUTION BY PORTLAND PD AND LAW ENFORCEMENT IN GENERAL.

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DB Cooper-2145

Approved: (2)

Sent

Special Agent in Charge

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
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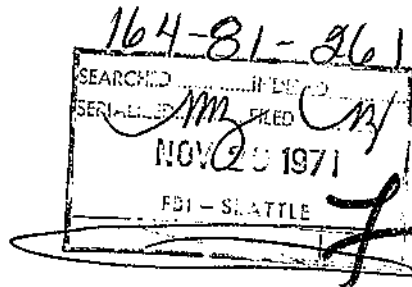
[REDACTED] phone [REDACTED]  
telephonically provided on November 27, 1971, the opinion  
that the hijacker was very probably one [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He said [REDACTED] had experience  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] However, he had no other information  
on which to base his belief that [REDACTED] was the hijacker.

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11/29/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
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[REDACTED] phone [REDACTED]  
telephonically provided on November 27, 1971, the opinion  
that the hijacker was very probably one [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He said [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] However, he had no other information  
on which to base his belief that [REDACTED] was the hijacker.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/28/71

FROM : SPC

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

SA THOMAS J. MANNING, SRA Longview, Washington, requested this date 12 copies of artist's conception of UNSUB be sent to him at earliest possible time. SA  SRA Everett, Washington, asked for a copy to show an individual in his area who thinks he may know UNSUB's identity.

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For record purposes, writer mailed each Resident Agency covered by Seattle a copy of artist's conception and form letter of description corresponding with the number of agents in each RA. SA MANNING was supplied with 12.

(Copies mailed late evening 11/28/71).

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA CHARLES J. HENRY

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXT.

RE: Suspect [redacted]

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At 8:20pm [redacted] Kansas City telephonically advised that [redacted] had called that office after seeing artists conception in the newspaper. [redacted] think [redacted] is the UNSUB. [redacted] is an [redacted] In addition to background info he furnished the following description:

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Name: [redacted]  
Race: White  
Sex: Male  
Age: [redacted]  
DoB: [redacted]  
Height: 5'10½ - 11"  
Weight: 165-170  
Hair: Drk brown-parted on left  
Eyes: [redacted]  
Comp: Olive green  
Char: Does not smoke

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KC forwarded a facimile foto which is attached. They will forward all info by teletype. Facimile foto furnished also to MP. Foto to be sent AMSD.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAO, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA CHARLES J. HENRY

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXT.

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RE: Suspect [redacted]

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At 8:20pm [redacted] Kansas City telephonically advised that [redacted] had called that office after seeing artists conception in the newspaper. [redacted] think [redacted] think [redacted] is the UNSUB. [redacted] is an [redacted] [redacted] In addition to background info he furnished the following description:

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Name: [redacted]  
Race: White  
Sex: Male  
Age: [redacted]  
DoB: [redacted]  
Height: 5'10½ - 11"  
Weight: 165-170  
Hair: Drk brown-parted on left  
Eyes: [redacted]  
Comp: Olive green  
Char: Does not smoke

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# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

FROM : SAC J. E. MILNES

DATE: November 29, 1971

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: Suspect [redacted]

At 8:00 AM on November 29, 1971, I called SA [redacted] in Minneapolis and referred him to Seattle teletype of November 27, 1971, requesting that the photograph of [redacted] be shown to the witnesses immediately. I asked him to let me know if this was done and the results.

Later, SAC HELD called from Minneapolis, saying that the photograph of [redacted] had only arrived from Kansas City this morning and would be shown to the witnesses today. Their telecopier is not working and the photo was sent by mail.

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807PM NITEL 11-29-71 LCH

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTLAND (164-41)

LAS VEGAS

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) (2P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO  
FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST, CAA - HIGHJACKING;  
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] SACRAMENTO COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
OFFICE, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, ON THIS DATE ADVISED  
THAT AFTER SEEING THE COMPOSITE DRAWING IN THE NEWSPAPER  
HE BELIEVED THAT IT CLOSELY RESEMBLED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED HE WAS INVOLVED IN THE [REDACTED]  
INVESTIGATION, AND HE KNOWS HE WAS AN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND HE ALSO HAD [REDACTED]

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IN ADDITION, [ ] SAID HE BELIEVED THAT [ ]  
WAS CAPABLE. [ ] STATED THE LAST INFORMATION HE  
HAD WAS THAT [ ] IN SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,  
AND HAD ALSO BEEN IN RENO, NEVADA.

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[ ] SAID SHERIFF GEORGE ALLEN, LYONS COUNTY,  
NEVADA, HAD A LARGE FILE ON [ ]

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IT IS NOTED THAT [ ] WAS A TOP TEN FUGITIVE  
IN NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT AND HAD I O NUMBER [ ]

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[ ]  
ABOVE IS BEING FURNISHED TO SEATTLE AS POSSIBLE  
SUSPECT IN THIS MATTER.

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11:13 PM URGENT 11-29-71 PVC

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

FROM PITTSBURGH (164-NEW) 2-P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA-HIJACKING, OO:SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] W.VA., TODAY OFFERED  
NAME OF [REDACTED] AS SUSPECT IN THIS CASE. [REDACTED]

IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FBI NO. [REDACTED]

W/M; DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INCHES; ONE HUNDRED FIFTYFIVE LBS.; [REDACTED] EYES;  
BROWN HAIR.

[REDACTED] IDENTIFIED [REDACTED] AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ON NUMEROUS

OCCASIONS AND DESCRIBED [REDACTED]

ALSO BELIEVES D.B. COOPER WOULD BE [REDACTED] WAY OF USING

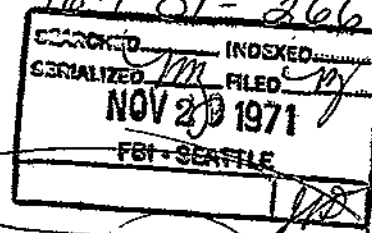
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NAME OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS SOUGHT BY STATE AUTHORITIES, [REDACTED] W.VA.,  
IN [REDACTED] ON [REDACTED] CHARGE GROWING OUT OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
SUBSEQUENTLY ARRESTED THERE ON [REDACTED] CHARGE  
PURPORTEDLY WHEN [REDACTED]

SOURCE AT [REDACTED] W.VA., SAID [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO SEND COPY OF FINGERPRINT RECORD  
TO SEATTLE BY TELECOPIER.

SEATTLE WILL THEREAFTER OBTAIN MOST RECENT PICTURE OF  
[REDACTED] FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES.

END

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
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SA [REDACTED] Kansas City Office, advised by FTS on November 27, 1971, that he had been advised by the [REDACTED] can very possibly be a suspect in captioned hijacking. She said that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] and had also [REDACTED] She was last aware of his whereabouts when [REDACTED] was in San Francisco, approximately [REDACTED] 1971. She described him as being [REDACTED] and furnished the following background information concerning him:

Date of Birth:

Height:

Weight:

Hair:

Eyes:

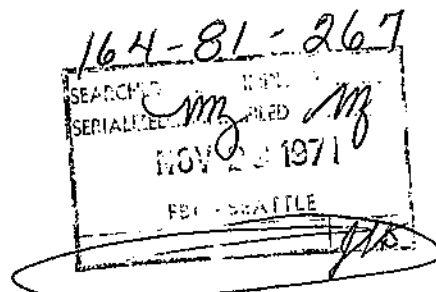
165 to 170 pounds  
Black, wave in front

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SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CNA - HIJACKING;  
EXFORTION  
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SA [REDACTED] Kansas City Office, advised  
by NIS on November 27, 1971, that he had been advised by the  
[REDACTED] can very possibly be a sus-  
pect in captioned hijacking. She said that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] She was  
last aware of his whereabouts when [REDACTED] was in San Francisco,  
approximately [REDACTED] 1971. She described him as being  
[REDACTED] and furnished the following background in-  
formation concerning him:

Date of Birth:

Height:  
Weight:  
Hair:  
Eyes:

[REDACTED]  
165 to 170 pounds  
Black, wave in front  
[REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA JAMES H. SANDUSKY

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT # 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

RE: CHANGED

The title in this communication is being marked  
CHANGED in order to reflect the true and complete name  
of [REDACTED] (LNU) as shown in the records of the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Enclosed for Tacoma are three group photos  
reflecting a photo of [REDACTED]

On November 29, 1971, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] advised he was acquainted with a member  
of [REDACTED] whose nickname was [REDACTED] and who  
appeared to be identical with photos of [REDACTED] which were  
shown to him. [REDACTED] said the individual in the photos  
closely resembled the person he knew as [REDACTED] however,  
he stated that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] then [REDACTED] which reflected  
the full and true name of [REDACTED] as [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Washington, [REDACTED] telephone,  
area code [REDACTED] further reflect  
[REDACTED] date of birth as [REDACTED] USA, marital status  
as [REDACTED] and his education as [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said he has not seen [REDACTED] recently  
but that [REDACTED] is presently [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Wash-  
ington, where he recently [REDACTED] believed  
by [REDACTED] According to [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] said that [REDACTED]  
Tacoma, Washington (telephone [REDACTED] is the [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

lives at the aforementioned [REDACTED] address. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	Approximately 6'
Weight	Approximately 170 pounds
Build	Slender
Hair	Black, medium cut
Complexion	Dark
Characteristics	Wears glasses and [REDACTED]

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The name [REDACTED] is negative in Seattle  
indices.

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SEATTLE

At Tacoma, Washington

Will conduct appropriate background investigation  
concerning [REDACTED] at Tacoma and [REDACTED]  
Washington, in order to determine his whereabouts during  
the pertinent period of November 24, 1971, when captioned  
hijacking occurred and to make determination as to whether  
[REDACTED] is identical to UNSUB in this case.

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Will consider displaying enclosed photos to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Tacoma, Washington, to further  
confirm UNSUB [REDACTED] as identical with [REDACTED] and  
obtain any further background information which may be  
helpful to the investigation of this matter.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/29/71

SA JAMES H. SANDUSKY

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT # 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

RE: CHANGED

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[REDACTED]

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he stated that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] then [REDACTED] which reflected  
the full and true name of [REDACTED] as [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Washington, [REDACTED] telephone,  
area code [REDACTED] further reflect  
[REDACTED] date of birth as [REDACTED] USA, marital status  
as [REDACTED] and his education as [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said he has not seen [REDACTED] recently  
but that [REDACTED] is presently [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Wash-  
ington, where he recently [REDACTED] believed  
by [REDACTED] According to [REDACTED]

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*[Signature]*

[redacted]

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[redacted] said that [redacted]  
Tacoma, Washington (telephone [redacted] is the [redacted]

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[redacted]  
lives at the aforementioned [redacted] address. [redacted]

[redacted] described [redacted] as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	Approximately 6'
Weight	Approximately 170 pounds
Build	Slender
Hair	Black, medium cut
Complexion	Dark
Characteristics	Wears glasses and [redacted]

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The name [redacted] is negative in Seattle  
indices.

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At Tacoma, Washington

Will conduct appropriate background investigation  
concerning [redacted] at Tacoma and [redacted]  
Washington, in order to determine his whereabouts during  
the pertinent period of November 24, 1971, when captioned  
hijacking occurred and to make determination as to whether  
[redacted] is identical to UNSUB in this case.

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Will consider displaying enclosed photos to [redacted]  
[redacted] Tacoma, Washington, to further  
confirm UNSUB [redacted] as identical with [redacted] and  
obtain any further background information which may be  
helpful to the investigation of this matter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

Re: [REDACTED] (LNU)

*Sub*  
[REDACTED] *LNU*  
*Misc Persons*

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On 11/28/71, [REDACTED]  
Police Department, was contacted in reference to his phone  
call to the Seattle Office. He indicated he was contacted  
by [REDACTED] phone [REDACTED] concerning the composite  
sketch of the hijacker, which appeared in the SEATTLE POST  
INTELLIGENCER. [REDACTED] believed the sketch to resemble  
[REDACTED] (LNU) whom he had known [REDACTED]

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On 11/28/71, [REDACTED]  
Washington, telephone [REDACTED] advised that the  
composite sketch of the hijacker which appeared in the SEATTLE  
POST INTELLIGENCER resembled [REDACTED] (LNU). He further added  
that [REDACTED] in Seattle, could provide the  
last name for [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] and he believed that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He later  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He believes that [REDACTED] is from the  
[REDACTED] in the Seattle area.  
He can be located through [REDACTED] or through [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] had no reason to believe that [REDACTED] would  
be responsible for the hijacking but stated he called because  
of a resemblance of [REDACTED] to the composite sketch. He does  
not know [REDACTED] well and could provide no further information  
about his activities, background, or whereabouts.

TMK:klb

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*[Signature]*

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SE 164-81

He described him as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Late 20s or early 30s
Height:	5'10"
Weight:	160 lbs.
Hair:	Dark
Eyes:	Dark
Characteristics:	Wears glasses;

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[redacted] requested that his identity be  
protected in this investigation and that [redacted]  
[redacted] in any way.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/29/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

Re: [REDACTED] (LNU)

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[REDACTED]

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last name for [REDACTED]

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be responsible for the hijacking but stated he called because  
of a resemblance of [REDACTED] to the composite sketch. He does  
not know [REDACTED] well and could provide no further information  
about his activities, background, or whereabouts.

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SE 164-81

He described him as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Late 20s or early 30s
Height:	5'10"
Weight:	160 lbs.
Hair:	Dark
Eyes:	Dark
Characteristics:	Wears glasses;

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[redacted] requested that his identity be  
protected in this investigation and that [redacted]  
[redacted] in any way.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/29/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

Re: [REDACTED] (LNU)

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[REDACTED]

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POST INTELLIGENCER resembled [REDACTED] (LNU). He further added  
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last name for [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] He later  
[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] in the Seattle area.  
He can be located through [REDACTED] or through [REDACTED]  
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be responsible for the hijacking but stated he called because  
of a resemblance of [REDACTED] to the composite sketch. He does  
not know [REDACTED] well and could provide no further information  
about his activities, background, or whereabouts.

TMK:klb  
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SE 164-81

He described him as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Late 20s or early 30s
Height:	5'10"
Weight:	160 lbs.
Hair:	Dark
Eyes:	Dark
Characteristics:	Wears glasses;



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[redacted] requested that his identity be  
protected in this investigation and that [redacted]  
[redacted] in any way.

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816PM NITEL 11-29-71 AGL

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

SEATTLE

PHILADELPHIA

LITTLE ROCK

FROM MINNEAPOLIS 164-73 3P

cc- WITNESSES  
Sub. H

Sub. J

cc. ARTIST'S SKETCH  
Sub. K

NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTYONE.  
CAA DASH HIJACKING DASH EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

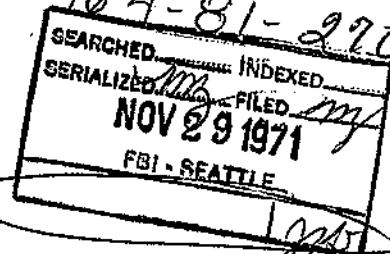
INSTANT DATE EIGHT PHOTOGRAPHS, INCLUDING A PHOTOGRAPH  
OF [REDACTED] DATE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] WAS SHOWN TO NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
STEWARDESS [REDACTED] STEWARDESS ON CAPTIONED FLIGHT.  
[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT NONE OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS DISPLAYED  
LOOKED LIKE THE HIJACKER OR RESEMBLED HIM. [REDACTED] ADVISED  
SHE THOUGHT THE PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED] WAS NOT A GOOD LIKENESS  
OF THE HIJACKER, SINCE HIS FACE WAS MUCH TOO FULL. [REDACTED]  
APPEARED TO BE YOUNGER AND BETTER LOOKING THAN THE HIJACKER.

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[REDACTED] AND

[REDACTED] WERE UNAVAILABLE TO DISPLAY [REDACTED] PHOTOGRAPH.

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[REDACTED] OBSERVATIONS OF THE ARTIST'S SKETCH OF THE  
HIJACKER WERE AS FOLLOWS:

SHE BELIEVED THAT THE SKETCH WAS A FAIR LIKENESS;  
HOWEVER, SHE COULD NOT PINPOINT ANY CHARACTERISTIC ABOUT  
THE SKETCH THAT SHE DID NOT PARTICULARLY LIKE, AND SHE COULD  
NOT CONTRIBUTE ANY FURTHER SPECIFIC ALTERATIONS.

A FACSIMILE OF A PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED]  
IS BEING FURNISHED TO PHILADELPHIA AND LITTLE ROCK, ALONG WITH  
OTHER FACSIMILES.

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PHILADELPHIA DIVISION AT PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.

WILL CONTACT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND DISPLAY [REDACTED]

FACSIMILE, ALONG WITH OTHERS.

LITTLE ROCK DIVISION AT [REDACTED] ARKANSAS.

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WILL CONTACT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND DISPLAY FACSIMILE OF [REDACTED]

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

DB Cooper-2172

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TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

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FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: [redacted] Suspect

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When the photographs of [redacted] have been displayed to the witnesses, and if we do not effect an identification, then the Chicago Office should be contacted to locate him in [redacted] Illinois, to be interviewed in detail concerning the hijacked aircraft, [redacted] who was also [redacted] and asked all the questions about this episode.

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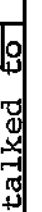
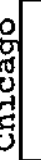
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DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: UNSUB  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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 at the Bureau called and said they had  
talked to  which they are sending to Seattle and Chicago  
to be used prior to the contemplated interview of 

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: [redacted] suspect

SAC HELD called from Minneapolis at 1:50 PM and advised that the witness [redacted] on viewing [redacted] picture said she did not think it was him. [redacted] is in Philadelphia, the other in Little Rock.

[redacted] until the 30th.

He advised he was sending a picture of [redacted] to these offices for display to the witnesses.

I suggested that he contact the Xerox Company, get a substitute telecopier and send it to them on the telecopier rather than wait until tomorrow.

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DB Cooper-2175

DIRECTOR, FBI

11/29/71

ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION  
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION  
SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB:  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

[redacted] Northwest Airlines  
based at headquarters in Minneapolis, who was in Seattle, has  
advised that when he examined the plane on 11/25/71 at  
Seattle-Tacoma Airport, he found the enclosed papers in the  
plane. They were pushed down behind a seat.

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There is no apparent connection between these papers and  
the hijacker; however, so they may be properly examined  
the Bureau is requested to process these papers for any  
latent fingerprints and return them for future use if needed.

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1 - Seattle  
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Papers picked up by SA [redacted]

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DB Cooper-2177

164-81-275



Date 11/29/71

To: ~~XX~~ Director

Att.: \_\_\_\_\_ FILE SE 164-81

☐ SAC \_\_\_\_\_ Title UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
☐ ASAC \_\_\_\_\_ FLIGHT 305, PORTLAND TO  
☐ Supv. \_\_\_\_\_ SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
☐ Agent \_\_\_\_\_ CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
☐ SE \_\_\_\_\_ OO: SEATTLE  
☐ IC \_\_\_\_\_ Telcall from SA [redacted]  
☐ CC \_\_\_\_\_ RE: OF THE BUREAU 11/27/71  
☐ Steno \_\_\_\_\_ b6  
☐ Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Rotor #: \_\_\_\_\_ b7C

ACTION DESIRED

<input type="checkbox"/> Acknowledge	<input type="checkbox"/> Open Case
<input type="checkbox"/> Assign _____ Reassign _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare lead cards
<input type="checkbox"/> Bring file	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare tickler
<input type="checkbox"/> Call me	<input type="checkbox"/> Return assignment card
<input type="checkbox"/> Correct	<input type="checkbox"/> Return file
<input type="checkbox"/> Deadline _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Search and return
<input type="checkbox"/> Deadline passed	<input type="checkbox"/> See me
<input type="checkbox"/> Delinquent	<input type="checkbox"/> Serial # _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Discontinue	<input type="checkbox"/> Post <input type="checkbox"/> Recharge <input type="checkbox"/> Return
<input type="checkbox"/> Expedite	<input type="checkbox"/> Send to _____
<input type="checkbox"/> File	<input type="checkbox"/> Submit new charge out
<input type="checkbox"/> For information	<input type="checkbox"/> Submit report by _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Handle	<input type="checkbox"/> Type
<input type="checkbox"/> Initial & return	
<input type="checkbox"/> Leads need attention	
<input type="checkbox"/> Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.	

Attached is for the Bureau's records, which is a memo prepared as a result of retel call, per SA [redacted] request.

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Encl. *M*

Searched \_\_\_\_\_ SAG J. E. MILNES

Serialized \_\_\_\_\_ SEATTLE

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DB Cooper-2178

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/26/71

On November 24, 1971, I was at the Operations Office of the Northwest Airlines, Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, when [redacted]

[redacted] Seattle-First National Bank, and [redacted]

Seattle-First National Bank, arrived at that office. They carried a white canvas bag which they advised contained \$200,000 in \$20 denominations. The bag was encased in a large leather satchel. The bag was removed from the leather satchel and seal on it was cut by [redacted] and I personally examined the bag to insure that it did contain currency. I did not count\* the money. The package measured approximately one foot by one foot by eight or nine inches. The money was handed to [redacted]

[redacted] Northwest Airlines, who departed for the plane.

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On 11/24/71 at \_\_\_\_\_ File # SE 164-81-277  
by SAC J. E. MILNES/eon Date dictated 11/26/71

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

DB Cooper-2181

November 26, 1971

Dear Sir:

Now that most of the facts are in concerning last Wednesday's Skyjacking are in, one thing is very apparent: If this one is successful, we can expect others to follow. In any case, this was a unique method.

When I heard the hijacker requested and got parachutes, I surmised they might be rigged so they wouldn't open. But no, the man might make a hostage jump with him. Then I began thinking "if I were dealing with a hijacker and he requested two parachutes, what would I do? Being around an airport with all that aviation equipment....." Of course! Remembering back a while, when there was a furor about how hard it is to locate a small plane that has crashed, there was an outfit on the nightly news telling about an emergency transmitter in a little plastic case which sent continuous signals to help locate a downed craft. Why couldn't a smart guy stuff one of these into a parachute case?

A little afterthought, though it doesn't mean a damn thing, is this caper must have been pretty well planned, right? It has been speculated the hijacker must have had someone waiting to pick him up. parachuting is a fast way to come down, but not too accurate. If our man jumped in cowlitz county, chances are he had a rough time of it. (I know the area) I'd be willing to bet that if he jumped in the area between Woodland and Portland, it was probably over one of the few islands in the Columbia River near the Portland Airport. a couple of them are big enough to hit and uninhabited, too. Then he could leave quietly by boat.

I really don't know why I'm writing this except I have nothing better to do at the moment. You guys probably have already thought of all these things, anyway. Oh well, this can be your daily crakpot letter for whichever day it comes on.



Seattle, Wash. 

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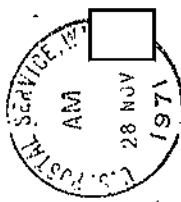
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Seattle, Wash.

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F B I - Seattle Office  
1015 2nd  
Seattle, Washington

ATTN: Hand this to an Agent Please!

DB Cooper-2183

1015 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98104

November 29, 1971

[redacted]  
Seattle, Washington [redacted]

Dear [redacted]

I have your letter of November 26, 1971.

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in writing  
and giving us the benefit of your observations.

Very truly yours,

  
J. E. MILNES  
Special Agent in Charge

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DB Cooper-2184

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FBI

Date: 11/29/71

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT *VIA FACSIMILE*  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT

(Priority)

*SUB - PARACHUTES*  
*Sub D*

TO: SEATTLE

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER  
~~FOUR~~ TWENTY, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

U. S. FOREST SERVICE HAS TWO SMOKE JUMP CENTERS IN OREGON.  
PORTLAND HANDLING CONTACTS THERE.

ONE U. S. FOREST SERVICE SMOKE JUMP CENTER IN STATE OF  
WASHINGTON, LOCATED INTER-CITY AIRPORT BETWEEN TWIST AND  
WINTHROP, WASHINGTON. [REDACTED]

SEATTLE HANDLE:

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FBI

Date: 11/29/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_

PLAIN TEXT *VIA FACSIMILE*

(Type in plaintext or code)

URGENT

(Priority)

TO: SEATTLE

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER  
~~TWENTYFOUR~~ <sup>FOUR</sup>, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

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PORTLAND HANDLING CONTACTS THERE.

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WASHINGTON, LOCATED INTER-CITY AIRPORT BETWEEN TWIST AND  
WINTHROP, WASHINGTON.

SEATTLE HANDLE:

DB Cooper-2186

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164-81-280

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING ; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

*Cooper  
Sub. 7  
PARACHUTE  
Sub. B.*

*X - [Signature]*

[Redacted] Minneapolis, called  
on 11/29/71.

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1. He said that 90% of the skydivers are licensed by the U.S. Parachute Association, P.O. Box 109, Monterey, California. The license has a photograph of the individual; however, he does not believe that the association maintains these photos although they do maintain descriptions.

2. Northwest people have discussed this jump with a pilot who has made 500 parachute jumps, including two at night. He said that with a lighted target, a man could come within 1000 feet of the target from the height that they were flying on the night in question, and that you could guide yourself as much as 45 degrees in either direction with a plain survival type parachute, if you had the knowledge.

3. He stated that they have been passing information on to us based on the "pressure bump" indicating that the man had jumped north of Portland. He said it was entirely possible that the man did not jump when this "pressure bump" took place. It was entirely possible that he sat on the end of the stairs to check out his reference points before he jumped. If he did this for even a short time, he could have easily landed across the river in Oregon.

*X* He pointed out in this connection that there is Aurora Field near Donald, Oregon.

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DB Cooper-2187



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription November 29, 1971

On November 25, 1971, [redacted]

[redacted] Washington, was interviewed at [redacted]

[redacted] Washington.

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He was exhibited the Facial Identification Catalog and he picked therefrom the facial characteristics which most closely resembled those of the man who hijacked Northwest Airlines Flight 305 on November 24, 1971.

- A. Head, oval, KA1-11
- B. Eyes, average, OB1-5
- C. Eyebrows, average, KC1-11
- D. Nose, narrow base, KD4-4
- E. Mouth, average, KE1-16
- F. Chin, pointed, KF3-15
- G. Ears, close set, OG3-7
- H. Cheek and cheekbone, average, OH1-4
- I. Hair, curly or wavy, OJ2-1
- J. Facial lines, forehead OK1-11; between eyes, OK2-11; nose to corner of mouth, KK3-13; side of face, OK4-6; around eyes, KK5-4; chin and neck, OK6-12.

[redacted] stated the subject had no moustache, beard and no pockmarks or skin irregularities. The subject's skin was smooth. [redacted] stated he believes the subject removed his dark glasses once at the time that [redacted] and therefore he picked out eye and eyebrow characteristics. Ordinarily, the subject kept his dark glasses on.

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Interviewed on 11/25/71 at [redacted] Washington File # SE 164-81-282 b6  
by SA [redacted]/rmh Date dictated 11/26/71 b7C

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[ ] stated that the photograph above OJ2-1 on Page 107 bore a close resemblance to the subject, especially if chin KF3-15, page 83, were substituted. Photograph, OJ2-1, resembled the subject closely from the upper lip upwards.

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The subject's hair was jet black, greasy, had a patent leather sheen, marcelled, combed almost straight back, but with a slight angle toward the right side of the head and had a slight part on the left.

He felt the subject might have been a Mexican-American with possibly some American Indian blood.

[ ] who has been in [ ] for a number of years, [ ] which he stated matched the color of the subject's suit coat.

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[ ] was also exhibited an artist's composite sketch of the subject. He stated the sketch closely resembled the subject, but suggested the following changes:

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The hair should be as it appears in the sketch, not photograph, at the top of page 104 in the above-mentioned catalog; it should be marcelled, with a slight part on the left, with a patent leather sheen.

The mouth's lower lip is too full. Mouth KE 1-16, page 61, should be substituted.

The chin is too broad and chin KF 3-22, page 83, should be substituted.

The cheeks should be as in cheeks KJ 3-1, page 108.

SA [ ] penciled in a narrower lower lip, narrowed the chin and shaded the area on either side of the chin in the artist's sketch. [ ] stated that with these changes the resemblance was closer, but that the entire face should be longer. The sketch, as it originally existed resembled a "clean cut American" too much.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SUPERVISOR J. ROBERT SUTTHOFF

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

00: Seattle

DATE: November 29, 1971

The following information is set forth for record purposes:

Shortly after receipt of UNSUB's demands in this matter, I contacted Major [redacted] concerning the possibility of having the Seattle PD helicopter on standby in the event needed. Shortly after this, I was contacted by [redacted] of the Harbor Unit who advised that the Seattle PD helicopter would be kept on standby and pointed out that it was at least a twenty minute flight to Sea-Tac from the Harbor Unit's pad. I suggested to [redacted] that the helicopter be moved to Boeing Field under the circumstances but that under no circumstances should it be sent to Sea-Tac except at our specific request. [redacted] stated that the helicopter would be piloted by [redacted]

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I also contacted SA [redacted] concerning the desirability of having a helicopter from Fort Lewis or McChord on standby. [redacted] called back, advising that Fort Lewis had the more desirable helicopter for use under these circumstances and that such a helicopter was being kept on active alert on the pad at Fort Lewis, and that any further data or request concerning the need for the helicopter should be relayed to [redacted] telephone number [redacted]

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Shortly after this, SA [redacted] was also advised of the necessity of alerting the Air Force at McChord concerning events taking place. This was done by SA [redacted] who advised that it was his understanding that all directions thereafter concerning takeoff of these standby McChord Air Force planes would be received by the Air Force directly by Air National Guard Headquarters at Boise, Idaho.

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2 - Seattle  
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(It is noted at this time the Northwest plane was under surveillance by U. S. Air Force planes out of McChord).

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

November 29, 1971

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CO. SEARCH

MP 003 PD PLAIN

2:55 PM URGENT 11-30-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

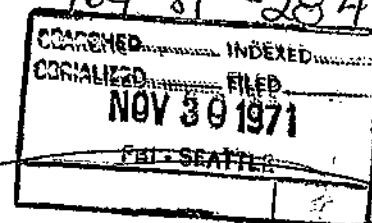
UNSUB; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, FLIGHT NO. THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

FOREST SERVICE MAKING AVAILABLE AIRCRAFT TODAY AND SEARCH  
WILL BE MADE ALONG LINE OF FLIGHT IN MEDFORD, OREGON AREA.  
SA THOMAS G. ACKERMAN WILL CONDUCT VISUAL INSPECTION FROM AIRCRAFT  
ON LINE OF FLIGHT IN EUGENE, OREGON AREA TODAY. SEATTLE WILL BE  
FURNISHED ANY POSITIVE INFORMATION. PENDING.

END

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM : SA ROBERT H. WICK

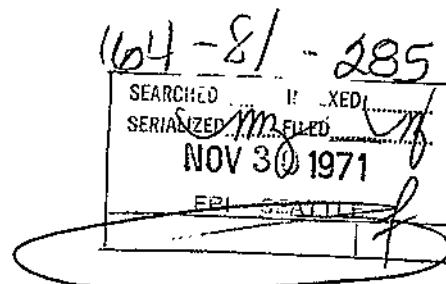
SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NWA, FLIGHT #305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/30/71

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UNSUB;  
NIA, FLIGHT 0305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

*Sub - PUB. Sub.C*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

*X - Customs*

*X - INS*

SA CHUCK HARVEY, WFO, said that he had our teletype with a lead concerning circulars to INS and Customs and will send us the addresses.

For our information he will take 1,000 circulars to Customs and only 6 to INS since they will do their own reprocessing. Both will handle their own mailing.

PRB:klb  
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*klb*

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Date: 11/29/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via TELETYPE URGENT NITEL  
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)

DAILY TELETYPE Sub

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE  
GROUND SEARCH IN PERTINENT AREA CONTINUING. NO POSTTIVE RESULTS. NO AIR SEARCH CONDUCTED TODAY, WEATHER DID NOT PERMIT. SEARCH WILL BE DONE TOMORROW, WEATHER PERMITTING.

PORTLAND WILL ADVISE OF AIR SEARCH THEIR AREA TODAY.

PHOTOS OF [REDACTED] EXHIBITED TO SEATTLE  
WITNESSES TODAY, ALL ADVISE HE WAS NOT HIJACKER.

NUMEROUS CALLS RECEIVED FURNISHING SUSPECTS BASED ON ARTIST'S SKETCH. NO POSITIVE RESULTS.

SEATTLE ALERTING HOSPITALS, DOCTORS, AND CLINICS IN PERTINENT AREA.

PARACHUTE AND AIRPORTS IN SEATTLE AREA CHECKED TODAY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. SKETCHES PHOTOS DISTRIBUTED.

IF BUREAU PREPARED WANTED FLYER TYPE CIRCULAR, IN THIS CASE, SEATTLE REQUESTS ENOUGH FOR REGULAR ADDRESSOGRAPH MAILING, PLUS FIVE THOUSAND FOR SPECIAL CIRCULARIZATION.

PRB:klb

(1)

164-81-287

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 8:41 P M

Per [Signature]

DB Cooper-2200

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

*3 sup.  
witnesses - Sub. H*

On 11/29/71, a photo of [REDACTED] was received from the Butte Division and was shown to witnesses

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All three witnesses stated that from the photo, [REDACTED] is not identical with UNSUB.

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Based on this identification, [REDACTED] is being eliminated as a suspect.

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*klb*

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11/30/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
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OO: SEATTLE  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, ALBANY

FROM :  SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka Dan Cooper;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

DATE: November 30, 1971

Enclosed for each office is one artist's conception of the captioned subject. The Bureau is preparing a circular for field-wide circularization concerning captioned case and will include an artist's conception of the hijacker. The Bureau has been asked to prepare a sketch showing the unknown subject without glasses. Additional distribution will be made from time to time to parachute clubs, flight instruction schools and airports, etc., in an effort to identify the unknown subject which undoubtedly will result in various field divisions receiving calls on this case.

For the assistance of all offices in conducting investigation and to evaluate complaints from citizens, the following information is furnished:

The unknown subject boarded captioned flight at Portland, Oregon, using the name DAN COOPER. As the plane was taxiing toward the runway, Stewardess  occupied the seat reserved for the stewardesses on the right side of the plane and behind the last row of passenger seats. The unknown subject, who occupied the center seat in the last row of three seats, turned and handed her an envelope which she did not open for a few minutes until he glanced at her several times. She then opened the envelope and read the enclosed note which said: "Miss - I have a bomb here and I would like you to sit by me." At this point Stewardess

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2 - All Offices (Encl 1)  
3 - Seattle (164-81)  
CEF:klp



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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

*Susy*



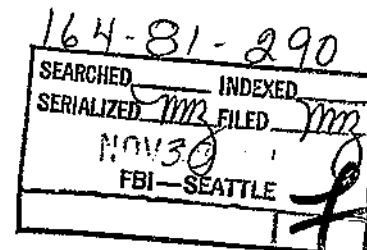
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11/30/71

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM : SA ROBERT H. WICK

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NWA, FLIGHT #305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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The caller said the artist conception of the hijacker resembled the [REDACTED]

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11/30/71

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Date: 11/26/71

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SE

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AT [ ] WASHINGTON. Will recontact [ ]

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2 - Portland

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*Max Mitchell*

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Special Agent in Charge

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Per

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AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
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[ ] AT [ ] WASHINGTON. Will recontact [ ]

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*Wm. L. [ ]*

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Date: 11/30/71

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TELETYPE

NITEL

Via \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111

FROM SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA DASH  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE

CONTACTS WITH HOSPITALS, CLINICS AND DOCTORS IN  
CLARK, COWLITZ, LEWIS AND WAHKIAKUM COUNTIES MADE, NEGATIVE  
RESULTS. AIR SEARCH CONDUCTED TODAY ~~WITH~~ UTILIZING ONE  
HELICOPTER IN AREA TWENTY BY TWENTY MILES, NOTHING SIGNIFICANT  
SIGHTED. GROUND SEARCH CONDUCTED, NEGATIVE. PORTLAND ADVISES  
~~A~~ FOREST SERVICE IS MAKING AVAILABLE A FIXED WING AIRCRAFT  
AND SEARCH MADE ALONG LINE OF FLIGHT IN MEDFORD, OREGON  
AREA. SEARCH WILL BE EXTENDED SOUTH TO THE OREGON BORDER.  
IT IS NOTED THAT THE TERRAIN FROM SOUTH OF EUGENE, OREGON TO  
RED BLUFF, CALIF IS MOUNTAINOUS. ARTISTS CONCEPTIONS  
DISTRIBUTED AT BOEING COMPANY TODAY AND CONTACTS MADE WITH  
SECURITY SERVICE TO LOCATE POSSIBLE SUSPECTS.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 9:28 P M

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PAGE TWO

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU TERRAIN IN SEARCH AREA VARIES FROM ~~SEVENTEEN HUNDRED FEET~~ FROM A RIDGE LINE WHICH AVERAGES SEVENTEEN HUNDRED FEET AND DENSE WOODS WITH EXTREMELY HEAVY UNDERGROWTH AND FEW CLEARINGS IN THE NORTHERN PART OF THE AREA, TO INTERMITTENT FARM LAND AND CLEARINGS WITH SOME STANDS OF DENSE TIMBER IN SOUTHERN PART OF THE AREA. THERE ARE MANY STREAMS AND HILLS AND MUCH OF THE TIMBER LAND IS ALMOST IMPENETRABLE.

*at time*  
WEATHER ~~IN QUESTION~~, ACCORDING TO PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT WEATHER SERVICES REFLECTS WINDS AT SEVEN THOUSAND FEET *from* ~~TO~~ THE WEST UP TO THIRTY KNOTS. CEILING ~~F~~ FIVE THOUSAND FEET, MEDIUM TO HEAVY CLOUD COVER AT THIRTY FIVE HUNDRED FEET OCCASIONAL SIGHTINGS OF THE GROUND AT FIFTEEN HUNDRED FEET. ~~AT~~ GROUND LEVEL A LIGHT MISTY RAIN WAS FALLING WITH WIND VELOCITY TEN TO FIFTEEN KNOTS. IN RESPONSE TO BUREAU INQUIRY TODAY, SEATTLE TELETYPE, NOV. TWENTY FOUR CONTAINED ON PAGE SIX INFORMATION CONCERNING "SCUFFLE" BETWEEN SUBJECT AND A PASSENGER. THIS HAS BEEN FURTHER DISCUSSED WITH WITNESS AND THE

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WORD SCUFFLE WAS INCORRECT. THE WORD SCUFFLE SHOULD HAVE  
BEEN "HASSLE." THIS RESULTED WHEN

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HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES 727 JET, NOVEMBER  
24, 1971 - FOLLOWUP.

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BLACK RAIN-TYPE OVERCOAT OR DARK TOP COAT; DARK BRIEFCASE OR  
ATTACHE CASE; CARRIED PAPER BAG 4" X 12" X 14"; BROWN SHOES.

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TO : SAC, PORTLAND

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER  
THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR,  
NINETEEN SEVENTY-ONE; CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE;  
BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR-TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE PREVIOUS COMMUNICATIONS ON PLANE USING NAME [REDACTED]  
IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THIS IS COLLOQUIAL EXPRESSION OF  
PRIVATE PILOTS UTILIZING CITIZENS BAND RADIO. INFORMATION  
RE [REDACTED] IDENTITY MAY BE SECURED FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TRUE NAME UNKNOWN, AND BELIEVED TO LIVE IN  
[REDACTED] OREGON.

PORTLAND AT BEAVERTON, OREGON, ATTEMPT TO CONTACT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] IN EVENT [REDACTED]  
CAN NOT BE CONTACTED, ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY [REDACTED] AND  
SECURE SAME INFORMATION SETTING APPROPRIATE LEADS RE IDENT-  
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FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

SUBJECT OBTAINED TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AS  
PART OF HIS HIJACKING AND MIGHT WELL LEAVE OR HAVE LEFT  
THE UNITED STATES. WFO IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE THE BEST AND  
MOST EXPEDITE MANNER IN WHICH BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND  
ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF THE HIJACKER MAY BE FURNISHED TO ALL  
POINTS OF DEPARTURE FOR SUCH TRAVELERS. ALSO FURNISH  
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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

WFO

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.  
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FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE. CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE

THROUGH INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON  
CONCERNING FLYING SCHOOLS AND AIRCRAFT COMPANIES, IT HAS BEEN  
DETERMINED THAT NORTHWEST NATIONAL AVIATION INC. HAS BEEN OUT  
OF BUSINESS FOR SIX MONTHS. THIS COMPANY'S FORMER ADDRESS WAS  
FIVE NINE FIVE ZERO - SIXTH AVENUE SOUTH, SEATTLE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO CURRENTLY RESIDES AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OREGON.

PORTLAND DISPLAY ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB. TO [REDACTED]

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