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DB Cooper-3017

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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

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On 12/1/71, [REDACTED] Los Angeles, California, Area Code [REDACTED] telephonically advised that he had just received information over the wire datelined Mt. Vernon, Wa., wherein the Washington State Police had a high speed chase on I-5 and the individual, described as middle aged, wrecked his vehicle and was later captured on foot and booked in the Skagit County Jail pending the determination of his identity. In the vehicle they found "MONEY ALL OVER THE PLACE", some of which was foreign currency. [REDACTED] advised that he thought this could possibly be the hijacker, and that if any positive information was developed from this he would like to be called for the story.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-3018

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT:

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

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RE: [REDACTED]  
SUSPECT

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[REDACTED] On December 2, 1971, Skagit County Undersheriff  
Mt. Vernon, Washington, advised that on the preceeding  
evening a Washington State Patrol (WSP) Trooper stopped a  
1969 Chevrolet, Washington License [REDACTED] northbound on Interstate  
5 at [REDACTED] Washington. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] They were able to catch the driver and  
booked him at the Skagit County Jail where he was identified as  
[REDACTED]

He is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Birthdate	[REDACTED]
Height	6'2"
Weight	190 lbs.
Hair	Graying black
Eyes	[REDACTED]
Complexion	swarthy
Nationality	[REDACTED]
Occupation	[REDACTED]

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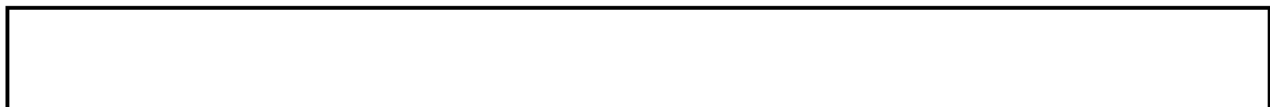
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[redacted] had in his possession approximately [redacted] money and the following additional [redacted]

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Subject also had [redacted]  
California. He has a U.S. Passport [redacted]

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In his possession was a copy of a citation  
[redacted] issued by the [redacted]  
[redacted] hours by Officer [redacted] citing subject  
[redacted]

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[redacted] advised that he understands that this was an incident where [redacted] was [redacted]

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[redacted] said that in contact by telephone with

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[redacted] advised that in his interview with [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that there appeared to him to be a resemblance between [redacted] and the artists conception

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It is suggested that [redacted] photograph be displayed to available witnesses in this matter.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

12/3/71

SA [REDACTED]

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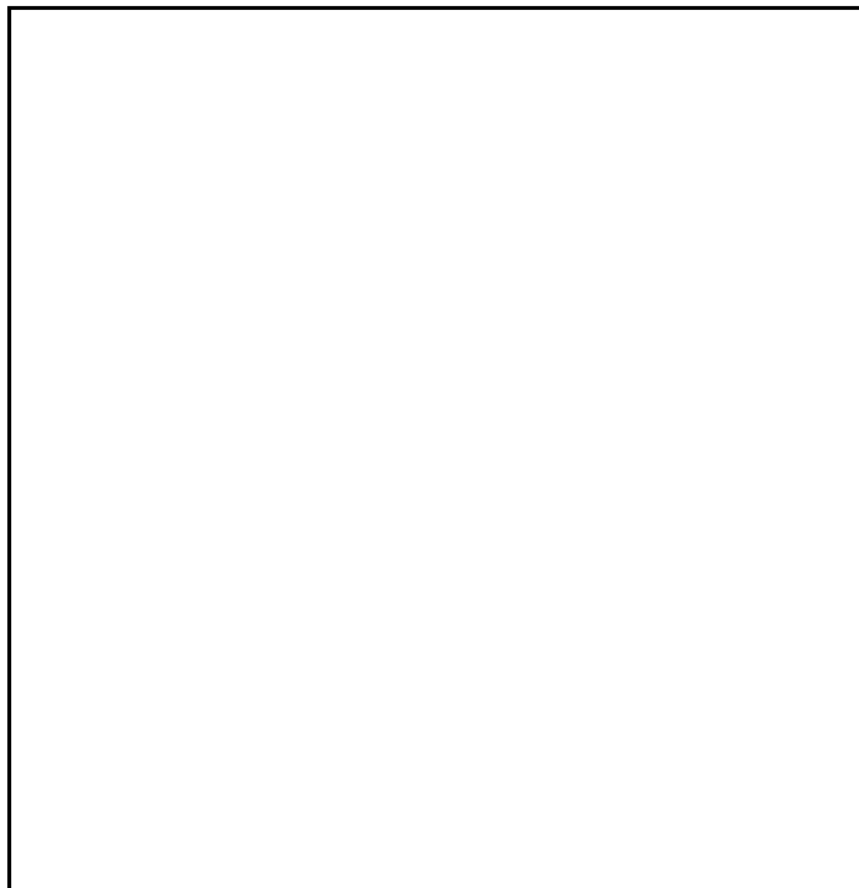
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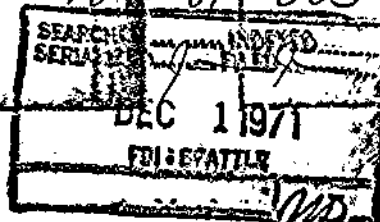
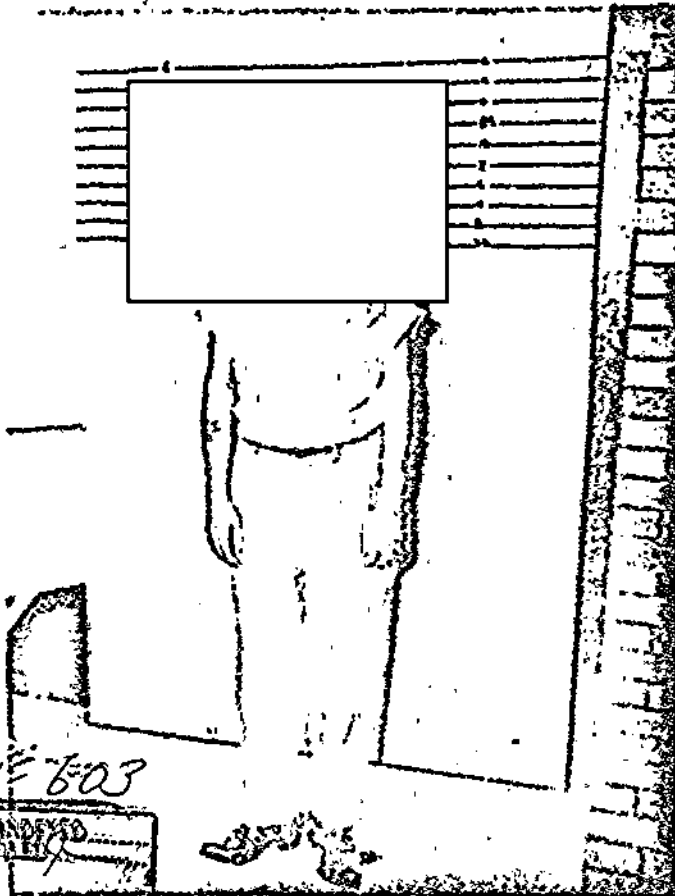
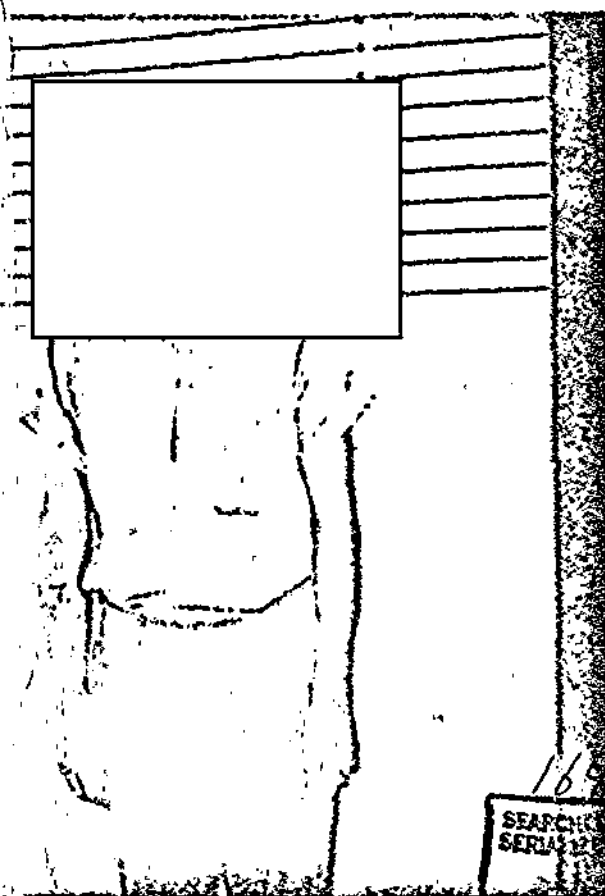
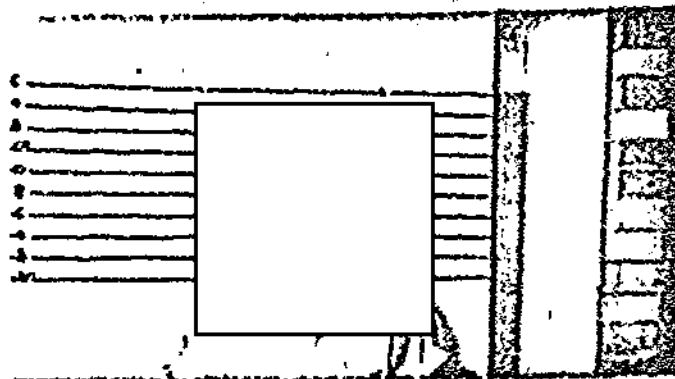
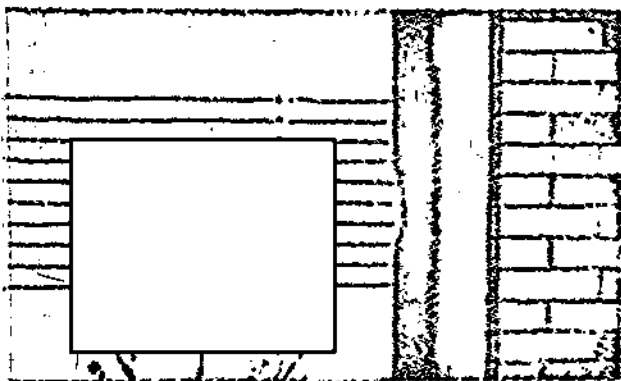
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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING

SUSPECT -

Taken July, 1958

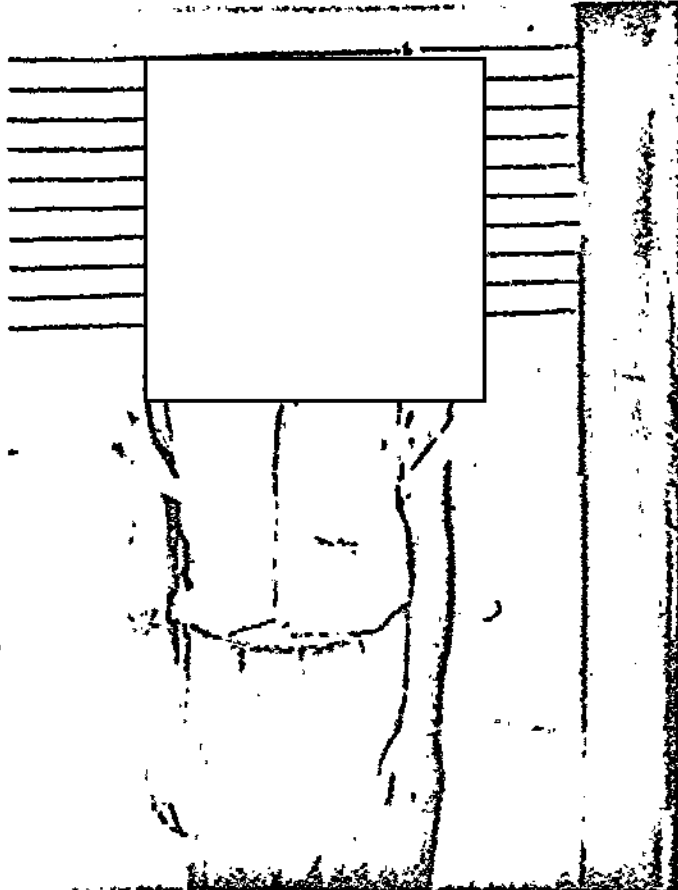
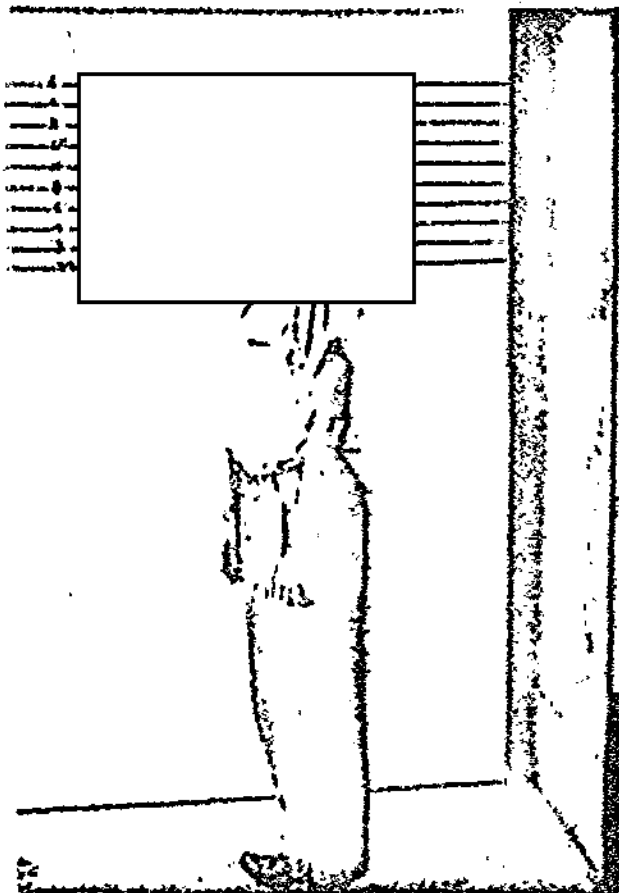
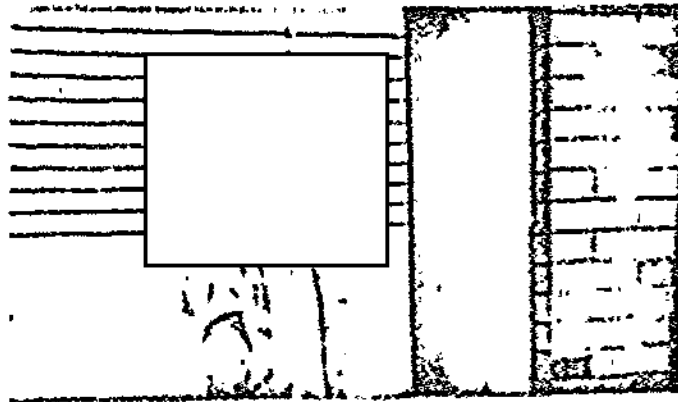




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CAA - HIJACKING

SUSPECT:

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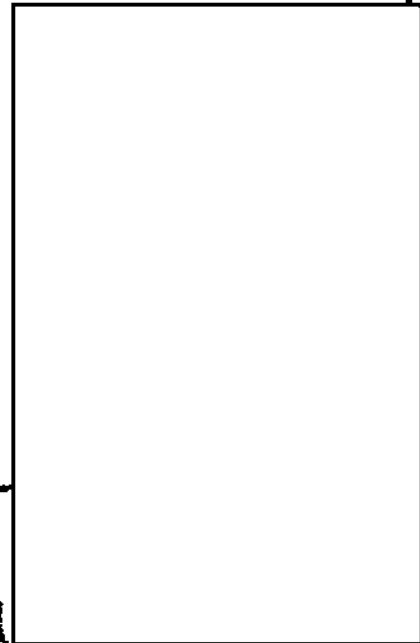
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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE

MINNEAPOLIS

FROM SPRINGFIELD (164-31) (8P)

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

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES EXCEPT SEATTLE,  
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FACT THAT BELOW SUSPECT MATCHES DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB IN THIS  
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[REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED  
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IN INSTANT MATTER. [REDACTED] INTERVIEWED BY AGENTS [REDACTED]  
AND [REDACTED] ON NOVEMBER THIRTY, LAST. [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] CLOSELY RESEMBLES COMPOSITE  
PHOTOGRAPH OBSERVED IN LOCAL SPRINGFIELD NEWSPAPER. [REDACTED]

ADVISED [REDACTED]

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SPRINGFIELD INDICES REVEALED [REDACTED] SUBJECT

[REDACTED] SPRINGFIELD FILE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ARRESTED BY BUREAU AGENTS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED] AT THAT TIME

REVEALED HE WAS [REDACTED] TO APPLY FOR JOB AT

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AREA AND WARRANT ISSUED BY [REDACTED] MISSOURI POLICE

DEPARTMENT. NO DISPOSITION SHOWN IN FILE. UNDER [REDACTED]

FILE [REDACTED] A REVIEW OF SAME

REVEALED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] UNDER SPRINGFIELD FILE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] A REVIEW REVEALED THAT ON [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REQUESTED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
INTERVIEW WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ON DECEMBER ONE,  
INSTANT, BY SA [REDACTED] REVEALED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] RESIGNED FROM [REDACTED]

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FOR OTHER EMPLOYMENT [REDACTED]

UNSUBSTANTIATED INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THAT AN UNKNOWN POLICE  
DEPARTMENT IN FLORIDA HAD RECENTLY CONTACTED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REGARDING [REDACTED]

ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED IN. [REDACTED] COULD NOT VERIFY OR DENY  
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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] THIS INFORMATION  
NOT CONFIRMED AS [REDACTED] RECORDS REGARDING THIS.

RECONTACT WITH [REDACTED] ON DECEMBER ONE, INSTANT,  
REVEALED THAT AS OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

THE FOLLOWING COMPOSITE DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND  
INFORMATION OF [REDACTED] OBTAINED THROUGH SPRINGFIELD FILES,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

DOB

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[REDACTED]

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OR ACCENT; TEETH - [REDACTED]

DARK COMPLETED; SCARS -

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

TATTOOS -

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MARKS -

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[REDACTED] RAP SHEET SUMMARY - [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] MILITARY SERVICE - [REDACTED]

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FOR INFORMATION OF SEATTLE, MAJOR CASE PRINTS AND HAND-  
WRITING EXEMPLARS TAKEN WHEN ARRESTED IN [REDACTED]  
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RESIDING IN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

FACSIMILE PHOTOGRAPHS OF [REDACTED] BEING FORWARDED TO  
SEATTLE AND MINNEAPOLIS AS CREW OF PLANE BASED MINNEAPOLIS.

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SEATTLE AND MINNEAPOLIS KEEP SPRINGFIELD ADVISED AS TO  
DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING THIS SUSPECT.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT SPRINGFIELD. P.

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[REDACTED] CLOSELY RESEMBLES COMPOSITE  
PHOTOGRAPH OBSERVED IN LOCAL SPRINGFIELD NEWSPAPER. [REDACTED]

ADVISED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] REQUESTED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
INTERVIEW WITH [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ON DECEMBER ONE,  
INSTANT, BY SA [REDACTED] REVEALED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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INFORMATION OF [REDACTED] OBTAINED THROUGH SPRINGFIELD FILES,

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Date: 11/29/71

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

TO: SAC, SEATTLE

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (164-191) (P)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
Northwest Airlines  
Boeing 727  
Seattle, Washington  
11/24/71  
CAA - PIRACY

OO: SEATTLE

Enclosed is one photo of [redacted]  
On 11/29/71. [redacted]

[redacted] telephonically advised that he had received information from an individual whose identity he does not desire to disclose at the present time that UNSUB in instant matter might be identical to [redacted]

[redacted] who has used following aliases in the past, [redacted] is the subject of a pending UFAP - [redacted] investigation in the Dallas Division (file [redacted])

[redacted] stated that his source had advised that [redacted] in the past, [redacted] allegedly has [redacted] is soft-spoken and fits general description of UNSUB hijacker.

[redacted] is described as:

Race  
Sex

White  
Male

② - Seattle (Enc. 1) *rec'd*  
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*[Signature]*

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

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DL 164-191

Age  
Birthdate  
Birthplace  
Height  
Weight  
Build  
Hair  
Eyes  
Complexion  
Scar

[Redacted]

6'1"  
163 pounds  
Slender  
Brown  
Brown

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Tattoo

FBI #

[Redacted]

LEAD

SEATTLE

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. Will exhibit photograph of  
[Redacted] to witnesses to determine if [Redacted] possibly identical  
to UNSUB.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SE

RE: SUSPECT - [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] said that he had heard we were checking on a  
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fill [REDACTED] in if there is any indication [REDACTED]  
is involved.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/3/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SE

RE: SUSPECT - [REDACTED]

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NR 013 PD PLAIN

8:45 PM URGENT 12/3/71 TLA

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

UNSUB; N.W. AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE; PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEAT  
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RE SACRAMENTO AIRTEL TO SEATTLE NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT [REDACTED]

PHOTO OF SUSPECT [REDACTED] SHOWN TO [REDACTED] N.W.

AIRLINES, PORTLAND, ON DECEMBER TWO SEVENTYONE AND [REDACTED] OF OPINION

SUSPECT NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB.

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5:09PM NITEL 12/3/71 LSB

TO PHOENIX

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SALT LAKE CITY (164-24)

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

FOLLOWS:

WMA, AGE [REDACTED] FIVE FEET TEN, ONE EIGHTYFIVE LBS., BROWN CREW  
CUT HAIR, RUDDY COMPLEXION, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED DECEMBER THREE INSTANT THAT ON DECEMBER  
TWO LAST, AT ABOUT SEVEN A.M., [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED DRIVER AS GROGGY, APPEARING AS IF HE HAD JUST AWAKENED; APPEARED COMPLETELY SANE AND SOBER, HOWEVER.

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FURTHER DESCRIBED HIM AS BEING A BIG TALKER AND AS BEING A WMA, AGE FORTYFIVE TO FIFTY, ONE EIGHTY TO ONE NINETY LBS., FIVE FEET ELEVEN, BROWN GRAYING HAIR, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAIR WAS UNTIDY AS IF NOT COMBED SINCE SLEEPING.

[REDACTED] UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY FURTHER INFORMATION. NO OTHER WITNESSES TO ABOVE INCIDENT [REDACTED] PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF TRUCK DRIVER UNKNOWN.

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PHOENIX AT PHOENIX ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW DRIVER OF  
ABOVE MENTIONED TRUCK REGARDING ANY KNOWLEDGE OF INSTANT CASE.

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

NR 004 PX PLAIN

10:33PM NITEL 12-4-71 DLN

Susp:

TO: BUTTE (164-26)

SALT LAKE CITY (164-24)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PHOENIX (164-100)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. 00: SEATTLE.

RE SALT LAKE CITY TEL TO PX AND SE DECEMBER THREE LAST.

FOR INFO BUTTE, RE TEL ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED DECEMBER THREE INSTANT AS

FOLLOWS:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

MAN DESCRIBED AS WMA, AGE [REDACTED] <sup>5' 10"</sup> FIVE FEET TEN, <sup>185</sup> ONE EIGHTFIVE LBS., BROWN CREW CUT HAIR, RUDDY COMPLEXION, [REDACTED]

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ADVISED DECEMBER THREE INSTANT THAT ON

DECEMBER TWO LAST, AT ABOUT SEVEN A. M.,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

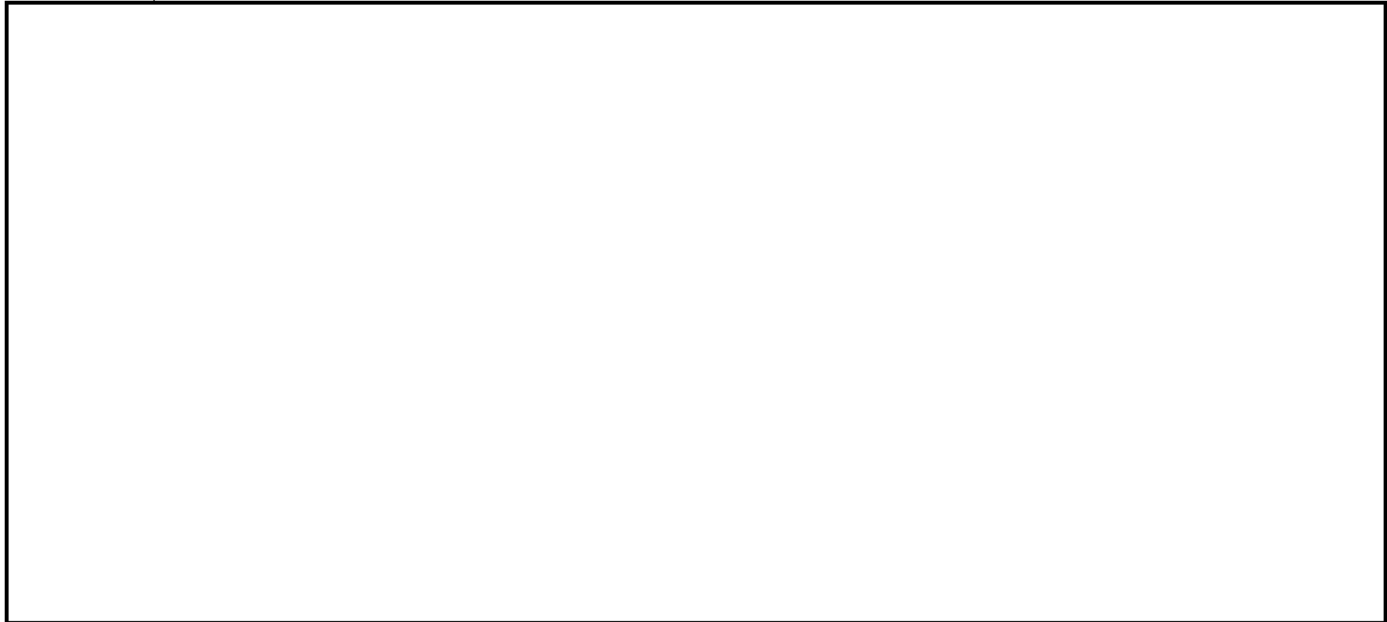
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[REDACTED] HAIR WAS UNTIDY AS IF NOT COMBED SINCE SLEEPING.

[REDACTED] UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY FURTHER INFORMATION. NO OTHER WITNESSES TO ABOVE INCIDENT [REDACTED] PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF TRUCK DRIVER UNKNOWN."

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ON INSTANT DATE, PHOENIX INVESTIGATION REFLECTED ARIZONA  
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LICENSE [REDACTED] WITH SEVENTYONE TAG [REDACTED]

X- P.U TRUCK

[REDACTED] IS ASSIGNED A NINETEEN SEVENTY CHEVROLET P/U TRUCK  
BELONGING TO A [REDACTED] IN

[REDACTED]  
ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE [REDACTED] HAVE MET WITH  
NEGATIVE RESULTS.

ON INSTANT DATE, [REDACTED] CHIEF OF POLICE, [REDACTED]  
STATED [REDACTED] HAS NOT BEEN SEEN IN THE [REDACTED] AREA FOR AT  
LEAST EIGHTEEN MONTHS. [REDACTED] HAS BEEN KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN  
EMPLOYED IN THE PAST BY [REDACTED]  
AREA.

FURTHER INQUIRIES INDICATE [REDACTED] IS PRESENTLY RESIDING  
WITH A [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
ON DECEMBER THREE LAST, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THE FLAGSTAFF RA AT WHICH TIME HE  
FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

11-25-71  
ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE LAST, BETWEEN TWO AND THREE PM, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] WERE DRIVING SOUTH ON HIGHWAY NINETY-  
THREE [REDACTED] WHEN THEY OBSERVED

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TWO PARACHUTISTS LANDING AMONG TREES AND BOULDERS BETWEEN HIGHWAY NINETY-THREE AND FLATHEAD LAKE. [ ] FURTHER DESCRIBED THIS LOCATION AS BEING APPROXIMATELY IN THE NORTH ONE-THIRD OF FLATHEAD LAKE ON HIGHWAY NINETY-THREE. THERE WERE POWER LINES ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE HIGHWAY, TELEPHONE LINES ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE HIGHWAY, WITH APPROXIMATELY A THIRTY PERCENT INCLINE FROM THE HIGHWAY TO THE LAKE.

[ ] INDICATED THE PARACHUTISTS LANDED IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THREE OR FOUR LOG CABIN-TYPE HOUSES IN A COVE ON THE LAKE.

[ ] STATED BOTH PARACHUTISTS WERE USING SPORTING-TYPE PARACHUTES WHICH WERE RED, WHITE, AND POSSIBLY BLUE IN COLOR. ONLY ONE OF THE PARACHUTISTS WAS CLOSELY OBSERVED AND IT WAS DETERMINED HE WAS WEARING A COLORED CRASH HELMET, GOGGLES, AND A GREENISH-BLUE ALL WEATHER OUTFIT.

[ ] FELT THIS INCIDENT MIGHT POSSIBLY BE RELATED TO CAPTIONED MATTER IN VIEW OF THE FACT THE PARACHUTISTS HAD MADE THEIR JUMP IN EXTREMELY POOR WEATHER CONSISTING OF A LOW CLOUD COVER, HIGH WINDS, AND INTERMITTENT SNOW. IT WAS HIS BELIEF THAT EXPERIENCED SKY DIVERS WHOULD NEVER MADE A JUMP IN SUCH BAD WEATHER.

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IN AS MUCH AS THIS INCIDENT TOOK PLACE IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO  
[REDACTED], SUPPOSEDLY THE PRESENT RESIDENCE OF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] IT IS FELT FURTHER INVESTIGATION CONCERNING THE ABOVE  
DESCRIBED PARACHUTE JUMP SHOULD BE CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH  
THE INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED]

BUTTE, AT [REDACTED] WILL INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REGARDING  
ANY KNOWLEDGE OF CAPTIONED MATTER. WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE  
INVESTIGATION IN AN EFFORT TO SECURE FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING  
THE PARACHUTE JUMP MADE BY THE ABOVE DESCRIBED TWO MEN ON THE  
AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE LAST.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305,  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HI JACKING  
OO: Seattle

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Re telephone call from ASAC BIBLER, 11/29/71

Referenced phone call advised [redacted] suggested as possible subject in this matter. Check with COP RALPH BENEFIEL who knows [redacted] verywell at [redacted] reflected that he does not resemble the composite photograph of the hijacker primarily because he is [redacted]. A photograph of [redacted] was obtained from [redacted] Co. SO BENEFIEL also advised that [redacted] and from what he has heard is not [redacted]. He advised he saw him about [redacted] but has not seen him since then.

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(3) ATTACHMENT 1 TJM/

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[redacted] *ARB*

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/1/71

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

UNSUB;  
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Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HI JACKING  
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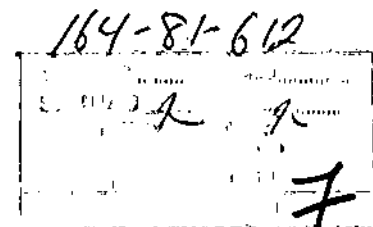
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/1/71

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11/24/71  
CAA - HI JACKING  
OO: Seattle

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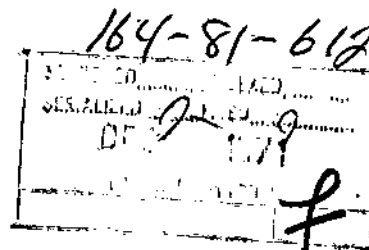
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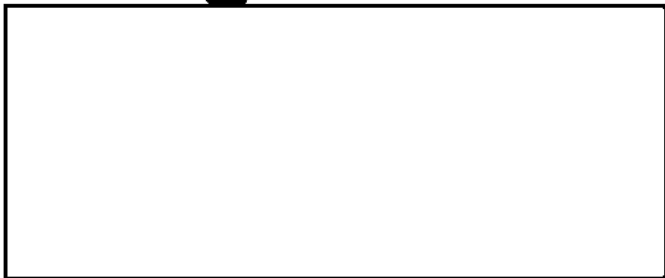
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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

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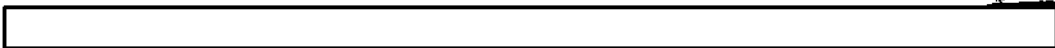


UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE, BUFILE 164-2111.


RE PREVIOUS COMMUNICATIONS ON PLANE USING NAME



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 INTERVIEWED DECEMBER ONE, SEVENTYONE AND  
FURNISHED FOLLOWING:



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NR 004 PD PLAIN

URGENT 12-3-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE, BUFILE 164-2111.

RE PREVIOUS COMMUNICATIONS ON PLANE USING NAME [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED DECEMBER ONE, SEVENTYONE AND

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

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FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka DAN COOPER;  
N.W. Airlines Flight #305,  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA - Hijacking; Extortion  
OO: Seattle

At 7:15 PM, 12/3/71, [REDACTED]  
Sheriff's Office, phone [REDACTED] advised writer by telephone  
that he had been advised by one [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] that UNSUB may be one [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] thinks [REDACTED] looks just like the composite picture.  
[REDACTED] is described as 5'10", 160 pounds, dark hair, and wears  
dark glasses. He [REDACTED]

He reportedly [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] states this is all the information he received  
from [REDACTED]

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Try to identify  
of interview him

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

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F B I

Date: 12/3/71

Transmit the following in oof

(Type in plaintext or code)

Via TELETYPENITEL  
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DAILY TELETYPEUNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

OO: SE.

INVESTIGATION BY SEATTLE TODAY CONSISTED OF  
INTERVIEWING VARIOUS PERSONS IN GENERAL VICINITY OF SEARCH  
AREA, WHO INDICATED THEY MAY HAVE SEEN OR OBSERVED SOMETHING  
CONNECTED WITH THE CASE. NOTHING OF SUBSTANCE DEVELOPED.  
SEATTLE CONTINUING TO CHECK OUT QUOTE LOOK ALIKES ENQUOTE.

PORTLAND ADVISES TWO D.B. COOPER LETTERS RECEIVED  
IN PORTLAND; BOTH LETTERS AND ENVELOPES BEING FORWARDED TO  
FBI LABORATORY. OTHER INVESTIGATION BY PORTLAND RELATING  
TO LOOK ALIKES CONDUCTED, WITH NO POSITIVE RESULTS.

IN REGARD TO PHILADELPHIA TELETYPE TODAY, WHICH  
MENTIONED POSSIBILITY OF CONCEALMENT BEHIND INSPECTION  
PANELS IN FUSELAGE OF AIRCRAFT, LAS VEGAS ADVISED TODAY  
THAT BOTH OF THESE PANELS AND THE AREAS BEHIND THEM WERE  
INSPECTED WHILE PLANE WAS ON GROUND AT RENO, NEVADA.  
NOTHING WAS FOUND.

PRB:k1b  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

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SACRAMENTO HAS ARRANGED FOR AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY  
OF TWENTY MILE WIDE STRIP ALONG ENTIRE FLIGHT PATH.  
MAP OF FLIGHT PATH HAS BEEN FURNISHED TO SACRAMENTO AS  
PREPARED BY MC CHORD AFB, SEATTLE.

DB Cooper-3073

F B I

Date: 12/3/71

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

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) DAILY TELETYPE  
UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.  
OO: SE.

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

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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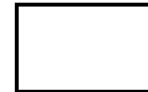
TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/2/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

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



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Attached to this communication are photographs of individuals who have been suggested as possible suspects in captioned matter. These suggestions have come from members of law enforcement agencies, [redacted] in the Clark and Cowlitz County, Washington areas.

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If deemed feasible above photographs particularly that of [redacted] should be shown to witnesses who saw hijacker.

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(3) TJM/ (ATTACHMENT ONE ENVELOPE WITH 5 PHOTOGRAPHS)

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NR 002 PD PLAIN

2:30 PM URGERT 12-4-71 GEO

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1P

UNSUB, AKA D. B. COOPER, HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE; CAA- HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE; BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

REURTELCA FROM SA [REDACTED] TO PORTLAND THIS DATE.

FACSIMILE PHOTO OF [REDACTED] DISPLAYED TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NORTHWEST AIRLINES, PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL  
AIRPORT, INSTANT DATE.

[REDACTED] STATED DUE TO POOR QUALITY OF FACSIMILE REPRODUCTION,  
HE COULD NOT EFFECT ANY POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION, AND REITERATED  
PRIOR POSITION THAT HE BELIEVES ORIGINAL PHOTOGRAPHS NECESSARY  
FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES.

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11:05 PM URGENT 12-4-71 ALH

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-81)

MINNEAPOLIS

PORTLAND

FROM BUTTE (164-26)

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

RE SUSPECT [REDACTED] AKA.

RE BUTTE TEL BUREAU DECEMBER THREE LAST AND SEATTLE TELEPHONE  
CALL BUTTE DECEMBER FOUR, INSTANT.

[REDACTED] ON OUTSKIRTS

[REDACTED] CLOSE NEIGHBOR, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CLOSED ONE P.M. UNTIL MONDAY NEXT.

[REDACTED] RESIDES [REDACTED] APARTMENT COMPLEX. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LICENSE PLATE PARKED OUTSIDE TODAY. TWO NEIGHBORS, BOTH

[REDACTED] NOT AVAILABLE. REMAINING NEIGHBOR

[REDACTED] BELIEVED RELIABLE AND IN-

TERVIEWED. CASUALLY KNOWS [REDACTED] BUT CANNOT DEFINITELY STATE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NIGHT OF HIJACKING.

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DUE TO REPUTATION OF [REDACTED] DISCREET EFFORTS BEING  
MADE TO IDENTIFY AND ESTABLISH RELIABILITY [REDACTED]

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PD RECORDS SHOW ONLY TRAFFIC CITATION [REDACTED]

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NO RECORD [REDACTED] BUTTE INDICES.

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INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

SUSPECT CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS SINCE REPORTEDLY  
CARRIES GUN.

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10:30PM NITEL 12-4-71 NEH

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-63)

FROM SAC, ST. LOUIS (164-81)P

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

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES DATED NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE SEVENTY

ONE.

RE FNU [REDACTED] - SUSPECT

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MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY PATROL ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT INDIVIDU

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RESEMBLING ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB THIS MATTER OBSERVED AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] DECEMBER THREE, LAST.

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ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT AT TWO FIFTY PM DECEMBER THREE LAST

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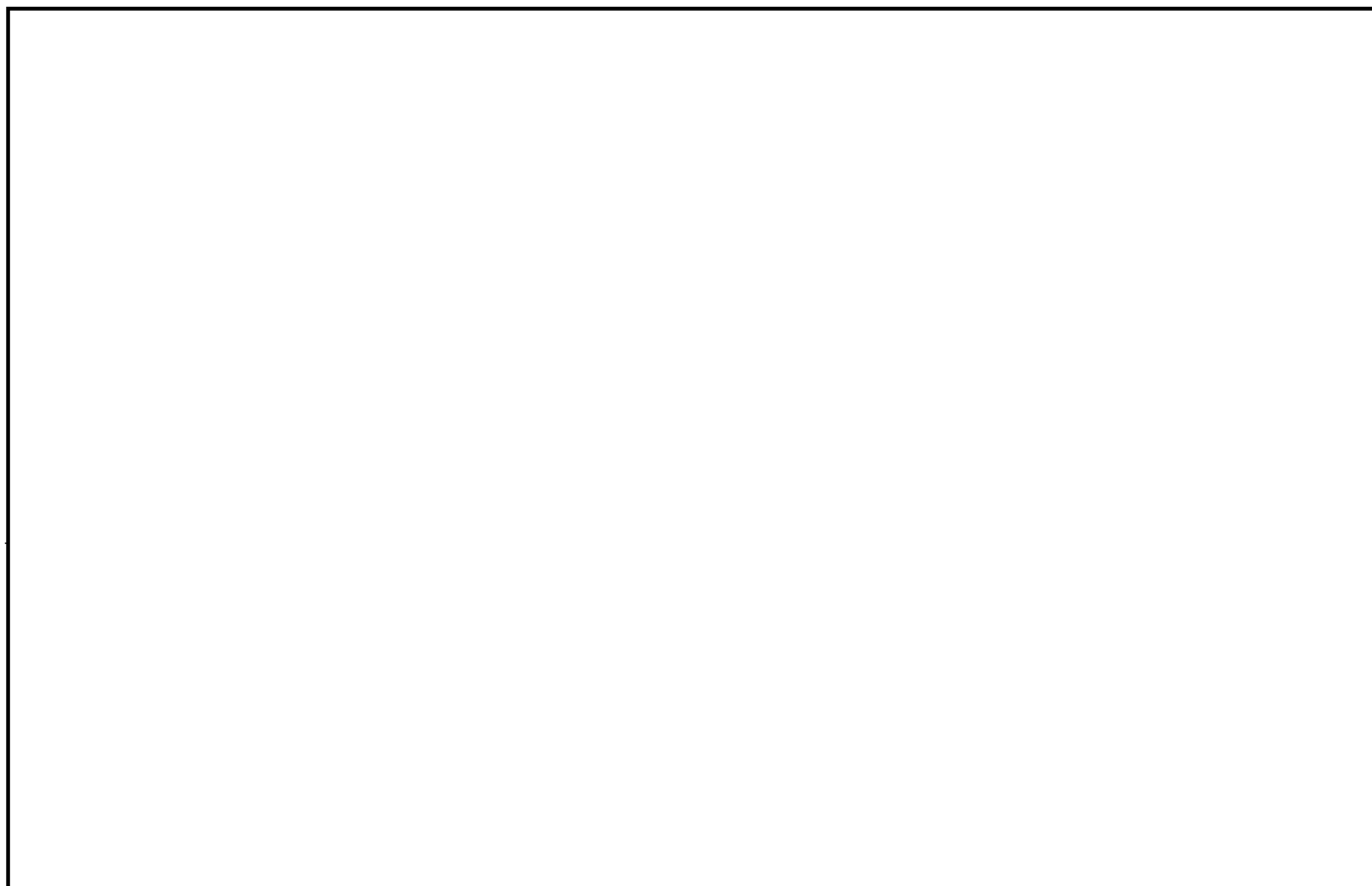
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IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] 5' 8" 175"  
UNIDENTIFIED MALE DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: WHITE MALE, FIVE FEET EIGHT-  
NINE INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE DASH ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY POUNDS,  
MUSCULAR BUILD, [REDACTED] YEARS OF AGE, DARK BROWN THINING HAIR  
WITH RECEIDING DARK BROWN HAIR AT TEMPLES. MAN WORE LARGE DARK BROWN  
"HORN-RIMMED" GLASSES AND TAN SHIRT AND TROUSERS. UNIDENTIFEID MALE  
HAD "LOPSIDED FACE" IN THAT FACE AND JAW SLANTED FROM MALES LEFT  
TO RIGHT IN RELATION TO HIS NECK. [REDACTED] STATED MALE CLOSELY RESEM-

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BLED ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB AS DISPLAYED ON NBC TELEVISION  
NEWS DECEMBER THREE, LAST. [REDACTED] DID NOT HEAR HEIGHT, WEIGHT, OR  
AGE ON NBC NEWSCAST. UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE DESCRIBED AS WHITE FEMALE  
FIVE FEET, ONE HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, [REDACTED] YEARS  
OF AGE, [REDACTED] FEMALE WORE  
BLACK SLACKS, BLACK JACKET AND RED BLOUSE.

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SEVEN TWENTY DOLLARS BILLS RECEIVED BY [REDACTED]

DECEMBER THREE LAST. SERIAL NUMBERS AS FOLLOWS: K ZERO ZERO ZERO  
SIX NINE ZERO ZERO ONE; G ZERO TWO FOUR FIVE SEVEN EIGHT SIX EIGHT B;

G ONE FOUR EIGHT ZERO FIVE ONE SEVEN A; H TWO SEVEN NINE THREE EIGHT  
ZERO ZERO SIX ZERO A; E SIX THREE NINE ONE NINE EIGHT FIVE SIX A;  
EIGHT ZERO NINE FIVE TWO SEVEN THREE NINE SIX A; G SEVEN EIGHT FOUR  
SEVEN SIX ONE NINE ONE A SERIES NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE A. SERIES NOT  
AVAILABLE FOR FIRST SIX BILLS. BILLS DEPOSITED WARRENTON BANK, INSTANT  
DATE. BANK CLOSED TO RE-OPEN DECEMBER SIX NEXT.

INDICES NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED]

NCIC NEGATIVE LAST

BILL ABOVE.

OMAHA AT LINCOLN, NEB, AND SEATTLE, ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY  
UNIDENTIFIED MALE THROUGH RECORDS DMV AND CONDUCT APPROPRIATE  
INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB.

ST. LOUIS AT WARRENTON, MO WILL CONTACT WARRENTON BANK AND OBTAIN

SERIES NUMBERS FOR FIRST SIX BILLS.

CONSIDER UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

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(Priority)NEWARK  
NEW YORK  
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED AND PHOTOGRAPHED IN  
NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA. ALL OFFICES HOLD IN ABEYANCE FURTHER  
INVESTIGATION CONCERNING [REDACTED] UNTIL PHOTOGRAPHS HAVE BEEN  
SHOWN TO WITNESSES.

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5:03 PM NITEL 12/4/71 DCA

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FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

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

RE: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED AND PHOTOGRAPHED IN NEWPORT  
NEWS, VIRGINIA. ALL OFFICES HOLD IN ABEYANCE FURTHER INVESTIGATION  
CONCERNING [REDACTED] UNTIL PHOTOGRAPHS HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO WITNESSES.

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4:43 PM NITEL 12/4/71 DCA

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FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

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

RE: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED AND PHOTOGRAPHED IN NEWPORT  
NEWS, VIRGINIA. ALL OFFICES HOLD IN ABEYANCE FURTHER INVESTIGATION  
CONCERNING [REDACTED] UNTIL PHOTOGRAPHS HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO WITNESSES.

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5:17 PM NITEL 12/4/71 DCA

TO NEWARK

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NORFOLK

WFO

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) IP

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

RE: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED AND PHOTOGRAPHED IN NEWPORT  
NEWS, VIRGINIA. ALL OFFICES HOLD IN ABEYANCE FURTHER INVESTIGATION  
CONCERNING [REDACTED] UNTIL PHOTOGRAPHS HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO WITNESSES.

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7:45PM URGENT 12-4-71 DJP

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

NEW YORK (164-627)

NORFOLK (164-41)

SEATTLE (164-81)

WFO (164-169)

FROM NEWARK (164-196) (1P)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER  
THREE HUNDRED FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, ELEVEN TWENTY-FOUR,  
SEVENTY ONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE NORFOLK TELETYPE TO BUREAU TWELVE THREE, SEVENTY ONE  
AND WFO TELETYPE TO BUREAU TWELVE THREE, SEVENTY ONE.

REINTERVIEWED TWELVE THREE, LAST, AND ADVISED THAT INDIVIDUAL  
HE SPOKE TO RELATIVE TO

SPOKE WITH A ACCENT WHICH COULD  
NOT BE CONSTRUED AS

FOR INFORMATION OF WFO INS FILES, NEWARK, NEW JERSEY,  
NOT AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW UNTIL TWELVE SIX, NEXT.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING NEWARK.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SA JOHN L KETCHAM (P)

DATE: 12/4/71

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

*cc SUB N.*

On 12/4/71 [REDACTED] called to suggest that there might be some possibility that a radio receiver was in the hijacker's attache case. This could be used in conjunction with a low frequency transmitter on the ground - to know when to drop. He said this would put one within a 3 mile radius from a 10,000 foot level jump on target.

However, he noted too, that any transisterized receiver in use should be reflected in the plane instruments - so pilot should be able to tell that such was the case (transceiver in use)

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4:31 PM URGENT 12-5-71 RMB

TO: DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

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

RE SEATTLE TEL TO DIRECTOR, BT, MP, AND PD, TWELVE FOUR  
SEVENTYONE.

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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ON TWELVE FIVE INSTANT, [REDACTED] NORTHWEST  
AIRLINES, PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ADVISED [REDACTED] PHOTOS  
BEAR RESEMBLANCE TO UNSUB, HOWEVER NOT BELIEVED IDENTICAL TO  
UNSUB. DISSIMILARITIES IN HAIRLINE AND MOUTH NOTED BY [REDACTED]

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ON SAME DATE, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] NOSE, LIPS AND EARS TO BIG TO BE  
HIJACKER.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/5/71

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FROM : S.A. [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: 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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On 12/5/71, S.A. [REDACTED] of the Little Rock Division, telephonically advised that stewardess [REDACTED] was shown a photograph of suspect [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] is not identical to the hijacker.

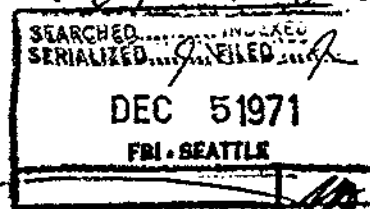
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S.A. [REDACTED] was instructed to furnish Seattle and the Bureau with a teletype containing results of investigation.

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4:22PM NITEL 12/5/71 EJP

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

SEATTLE (164-81)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

FROM: LITTLE ROCK (164-22)

*cc. WITNESSES  
and H*

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA-HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE. BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR-TWO ONE ONE ONE. [REDACTED]

RE MINNEAPOLIS TEL THIS DATE RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

NORTHWEST AIRLINES STEWARDESS [REDACTED] TEMPORARILY

RESIDING [REDACTED], UNTIL  
TUESDAY NEXT, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT PHOTOS [REDACTED] NOT IDENT WITH  
HIJACKER.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

LITTLE ROCK

SEATTLE 164-81

FROM MINNEAPOLIS 164-73 1P

*Susp.*

*CC-WITNESSES sub H*

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE SEATTLE TEL TO MINNEAPOLIS TWELVE THREE LAST AND CLEVELAND TEL TO BUREAU TWELVE THREE LAST.

FOR INFO LITTLE ROCK, RETELS SET FORTH [REDACTED] AS POSSIBLE SUSPECT. BUREAU HAS REQUESTED THAT PHOTOS OF [REDACTED] BE DISPLAYED TO WITNESSES BEFORE OTHER INVESTIGATION.

INVESTIGATION MINNEAPOLIS REFLECTS STEWARDESSES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOT AVAILABLE TWELVE FOUR LAST. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] UNABLE TO IDENTIFY [REDACTED] AS SUBJECT. ATTEMPTS WILL BE MADE TO EXHIBIT PHOTOS TO [REDACTED] TODAY.

LITTLE ROCK WILL CONTACT [REDACTED]

PHONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND DISPLAY FACSIMILE PHOTOS WHICH FOLLOW.

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Date: 12/2/71

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (164-55) (~~SM~~)

*pkf*  
 SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
 Northwest Airlines Flight 305,  
 11/24/71,  
 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
 (OO:SE)  
 (BUFILE 164-2111)

Re Cincinnati tel, 12/1/71.

Re suspect [REDACTED]

Enclosed herewith are three copies of photograph of  
 [REDACTED] which were taken in about [REDACTED] made from  
 a copy furnished by [REDACTED]

- enc received SM*  
 ② - Seattle (Enc. 3) (AMSD)  
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NR 002 PD PLAIN

5:25 AM NITEL 12/5/71 SRC

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

KANSAS CITY

LOS ANGELES

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

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

ON DECEMBER FIVE NINETEEN SEVENTYONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OREGONIAN NEWSPAPER AT PORTLAND ADVISED  
THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A CALL FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED MALE WHO  
STATED THAT THE THREE MEN WHO PERPETRATED CAPTIONED MATTER

ARE NAMED [REDACTED]

AND THAT THEY COULD BE LOCATED AT EITHER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], OR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHERE [REDACTED]

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THE CALLER STATED THAT HE IS INTERESTED IN COLLECTING A  
REWARD FOR THIS INFORMATION AND WILL RECONTACT [REDACTED]  
AFTER ARRESTS ARE MADE. THE CALLER STATED THAT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

KANSAS CITY, LOS ANGELES, AND SAN FRANCISCO TELEPHONICALLY  
ADVISED AND ARE CONDUCTING APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

PORTLAND WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] FOR  
ADDITIONAL CONTACTS MADE BY CALLER. KANSAS CITY, SAN FRANCISCO  
AND LOS ANGELES CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AND  
REPORT RESULTS TO SEATTLE AND PORTLAND.

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NR 002 PD PLAIN

5:25 AM NITEL 12/5/71 SRC

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

KANSAS CITY

LOS ANGELES

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

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

ON DECEMBER FIVE NINETEEN SEVENTYONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OREGONIAN NEWSPAPER AT PORTLAND ADVISED  
THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A CALL FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED MALE WHO  
STATED THAT [REDACTED] WHO PERPETRATED CAPTIONED MATTER  
ARE NAMED [REDACTED]

AND THAT THEY COULD BE LOCATED AT EITHER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], OR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHERE [REDACTED]

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THE CALLER STATED THAT HE IS INTERESTED IN COLLECTING A  
REWARD FOR THIS INFORMATION AND WILL RECONTACT [REDACTED]  
AFTER ARRESTS ARE MADE. THE CALLER STATED THAT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

KANSAS CITY, LOS ANGELES, AND SAN FRANCISCO TELEPHONICALLY  
ADVISED AND ARE CONDUCTING APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

PORTLAND WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] FOR  
ADDITIONAL CONTACTS MADE BY CALLER. KANSAS CITY, SAN FRANCISCO  
AND LOS ANGELES CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AND  
REPORT RESULTS TO SEATTLE AND PORTLAND.

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NR001 KC PLAIN

7:35AM NITEL 12-5-71 KWC

TO PORTLAND (164-41)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM KANSAS CITY (164-80)

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

RE PORTLAND TELECALL TO KANSAS CITY INSTANT DATE AND PORTLAND  
TELETYPE INSTANT DATE.

REVIEW OF CITY DIRECTORIES FOR GREATER KANSAS CITY AREA WAS  
NEGATIVE FOR ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

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KANSAS CITY INDICIES NEGATIVE REGARDING [REDACTED]

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KANSAS CITY INDICIES REFLECT A [REDACTED] WHO IS REFERENCED IN  
A ITSMV CASE. [REDACTED] IS CURRENTLY [REDACTED] YEARS OLD.

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KANSAS CITY INDICIES REVEALED FOURTEEN [REDACTED] AT PORTLAND

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REQUEST KANSAS CITY IS SENDING FOLLOWING PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF

[REDACTED] WHOSE INDICIES CARD  
REFLECTED HE HAD BEEN [REDACTED] KANSAS CITY HAD  
ITSMV CASE IN [REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE  
MALE, BORN [REDACTED]

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FIVE FEET EIGHT, ONE SIXTY LBS., BROWN EYES, BROWN HAIR, DARK  
COMPLEXION WITH HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
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KANSAS CITY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY WAS NEGATIVE FOR [REDACTED] AND

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[REDACTED] DIRECTORY LISTED FIVE [REDACTED] NONE OF WHOM HAD  
ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

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S CITY WILL CONDUCT FURTHER INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE

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END

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NR001 KC PLAIN

7:35AM NITEL 12-5-71 KWC

TO PORTLAND (164-41)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM KANSAS CITY (164-80)

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

RE PORTLAND TELECALL TO KANSAS CITY INSTANT DATE AND PORTLAND  
TELETYPE INSTANT DATE.

REVIEW OF CITY DIRECTORIES FOR GREATER KANSAS CITY AREA WAS  
NEGATIVE FOR ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

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KANSAS CITY INDICIES NEGATIVE REGARDING [REDACTED]

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KANSAS CITY INDICIES REFLECT A [REDACTED] WHO IS REFERENCED IN  
A ITSMV CASE. [REDACTED] IS CURRENTLY [REDACTED] YEARS OLD.

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KANSAS CITY INDICIES REVEALED FOURTEEN [REDACTED] AT PORTLAND

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REQUEST KANSAS CITY IS SENDING FOLLOWING PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF

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[REDACTED] WHOSE INDICIES CARD  
REFLECTED HE HAD BEEN [REDACTED] KANSAS CITY HAD  
ITSMV CASE IN [REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE  
MALE, BORN [REDACTED]

FIVE FEET EIGHT, ONE SIXTY LBS., BROWN EYES, BROWN HAIR, DARK  
COMPLEXION WITH HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
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KANSAS CITY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY WAS NEGATIVE FOR [REDACTED] AND

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[REDACTED] DIRECTORY LISTED FIVE [REDACTED] NONE OF WHOM HAD

ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

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S CITY WILL CONDUCT FURTHER INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE

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[REDACTED]  
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PM SEATTLE (164-81)

KANSAS

LOS ANGELES

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

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

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SAN FRANCISCO THIS DATE.

RE PORTLAND TELEPHONE CALL TO SAN FRANCISCO THIS DATE.

INVESTIGATION THIS DATE DETERMINED ADDRESS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS BEEN COOPERATIVE IN THE PAST WITH THIS BUREAU.

HE ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NOT AVAILABLE THIS DATE.

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[REDACTED] NOT AVAILABLE FOR INTER-

VIEW THIS DATE.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE AT [REDACTED] COULD NOT FURNISH  
INFO REGARDING [REDACTED]  
IF ANY, ON THIS DATE. THIS SOURCE WILL ENDEAVOR TO DO SO MONDAY,  
TWELVE SIX, NEXT.

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SAN FRANCISCO INDICES REVEALED THE FOLLOWING INFO: (ONE)

[REDACTED] SAN FRANCISCO FILE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NEGRO. DOB [REDACTED] SNRA NUMBER

[REDACTED]  
PRESENT STATUS NOT AVAILABLE THIS DATE.

(TWO) [REDACTED] SF FILE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AKA [REDACTED] (NUMEROUS OTHER ALIAS) [REDACTED] WAS

[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]

DESCRIBED: WHITE, DOB [REDACTED]

FIVE TEN, TWO ZERO TWO LBS., BROWN HAIR BALDING TO

TOP MIDDLE, EYES [REDACTED] COMPLEXION OLIVE. PARENTS ARE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(THREE) SAN FRANCISCO FILE [REDACTED]

CAPTIONED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARRESTED [REDACTED]

POLICE

DEPARTMENT, [REDACTED]

INVESTIGATION AT SAN FRANCISCO CONTINUING.

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INVESTIGATION THIS DATE DETERMINED ADDRESS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS BEEN COOPERATIVE IN THE PAST WITH THIS BUREAU.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RECORDS OF INSTANT

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[REDACTED] NOT AVAILABLE FOR INTER-

VIEW THIS DATE.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE AT [REDACTED] COULD NOT FURNISH  
INFO REGARDING [REDACTED]  
IF ANY, ON THIS DATE. THIS SOURCE WILL ENDEAVOR TO DO SO MONDAY,  
TWELVE SIX, NEXT.

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SAN FRANCISCO INDICES REVEALED THE FOLLOWING INFO: (ONE)

[REDACTED] SAN FRANCISCO FILE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NEGRO. DOB [REDACTED]

SNRA NUMBER  
[REDACTED]

PRESENT STATUS NOT AVAILABLE THIS DATE.

(TWO) [REDACTED] SF FILE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AKA [REDACTED]

(NUMEROUS OTHER ALIAS) [REDACTED]

WAS  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
DESCRIBED: WHITE, DOB [REDACTED]

FIVE TEN, TWO ZERO TWO LBS., BROWN HAIR BALDING TO

TOP MIDDLE, EYES [REDACTED] COMPLEXION OLIVE. PARENTS ARE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

(THREE) SAN FRANCISCO FILE [REDACTED]

CAPTIONED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARRESTED [REDACTED]

POLICE

DEPARTMENT, [REDACTED]

INVESTIGATION AT SAN FRANCISCO CONTINUING.

END

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164 - 81)

DATE: 12/1/71

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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RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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On 11/29/71, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised she had a record of suspect, a review of which furnished the following descriptive information:

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NAME: [REDACTED]

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

SSAN: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

POB: [REDACTED]

EDUC: [REDACTED]

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MILITARY: [REDACTED]

RELATIVES: [REDACTED]

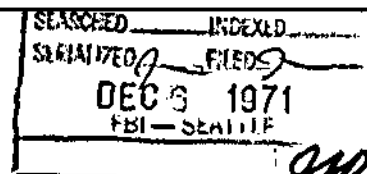
A review of the file revealed further that suspect

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RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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On 11/30/71, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], advised she [REDACTED]  
She further advised that on Wednesday, 11/24/71, the  
day of the captioned hijacking, she [REDACTED]

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She further advised that on 11/24/71, she

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[REDACTED] had no current snapshot  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] taken in California. The photo  
was viewed by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]  
and showed little or no resemblance of suspect [REDACTED] to  
that of the artist's drawing of the hijacker. [REDACTED]  
did furnish a newspaper clipping [REDACTED]  
would allow the FBI to keep, showing a partial facial  
view of [REDACTED] this clipping is being made a part  
of this file.

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In view of the lack of resemblance of [REDACTED] to  
the artist's drawing of the hijacker, and also due to  
the accountability of his whereabouts during the time  
of the hijacking, no further investigation regarding  
this suspect is being conducted.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM :

[REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 4305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

*Sub J*  
*Unsub driving*  
*car Wash Lic*

[REDACTED]

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On instant date [REDACTED] King County Police Department, telephonically contacted this office. [REDACTED] advised that Washington State Patrol advised her that a man named [REDACTED] stated that he saw a man who looked like unsub at Smitties Pancake House, North Bend, Wn. Man was seen driving a Brown Ford Galaxie, license [REDACTED] East bound on Hwy 90.

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Only phone number is known for [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] KCPD did not know [REDACTED] address.

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Seattle indices negative.

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Addendum: License [REDACTED] registered to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM :

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
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CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
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 KCPD did not know  address.

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Seattle indices negative.

GJW:gfw  
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Addendum: License  registered to

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

CC- COURSE

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
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SA [ ] called from Philadelphia today. He is the one doing the interviews with [ ] So far, all the pictures shown to her, including [ ] have been non-idents. They are sending us a teletype but he wanted us to know that and he also wanted us to know [ ] wants to be thoroughly re-interviewed since she feels she can now recall things which she did not furnish previously. They are going to do this in the morning.

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He said that she told him that the subject told her he wanted to take off with the ladder down, the gear down and "we'll be flying with 15 degrees." She said the pilot told her to tell him that they could not take off with the ladder down and he muttered, "Yes you can, but that's alright, we can lower it later."

[ ] told us he thought this was significant since this would indicate the subject knew a lot about airplanes, perhaps that he might have worked on the 727 at one time. He also thought it was significant that "we'll be flying with 15 degrees" since this is pilot talk, meaning 15 degrees of flaps. I asked him if [ ] mentioned whether or not the subject gave instructions as to the course to fly. He said that the subject did not, that he did not give any headings, he did not outline any course, but simply said to take him to Mexico.

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They will be reinterviewing her tomorrow and furnish a teletype.

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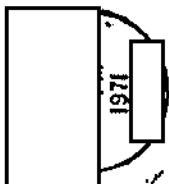
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EARL J. COSSEY, 349 North 101st, Seattle, advised that the pilot chutes on both of the back pack parachutes which were furnished to the hijacker on 11/24/71, were white in color. He stated that also the back pack chute which was missing from the aircraft upon its arrival at Reno, Nevada, was white in color.

Concerning the chest pack parachutes, he stated that these parachutes are hand deployed and do not contain pilot chutes. The chest pack chute which was sewn up as a practice chute and which was missing from the airplane was also white in color.

Interviewed on 12/3/71 at Seattle, Washington File # SE 164-81 -635  
by SA [redacted] /klb Date dictated 12/6/71

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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

*X-Source*  
On instant date, 11:40pm, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], phone [REDACTED] telephonically advised that he and  
[REDACTED] just viewed the photo of the hijacker on TV and that he  
strongly resembled [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] then advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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years but said the photo was a strong lookalike to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

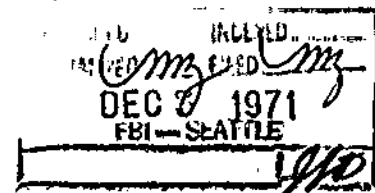
She provided the following description:

DOB [REDACTED]  
HEIGHT 5'10"- 5'11"  
WEIGHT 165 pounds  
Black Hair  
BROWN EYES  
OLIVE COMPLEXION  
THIN BUILD

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Portland*

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Dear Sir.

X- P. 1 + 2 photo (H5)  
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My wife and I agreed I should send you this. It might be as wild a guess as the plot itself but here I go.

I looked at the composite in the paper of your hijacker and I said "I know him, but from where ??". Today I remembered who I thought reminded me of the photo.

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who resembles your description a good deal. He was quite familiar with

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## FBI description of hijacker given

This drawing below of the hijacker was made by FBI artists during interviews with witnesses, primarily the aircraft crew. If a witness says of the drawing, "His lips look too thin," then changes are made.

Following is a word description of the hijacker. Special FBI agent Tom Manning said today he is particularly anxious to distribute picture and description in The Daily News' circulation area.

Race: White

Sex: Male

Age: Mid 40s

Height: 5' 10" to 6'

Weight: 170 to 180 pounds

Build: Average to well built

Complexion: Olive, Latin appearance, medium smooth

Hair: Dark brown or black, 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 with dark rims

Voice: Low, spoke intelligently; no particular accent, possibly from Midwest section of the U.S.

Characteristic: Heavy smoker of Raleigh filter tip cigarettes

Wearing Apparel: 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; carried paper bag 4"x12"x14"; brown shoes



Composite drawing of hijacker



have been hard to find.  
Mrs.: He still is.

### QUICK CHANGE

Builder: This is just the house for you sir ~ Tudor style.

Prospective buyer: Oh, I don't care for the Tudor style very much.

Builder: We can soon alter that for you, sir, Frank, bring your paint remover and take them oak beams off the ceiling. —Quote.

## Port Calendar

### SHIPS IN PORT

Japan Juniper, Port of Longview, Japanese ship loading logs for Japan.

Hong Kong Mail, Port of Longview, American ship discharging general cargo from Japan and Hong Kong.

Araa, Port of Longview, ship loading paper for the Persian Gulf.

Mini Lagoon, Port of Longview, Liberian ship discharging lumber from Colombia.

Feramore, Port of Longview, Norwegian ship discharging general cargo from Hong Kong.

Shahjehan Jayanti, Port of Longview, Indian ship loading grain for India.

### SCHEDULED ARRIVALS

#### Tonight

Golden Ocean, Port of Longview, ship to discharge plywood and general cargo from Taiwan and Singapore.

#### Tuesday

Stove Tradition, Port of Kalama, German ship to load grain for Japan.

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ning to make the scene in Cathlamet with the help of many volunteer Santa Claus helpers.

The Homemakers Council will open the season's activities with its 'Kris Kringle' event, Saturday and Sunday in the Skamokawa Grange Hall. Home decorating ideas will be featured.

At 2 p.m. Dec. 11 the annual Children's Christmas program will be on stage at the old high school gym. The original production, "You are There Toyland Dec. 24, 1971," was written, produced and will be presented by Cathlamet Little Theatre members.

The audience may not recognize the actors since they will be costumed as various 'favorite toys' and storybook characters. After the 45-minute production Santa Claus himself, as ever was, will hand out toys and treats to the youngsters. The Girl Scout Cadettes will also lend a helping hand for this show. Children of all ages are invited.

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Date: 11/30/71

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(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE

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

UNSUB, aka  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
FROM SEATTLE TO PORTLAND  
11/24/71  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Enclosed for Seattle are two photographs of \_\_\_\_\_ no copies of which are being retained at Las Vegas and two photographs of \_\_\_\_\_ obtained from the Las Vegas Police Department.

\_\_\_\_\_ who advised her true legal name is \_\_\_\_\_ residing at \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ advised on 11/29/71, that she strongly believed the artist's conception of the unknown hijacker, witnessed on the "Today Show" on N.B.C., strongly resembles \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ stated she was not paying particular attention to the program; had a glimpse only of the photograph but was attracted to the mouth of the artist's conception as well as the ears and general facial characteristics.

\_\_\_\_\_ stated that \_\_\_\_\_

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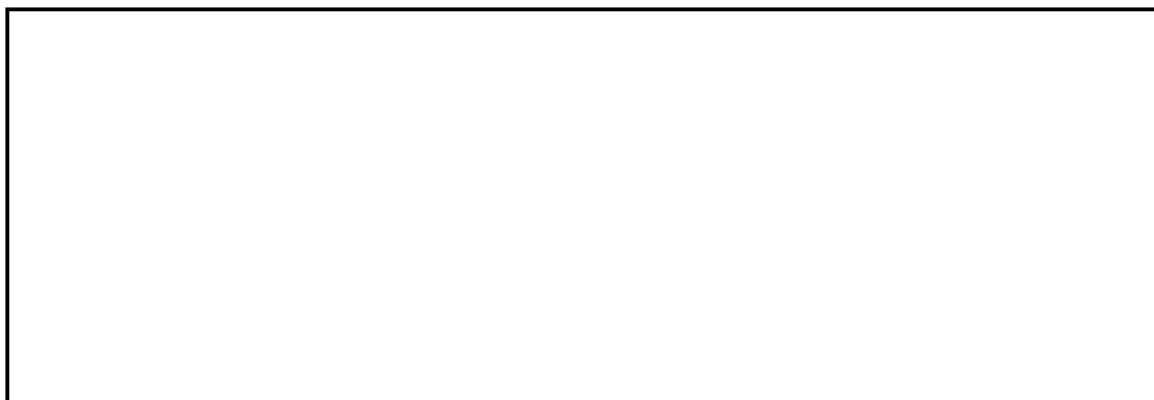
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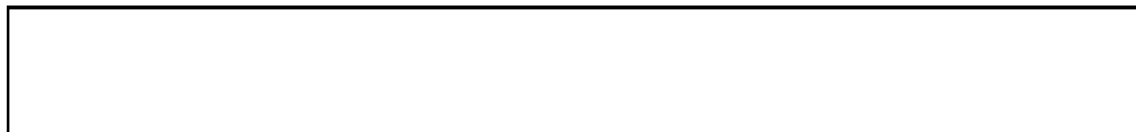
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Special Agent in Charge

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[redacted] furnished the following physical description  
of [redacted]

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Race: White  
Sex: Male  
Height: 6'  
Weight: 180 pounds  
Build: Medium (good physical condition)  
Hair: [redacted] or brown  
and starting to turn gray  
Eyes: [redacted]  
Complexion: Medium to sallow  
Voice: [redacted]  
Scars and marks: [redacted]

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✓ Immediate relative: [redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] Las Vegas Police  
Department, advised on 11/29/71, their file [redacted] dis-  
closed the following:

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Name: [redacted]

Sex: Male  
Race: White  
Date of Birth: [redacted]  
Place of Birth: [redacted]  
Height: 6'  
Weight: 190 pounds  
Build: Medium  
Hair: Brown  
Eyes: [redacted]

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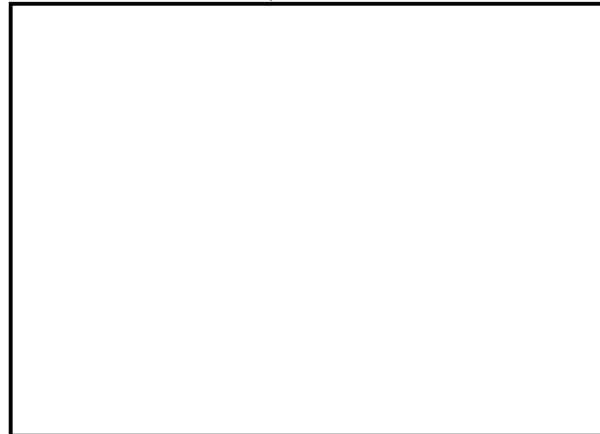
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Complexion:  
Scars:


Education:  
Occupation:

✓ SSAN:  
Nearest relative:


Arrests:



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He had no prior FBI or current fingerprint record  
at that time and 

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In view of the subsequent discrepancies in   
age, hair and complexion, compared with that supplied by  
witnesses the foregoing is being furnished to Seattle for  
information only at present.

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AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE  
FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

UNSUB, aka  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
FROM SEATTLE TO PORTLAND  
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HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

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[redacted] stated she was not paying particular attention to the program; had a glimpse only of the photograph but was attracted to the mouth of the artist's conception as well as the ears and general facial characteristics.

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[redacted] stated that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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② - Seattle (Enc.4)  
1 - Las Vegas  
HEH:jr  
(3)

164-81-638  
[Handwritten signatures and initials]

DB Cooper-3125

LV 164-60



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[redacted] furnished the following physical description  
of [redacted]

LV 164-60

Race: White  
Sex: Male  
Height: 6'  
Weight: 180 pounds  
Build: Medium (good physical condition)  
Hair: [redacted] or brown  
and starting to turn gray  
Eyes: [redacted]  
Complexion: Medium to sallow  
Voice:  
Scars and marks:

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Immediate relative:



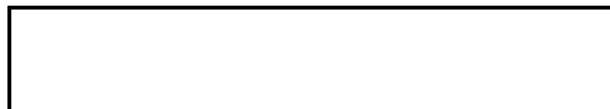
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] Las Vegas Police  
Department, advised on 11/29/71, their file [redacted] dis-  
closed the following:

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Name:



Sex: Male  
Race: White  
Date of Birth: [redacted]  
Place of Birth: [redacted]  
Height: 6'  
Weight: 190 pounds  
Build: Medium  
Hair: Brown  
Eyes: [redacted]

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LV 164-60

Complexion:  
Scars:

Education:  
Occupation:

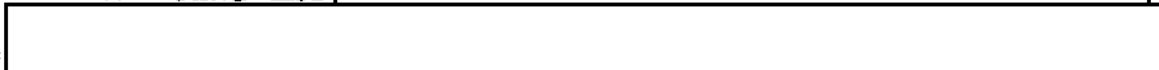
SSAN:  
Nearest relative:

Arrests:



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He had no prior FBI or current fingerprint record  
at that time and [redacted]



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In view of the subsequent discrepancies in [redacted]  
age, hair and complexion, compared with that supplied by  
witnesses the foregoing is being furnished to Seattle for  
information only at present.

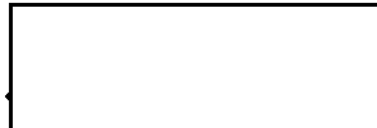
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12/2/71

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TELETYPE

URGENT



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TO : SAC, SALT LAKE CITY  
FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26)

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

REURTEL, DECEMBER ONE LAST.  
RE: SUSPECT

[REDACTED] IS ONLY [REDACTED]  
FAMILY LOCATED IN [REDACTED] SHE DOES NOT KNOW  
[REDACTED] CITY UTILITY  
RECORDS DO NOT LIST ANOTHER [REDACTED] BY THAT SPELLING.

b6  
b7C

SALT LAKE CITY, ADVISE BUTTE RESULTS OF ATTEMPTED  
CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] AND ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE FROM  
[REDACTED] PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] AND IF LAST  
NAME OF [REDACTED] IS CORRECTLY SPELLED.

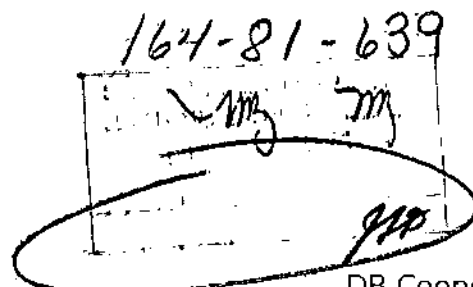
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BUTTE, WILL HOLD IN ABEYANCE FURTHER CONTACT WITH  
FAMILIES IN [REDACTED] WITH LAST NAME SPELLING OF [REDACTED]

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AIR MAIL COPY TO SEATTLE.

① - Seattle (AM)  
JSN/gld  
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DB Cooper-3129

F B I

Date: 12/3/71

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

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (164-101)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES,  
FLIGHT 035, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING  
(OO:SEATTLE)  
Bufile 164-2111

Re Charlotte teletype to St. Louis and Seattle  
12/2/71.

Enclosed herewith for the assistance of Seattle  
are two photos of [redacted] FBI [redacted]  
taken [redacted] at U. S. Penitentiary, [redacted] which  
are a look-alike to the artist's conception of UNSUB which  
appeared in the 11/29/71 edition of The Charlotte Observer,  
Charlotte, N.C., as an Associated Press photo.

[redacted] FBI [redacted] currently is a  
Federal fugitive whose whereabouts are unknown. FBI,  
Charlotte, is OO in an investigation concerning him captioned  
[redacted] aka - FUGITIVE; ITSMV; PAROLE VIOLATOR;  
BOND DEFAULT, Bufile [redacted] Charlotte file [redacted] His  
FBI identification record dated [redacted] indicates he has  
traveled all over the United States including one [redacted]  
arrest by Sheriff's Office, [redacted], and one  
[redacted] arrest by SO, [redacted]

The following description of [redacted]  
has been developed during this fugitive investigation concerning  
him:

② Seattle (164-81) (Encs. 2) rec'd  
3 - Charlotte (2 - 164-101)  
(1 - [redacted])

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in Charge

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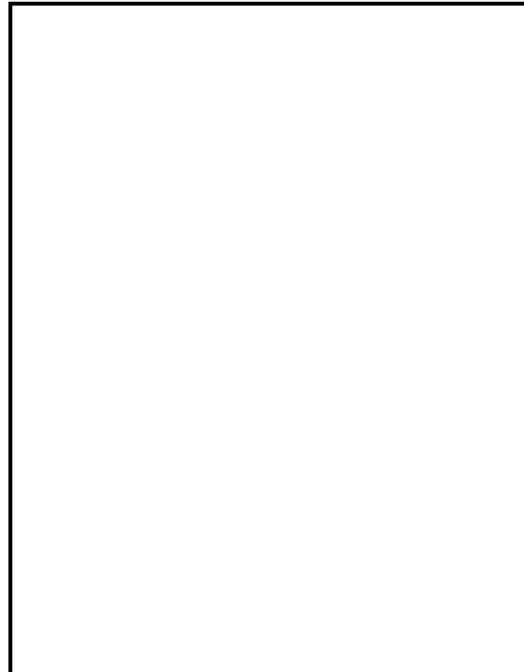
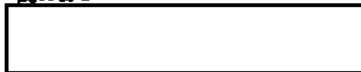
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Date:

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

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Name  
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b7CRace  
Sex  
DOB  
POB  
Height  
Weight  
Hair  
Eyes  
Scars and marks  
Military Service  
FBI No.  
Social Security No.  
N.C. Operator's  
License No.  
Occupation  
Marital status  
MotherWhite  
Male  
  
6'  
160 lbs.  
Brown  
Brown

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

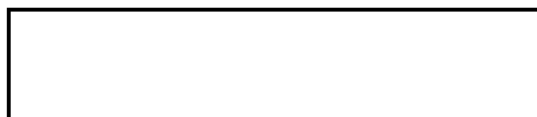
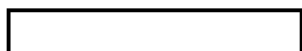
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Date:

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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CE 164-101 (Priority)

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b7CLEAD:SEATTLEAT SEATTLE, WASHINGTONWill display enclosed photo of   
to appropriate witnesses.b6  
b7CARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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

DB Cooper-3153

FBI

Date: 12/6/71

Transmit the following in

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TELETYPE

URGENT

Via

(Priority)

TO: SAC, PORTLAND

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE: SUSPECT

INFORMATION RECEIVED BY SEATTLE THAT COMPOSITE DRAWING  
OF UNSUB RESEMBLES [REDACTED] WHO IS BELIEVED TO BE  
RESIDING IN THE [REDACTED] AREA AND RECEIVES MAIL  
THROUGH GENERAL DELIVERY. [REDACTED] REPORTEDLY WORKED FOR

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] AND REPORTEDLY HAS BEEN IN TROUBLE  
WITH THE PORTLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT IN CONNECTION WITH

[REDACTED] HE IS DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE,  
AMERICAN, BORN [REDACTED]

PORTLAND AT PORTLAND, DEVELOPE BACKGROUND INFORMATION  
CONCERNING [REDACTED] AND ATTEMPT TO LOCATE PHOTOGRAPH AND  
ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS AT TIME OF CAPTIONED HIJACKING.

JSD/djs  
(1)

Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

[Signature]

Per

[Signature]

DB Cooper-3154

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b7C

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F B I

Date: 12/2/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
(Priority)TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM *for* SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50)(P)SUBJECT: UNSUB; Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305, Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
00: Seattle

Re Seattle teletype to Sacramento, dated 12/1/71.

Enclosed for Seattle is one copy of California  
driver's license [redacted] bearing photograph of [redacted]  
[redacted] California driver's license [redacted] bearing  
photograph of [redacted] and California  
driver's license [redacted] bearing photograph of [redacted]  
[redacted]

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

On 12/1/71, [redacted] Driver's License  
Section, California DMV, was requested to cause a search  
of their files regarding one [redacted]

On 12/2/71, [redacted] advised:

- (2) - Seattle (Enc. 3) *see'd*  
2 - Los Angeles (Info)  
2 - Sacramento  
RJA:jct  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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*Can we eliminate  
without showing*

SC 164-50

(1) California license [redacted] was issued on [redacted] to one [redacted] California. [redacted] is described as DOB [redacted] brown hair, brown eyes, 6', 170 pounds. This license expired on [redacted] and has not been renewed to date.

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(2) California driver's license [redacted] was issued on [redacted] to [redacted] California. [redacted] is described as DOB [redacted] brown hair, [redacted] eyes, 6'2", and 160 pounds. This license is due to expire on [redacted]

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(3) California driver's license [redacted] issued on [redacted] to [redacted] California. [redacted] is described as [redacted] brown hair, brown eyes, 6'2", 170 pounds. This license is due to expire on [redacted]

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b7C

[redacted] advised that these were the only three individuals issued driver's license in the surname of [redacted]

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b7C

The above driver's licenses were compared with the artist sketch of the individual who hijacked Northwest Airlines plane out of Seattle, and none of them appear to be identical or similar with the artist sketch.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

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

RE: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Minneapolis, advised that Stewardess  
[REDACTED] was interviewed this AM, and she said that the  
photo of [REDACTED] definitely was not the subject.

PRB:klb  
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b7C

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/6/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

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

RE: [REDACTED]

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photo of [REDACTED] definitely was not the subject.

PRB:klb  
(3)

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DB Cooper-3158

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
ATTN: EXHIBIT SECTION,  
ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

*SUB-1C*

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

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

Re Seattle teletype transmitted by facsimile,  
11/30/71.

On December 6, 1971, witness [redacted]  
[redacted] submitted to SA [redacted] five  
color photographs he clipped from the National Geographic  
magazine, which he feels more closely depicts the nose  
and cheeks of the unknown subject, whom he feels was of  
Mexican-American descent with possibly Indian blood.

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b7C

These are being forwarded to the Bureau in the  
event any further sketches of the unknown subject are  
contemplated. Seattle is retaining xerox copies of these  
photographs.

*in Sub K*

2 - Bureau (Enc. 5)  
3 - Seattle  
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    (1 - 164-81-Sub K)  
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*12/10/71*

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
ATTN: EXHIBIT SECTION,  
ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

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

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

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(1 - 164-81-Sub K)  
CNG/djs  
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DB Cooper-3160

164-81-647

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b7c

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

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FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: SUSPECT - [REDACTED]

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On 12/6/71, SA JOHN G. GREEN from Buffalo, telephonically advised that a suspect [REDACTED] has been developed based on information concerning him received by the Buffalo Division. [REDACTED] who lived [REDACTED]. He left [REDACTED] have not heard from him since that time. [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

[REDACTED] generally fits the description of UNSUB and there was some indication that he might be planning some big job. [REDACTED] stated that an airtel from Buffalo setting forth the details and enclosing a photo, is forthcoming; however, he furnished the information telephonically in view of Bureau instructions.

JSD:klb

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*klb*

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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DB Cooper-3162

NR 009 PD PLAIN

5:20 PM URGENT 12/6/71 TLA

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

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*sub. 8*

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

SUMMARY TELETYPE.

LOOK - ALIKE LEADS ARE BEING RECEIVED FROM PUBLIC AND ARE  
BEING COVERED. NO POSITIVE INFORMATION DEVELOPED TO DATE. (P).

END

TIM

FBI SEATTLE

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*THIS WAS NOT  
RECD IN TIME FOR  
So DAILY TX.*

*OK*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

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

DATE: 12/6/71

*Sub: Casane*  
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On 12/4/71, Supervisor PRICE called from the Bureau.

He referred to a UPI story to the effect that three different women had reported seeing or hearing a light plane near McClellan Air Field, Woodland, Washington, on the night of the hijacking.

He said Asst. Director BATES wanted to know what we were doing to resolve this if it had not already been resolved. He said we should send a teletype over the weekend.

After talking to SA MANNING, it was established that it had been resolved and that the [redacted] [redacted] said no plane had actually landed that night.

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b7c

A teletype was sent to the Bureau on 12/4/71.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/6/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

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NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
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11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
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DB Cooper-3165

10: JETTILC (1577)  
FROM: Minneapolis (14-73)

UNSUB, ORR,  
NHIAL FBI HQ  
11/24/71  
CAA - INVESTIGATING

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1. Line G-I-K-M represents the airplane's flight path as it approached the Portland (PDX) VOR.
2. The cabin pressure "bump" occurred at 0410 GMT, the time being recorded by the MFA Flight Operations Office (MFAFO) in Minneapolis. It is a virtual certainty that the pressure "bump" marks the time that the high-jacker (HJ) left the airplane. The airplane was at Point A at that time, thus the HJ's body would land at Point A if his 'chutes did not open (unlikely).
3. If it is assumed that the HJ was a highly expert parachutist, and would thus free-fall as far as practicable to insure the best accuracy of his touchdown point, he would land slightly to the NE of Point A due to his drifting with the wind from the point of 'chute opening.
4. If the HJ opened his 'chute as soon as he left the airplane, he would drift along the line A-B and would touch down at B. All lines parallel to A-B are lines along which the HJ would drift if he opened his 'chute relatively early.
5. The parallelogram indicated by C-D-F-E represents the boundaries of the probable touchdown area adjusted for possible time errors and for the above described wind drift. It is probably the most fruitful search area.
6. The earliest the HJ could have jumped is 0406, and this point is represented by Point G.
7. The crew believes the pressure "bump" occurred at 0410, but in any even are certain it occurred before 0415. If the HJ jumped at 0406 (unlikely) he would land on or near line G-H. If he jumped at 0415 he would land on or near line M-N.
8. Based on the above explanation of Figure 1, and on all the assumptions based in its preparation, the following are pertinent:
  - a. The most likely landing point for the HJ is at, or slightly NE of Point A.
  - b. His landing point is more likely to be in area C-D-F-E than any other.
  - c. It is possible his landing point could be anywhere within the area shown (G-H-N-M), but the probability goes down as the ends of this area are approached.

Figure 1, and this explanation, were prepared by

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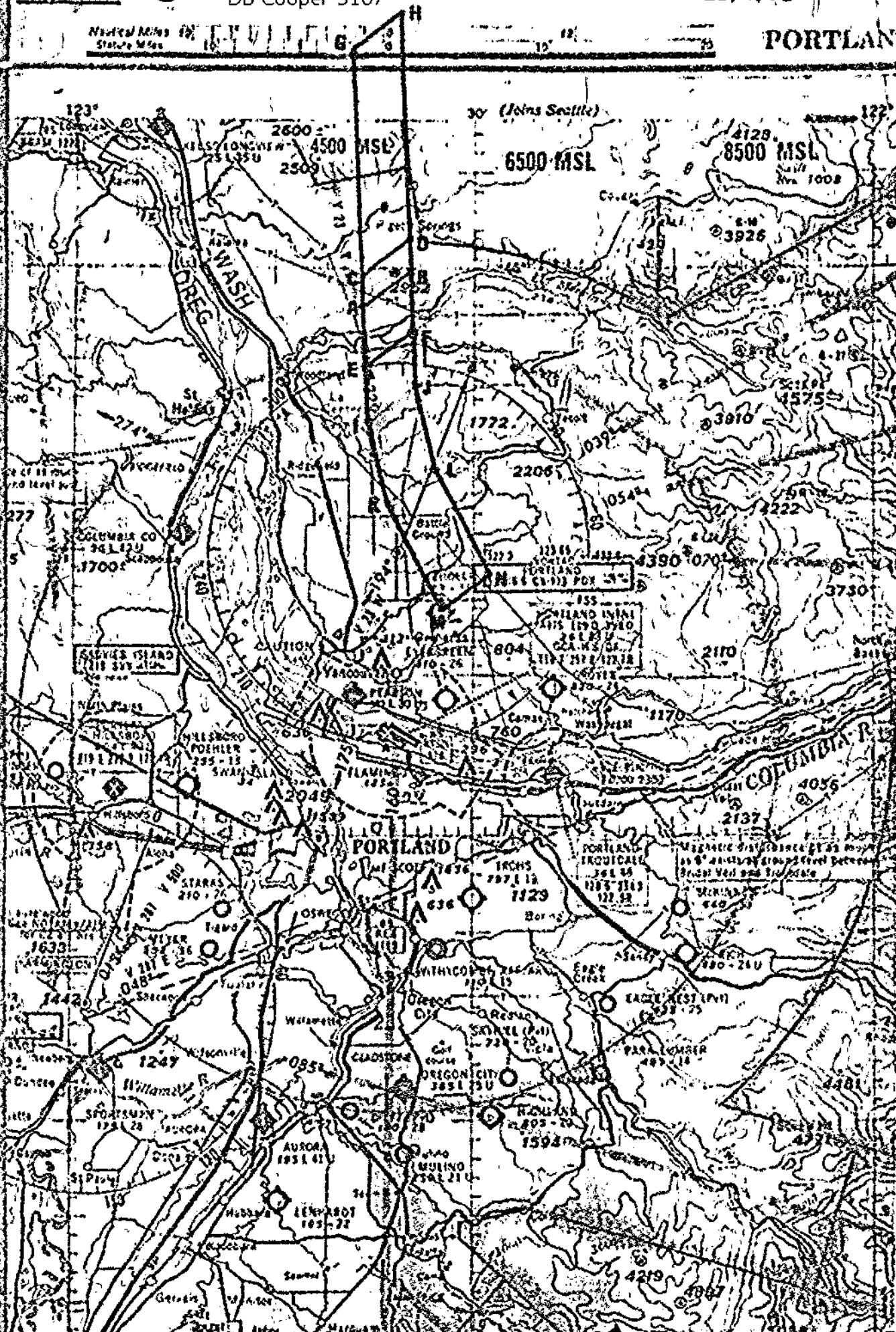
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Manning

Figure 1

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10: JERTILE (164-81-65)  
FROM: Minneapolis (164-81-73)

RESDO, ORG  
HWAAL' F11 W305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HHSALKING

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7. The crew believes the pressure "bump" occurred at 0410, but in any even are certain it occurred before 0415. If the HJ jumped at 0406 (unlikely) he would land on or near line G-H. If he jumped at 0415 he would land on or near line M-N.
8. Based on the above explanation of Figure 1, and on all the assumptions based in its preparation, the following are pertinent:
  - a. The most likely landing point for the HJ is at, or slightly NE of Point A.
  - b. His landing point is more likely to be in area C-D-F-E than any other.
  - c. It is possible his landing point could be anywhere within the area shown (G-H-N-M), but the probability goes down as the ends of this area are approached.

Figure 1, and this explanation, were prepared by [REDACTED]

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12/4/71 1971

Figure 1

DB Cooper-3169 12/4/71





UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

DATE: 12/6/71

*Sub: Search Sub E*

RE: SEARCH AREA

A facsimile copy of a memo prepared by [redacted] which was accompanied by a map, which is also a facsimile, were received at 6:05 PM, 12/4/71, from Minneapolis.

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The map shows the course of the aircraft from slightly north of the Kelso-Longview area to just south of Battle Ground and sets out the most likely area for the parachute drop according to [redacted] latest calculations as an area described by parallel lines C, D E & F. Generally speaking this would be an area between Pidgeon Springs and an area just north and east of Woodland.

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The above information was furnished on 12/6/71 by ASAC BIBLER to SA MANNING at which time SA MANNING advised that he is sure that the area now described has already been searched by helicopter and fixed wing aircraft and that much of it has been covered on the ground as well.

It is noted that on 12/2/71, [redacted] advised that after re-examining the flight recorder, he would suggest that the search area could be extended to the north an additional three miles, and to as south as the Columbia River. That information was furnished to SA MANNING and possibly included the area now described in the map prepared by [redacted]

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SA MANNING requested that to be sure that the area had been searched, that accopy of the map be forwarded to him for examination.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/6/71

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
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DB Cooper-3171

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

DATE: 12/6/71

*Sub: Search*

RE: SEARCH AREA

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[redacted] was advised that his officer is appreciated and the matter will be referred to Mr. MILNES.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/6/71

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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Date: 12/1/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

RE: UNSUB;  
HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES [REDACTED]  
FLIGHT NUMBER 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: Seattle

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Re Cincinnati teletype to the Bureau, copies to  
Los Angeles and Seattle, dated 12/1/71.

RE: [REDACTED]

Enclosed for Seattle is one photograph of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] obtained from the files of the Orange County Sheriff's  
Office, Santa Ana, California, on 11/30/71. [REDACTED] described  
as a white male American, born [REDACTED]  
5'10", 165 pounds, [REDACTED] hair, [REDACTED] eyes, medium build,  
medium complexion.

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Results of investigation at Los Angeles regarding  
[REDACTED] being submitted via nitel this date.

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Facsimile copies of photograph provided to Seattle  
12/1/71.

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2 - Los Angeles

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Date: December 2, 1971

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Via AirtelAIR MAIL

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (P)

RE: UNSUB;  
 NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
 FLIGHT 305  
 PORTLAND, OREGON, TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON  
 11/24/71  
 CAA - AIR PIRACY  
 OO: SEATTLE

Re San Francisco nitel to Seattle, 12/1/71.

Enclosed for Seattle is the [ ] photo of

[ ] on 12/1/71, which need not be returned.

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AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. Display photo of [ ] to witnesses and if more recent photo is needed, set forth lead to San Francisco to conduct investigation at [ ] telephone number [ ] in attempt to obtain one.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

(2) - Seattle (Enc. 1) *rec'd*  
 2 - San Francisco  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special Agent in Charge

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158PM NITEL 12/4/71 GLN

TO SEATTLE

ST. LOUIS (164-63) (AM)

FROM PHOENIX 164-100 1P

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

RE ST. LOUIS TELETYPE TO PHOENIX, DECEMBER THIRD, LAST.

[REDACTED], WERE DISPLAYED THE ARTIST CONCEPTION OF THE UNSUB., AND BOTH ADVISED THAT HE DID NOT APPEAR IDENTICAL TO A [REDACTED] BOTH ADVISED THAT THEY DID NOT KNOW OF [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS ON DAY OF HIJACKING.

PHOENIX IS TRANSMITTING PHOTOGRAPHS OF [REDACTED] TO SEATTLE SO THAT THEY CAN BE DISPLAYED TO WITNESSES. PENDING.

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Date: 12/4/71

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

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

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

DAILY TELETYPE -sub.0UNSUB, aka DAN COOPER. NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

00: SE. [REDACTED]

TWO SEATTLE WITNESSES, VIEWING PHOTOS OF [REDACTED]

ADVISED HE WAS NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB. PORTLAND WITNESS,

[REDACTED] ADVISED FACIMILE/PHOTO QUALITY TOO POOR TO

CONSIDER. STEWARDESS [REDACTED] IN TRANSIT AND BEING

CONTACTED ON ARRIVAL AT MINNEAPOLIS, FOR SHOWING OF [REDACTED] PHOTO.

BUTTE MAKING INQUIRY IN [REDACTED] AREA TO DETERMINE

IF [REDACTED] WAS IN [REDACTED] AREA AROUND TIME OF HIJACKING.

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JLK/  
Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 4:22 P MPer DA

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

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

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[REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED]  
advised that at approximately 9:30 P.M., this date, he observed  
a man who resembled the artist's conception published in the daily  
newspapers. [REDACTED]

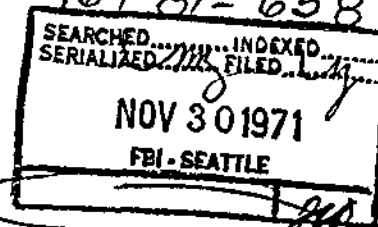
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12/3/71

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AIRMAIL

TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka  
Dan Cooper  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
00: Seattle

RE: [REDACTED]

Reference Miami teletype to Bureau dated 12/2/71.

Enclosed for Minneapolis is one (1) photo of

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] during period November 21  
through November 28, 1971. Miami is requested to display  
photographs to witnesses prior to interview of [REDACTED]

On December 3, 1971, photo shown to two witnesses  
at Seattle who did not identify [REDACTED] as Unsub.

LEAD

MINNEAPOLIS  
At Minneapolis, Minnesota

Display photo of CASE to witnesses and advise Seattle  
and Miami of results by teletype.

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1 - Miami  
2 - Seattle  
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

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

At about 5:00 PM, 12/4/71, SA [REDACTED] Eugene,  
Oregon RA (Portland FBI), advised by FTS telephone that  
he showed picture of [REDACTED] to witness,  
[REDACTED] who can neither identify nor eliminate as  
UNSUB. He believes [REDACTED] ears stand out too much and his  
face is too round.

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*ASAC ADVISED*

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

CLEVELAND

PITTSBURGH

ST. LOUIS

FROM CHICAGO (164-297)

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

RE ST. LOUIS TELEPHONE CALL TO CHICAGO, DECEMBER THREE,  
INSTANT AND CHICAGO TELEPHONE CALL TO CLEVELAND INSTANTL.

SUSPECT: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

REVIEW OF MILITARY RECORDS ST. LOUIS REVEALED SUSPECT

ON DECEMBER THREE, INSTANT, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED FROM MEMORY SUSPECT EMPLOYED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HAS NO EMPLOYMENT  
RECORDS AND RECALLS NOTHING OF SUSPECT'S BACKGROUND. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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CLEVELAND TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT FROM OTHER  
BACKGROUND DEVELOPED, CLEVELAND IN PROCESS OF DETERMINING PRESENT  
WHEREABOUTS OF SUSPECT.

LEAD FOR PITTSBURGH TO LOCATE SUSPECT AT ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA,  
BEING LEFT TO DISCRETION OF OFFICE OF ORIGIN AFTER RESULTS  
OF CLEVELAND'S EFFORTS TO LOCATE SUSPECT ARE KNOWN.

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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7:50 PM 12-3-71 NITEL DD

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

SAC, CLEVELAND

SAC, SEATTLE

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS

SAC, PHOENIX

SAC, BALTIMORE

SAC, PORTLAND

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26) 2P

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

RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
REFERENCE CLEVELAND TEL DECEMBER THREE, SEVEN ONE AND  
SEATTLE TELCALL TO BUTTE DECEMBER THREE, SEVEN ONE.

INVESTIGATION AT [REDACTED] THIS DATE, INDICATES

[REDACTED] PRESENTLY RESIDING AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND EMPLOYED AS [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RESIDENCE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE TO SEATTLE TELCALL, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NOT INTERVIEWED PENDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS OF  
SEATTLE.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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

RE: [REDACTED]

Re: Cleveland Tel to Seattle, 12/3/71; Butte tel to Seattle, 12/3/71.

At 7:20 AM, SA [REDACTED] Division 6, Bureau, telephonically requested immediate reply on status of investigation concerning subject of referenced Cleveland teletype, [REDACTED]

SA [REDACTED] referred to instant case [REDACTED] and telephonically contacted SA's CHARLES FERRELL, [REDACTED] and ASAC BIBBLER regarding the matter.

Bureau was advised that photos were received at Seattle last night and will be shown to witnesses this date.

Minneapolis (SA ARTHUR SULLIVAN) was advised of Bureau interest and requested to show photographs to witnesses this date and immediately notify this office of results, with copy of that correspondence to be directed to Bureau. SA SULLIVAN advised he could not locate photographs and had no record of having received same.

Cleveland office (SA's THOMPSON and WAYNE TISHNER) advised that photos were sent to Minneapolis on Northwest Flight 125 at 2:10 PM 11/3/71.

Facsimiles of photos were sent to Portland and Philadelphia, and telephone calls made to those offices by SA [REDACTED], requesting they display photographs to witnesses this date and to notify Seattle and Bureau immediately of results. Portland will notify Eugene w/ facsimiles.

Butte Division was telephonically advised, re referenced communication, to discreetly determine if suspect [REDACTED] was physically present and accounted for [REDACTED] on the day of instant hijacking, and immediately notify Seattle of results of that investigation. Supvrs. WALTERS advised that RA at [REDACTED] would immediately be notified, and Seattle would receive results "by tonite".

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During above communication with Bureau by telephone, [ ] Division 6, further advised that Assistant Director BISHOP is very interested in this case and has advised him that Crime Records Division has agreed to immediately disseminate nationally any information concerning key suspect in this case. He further advised a report was being submitted from Bureau to Director this date and they will be interested in any information on any developments instantly.

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FBI, Portland advised telephonically that facsimile photos of [ ] being sent, that these are to be transmitted to Eugene and shown to pertinent witnesses.

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FBI, Philadelphia advised that facsimile photos being sent of [ ] to show to [ ] stewardess. They called back, that girl had left for Minneapolis and to contact her there. Minneapolis advised and will contact.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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

*Sub. A - Witness*

On 12/6/71 SA [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED]

telephone [REDACTED]

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telephone [REDACTED]

SA [REDACTED] exhibited to [REDACTED] a group of photographs, including that of [REDACTED], a suspect in the instant matter.

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[REDACTED] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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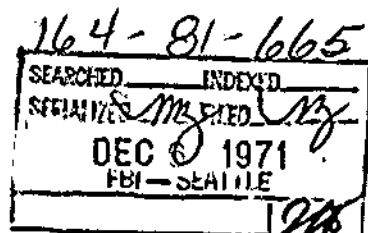
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
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CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

[REDACTED]

*Sub. H.*

On 12/6/71 SA [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED]

telephone [REDACTED]

telephone [REDACTED]

SA [REDACTED] exhibited to [REDACTED] a group of photographs, including that of [REDACTED], a suspect in the instant matter.

[REDACTED] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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

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On 12/6/71

SA [REDACTED]

contacted [REDACTED]

telephone [REDACTED]

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telephone [REDACTED]

SA [REDACTED] exhibited to [REDACTED] a group of photographs, including that of [REDACTED], a suspect in the instant matter.

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[REDACTED] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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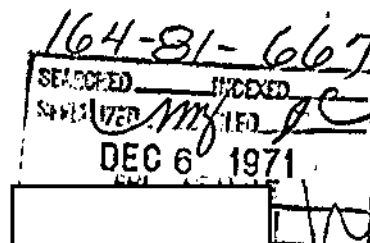
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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

*Sub H.*

On 12/6/71 SA [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED]

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telephone [REDACTED]

telephone [REDACTED]

SA [REDACTED] exhibited to [REDACTED] a group of photographs, including that of [REDACTED], a suspect in the instant matter.

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[REDACTED] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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

On 12/6/71 SA [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED]

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telephone [REDACTED]

SA [REDACTED] exhibited to [REDACTED] a group of photographs, including that of [REDACTED], a suspect in the instant matter.

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[REDACTED] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

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On 12/6/71

SA [redacted]

contacted Mr. [redacted]

telephone [redacted]

telephone [redacted]

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SA [redacted] exhibited to [redacted] a group of photographs,  
including that of [redacted], a suspect  
in the instant matter.

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the hijacker in this case.

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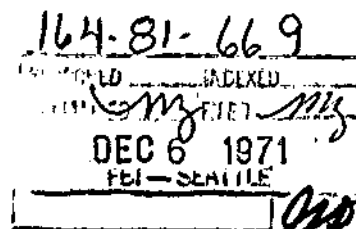
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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

[REDACTED]

*Sub. H.*

On 12/6/71

SA [REDACTED]

contacted [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED]

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telephone [REDACTED]

SA [REDACTED] exhibited to [REDACTED] a group of photographs, including that of [REDACTED], a suspect in the instant matter.

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[REDACTED] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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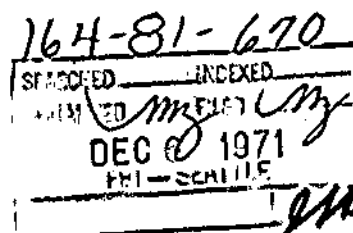
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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

*Sub - H*

On 12/6/71

SA [REDACTED]

contacted [REDACTED]

telephone [REDACTED]

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SA [REDACTED] exhibited to [REDACTED] a group of photographs, including that of [REDACTED], a suspect in the instant matter.

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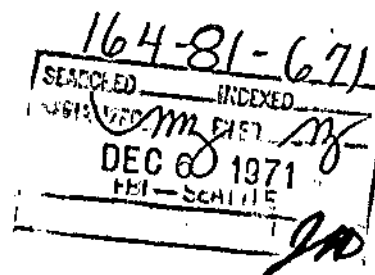
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
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On 12/6/71 SA [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

*Sub. H*

On 12/6/71

SA [redacted]

contacted [redacted]

telephone [redacted]

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telephone [redacted]

SA [redacted] exhibited to [redacted] a group of photographs,  
including that of [redacted], a suspect  
in the instant matter.

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[redacted] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of  
the hijacker in this case.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
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*Sub. H*

On 12/6/71

SA [REDACTED]

contacted [REDACTED]

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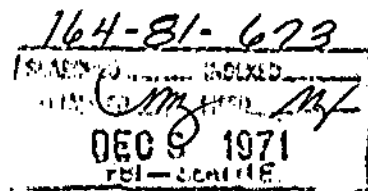
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## How to Steal \$200,000

### Or the Great Ransom-Hijacking

Call me Michael Cooper, the newspapers are. I always wanted to commit the perfect crime. Now I've got \$200,000 tax free to prove it. That's alot of bread even after a three-way split.

I've been hatching this plot a long time--in fact ever since I got out of the Army. Returned to Portland, my home town. Couldn't find a job and I tried hard, real hard. But no one appreciated my ability. Now the whole world is appreciating my ability. There's no denying \$200,000.

Boarded this Boeing 727 November 24th at Portland. It was just what I wanted. Soon as I got on I handed this stewardess a note ordering her to stick close and if anything went wrong my briefcase would go off taking everyone with it. I had dynamite wired up in my case and I showed it to the broad to prove I was serious. Told her to tell the pilot to notify the airport in Seattle to have money ready when we arrived. And two sets of parachutes should be thrown in for good measure. I wasn't about to take chances. This was kind of a milk-run so chances were against an air-marshal being on board. This would be the first major heist in the Northwest ever. That Green Beret training in Viet Nam came in handy for something.

I stayed in the back close to this stewardess. Don't think anybody really knew what was coming off, except the crew. And they were very efficient and cooled ~~it~~. They knew enough not to spook me. I had long before decided that my life and that of a few others were well worth the risk for all that money. Besides before I had ~~nothing~~ to show for my life, now I do. I grant you money isn't all, just 99% and besides someday I can make another mint off my memoirs.

Circling the area for two and a half hours, we finally settled down. They didn't fool me none. The old Northwest Airlines Inc. was probably recording the serial numbers, all 10,000 of them, because I wanted the money all in 20's. Maybe even a big outfit like that had trouble putting together \$200,000 at that time of night. Once on the ground I allowed the 36 passengers and two stewardesses to

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Ordered to the plane to refuel and prepare for immediate take-off on schedule to Reno. There were official-looking gents all over the place, alot of them FBI men I imagine. Finally, this courier type guy boarded the plane and gave the small white pouch to the stewardess that I allowed to remain to be the interpreter. Oh, and last but not least the chutes. The dough seemed in order; it only weighed about 20 lbs.

We took off about 7:30. Right on schedule, my schedule. This is where the timing came in. Made the stewardess enter the captain's cockpit. Can you imagine, that fancy dame, when I first handed her the note and declared myself, actually thought I wanted a piece of her instead of the action. She got so she treated me with a little more respect, or should I say, fear. That's the way a man should treat a woman, under him. You give them much quarter and they'll stomp on you.

Well, back to that night. I got what little crew was left, four to be exact, up front. Oh, the instructions given to the crew upon taking off were to leave the flaps down at 15°, unlatch the passenger door, to level off at 7,000 ' and to not exceed 95 knots. They were also told the latitude-longitude course to take. I had everything thought out, needless to say. I've been around planes before and I've made drops before, plenty of them and not just in Viet Nam. Was a smoke fighter once. And I knew the drop-out area like the palm of my hand. For several weeks I practiced precision dropping at the Orchards Chute Landing Area in SW Washington. And for all you'll ever know I might have had kin or somebody in the area, might I not?

Well, back to the story because this is where the action got fierce. Figured I had 30 to 45 minutes before making the drop. Lots to do. Taking my hunting knife out I slashed up a secondary chute and strapped the money around my waist. Put my long flashlight and K rations about my person. Oh, and I had a 38 revolver which I never had to flash. And then the big job. To check out the main chute. That was awkward but I had been practicing that too trying to cut down my time. I had to rush that a little but that's the chances you take. Defused the dynamite, opened the door and tossed it out. Repacked the main chute, strapped it on my back, put the reserve chute on my chest which I learned afterwards had been sewn shut. That's a laugh. They must

take me for a complet idiot. Why the hell do you think I ordered two sets of chutes. I didn't take many chances, not many at all.

It wasn't a bad night for a drop--overcast but I would bail clear of that. Checking my time, I cleared the altitude and speed with the captain over the com-line. Everything was about right even though I missed the airport beam at Kalama because of poor visibility. I had to clear Lake Merwin. Clearing the clouds, I floated down. Heard later there were three military trail planes but they couldn't see me through the soup. I tugged and jerked the lines just right. Hit in a field. Thank God I didn't get hung up in a tree. Concealed both chutes. Then checked my reading. I knew pretty well where I was but confirmed it with my compass and county map. I just had 5 to 10 miles to go to get to my car. Reached it by early morning. Let me tell you that man cannot live by bread alone or by K rations for that matter.

Heard later when they made a skidding, sparks-flying stop at Reno that they set dogs loose trying to spot me in the hangers and adjoining homes. Yes, they must have taken me for a fool. But I had it all planned out, all planned out. They underestimated me all the way. I dropped short of where they said I did. And by the time they find any traces of me, if they ever do, I'll be long gone. Might have holdd up in Portland or Seattle or lit straight out for Canada. Odds are they'll never find me. Not if they're looking for a loish, Latin type man in a dark suit with sun glasses. Besides knowing alot of other things what's to stop me from being an expert at disguise??? Nothing, I tell you.

Well, I could go on more but I've got things to do. Think I deserve a little rest and you can bet your stars it's going to be in style. Oh, don't believe that malarky at the start of my story about there being accomplices. Do you think I'd be crazy enough to deal anybody in on this, especially a blabby, spineless female. And if I found one I cared enough for to deal in, I wouldn't expose her to the risk. But from now on I won't have any trouble finding companionship if and when I ever need it. Yes, I'm a loner from the word go and that's the way I like it.

Right now I'm laying low. Don't even care if the magazine pays me for this

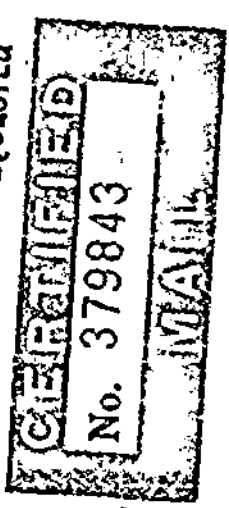
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article to show you how big hearted I am. Or maybe I made its printing conditional to a bank deposit in Switzerland. Who knows? Except me and I'm not telling until it's to my advantage. You can bet your damn britches on that. And if I have any good word for you, dear reader, it is to take heart and never give up for almost anyone with a little imagination and initiative and guts can find a silver lining. And then sit back and muse and laugh at the authorities as they muddle their way along. So good luck, God bless and may the winner take all.



Editor For Men Only  
625 Madison Av.,  
New York, NY 10022

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Editor, For Men Only  
625 Madison Av.  
NY, NY 10022

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a timely article which I humbly submit for publication. It's really one of the best things I've written--all fiction of course. Hope you're interested. Let me know soon since I'm expecting someone to be interested.



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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
(ATT: FBI LABORATORY,  
LATENT PRINTS AND DOCUMENT SECTION)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (164-627)

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

ReNYtel to Portland and Seattle dated 12/3/71.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are a 4-page article,  
one envelope and a letter from [redacted]

[redacted] Enclosed for Seattle  
and Portland are copies of above.

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On 12/3/71, [redacted]  
[redacted] made available above enclosures which he stated he had  
received that same date. He stated it would be necessary to  
return the above original enclosures, as it was customary to  
return unrequested articles for publication to the individuals  
who had submitted them.

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(1) FBI Latent Prints and Document Section is requested to examine the above enclosures for possible latent prints, and to compare them with any latents developed in this matter. These originals should be expeditiously returned to New York in view of  request that they be returned to him.

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(2) Document Section is requested to examine enclosures and compare them with any specimens developed in this matter, if available.

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

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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

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On 11/30/71, the Seattle City Directory indicated that one [REDACTED] resided at [REDACTED] phone [REDACTED] and that he was employed as [REDACTED]

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On 11/30/71, the Washington State Department of Motor Vehicles, Olympia, Washington, advised that [REDACTED] was issued Washington Drivers License number [REDACTED]. A request was made by SA ROBERT WICK to obtain a photo of the subject, and SA WICK provided a copy of the drivers license.

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On 11/30/71, 12/1,2/71, the records of the Seattle PD, Seattle Credit Bureau and the King County SO were checked re [REDACTED] with negative results.

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On 12/2/71, [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] signed out of [REDACTED] on 11/24/71 at 6:00pm.

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DUE TO THE ABOVE INVESTIGATION [REDACTED] IS BEING ELIMINATED AS A SUSPECT IN THIS CASE.

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/6/71

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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*Sub H*

On 12/3/71

[REDACTED] was shown  
a group of photographs which contained a photo of  
[REDACTED] advised  
that this individual is not identical with his  
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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



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On 12/3/71 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was shown  
a group of photographs which contained a photo of  
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised  
that this individual is not identical with his  
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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b7C

LMH  
(3)

1-164-81

1-164-81 [REDACTED]

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b7C

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/6/71

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b7C

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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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b7C

*Sub H*

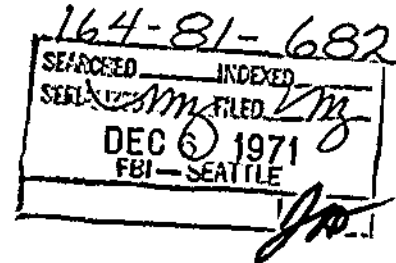
On 12/2/71 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was shown  
a group of photographs which contained a photo of  
[REDACTED] advised  
that this individual is not identical with his  
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

b6  
b7C

LMH  
(3)

1-164-81 [REDACTED]  
1-164-81 [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

*Elim*

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

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

SUBJECT:

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

b6  
b7C

*Sub H*

On 12/3/71 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was shown  
a group of photographs which contained a photo of  
[REDACTED] advised  
that this individual is not identical with his  
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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b7C

LMH  
(3)

1-164-81

1-164-81 [REDACTED]

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b7C

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/6/71

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b7C

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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

[REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

*Sub A*

On 12/3/71 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was shown  
a group of photographs which contained a photo of  
[REDACTED] advised  
that this individual is not identical with his  
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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b7C

LMH  
(3)

1-164-81  
1-164-81 [REDACTED]

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b7C

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

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

b6  
b7C

On 12/4/71 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was shown  
a group of photographs which contained a photo of  
[REDACTED] advised  
that this individual is not identical with his  
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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b7C

LMH  
(3)

1-164-81

1-164-81 [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT:

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

*Sub. H*

On 12/1/71 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was shown  
a group of photographs which contained a photo of  
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised  
that this individual is not identical with his  
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

LMH

(3)

1-164-81

1-164-81 [REDACTED]

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DB Cooper-3219



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

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

b6  
b7C

*Sub. H*

On 12/1/71 [REDACTED]

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b7C

[REDACTED] was shown  
a group of photographs which contained a photo of  
[REDACTED] advised  
that this individual is not identical with his  
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

LMH

(2)

1-164-81 [REDACTED]

1-164-81 [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

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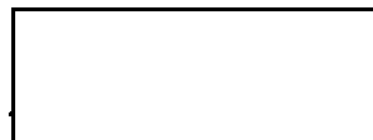
# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER




SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION



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b7C

RE: 

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b7C

On 12/4/71, I telephoned Duty Agent  in Minneapolis; Supervisor WALTERS at Butte and the Duty Agent JERRY WILSON at Portland. I told all of them of the Bureau's request that  be either eliminated or confirmed as a suspect as soon as possible and that when they had shown their photos and/or in the case of Butte, Determine if  was working on the day in question, they should call Seattle and follow up by teletype to the Bureau and Seattle.

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PRB:klb  
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/6/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

b6  
b7C

RE: [REDACTED]

On 12/4/71, I telephoned Duty Agent [REDACTED] in Minneapolis; Supervisor WALTERS at Butte and the Duty Agent JERRY WILSON at Portland. I told all of them of the Bureau's request that [REDACTED] be either eliminated or confirmed as a suspect as soon as possible and that when they had shown their photos and/or in the case of Butte, Determine if [REDACTED] was working on the day in question, they should call Seattle and follow up by teletype to the Bureau and Seattle.

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b7C

PRB:klb  
(3)

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DB Cooper-3222

Airtel

12/3/71

TO: SAC, WFO (164-169)

FROM: Director, FBI (164-2111)

*cc - SUB E.*

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

Reference is made to WFO teletype to Bureau 12/2/71 setting forth data concerning possible use of NASA aircraft in connection with captioned matter. It was requested that the Bureau advise of any further action to be taken.

Confirming Bureau telephone call to WFO 12/3/71 you are instructed that no further action at this time is necessary concerning the information set forth in referenced teletype.

1 - SAC, Seattle (Information)

1 - SAC, Sacramento (Information)

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Airtel

12/3/71

TO: SAC, Portland (164-41)  
FROM: Director, FBI (164-2111)

UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT -  
HIJACKING  
OO: SEATTLE

*Sub. S.*

Reference is made to Portland teletype to Bureau dated 12/1/71 (no copy Seattle) indicating officials from Department of the Interior, Portland, Oregon, are requesting reimbursement of \$935 for use of helicopters in connection with searches in captioned matter.

This airtel confirms telephonic information furnished SAC, Portland 12/2/71 authorizing the Portland Office to make arrangements to pay the Department of the Interior as requested in referenced teletype. Portland insure copies of future communications are designated for Seattle which is office of origin in this matter.

① - SAC, Seattle (Information)

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DB Cooper-3224

NR 002 PD PLAIN

10:50 AM URGENT 12-7-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING. OO SE.

CHIEF OF POLICE JAMES OVERHULSE, EASTSIDE, OREGON, ON DECEMBER SIX SEVENTYONE ADVISED THE BOTTOM HALF OF ARTIST'S SKETCH OF SUBJECT IS SIMILAR TO ONE [REDACTED]

OVERHULSE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS THIRTYTWO TO THIRTY-THREE YEARS, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE SEVEN FIVE POUNDS, DARK BROWN HAIR.

SEATTLE, AT [REDACTED] ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] DURING PERTINENT PERIOD ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. P.  
END

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

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[REDACTED]	

DB Cooper-3225

NR 002 PD PLAIN

10:50 AM URGENT 12-7-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING. 00 SE.

CHIEF OF POLICE JAMES OVERHULSE, EASTSIDE, OREGON, ON DECEMBER SIX SEVENTYONE ADVISED THE BOTTOM HALF OF ARTIST'S SKETCH OF SUBJECT IS SIMILAR TO ONE [REDACTED]

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b7C

[REDACTED]  
OVERHULSE [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

[REDACTED] HE DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS THIRTYTWO TO THIRTYTHREE YEARS, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE SEVEN FIVE POUNDS, DARK BROWN HAIR.

SEATTLE, AT [REDACTED] ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] DURING PERTINENT PERIOD ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. P.

b6  
b7C

END

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DB Cooper-3226

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

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

RE: [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

Investigation initiated upon receipt of information from Milwaukee Division that [REDACTED] may be residing in [REDACTED] area and has recently turned in an application for employment [REDACTED]. He was also described as a person generally fitting the description of Unsub and [REDACTED].

b6  
b7C

Records of the Seattle Credit Bureau were checked on December 1, 1971, with negative results.

[REDACTED] advised on December 1, 1971, that her company had no record of an application submitted by subject.

b6  
b7C

[REDACTED] Washington State Department of Public Assistance, Seattle, advised on December 1, 1971, that [REDACTED] was not on the Welfare rolls in the City of Seattle.

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b7C

Department of Motor Vehicles was checked on December 1, 1971, with negative results.

3-Seattle

MRM/rmh

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SE 164-81

On December 2, 1971, records of the Seattle Police Department and King County Sheriff's Office were checked with negative results.

On December 2, 1971, a teletype was submitted to Milwaukee requesting further information as to subject's whereabouts, and/or photograph of subject.

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/6/71

SA [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

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

RE: [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

Investigation initiated upon receipt of information from Milwaukee Division that [REDACTED] may be residing in [REDACTED] area and has recently turned in an application for employment [REDACTED]. He was also described as a person generally fitting the description of Unsub and [REDACTED].

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b7C

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[REDACTED] advised on December 1, 1971, that her company had no record of an application submitted by subject.

b6  
b7C

[REDACTED] Washington State Department of Public Assistance, Seattle, advised on December 1, 1971, that [REDACTED] was not on the Welfare rolls in the City of Seattle.

b6  
b7C

Department of Motor Vehicles was checked on December 1, 1971, with negative results.

③-Seattle

MRM/rmh  
(3)

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SE 164-81

On December 2, 1971, records of the Seattle Police Department and King County Sheriff's Office were checked with negative results.

On December 2, 1971, a teletype was submitted to Milwaukee requesting further information as to subject's whereabouts, and/or photograph of subject.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
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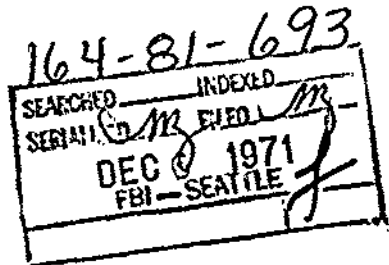
*SUB. J.*

*A. Sauer*  
[REDACTED] phone [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] telephonically advised 12/5/71, that [REDACTED]  
was a look-alike to the picture of the hijacker of captioned  
aircraft. She stated that she had no reason to suspect [REDACTED]

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b7D

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
She described him as being approximately 35 years, 5'8"  
eyes, [REDACTED] hair, and furnished an address of  
[REDACTED]

VRM:mlc  
(3) *mlc*



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DB Cooper-3231



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

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b7C

SUBJECT:

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

RE. [REDACTED]

ELIM

b6  
b7C

Investigation initiated upon receipt of information from [REDACTED] stating that he showed a striking resemblance to artist's conception of Unsub and that he was also [REDACTED] area.

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Records of the Seattle Police Department and King County Sheriff's Office checked on November 30, 1971, failed to produce a record identifiable with [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

Seattle Credit Bureau records checked on December 1, 1971, indicated that in September of 1968, [REDACTED] was

b6  
b7C

On December 1, 1971, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed and advised that [REDACTED]

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b7C  
b7D

(3)-Seattle



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requested that SA [redacted] not contact [redacted] concerning the subject. [redacted]

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\_\_\_\_\_ proceeded to take SA \_\_\_\_\_  
into the office of \_\_\_\_\_

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b7D

explained that

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b7C  
b7D

On December 1, 1971, [redacted] was interviewed at [redacted] at which time he stated that he had not been involved in captioned matter. He confirmed that he had worked the day of November 24th and had spent that evening at [redacted]. [redacted] resides, located at [redacted]. [redacted] general appearance was definitely not that of the artist's conception of Unsub and [redacted] emphatically stated that [redacted] he would think that anyone making such a jump that Unsub did would have to be crazy.

b6  
b7C

SE 164-81 .

In view of the above it is recommended no further investigation be conducted concerning this suspect.

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/6/71

SA [REDACTED]

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b7C

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

RE: [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

Investigation initiated upon receipt of information from [REDACTED] stating that he showed a striking resemblance to artist's conception of Unsub and that he was also [REDACTED] area.

b6  
b7C  
b7D

Records of the Seattle Police Department and King County Sheriff's Office checked on November 30, 1971, failed to produce a record identifiable with [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

Seattle Credit Bureau records checked on December 1, 1971, indicated that in September of 1968, [REDACTED] was

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b7C

On December 1, 1971, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed and advised that [REDACTED]

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SE 164-81

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] requested that SA [redacted] not contact [redacted] concerning the subject [redacted]  
[redacted]

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b7C  
b7D

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] proceeded to take SA [redacted] into the office of [redacted]  
[redacted]

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b7C  
b7D

[redacted] explained that [redacted]  
[redacted]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

On December 1, 1971, [redacted] was interviewed at [redacted] at which time he stated that he had not been involved in captioned matter. He confirmed that he had worked the day of November 24th and had spent that evening at [redacted] resides, located at [redacted] [redacted] general appearance was definitely not that of the artist's conception of Unsub and [redacted] emphatically stated that [redacted] he would think that anyone making such a jump that Unsub did would have to be crazy.

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b7C

SE 164-81

In view of the above it is recommended no further investigation be conducted concerning this suspect.

NR007NK PLAIN

407PM URGENT 12-6-71 MLC

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

NEW YORK

SEATTLE

FROM NEWARK (164-196) 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIR LINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, LAST, CAA-HIJACKING, (OO: SEATTLE).

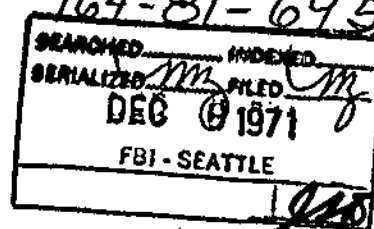
RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, DECEMBER THREE,  
LAST.

ON DECEMBER SIX, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], ADVISED THAT

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HE

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[REDACTED]

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b7C  
b7D

[REDACTED]

b6  
b7C  
b7D

CONSIDER UNKNOWN SUBJECT DANGEROUS.

END

VAB

FBI SEATTLE CLR



NR001 MP PLAIN

3:23 URGENT 12-6-71 MAW

TO: DIRECTOR (164-2111)

CLEVELAND

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 1P

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

RE MINNEAPOLIS TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER FIVE LAST.

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

NORTHWEST AIRLINES STEWARDESS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED THIS

DATE THAT PHOTOS OF [REDACTED] RESEMBLE BUT ARE

DEFINITELY NOT IDENTICAL WITH THE HIJACKER.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

P.

END

VAB

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NR 005 PD PLAIN

2:30 PM URGENT 12-6-71 LJQ

TO: LITTLE ROCK (164-22)

SEATTLE (164-81)

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

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

RE TELETYPE FROM LITTLE ROCK TO SEATTLE AND OTHER OFFICES,  
DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CHECKED CURRENT DIRECTORIES COVERING [REDACTED] AND

RECORDS OF HIS OFFICE, FOR [REDACTED] WITH NO RESULTS. RECORDS AT  
OREGON STATE POLICE ARE NEGATIVE FOR FILES. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CREDIT BUREAU, CAN LOCATE NO RECORD FOR [REDACTED]

AM COPY SEATTLE.

END

JJT

FBI SEATTLE CLR

*gmc*

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AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;  
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,  
Portland to Seattle.  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: Subject [REDACTED]

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b7C

Re: Portland tel to Seattle, 11/29/71.

Re: Conversation of Chief of Police JOE MAY at  
Woodland, Washington, with [REDACTED] MAY, on recontact.  
advised [REDACTED]  
at [REDACTED] and never  
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LEADS

PORTLAND  
At Portland, Oregon

1. Recontact [REDACTED]  
for further information regarding [REDACTED]

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2 - Portland  
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Oregon. 2. Check jump area at airport's vicinity, Aurora,

3. Contact [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] for information on suspects in captioned matter.

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12/6/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;  
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,  
Portland to Seattle.  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: Subject [REDACTED]

Re: Portland tel to Seattle, 11/29/71.

Re: Conversation of Chief of Police JOE MAY at  
Woodland, Washington, with [REDACTED] MAY, on recontact.  
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PORTLAND  
At Portland, Oregon

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for further information regarding [REDACTED]

2 - Portland  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

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

SUB ✓

RE: SKY DIVERS  
U.S. PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION

On 12/1/71 SA [redacted] Los Angeles FBI  
Office advised that a [redacted]  
[redacted] had advised [redacted] of the following  
information:

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[redacted]

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[redacted] all parachute jumpers must be licensed  
through U.S. Parachute Association and that an extensive  
application including a photo is furnished to the Association's  
headquarters at Monterey, California.

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SE 164-81

Further, [ ] advised that there are some 20,000 jumpers who are currently in the association, but that most of them range in age from 21 to 25.

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[ ] advised that they would attempt to identify [ ] and would also attempt to eliminate by age those who could not be involved in this hijacking and would then have the records of the U.S. Parachute Association at Monterey checked for date for those not eliminated.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

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PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
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CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
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CEF:jlb  
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NR 002 SF PLAIN

1115AM URGENT 12-6-71 DEP

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

MIAMI (164-552)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, LAST, CRIME ABOARD  
AIRCRAFT - HIJACKING.

RE MIAMI TELETYPE DATED DECEMBER TWO LAST.

RE SUSPECT

RECORDS OF

REFLECT THAT

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

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DB Cooper-3250

FBI

Date: 12/7/71

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(Priority)b6  
b7C

TO : SACS, PITTSBURGH AND CHARLOTTE (164-101)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.  
OO: SE.

RE BALTIMORE TELETYPE DECEMBER SIX LAST.

RE: SUSPECT - \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ HAS BEEN LOCATED AT \_\_\_\_\_

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WHERE HE \_\_\_\_\_ WAS AT WORK ON  
AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST.

DISCONTINUE RE \_\_\_\_\_

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

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

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NR005 SE PLAIN

9:22AM URGENT 12/7/71 VAB

TO PITTSBURGH

CHARLOTTE (164-101)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA-HIJACK-  
ING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

RE BALTIMORE TELETYPE DECEMBER SIX LAST.

RE: SUSPECT - [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HAS BEEN LOCATED AT [REDACTED], WHERE HE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WAS AT WORK ON AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER  
TWENTYFOUR LAST.

DISCONTINUE RE [REDACTED]

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b7C

END

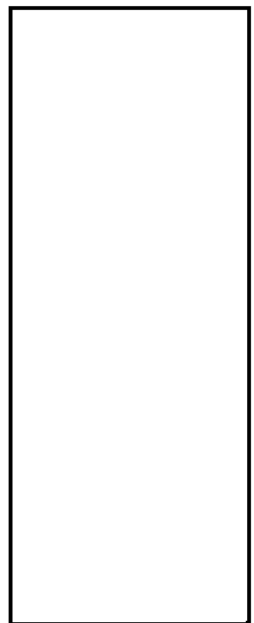
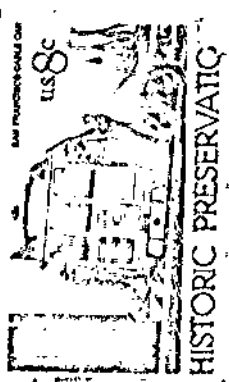
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*[Signature]*

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*[Handwritten signature]*

DB Cooper-3254

FBI

Date: 12/3/71

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

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) (ATTN: FBI LAB. AND IDENT. DIVISION)

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (164-133)

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

SUSP = [REDACTED] LETTERS [REDACTED]

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b7C

Re Bureau airtel to all offices dated 11/29/71.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory is a letter and an envelope sent to stewardess [REDACTED] in [REDACTED], postmarked 11/26/71, Minneapolis. Enclosed for the Minneapolis and Seattle Divisions is one Xerox copy each of above for assistance in covering leads.

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b7C

On 12/1/71, Stewardess [REDACTED] Northwest Airlines, was interviewed at [REDACTED], and provided the enclosures indicating that she did not know whether this was important and did not bring it to the attention of the FBI before. She said she received this "crank" letter on 11/27/71 at [REDACTED]. She said the letter has been handled by her [REDACTED].

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The letter is signed [REDACTED]

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The Document Section of the FBI Laboratory is requested to retain a copy of instant letter for future comparisons with handwriting samples developed in this case.

- 2 - Bureau (164-2111) (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 2 - Minneapolis (164-73) (Enc. 2)
- ② - Seattle (164-81) (Enc. 2) *rec'd*
- 2 - Philadelphia (164-133)

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*[Signature]*

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

Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_

DB Cooper-3257



PH 164-133

The Latent Fingerprint Section of the Identification Division is requested to process the letter and envelope for Latent fingerprints of value to be compared with known fingerprints of suspects developed in this case.

LEADS

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Attempt to locate and interview [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], regarding the above letter.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

DB Cooper-3258

12/6/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

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TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;  
Northwest Airlines Flight #305.  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: [REDACTED]

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b7C

Two white males checked into a motel in a remote area of Cowlitz County, Washington at three a.m. November 26, 1971. The person who registered was [REDACTED] who gave an address of [REDACTED] and he stated he and his companion were going [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] departed in the morning on November 26, 1971. [REDACTED] described as White male, who wore [REDACTED] in area of subject's dropzone unexplained.

LEADS

PORTLAND  
At Portland, Oregon

Conduct arrest check regarding [REDACTED] to determine further descriptive information and obtain photograph.

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b7C

2 - Portland  
2 - Seattle  
TJM/slb  
(4)

DB Cooper-3259

164-81-704

12/6/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;  
Northwest Airlines Flight #305.  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: [REDACTED]

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LEADS

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At Portland, Oregon

Conduct arrest check regarding [REDACTED] to determine further descriptive information and obtain photograph.

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b7C

2 - Portland  
② - Seattle  
TJM/slb  
(4)

DB Cooper-3260

164-81-704

12/6/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;  
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

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Re: Sub. UNSUB (Sub. [redacted])

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Information developed in the Seattle Division that a

[redacted] telephone [redacted]  
[redacted], particularly, the [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that he knows a lookalike for  
the composite photograph. He did not give the name of the sub-  
ject who he feels is a lookalike and visits [redacted]

[redacted] He also remarked that this subject

LEADS

PORTLAND  
At Portland, Oregon

Through contact at [redacted]  
[redacted] locate [redacted] mentioned above. Secure  
name of his suspect and conduct appropriate investigation to  
identify.

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2 - Seattle  
TJM/slb  
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Serialized.....  
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[redacted]

DB Cooper-3261

164-81-705

12/6/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;  
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: Sub. UNSUB (Sub. \_\_\_\_\_)

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\_\_\_\_\_ telephone \_\_\_\_\_

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LEADS

PORTLAND  
At Portland, Oregon

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2 - Portland  
② - Seattle  
TJM/slb  
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DB Cooper-3262

164-81-705

FBI

Date: Dec 4, 1971.

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

TO: SAC: CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
UNSUB: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT # 305, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOV. 24, 1971. CAA = HIJACKING: EXTORTION.

RE CHICAGO NITEL DEC. THIRD, LAST.

RE: SUSPECT -   
THE BUTTE DIVISION HAS DETERMINED THAT

DISCONTINUE

AND FURTHER EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH WHEREABOUT S. A &amp; D?

CEF: cef  
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164-81-706

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

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

CV-5:30

PG

FM

Per

OCA

DB Cooper-3263

NR007 SE PLAIN

6:25 PM NITEL 12/4/71 DCA

TO CLEVELAND

PITTSBURGH

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

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

RE CHICAGO NITEL DECEMBER THREE, LAST.

RE: SUSPECT - [REDACTED]

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b7C

THE BUTTE DIVISION HAS DETERMINED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DISCONTINUE ANY FURTHER EFFORTS TO

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b7C

ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TDL FBI PG-

DB Cooper-3264

164-81-706

FBI

Date: 12-4-71

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

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Via TELETYPE

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(Priority)

SOL SEARCH E.

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

OO: SE.

RE PHONE CALLS FROM BUREAU TO SEATTLE, 12/4/71.

THE [REDACTED] MENTIONED IN REFERENCED PHONE CALLS,

[REDACTED] HAVE ALL BEEN INTERVIEWED BY AGENTS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS ALSO BEEN INTERVIEWED AND OTHER  
INDIVIDUALS IN THE VICINITY OF THE AIR STRIP. IT HAS BEEN RE-  
~~SOLVED~~ <sup>APPEARS</sup> THAT THE PLANE WHICH LANDED ON THE AIR STRIP, ACCORDING  
TO [REDACTED] HAS

ALSO BEEN INTERVIEWED BY BUAGENTS. THE LANDING BY [REDACTED]

WAS ON 11/23/71 AFTER CIRCLING AROUND AIR FIELD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FURTHER ADVISED

[REDACTED] LANDED AT NEAR BY AIRSTRIP ON 11/23/71 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NO MARKINGS OR REGISTRATION ON THESE PLANES WERE OBTAINED  
BY INDIVIDUALS OBSERVING BUT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHICH WAS THAT TYPE ON PLANE LANDING AT

NDS/njs

164-81-707

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

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

4:18 PM

Per

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DB Cooper-3265

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Date:

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

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[REDACTED] WHICH WAS OBSERVED BY [REDACTED]  
MENTIONED ABOVE. [REDACTED] ADVISED ~~REDACTED~~ NO  
PLANE LANDED [REDACTED] 11/24/71. AT THIS POINT  
INVESTIGATION DOES NOT DISCLOSE THAT PLANE FIGURES IN  
CAPTIONED MATTER.

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DB Cooper-3266

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Special Agent in Charge

NR 004 PD PLAIN

1:04 PM URGENT 12-6-71 LJO

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. 00: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED HE WAS INTERVIEWED BY TWO FBI AGENTS  
FROM LONGVIEW ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, AND SHOWN A  
NUMBER OF "MUG SHOTS". HE NOW BELIEVES THAT "MUG SHOT" IN UPPER  
LEFT HAND CORNER OF THOSE SHOWN TO HIM MIGHT BE IDENTICAL TO ONE

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HE DESCRIBED

AS ABOUT FIVE FEET TEN OR ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED  
SEVENTY FIVE POUNDS, DARK, AND IN HIS FORTIES.

END PAGE ONE

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[REDACTED]	

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[ ] DESIRES TO SEE SAME "MUG SHOT" AGAIN.

SEATTLE AT SEATTLE. ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE WHAT PHOTOGRAPHS WERE SHOWN TO [ ] IN ORDER THAT SAME PHOTOGRAPH CAN BE FORWARDED TO PORTLAND DIVISION TO RE SHOW TO HIM.

WILL, IN EVENT ANY OF PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWN TO HIM ARE POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH [ ] SET OUT LEADS TO IDENTIFY OR ELIMINATE [ ] AS SUSPECT.

PORTLAND AT [ ] MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [ ]

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END

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

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NR 004 PD, PLAIN

1:04 PM URGENT 12-6-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 2P

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

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PORTLAND AT [ ] MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [ ]

P.

END

VAB

FBI SEATTLE CLR

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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On 12/2/71, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] possibly identical

to above-named suspect. This person is a [REDACTED]

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following descriptive information was obtained from a  
review of [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

POB: [REDACTED]

HGT: 5' 11"

WGT: 160 lbs.

HAIR: Brown

EYES: [REDACTED]

MARITAL: [REDACTED]

MILITARY: [REDACTED]

EDUCATION: [REDACTED]

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FORMER ADDRESSES: [REDACTED]

SSAN: [REDACTED]

EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND: [REDACTED]

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JWM:jm  
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-3271

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:**

[REDACTED]

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b7D

**RELATIVES:**

[REDACTED]

1A (32)  
[REDACTED] also furnished two copies of a photograph b6  
of the above-named individual which she believes was taken b7C  
[REDACTED] She advised this photo b7D  
need not be returned. She could furnish no further information.

**LEAD:**

**SEATTLE**

Will attempt to further identify subject through credit and criminal checks and attempt to identify his whereabouts. Will also attempt to obtain more current photo through Dept. Of Motor Vehicles in Olympia, Washington.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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b7C

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

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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On 12/2/71, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] possibly identical

to above-named suspect. This person is a [REDACTED]

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b7D

following descriptive information was obtained from a review of [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]  
POB: [REDACTED]  
HGT: 5' 11"  
WGT: 160 lbs.  
HAIR: Brown  
EYES: [REDACTED]  
MARITAL: [REDACTED]  
MILITARY: [REDACTED]  
EDUCATION: [REDACTED]

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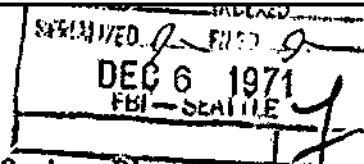
FORMER ADDRESSES: [REDACTED]

SSAN: [REDACTED]  
EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND: [REDACTED]

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RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:**

[REDACTED]

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**RELATIVES:**

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] also furnished two copies of a photograph of the above-named individual which she believes was taken [REDACTED] She advised this photo need not be returned. She could furnish no further information.

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**LEAD:**

**SEATTLE**

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10:02PM NITEL 12-6-71 PJB

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: DENVER (164-98) 3P

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SACRAMENTO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER THREE LAST.

MICROFILM RECORDS, STATE OF COLORADO, DEPARTMENT OF PAROLE, REFLECT THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PROBATION IN DISTRICT COURT, [REDACTED] COLORADO, ON

[REDACTED] CHARGED WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RECORDS CONTAINED A LETTER FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATING THAT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND REQUESTING STATUS OF HIS  
PROBATION. RECORDS INCLUDE SEVERAL COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN  
PAROLE OFFICES, [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] COLORADO  
INDICATING THAT [REDACTED] PROBATION WAS TRANSFERRED TO [REDACTED]

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b7C

[REDACTED] ARRESTED IN [REDACTED] CITY NOT IDENTIFIED,

CHARGED WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SUBJECT'S PROBATIONARY PERIOD  
TERMINATED [REDACTED] FILE CONTAINS  
NO FURTHER BACKGROUND INFORMATION, EXCEPT ONE PENCILED  
NOTATION OF [REDACTED] PAROLE DEPARTMENT REPORT, "WHITE,  
DOB [REDACTED]

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SEATTLE, AT [REDACTED] CONTACT PAROLE OFFICE IN EFFORT  
TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON [REDACTED]

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SEATTLE, AT [REDACTED] CONTACT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE [REDACTED] CURRENT WHEREABOUTS  
AND ANY ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND ANY INFORMATION  
INDICATING HE IS [REDACTED]

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AIRMAIL COPIES TO SACRAMENTO AND SAN FRANCISCO.

END TEL.

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NR 008 DN PLAIN

10:02PM NITEL 12-6-71 PJB

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: DENVER (164-98) 3P

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

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[REDACTED] STATING THAT [REDACTED]

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PROBATION. RECORDS INCLUDE SEVERAL COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN  
PAROLE OFFICES, [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] COLORADO  
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DOB [REDACTED]

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SEATTLE, AT [ ] CONTACT PAROLE OFFICE IN EFFORT  
TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON [ ]

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SEATTLE, AT [ ] CONTACT [ ]  
[ ] IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE [ ] CURRENT WHEREABOUTS  
AND ANY ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND ANY INFORMATION  
INDICATING HE IS [ ]

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**SUB. EVIDENCE**  
*" - TICKET*  
*sub T*

NR 008 PD PLAIN  
4:38 PM URGENT 12-6-71 LJQ  
TO: SEATTLE (164-81)  
MINNEAPOLIS  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1P

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE  
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN  
SEVENTYONE; CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE; BUFILE ONE  
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RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO PORTLAND DATED DECEMBER THREE,  
SEVENTYONE.

[REDACTED] NORTHWEST AIRLINES, PORTLAND,  
OREGON, ADVISED ON DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTYONE, THAT SUBJECT'S TICKET  
STUB RETAINED BY NORTHWEST AIRLINES HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES HEADQUARTERS, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

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b7C

COPY OF SUBJECT'S TICKET STUB BEING FORWARDED TO SEATTLE.  
MINNEAPOLIS REQUESTED TO OBTAIN TICKET STUB AND FORWARD TO  
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

DATE: 12/6/71

RE: [REDACTED] (PH)

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b7C

On 12/6/71, SA THOMAS J. MANNING advised he had thoroughly checked all reference sources in the [REDACTED] area who could find nothing concerning a [REDACTED] at least under that spelling.

b6  
b7C

In an effort to narrow down where this person might be and to ascertain the correct spelling of his name, the following leads are being set out:

## SEATTLE DIVISION

At [REDACTED] Washington

b6  
b7C

Will contact [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] to see if they can identify the suspect [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

If they are unable to identify the following, leads should then be set out by teletype:

The Butte Division should be requested to contact the Regional Office of the U.S. Forest Service, Sky Jump Center, Missoula, 406-549-6511 and the Portland Office should be requested to contact the [REDACTED] and contact either [REDACTED]

b6  
b7C

A copy of Serial 164-81-460 should be furnished to SA [REDACTED]

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*klb*

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12/6/71

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: [REDACTED] (PH)

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/6/71

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

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

RE SUSPECT -

ADVISED

THIS DATE THAT ON DEC. FOUR, LAST,

DEPARTED FROM RESIDENCE

SIXTYEIGHT LIGHT BLUE VW STATION WAGON,

AND SEVENTYONE BROWN DATSUN, TWO DOOR,

STATED THAT SUSPECT'S

MOVING TO

RESIDENCE ADDRESS

NOT DETERMINED BY

SUSPECT LEFT

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[REDACTED] RESIDENCE AND APPARENTLY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] IN VEHICLES WERE  
NUMEROUS ITEMS OF CLOTHING. USPO, [REDACTED] HAS NO  
FORWARDING ADDRESS FOR SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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b7C

LAS VEGAS WILL ADVISE SEATTLE WHEN FORWARDING  
ADDRESS OBTAINED.

MINNEAPOLIS REQUESTED TO ADVISE SEATTLE RESULTS OF  
CAPTIONED PLANE'S CREW VIEWING [REDACTED] PHOTOGRAPH.

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b7C

END

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

NR005 LV PLAIN

320 PM URGENT 12-6-71 JEG

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

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

RE SUSPECT - [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ADVISED

THIS DATE THAT ON DEC. FOUR, LAST, [REDACTED]

DEPARTED FROM RESIDENCE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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SIXTYEIGHT LIGHT BLUE VW STATION WAGON, [REDACTED]

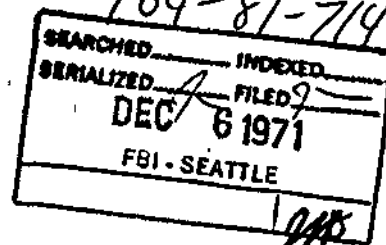
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[REDACTED] STATED THAT SUSPECT'S [REDACTED]

MOVING TO [REDACTED], RESIDENCE ADDRESS

NOT DETERMINED BY [REDACTED] SUSPECT LEFT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RESIDENCE AND APPARENTLY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN VEHICLES WERE

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