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TO SEATTLE

PHOENIX

LAS VEGAS

WASHINGTON FIELD

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 3P

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

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO WASHINGTON FIELD, SEATTLE  
AND PHOENIX DATED DECEMBER TWO LAST; PHOENIX TELETYPE TO  
BUREAU, WASHINGTON FIELD AND SEATTLE DATED DECEMBER THREE  
LAST; WASHINGTON FIELD TELETYPE TO BUREAU DATED DECEMBER  
THREE LAST.

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INVESTIGATION BY PHOENIX FAILED TO REVEAL [Redacted]

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INVESTIGATION BY WASHINGTON FIELD REVEALED [Redacted]

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[REDACTED] APPARENTLY IDENTICAL TO  
ONE OF SUBJECTS OF CURRENT INVESTIGATION OF LOS ANGELES

CAPTIONED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES FILE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REVIEW OF FILE REVEALS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] QUESTIONABLE

RELIABILITY.

AS LOS ANGELES NOT FAMILIAR WITH DETAILS OF ROUTE  
INTO RENO AND LANDING, LAS VEGAS IS REQUESTED TO EVALUATE  
INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] TO DETERMINE  
IF INFO HAS VALIDITY.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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WASHINGTON FIELD

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 3P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE  
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THREE LAST.

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INVESTIGATION BY PHOENIX FAILED TO REVEAL [redacted]

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INVESTIGATION BY WASHINGTON FIELD REVEALED [redacted]

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INSTANT DATE [redacted]

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[redacted] APPARENTLY IDENTICAL TO  
ONE OF SUBJECTS OF CURRENT INVESTIGATION OF LOS ANGELES  
CAPTIONED [redacted]

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[redacted] LOS ANGELES FILE [redacted]  
[redacted] REVIEW OF FILE REVEALS [redacted]  
[redacted] QUESTIONABLE  
RELIABILITY.

AS LOS ANGELES NOT FAMILIAR WITH DETAILS OF ROUTE  
INTO RENO AND LANDING, LAS VEGAS IS REQUESTED TO EVALUATE  
INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [redacted] TO DETERMINE  
IF INFO HAS VALIDITY.

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LOS ANGELES MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [redacted]

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[redacted] ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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NR 007 LA PLAIN

622 PM NITEL 12-06-71 LRS

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

KANSAS CITY

PORLAND (164-41)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 2P

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UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, LAST, CAA DASH HIGHJACKING;

EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELEPHONE CALL TO LOS ANGELES DECEMBER FIVE  
LAST; LOS ANGELES TELEPHONE CALL TO PORTLAND DECEMBER FIVE LAST;  
SAN FRANCISCO AND PORTLAND TELETYPE TO LOS ANGELES DECEMBER  
FIVE LAST.

RE SUSPECTS,

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LOS ANGELES INDICES CONTAIN NO RECORD IDENTIFIABLE WITH

IS SUBJECT OF LOS ANGELES FILE

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IS MALE, NEGRO, BORN

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DISCREET INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED DECEMBER FIVE, LAST,

IN VICINITY [REDACTED] NO

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ADDRESS OF [REDACTED] COULD BE LOCATED AS

SET FORTH IN REFERENCED PORTLAND TELETYPE.

TWO VEHICLES OBSERVED IN VICINITY OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RECORDS CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR

VEHICLES CHECKED AND OWNERS NOT IDENTIFIABLE WITH ANY OF

CAPTIONED SUSPECTS.

LOS ANGELES AT [REDACTED]: WILL THROUGH UNITED STATES  
POST OFFICE, ASCERTAIN IF ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] EXISTS AND WILL DETERMINE IF INDIVIDUAL NAMED [REDACTED]

HAS RECEIVED MAIL ON [REDACTED]

END

RECEIVED LA'S 005, 006, 007, AND 017

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1153 PM NITEL 12-6-71 EB  
TO SEATTLE  
OKLAHOMA CITY  
FROM LAS VEGAS 164160

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

RE BUAIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES NOVEMBER TWO NINE LAST.  
ON DEC. SIX INSTANT, [REDACTED] LAS VEGAS POLICE  
DEPARTMENT ADVISED HIS INFORMANT WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE  
INFORMATION IN PAST, SAW ARTISTS CONCEPTION OF UNSUB AND STATED  
BEARS STRONG RESEMBLANCE [REDACTED]  
REPORTEDLY [REDACTED]

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OKLAHOMA CITY AT TULSA REVIEW RECORDS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND OBTAIN BIRTH DATE AND BACKGROUND ON [REDACTED] ALSO CRIMINAL  
CHECK.

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SEATTLE AT [REDACTED] ON BASIS OF LIMITED INFORMATION  
AVAILABLE, ATTEMPT TO ASCERTAIN IF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] AND OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES.

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CONSIDER UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO SEATTLE

OKLAHOMA CITY  
FROM LAS VEGAS 164160

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO  
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BEARS STRONG RESEMBLANCE TO [REDACTED]  
REPORTEDLY [REDACTED]

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OKLAHOMA CITY AT TULSA REVIEW RECORDS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND OBTAIN BIRTH DATE AND BACKGROUND ON [REDACTED] ALSO CRIMINAL  
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SEATTLE AT [REDACTED] ON BASIS OF LIMITED INFORMATION  
AVAILABLE, ATTEMPT TO ASCERTAIN IF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] AND OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES.

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CONSIDER UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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10:14 PM URGENT 12/6/71 TLA

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) IP

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

ON DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTY ONE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

RESEMBLES ARTISTS DRAWING OF SUBJECT. [REDACTED] RESIDENCE

ADDRESS IN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, SIX FEET, TWO HUNDRED TO

TWO HUNDRED [REDACTED] YEARS, BROWN HAIR, RESEMBLES

DRAWING EXCEPT [REDACTED] AND SOFT

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[REDACTED] INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT [REDACTED] OREGON.

END

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10:14 PM URGENT 12/6/71 TLA

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) IP

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

ON DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTY ONE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

RESEMBLES ARTISTS DRAWING OF SUBJECT. [REDACTED] RESIDENCE

ADDRESS IN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, SIX FEET, TWO HUNDRED TO  
TWO HUNDRED [REDACTED] YEARS, BROWN HAIR, RESEMBLES  
DRAWING EXCEPT [REDACTED] AND SOFT  
SPOKEN. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT [REDACTED] OREGON.

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Via TELETYPE

NITEL

(Priority)

TO SAC, BALTIMORE  
 FROM SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED BY THIS OFFICE THAT

[redacted]  
 [redacted] WAS INVOLVED IN [redacted]  
 [redacted] OFFICER INVESTIGATING  
 INCIDENT ADVISED [redacted] RESEMBLED ARTISTS CONCEPTION OF UNSUB  
 IN CAPTIONED HIJACKING.

ACCORDING TO [redacted]

LAST.

JGK:jlb  
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Approved: JM Sent: 1<sup>SS</sup>/A M Per: JM  
 Special Agent in Charge DB Cooper-3305

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Date:

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LEAD. BALTIMORE AT [REDACTED] CONTACT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] OR OTHERWISE DETERMINE

IF [REDACTED] WAS [REDACTED] NOV. TWENTYFOUR DASH

TWENTYFIVE, LAST, IN ORDER THAT HE MIGHT BE LOGICALLY  
ELIMINATED AS A SUSPECT IN THIS MATTER.Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent: \_\_\_\_\_ M Per: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-3306

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1:35 PM 12/6/71 NITEL SENT 12/7/71 TIM  
TO BALTIMORE  
FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED BY THIS OFFICE THAT [redacted]

[redacted] WAS

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[redacted] RESEMBLED ARTISTS

CONCEPTION OF UNSUB IN CAPTIONED HIJACKING.

ACCORDIG TO [redacted]

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LEAD. BALTIMORE AT [redacted] CONTACT [redacted]

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[redacted] TELEPHONE [redacted]

[redacted] OR OTHER WISE DETERMINE IF [redacted]

[redacted] WAS [redacted]

[redacted] NOV. TWENTYFOUR DASH TWENTYFIVE, LAST, IN ORDER THAT HE  
MIGHT BE LOGICALLY ELIMINATED AS A SUSPECT IN THIS MATTER.

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7:54 PM NITEL 12-6 [REDACTED] HJS

TO DIRECTOR

SEATTLE

FROM BALTIMORE (164-103) RUC

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

RE PITTSBURGH TEL CALL OF SA JOHN CHADWICK TO BALTIMORE, DECEMBER  
FOUR LAST.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED INSTANT DATE INASMUCH AS A [REDACTED]  
SOURCE HAD ADVISED THAT THE ARTIST SKETCH OF THE UNSUB IN INSTANT CASE  
RESEMBLED [REDACTED]

ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST, [REDACTED] IN OFFICE FROM EIGHT THIRTY  
AM UNTIL THREE THIRTY PM. [REDACTED] PRESENCE VERIFIED BY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AT APPROXIMATELY THREE THIR  
TY  
PM. ALSO VERIFYING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND SA [REDACTED] WHO SPOKE TO [REDACTED] IN TH  
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[REDACTED] AT APPROXIMATELY TWO PM ON THE DATE  
OF INSTANT CRIME.

END [REDACTED] NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION ANTICIPATED IN CONNECTION WITH [REDACTED] 164-81-720  
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5:45PM NITEL 12-6-71 RPB

TO: SEATTLE (164-81) AND ST. LOUIS (164-NPRE-M)  
FROM: BOSTON (164-153) (RUC) 1P

ELIM

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

RE ST. LOUIS TELETYPE TO BOSTON AND SEATTLE DECEMBER TWO

LAST.

RE: [REDACTED] - SUSPECT.

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[REDACTED] LOCATED THIS DATE AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHERE [REDACTED] CLAIMS THAT ON

NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE, AT THREE PM HE WAS IN COMPANY  
OF [REDACTED]

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INTERVIEWED AND VERIFIED FACT THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS GOOD

REPUTATION IN COMMUNITY AND NO LOCAL CRIMINAL RECORD.

END.

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TO: SAC, BUTTE  
FROM: SAC, DETROIT (164-115) (P)

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



Re Seattle teletype to Bureau, 11/29/71.

On 12/1/71, [redacted]

[redacted] telephone number [redacted] advised that he observed a composite drawing of Unsub in a local Detroit newspaper recently. He mentioned that it closely resembled [redacted] [redacted] telephone [redacted] He stated that [redacted] is a [redacted]  
[redacted] He mentioned that [redacted] fits the description with exception of age, as he is about [redacted] and Unsub's age was given in the article as mid-40's. He had no specific reason for suspecting [redacted]

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AT [redacted]  
Will conduct investigation to determine if [redacted] should be considered a suspect in this matter.

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CONSIDER SUBJECT DANGEROUS.

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2 - Seattle (164-81)  
2 - Detroit  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA ROBERT H. WICK

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

RE: FLYING SCHOOLS, AIRPORTS  
AND SKY DIVING CLUBS

The following Aviation companies were contacted and advised they had no suspects in this case. Photographs of the artist's conception <sup>were</sup> left with these personnel:

[redacted] Vagabond Aviation Company, Olympia Airport  
[redacted] Capitol Flight Service, Olympia Airport, both on  
November 30, 1971.

[redacted] Executive Flight Service, Hoquiam, Wash on  
December 6, 1971 (Bewerman Field)

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Note: Olympia airport and Bewerman Field are the only airports serviced by schools; that have rentals or would be in position to assist in this matter. There are no sky diving schools in the Olympia RA area.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA ROBERT H. WICK

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

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Note: Olympia airport and Bowerman Field are the only airports serviced by schools; that have rentals or would be in position to assist in this matter. There are no sky diving schools in the Olympia RA area.

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

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3:50PM URGENT 12-6-71 EBM

TO ALBUQUERQUE (149-131)      BOSTON      CHICAGO  
SEATTLE (164-81)      SAN FRANCISCO  
FROM DALLAS (164-191) 3P

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

RE ALBUQUERQUE TELETYPE TO DALLAS, SAN FRANCISCO, AND  
SEATTLE, DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY-ONE.

RE SUSPECT

FOR INFORMATION BOSTON AND CHICAGO, CINCINNATI ADVISED  
ONE

ADVISED DECEMBER ONE, LAST, THE COMPOSITE OF UNSUB  
APPEARING IN THE CINCINNATI PAPERS APPEARS TO BE ONE

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DESCRIBED AS WMA, BORRN

SEVENTY-TWO INCHES, ONE EIGHT-FIVE,

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INVESTIGATION AT ALBUQUERQUE REFLECTS [REDACTED] HAS BEEN  
RECENTLY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND POSSIBLY EMPLOYED BY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] AREA.

[REDACTED] ADVISED DECEMBER  
SIXTH, SEVENTYONE [REDACTED] WAS EMPLOYED WITH [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THE RECORDS OF

[REDACTED] AND ACCORDING TO

BOSTON SHOULD CHECK [REDACTED] RECORDS AND LOCATE [REDACTED]  
ESTABLISH HIS WHEREABOUTS AT TIME OF HIJACKING.

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NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION REVEALED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NOW RESIDE AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] U. S. POSTAL SERVICE,  
WALNUT HILL BRANCH, NINE SEVEN FIVE FIVE WEBBS CHAPEL ROAD,  
DALLAS, ADVISED HIS RECORDS REVEALED [REDACTED]

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CHICAGO LOCATE [REDACTED] AND ESTABLISH HIS WHEREABOUTS AT  
TIME OF CAPTIONED MATTER.

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ALBUQUERQUE, SAN FRANCISCO, AND SEATTLE ARE CONDUCTING  
OTHER INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE [REDACTED] AND THEY SHOULD BE ADVISED  
PROMPTLY IF HE IS LOCATED.

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THIS INDIVIDUAL IS BEING SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
EXTORTION OF TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM NORTHWEST  
AIRLINES BY THREATENING THE CREW OF THE AIRLINE WITH A PACKAGE  
WHICH HE STATED CONTAINED A BOMB. HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

END

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

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\*UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# 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,  
November 24, 1971  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

RESETEL to Bureau, Minneapolis, Butte and Portland  
12/4/71 which retel states glossy photos of suspect  
[redacted] are being forwarded to Portland Divi-  
sion to display to witness [redacted]

Photos were taken to Sea-Tac Airport instant date and  
given to [redacted] Eastern Airlines flight #962,  
departing Sea-Tac 8:20 PM, to land Portland 8:55 PM.

SA JERRY WILSON, Portland Division, was informed of  
above by writer. WILSON said standby agent was leaving  
office now to pick them up.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
 SAC, MINNEAPOLIS  
 SAC, BUTTE (164-26)  
 SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

RE BU TEL CALL AND SEATTLE TELETYPE THIS DATE.

TO SUMMARIZE PROGRESS MADE IN RESOLVING [redacted] AS SUSPECT -  
 BUREAU WAS ADVISED IN RETEL THAT [redacted] WITNESSES [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISE PHOTO NOT IDENT. WITNESS [redacted]

[redacted] SAID EARS STAND OUT TOO MUCH, FACE

TOO ROUND, BUT WILL NOT SAY YES OR NO. WITNESS [redacted]

[redacted] WANTS TO SEE BETTER PHOTOS, AND GLOSSY PHOTOS BEING  
 FLOWN [redacted] THIS DATE.

STEWARDESS [redacted] MINNEAPOLIS, TODAY SAID PHOTO

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BT-9:16

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NOT IDENT.. OTHER TWO STEWARDESSES IN TRAVEL STATUS. MINNEAPOLIS WILL CONTACT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

BUTTE UNABLE TO DETERMINE TODAY WHETHER [REDACTED] IN [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. EFFORTS CONTINUING.

BUTTE, MINNEAPOLIS, PORTLAND EXPEDITE AND SUTEL BUREAU  
AND SEATTLE.

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TO SUMMARIZE PROGRESS MADE IN RESOLVING [redacted] AS SUSPECT -  
 BUREAU WAS ADVISED IN RETEL THAT [redacted] WITNESSES [redacted]

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BUTTE UNABLE TO DETERMINE TODAY WHETHER [REDACTED] IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. EFFORTS CONTINUING.

BUTTE, MINNEAPOLIS, PORTLAND EXPEDITE AND SUTEL BUREAU  
AND SEATTLE.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) MINNEAPOLIS  
BUTTE (164-26) PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 2P

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

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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RE BU TEL CALL AND SEATTLE TELETYPE THIS DATE.

TO SUMMARIZE PROGRESS MADE IN RESOLVING [redacted] AS SUSPECT -  
BUREAU WAS ADVISED IN RETEL THAT [redacted] WITNESSES [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISE PHOTO NOT IDENT. WITNESS [redacted]

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SAY YES OR NO. WITNESS [redacted] WANTS TO SEE  
BETTER PHOTOS, AND GLOSSY PHOTOS BEING FLOWN [redacted] THIS DATE.

STEWARDESS [redacted] MINNEAPOLIS, TODAY SAID PHOTO NOT  
IDENT. OTHER TWO STEWARDESSES IN TRAVEL STATUS. MINNEAPOLIS WILL  
CONTACT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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SEATTLE.

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NR008 SE PLAIN

9:16 PM URGENT 12/4/71 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) MINNEAPOLIS  
BUTTE (164-26) PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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RE BU TEL CALL AND SEATTLE TELETYPE THIS DATE.

TO SUMMARIZE PROGRESS MADE IN RESOLVING [redacted] AS SUSPECT -  
BUREAU WAS ADVISED IN RETEL THAT [redacted] WITNESSES [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISE PHOTO NOT IDENT. WITNESS [redacted]

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BETTER PHOTOS, AND GLOSSY PHOTOS BEING FLOWN [redacted] THIS DATE.

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IDENT. OTHER TWO STEWARDESSES IN TRAVEL STATUS. MINNEAPOLIS WILL  
CONTACT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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BUTTE UNABLE TO DETERMINE TODAY WHETHER [REDACTED] IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. EFFORTS CONTINUING.

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SEATTLE.

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NR008 SE PLAIN

9:10 PM URGENT 12/4/71 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) MINNEAPOLIS  
BUTTE (164-26) PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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RE BU TEL CALL AND SEATTLE TELETYPE THIS DATE.

TO SUMMARIZE PROGRESS MADE IN RESOLVING [redacted] AS SUSPECT -

BUREAU WAS ADVISED IN RETEL THAT SEATTLE WITNESSES [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISE PHOTO NOT IDENT. WITNESS [redacted]

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OREGON, SAID EARS STAND OUT TOO MUCH, FACE TOO ROUND, BUT WILL NOT  
SAY YES OR NO. WITNESS [redacted] PORTLAND, WANTS TO SEE  
BETTER PHOTOS, AND GLOSSY PHOTOS BEING FLOWN [redacted] THIS DATE.

STEWARDESS [redacted] MINNEAPOLIS, TODAY SAID PHOTO NOT  
IDENT. OTHER TWO STEWARDESSES IN TRAVEL STATUS. MINNEAPOLIS WILL  
CONTACT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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BUTTE UNABLE TO DETERMINE TODAY WHETHER [ ] IN [ ]  
[ ] ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. EFFORTS CONTINUING.

BUTTE, MINNEAPOLIS, PORTLAND EXPEDITE AND SUTEL BUREAU AND  
SEATTLE.

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RE: [redacted]

On November 30, 1971. [redacted]

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He advised that he observed the sketch of the hijacker in the evening newspaper of Anchorage and thinks that the sketch bears a striking resemblance to a person he once knew in [redacted]. He said his acquaintance was [redacted]

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He stated that he was furnishing this information only on the basis of a similarity between [redacted] and the composite drawing of the hijacker.

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[redacted] had no additional information.

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RE: [redacted]

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[redacted] On November 30, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted] Anchorage Police Department, Anchorage, Alaska,  
advised SA [redacted] that he received a telephone  
call from [redacted]  
[redacted] and that [redacted] furnished the name of [redacted]  
as a possible suspect in this matter.

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On November 30, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted] advised SA [redacted]  
that he was acquainted with an individual by the name of  
[redacted] who may be considered as a suspect in this  
matter. He advised that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] advised that he heard that in [redacted]  
[redacted] He had no  
further details.

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He stated that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted]

[redacted]

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[redacted] advised he described [redacted] as being a white male 38 to 42 years of age, 5'10" to 6' tall, with a husky build and receding hairline. [redacted] current whereabouts are unknown.

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[redacted] advised that he had not seen the composite drawing of the unknown subject in this matter and he was directed to the composite appearing in the November 30, 1971, edition of the Anchorage Daily Times, and evening newspaper in Anchorage, Alaska.

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[redacted] reported that in his opinion there is small resemblance of [redacted] to the composite drawing. He stated that [redacted] has a different nose style and is slimmer in the cheeks than the cheeks in the composite drawing. He would classify [redacted] at this time as a possible suspect based on the fact that [redacted]

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RE: [redacted]

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[redacted] On November 30, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted] Anchorage, Police Department, Anchorage, Alaska,  
advised SA [redacted] that he received a telephone  
call from [redacted]  
[redacted] and that [redacted] furnished the name of [redacted]  
as a possible suspect in this matter.

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On November 30, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted] Alaska, advised SA [redacted]  
that he was acquainted with an individual by the name of  
[redacted] who may be considered as a suspect in this  
matter. He advised that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] advised that he heard that in [redacted]  
[redacted] He had no  
further details.

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He stated that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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RE: [redacted]

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On November 30, 1971, [redacted]

[redacted] advised SAI [redacted] that she could locate no record [redacted] in her personnel files. Subsequently on November 30, 1971, [redacted] telephone call to the [redacted] that [redacted]

[redacted] She further learned that during the period of time of [redacted]

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[redacted] She stated that [redacted]

photographs of [redacted]

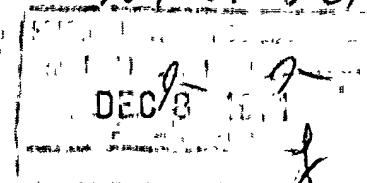
[redacted] advised she further made inquiry in the [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that she could not determine if [redacted] ever had a personnel file as such in view of the fact that he was [redacted]

[redacted] several years ago but stated that if it became necessary to positively determine this that she would review further records to determine if there was a personnel file and for its present location. 164-81-731

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On November 30, 1971, [redacted]

[redacted] advised SA [redacted] that he was  
acquainted with [redacted] in [redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted] in several years but understands that  
and that at one time [redacted]

[redacted]  
described [redacted] as being a white male 35 to 36,  
5'10" tall, medium build. He has no information  
as to the current whereabouts of [redacted]. He stated  
[redacted]

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On December 1, 1971, [redacted] Supra, advised  
[redacted] and could locate no  
address for [redacted] He stated that as far as he knew  
[redacted]

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RE: [redacted]

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On November 30, 1971. [redacted]

[redacted] advised  
SA [redacted] that she could locate no record  
[redacted] in her personnel files. Subsequently  
on November 30, 1971, [redacted]  
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[redacted] that [redacted]

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[redacted] JMM

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On November 30, 1971. [redacted]

[redacted] advised SA [redacted] that he was  
acquainted with [redacted] in [redacted]

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and that at one time [redacted]

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RE: [REDACTED] (LAST NAME UNKNOWN)

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On November 30, 1971.

[REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that he knew an individual who may be considered suspect in this matter. This individual is [REDACTED] (Last Name Unknown). He stated that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]

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about [REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] is a white male about [REDACTED] years of age and tall and slim.

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[REDACTED] advised that he has no information concerning [REDACTED]

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Date: 12/2/71

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, ANCHORAGE (164-59) (P)

SUBJ: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka Dan Cooper;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
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~~ReBTnitel to Anchorage 11/29/71, reANlet to  
Seattle 11/30/71; reSElet to Albany 11/30/71.~~

~~Enclosed for Seattle Division are the original  
and four copies of five separate investigative inserts  
relating to~~

~~(First Name Unknown) [redacted] and [redacted] (Last Name Unknown).~~

LEADSSEATTLE DIVISIONAt Seattle, Washington

For the Information of Seattle Division since  
Anchorage Division is not fully aware of the investigation  
conducted in this matter and since an evaluation is not  
possible on the "Look alike" information as reported herein,  
leads are being left to the discretion of the office of  
origin.

② - Seattle (Encs. 25) *Rec'd UN*  
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 Special Agent in Charge

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ANCHORAGE DIVISION

At Anchorage, Alaska

Will report results of investigation being conducted at Fairbanks, Alaska, and any additional information received by Anchorage Division.

12/2/71

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, ANCHORAGE (164-59) (P)  
SUBJ: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka Dan Cooper;  
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SEATTLE DIVISION

At Seattle, Washington

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origin.

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ANCHORAGE DIVISION

At Anchorage, Alaska

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Date: 12/3/71

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, ANCHORAGE (164-59)(P)

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

OO: SEATTLE

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Re Anchorage letter to Seattle, 11/30/71.

[redacted] was [redacted]  
 [redacted] carrying [redacted]  
 [redacted] He had SSAN [redacted]  
 [redacted] did not have address  
 [redacted] but believed he was [redacted]

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On 12/1/71 [redacted]

[redacted] advised he viewed sketch of Unsub in local paper. He stated sketch could be of [redacted] however, he recalled [redacted] as having hair not as flat as in sketch.

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He added [redacted]

[redacted] and might possibly be able to identify jumper from sketch.

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He added [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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On 12/1/71 [REDACTED]  
located the address for [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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LEAD

ANCHORAGE

At Anchorage, Alaska

Display sketch of Unsub to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] to see if it resembles acquaintance who [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, ANCHORAGE (164-59)(P)  
SUBJ: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Anchorage letter to Seattle, 11/30/71.

[redacted] was [redacted]  
[redacted] during [redacted]  
[redacted] He had [redacted] [redacted]  
[redacted] did not have address  
[redacted] but believed he was [redacted]

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On 12/1/71 [redacted] advised he viewed  
sketch of Unsub in local paper. He stated sketch could  
be of [redacted] however, he recalled [redacted] as having hair  
not as flat as in sketch.

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He added [redacted]  
[redacted] and might possibly be able to identify Jumper  
from sketch.

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2 - Anchorage  
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He added [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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On 12/1/71 [REDACTED]

located the address for [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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LEAD

ANCHORAGE

At Anchorage, Alaska

Display sketch of Unsub to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] to see if it resembles acquaintance who [REDACTED]  
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Date: 12/1/71

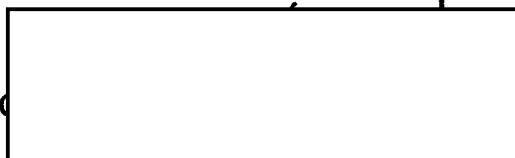
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TO: SAC, SEATTLE

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (164-254) (RUC)

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
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On 11/27/71, an individual identifying himself as [redacted]

[redacted] advised SA [redacted] that he had seen a poster at the Newark Terminal in the REA Express facility which depicted an individual sky-diving with a load on his back.

He stated that after the recent hijacking in the northwest where an unknown individual apparently jumped from a plane with \$200,000 ransom he thought this particular poster should be brought to the attention of the FBI. He stated he thought perhaps [redacted] might be responsible for this crime.

Newark should furnish Seattle information concerning the poster at the Newark Terminal of REA Express in order that proper consideration may be given this matter.

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2 - Newark  
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Special Agent in Charge

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted] [redacted]

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

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RE: SUSPECT - [redacted]

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On 12/1/71, [redacted]

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[redacted] provided the following information:

He feels that [redacted] could  
be the hijacker. [redacted]

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[redacted] resembles the artist's conception of the captioned UNSUB.  
[redacted] did look Latin if he was well tanned and [redacted]  
[redacted] He is a nervous smoker but [redacted] cannot remember  
the brand of cigarettes.

[redacted] believes that [redacted]

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The following description of [redacted] was obtained  
from [redacted]

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Name: [redacted] [redacted]  
Race: White [redacted]  
Sex: Male [redacted]  
Age: 35-36 (looks older)  
Height: 6' to 6'1"  
Weight: 175-185 lbs.  
Build: Slender to average  
Hair: Dark brown [redacted]  
Eyes: Brown [redacted] (54)

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[redacted] also provided a photo of [redacted]

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SEATTLE DIVISION

Contact FAA, Seattle, for information concerning  
[redacted] present location.

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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

RE: SUSPECT - [redacted]

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On 12/1/71. [redacted]

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[redacted] provided the following information:

He feels that [redacted] could  
be the hijacker. [redacted]

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the brand of cigarettes.

[redacted] believes that [redacted]

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Eyes:	Brown 1A(54)

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[redacted] also provided a photo of [redacted]

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LEAD

SEATTLE DIVISION

Contact FAA, Seattle, for information concerning  
 present location.

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NR006 SV PLAIN

717 PM URGENT 12-6-71 PNR

TO DIRECTOR 164-2111

ATLANTA

SEATTLE 164-81

FROM SAVANNAH 164-29 2P

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UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO SEATTLE.

REBUAIRTEL NOV. TWENTYNINE LAST, AND SEATTLE LETTER TO ALBANY, NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST. RE SAVANNAH TELCALL TO ATLANTA DEC SIX INST.

ON DEC. SIX,

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[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

SSAN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IS WHITE MALE, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES,  
MEDIUM BUILD.

BECAUSE OF THE ABOVE, [REDACTED] CONSIDERS [REDACTED] A GOOD SUSPECT  
IN CAPTIONED AIRLINE HIJACKING.

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ON DEC. SIX INSTANT [REDACTED] RECEIVED INFO THAT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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ATLANTA THOROUGHLY INTERVIEW [REDACTED] ESTABLISH HIS ITINERARY SINCE  
[REDACTED] AND SET FORTH LEADS IMMEDIATELY TO  
VERIFY. OBTAIN BACKGROUND AND NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF RELATIVES AND  
ACQUAINTANCES.

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SEATTLE FURNISH ATLANTA AND SAVANNAH ANY ADDITIONAL PERTINENT  
INFO.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT [REDACTED] P.

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NR09 SL PLAIN

8:43PM NITEL 12-6-71 NEH

TO PITTSBURGH

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM ST. LOUIS (164-NPRC-M)

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

EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE. BUFILE: ONE SIX FOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE SUSPECT

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RE MYTEL DECEMBER THREE, LAST. PITTSBURGH AND SEATTLE ADD FOLLOWING TWO PAGES TO ST. LOUIS TEL NR

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BORN [REDACTED]

WHITE MALE; HEIGHT: FIVE FEET, EIGHT INCHES; WEIGHT: ONE HUNDRED  
SIXTY POUNDS; BROWN HAIR AND EYES; MEDIUM BUILD; SELECTIVE SERVICE

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NUMBER [REDACTED]

PARENTS: [REDACTED]

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RECORDS INDICATE [REDACTED] APPLIED FOR EMPLOYMENT WITH [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] BUT NO ADDRESS FOR

[REDACTED] IN THIS CORRESPONDENCE.

[REDACTED] CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION CONCERNING [REDACTED]  
AS SUSPECT. HANDLE PER INSTRUCTIONS IN BUREAU AIRTEL DATED  
NOVEMBER TWENTY-NINE LAST.

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CONSIDER UNSUB DANGEROUS.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/5/71

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

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Re Seattle Times article entitled "Hijacker's ' twin' ",  
front page, 12/5/71, and Memo of S.A.'s ROBERT ROSS REYNOLDS  
and DONALD J. STEELE, 12/3/71.

[redacted] was eliminated as a suspect through investigation b6  
conducted by S.A. JOHN REEP, which did not include an interview. b7C

Later on 12/3/71, [redacted] voluntarily appeared at the Seattle  
FBI office to offer whatever assistance he could. He was inter- // b6  
viewed by S.A.'s REYNOLDS and STEELE, primarily concerning para- // b7C  
chuting and possible other suspects. He was interviewed from  
approximately 2:30 PM until approximately 4:30 PM. He was not  
questioned as a suspect. He does not fit the description.

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WRM:wrm

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SAC [redacted]  
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[redacted] JAS



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# Memorandum

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

FROM : SA ROBERT ROSS REYNOLDS and  
SA DONALD J. STEELE

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

DATE: 12/3/71

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Sub D Parachute

On 12/3/71, [redacted] telephone [redacted] advised  
as follows:

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Q. [redacted] given the following set of circumstances, the Boeing 727 which you are generally familiar with, the rear stairway flying at 10,000 feet through clouds at about 178 knots on IFR Flight, what would be the conditions that would exist as soon as the cabin was depressurized?

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A. As soon as the hatch was cracked, there would be depression matters of the aircraft. The lowering of the stairwell would create a [redacted] effect on the entire aircraft because the air flow is disrupted here which would naturally effect the aircraft.

Q. This would have no material effect on the jumper physiologically at this altitude?

A. No, not at 10,000 feet.

Q. This would be a very practical altitude in which to jump?

A. Certainly.

Q. Would this be an ideal type aircraft from which to make a daylight or night jump?

A. Yes.

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[redacted]

[redacted]

Q. Given the conditions at night time with clouds below to about 7,000 feet and partial clouds and intermittent clouds taken to a ceiling about 4,000 feet, would this present any problems to a jumper?

A. There again we're dealing with variables. If a man knew what altitude at the time he was leaving the aircraft, there are two ways to determine his altitude on opening:

1. From the second hand on a wristwatch;
2. A wrist type altimeter.

Q. Making this jump, what would be practical for the man to do? To open the chute immediately or to wait until he had a view of the ground?

A. I would wait at least ten seconds before pulling. This way I am not only clear of the aircraft, but I am also out of visual sight of the aircraft or any aircraft in the area. Cloud covering is an advantage but not knowing where the ground is, is a problem because of the peaks in the area. The above procedure would be in effect if I was not in familiar territory. Another advantage of an early chute opening would be for the jumper to select the best drop zone possible.

In unfamiliar territory and wherein a light might be observed, would give the jumper not only an idea of his altitude but an opportunity for steering himself toward a suitable drop zone.

In chuting in familiar territory, this type of dropp would be rather "simple to an experienced jumper". This would allow the jumper to "free-fall" for the full

100% [redacted]

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40 second delay time. This would put him at approximately 2,000 feet altitude when the chute opens which still gives him another three minutes to the ground.

Footwear for an experienced jumper is inconsequential.

Jumping into a heavily wooded area is also relatively simple.

Jumping into water is even more simple for an experienced jumper.

Q. If the wind velocity at 10,000 feet was 25 knots and the ground level five knots, roughly how far could he travel?

A. He would be in the saddle for ten minutes. On a clear and pull situation (immediate opening of the chute), he could go five miles on the wind line or wind direction; and a normal delayed opening maximum distance with a five knot wind would be two or three thousand feet. Even with a non-steerable chute, by taking hold of the risers and facing into the wind and making an almost direct descent which would also produce a very soft landing equivalent to stepping off a chair.

Q. Would the speed of the plane at 178 knots present any problem?

A. No, not for a jumper.

Q. Based on the information we have discussed, here, does this jump present any problem to an experienced jumper?

A. None whatsoever.

Q. Do you think this man made this type of jump before.

A. I would say he has made some high altitude jumps before. The mere fact that the jumper requested 15 degree flaps and gear down to increase drag would also indicate the jumper was an experienced high altitude parachutist.

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Q. In a free-fall from 10,000 feet to approximately 2,000 feet, what would be his rate of speed at rip cord pull?

A. 120 miles per hour which is normal free-fall terminal speed within the atmosphere because the speed increases upon the increase of altitude.

Q. What would the possibility be of the jumper suffering ankle or leg injuries in wearing oxford street shoes?

A. No more than if he had jump boots on. It shouldn't create any problem.

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From the information furnished regarding the above situation, it is my opinion that this jumper was experienced and I would say having at least 150 jumps.

Q. What would your guess be as to the number of jumpers in the country that could pull this type of jump off?

A. At least 1000 people.

In the "Parachutist" put out by the U. S. Parachute Association, there are listed the names and state from which they are from for every individual which has obtained a license, whether it is Class A, B, C, D, or I.

A Class C jumper could have made the above jump. There are currently 7192 licensed Class C jumpers-to say nothing of Class D or I.

As of this month, there are 3094 Class D jumpers.

Class I is not given.

The above figures do not include military personnel that have done high altitude free-fall jumps. There is no way to determine how many jumpers would be in that category.

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The only time lapse necessary from departure of the aircraft to the opening of the chute is that time needed to stabilize the body and this is determined by each jumpers capabilities.

Q. Would accepting an unfamiliar chute present any problem to this person?

A. It wouldn't bother me. I would certainly check it over as would any experienced jumper.

Q. This would take less than ten minutes?

A. Yes.

Q. Could an average Forest Service Smoke Jumper pull off this job?

A. I doubt it. Bearing in mind smoke jumpers are for the most part all static line jumpers as is military, and unless they're doing some skydiving on the side.

In all likelihood, the smoke jumper could be eliminated.

Q. [redacted] would you discuss the age factor of a man 45 to 50 in parachute jumping? How many are active?

A. Very few.

However, high altitude jumpers in that age group would be extremely limited. These would be officials of jump clubs or parachute governing bodies and/or instructors.

Q. Bringing the age factor into this, would that change your estimate of the excess with which this jump could be performed?

A. No, because of the fact it requires no special physical condition to pull off a jump if you know what you're doing.

Q. Could you estimate how many residents in the State of Washington or Oregon could have pulled this off?

A. No.

NR005 AQ PLAIN

955PM NITEL 12/6/71 DJC

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTRLAND

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM: ALBUQUERQUE (149-131) 1P

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UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. SEATLE ORIGIN.

RE LITTLE ROCK TELETYPE TO ALBUQUERQUE, DEC. THREE, LAST.

RE. SUSPECT [redacted]

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INVESTIGATION ALBUQUERQUE THROUGH CREDIT BUREAU, DIRECTORIES,  
POLICE DEPARTMENT, PARACHUTE CLUBS NEGATIVE RE [redacted]

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SAN FRANCISCO AND PORTLAND ADVISE ALBUQUERQUE IF [redacted] LOCATED  
OR IF FURTHER BACKGROUND AVAILABLE.

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UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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10:22PM NITEL 12/6/71 JAK  
TO SEATTLE (164-81)  
ALBUQUERQUE  
PORTLAND (164-41)  
LITTLE ROCK (164-22)  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) IP

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UNSUB, AKA - DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING;  
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RE LR TEL, DEC. THREE EAST.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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[redacted] ADDRESS AT THAT TIME [redacted]

[redacted] DOB

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[redacted] FIVE FT. NINE IN., ONE FIVE ZERO LBS.,  
PD ATTEMPT LOCATE [redacted] THROUGH ABOVE ADDRESS.

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TO DIRECTOR

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM DALLAS (164-191)

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UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWENTY SEVEN JET, ELEVEN  
TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE OKLAHOMA CITY TELETYPE NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST.

[REDACTED] WAS INTERVIEWED THIS DATE RE HIS  
KNOWLEDGE OF OR INVOLVEMENT IN CAPTIONED HIJACKING. [REDACTED] DENIED  
ANY INVOLVEMENT IN INSTANT MATTER AND ADVISED THAT HE ONLY KNEW  
OF THIS HIJACKING BECAUSE OF THE NEWS MEDIA. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT  
HE IS PRESENTLY EMPLOYED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND THAT HIS ATTENDANCE AT WORK ON THE DATE OF THE HIJACKING  
CAN BE VERIFIED.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED FURTHER THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHICH WAS VERIFIED TO BE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THE ADDRESS SHOWN ON THE LICENSE

IS [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HE

[REDACTED] REGARDING HIS EMPLOYMENT, [REDACTED] STATED THAT PRIOR [REDACTED]

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ON DECEMBER SIX INSTANT, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] WAS IN ATTENDANCE AT HIS JOB ON NOVEMBER TWENTYTHREE, FOUR AND FIVE FROM THE HOURS OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] REGARDS [REDACTED] AS A GOOD EMPLOYEE.

[REDACTED] IS DESCRIBED FROM OBSERVATION AND INTERVIEW AS WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED] FIVE ELEVEN, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTYFIVE POUNDS, BROWN HAIR WITH SLIGHT TOUCH OF GRAY, [REDACTED] EYES, SLIGHTLY RUDDY COMPLEXION, NO DISTINCTIVE SCARS OR MARKS. [REDACTED] GLASSES WHICH, ALTHOUGH NOT UNUSUALLY THICK, HE CLAIMS HE MUST WEAR AT ALL TIMES.

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FD THREE ZERO TWOS FOLLOW.

AIR MAIL COPY TO OKLAHOMA CITY.

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SND FBI SEATTLE RECEIVED TWO TELS CLR

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NR 006 LA PLAIN

611PM NITEL 12-06-71 AXV

TO PORTLAND (164-41)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 3P

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UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE,  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OFFICE OF ORIGIN: SEATTLE

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER TWO LAST.

REFERENCED TELETYPE REFLECTS INTERVIEW OF [redacted]

[redacted] BY PORTLAND WITH REQUEST FOR LOS ANGELES TO CONDUCT  
INQUIRY AT [redacted] TO IDENTIFY PERSON  
CLOSELY RESEMBLING UNSUB.

ON DECEMBER THREE LAST [redacted]

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[redacted] COULD NOT RECALL [redacted]

[redacted] EMPLOYMENT RECORDS AT ABOVE COMPANY DATING  
BACK TO [redacted] REVIEWED AND NO RECORD OF  
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EMPLOYMENT COULD BE LOCATED FOR [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AREA. ARTIST CONCEPTION OF UNSUB EXHIBITED TO  
[REDACTED] HE DOES NOT KNOW OF ANYONE FITTING DESCRIPTION  
OF PHOTO CONCEPTION OF UNSUB IN [REDACTED]

AREA.

[REDACTED] EXPLAINED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HAS NO INFORMATION TO FURNISH REGARDING [REDACTED]

THE LOCATION OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IS BUSINESS

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[REDACTED] . INQUIRY DETERMINED

THIS FIRM HAS BEEN AT SAME LOCATION [REDACTED]

THIS LOCATION IS APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AREA. ATTEMPT TO

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LOCATE [REDACTED] WAS MADE WITHOUT  
SUCCESS. PUBLIC SOURCE DATA ALSO FAILED TO LIST ANY,  
INFORMATION REGARDING FIRMS KNOWN AS [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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LEAD:

PORTLAND

AT [REDACTED] PORTLAND IS REQUESTED TO  
RE-INTERVIEW [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] FOR ADDITIONAL SPECIFIC INFORMATION REGARDING  
HIS RECOLLECTION OF PERSON RESEMBLING UNSUB.

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LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: WILL CONDUCT NO FURTHER  
INQUIRY IN THIS PHASE UNTIL ADDITIONAL FACTS RECEIVED FROM  
PORTLAND.

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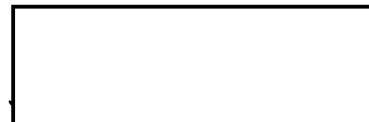
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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE, DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY ONE.

SUSPECT [redacted]

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ON DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTY ONE, MVR RECORDS, [redacted]

DESCRIBED [redacted] AS FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY POUNDS,  
AND DATE OF BIRTH [redacted]

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SINCE [redacted] HEIGHT IS ONLY FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, NO FURTHER ACTION BEING TAKEN AT PORTLAND, OREGON. -P-

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 NEW YORK  
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 SAN FRANCISCO - 1159P  
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*Relay  
Via CWA  
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FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE: [redacted]

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PHOTOGRAPH OF [redacted] EXHIBITED TO THREE WITNESSES AT

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[redacted] WHO ADVISED [redacted] NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB. ALL OFFICES  
 DISCONTINUE RE [redacted] P.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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

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RE: [redacted]

PHOTOGRAPH OF [redacted] EXHIBITED TO THREE WITNESSES AT [redacted]

WHO ADVISED [redacted] NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB. ALL OFFICES DISCONTINUE

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RE [redacted] -P-

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HONOLULU (VIA WASHINGTON, D.C.)

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FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE: [redacted]

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PHOTOGRAPH OF [redacted] EXHIBITED TO THREE WITNESSES AT [redacted]

WHO ADVISED [redacted] NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB. ALL OFFICES DISCONTINUE

RE [redacted] -P-

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HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE: [redacted]

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PHOTOGRAPH OF [redacted] EXHIBITED TO THREE WITNESSES AT [redacted]

WHO ADVISED [redacted] NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB. ALL OFFICES DISCONTINUE

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)b6  
b7CUNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER ; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR,  
SEVENTYONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.RE MINNEAPOLIS NITEL TO BUREAU DECEMBER TWO,  
SEVENTYONE.

RE: [redacted]

SUSPECT FORMERLY EMPLOYED [redacted]

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b7C[redacted] DESCRIBED AS WHITE, MALE,  
DOB [redacted] FIVE FEET SEVEN INCHES;  
DARK BROWN HAIR, AND BROWN EYES.[redacted] ADVISED ON DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTYONE,  
THAT SUSPECT [redacted]b6  
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Approved: *[Signature]*  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 605P M Per *JMM*

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LOS ANGELES AT [REDACTED] WILL DISCREETLY

DETERMINE THE WHEREABOUTS OF THIS SUSPECT ON THE AFTERNOON  
AND EVENING OF NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent: \_\_\_\_\_ M Per: \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES  
FROM: / SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE MINNEAPOLIS NITEL TO BUREAU DECEMBER TWO,  
SEVENTYONE.

RE: [redacted]

SUSPECT FORMERLY EMPLOYED [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] DESCRIBED AS WHITE, MALE,  
DOB [redacted] FIVE FEET SEVEN INCHES,  
DARK BROWN HAIR, AND BROWN EYES.

[redacted] ADVISED ON DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTYONE,  
THAT SUSPECT [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[REDACTED]

LOS ANGELES AT [REDACTED] WILL DISCREETLY  
DETERMINE THE WHEREABOUTS OF THIS SUSPECT ON THE AFTERNOON  
AND EVENING OF NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

ON DECEMBER SIX, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE, SA EDWARD J. ANDERSON RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HOME ADDRESS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

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SUGGESTED THAT UNSUB. MAY HAVE PURCHASED FLIGHT INSURANCE FROM MACHINES OR COUNTERS AT PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. [REDACTED]

RECOMMENDED THAT NAMES ON POLICIES PURCHASED ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, BE CROSS CHECKED WITH MANIFEST OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE.

PORLAND. AT PORTLAND, OREGON. CONTACT APPROPRIATE CONTROLLING AGENCY FOR FLIGHT INSURANCE AT PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN LISTING OF POLICIES PURCHASED NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, LAST. DETERMINE, IF FEASIBLE, TO ELIMINATE NAMES ON POLICIES OF OTHER FLIGHTS THAT DATE AND THEREBY PLACE TRUE NAME OF UNSUB. TO MANIFEST ON NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE.

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Approved: *W*

Special Agent in Charge

Sent 140% M Per *JMM*

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1056 PM NITEL 12-6-71 WJG

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM PHOENIX (164-100) 2P

Ce. RANSOM

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

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES, NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE LAST.

ON INSTANT DATE, [redacted]

PHOENIX, ARIZONA ADVISED THAT ON DECEMBER FOUR LAST A [redacted]

[redacted] CAME INTO ONE

[redacted] BRANCHES AND PURCHASED A CASHIERS CHECK IN THE AMOUNT

[redacted] THE BANK EMPLOYEE ISSUING THE CASHIERS CHECK WAS SUSPICIOUS

[redacted] BEHAVED

IN A STRANGE MANNER.

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I advised SA [redacted] in Phoenix to check these numbers through the NCIC.

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Apparently there was  
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[REDACTED] FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION OF [REDACTED]  
WHITE MALE, SIX FEET, TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, LIGHT BROWN HAIR,  
MID FIFTIES TO EARLY SIXTIES, WORE GLASSES, [REDACTED]  
TYPE CLOTHING.

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THE PHOENIX DIVISION HAS SECURED A LIST OF THE SERIAL  
NUMBERS OF THE TWENTY DOLLAR BILLS USED BY [REDACTED] TO PURCHASE  
THE CASHIERS CHECK.

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THE PHOENIX DIVISION IS PRESENTLY RETAINING THE LIST OF  
SERIAL NUMBERS OF THE TWENTY DOLLAR BILLS. IN THE EVENT OFFICE  
OF ORIGIN HAS COMPILED A LIST OF THE SERIAL NUMBERS OF THE  
TWENTY DOLLAR BILLS USED TO COMPRIZE THE TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND  
DOLLAR RANSOM THESE SERIAL NUMBERS SHOULD BE FURNISHED TO THE  
PHOENIX DIVISION FOR COMPARISON.

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE PHOENIX  
DIVISION IN THIS REGARD UNLESS OTHERWISE REQUESTED BY THE OFFICE  
OF ORIGIN.

---UNSUB CONSIDERED DANGEROUS---  
PENDING.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/4/71

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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On 12/4/71 [redacted] was shown  
[redacted] 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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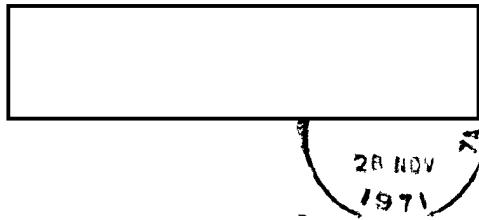
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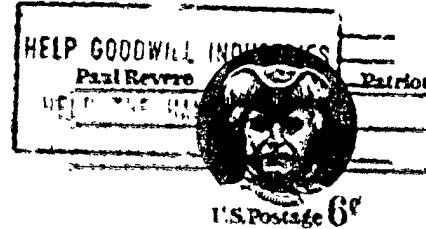
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Northwest Airlines  
Seattle-Tacoma International Airport  
Seattle Washington

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Do you know  
about my son  
Stephen Johnson



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TO           SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) AND  
 FROM        SAC, MIAMI  
               SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
 THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR,  
 SEVENTYONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. 00: SE  
 ON DEC. SIX, SEVENTYONE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NORTHWEST AIRLINES, SEATTLE TACOMA  
 INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, SEATTLE, WASH., NOTIFIED SEATTLE  
 OFFICE THAT HE WAS HOLDING A POSTCARD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NORTHWEST AIRLINES, SEATTLE TACOMA  
 AIRPORT, POSTMARKED NOV. TWENTYEIGHT, SEVENTYONE, FROM  
 MAIMI, FLORIDA. MESSAGE READS "DO YOU KNOW ABOUT MY  
 MISREPRESENTATION?", SIGNED [REDACTED] DATED NOV.  
 TWENTYSEVEN, SEVENTYONE. RETURN ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INDICATED  
 ON FACE OF CARD. [REDACTED] THOUGHT ADDRESS UNUSUAL SINCE  
 [REDACTED] IN MINNEAPOLIS. [REDACTED] FURNISHED COPY  
 OF CARD TO SA EDWARD J. ANDERSON, ORIGINAL BEING FORWARDED  
 [REDACTED] COPY OF POSTCARD BEING FORWARDED TO MINNEAPOLIS  
 AND MIAMI BY FACSIMILE.

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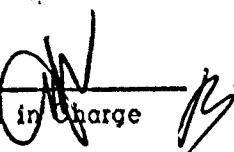
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LEADS. MINNEAPOLIS AT MINNEAPOLIS. CONTACT

[REDACTED] TO DETERMINE IF SHE KNOWS A [REDACTED]  
AND IF MESSAGE HAS BEARING TO CAPTIONED CASE. ADVISE MIAMI  
IF INTERVIEW WITH [REDACTED] DEEMED APPROPRIATE.

MIAMI AT MIAMI. CHECK INDICES FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HOLD IN ABEYANCE ANY FURTHER INVESTIGATION OF  
UNTIL ADVISED BY MINNEAPOLIS.b6  
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1:30 AM NITEL 12/6/71 SENT 12/7/71 TIM

TO MINNEAPOLIS (164-73

MIAMI

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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

ON DEC. SIX, SEVENTYONE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NORTHWEST AIRLINES, SEATTLE, WASH., NOTIFIED  
SEATTLE OFFICE THAT HE WAS HOLDING A POSTCARD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NORTHWEST AIRLINES, SEATTLE TACOMA AIRPORT,  
POSTMARKED NOV. TWENTYEIGHT, SEVENTYONE, FROM MAIMI, FLORIDA.

MESSAGE READ "DO YOU KNOW ABOUT BY MISREPRESENTATION?", SIGNED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DATED NOV. TWENTYSEVEN, SEVENTYONE. RETURN ADDRESS OF

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] INDICATED ON FACE OF CARD. [REDACTED] THOUGHT ADDRESS UNUSUAL  
SINCE [REDACTED] IN MINNEAPOLIS. [REDACTED] FURNISHED COPY

OF CARD TO SA EDWARD J. ANDERSON, ORIGINAL BEING FORWARDED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] COPY OF POSTCARD BEING FORWARDED TO MINNEAPOLIS AND  
MIAMI BY FACSIMILE.

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LEADS. MINNEAPOLIS AT MINNEAPOLIS. CONTACT [REDACTED]  
TO DETERMINE IF SHE KNOWS A [REDACTED] AND IF MESSAGE HAS  
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MIAMI AT MIAMI. CHECK INDICES FOR [REDACTED] HOLD  
IN ABEYANCE ANY FURTHER INVESTIGATION OF [REDACTED] UNTIL ADVISED  
BY MINNEAPOLIS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted] [redacted]

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

RE: SUSPECT - [redacted]

Washington, telephone [redacted] advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] may be the captioned hijacker.

[redacted] looks exactly like the artist's conception of  
the hijacker. He was [redacted] He is in his  
mid-30s. His hair is dark brown, has a [redacted]  
[redacted] sometimes wore glasses and was a heavy  
smoker of Raleigh cigarettes. He had a dark olive complexion  
and said he was [redacted]

[redacted] was a [redacted]  
individual. He was last seen at [redacted]

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*Photo will  
be obtained & shown to witness*

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

RE: SUSPECT - [redacted]

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[redacted] He is in his  
mid-30s. His hair is dark brown, has a [redacted]  
[redacted] sometimes wore glasses and was a heavy  
smoker of Raleigh cigarettes. He had a dark olive complexion  
and said he was [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted] was a [redacted]  
individual. He was last seen at [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: December 6, 1971

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

Re: Suspect [redacted]

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At 8:10 p.m. on December 4, 1971 SA [redacted]  
[redacted] hand carried an envelope to [redacted]  
[redacted] Sea-Tac Airport, Seattle, Washington,  
marked for the SAC, Portland Division. [redacted]  
[redacted] from Seattle to  
Portland same date and was advised that a Special Agent from  
the Portland Division would meet him at the Portland Airport.  
This envelope contained four glossy prints of [redacted]  
[redacted] was due to arrive in  
Portland at approximately 9 p.m., December 4, 1971.

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RDM:kdl

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

December 6, 1971

SA [redacted]

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UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305,  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: Suspect [redacted]  
[redacted] [redacted]  
[redacted]

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b7C

At 8:10 p.m. on December 4, 1971 SA [redacted]  
[redacted] hand carried an envelope to [redacted]  
[redacted] Sea-Tac Airport, Seattle, Washington,  
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[redacted] from Seattle to  
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the Portland Division would meet him at the Portland Airport.  
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Portland at approximately 9 p.m., December 4, 1971.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

RDM:kdl

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DB Cooper-3414

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Date: 12/1/71

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

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Via AIRTELAIRMAIL

(Priority)

TO: SAC, BALTIMORE  
 FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (164-100) (P)  
 UNSUB;  
 Northwest Airlines 727  
 Portland, Oregon  
 11/24/71  
 CAA - HIJACKING  
 OO: SEATTLE

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

For information of Baltimore, unsub on 11/24/71 boarded Northwest Airline 727 at Portland, Oregon and hijacked plane and demanded and received \$200,000 claiming to have a bomb. He received the money at Seattle. He escaped after plane had taken off from Seattle with use of parachute somewhere between Seattle, Washington, and Reno, Nevada.

Unsub was described as white male, 50 years old, 6'1", 172 pounds.

The Phoenix Office on 11/30/71 received information from a non-symbol source that [redacted] could fit this description and [redacted]

2 - Baltimore  
 ② - Seattle (164-81)  
 2 - Washington Field  
 2 - Phoenix

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent: \_\_\_\_\_ M Per: \_\_\_\_\_ DB Cooper-3415

Special Agent in Charge

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[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] is described by source as follows:

Name  
Race  
Sex  
DOB  
Age  
Weight  
Height  
Eyes  
Hair

[REDACTED]  
Caucasian  
Male

[REDACTED]  
185 pounds

[REDACTED]  
6'

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Characteristics

[REDACTED]  
Dark with sideburns and  
graying at temples  
Neat dresser, handsome and  
distinguished looking,  
slightly round shouldered  
and wears sunglasses frequently

Marital Status

PX 164-100  
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LEADS:

BALTIMORE DIVISION

AT [redacted]

Conduct investigation at [redacted]  
to determine if [redacted]  
[redacted] Obtain background information and conduct necessary investigation to determine if [redacted] possibly identical with unsub.

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WFO DIVISION

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

Conduct investigation at [redacted]  
[redacted] Obtain background information and conduct necessary investigation to determine if [redacted] possibly identical with unsub.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

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

Sub-Ransom - M  
Sub-Pub - C

On 12/7/71 SA [redacted] called from the Bureau and advised that they had just sent up a memo to the Director recommending that the Bureau make a national press release concerning the availability of the serial numbers of the money paid to the hijacker. I had discussed this with [redacted] and SA [redacted] on 12/6/71 and recommended that it be done, and at the same time encourage the publication of the list by any newspaper inclined to do so.

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I suggested that the public be advised that the numbers were in the NCIC and that they could be checked immediately.

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331PM 12-7-71 URGENT DWM

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM OKLAHOMA CITY (164-56) (P) 1 P

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UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO  
FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR LAST. CAA-  
HIJACKING AND EXTORTION. OO-SEATTLE. RE [redacted]

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RE LAS VEGAS TELETYPE TO SEATTLE AND OKLA. CITY DEC.  
SIX LAST.

RECORDS [redacted]

SHOW [redacted]

[redacted] BORN [redacted]

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CREDIT CHECK [redacted]

REVEALS [redacted]

RESIDING

AS OF [redacted]

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LEAD. [redacted]

WILL DETERMINE IF [redacted]

PRESIDENTLY RESIDING [redacted] AND HIS WHEREABOUTS ON  
NOV. TWENTYFOUR LAST.

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TO: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (149-131)  
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE  
 ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, NINETEEN  
 SEVENTYONE, CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE,  
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RE ALBUQUERQUE TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER THREE LAST,  
 CONCERNING [REDACTED].

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[REDACTED] IS [REDACTED] AND ADVISED SHE

[REDACTED] SHE STATES THAT

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[REDACTED] WITHIN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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

Sent 134 PM M Per bab DB Cooper-3420

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[REDACTED] ADVISED

THAT [REDACTED]

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b7CALBUQUERQUE CONTINUE EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH [REDACTED]  
WHEREABOUTS DURING CAPTIONED MATTER.UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS. - P -Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent: \_\_\_\_\_ M Per: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-3421

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Date: 12/7/71

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Via TELETYPE URGENT

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TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (164-36)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE

ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST,

CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OFFICE OF ORIGIN: SEATTLE.

RE: [REDACTED]

RE SEATTLE-NITEL TO MILWAUKEE, DECEMBER TWO LAST.

DISCONTINUE AS WITNESS HAS ELIMINATED [REDACTED] PHOTOGRAPH.

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Approved: *[Signature]*

Special Agent in Charge

Sent 12<sup>56</sup>/<sub>PM</sub>Per *[Signature]*

DB Cooper-3422

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;

NORTHWEST AIRLINES

FLIGHT #305

PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,

11/24/71

CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: SEATTLE

Suspect: [redacted]

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On December 6, 1971, [redacted]

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[redacted] Seattle Post Intelligencer, Seattle, Washington, provided the enclosed typewritten page concerning [redacted]

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[redacted] According to [redacted] this information was received by the Post Intelligencer in connection with their public informant program. The Post Intelligencer offers cash awards to individuals providing information in major cases where the information provided leads to an arrest and conviction. [redacted] therefore declined to name his source. The original typed page is contained in the I-A serial of this file.

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12/7/71

SA [redacted]

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

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Suspect: [redacted]

X *Suspect*

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Date: 12/7/71

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Via TELETYPEURGENT

(Priority)

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

TO COMPLETE CIRCULARIZATION IN THIS TERRITORY,  
 PLEASE FORWARD AN ADDITIONAL ELEVEN HUNDRED COPIES OF  
 RANSOM MONEY LIST.

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Approved: ✓ Sent 2 pm Per VAB

Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-3427

NR 007 PD PLAIN

4:55 PM URGENT 12-7-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

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

SUMMARY TELETYPE

LOOK ALIKE LEADS ARE STILL BEING RECEIVED AT PORTLAND; HOWEVER,  
NONE OF THE LEADS HAS BEEN PRODUCTIVE AS YET. -P-

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NR 010 WF PLAIN

7:02 PM URGENT 12-6-71 ASW

TO DIRECTOR

SEATTLE

FROM WASHINGTON FIELD (164-169) THREE PAGES

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UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWESTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA-HI JACKING; EXTORTION. OO SEATTLE.

RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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ON DECEMBER SIX, INSTANT, [REDACTED] (PROTECT IDENTITY), [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

BEARS A GOOD RESEMBLANCE TO COMPOSITE OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT IN CAPTIONED MATTER AND THAT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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NISHED THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTIVE DATA IN REFERENCE TO [REDACTED]

WHITE MALE, [REDACTED] YEARS OLD; DATE OF BIRTH, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PLACE OF BIRTH, [REDACTED]; MEDIUM

HEIGHT; ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE POUNDS; THINNING BROWN HAIR;

DEEP FIRM VOICE; ITALIAN EXTRACTION; HEAVY SMOKER [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
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INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY WFO DISCLOSED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WFO

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HAS REQUESTED [REDACTED] FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION RECORD  
UNDER FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
FACSIMILE PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED] BEING FURNISHED SEATTLE  
HEREWITH.

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LEAD: SEATTLE DISPLAY PHOTOGRAPHS OF [REDACTED] TO CREW  
MEMBERS OF CAPTIONED FLIGHT AND ADVISE WFO OF RESULTS.

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IF [REDACTED] DEEMED IDENTICAL OR SIMILAR TO UNKNOWN SUBJECT  
WFO WILL INSTITUTE INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE HIS PRESENT  
WHEREABOUTS. P.

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT CONSIDERED DANGEROUS

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

On 12/7/71

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

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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b7C

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

On 12/7/71 SA [redacted] contacted [redacted]

[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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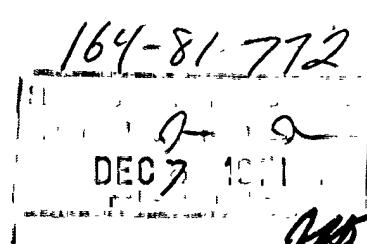
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the hijacker in this case.

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DB Cooper-3485

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

NR 032 LA PLAIN

10:32 PM NITEL 12-7-71 TDH

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) IP

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

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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THIS DATE, [redacted]

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[redacted] REQUESTING TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS, BUT KNOWN TO  
BUAGENT OF LOS ANGELES DIVISION, STATED [redacted] BEARS  
STRIKING RESEMBLANCE TO ARTIST'S SKETCH OF HIJACKER.

SOURCE ADVISES [redacted]

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PHOTOGRAPH AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA RE [redacted] MAINTAINED

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SAN FRANCISCO, [redacted] CALIFORNIA: CONTACT  
[redacted] OBTAIN BACKGROUND DATA AND SET OUT LEADS TO  
ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF [redacted] EVENING OF NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST.

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UNSUB CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DB Cooper-3486

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  
OO: SE

DATE: 12/7/71

Sub-Pub-

" Ransom

## RE: PUBLICITY

On 12/6/71, copies of the list of ransom money  
were furnished to the following:

All hotels, motels in the State of Washington;  
All hotels, motels in the Vancouver, B.C. area  
Liquor stores, State of Washington;  
Law enforcement agencies, State of Washington;  
Federal Savings & Loana Associations, and  
Federal Credit Unions.  
Above distribution totalled 2300.

CEF:klb  
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SAC ADVISED THAT ALL OFFICES  
HAVE BEEN PROVIDED WITH RANSOM LIST.

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TO : BILE (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

PUB.

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

SA [redacted] called from the Bureau and advised that they desired an original and 7 copies of an LHM be submitted today outlining in detail the commission of the offense and summarizing briefly the investigation conducted to date, which should be submitted on 12/7/71.

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FILE (164-81)

12/7/71

SAC, SEATTLE

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

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Date: 12/6/71

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(Priority)

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

Via TELETYPE

TO: SACS WFO - *g 9/7*  
 MINNEAPOLIS *g 1/7*  
 PORTLAND *g 2/7*

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE  
 ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN  
 SEVENTYONE, CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE  
 RE WFO TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, DECEMBER SIX INSTANT.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

FOR INFORMATION OF PORTLAND AND MINNEAPOLIS, INFORMATION  
 RECEIVED FROM [redacted] (PROTECT) THAT [redacted]  
 RESEMBLES COMPOSITE AND [redacted]

[redacted] DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, [redacted] YEARS

OLD, BORN [redacted]

MEDIUM HEIGHT, ONE HUNDRED SIXTYFIVE POUNDS, THINNING BROWN  
 HAIR, DEEP VOICE, ITALIAN EXTRACTION, HEAVY SMOKER [redacted]

164-81-776

JSD/djs  
(1)Approved: J.S.

Special Agent in Charge

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

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*(Priority)*SE 164-81  
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WFO FURNISH FACSIMILE PHOTO TO PORTLAND AND MINNEAPOLIS  
TO DISPLAY TO WITNESSES.

MINNEAPOLIS AND PORTLAND . OPON RECEIPT OF PHOTO  
FROM WFO, WILL DISPLAY TO WITNESSES. - P -

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

DB Cooper-3491

NR004 SE PLAIN

8:22K AM URGENT 12/7/71 SWD

TO WFO

MINNEAPOLIS

PORTLAND

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 2P

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

RE WFO TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, DECEMBER SIX INSTANT.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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FOR INFORMATION OF PORTLAND AND MINNEAPOLIS, INFORMATION  
RECEIVED FROM [redacted] (PROTECT) THAT [redacted]  
RESEMBLES COMPOSITE AND [redacted]

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[redacted] DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, [redacted] YEARS OLD,  
BORN [redacted]  
MEDIUM HEIGHT, ONE HUNDRED SEXTYFIVE POUNDS, THINNING BROWN  
HAIR, DEEP VOICE, ITALIAN EXTRACTION, HEAVY SMOKER [redacted]  
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[REDACTED]

WFO FURNISH FACSIMILE PHOTO TO PORTLAND AND MINNEAPOLIS  
TO DISPLAY TO WITNESSES.

MINNEAPOLIS AND PORTLAND, UPON RECEIPT OF PHOTO FROM WFO,  
WILL DISPLAY TO WITNESSES. -P-

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8:14 AM URGENT 12/7/71 SWD

TO WFO

MINNEAPOLIS

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FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 2KP

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

RE WFO TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, DECEMBER SIX INSTANT.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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FOR INFORMATION OF PORTLAND AND MINNEAPOLIS, INFORMATION  
RECEIVED FROM [redacted] (PROTECT) THAT [redacted]  
RESEMBLES COMPOSITE AND [redacted]

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[redacted] DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, [redacted] YEARS OLD,

BORN [redacted]

MEDIUM HEIGHT, ONE HUNDRED SEXTYFIVE POUNDS, THINNING BROWN  
HAIR, DEEP VOICE, ITALIAN EXTRACTION, HEAVY SMOKER [redacted]

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WFO FURNISH FACSIMILE PHOTO TO PORTLAND AND MINNEAPOLIS  
TO DISPLAY TO WITNESSES.

MINNEAPOLIS AND PORTLAND, UPON RECEIPT OF PHOTO FROM WFO,  
WILL DISPLAY TO WITNESSES. -P-

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730 PM URGENT 12-7-71 JPM

TO DETROIT (164-115)

MINNEAPOLIS

PHILADELPHIA

PITTSBURGH

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM CINCINNATI (164-55) 2P

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

RE DETROIT TEL AND TELEPHONE CALL TO CINCINNATI TODAY.

CINCINNATI INDICES REVEAL ONE

SUBJECT OF CINCINNATI FILE

FILE DESTROYED BUT RECORDS REVEAL PHILADELPHIA ORIGIN.

SUBJECT OF CINCINNATI FILE

CLEVELAND ORIGIN. FILE DESTROYED.

SUBJECT OF CINCINNATI FILE

ORIGIN NOT SHOWN BY CINCINNATI RECORDS. FILE DESTROYED.

INDICES CARD ON REVEALS HE IS WHITE MALE, FIVE FEET

INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTYEIGHT POUNDS, DOB

FBI NUMBER

NO OTHER DATA RE IN CINCINNATI FILES.

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[REDACTED] SUBJECT OF CINCINNATI FILE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PHILADELPHIA ORIGIN, FILE DESTROYED. [REDACTED] SUBJECT CINCINNATI

FILE [REDACTED] LOUISVILLE ORIGIN. FILE DESTROYED.

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[REDACTED] WAS SUBJECT CINCINNATI FILE [REDACTED]

INDIANAPOLIS ORIGIN. FILE DESTROYED. [REDACTED] WAS SUSPECT IN

CINCINNATI FILE [REDACTED] LATER DETERMINED NOT

SUBJECT. RECORDS REVEAL HE IS WHITE MALE, FIVE FEET NINE TO ELEVEN  
INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY POUNDS, DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BROWN HAIR, RECEDING AT TEMPLES, [REDACTED]  
EYES, [REDACTED]

CINCINNATI FILES REVEAL NO CONNECTION BETWEEN [REDACTED] AND

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NO LEADS BEING SET FORTH FOR LOUISVILLE, CLEVELAND, AND  
INDIANAPOLIS.

UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES  
 SAC, SAN FRANCISCO  
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE, DECEMBER TWO, SEVENTY ONE, RE

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FOR THE INFORMATION OF LOS ANGELES AND SAN FRANCISCO, ON  
 DECEMBER ONE, SEVENTY ONE, [REDACTED] PORT OF  
 NEW YORK AUTHORITY POLICE DEPARTMENT, LA GUARDIA AIRPORT,  
 ADVISED BUREAU AGENTS OF AN INCIDENT OCCURRING AT LA GUARDIA  
 IN THE SPRING OF SEVENTY ONE. [REDACTED] STATED THAT TWO WHITE  
 MALE INDIVIDUALS IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES AS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] APPEARED AT THE EASTERN AIRLINES TICKET OFFICE AT  
 LA GUARDIA AND ATTEMPTED TO PURCHASE TICKETS FOR FLIGHT TO  
 MIAMI WITH FRAUDULENT CREDIT CARD. TICKET AGENT RECOGNIZED  
 FRAUDULENT CREDIT CARD AND ATTEMPTED TO STEAL THE TWO

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Special Agent in Charge

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PASSENGERS WHO LEFT THE COUNTER ABRUPTLY, BUT WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY CHECKED THEIR LUGGAGE WHICH THEY LEFT BEHIND. THE LUGGAGE BECAME PROPERTY OF PORT AUTHORITY POLICE DEPARTMENT AND UPON INSPECTION IT WAS ASCERTAINED THAT ONE OR BOTH THESE INDIVIDUALS WAS AN EXPERIENCED AND ACTIVE SPORTS PARACHUTIST. A PERSONAL LETTER LOCATED IN THE LUGGAGE INDICATES THIS INDIVIDUAL, WHO IS PROBABLY [REDACTED] MAY HAVE BEEN INCARCERATED AT ONE TIME. INCLUDED IN THE LUGGAGE WAS A

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IN THE LUGGAGE WAS A SPORTS PARACHUTIST'S LOG BOOK BEARING  
NO NAME.

LOS ANGELES, AT [REDACTED] CALIFORNIA, ATTEMPT TO DEVELOP  
INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED] TO DETERMINE WHETHER HE COULD  
BE UNSUB IN THIS MATTER,

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SAN FRANCISCO AT MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA, REVIEW RECORDS  
OF U. S. PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING

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4:20PM URGENT 12/7/71 VAB

TO LOS ANGELES

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE, DECEMBER TWO, SEVENTYYONE, RE [redacted]

[redacted]  
FOR THE INFORMATION OF LOS ANGELES AND SAN FRANCISCO, ON DECEMBER ONE, SEVENTYONE, [redacted] PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY POLICE DEPARTMENT, LA GUARDIA AIRPORT, ADVISED BUREAU AGENTS OF AN INCIDENT OCCURRING AT LA GUARDIA IN THE SPRING OF SEVENTYONE.

[redacted] STATED THAT TWO WHITE MALE INDIVIDUALS IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES AS [redacted] APPEARED AT THE EASTERN AIRLINES TICKET OFFICE AT LA GUARDIA AND ATTEMPTED TO PURCHASE TICKETS FOR  
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FLIGHT TO MIAMI WITH FRAUDULENT CREDIT CARD. TICKET AGENT RECOGNIZED FRAUDULENT CREDIT CARD AND ATTEMPTED TO STALL THE TWO PASSENGERS WHO LEFT THE COUNTER ABRUPTLY, BUT WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY CHECKED THEIR LUGGAGE WHICH THEY LEFT BEHIND. THE LUGGAGE BECAME PROPERTY OF PORT AUTHORITY POLICE DEPARTMENT AND UPON INSPECTION IT WAS ASCERTAINED THAT ONE OR BOTH THESE INDIVIDUALS WAS AN EXPERIENCED AND ACTIVE SPORTS PARACHUTIST. A PERSONAL LETTER LOCATED IN THE LUGGAGE INDICATES THIS INDIVIDUAL, WHO IS PROBABLY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] MAY HAVE BEEN INCARCERATED AT ONE TIME. INCLUDED IN THE LUGGAGE WAS A [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ALSO INCLUDED IN THE LUGGAGE WAS A SPORTS PARACHUTIST'S LOG BOOK BEARING NO NAME.

LOS ANGELES, AT [REDACTED] CALIFORNIA, ATTEMPT TO DEVELOP INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED] TO DETERMINE WHETHER HE COULD BE UNSUB IN THIS MATTER.

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SAN FRANCISCO AT MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA, REVIEW RECORDS OF U.S. PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED] -P-

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END

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DB Cooper-3503

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;

NORTHWEST AIRLINES

FLIGHT #305

PORTLAND TO SEATTLE

11/24/71

CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: SEATTLE

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SUSPECT: [redacted]

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On December 6, 1971, [redacted] Seattle Post Intelligencer, Seattle, Washington, provided the enclosed typewritten pages concerning [redacted]

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[redacted] According to [redacted] this information was received by the Post Intelligencer in connection with their public informant program. The Post Intelligencer offers cash awards to individuals providing information in major cases where the information provided leads to an arrest and conviction.

[redacted] therefore declined to name his source. The original 11/56 typed pages are contained in the I-A serial of this file.

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12/7/71

SA [redacted]

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

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SUSPECT: [redacted]

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On December 6, 1971, [redacted]  
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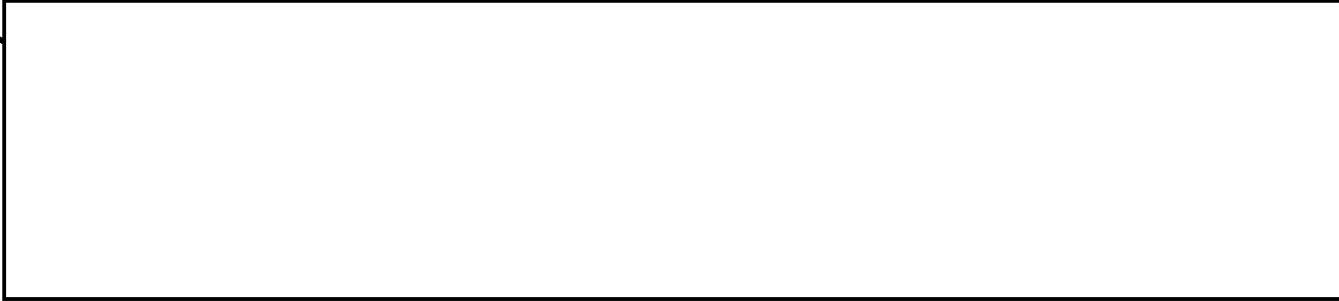
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

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On December 1, 1971, [redacted]

[redacted] was contacted by SA [redacted]  
[redacted] was shown photographs of the unknown  
subject and he advised that this individual is not familiar  
to him and that he is certain that this individual has never  
had any dealings with [redacted] advised that  
he is [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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On December 1, 1971, [redacted]

[redacted] was contacted by SA [redacted]  
at which time [redacted] was shown a composite photograph  
and was furnished descriptive data regarding the unsub. [redacted]  
stated that this individual is not familiar to him, and that  
he has no recollection of having seen the unsub [redacted]  
[redacted]

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On December 1, 1971, [redacted]

[redacted] was shown the photographs and descriptive  
data of the unsub. [redacted] advised that he has no knowledge  
of the unsub, and does not recall having seen him [redacted]

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UNSUB; aka  
Dan Cooper  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

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he is [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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he has no recollection of having seen the unsub [redacted]  
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of the unsub, and does not recall having seen him [redacted]  
[redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/7/71

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 memo of SA CHARLES R. ST. JOHN, dated 12/2/71.

On December 3, 1971. [redacted]

[redacted] was contacted by SA [redacted]  
at which time SA [redacted] the most  
recent artist's conception of the unknown subject. [redacted]

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Pursuant to the foregoing, [redacted] proceeded  
to [redacted]

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[redacted] the artist's conception of the unsub were presented

[redacted] for forwarding to the FBI.

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On December 6, 1971, [redacted]  
was contacted regarding captioned matter, at which time he  
advised that [redacted]  
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

12/7/71

SA [redacted]

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UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

Re memo of SA CHARLES R. ST. JOHN, dated 12/2/71.

On December 2, 1971, [redacted]

[redacted] was contacted by SA [redacted]  
at which time SA [redacted] the most  
recent artist's conception of the unknown subject. [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Pursuant to the foregoing, SA [redacted] proceeded

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[redacted] the artist's conception of the unsub were presented

[redacted] for forwarding to the FBI.

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On December 6, 1971, [redacted]  
was contacted regarding captioned matter. at which time he  
advised that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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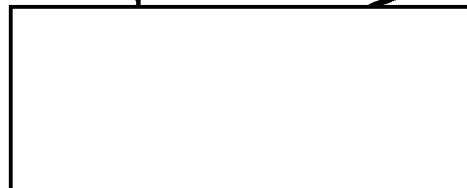
SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTROSION

On 12/7/71 SA [redacted] exhibited photographs of the  
following persons to [redacted]

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[redacted] eliminated all photographs.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

On 12/7/71 SA [redacted] exhibited photographs of the  
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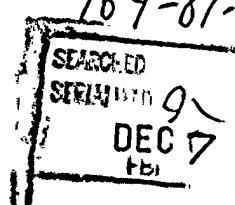
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-81)

DATE: 12-7-71

FROM : SA WILLIAM S. BROWN

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

A man who identified himself as [redacted]  
vicinity where the search had been made for the hijacker  
in Washington contacted the office on 12-7-71 and said  
he knew of a man who fit the description and picture of  
the hijacker [redacted]

[redacted] said that the individual he had in mind was [redacted]

[redacted] is about [redacted] 5'8 10"-11", 165-170, with a rather  
swarthy complexion. [redacted]

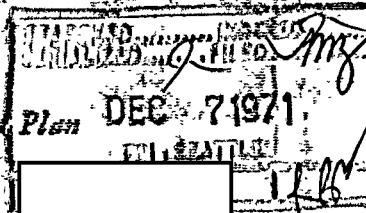
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From a review of the Portland indices, it is believed  
that the above individual is identical with the subject of  
file number [redacted]

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This individual has a record of [redacted]  
[redacted] under FBI Number [redacted]. He was described  
as follows in [redacted]

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Race - White  
Date of Birth - [redacted]  
Place of Birth - [redacted]  
Height - 6'  
Weight - 175  
Hair - Dark Brown  
Eyes - Brown  
Education - [redacted]  
Residence - [redacted]  
Marital Status - [redacted]  
Parents - [redacted]  
Next of kin - [redacted]  
Scars and Marks - [redacted]  
Military Service - [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

SAC (164-8L)

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DATE: 12-7-71

SA WILLIAM S. BROWN

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

A man who identified himself as [redacted]  
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From a review of the Portland indices, it is believed  
that the above individual is identical with the subject of  
file number [redacted]

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This individual has a record of [redacted]

[redacted] under FBI Number [redacted] He was described

as follows in [redacted]

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Race - White

Date of Birth - [redacted]

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Height - 6'

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Education - [redacted]

Residence - [redacted]

Marital Status - [redacted]

Parents - [redacted]

Next of kin - [redacted]

Scars and Marks - [redacted]

Military Service - [redacted]

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM; BALTIMORE (164-103)

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACK; EXTORTION. OO: SEATL

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE DECEMBER SEVEN, SEVENTYONE.

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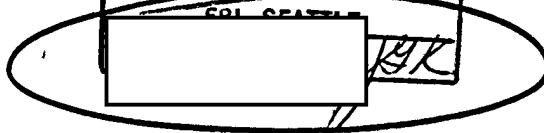
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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM; BALTIMORE (164-103)

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FROM LAS VEGAS 164-60

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

RE SEATTLE NITEL DECEMBER SIX LAST CONCERNING INFORMATION  
FROM [redacted]

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IT IS NOT FELT THAT INFORMATION FROM SOURCE THAT UNSUB  
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[redacted] AS STATED IN LAS VEGAS TEL  
NOVEMBER TWENTY-SIX LAST, FAA, RENO, MADE INITIAL CONTACT WITH  
INSTANT FLIGHT AT FRENCHMAN'S RESERVIOR, CALIFORNIA, TEN THIRTY-  
TWO PM. AT THIS POINT FLIGHT TURNED DUE EAST TO THE NEVADA BORDER  
AND PROCEEDED DUE EAST TO A POINT TWELVE MILES INSIDE BOUNDARY  
OF NEVADA. IT THEN PROCEEDED DIRECTLY SOUTH TO RENO, A DISTANCE  
OF APPROXIMATELY TWENTY-FIVE MILES. FLIGHT CIRCLED BRIEFLY IN THE  
RENO - SPAKRS, NEVADA, AREA BEFORE LANDING.

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AT TIME OF INITIAL CONTACT INSTANT FLIGHT MAINTAINED ALTITUDE OF ELEVEN THOUSAND FEET AND WAS NOT AT A LOW ALTITUDE UNTIL THE TIME THAT IT CIRCLED OVER THE SPARKS - RENO AREA. IT MADE TWO CIRCLES OVER THIS AREA AND THIS AREA IS A HEAVILY POPULATED AREA WITH RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS TYPE STRUCTURES.

LAS VEGAS COMPLETED DETAILED SEARCH OF ENTIRE ROUTE OF TRAVEL OF HIGHJACKED AIRCRAFT IN NEVADA FROM SMALL LOW FLYING SLOW SPEED AIRCRAFT SUPPLEMENTED BY FOUR WHEEL DRIVE LAND VEHICLE IN ANY AREA DEEMED NOT TO HAVE BEEN COVERED BY AIRCRAFT OBSERVATION. SEARCH REVEALED NO INDICATION OF PARAPHERNALIA WHICH OR INDIVIDUAL WHO MIGHT BE CONNECTED WITH CAPTIONED HIJACKING.

AS STATED FLIGHT PROCEEDED DUE EAST AND THE ONLY TIME IT COULD BE SAID THAT [REDACTED] WAS WHEN IT WAS OVER ABOVE - MENTIONED RENO - SPARKS AREA.

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NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-ONE; CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.  
OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE NITEL DECEMBER SIX LAST CONCERNING INFORMATION  
FROM [redacted]

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AS STATED FLIGHT PROCEEDED DUE EAST AND THE ONLY TIME IT COULD BE SAID THAT [REDACTED]

WAS WHEN IT WAS OVER ABOVE - MENTIONED RENO - SPARKS AREA.

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TO MINNEAPOLIS 164-73  
SEATTLE 164-81  
FROM MIAMI 164-552 IP

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

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO MINNEAPOLIS AND MIAMI, DEC. SIX  
LAST AND MIAMI TELCALL TO MINNEAPOLIS DEC. SEVEN LAST.

FOR INFO RECIPIENT OFFICES,

TO MIAMI OFFICE AS PROLIFIC WRITER OF POSTCARDS AND LETTERS  
TO HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND ANYONE WHOSE NAME APPEARS  
PROMINENTLY IN THE NEWS. HER MESSAGE IS USUALLY SOMETHING  
TO THE EFFECT OF "WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT MY MISREPRESENTATION?"

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IN VIEW OF [REDACTED] ACTIVITIES MINNEAPOLIS

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SHOULD DISCONTINUE LEAD TO INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

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TO MINNEAPOLIS 164-73  
- SEATTLE 164-81  
FROM MIAMI 164-552 1P

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FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE.  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO MINNEAPOLIS AND MIAMI, DEC. SIX  
LAST AND MIAMI TELCALL TO MINNEAPOLIS DEC. SEVEN LAST.

FOR INFO RECIPIENT OFFICES, [redacted]

TO MIAMI OFFICE AS PROLIFIC WRITER OF POSTCARDS AND LETTERS  
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SHOULD DISCONTINUE LEAD TO INTERVIEW [redacted]  
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TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE: [redacted]

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER SIX LAST.

INASMUCH AS SOME WITNESSES ONLY SAW UNSUB SEATED ON  
 AIRCRAFT, IT IS NOT FELT THAT THE MERE FACT THAT A SUSPECT IS  
 ONLY FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES TALL, IS SUFFICIENT BASIS TO  
 ELIMINATE HIM.

PORLTAND IS REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW [redacted] CONCERNING  
 ARTICLE HE SUBMITTED TO NEW YORK. (P)

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TO SEATLE (164-81)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-2-0)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 2P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXORTION. OO: SEATLE.

RE SAN FRANCISCO TEL, DEC. THREE, LAST.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

[redacted] AND NAMES IN RETEL AS RESEMBLING UNSUB:

AND WAS INTERVIEWED DEC. SIX, LAST, BY BUAGENTS. HE STATED [redacted]

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BASED ON ABOVE INTERVIEW AND OBSERVATION, [redacted] NOT IDENTICAL

WITH UNSUB.

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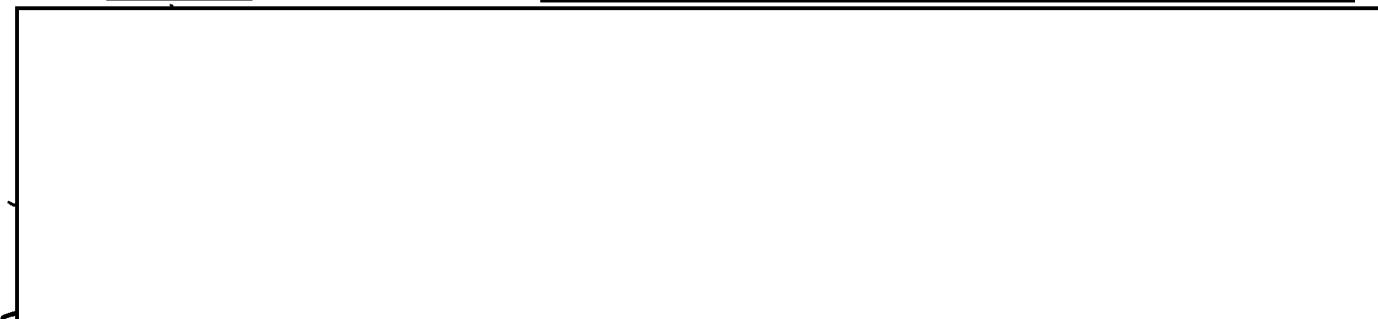
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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)  
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LAS VEGAS  
NEWARK  
NEW YORK (164-627)  
NORFOLK  
PORTLAND  
RICHMOND  
SEATTLE (164-81)  
SPRINGFIELD (164-31)  
WFO  
HOUSTON  
FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

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

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER THREE LAST, NORFOLK TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER THREE LAST, SEATTLE NITEL NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST AND SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER ONE LAST.

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PHOTOGRAPH OF SUSPECT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] DISPLAYED TO STEWARDESS [REDACTED] WITHOUT  
IDENTIFICATION. PHOTOGRPAHS OF [REDACTED] DEVELOPED  
BY SPRINGFIELD DIVISION DISPLAYED TO STEWARDESSES [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. BOTH STEWARDESSES  
ADVISED PHOTOS OF [REDACTED] DEVELOPED BY KANSAS  
CITY AND [REDACTED]  
NOT IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB.

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WITH REGARD TO SUSPECT [REDACTED] SUBMITTED BY  
NEW YORK, A SEARCH OF FLIGHT LEFT ENVELOPES FOR NORTHWEST  
AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE FOR NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO,  
TWENTYTHREE, AND TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE FAILED TO DISCLOSE  
ANYONE BY NAME OF COOPER USED THIS FLIGHT BETWEEN WASHINGTON,  
D.C. AND PORTLAND, OREGON.

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STEWARDESSES ON FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE DURING HIJACK  
ADVISED THEY OBSERVED NO ENGLISH OR SCOTTISH ACCENT DURING  
CONVERSATION WITH HIJACKER.

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NWA, MINNEAPOLIS, HAS LOCATED UNSUB'S TICKET LIFT COUPON FOR FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE AND COUPON IS BEING SUBMITTED TO IDENTIFICATION DIVISION BY MINNEAPOLIS.

THE FOLLOWING PHOTOGRAPHS WERE ALSO SHOWN TO STEWARDESS

[REDACTED] WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS:

[REDACTED] DEVELOPED

BY PORTLAND OFFICE; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DEVELOPED BY HOUSTON OFFICE; AND [REDACTED]

DEVELOPED BY SEATTLE OFFICE.

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TO SACRAMENTO  
SEATTLE  
FROM LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P) 5P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINE FLIGHT NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOV. TWENTY FOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SACRAMENTO TELETYPE, DEC. THREE, LAST.

[REDACTED] TAXICAB, RENO, NEV., IS COLORED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO DROVE A FARE FROM RENO,  
NEV., TO MODESTO, CALIF., NOV. TWENTY FIVE, LAST, WAS LOCATED  
TODAY AND FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION [REDACTED]  
A FARE WHO GAVE HIS NAME AS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NOV. TWENTY FIVE,  
LAST, AND DROVE THE FARE TO MODESTO, CALIF., ARRIVING ABOUT  
[REDACTED] NOV. TWENTYFIVE, LAST. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED

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[REDACTED] AS WM, ABOUT  FORTY ONE TO FORTY TWO, ABOUT SIX FEET,  
ABOUT ONE HUNDRED FIFTY LBS., SLENDER BUILD, DARK HAIR, RATHER  
LONG, RATHER HEAVY SIDEBURNS, WEARING A DARK SUIT. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

RESIDENCE WHERE HE LEFT [REDACTED] CANNOT RECALL THE  
ADDRESS IN MODESTO AND DOES NOT KNOW DIRECTIONS IN MODESTO BUT  
GAVE THE FOLLOWING DIRECTIONS TO [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
AFTER VIEWING AN ARTIST" SKETCH OF UNSUB, DOES NOT  
BELIEVE [REDACTED] IS UNSUB.  
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RECORDS OXFORD MOTEL, RENO, REFLECT [REDACTED]

MADE A PREPAID RESERVATION NOV. FIFTEEN, LAST, FOR WEDNESDAY,  
NOV. TWENTY FOUR, LAST; THURSDAY, NOV. TWENTY FIVE, LAST; AND  
FRIDAY, NOV. TWENTY SIX, LAST. HE CHECKED IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOV. TWENTY FOUR, LAST, ALONE, NO CAR, HAD ONE MEDIUM-SIZED SUITCASE. HE STAYED ONE NIGHT. [REDACTED]

OXFORD MOTEL, WHO REGISTERED [REDACTED] AFTER VIEWING ARTIST'S SKETCH OF UNSUB, DOES NOT BELIEVE [REDACTED] IS UNSUB. [REDACTED] HOWEVER, CANNOT RECALL [REDACTED] WELL ENOUGH TO DESCRIBE HIM. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IT IS NOTED THAT THE MOTEL REGISTRATION CARD SHOWS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAYS HE IS SURE THAT IN ERROR HE WROTE [REDACTED] INSTEAD OF [REDACTED]

SACRAMENTO AT MODESTO, THROUGH [REDACTED]  
AND THROUGH DIRECTIONS FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] LOCATE  
[REDACTED] IF UNABLE TO LOCATE [REDACTED] RESIDENCE,  
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FROM DESCRIPTION FURNISHED, FURNISH STREET MAP OF MODESTO TO THE  
RENO RA SINCE [REDACTED] BELIEVES HE RECOGNIZE THE STREET IF HE  
HAS A MAP TO STUDY.

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SEATTLE AT [REDACTED] AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LOCATE [REDACTED]

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RE SACRAMENTO TELETYPE, DEC. THREE, LAST.

[REDACTED] TAXICAB, RENO, NEV., IS COLORED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO DROVE A FARE FROM RENO,  
NEV., TO MODESTO, CALIF., NOV. TWENTY FIVE, LAST, WAS LOCATED  
TODAY AND FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: [REDACTED]  
A FARE WHO GAVE HIS NAME AS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NOV. TWENTY FIVE,  
LAST, AND DROVE THE FARE TO MODESTO, CALIF., ARRIVING ABOUT  
[REDACTED] NOV. TWENTYFIVE, LAST. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED

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ABOUT ONE HUNDRED FIFTY LBS., SLENDER BUILD, DARK HAIR, RATHER  
LONG, RATHER HEAVY SIDEBURNS, WEARING A DARK SUIT. [REDACTED]

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RESIDENCE WHERE HE LEFT [REDACTED] CANNOT RECALL THE  
ADDRESS IN MODESTO AND DOES NOT KNOW DIRECTIONS IN MODESTO BUT  
GAVE THE FOLLOWING DIRECTIONS TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AFTER VIEWING AN ARTIST" SKETCH OF UNSUB, DOES NOT  
BELIEVE [REDACTED] IS UNSUB.  
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RECORDS [REDACTED] MOTEL, RENO, REFLECT [REDACTED]

MADE A PREPAID RESERVATION NOV. FIFTEEN, LAST, FOR WEDNESDAY,  
NOV. TWENTY FOUR, LAST; THURSDAY, NOV. TWENTY FIVE, LAST; AND  
FRIDAY, NOV. TWENTY SIX, LAST. HE CHECKED IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOV. TWENTY FOUR, LAST, ALONE, NO CAR, HAD ONE MEDIUM-SIZED SUITCASE. HE STAYED ONE NIGHT. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MOTEL, WHO REGISTERED [REDACTED] AFTER VIEWING ARTIST'S SKETCH OF UNSUB, DOES NOT BELIEVE [REDACTED] IS UNSUB. [REDACTED]  
HOWEVER, CANNOT RECALL [REDACTED] WELL ENOUGH TO DESCRIBE HIM. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IT IS NOTED THAT THE MOTEL REGISTRATION CARD SHOWS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAYS HE IS SURE THAT IN ERROR HE WROTE [REDACTED] INSTEAD OF [REDACTED]

SACRAMENTO AT MODESTO, THROUGH [REDACTED]

AND THROUGH DIRECTIONS FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] LOCATE

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RENO RA SINCE [REDACTED] BELIEVES HE RECOGNIZE THE STREET IF HE  
HAS A MAP TO STUDY.

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SEATTLE AT [REDACTED] AT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] LOCATE [REDACTED]

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



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TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTYONE.

RESIDED AT [redacted]

[redacted] AS OF OCTOBER SEVEN, SEVENTYONE. HE

HAS [redacted] DRIVER'S LICENSE [redacted]

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

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TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTYONE.

[REDACTED] RESIDED AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AS OF OCTOBER SEVEN, SEVENTYONE. HE

HAS [REDACTED] DRIVER'S LICENSE [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

SUSPECT: [redacted]

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Washington State Driver's License records as checked on 12/3/71, showed that [redacted] maintains a current Washington State Driver's License which expires on [redacted]

male, 5 [redacted], 176 lbs., DOB [redacted] eyes.

On 12/6/71, [redacted] was contacted at [redacted] According to [redacted] area on November 8, 1971, and is not expected to return until [redacted]

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[redacted] further advised that [redacted]  
[redacted]

Due to the above information concerning this suspect's residence [redacted] dissimilarity in description from the UNSUB he can be eliminated as a suspect.

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12/7/71

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

SUSPECT: [redacted]

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

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

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

Transmitted, under separate cover, is one towel containing hair or fiber obtained from seat 18-E where the hijacker was sitting, and contents of ashtray near seat occupied by hijacker and elimination fingerprints of employees of the Reno Evening Gazette known to have handled first letter received by that newspaper from D. R. COOPER, which was determined to contain no latent prints.

The FBI Laboratory is requested to conduct appropriate examination of the towel and hair fiber and such evidence as available which could be utilized in possible future identification or elimination of potential suspect when and if same is taken into custody. The Laboratory is also requested to examine the ashtray contents and specifically process any Raleigh filter tip cigarette butts for possible fingerprint identification or comparison, it being noted that hostess [redacted] recalled that subject smoked same almost incessantly.

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The Laboratory is requested to take appropriate disposition of the elimination film prints, either filing same in civilian section of Bureau for future comparison or retaining in event of future receipt of anonymous letters by the Reno Evening Gazette.

The Bureau should furnish any pertinent information obtained as a result of above examinations to Seattle and Las Vegas Divisions.

All of the above enclosures may be destroyed at the Bureau upon completion of examination.

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3:50AM SENT 12-8-71 NITEL 12-7-71 ALH

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

ATLANTA (164-254)

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FROM JACKSONVILLE (164-109) (P)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, LAST, CAA - HIJACKING;

EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES EXCEPT SEATTLE, PORTLAND, LAS VEGAS, NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, LAST.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FURTHER

ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] ON NOVEMBER THIRTY,  
LAST.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED INSTANT DATE  
THAT [REDACTED] NOVEMBER  
TWENTYEIGHT, LAST, AND SHE BELIEVES THAT [REDACTED] NOVEMBER  
TWENTYNINE OR THIRTY, LAST AND THAT [REDACTED] DECEMBER TWO,  
LAST. FD THREE ZERO TWOS TO FOLLOW.

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INVESTIGATION CONTINUING PANAMA CITY.

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

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The following individuals and businesses were contacted on 11/29/71 for the purpose of identifying the unknown subject artist's rendering in this case. None of these contacts provided positive information:

[redacted]  
Soaring Unlimited,  
12422 68th N.E.,  
Kirkland, Washington

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[redacted]  
Bellevue Airfield,  
Bellevue, Washington

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Bellevue Airfield,  
Bellevue, Washington

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Bellevue Airfield,  
Bellevue, Washington

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[redacted]  
Bellevue Aviation, Inc.,  
Bellevue Airfield,  
Bellevue, Washington.

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[redacted]  
Husky Skydivers Club,  
4303 7th Avenue, N.E.,  
Seattle, Washington

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11/30/71

SA [redacted]

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
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Bellevue, Washington

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Bellevue, Washington

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Husky Skydivers Club,  
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Seattle, Washington

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-81)

DATE: 10/29/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

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On November 29, 1971, the following persons were contacted and shown an artist's conception of the UNKNOWN SUBJECT responsible for captioned hijacking:

[redacted] Lake Union Air Service, 1100  
Westlake North, Seattle, Washington.

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[redacted] Kurtzer Marine and Airplane  
Service Co., 950 Westlake North, Seattle, Washington.

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[redacted] Kenmore Air Harbor, 6321 NE  
175th, Kenmore, Washington.

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[redacted] Kenmore Air Harbor, 6321 NE  
175th, Kenmore, Washington.

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None of the above named individuals could identify the artist's conception as anyone they knew or had come in contact with during the course of their business.

Because air operations at Sand Point NAS have been discontinued, no investigation was conducted there.

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DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
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## RE: SKYDIVING CLUBS

Information from [redacted]  
[redacted]

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International Skydiving meet will be held December 4, 1971, at Abbotsford, B.C., Canada Airport. Expected to be on hand at this meet will be a large number of parachutists from the western United States and Canada.

[redacted] also stated that he has a copy of an up-to-date list of all skydiving clubs, their presidents, with telephone numbers and addresses, in the United States. He will provide a copy of this list to the FBI as quickly as it can be reproduced.

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[redacted] stated that local skydiving clubs are located at Issaquah, Snohomish, Bellingham College, Puyallup, Washington, and at Eugene and Portland, Oregon.

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NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305  
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11/24/71  
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA JOHN A. DRAKE

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

Kememo 11/29/71 by SA KENNETH C. HOWE, which is serial 217 and Portland teletype to Seattle 11/29/71, which is serial 280.

On 12/2/71 [redacted]

[redacted] U.S. Forest Service, [redacted]

Washington was exhibited the unsub's photo (artist's conception). He advised that this individual did not at all resemble anyone he has ever known or seen. He said that he believes that the unsub would have suffered at least bad sprains of his legs and feet and even possible fractures of these limbs in jumping at night and striking the ground, as he would not have been able to judge the distance from the ground at the time of landing. He added that [redacted]

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(This latter statement pertains to SA HOWE's lead memo.)  
[redacted] there are no sky diving schools or clubs in that area and there are no flying schools or rental plans there either.

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DATE: 12/3/71

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FROM LAS VEGAS 164-60 P.

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

RE PORTLAND TEL, DEC. THREE LAST.

GREYHOUND

BUS LINES, RENO, NEVADA, ADVISED SA [REDACTED] ON DEC. THREE  
LAST, THAT HIS RECORDS REFLECT NO INFO CONCERNING BUS PASSENGER.

NAME [REDACTED] STATED A GREYHOUND BUS OPERATING ON  
SCHEDULE NUMBER NINE TWO TWO, ARRIVED IN RENO, NEVADA, FROM  
PHOENIX, ARIZONA, FIVE TEN PM, NOV. TWENTYFIVE, LAST. THIS  
BUS DEPARTED RENO, SIX THIRTY PM, EN ROUTE TO PORTLAND. ARRIVAL  
TIME PORTLAND EIGHT FORTYFIVE AM, NOV. TWENTYSIX LAST. [REDACTED]  
STATED FIFTEEN PASSENGERS BOARDED BUS IN RENO, AND NO PASSENGER  
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LIST AVAILABLE.

[REDACTED] MAPES HOTEL, EAST FIRST  
STREET AND NORTH VIRGINIA, RENO, ADVISED SA [REDACTED] ON DEC. FOUR  
LAST, THAT HE WAS UNABLE TO LOCATE REGISTRATION OR RESERVATION  
RECORD UNDER NAME [REDACTED] DURING NOVEMBER, SEVENTYONE.

RECORDS RENO, PD, CHECKED DEC. THREE LAST, CONTAIN  
NO INFO IDENTIFIABLE WITH [REDACTED]

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

SAN FRANCISCO

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FROM BUTTE (164-26) (P) 6P

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

OO: SEATTLE.

RE PHOENIX NITEL DECEMBER FOUR LAST.

RE SUSPECT FNU [redacted]

REFERENCED TEL STATED [redacted]

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[redacted] WMA, AGE

[redacted] FIVE FEET TEN, ONE EIGHTFIVE LBS., BROWN CREW CUT  
HAIR, RUDDY COMPLEXION, [redacted]

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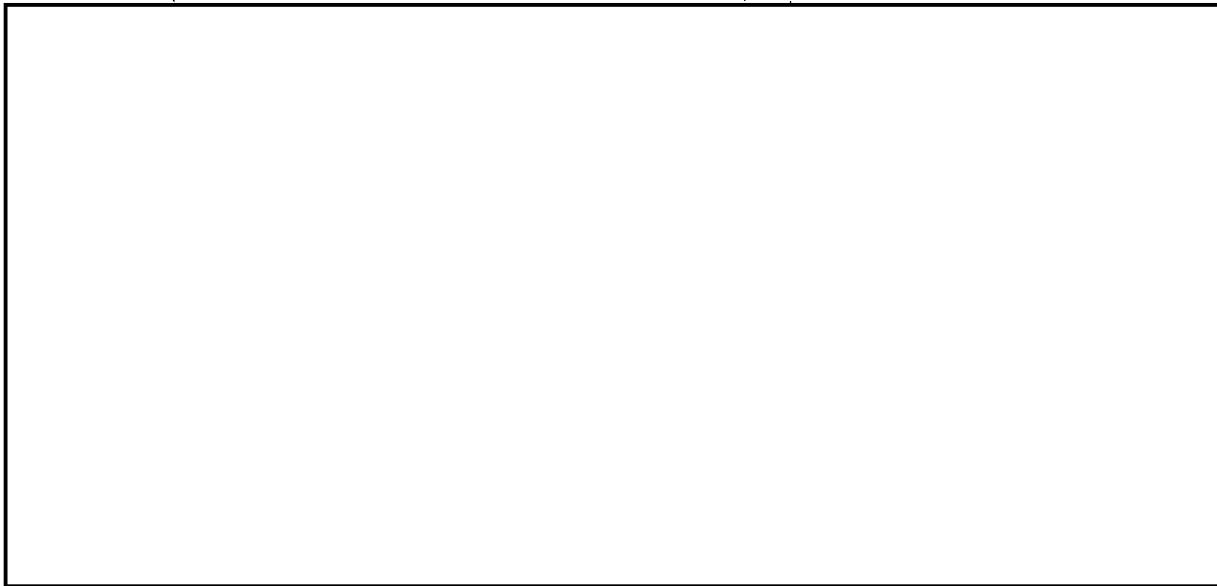
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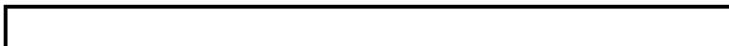
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[REDACTED] ADVISED DECEMBER THREE INSTANT

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



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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED DRIVER AS GROGGY, APPEARING AS IF HE

HAD JUST AWAKENED; APPEARED COMPLETELY SANE AND SOBER, HOWEVER.

FURTHER DESCRIBED HIM AS BEING A BIG TALKER AND AS BEING A

WMA, AGE FORTYFIVE TO FIFTY, ONE EIGHTY TO ONE NINETY LBS.,

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FIVE FEET ELEVEN, BROWN GRAYING HAIR, [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]

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[REDACTED] PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF TRUCK DRIVER UNKNOWN.

ON DECEMBER FOUR LAST PHOENIX INVESTIGATION REFLECTED  
ARIZONA LICENSE [REDACTED]

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

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ON DECEMBER THREE LAST, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THE FLAGSTAFF RA  
AT WHICH TIME HE FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE LAST, BETWEEN TWO AND THREE PM,

[REDACTED] WERE DRIVING SOUTH ON HIGHWAY  
NINETYTHREE BETWEEN [REDACTED] WHEN THEY  
OBSERVED TWO PARACHUTISTS LANDING AMONG TREES AND BOULDERS  
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BETWEEN HIGHWAY NINETYTHREE AND FLATHEAD LAKE. [REDACTED] FURTHER DESCRIBED THIS LOCATION AS BEING APPROXIMATELY IN THE NORTH ONE-THIRD OF FLATHEAD LAKE ON HIGHWAY NINETYTHREE. 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.

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

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[REDACTED] 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.

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[REDACTED] 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 WOULD NEVER MADE A JUMP IN SUCH BAD WEATHER.

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

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[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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[REDACTED] ADVISED DECEMBER SIX,  
INSTANT, [REDACTED]

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

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[REDACTED] STATED HAS ONLY SEEN [REDACTED] ONE OCCASION AND DOES  
RESEMBLE COMPOSITE OF UNSUB. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED THIN AND IN  
THIRTIES. NO FURTHER DESCRIPTION.

[REDACTED] NOVEMBER

TWO ONE TO TWO EIGHT LAST AND LEFT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

DENVER, LOCATE [REDACTED] AT ABOVE ADDRESS AND  
INTERVIEW RE STATEMENTS MADE [REDACTED]

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SAN FRANCISCO, AT [REDACTED] ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] AND CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

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Date: 12/3/71

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

(Type in plaintext or code)

Via ATRTELAIR MAIL

(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka  
Dan Cooper;  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71  
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Re Birmingham nitel 12/1/71.

Enclosed for Seattle are two photos of [redacted]  
 [redacted] obtained from Sonoma County Sheriff's Office,  
 Santa Rosa, California.

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 Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-3578

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: BNSUB, aka. D. B. Cooper,  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

RE Suspect [redacted] )

[redacted]

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[redacted]  
advised that he has viewed the composite photograph of the unsub  
and that [redacted] greatly resembles  
the composite. He advised that [redacted]

[redacted]

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A lead is suggested in this matter in event Hq. City feels  
it is feasible. Contact personnel at [redacted]  
[redacted] and secure descriptive information re [redacted] and  
determine if resembles UNSUB.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: UNSUB;

NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
Portland to Seattle 1124/71  
CAA - HIJACKING  
OO: Seattle

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Re memo of SPC [redacted] 11/27/71 SEARCH (SUB E)

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The information set forth in referenced memorandum to SAC re a sighting of activity on Burlington-Northern line near Ridgefield was checked by SA [redacted] on 12/3/71. [redacted] contacted [redacted] at Ridgefield, Washington and he pointed out that area immediately in vicinity of suspected activity is main entrance point or in vicinity of the entrance point to the US Wildlife Game Refuge.

Contact was made with [redacted] the Wildlife Refuge [redacted] noted nothing suspicious and while no hunting was taking place on the refuge on 11/26/71 he knows that a number of people do hunt the area outside the refuge and in view of the hour he would state that the individuals along the Burlington-Northern track were hunters and he also pointed out that hunters do congregate at the main entrance if they do not have permits hoping for a cancellation at the last moment.

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In view of above information and with nothing of positive nature found concerning captioned matter no further investigation re this matter at Longview RA/

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC 164-81

DATE: 12/5/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: Unsub; NWA Flt. 305  
CAA HIJACKING

[redacted] NWA, Seatac, telephonically advised 1:15 a.m. this date that [redacted] had received an anonymous phone call from some who said he knew where the \$200,000 paid in captioned hijacking was located. I called [redacted] immediately and she furnished the following information:

She had just received a phone call from an unk. male who asked her name and then said "Write this down." "Tom Manning - FBI ..... 10,000 \$20 bills ..... MA 2 0460 ..... put in paper, in personal column .... next week ... ex-aero space engineers ..... next Monday or Tuesday." The man kept repeating that he knew exactly where the money was in Renton, but did not explain what would happen if the ad were placed in the Newspaper as directed.

[redacted] advised [redacted]  
ph. [redacted]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-138)

DATE: 12/5/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

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On 12/5/71 [redacted] Spokane Police Department.

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Spokane, Washington advised that [redacted] Spokane, Wash. had advised the police department that [redacted] [redacted] Mont. who is about [redacted] years old, 6 ft. 1 in., 180 lbs, black wavy hair, wrote a book which he says is the "exact story" of instant hijacking. [redacted] said the book was never published but he thought there might be a tie in with this case.

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[REDACTED]  
MV OLYMPIA

DRIVER CHECK WITH DESC

[REDACTED] POSSIBLE ADDRESS [REDACTED]

FBI SEATTLE J.E. MILNES SAC VAB

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[redacted]  
MV OLYMPIA

DRIVER CHECK WITH DESC

[redacted] POSSIBLE ADDRESS [redacted]

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WV [REDACTED]

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FBI SEATTLE J.E. MILNES

DRIVER CHECK

[REDACTED] EXP [REDACTED] BROWN EYES 165 LBS. 5' 11".  
NO RESTRICTIONS, NO ENDORSEMENTS,

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RIVER CHECK

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RESTRICTIONS, EXP  BROWN EYES 165 LBS. 5' 11".

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[REDACTED]  
MV OLYMPIA

REQUEST CHECK ANY VEHICLES REGISTERED TO  
[REDACTED] POSSIBLE ADDRESS [REDACTED]

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REQUEST CHECK ANY VEHICLES REGISTERED TO  
[REDACTED] b6  
POSSIBLE ADDRESS [REDACTED] b7C

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WV. [REDACTED]

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REG BY NAME

[REDACTED] 71 REG 69 CHEV SW 4DR  
VIN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] LEGAL SAME

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[REDACTED] 71 REG 69 EZLDR 2BOAT VIN [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] 71 REG 71 SUP10 VIN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] 71 REG 71 HONDA VIN [REDACTED]

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WV [REDACTED]

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REG BY NAME

[REDACTED] 71 REG 69 CHEV SW 4DR

VIN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] LEGAL SAME

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[REDACTED] 71 REG 69 EZLDR 2BOAT VIN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] 71 REG 71 HONDA VIN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LEGAL SAME

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Date: 12/7/71

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(Priority)

TO : SACS, WFO (164-169), PORTLAND (164-41) &amp; MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,

PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING: EXTORTION

OO: SE.

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RE SEATTLE TELETYPE DECEMBER SIX LAST.

RE: [REDACTED]

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IN VIEW OF THE [REDACTED] QUALITY OF FACSIMILES

RECEIVED, WFO IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH GLOSSY PHOTOS OF

[REDACTED] TO SEATTLE, MINNEAPOLIS AND PORTLAND, AMSD, [REDACTED].

*as soon as possible*

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Approved: OK Sent 1045 AM Per Zah  
Special Agent in Charge

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NR007 SE PLAIN

10:49AM URGENT 12/7/71 VAB

TO WFO (164-169)

PORLTAND (164-41)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

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 SEATTLE TELETYPE DECEMBER SIX LAST.

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RE: [redacted]

IN VIEW OF THE QUALITY OF FACSIMILES RECEIVED, WFO IS REQUESTED,  
TO FURNISH GLOSSY PHOTOS OF [redacted] TO SEATTLE, MINNEAPOLIS AND PORT-  
LAND, AMSD, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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NR007 SE PLAIN

10:45AM URGENT 12/7/71 VAB

TO WFO (164-169)

PORLTAND (164-41)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

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 SEATTLE TELETYPE DECEMBER SIX LAST.

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RE: [redacted]

IN VIEW OF THE QUALITY OF FACSIMILES RECEIVED, WHO IS REQUESTED  
TO FURNISH GLOSSY PHOTOS OF [redacted] TO SEATTLE, MINNEAPOLIS AND PORT-  
LAND, AMSD, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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CORR: LINE THREE NINTH WORD SHD READ WFO

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REC OK FBI PORTLAND CLR TU

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB: Northwest Airlines Flight 305;  
Portland to Seattle, November 24, 1971  
CAA - HIJACKING

OO : SE

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At 4:35 a.m. this date, an individual identifying himself as representing the ~~Los Angeles Herald Examiner~~ telephonically contacted the Seattle Office, requesting to know if the Seattle Office of the FBI has an APB out on an individual identified [redacted]

[redacted] D.B. COOPER, the individual who hijacked the above mentioned airliner on November 24, 1971. He stated that he had heard our office in West Virginia had allegedly arrested this individual for this hijacking.

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He was informed that no such APB had been put out by the Seattle Office and that if he desired further information concerning the hijacking he would have to get in contact with the SAC today.

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1150AM IMMEDIATE 12-7-71 PLG.  
TO SEATTLE 164-81  
FROM KANSAS CITY 164-80 IP

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

RE KANSAS TEL TO SEATTLE, DEC. FIVE, LAST.

INVESTIGATION BY KANSAS CITY FAILED TO LOCATE ANY ADDRESS AS

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AREA.

FOR INFO OF SEATTLE

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ABOVE SUMMITTED TO PORTLAND FOR POSSIBLE LEAD VALUE AS

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

KNOXVILLE

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 2P

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UNSUB; ALSO KNOWN AS DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER  
TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE; CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OFFICE  
OF ORIGIN: SEATTLE.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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THIS DATE [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED HE IS [redacted]

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[redacted] HE DESCRIBED [redacted] AS WHITE

MALE, THIRTY SEVEN TO FORTY YEARS, SIX FEET ONE INCH, ONE  
EIGHT ZERO POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, RECEDING AT SIDES, BROWN EYES

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SAME DATE RECORDS OF [REDACTED]

REVEALED [REDACTED]

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DESCRIPTION IN FILE AS FOLLOWS: WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED]

HEIGHT SIX FEET TWO INCHES, TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, BROWN  
HAIR, BROWN EYES, MILITARY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SERIAL NUMBER

[REDACTED] SOCIAL SECURITY

NUMBER [REDACTED]

KNOXVILLE AT [REDACTED] TENNESSEE CONDUCT APPROPRIATE

INVESTIGATION AT LAST KNOWN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TO ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] ON NOVEMBER TWENTY  
FOUR LAST.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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1000 PM NITEL 12-7-71 SEL  
TO KNOXVILLE  
SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM DALLAS (164-191)

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

FOR INFO KNOXVILLE, ON DEC. TWO LAST, [redacted]

[redacted] CURRENTLY CONFINED [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED THAT  
DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB HIJACKER IS VERY SIMILAR TO [redacted]  
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ON DEC. SEVEN, INSTANT, IT WAS DETERMINED THAT [redacted]

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KNOXVILLE. AT [redacted] TENNESSEE. WILL DETERMINE [redacted]

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CURRENT WHEREABOUTS AND ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH HIS WHEREABOUTS ON  
NOV. TWENTYFOUR LAST.

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Date: 12/7/71

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*Sub**Unsub at*

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

*11/26/71*

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

ON INSTANT DATE

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PORTLAND AT [REDACTED]

WILL INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FOR ANY

INFORMATION THEY MAY HAVE CONCERNING ABOVE MENTIONED  
INDIVIDUAL. IDENTIFY, IF POSSIBLE, AND ADVISE SEATTLE OF  
DETAILS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P

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TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

ON INSTANT DATE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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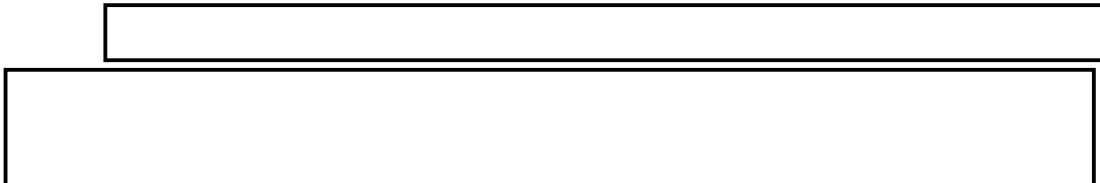
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PORLAND AT [REDACTED] WILL INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FOR ANY

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INFORMATION THEY MAY HAVE CONCERNING ABOVE MENTIONED  
INDIVIDUAL. IDENTIFY, IF POSSIBLE, AND ADVISE SEATTLE OF  
DETAILS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P

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Date: 12/7/71

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Via \_\_\_\_\_

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES  
 SAC, SACRAMENTO  
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE KANSAS CITY TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER SEVEN,  
 INSTANT, AND RE [redacted] SOURCE.

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LOS ANGELES, AT [redacted] CALIFORNIA, WILL THROUGH  
 [redacted] ATTEMPT TO LOCATE [redacted] AND INTERVIEW HIM CONCERNING

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ABOVE INFORMATION AND IDENTITY OF UNSUB.

SACRAMENTO AT [REDACTED] WILL ATTEMPT TO  
LOCATE [REDACTED] AND INTERVIEW HIM. - P -ARMED AND DANGEROUSb6  
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Special Agent in Charge

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9:45PM URGENT 12/7/71 TIM

TO LOS ANGELES

SACRAMENTO

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE KANSAS CITY TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER SEVEN, INSTANT,  
AND RE [redacted] SOURCE!

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LOS ANGELES, AT [redacted] CALIFORNIA, WILL THROUGH [redacted]  
ATTEMPT TO LOCATE [redacted] AND INTERVIEW HIM CONCERNING ABOVE  
INFORMATION AND IDENTITY OF UNSUB.

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SACRAMENTO AT [redacted] WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE  
[redacted] AND INTERVIEW HIM. -P-

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TO : SAC, LAS VEGAS

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE [redacted]

PHOTOGRAPH OF [redacted] SHOWN TO THREE WITNESSES AT [redacted]  
WITHOUT MAKING IDENTIFICATION.

LAS VEGAS DISCONTINUE RE [redacted]

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TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO  
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

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

RE [redacted]

ADVISED COMPOSITE

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OF UNSUB RESEMBLES [redacted]

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SAN FRANCISCO AT [redacted]

CONTACT [redacted]

[redacted] TO DEVELOP INFORMATION CONCERNING [redacted] AND HIS

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WHEREABOUTS AT TIME OF CAPTIONED HIJACKING. - P -

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Special Agent in Charge

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TO DIRECTOR

SEATTLE

JACKSONVILLE

TAMPA

FROM ATLANTA 164-254



UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. THREE  
ZERE FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE,  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO SEATTLE.

RE SAVANNAH TELETYPE TO ATLANTA DECEMBER SIX SEVENTYONE.



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IN ADDITION [REDACTED] FURNISHED DETAILS CONCERNING [REDACTED]

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DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, DOB [REDACTED]

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ATLANTA 164-254

[REDACTED] FIVE FEET TEN AND ONE HALF INCHES TALL, ONE  
HUNDRED AND SEVENTY POUNDS, [REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED]  
COMPLEXION. PHOTOGRAPHS MADE OF [REDACTED] WILL BE FORWARDED TO  
SEATTLE BY FACSIMILE DECEMBER SEVEN; ACTUAL PHOTOGRAPHS TO  
FOLLOW B AIRTEL.

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JACKSONVILLE DIVISION AT [REDACTED] VERIFY [REDACTED]  
RESIDENCE AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] VERIFY RESIDENCE AT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX - NOVEMBER  
TWENTYNINE LAST.

TAMPA AT [REDACTED] FLORIDA VERIFY RESIDENCE AT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR - NOVEMBER  
TWENTYFIVE LAST.

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URGENT. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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12-25 PM URGENT 12-7-71 BLW

TO SEATTLE

ATLANTA

FROM TAMPA (164-110)

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

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, DECEMBER SEVEN, LAST.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ADVISED HIS RECORDS NEGATIVE UNDER NAME [REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

On 12/7/71 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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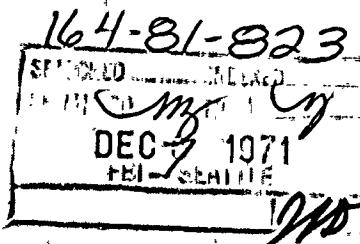
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

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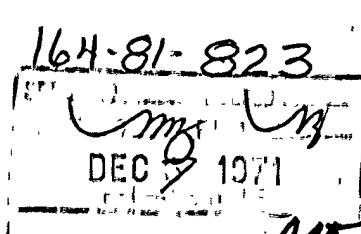
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4:45PM URGENT 12-7-71 DLN

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

LOS ANGELES

FROM: BOSTON (164-153)

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

RE DALLAS TELETYPE DATED DECEMBER SIX LAST AND BOSTON  
TELEPHONE CALL TO LOS ANGELES DECEMBER SEVEN INSTANT,

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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PERSONNEL RECORDS, [redacted]

[redacted] REFLECT [redacted]

[redacted] ADDRESS IS [redacted]

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RETEL DESCRIBES [ ] WMA, BORN [ ]

[ ] SEVENTYTWO INCHES, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY  
FIVE POUNDS, [ ] EYES, FBI NUMBER [ ]

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LOS ANGELES LOCATE [ ] AND ESTABLISH HIS WHEREABOUTS  
AT TIME OF CAPTIONED VIOLATION.

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INFORMATION COPIES SENT BY AIRMAIL TO DALLAS, ALBUQUERQUE,  
CHICAGO, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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NR 019 SF PLAIN

12:19AM NITEL 12/7/71 FCO SENT 12-8-71 RAS

TO: SEATTLE (164-81) [redacted]  
SACRAMENTO (164-50)  
FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (P) 1P

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWO FOUR, LAST, CAA-  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

RE SACRAMENTO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DENVER, AND  
SAN FRANCISCO, DECEMBER THREE, LAST.

RE [redacted] WHITE MALE ADULT, DATE OF  
BIRTH [redacted]

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[redacted] DETERMINED TO BE RESIDING CARE OF POST OFFICE  
BOX [redacted]

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CURRENTLY NOT AT RESIDENCE. EXACT WHEREABOUTS NOT KNOWN,  
BUT BELIEVED TO BE [redacted] SHERIFF'S  
OFFICE [redacted] ACQUAINTED WITH SUBJECT AND  
WILL NOTIFY FBI WHEN [redacted] RETURNS TO AREA.

SEATTLE ADVISE SAN FRANCISCO WHEN [redacted] PHOTOGRAPH  
DISPLAYED TO WITNESSES IF ANY IDENTIFICATION IS MADE OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT

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SAN FRANCISCO WILL HOLD FURTHER INVESTIGATION IN ABEYANCE UNTIL  
PHOTOGRAPH IS EXHIBITED TO WITNESSES.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.  
*do photo enough?*

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

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

A recent communication from Portland made reference to an [redacted] recently hearing a five minute transmission of emergency sending equipment for distress purposes which all civilian and military aircraft carry. The Portland Division has been asked to continue contacts with National Guard based at Portland International Airport where [redacted] for further transmissions of this device.

Investigation at various airports throughout SW Washington have revealed from technical people familiar with this homing emergency device that frequently this device can be triggered into emitting the emergency signal upon a plane reaching a dive where 5 Gs is reached.

In view of no positive information of any type concerning the location from which this signal was transmitted (note two locations widely separated were mentioned by [redacted]) no further investigation being conducted by Longview RA.

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618PM NITEL 12-7-71 DLK

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 3P

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

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RE LATIN SKY DIVING CLUB: ON DECEMBER TWO LAST [redacted]

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[redacted] KNOWN AS LATIN SKY DIVING CLUB. MEMBERS [redacted]

JUMPED AT PARRIS, AND ELISINORE, CALIFORNIA AND OTHER  
AIRPORTS IN WEST. [redacted]

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STATES ARTISTS CONCEPTION OF HIJACKER NOT IDENTIFIABLE WITH

[REDACTED] LATIN SKY DIVING GROUP COMPOSED

OF EXPERT JUMPERS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARTISTS SKETCH WILL BE DISPLAYED

[REDACTED]  
HE ADDS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TO FURNISH INFORMATION REGARDING  
SUSPECTS.

HE ALSO IDENTIFIED [REDACTED]

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HE STATED [REDACTED]

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LOS ANGELES WILL INTERVIEW [redacted]

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[redacted] FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND IDENTIFICATION OF  
POSSIBLE SUSPECTS.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/7/71

[redacted] a stewardess aboard Northwest Airlines Flight #305, provided the following information:

On November 24, 1971, [redacted] stated that the individual who hijacked Northwest Airlines Flight #305, a Boeing 727, initially boarded the aircraft in Portland, Oregon, and at the time he boarded the aircraft he was carrying a briefcase which measured about 12 inches by 18 inches and was dark brown or black in color. She stated that the hijacker handed another stewardess on board the flight by the name of [redacted] a ransom note demanding \$200,000 in cash. [redacted] believes that the note was handed to [redacted] very shortly after takeoff from Portland. She advised that the hijacker's demands were communicated to the Captain of the aircraft via the aircraft's intercom system by another stewardess named [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that the note which the hijacker handed to [redacted] stated that the hijacker had a bomb in the briefcase that he was carrying and that he wanted \$200,000 and absolutely no trickery or he would explode the bomb that he had in his briefcase. In addition, [redacted] advised that the hijacker requested four parachutes. After these demands were stated, the stewardess named [redacted] went to the cockpit of the aircraft to advise the captain of the situation and remained in the cockpit until just before landing in Seattle. Meanwhile the hijacker remained in his seat and had another stewardess by the name of [redacted] next to him.

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[redacted] stated that the hijacker wanted the stewardess named [redacted] to go to get off the plane in Seattle and to get the money that he demanded and then after she got the money, she was to go off the aircraft again to get the four parachutes that he demanded. In addition to the parachutes and the money the hijacker also requested four crew meals. [redacted] advised that [redacted] had told her that the hijacker wanted to go to Mexico and was very concerned throughout the flight about sky marshals being on board the

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aircraft. She stated that the hijacker made his demands known in this order:

- 1) He wanted the money first
- 2) He wanted the people off the aircraft after the money was on board
- 3) He wanted parachutes and four crew meals
- 4) He wanted the plane completely re-fueled
- 5) He wanted maps

[redacted] could not remember what kind of maps the hijacker had requested.

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During the flight, [redacted] advised that the hijacker wanted continued re-assurance that nothing was going to go wrong. After the plane landed and the passengers dis-embarked, [redacted] was on the telephone relaying the hijacker's demands to the captain of the aircraft.

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[redacted] stated that the hijacker was good-natured during the flight.

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The hijacker then informed [redacted] to tell the other stewardesses and crew to remain on board. At this point, [redacted] stated that the pilots of the aircraft wanted the stewardesses to leave the plane. Once the stewardesses had successfully left the aircraft, [redacted] stated that the pilots had planned to get off the plane by jumping out through the cockpit. However, none of them did deplane because the hijacker could see them and they feared that he would set off the bomb that he had in his briefcase.

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Then [redacted] went to the back of the plane and asked the hijacker if the stewardesses could go and he said "Whatever you girls would like." Then she and [redacted] another stewardess on board left the aircraft.

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[redacted] described the hijacker as a male Caucasian, olive complexion, age 38 to 45, 6' 1", 170 to 175 pounds, slim build, black hair, wavy, short and trimmed in the back. He wore no hat, and wore dark sunglasses with plastic frames which looked like prescription sunglasses. He wore a black trench-coat, white shirt and tie, and dark slacks. He wore no gloves and was soft-spoken and had no accent. He had no visible scars or marks.

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[redacted] advised that the briefcase which the hijacker carried on board with him was in the window seat next to him and that he was sitting in the middle seat with the stewardess, [redacted] on his left. She stated that he had his right hand inside the briefcase at all times. At one point

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during the hijacking [redacted] noticed that one of the parachutes that had been brought on board had been unpacked and she asked the hijacker if he had taken the parachute apart and he replied Yes.

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# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: December 7, 1971

FROM : SAC J. E. MILNES

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

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RE: [REDACTED] - SUSPECT

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On December 6, 1971, SA [REDACTED] Resident Agent, Stockton, California (Sacramento Division) called and advised that the suspect has been [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He is a WMA, born [REDACTED] 5'8", 190 pounds, brown hair, [REDACTED] eyes, FBI [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] He wanted to know if [REDACTED] was a suspect in [REDACTED]

After checking, I called SAC WILLIAMS back and told him that we did not have any [REDACTED] would fit; however, the hijacker in this case took his money in a Seattle-First National Bank money bag and suggested that he be checked out as a suspect in this case at once.

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Via AIRTEL

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, WFO (164-169) (P)

UNSUB; aka  
 Dan Cooper,  
 Northwest Airlines Flight 305,  
 Portland to Seattle,  
 11/24/71  
 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
 (OO:SE)

ReSEteletype to WFO, MP, and PD, dated 12/7/71.

Enclosed for each receiving office is one photo  
of suspect [redacted] along with one xerox copy  
of his FBI record.

LEADS

MINNEAPOLIS AND PORTLAND: Immediately display photo to  
 witnesses and advise Seattle and WFO of results.

UNSUB DANGEROUS

2-Seattle (Enc. 2) *reid*  
 2-Minneapolis (164-73) (Enc. 2)  
 2-Portland (164-41) (Enc. 2)  
 1-WFO

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Special Agent in Charge

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# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: December 7, 1971

FROM : SAC J. E. MILNES

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
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*Unsub*  
RE: [REDACTED] INFORMANT

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On December 6, 1971. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
called me. He advised that he had just received a telephone  
call from an unidentified woman who said that the hijacker

I immediately called ASAC MORELAND in San Francisco  
and requested that he have an Agent see [REDACTED] at once and  
be there when the call was returned.

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SA [REDACTED] from San Francisco called later  
and said he had gone to the Northwest office and talked to the  
caller who obviously was interested in a reward but had little  
information beyond that originally provided. The caller declined  
to provide her identity.

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# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

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



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RE: [redacted]  
SUSPECT

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[redacted] telephone [redacted]  
[redacted] called on 12/6/71 and advised that the captioned  
suspect is [redacted]

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He is [redacted]  
[redacted] unknown. He is 6' tall, weighs 188 lbs.,  
medium build, has dark hair which is graying, [redacted] eyes. He  
always wears dark glasses. He resembles the sketch of the  
hijacker.

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He has [redacted]

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He was suggesting him as suspect since [redacted]

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Steps should be taken at once to obtain a photograph  
of [redacted]. It should be displayed to the witnesses and appropriate investigation instituted.

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SAC, SEATTLE

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

RE: [redacted]  
SUSPECT

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# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

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

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RE: GENE MORRIS DAVIS, suspect

On 12/7/71 SAC MATTSON called from Portland and advised that captioned individual, whose automobile license and driver's license would indicate he had an address of 10622 8th N.W., and was associated with the business office of the Seattle Times, was in Yamhill, Oregon, where he bought a cashier's check in the amount of \$7,350, paying for it with \$50 and \$100 bills, payable to [redacted]

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He was born 9/27/16, is 5'9" tall, weighs 180 lbs., has blue eyes and wore glasses. He had a substantial amount of more money sticking out of the pockets of a tweed suit.

He asked that we check to see whether or not DAVIS would have this much money and whether he has been with the Seattle Times.

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AFTER talking to [redacted]

[redacted] the Seattle Times, I called and advised that DAVIS formerly worked for them as a mail clerk and a multilith machine operator, but when they found that he was using their mailing machine for his own use and thereby defrauding the company, he was fired. His current address is P.O. Box 653, McMinnville, Oregon.

[redacted] described DAVIS as some kind of a nut, who was selling some health-type apparatus, pretends to be a lecturer on hypnosis and allegedly had developed a cure for heart diseases. He is a former professional football player and at one time owned a small paper.

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Neither [redacted] had any knowledge as to any source of funds in this amount for DAVIS. I furnished this information to SAC MATTSON in Portland on 12/6/71.

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UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper  
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(Priority)TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) *Sub O*DAILY TELETYPEUNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SE.ARTIST'S SKETCH OF SUBJECT AND BACKGROUND DATA  
CONCERNING HIJACKING WAS MADE AVAILABLEDECEMBER FOUR LAST, BUT LATER CONTACT WITH  
[redacted] WAS NEGATIVE.LOOK ALIKE LEADS BEING RECEIVED FROM THE  
PUBLIC AND ARE BEING COVERED BUT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS  
THUS FAR BOTH BY SEATTLE AND OTHER OFFICES. SEATTLE HAS  
DISTRIBUTED ALL AVAILABLE COPIES OF RANSOM LIST.b6  
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Date: 12/7/71

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.

ARTIST'S SKETCH OF SUBJECT AND BACKGROUND DATA  
CONCERNING HIJACKING WAS MADE AVAILABLE [redacted]

[redacted]  
DECEMBER FOUR LAST, BUT LATER CONTACT WITH [redacted]  
[redacted] WAS NEGATIVE.

LOOK ALIKE LEADS BEING RECEIVED FROM THE  
PUBLIC AND ARE BEING COVERED BUT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS  
THUS FAR BOTH BY SEATTLE AND OTHER OFFICES. SEATTLE HAS  
DISTRIBUTED ALL AVAILABLE COPIES OF RANSOM LIST.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, Seattle (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA Edward J. Anderson

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

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On 11/29/71, SAs Edward J. Anderson and [redacted]  
interviewed the following individuals at [redacted]  
[redacted] while displaying the artist's conception of the unsub  
in this matter:

- [redacted] - Seattle Flight Service
- [redacted] - Boeing Employees Flying Ass.
- [redacted] - Bavair Avionics
- [redacted] Boeing Field
- [redacted] Olympic Helicopters, Inc.
- [redacted] - Skycraft, Inc.
- [redacted] - Pleasure Fund Flying Club
- [redacted] - Aerosport
- [redacted] Aero-Copters, Inc.
- [redacted] - Bell Air Service, Inc.
- [redacted] - Northwest Air-Motive
- [redacted] - Northwest School of Aviation, Inc.
- [redacted] - Washington Aircraft
- [redacted] - Radair
- [redacted] - Galvin Flying Service, Inc.
- [redacted] Pacific Aviation Inc.
- [redacted] Queen City Aviation, Inc.
- [redacted] - Airline Ground School

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No positive identification of the unsub could be provided by any of the above listed people. The Academy of Flying and Seattle Air Charter, both closed this day, must be contacted later. If negative information is obtained, no further letter will be initiated.

the following individuals bear a close resemblance to the unsub: [redacted] stated that [redacted] RELEASER [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

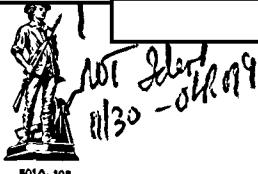
strong resemblance was verified by another [redacted]

is said to be [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

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The following individuals connected with the following agencies were contacted and shown composite photograph of suspected hijacker on November 29, 1971:

[redacted]  
Aero-Dyne Flight Center,  
300 Airport Way,  
Renton, Washington

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[redacted]  
Fanchur Flyway Inc.  
Renton Municipal Airport  
Renton, Washington

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[redacted]  
Alpine Heliocopter Inc.  
17325 Cedar Grove Road SE  
Maple Valley, Washington

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[redacted]  
Renton Aviation  
Renton Municipal Airport  
Renton, Washington

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[redacted]  
Ed's Airmotive Inc.  
302 Airport Way South  
Renton, Washington

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On November 29, 1971, attempts to contact Manager of Hitch School of Aviation, East Perimeter Road, Renton, Washington, proved negative as a sign on the door advised that the company had gone out of business.

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On the same date [redacted] Renton  
Aviation, advised that Hitch School of Aviation was no longer  
in business as of July, 1971.

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT

THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR,  
SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO SE.

RE: [REDACTED] (SUB A).

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[REDACTED] SKY DIVER

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MAGAZINE, ONE FIVE TWO ZERO SIX RAYMOND, GARDENA, CALIFORNIA,  
AGREED TO PRINT ARTIST'S CONCEPTION AND NARRATIVE CONCERNING  
CAPTIONED. JANUARY ISSUE GOES TO PRESS DECEMBER TWELVE AND  
MUST BE IN POSSESSION OF [REDACTED] BY THAT DATE.

IF SEATTLE SECURES BUREAU AUTHORITY FOR PHOTO AND  
ARTICLE TO APPEAR IN THIS MAGAZINE, AS WELL AS UNITED STATES  
PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION MAGAZINE QUOTE PARACHUTIST END QUOTE,  
ARTICLE SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO LA OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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NR 031 LA PLAIN

10:30 PM NITEL 12-7-71 TDH.

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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7:15PM NITEL 12/7/71 JAK

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 1P

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UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO  
FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR LAST, QAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE

RE SE TEL TO DIRECTOR AND SF, DEC. SEVEN, INSTANT.

SF INDICES NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED] AND NO

REASON KNOWN FOR [REDACTED] OFFER TO PUBLISH ARTICLE  
AND ARTIST CONCEPTION OF UNSUB IN THEIR MAGAZINE QUOTE THE  
PARACHUTIST END QUOTE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

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

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[Redacted]

aka

[Redacted]

Contacts with a number of people in [Redacted]  
[Redacted] have resulted in the development of a suspect based upon  
[Redacted] and his fitting the physical description of the UNSUB.  
This individual's name is [Redacted]

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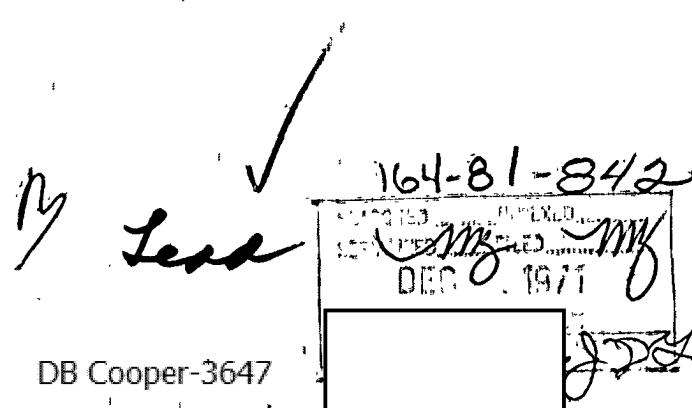
At [Redacted]

Attempt to locate [Redacted] through information  
set forth above and conduct creditarrest to determine if photograph available  
indicates close to UNSUB. If close resemblance conduct appropriate investigation  
to determine where this individual was on 11/24/71

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12/4/71

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

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

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT:

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

Re Portland teletype to Seattle, 11/30/71

Investigation by SA [redacted] on 12/1/71  
to identify the unsub mentioned by [redacted] Oregon PD  
as look alike for composite photograph revealed the subject more than likely

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[redacted] Information from [redacted] was that he looked like  
composite photograph and was [redacted]

[redacted] generally matched  
description of unsub. except [redacted] He had [redacted]

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[redacted] was described as: WMA 5'10" 170 lbs. Medium complexion

Dark brown hair [redacted]

[redacted] smoked but brand not known clean cut in appearance, quiet,  
polite possibly [redacted]

No information available at [redacted] on  
present location of [redacted] and it appears best chance of getting further  
information and exhibiting the composite for possible identification is to contact  
[redacted]

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LEAD:

At [redacted]

Contact [redacted] and  
exhibit composite photograph to secure further information on [redacted]

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SA THOMAS J. MANNING

UNSUB;

Northwest Airlines Flight 305

Portland to Seattle 11/24/71

CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: Seattle

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information and exhibiting the composite for possible identification is to contact  
[redacted]

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LEAD:

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At [redacted]

Contact [redacted] and  
exhibit composite photograph to secure further information on [redacted]

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
aka/ D. B. COOPER,  
Northwest Airlines Flight \$305  
Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

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Re SUSPECT [redacted]

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Re Memo of SPC. [redacted] 11/27/71

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Investigation by SA [redacted] Wn.  
PD and Clark County SO, [redacted] reflects a number of [redacted]  
[redacted] No identifying information on any [redacted] to show  
a particular [redacted]. In view of  
this inability to identify [redacted] the following lead is being  
set for further action:

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LEAD:

At SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Recontact [redacted]  
Seattle, Wn. phone [redacted] for further information to describe  
[redacted] and if secured set appropriate lead to have further  
investigation conducted at [redacted] Washington.

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Lead My [redacted] Ron  
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SA THOMAS J. MANNING

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

Re SUSPECT [redacted]

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Re Memo of SPC. [redacted] 11/27/71

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this inability to identify [redacted] the following lead is being  
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At SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

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Seattle. Wn. phone [redacted] for further information to describe  
[redacted] and if secured set appropriate lead to have further  
investigation conducted at [redacted] Washington.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;

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

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Re San Francisco teletype to Bureau and Seattle, 11/26/71

[redacted] Washington was contacted on 12/1/71 and he was not able to furnish any details on the helicopter sightings. He also mentioned [redacted] and stated [redacted]

[redacted] but could provide no information other than that furnished in the teletype.

It was noted that the area [redacted] number of airfields and these are regular sized to small private strips and there is a lot of air traffic [redacted] by small planes. Further it is known by the writer that both the state Patrol and the US Army have helicopters flying [redacted] frequently due to its proximity to IS 5 which is a main guiding line for such craft.

No other information of value was obtained [redacted] re the aircraft and in view of the traffic in the air [redacted] it is not possible to identify the aircraft he mentions and further investigation is not warranted in the [redacted] RA.

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NR006 LA PLAIN

200PM URGENT 12-7-71 DCB

TO SEATTLE

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SAN FRANCISCO

KANSAS CITY

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 3P

UNSUB; ALSO KNOWN AS DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY  
FOUR SEVENTY ONE; CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OFFICE OF ORIGIN:  
SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE DECEMBER FIVE LAST, AND  
LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO SEATTLE DECEMBER SIX LAST.

RE SUSPECTS

ALSO KNOWN AS

INVESTIGATION ON DECEMBER SIX LAST AT

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BY BUREAU AGENTS.

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[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
AND DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, [REDACTED] YEARS, SIX FEET  
TALL, ONE SEVEN ZERO POUNDS, DARK HAIR, AND [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SEVERAL  
POLICE AGENCIES, BUT THIS NOT VERIFIED. ARTIST SKETCH  
DISPLAYED AND DOES NOT RESEMBLE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
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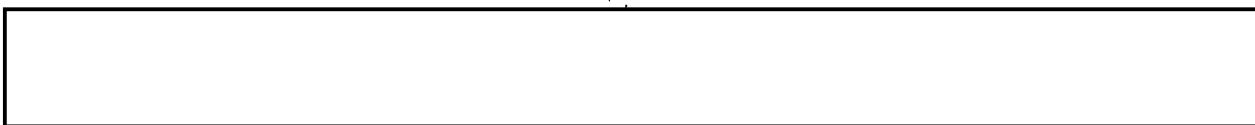


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UNKNOWN.

NAME OF [REDACTED] UNKNOWN TO [REDACTED]

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LOS ANGELES WILL CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IN EFFORT TO

IDENTIFY [REDACTED] (LNU).

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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MR 013 PD PLAIN

11:55 PM URGENT 12/7/71 TLA

TO: DIRECTOR  
BALTIMORE  
MINNEAPOLIS  
SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

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

ON DECEMBER SEVEN SEVENTYONE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED ON [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, DOB [REDACTED]

FIVE ELEVEN, TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, LIGHT HAIR DASH GREYING AND CUT  
SHORT; LOW [REDACTED] VOICE, MEDIUM COMPLEXION; ADDRESS [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED HE HAS SEEN COMPOSITE

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b7DOF HIJACKER, BUT IT WAS NOT VERY SIMILAR TO [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]BUREAU REQUESTED TO AUTHORIZE BALTIMORE DIVISION TO CHECK  
APPROPRIATE SOURCES CONCERNING [REDACTED] SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER. *BUT THIS.*BALTIMORE WILL UPON RECEIPT OF BUREAU AUTHORITY CONDUCT  
APPROPRIATE CHECK REGARDING SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]b6  
b7CMINNEAPOLIS WILL VERIFY ADDRESS AND EMPLOYMENT OF [REDACTED] AND  
CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF [REDACTED] POSSIBLE  
SUSPECT THIS MATTER.b6  
b7CSEATTLE CONSIDER IDENTIFYING [REDACTED]  
IN EFFORT TO LOCATE HIM.b6  
b7CPORLAND WILL REINTERVIEW [REDACTED]b6  
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FOR ANY ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION [REDACTED]

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NR 013 PD PLAIN

11:55 PM URGENT 12/7/71 TLA

TO: DIRECTOR  
BALTIMORE  
MINNEAPOLIS  
SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

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

ON DECEMBER SEVEN SEVENTYONE, [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED ON [redacted]

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, DOB [REDACTED]

FIVE ELEVEN, TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, LIGHT HAIR DASH GREYING AND CUT  
SHORT; LOW [REDACTED] VOICE, MEDIUM COMPLEXION; ADDRESS [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]

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IN EFFORT TO LOCATE HIM.

PORTLAND WILL REINTERVIEW [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ANY ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION [REDACTED]

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CORRECTION PAGE ONE PARAGRAPH ONE LINE ONE SHOULD READ [REDACTED]

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

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

RE: [redacted]

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Re attached facsimile.

SAC LEO CONROY, from Atlanta called and advised that they were sending this facsimile today but would obtain a glossy photograph of [redacted] and forward it to us immediately.

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(3)*[Signature]*

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SAC, SEATTLE

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

RE: [redacted]

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Re attached facsimile.

SAC LEO CONROY from Atlanta called and advised that they were sending this facsimile today but would obtain a glossy photograph of [redacted] and forward it to us immediately.

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FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 1P

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

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO LOS ANGELES DECEMBER SIX LAST.

RE: [redacted]

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[redacted] OBSERVED CAPTIONED PERSON

REGISTER AT MOTEL AT FOUR FIFTY-THREE P. M. ON NOVEMBER TWENTY-  
FOUR, LAST. [redacted]

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 1P

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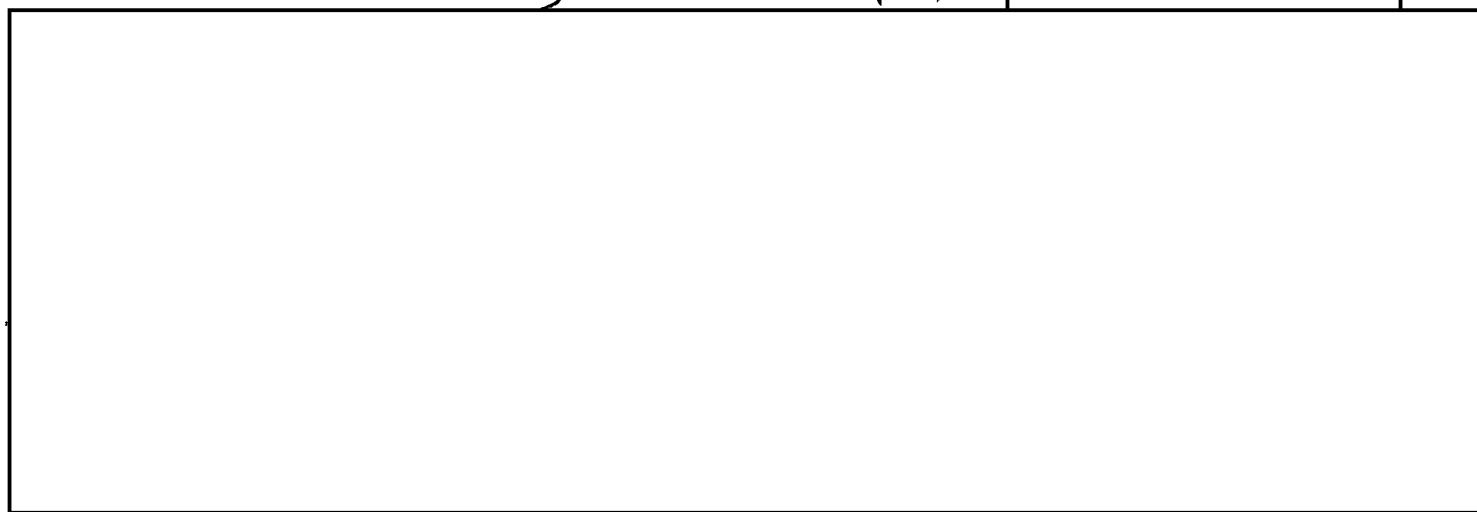
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Federal Court House  
Seattle, Wash.

Subject: 164-81  
N.Y. Airlines hijack

Gentlemen:

This is to call your attention to [redacted]



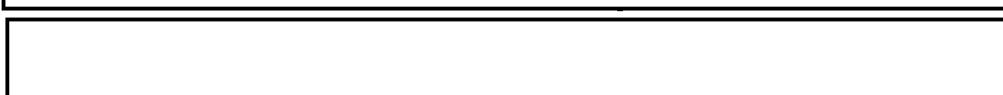
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could be your man. Please note:

1. The composite drawing [redacted] has a remarkable resemblance to the composite sketch in the San Diego papers about 5 days ago.

2. [redacted]  
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My name is: [redacted]

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Tel: [redacted]

The reason ~~I~~ am writing about something you b6  
may already know is that [redacted] b7C  
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get involved in helping to solve crime

Sincerely yours

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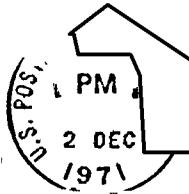
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3:05 PM URGENT 12-7-71 NMG

TO CINCINNATI

MINNEAPOLIS

PHILADELPHIA

PITTSBURGH

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM DETROIT (164-115) (P) 5P

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SUB : REWARD LETTERS  
Dec. 11

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

RE TELEPHONE CALLS FROM DETROIT TO SEATTLE AND MINNEAPOLIS, DEC. TWO, LAST; DETROIT TELCALLS TO PITTSBURGH AND PHILADELPHIA, DEC. THREE, LAST. DETROIT TELCALLS PHILADELPHIA AND CINCINNATI THIS DATE.

ON NOV. THIRTY, LAST, [REDACTED] NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, MINNEAPOLIS, RECEIVED FOLLOWING TELEGRAM, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TELEGRAM SIGNED [REDACTED]

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ON DEC. ONE, LAST, [REDACTED] SENT TELEGRAM, CARE  
OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ON DEC. TWO, LAST, [REDACTED]

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LATER ON DEC. TWO, LAST, [REDACTED] NWO HEADQUARTERS,  
MINNEAPOLIS, AND ARRANGED [REDACTED]

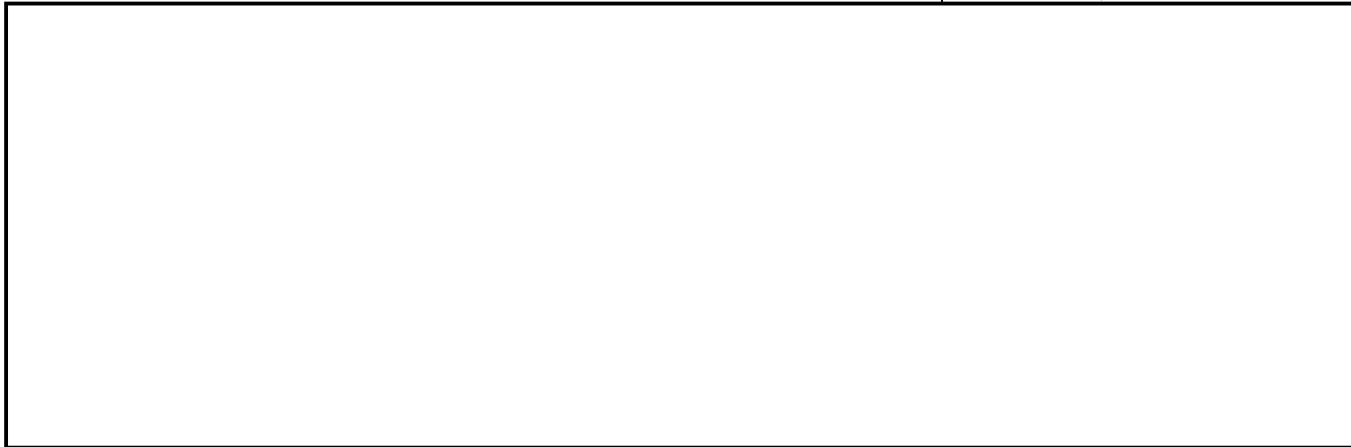
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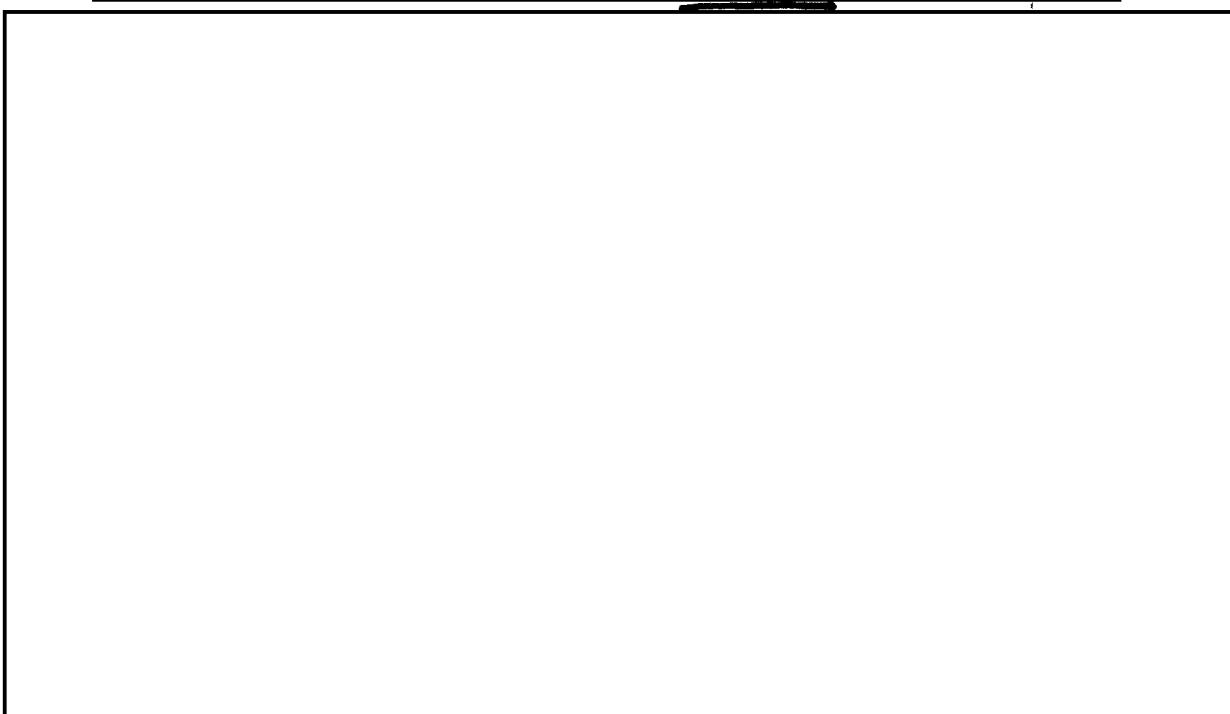
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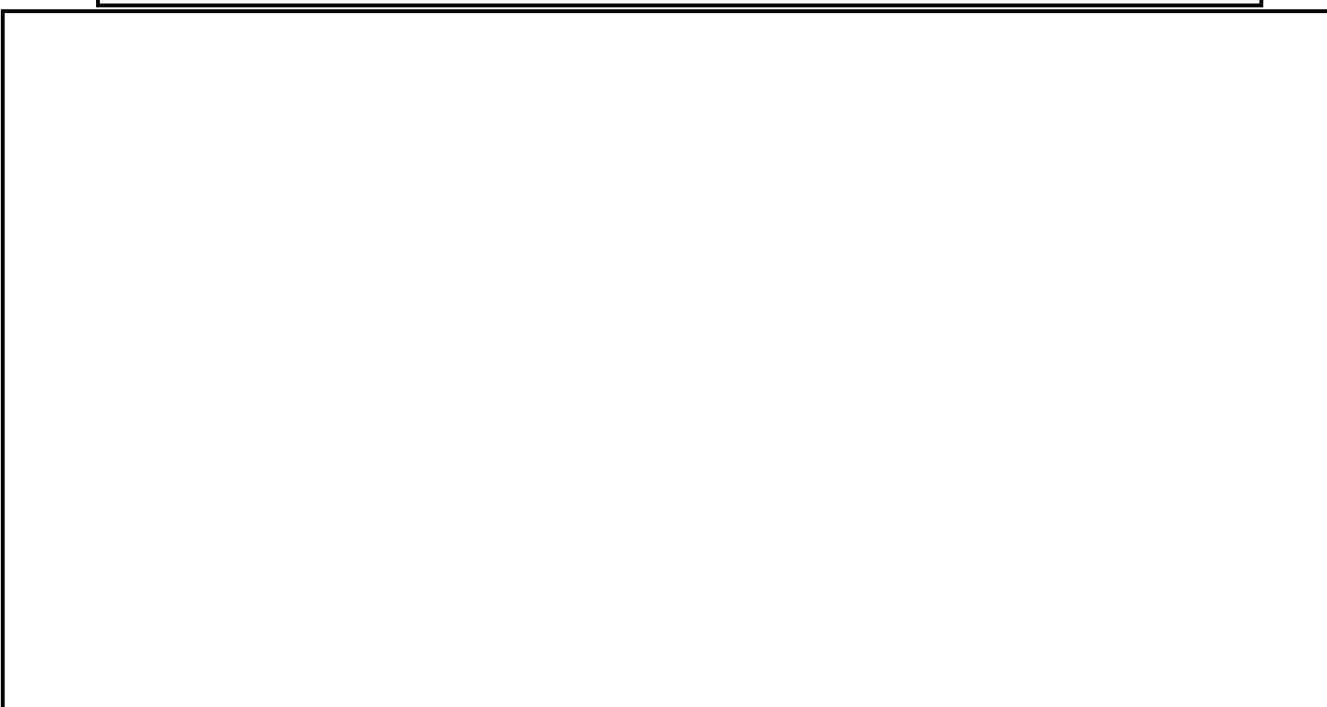
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[REDACTED]

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MINNEAPOLIS, REMAIN IN CONTACT WITH NWO OFFICIALS  
FOR ANY FURTHER INFO FROM [REDACTED]

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PHILADELPHIA AND CINCINNATI CONDUCT INDICES CHECK ON [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] FOR ANY INFO IN FILE RELATIVE TO IDENTITY OF  
[REDACTED]

PITTSBURGH, CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND DETERMINE IF ANY HAVE [REDACTED]

OBTAIN PICTURE OF ANY TO SUBMIT TO SEATTLE FOR POSSIBLE  
IDENT.

UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

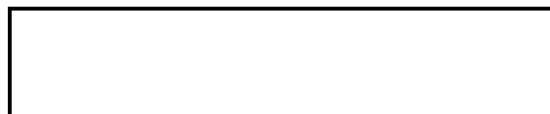
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1015 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98104  
December 7, 1971

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Dear [redacted]

I have your letter of December 2, 1971,  
and I appreciate the thought which prompted you  
to write.

You may be sure that your comments will  
be made a matter of record in this case.

Very truly yours,

J.E. Milnes,  
Special Agent in Charge

1 - Addressee  
2 - Seattle (164-81)  
PRB:klb  
(3)

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*Janey*

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NR005 PH PLAIN

1:20-PM URGENT 12-8-71 BMF

TO DETROIT (164-115)

SEATTLE (164-81)

MINNEAPOLIS (164- )

PITTSBURGH

CINCINNATI (164-55)

FROM PHILADELPHIA (164-133)

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

RE DETROIT TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, TWELVE SEVEN; CINCINNATI TELETYPE

TO DETROIT, TWELVE SEVEN; PHILADELPHIA TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, TWELVE SEVEN; AND PHILADELPHIA TELEPHONE CALL TO DETROIT, TWELVE EIGHT SEVENT

ONE.

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[REDACTED] FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

PH FILE [REDACTED] REFLECTS THAT

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARRESTED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] BY SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND TWO OTHER AGENTS. NO INDICATION IN FILE OF ANY INFORMA-

TION PROVIDED [REDACTED] DESCRIB-  
ED AS FOLLOWS: NAME [REDACTED] ALIAS [REDACTED]

WHITE MALE, DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

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FBI SEATTLE LCRL

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2:50 PM URGENT 12-8-71 LSW  
TO CINCINNATI (164-55)  
DETROIT (164-115)  
MINNEAPOLIS  
PHILADELPHIA  
SEATILE (164-81)  
FROM PITTSBURGH (164-93) 4P

[redacted] LNU [redacted]

*source*

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

RE DETROIT TELETYPE TO CINCINNATI, ETAL, DATED DECEMBER SEVEN, LAST; CINCINNATI TELETYPE TO DETROIT, ETAL, DATED DECEMBER SEVEN, LAST; AND PITTSBURGH TELEPHONE CALL TO DETROIT THIS DATE.

ON DECEMBER THREE, LAST, PHILIP J. CARROLL, FORMER SA, DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SECURITY, DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY, PITTSBURGH, ADVISED THERE ARE [redacted]

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[Redacted]

FBI NUMBER

[Redacted]

[Redacted] APPEARED AT PITTSBURGH OFFICE

STATING [Redacted]

[Redacted]

WOULD NOT STATE. [Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted] RECONTACTED PITTSBURGH OFFICE

[Redacted]

ON [Redacted]

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PG 164-93



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ON [REDACTED] WAS MET BY SAS OF  
PITTSBURGH OFFICE [REDACTED] AT WHICH TIME WENT



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INFORMATION.

[REDACTED] REINTERVIEWD, [REDACTED] AT WHICH  
TIME STATED HIS MAIN OBJECTIVE FOR WANTING TO SEE AGENTS WAS



[REDACTED] IDENTICAL TO PITTSBURGH BUREAU OF POLICE FILE

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NUMBER [REDACTED]

THOSE FILES SHOW [REDACTED]

FINGERPRINTED FOR [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] FILES CONTAIN PHOTO TAKEN THAT DATE.

PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED] WILL BE FORWARDED TO DETROIT FOR  
ASSISTANCE IN LOCATING [REDACTED] AND TO MINNEAPOLIS TO EXHIBIT  
TO NORTH WEST AIRLINES OFFICIALS [REDACTED]

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INASMUCH AS DETROIT IS ATTEMPTING TO INTERVIEW [REDACTED]  
REGARDING VALIDITY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
OFFICIALS, PITTSBURGH WILL NOT AT THIS TIME CONDUCT FURTHER  
INQUIRY REGARDING [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI SATTLE CLR

DB Cooper-3682

NR 002 PX PLAIN

6:09AM NITEL 12-8-71 JDD

TITLE (164-81)

FROM PHOENIX (164-100)

*Sub - M.*

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,

NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. CAA - HIJACKING. OO SEATTLE.

RE PHOENIX TELETYPE TO SEATTLE DECEMBER SIX LAST, AND SEATTLE  
TEL CALL TO PHOENIX ON DECEMBER SEVEN INSTANT.

TWENTY DOLLAR BILLS MENTIONED IN REFERENCED COMMUNICATION AND  
TELEPHONE CALL SEARCHED THROUGH NCIC WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THE PHOENIX  
DIVISION IN THIS REGARD.

PENDING.

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1:07 12-8-71 PM NITEL 12-7171 LCH  
TO LAS VEGAS, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50)

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

ON INSTANT DATE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED

THAT HE HAD BEEN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE RECALLS A [REDACTED]

BEING EMPLOYED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AT WHICH TIME [REDACTED] LEFT FOR [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WOULD RECALL [REDACTED]

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HE DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS WM, FORTY SIX OR FORTY SEVEN, ONE SIX FIVE POUN

S

GRAYING HAIR, DISTINGUISHED LOOKING.

LAS VEGAS CONTACT [REDACTED] IDENTIFY [REDACTED] AND SET  
OUT APPROPRIATE LEAD.

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SWD FBI SEATTLE CLR.

DB Cooper-3685

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Date:

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

(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (164-115)

RE: UNSUB, aka.,  
 Dan Cooper  
 Northwest Airlines  
 Flight Number 305  
 Portland to Seattle  
 11/24/71  
 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
 (OO: SEATTLE)

SUB - L  
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Re Seattle teletype to Bureau dated 11/29/71.

Enclosed for Seattle is membership list of "POPS", over-forty parachutist group. Also enclosed are copies of membership cards and where appropriate, the information appearing on the rear of these membership cards of the "POPS" organization.

Review of these cards left to discretion of OO and may be of value in developing suspect or individuals who may be able to furnish information on UNSUB.

Interview with [redacted] "POPS"

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On 12/3/71

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[redacted] Parachutists Over Phorty Society (POPS), furnished the following information to SA DONALD A. THIEL:

② - Seattle (Enc. 122)  
 2 - Detroit  
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*ST. JOHN*

*list maintained bottom drawers of cabinet*

*list maintained top drawer cabinet*

Approved: NTW/mcr

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

Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-3686

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He advised that "POPS" is a worldwide society whose membership numbers 576 members. To qualify for membership in this organization you must be an active parachutist and have reached the age of 40.

[redacted] advised that he believes the majority of parachutists over the age of 40 who are actively jumping are members of this society and it is well known in parachutist circles. The group does not have a magazine or paper and [redacted]

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[redacted] He [redacted] advised that occasionally [redacted] information for the society in "The Parachutist", a magazine which the majority of parachutists subscribe to.

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[redacted] which were filled out by each individual who had joined the society and which carries in some instances other background information on the individual members.

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[redacted] advised that in his opinion from articles he has read concerning this hijacking that the hijacker was an experienced parachutist and appeared to know exactly what he was doing, and he stated that if this was the case and the UNSUB was still active in parachuting and was over 40, that there was a possibility that UNSUB could be a member of "POPS".

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Composite drawing of UNSUB was exhibited to [redacted] however, he indicated he could not identify UNSUB or furnish any logical suspects concerning this matter. He indicated that "POPS" would be having a meet where numerous members [redacted] would be getting together in the near future and [redacted] if he develops any information, he would contact the FBI.

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[redacted]  
On 12/3/71 [redacted]

[redacted] advised that he [redacted]  
[redacted] and that [redacted]  
[redacted] He advised that he did not believe  
composite looked like [redacted] and he indicated that  
[redacted] had light colored hair and was of a heavy build,  
although he has not seen [redacted] for a number of years.

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to indicate that he would be involved.

On 12/3/71 [redacted]

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years. He advised that he had been reading the information  
concerning the hijacking of the Northwest Airlines flight to  
Seattle, Washington. However, he could furnish no informa-  
tion concerning a logical suspect in this matter.

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Investigation at Detroit continuing.

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

12/6/71

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, DETROIT (164-115) (P)  
RE: UNSUB, aka.,  
Dan Cooper  
Northwest Airlines  
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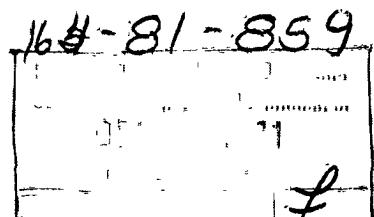
On 12/3/71. [redacted]

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list maintained  
in bottom drawer  
of 164-81 Cab.



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[redacted]  
On 12/3/71.

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Investigation at Detroit continuing.

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

DB Cooper-3691

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

MEMBERSHIP LIST IN  
DRAWER

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper  
Northwest Orient Airlines  
11/24/71  
CAA - AIR PIRACY

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Re Seattle teletype, 11/29/71; San Francisco tel,  
11/29/71; and San Francisco tel, 12/1/71.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper  
Northwest Orient Airlines  
11/24/71  
CAA - AIR PIRACY

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/8/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

Re Suspect: [redacted]

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On 12/8/71 at 7:30 am SA [redacted] took a telephone call  
from SA [redacted] Butte.

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SA [redacted] advised that [redacted] with a

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Investigation revealed that [redacted]

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coronated.

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whether [redacted] on 11/24/71, but not to tell him the  
ultimate reason for the inquiry.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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12:12 PM URGENT 12-8-71 CRE

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

ATLANTA (165-254)

SEATTLE

TAMPA

FROM JACKSONVILLE (164-109) (RUC)

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

RE ATLANTA TEL TO BUREAU DECEMBER SIX, LAST.

ON DECEMBER SEVEN, LAST,

ADVISED

ARRIVED [REDACTED] LAST, RESIDED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO, LAST. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAVE NO TELEPHONES.

END

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NR 002 LV PLAIN

1135 AM URGENT 12-8-71 EB

TO SACRAMENTO 164-50

SEATTLE 164-81

FROM LAS VEGAS 164-60

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

RE SACRAMENTO TEL DECEMBER 'SEVEN LAST RE SUSPECT

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IT IS NOTED INFORMATION FROM

SHOULD IMMEDIATELY BE INTERVIEWED AND IT IS DETERMINED

TOOK PLACE. DESCRIPTION OF [REDACTED] AR VARIANCE  
WITH THAT AVAILABLE IN SACRAMENTO FILES IN THAT [REDACTED]  
FURTHER, IT IS NOT KNOWN WHETHER DESCRIPTION GIVEN BY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WAS THAT AT THE TIME [REDACTED]

WHEN INTERVIEWING [REDACTED] SACRAMENTO SHOULD INSURE COMPOSITE  
OF UNSUB SHOWN TO HIM AND FULL DETAILS AS TO WHY HE BELIEVES UNSUB  
MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH [REDACTED]

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CORRECTION PLS LINE 6 OF TEXT SEOXXSECOND TO LAST WORD SLD BE AT

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115PM URGENT 12-8-71 EPM

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM OKLAHOMA CITY (164-56) -P-

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UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO  
FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA -  
HIJACKING AND EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE. RE: [redacted]

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RE OKLAHOMA CITY TEL, DECEMBER SEVEN, LAST.

DISCONTINUE RE POSSIBLE SUSPECT [redacted] AS HIS ATTENDANCE

AT [redacted] ON

NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, LAST, VERIFIED.

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

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NR 001 PD PLAIN  
11:08 AM URGENT 12-8-71 LJQ  
TO: LOS ANGELES  
MINNEAPOLIS  
SEATTLE  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 2P

Unsub observed  
at Portland International  
Airport 12/3/71  
Calif Lic [redacted]

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

ON DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY ONE, [redacted]  
PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (PDX) ADVISED AN UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL  
WHO CLOSELY RESEMBLED THE UNSUB IN THIS MATTER ARRIVED PDX, NINE  
O'CLOCK PM, DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY ONE, ABOARD [redacted]  
[redacted] THIS FLIGHT ORIGINATED IN [redacted]  
[redacted] PRIOR  
TO ARRIVING IN PORTLAND. ON ARRIVAL AT PDX, UNSUB WAS MET BY AN  
UNKNOWN PERSON DRIVING A LATE MODEL SEDAN BEARING CALIFORNIA LICENSE  
[redacted]

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CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES (DMV) ADVISES

[redacted] LISTED TO NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE OLDSMOBILE

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REGISTERED OWNER, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DMV RECORDS ALSO SHOW

NINETEEN FIFTY EIGHT CHEVROLET FOUR DOOR, CALIFORNIA LICENSE

[REDACTED] REGISTERED TO [REDACTED]

LOS ANGELES AT [REDACTED]

AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RESIDES AT THIS ADDRESS, DETERMINE TO WHOM HE HAS  
SOLD VEHICLE BEARING CALIFORNIA LICENSE [REDACTED]

MINNEAPOLIS AT [REDACTED] CONDUCT SAME INVESTIGATION SET  
OUT FOR LOS ANGELES AT [REDACTED]

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

DB Cooper-3703

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Date: 12/3/71

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

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
(ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P) [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper  
Hijacking of Northwest Airline  
Flight #305  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

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Re Portland airtel to Bureau dated 12/2/71 .

Enclosed for laboratory are original letter and envelope received 12/3/71, by Manager of Portland International Airport, Portland, Oregon. The letter is signed "D. B. COOPER" and is apparently a hoax.

One xerox copy of the letter and envelope is being furnished Seattle. *1A(b5)*

REQUEST OF THE LABORATORY

Process the enclosures for latent fingerprint impressions. Note that envelope has been handled by many persons but letter has been protected and not handled since time of opening of envelope.

Results of examination should be furnished Seattle and Portland and submitted items may be returned to Portland registered mail upon conclusion of examination.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 1) (AM) (RM)
- 2 - Seattle (Enc. 2) (164-81)
- 2 - Portland

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Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-3704

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Date: 12/8/71

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

TO: SAC's, ALBUQUERQUE  
DALLAS  
CHICAGO  
LOS ANGELES  
**DENVER**

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE SAN FRANCISCO TELEPHONE CALL TO SEATTLE  
DECEMBER EIGHT, SEVENTYONE.

RE: [redacted]

SAN FRANCISCO ADVISES [redacted] HAS BEEN LOCATED,  
INTERVIEWED, AND ELIMINATED. ALL OFFICES DISCONTINUE

RE [redacted] (P)

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. (P)

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in ChargeSent: 07 24 16 30 11 AM Per [Signature]  
B DB Cooper-3705

NR009 SE PLAIN

1:24PM URGENT 12/8/71 VAB

TO ALBUQUERQUE

DALLAS

CHICAGO,

LOS ANGELES

DENVER

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE CALL TO SEATTLE DECEMBER EIGHT,  
SEVENTYONE.

RE [redacted]

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ELIMINATED. ALL OFFICES DISCONTINUE RE [redacted]  
ARMED AND DANGEROUS. (P)

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NR009 SE PLAIN

1:07PM URGENT 12/8/71 VAB

TO ALBUQUERQUE

DALLAS

CHICAGO

LOS ANGELES

DENVER

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE CALL TO SEATTLE DECEMBER EIGHT,  
SEVENTYONE.

RE [redacted]

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SAN FRANCISCO ADVISES [redacted] HAS BEEN LOCATED, INTERVIEWED, AND  
ELIMINATED. ALL OFFICES DISCONTINUE RE [redacted]

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS. (P)

END

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AQ CLR

DB Cooper-3707

164-81-869

NR009 SE PLAIN

1:16PM URGENT 12/8/71 VAB

TO ALBUQUERQUE

DALLAS

CHICAGO

LOS ANGELES

DENVER

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE CALL TO SEATTLE DECEMBER EIGHT,  
SEVENTYONE.

RE [redacted]

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ELIMINATED. ALL OFFICES DISCONTINUE RE [redacted]

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. (JP)

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DB Cooper-3708

164-81-869

MR009 SE PLAIN

1:11PM URGENT 12/8/71 VAB

TO ALBUQUERQUE

DALLAS

CHICAGO

LOS ANGELES

DENVER

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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

RE SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE CALL TO SEATTLE DECEMBER EIGHT,  
SEVENTYONE.

RE [redacted]

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ELIMINATED. ALL OFFICES DISCONTINUE RE [redacted]  
ARMED AND DANGEROUS. (P)

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Date: 12/8/71

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

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TELETYPE

URGENT

Via \_\_\_\_\_

(Priority)

TO : SAC, DENVER

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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

OO: SE.

RE: [redacted]

[redacted] HAS BEEN NAMED AS A SUSPECT IN THIS  
 MATTER. INFORMATION INDICATES THAT [redacted]

[redacted] RESIDES

[redacted] HE IS  
 DESCRIBED AS FORTY THREE OR FORTY FOUR YEARS OF AGE, BORN

[redacted] SIX FOOT TALL, [redacted]  
 POUNDS, MEDIUM BUILD, DARK HAIR WHICH IS GRAYING, [redacted] EYES,  
 ALWAYS WEARS DARK GLASSES.

DENVER IS REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS OF [redacted]  
 AT TIME OF CAPTIONED HIJACKING AND IF UNABLE TO ASCERTAIN  
 WHEREABOUTS, OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH AND FORWARD TO SEATTLE,  
 PORTLAND AND MINNEAPOLIS FOR SHOWING TO WITNESSES.

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Approved: [Signature]

Sent: 4:12 P M Per: DCA DB Cooper-3710

Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/8/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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

Sub 35

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Re: Cessna Aircraft Sub. 35

Re: Portland tel to Seattle dated 11/29/71, (Ser. 237)  
and Oklahoma tel to Seattle dated 11/30/71, (Ser. 250).

The information requested in both references is  
contained in the FD 302s of [redacted]  
both interviewed on November 28, 1971.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

12/8/71

SA [redacted]

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

DB Cooper-3712

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 12/8/71

FROM SA [redacted]

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

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Re: Suspect [redacted]

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Re: Seattle tel to Portland dated 11/30/71.

[redacted] dob [redacted] was contacted by the  
writer of this memo on November 27, 1971, at [redacted]  
[redacted] was observed  
by the writer to be approximately 5'7" tall and weigh well  
over 200 pounds. A photograph of [redacted] was obtained through  
the Clark County Sheriff's Office, which bears a striking  
resemblance to [redacted] at the present time, even though the  
photograph was taken on [redacted]

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[redacted] advised he can be contacted in [redacted]  
[redacted] at phone number [redacted]

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Because of [redacted] physical description, it is  
recommended that he be discontinued as a prime suspect in  
this matter.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

12/8/71

SA [redacted]

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

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this matter.

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, ALEXANDRIA  
FROM: SAC, WFO (164-169) (P)

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

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Re Phoenix airtel to Seattle, dated 12/1/71.

Enclosed for Alexandria are two (2) copies of re airtel.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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Washington Metropolitan area telephone directory reflects that the Center for Naval Analyses is located at 1401 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia.

Information copies of this communication are designated for Baltimore and Phoenix Divisions in view of their investigative interests in captioned matter.

2 - Alexandria (Enc. 2)  
1 - Baltimore (Info)  
1 - Phoenix (164-600)  
2 - Seattle (164-81)  
1 - WFO

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ALEXANDRIA

AT ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA. At the Center for Naval Analyses, will cover lead set forth in re airtel.

UNSUB DANGEROUS.

GO AHEAD

NR 004 PD PLAIN

4-52 PM URGENT 12-8-71 LJQ  
TO: NEW YORK (164-627)  
SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

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

RE SEATTLE FACSIMILE TO PORTLAND DECEMBER SEVEN, SEVENTY ONE, AND NEW YORK TEL DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY ONE.

SUSPECT [redacted]

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[redacted] ON DECEMBER EIGHT, SEVENTY ONE, IN PERSONAL INTERVIEW WITH

[redacted] HE STATED HE WROTE THE ARTICLE FOR PUBLICATION IN "MEN ONLY", TO MAKE MONEY AND MOST OF THE FACTS IN THE ARTICLE ARE FROM THE "OREGONIAN", A PORTLAND NEWSPAPER, AND HE EXERCISED LITERARY LICENSE TO COMPLETE THE REST OF THE ARTICLE.

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ON PERSONAL OBSERVATION IT WAS NOTED THAT ARTISTS DRAWING DOES NOT RESEMBLE THAT OF [redacted]

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FD-THREE ZERO TWO OF INTERVIEW WITH [redacted] BEING AIRMAILED TO NEW YORK AND SEATTLE.

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329PM URGENT 12-08-71 AXV

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

SACRAMENTO

LAS VEGAS

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 2P

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

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO LOS ANGELES AND SACRAMENTO, DATED  
DECEMBER SEVEN, LAST.

RE [REDACTED]

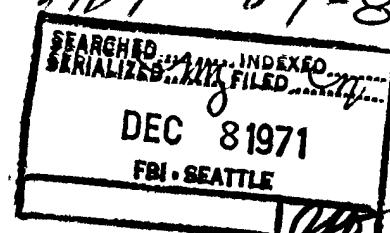
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INVESTIGATION LOS ANGELES REVEALS [REDACTED] POSSIBLY  
IDENTICAL TO [REDACTED]  
RECORDS INDICATE [REDACTED] CAN BE CONTACTED AT POST OFFICE BOX  
[REDACTED] AND HIS TELEPHONE  
NUMBER [REDACTED]

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LAS VEGAS AT [REDACTED] NEVADA: WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW  
[REDACTED] CONCERNING ABOVE AND ATTEMPT TO DEVELOP SUSPECT THIS  
MATTER.

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SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TELETYPE NITEL

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TO: BUTTE (164-26)  
FROM: SALT LAKE CITY (164-24)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. 00 SE.

REURTEL DECEMBER TWO LAST, RE SUSPECT

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[REDACTED] ADVISED THIS DATE NOT AWARE CURRENT LOCATION OF

[REDACTED] HE STATED [REDACTED]

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SPECIFIC ADDRESS UNKNOWN, RESIDES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] EXACT LOCATIONS UNKNOWN.

[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RESIDE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] MAILING ADDRESS [REDACTED] HOWEVER,

HAVE LITTLE OR NO CONTACT [REDACTED]

① Seattle (164-81)(AM)  
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BUTTE AT [REDACTED] CONTACT [REDACTED] IN  
EFFORT TO DETERMINE LOCATION OF [REDACTED] AND ATTEMPT TO  
SECURE PHOTOGRAPH, IF AVAILABLE, AND FURNISH TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN  
TO BE DISPLAYED TO WITNESS IN CAPTIONED MATTER. IF POSSIBLE,  
INTERVIEW [REDACTED] AS TO HIS LOCATION NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR  
LAST.

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UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS DUE TO NATURE  
OF CRIME AND THREAT OF EXPLOSIVES.

AIR MAIL COPY TO SEATTLE.

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Date: 12/3/71

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

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (164-88) (P) [redacted]

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

RE SUSPECT [redacted]  
[redacted]

Re Cleveland teletype to Bureau, 12/3/71.

Enclosed for each receiving office are two copies  
each of four photos of captioned suspect taken 6/69.

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 8)
- ① - Seattle (INFO) (164-81)
- 2 - Butte (Enc. 8)
- 2 - Portland (Enc. 8)
- 2 - Phoenix (Enc. 8)
- 2 - Cleveland

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Special Agent in Charge

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TO: SAC, Sacramento (164-50)

12/6/71

FROM: Director, FBI

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

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Reference is made to Butelcall to Sacramento 12/6/71 and Sacramento teletype 12/3/71 which states that Beale Air Force Base has offered free of charge the use of an SR-71 aircraft to photograph terrain over which captioned flight progressed from Seattle to Reno.

Bureau authority is granted for the Sacramento Office to immediately complete arrangements to accept the offer of the use of this aircraft as described in referenced teletype. Sacramento should afford this phase of this investigation immediate and continuous attention and keep the Bureau and Seattle Office fully advised.

Consider subject dangerous.

- (1) - SAC, Seattle (164-81) (Information)  
1 - SAC, Portland (164-41) (Information)  
1 - SAC, Las Vegas (164-60) (Information)

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REPORT  
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Las Vegas (164-60)

Date: December 7, 1971

Re: UNSUB;

FBI File No. 164-2111

NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71

Lab. No. D-711206032 LL

CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

D-711206033 LL

D-711203049 LL

Specimens received 12/4/71 from Las Vegas

Q1 Envelope postmarked "OAKDALE, CA NOV 27 PM 1971  
95361," addressed "RENO NEWSPAPER RENO NEV."Q2 Accompanying piece of paper with cutout words forming  
the message "ATTENTION Thanks for Hospitality was  
IN A RUT D. B. Cooper,"

Specimens received 12/4/71 from Philadelphia

Q3 Envelope postmarked "U. S. POSTAL SERVICE MN 553 26 NOV  
PM 1971" addressed [redacted]b6  
b7CQ4 Accompanying one-page handwritten letter dated  
Nov. 25, 1971, beginning [redacted]b6  
b7C

Specimen received 12/2/71 from Sacramento

K1 One copy of the final edition of the 11/26/71 issue  
of the MODESTO BEE

## Result of examination:

Q1 through Q4 were not identified in the  
Anonymous Letter File. Appropriate copies of these  
specimens have been added to this file for future reference.

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No indented writing, watermarks or other features were found on Q1 through Q4 which would be of value in determining the source of these specimens. It is noted that indented impressions of the Q1 address appear on Q2.

The printed cutout words of Q2 were compared with the K1 newspaper. Printing characteristics indicate that the cutout words on Q2, with the exception of the "ity" portion of "Hospitality," came from K1, or an earlier edition of this paper with the same type setup for these words.

Q1 through Q4 were photographed and will be returned separately. K1 is being returned to Sacramento with copies of this report.

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**REPORT  
of the**



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

**To:** SAC, Las Vegas (164-60)

Date: December 7, 1971

FBI File No. 164-2111

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

Lab. No. D-711206032 LL

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Specimens received 12/4/71 from Philadelphia

Q3 Envelope postmarked "U. S. POSTAL SERVICE MN 553 26 NOV PM 1971" addressed [redacted]

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Q4 Accompanying one-page handwritten letter dated Nov. 25, 1971. beginning [redacted]

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

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To: SAC, Las Vegas (164-60)

Date:

December 7, 1971

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

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

Examination requested by: Las Vegas, Philadelphia,  
Sacramento

FBI File No. 164-2111  
Lab. No. D-711206032 LL  
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D-711203049 LL

Reference: Airtels 11/30/71, 12/3/71,  
11/30/71

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

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Remarks:

Q1 through Q4 will be returned with the fingerprint report.

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)  
2-Philadelphia (164-133) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)  
2-Sacramento (164-50) Enclosures (5) (Photographs of Q1 and Q2;  
K1, 2 Lab report) *Reb*  
②-Seattle (164-81) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Las Vegas (164-60)

Date: December 7, 1971

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

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

Examination requested by: Las Vegas, Philadelphia,  
Sacramento

FBI File No. 164-2111  
Lab. No. D-711206032 LL  
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Reference: Airtels 11/30/71, 12/3/71,  
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Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

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Date: 12/6/71

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(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
 U FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
 Northwest Airlines, Flight 305,  
 Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71  
 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
 OO: Seattle

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Remytel, 12/3/71.

Enclosed herewith for receiving offices is one copy  
 each of a photo of [redacted]  
 Sheriff's Office number [redacted] Two copies of this photo  
 being furnished Seattle.

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Photo should be displayed to appropriate witnesses.

- 2-Seattle (Enc. 2) *me'd*  
 1-Las Vegas (Enc. 1)  
 1-Portland (Enc. 1)  
 1-San Francisco (Enc. 1)  
 2-Sacramento

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 Special Agent in Charge

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AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
Northwest Airlines, Flight 305,  
Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

Remytel, 12/3/71.

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Enclosed herewith for receiving offices is one copy  
each of a photo of [redacted]  
Sheriff's Office number [redacted] Two copies of this photo  
being furnished Seattle.

Photo should be displayed to appropriate witnesses.

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1-Las Vegas (Enc. 1)  
1-Portland (Enc. 1)  
1-San Francisco (Enc. 1)  
2-Sacramento

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5:07 PM NITEL 12-8-71 DAM

TO: SEATTLE 164-81

FROM: CHARLOTTE 164-101 2P P

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RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO CHARLOTTE DATED TODAY.

[REDACTED] COMPANY,

ADVISED [REDACTED] SSAN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IN STATE OF WASHINGTON

[REDACTED] LAST, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PAYROLL RECORDS

REFLECT [REDACTED] WORKED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOVEMBER TWENTY-TWO, TWENTY-THREE,  
TWENTY-FOUR, TWENTY-SIX, TWENTY-SEVEN, LAST. NO EMPLOYMENT  
NOVEMBER TWENTY-FIVE, LAST, BECAUSE OF THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.

[REDACTED] PRESENTLY EMPLOYED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CURRENT ADDRESS UNKNOWN. [REDACTED]

READILY LOCATED THROUGH [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR [REDACTED]

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION CONCERNING [REDACTED] BEING

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CONDUCTED AND WILL NOT BE INTERVIEWED PENDING REQUEST  
FOR INTERVIEW FROM SEATTLE.

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

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NR003 CE PLAIN

5:07 PM NITEL 12-8-71 DAM

TO: SEATTLE 164-81

FROM: CHARLOTTE 164-101 2P P

NORJAK

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO CHARLOTTE DATED TODAY.

[REDACTED] COMPANY,

ADVISED [REDACTED] SSAN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IN STATE OF WASHINGTON

[REDACTED] LAST, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PAYROLL RECORDS

REFLECT [REDACTED] WORKED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOVEMBER TWENTY-TWO, TWENTY-THREE,  
TWENTY-FOUR, TWENTY-SIX, TWENTY-SEVEN, LAST. NO EMPLOYMENT  
NOVEMBER TWENTY-FIVE, LAST, BECAUSE OF THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.

[REDACTED] PRESENTLY EMPLOYED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CURRENT ADDRESS UNKNOWN. [REDACTED]

READILY LOCATED THROUGH [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION CONCERNING [REDACTED] BEING  
CONDUCTED AND WILL NOT BE INTERVIEWED PENDING REQUEST  
FOR INTERVIEW FROM SEATTLE.

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530 PM IMMEDIATE 12/8/71 JMF

TO DIRECTOR (164-1111)

CLEVELAND

NEWARK

SEATTLE

FROM NORFOLK (164-41) 4P

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

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RE SEATTLE LETTER TO ALBANY NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST WITH COPIES  
TO ALL OFFICES, NORFOLK TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER THIR LAST,  
AND NORFOLK TELEPHONE CALL TO BUREAU DECEMBER SEVEN LAST.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF CLEVELAND, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] EMPLOYMENT AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] VERIFIED, AND RESIDENCE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HAS VERIFIED [REDACTED]

PRESENCE [REDACTED] UNTIL SIX PM ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR  
LAST. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] STATED THAT THEY WERE IN THE COMPANY OF [REDACTED] ON THE EVENING  
OF NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST [REDACTED]  
ELEVEN PM.

[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED DECEMBER THIRD LAST AS A SUSPECT AND DENIED

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[REDACTED] REINTERVIEWED ON DECEMBER SEVEN LAST AND FURNISHED THE  
NAME OF A MAN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED

ONE [REDACTED] WHITE MALE, APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED] YEARS OF AGE,  
FIVE FEET NINE AND ONE HALF INCHES TALL, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY LBS,  
DARK BROWN HAIR RECEDING, OLIVE COMPLEXION, [REDACTED]

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ON INSTANT DATE, [REDACTED]

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OBSERVATION OF THE PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED]

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BEARS GENERAL RESEMBLANCE TO ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF THE HIJACKER.

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UACB OR BY OFFICE OF ORIGIN, CLEVELAND SHOULD CONDUCT DISCREET INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] AND BY CONTACT WITH APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS [REDACTED] DETERMINE IF [REDACTED] WAS AT WORK DURING THE CRITICAL HOURS OF CAPTIONED HIJACKING.

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NEWARK SHOULD RECONTACT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TO DETERMINE IF [REDACTED]

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PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED] BEING SENT TO OO BY AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY.

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UNSUB IS BEING SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXTORTION OF TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM NORTHWEST AIRLINES BY THREATENING THE CREW OF THE AIRLINE WITH A PACKAGE WHICH HE STATED CONTAINED A BOMB. UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS. P.

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

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[Redacted Box]

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11:40 URGENT 12/8/71 MCC

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTLAND (164-41)

KANSAS CITY

LOS ANGELES (164-497)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 2P

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

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER FIVE LAST; AND  
SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER FIVE LAST

RE SUSPECTS [Redacted]

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[Redacted] ADVISED

ON DECEMBER SEVEN LAST, THAT [Redacted]

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

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Date: 12/7/71

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Via **TELETYPE**

**URGENT**  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) DENVER

FROM: ✓SAC, CHICAGO (164-297)

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

RE DALLAS TELETYPE TO ALBUQUERQUE DATED DECEMBER SIX  
LAST.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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ON DECEMBER SEVEN INSTANT, [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED THAT [redacted]

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- 1 - Albuquerque (AM)  
1 - Boston (AM)  
1 - San Francisco (AM)  
1 - [redacted] (AM)

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RECORDS AT [REDACTED] FD NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED]

RECORDS [REDACTED] ALSO NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED]

FOR INFO OF DENVER, ONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED DECEMBER ONE

LAST, THE COMPOSITE OF UNSUB APPEARING IN CINCINNATI PAPERS

APPEARS TO BE ONE [REDACTED] FORMERLY FROM

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WMA,

BORN [REDACTED] SEVENTYTWO

[REDACTED] INCHES, ONE EIGHT EYED BROWN, [REDACTED] FBI NO. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DENVER CONDUCT

APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION IN EFFORT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW

[REDACTED] AND DETERMINE HIS WHEREABOUTS ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR

LAST. CG CONTINUING INVESTIGATION.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/8/71

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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On 12/8/71 [redacted] Phone

[redacted] advised that [redacted]

[redacted] address since [redacted]

She advised that [redacted]

[redacted] She stated that he [redacted]

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Phone [redacted]

[redacted] specifically recalls that [redacted]

[redacted] early evening hours of the night  
prior to Thanksgiving (11/24/71). She remembers that he was [redacted]

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She concluded [redacted]

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In view of the above information it is felt that [redacted]  
IS NO LONGER A VALID subject for this case.

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TO SEATTLE (164-91)  
FROM SAN DIEGO (164-81)

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

RE WFO TELETYPE TO BUREAU DATED DECEMBER FOUR, LAST.

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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SUSPECT [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED SHE LAST SAW [redacted]

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[redacted] UNDERSTOOD HE IS STILL EMPLOYED AS [redacted]

[redacted] WASHINGTON AREA. SHE STATED [redacted]

[redacted] WASHINGTON.

UNSUB CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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RE WFO TELETYPE TO BUREAU DATED DECEMBER FOUR, LAST.

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[redacted] WASHINGTON AREA. SHE STATED [redacted]

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NR004 MP PLAIN

5:24 PM NITEL 12-8-71 MLF

TO DIRECTOR

BALTIMORE

SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTRLAND (164-41)

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 2P

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

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, 35 ->, DECEMBER SEVEN, LAST.

[REDACTED] ON DECEMBER EIGHT, INSTANT, ADVISED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FIVE FEET

ELEVEN, TWO HUNDRED NINE POUNDS, BROWN GRAYING CREW-CUT  
HAIR, [REDACTED]

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SOCIAL

SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SPEND A FEW DAYS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NOW EN ROUTE [REDACTED]

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NR004 MP PLAIN

5:24 PM NITEL 12-8-71 MLF

TO DIRECTOR

BALTIMORE

SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTRLAND (164-41)

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 2P

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

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, 35 -) , DECEMBER  
SEVEN, LAST.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FIVE FEET

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ELEVEN, TWO HUNDRED NINE POUNDS, BROWN GRAYING CREW-CUT

HAIR, [REDACTED] SOCIAL

SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SPEND A FEW DAYS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NOW EN ROUTE [REDACTED]

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2:51PM URGENT 12-8-71 JBE

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

SACRAMENTO

FROM: SAN DIEGO (164-91)

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

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SAN DIEGO, DECEMBER ONE LAST.

RE: SUSPECT

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THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES CONTACTED RE SUSPECT

AT EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS:

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EL CENTRO, PD, IMPERIAL COUNTY SO, IMPERIAL VALLEY CREDIT  
BUREAU, IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
GAS COMPANY, U.S. POST OFFICE, AND ROSS FLYING SERVICE.

CALIFORNIA,

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ADVISED [REDACTED] IS UNKNOWN TO HER AND IS NOT CURRENTLY  
EMPLOYED AND NEVER HAS BEEN WITH [REDACTED]

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COMPOSITE OF UNSUB UNFAMILIAR.

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]

UNKNOWN TO HIM [REDACTED]

ADVISED APPROXIMATELY TWENTYONE CROP DUSTER PILOTS

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OPERATING IN IMPERIAL VALLEY [REDACTED]

ACQUAINTED WITH ALL OF THEM. NONE OF THE TWENTYONE FIT

DESCRIPTION OF [REDACTED] OR RESEMBLE COMPOSITE OF UNSUB.

[REDACTED] STATED ALL CROP DUSTING PILOTS MUST BE LICENSED  
BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AT SACRAMENTO,  
CALIFORNIA.

FOR INFORMATION SACRAMENTO, PORTLAND DIVISION ADVISED

[REDACTED] MULTNONAH COUNTY SO, PORTALND,

ADVISED HE RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT [REDACTED]

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RESEMBLED ARTIST SKETCH OF UNSUB. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED WMA,

BORN [REDACTED] FIVE FEET ELEVEN, ONE HUNDRED

FORTY POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES. [REDACTED] STATED

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[REDACTED] SERVED TIME AT WASHINGTON STATE PENITENTIARY  
FOR [REDACTED] THAT HE WAS A SKYDIVER AND WAS KNOWN b6  
TO BE [REDACTED] IN EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA. b7C  
SACRAMENTO, WILL REVIEW RECORDS OF DEPARTMENT OF  
AGRICULTURE, TO DETERMINE IF SUSPECT [REDACTED] IS CURRENTLY  
[REDACTED] TO ASCERTAIN HIS CURRENT  
RESIDENCE.

UNSUB CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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AIR MAIL COPY TO PORTLAND.

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NR 04 SD PLAIN

2:51PM URGENT 12-8-71 JBE

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

SACRAMENTO

FROM: SAN DIEGO (164-91)

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

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SAN DIEGO, DECEMBER ONE LAST.

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES CONTACTED RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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AT EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS:

EL CENTRO, PD, IMPERIAL COUNTY SO, IMPERIAL VALLEY CREDIT  
BUREAU, IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
GAS COMPANY, U.S. POST OFFICE, AND ROSS FLYING SERVICE.

[redacted] CALIFORNIA,

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ADVISED [redacted] IS UNKNOWN TO HER AND IS NOT CURRENTLY  
EMPLOYED AND NEVER HAS BEEN WITH [redacted]  
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UNSUB CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NW Airlines Ftl #305,  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA-Hijacking; Extortion

Unsub on  
Bus from Portland  
to Reno

On 12/7/71 [redacted]  
called to relate:

phone [redacted]

On 12/1/71 [redacted]

[redacted] at Portland a man got on the bus with [redacted] recognized him as appearing similar to the sketch of the hijacker. In conversation this man said he was [redacted]. This man [redacted] when they arrived in Reno. [redacted] observed this individual at [redacted] saw the sketch of subject on Channel 11. He also thinks he looks like subject. [redacted] thought [redacted] might know name and where subject stayed in Reno. [redacted]

LEAD: At Everett

Contact [redacted]

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# Memorandum

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DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NW Airlines Ftl #305,  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA-Hijacking; Extortion

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called to relate:

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LEAD: At Everett

Contact [redacted]

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/6/71

[redacted]  
Washington, provided the following information:

[redacted] advised that on 11/24/71, at approximately 8:30 PM he heard a low flying jet plane traveling over his house. He stated he would not have noticed this plane, however, it must have been flying extremely low because of the noise it made. This plane was flying directly over his house and in a direction north to south.

[redacted] stated that the weather at this time was extremely bad asdthere was a heavy overcast and it was raining.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

12/6/71

Date of transcription \_\_\_\_\_

[redacted] Washington,  
provided the following information:

[redacted] advised that on the evening of 11/24/71 at approximately 8:00 PM he noticed the sound of a low flying jet near his house. This plane was flying from north to south an unusually low. [redacted] advised he could see the lights of the plane and they appeared to be going on and off at a slow rate. These lights did not appear to be blinking normally but at unusually long intervals.

[redacted] stated that at the time he saw this plane the wind was blowing and there was rain.

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Interviewed on 11/26/71 at [redacted] Washington File # SE 164-81-892 b6  
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by SA [redacted] Rse Date dictated 12/1/71 b6  
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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/6/71b6  
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[redacted] Washington, provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised that in the evening of November 24, 1971, somewhere between the hours of 8:00 PM and 9:00 PM both he and his wife heard a low flying jet plane go over his house. This plane was flying from north to south and created enough noise to shake [redacted] house. [redacted] advised that both he and his wife walked [redacted] however, they could not see the plane as it was raining and the sky was covered with clouds.

Interviewed on 11/26/71 at [redacted] Washington File # SE 164-81-893  
by SA [redacted] rse Date dictated 12/1/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/1/71

On November 25, 1971, [redacted] Seattle-First National Bank, the head office being in Seattle, Washington, provided the following information:

[redacted] upon being advised of the identity of the writer, handed the writer a film canister containing a microfilm, upon which the serial numbers of \$250,000 worth of notes were recorded. He advised that of the \$250,000 worth of notes, the Federal Bureau of Investigation should only be concerned with the \$20 bills, that is the serial numbers of the \$20 bills, because the hijacker received only \$20 bills.

[redacted] stated that there are \$230,000 worth of \$20 bills recorded on the microfilm. [redacted] advised that in order for the Federal Bureau of Investigation to determine the serial numbers of the \$20 bills which the hijacker actually received, we must subtract serial numbers which he provided me from the total list of serial numbers on the microfilm.

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[redacted] provided a list of serial numbers of \$20 totaling \$30,000 worth of notes, which, although they were on the microfilm itself, were not part of the \$200,000 worth of \$20 bills which the hijacker received. [redacted] stated that the bank packs \$20 bills in packages of 1000. Each packet therefore contains \$2,000 worth of \$20 bills.

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[redacted] provided the first and last serial number in each of these \$20 bill packets and advised that we should subtract both of these numbers, as well as the 98 serials numbers between each of these groups of numbers in order to determine the actual serial numbers of the bills which the hijacker received. These groups of numbers are as follows:

L41197159A thru E12561828B  
 L33639577A thru L20458572A  
 J02051511 thru I00466866  
 L33410247A thru L32378753A  
 C05722105A thru G16813690A  
 G98535159A thru L14348853A  
 L34429987A thru L19556442A

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L33474929A thru L09819218A  
L38139808A thru L00934693  
L34346374A thru L33449321A  
E50344994A thru E50344506A  
B07656937B thru L05419634A  
E22084591A thru L66634223B  
L52807604A thru L01043096  
L19538120A thru L72860402B

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PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE; CAA-  
HJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE.SUSPECT-  
THIS DATE,b6  
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ADVISED APPROXIMATELY

WMA SIX

FEET TALL, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, -DARK  
COMPLEXION, PRESENT AGE APPROXIMATELYb6  
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WITNESS-[REDACTED]

THIS DATE, [REDACTED] SO, [REDACTED]  
OREGON, ADVISED [REDACTED]b6  
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ADVISED [REDACTED]

MAY BE INVOLVED IN CAPTIONED MATTER. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY FURTHER

INFORMATION, HOWEVER, ADVISED [REDACTED] WOULD BE ENTIRELY COOPERATIVE.

SEATTLE AT [REDACTED] WASHINGTON. WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE  
INVESTIGATION RE [REDACTED] AND ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN CURRENTb6  
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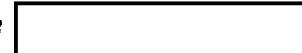
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PHOTOGRAPH SEATTLE AT  WASHINGTON. INTERVIEW 

FOR ALL INFORMATION RE POSSIBLE SUSPECT.

  
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PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE; GAA-  
ILJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE.b6  
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SUSPECT- [Redacted]

THIS DATE:

ADVISED APPROXIMATELY [Redacted]

WMA, SIX

HEET TALL, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, DARK  
COMPLEXION, PRESENT AGE APPROXIMATELY [Redacted]b6  
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NO LOCAL POLICE RECORD FOR [REDACTED]

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WITNESS-- [REDACTED]

THIS DATE, [REDACTED] SO, [REDACTED]

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PHOTOGRAPH [redacted]

SEATTLE AT [redacted] WASHINGTON. INTERVIEW [redacted]

OR ALL INFORMATION RE POSSIBLE SUSPECT.

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) / P

[redacted]  
Subj Under - member  
[redacted] Tacoma

INSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, ~~was~~  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE; CAA-  
ILJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE.

SUSPECT- [redacted]

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THIS DATE, [redacted]

ADVISED APPROXIMATELY [redacted]

WMA, SIX

'EET TALL, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, DARK  
COMPLEXION, PRESENT AGE APPROXIMATELY [redacted]

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NO LOCAL POLICE RECORD FOR [Redacted]

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WITNESS-[Redacted]

THIS DATE, [Redacted] SO, [Redacted]

REGON, ADVISED [Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted] ADVISED [Redacted]

[Redacted]

AY BE INVOLVED IN CAPTIONED MATTER. [Redacted]

[Redacted] UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY FURTHER  
INFORMATION, HOWEVER, ADVISED [Redacted] WOULD BE ENTIRELY COOPERATIVE.SEATTLE AT [Redacted] WASHINGTON. WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE  
INVESTIGATION RE [Redacted] AND ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN CURRENTb6  
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SEATTLE AT [REDACTED] WASHINGTON. INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

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OR ALL INFORMATION RE POSSIBLE SUSPECT.

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TO : SAC (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

[redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NW Airlines Ftl. 305,  
 Portland to Seattle 11/24/71;  
 CAA-Hijacking; Extortion

On 12/1/71 [redacted] Tacoma P.D., pointed out  
 that [redacted]

[redacted] thinks that the artist sketch of subject  
 looks like [redacted] now looks. [redacted] stated he specifically  
 noted [redacted] Because there did not seem to be [redacted]  
 [redacted]

LEAD: At [redacted]

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We need an up to date photo of subject. The photo [redacted]  
 does not meet his present appearance. [redacted]

[redacted] photos of him were taken and it is believed  
 published in the [redacted] paper. Try them for a more recent  
 photo.

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TO : SAC (164-81)

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TO ST. LOUIS

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM PITTSBURGH (164-93) 2P

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

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RE SUSPECT

PITTSBURGH RESIDENT WHO KNEW

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ADVISED RESEMBLANCE IN ARTIST CONCEPTION OF UNSUB.

RECORDS,

STATE

BORN

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FILES SHOW [redacted]

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DETAILED AIRTEL FOLLOWS.

ST. LOUIS, REVIEW [redacted] AND FORWARD RESULTS TO  
SEATTLE.

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PITTSBURGH AT [redacted] PA., WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE

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AT [redacted] WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE [redacted]

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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THIS TELETYPE SHOULD BE DATED THE SEVENTH OF DEC. WE PUT  
WRONG DATE

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NR006 PG PLAIN

2:25 PM URGENT 12-6-71 LSW

TO ST. LOUIS

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM PITTSBURGH (164-93) 2P

UNSUB, AKA., DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
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ONE SIX FOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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PITTSBURGH RESIDENT WHO KNEW [redacted]

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[redacted] ADVISED RESEMBLANCE IN ARTIST CONCEPTION OF UNSUB.

RECORDS, [redacted]

[redacted] BORN [redacted]

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DETAILED AIRTEL FOLLOWS.

ST. LOUIS, REVIEW [redacted] AND FORWARD RESULTS TO  
SEATTLE.

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PITTSBURGH AT [redacted] PA., WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE

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AT [redacted] WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE [redacted]

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5:14PM URGENT 12-8-71 VLS

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

LAS VEGAS (164-60)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 3P

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[REDACTED]

NORJACK

RE LAS VEGAS TEL, DEC. SEVEN, LAST.

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LOCATED DEC. EIGHT, INSTANT, ADVISED SHE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN RENO CAB ABOUT TWO PM, NOV. TWENTY-FIVE, LAST, AND STAYED [REDACTED] UNTIL ABOUT ELEVEN PM, NOV. TWENTY-SIX, LAST, WHEN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] STATES [REDACTED]

AIRCRAFT ON WHICH ANOTHER BOMB THREAT RECEIVED AND WAS DELAYED IN BOISE, IDAHO, BECAUSE OF THREAT. ARRIVING ON THIS AIRCRAFT AT RENO, ALL DEPARTING PASSENGERS WERE CHECKED BY RENO PD PRIOR TO DEPARTING RENO AIRPORT, AND [REDACTED] EXHIBITED HIS IDENTIFICATION TO RENO PD.

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[REDACTED] AGE ABOUT [REDACTED] AND HAS MADE FREQUENT FLIGHTS TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATES CAB DRIVER STAYED OVERNIGHT AT [REDACTED] MOTEL,  
[REDACTED] TO AWAIT [REDACTED] RETURN TRIP BUT WAS ADVISED [REDACTED]

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ON NOV. TWENTYSIX, LAST, TO RETURN TO RENO ALONE.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ADVISED DEC. EIGHT, INSTANT, FREQUENT CUSTOMER, NAME UNKNOWN TO HIM, CAME INTO BAR ON UNRECALLED DATE AROUND THANKSGIVING WITH RENO CAB DRIVER IDENTIFIED AS DRIVER FOR [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED] AFTER  
SIX PM. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ELEVEN PM WHEN CUSTOMER ASKED [REDACTED]

WANTED TO RIDE TO RENO WITH HIM IN CAB SINCE IT WAS PAID FOR.

[REDACTED] HAS BEEN FREQUENT CUSTOMER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CUSTOMER GAVE NO INDICATION OF HAVING LARGE QUANTITY OF MONEY AND STATED HAD MADE NO MONEY GAMBLING IN RENO. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED CUSTOMER AS AGE FORTY TO FORTY-FIVE, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY LBS., DARK BROWN HAIR, BEARING NO RESEMBLANCE TO COMPOSITE PHOTO OF HIJACKER.

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED RE [REDACTED]

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PLS HOLD FOR TWO NITELS

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5:14PM URGENT 12-8-71 VLS

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

LAS VEGAS (164-60)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 3P

NORJACK

RE LAS VEGAS TEL, DEC. SEVEN, LAST.

[redacted]

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LOCATED DEC. EIGHT, INSTANT, ADVISED SHE [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

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[REDACTED] STATES [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED] AFTER SIX PM. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ELEVEN PM WHEN CUSTOMER ASKED [REDACTED]

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NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED RE [REDACTED]

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PLS HOLD FOR TWO NITELS