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July 18, 1972

Sub E R  
WIRELTY

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
Tacoma, Washington [redacted]

Dear [redacted]:

I have received your letter of July 10th and appreciate your remarks concerning this Bureau's endeavors to curtail the hijacking of airplanes. It was thoughtful of you to comment as you did regarding Special Agents in Charge Milnes and Gebhardt. You may be sure they and the men assigned to their divisions share my appreciation for your kind remarks about the effectiveness of their efforts. Communications such as yours mean a great deal to us.

Sincerely yours,

L. Patrick Gray III  
Acting Director

- 1 - San Francisco - Enclosure  
Personal Attention SAC: Bring to the attention of appropriate personnel.  
① - Seattle - Enclosure  
Personnel Attention SAC: Bring to the attention of appropriate personnel.

Perf cc, more for  
per. files per  
Det. [redacted]  
Farrell  
Morning

164-81-Sub A7

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DB Cooper-32422

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

6/8/72

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

RE: EXPERIMENTAL FLIGHT

On 1/6/72, an experimental flight was conducted by NWA using the actual plane hijacked in this case and on that flight [redacted] U.S. Air Force observed the experiment.

After completion of the experiment [redacted] prepared a handwritten map of his calculations concerning the drop and the probable drift of the parachute if it opened. These notes and the map are being placed in the 1-A section of this file.

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164-81-3477

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FBI

Transmit in Via AIRTEL (Priority)  
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Date 2/15/72

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
 NORJAK

*cc - 6**RA.**1B(8)*

Attached is the 16 mm movie film taken by the U. S. Air Force of a simulated drop made 1/6/72 in captioned matter. This film was forwarded to the Bureau by Seattle letter dated 1/10/72. This film is being returned to the Seattle Office in accordance with request in referenced letter. Still photographs forwarded by Seattle are being retained in Bureau files.

Enclosure

*Note of Effacement  
164-81-2111  
1/6/72*

*FEB 17 1972*

*Opposed to 164-81-2111  
1/6/72*

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DB Cooper-32424

*Sub AA*

164-81-2111

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SAC, Seattle (164-81)

January 20, 1972

Director, FBI (164-2111)

NORJAK

ReSElet to the Bureau 1/14/72 wherein it is recommended the Bureau consider a letter of appreciation to Northwest Airlines President Donald Nyrop.

After thorough consideration of this matter it is the Bureau's position that a letter of appreciation to Mr. Nyrop at this time is premature. The Seattle Office may wish to submit a recommendation at a later date.

Sub. AA

*164-81-2042*

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DB Cooper-32430

DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

January 10, 1972

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

NORJAK

There is being sent under separate cover a copy of a film taken by the U. S. Air Force cameraman from a chase plane adjacent to the Northwest Boeing 727 during the simulated flight made on January 6, 1972 to determine the reactions of the airplane to the dropping of approximately 235 pounds from the rear steps in the same manner which is believed to have been used by the hijacker.

A review of the film shows the normal flight, together with a depression of the stairway as the load descends on the steps.

The Bureau is requested, if it desires, to review the film and then return it to the Seattle Office, it being the original copy. A copy has been made of the film for the U. S. Air Force per their request, and Northwest Airlines for its review.

There are also enclosed in the same package sequential black and white still photos showing the depression of the rear stairway by the addition of the sled and the reaction of the stairway to the actual departure of the sled, it being noted that the stairway immediately returned to a near closed position when the weight was taken from it.

3 - Bureau  
(1 - Package)  
② - Seattle  
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*[Signature]*

Sub AA  
164-81-1844  
DB Cooper-32431

January 2, 1972

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

Enclosed for Minneapolis are four black and white prints showing the sequence of dropping dummy package from aircraft involved in this matter during experiment on January 6, 1972. Also enclosed is one roll of 16 mm motion picture film taken by the Air Force during this test.

Minneapolis is requested to immediately deliver the enclosed items to [redacted]  
[redacted], Northwest Airlines.

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2 - Minneapolis (Enc. 5) (RM)  
② - Seattle  
JSD:kdl

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DB Cooper-32432

164-81-1999  
JUL 1972

F B I

Date: 1/7/72

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

NORJAK.

EASTERN AIRLINES, ADVISE REVIEW OF RECORDS CONCERNING EMPLOYEES AND APPLICANTS PRODUCED NO PERSONS WHO COULD BE CONSIDERED SUSPECTS IN THIS MATTER.

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE PERSONNEL AND NORTHWEST AIRLINES PERSONNEL CONTINUE REVIEW OF AVAILABLE INFORMATION IN AN EFFORT TO PINPOINT THE LOCATION AT WHICH UNSUB DEPARTED AIRCRAFT.

JSD:klb  
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*Sub. A/A*

*164-81-1748*

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent: \_\_\_\_\_ M Per: \_\_\_\_\_ DB Cooper-32433  
Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SA DONALD J. STEELE

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: 1/4/72

*Sub A*

EARL JAY COSSEY, 349 N. 101st, SU 3-0475, the individual who packed the original parachutes used by the hijacker, was contacted 1/4/72, at which time he advised he had made over 2,500 parachute jumps, and has 10 years experience. He is a Master Parachute Rigger and has trained 1,000 other individuals in parachuting. He has a "D" rating as an expert parachutist with the American Association of Parachutists with "Diamond Wings Award".

He is a pilot with 350 flight hours and has flown as large a plane as co-pilot with Lockheed Lodestar, a two engine plane. He was born 8/30/38 at Oakley, Utah. He has a college degree in Psychology from Weber State College, Logan, Utah, in 1966. He is now studying for his Masters Degree at the University of Washington and has his own parachute jumping equipment. He is a WMA, 5'7", 160 lbs., and when dressed for a jump such as this would weigh over 200 lbs., and probably about 220, which is comparable to the weight of the hijacker, with the money.

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*Sub. RA*

164-81-1234

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 1/5/72

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: NORJAK

*Sub A*  
On 1/4/72 I talked to SA HENRY SHUTZ at the Bureau.

He advised that in view of the high risk involved, together with the likelihood of substantial unfavorable publicity for the Bureau in the event an accident occurred, he did not believe the Bureau officials would authorize our hiring COSSEY to make this jump.

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*164-81-1735*

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

DB Cooper-32435

F B I

Date: 12-30-71

Transmit the following in 006  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE Faxsimile URGENT  
(Priority)

TO SAC, MINNEAPOLIS  
 FROM SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
 NORJAK

SUB - AA

RESETEL DECEMBER TWENTYNINE LAST.

AIR FORCE OFFICIALS, MC CHORD AFB ADVISED TODAY THAT WHILE THEY HAVE RECEIVED FAVORABLY REPLY FROM COMMAND LEVEL HEADQUARTERS AT THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF COMBAT TACTICS, MILITARY AIR COMMAND, SCOTT AFB, ILLINOIS FOR AIR FORCE PERSONNEL TO ASSIST IN TESTS IN THIS MATTER, THEY HAVE NOT RECEIVED PERMISSION FOR AIR FORCE VOLUNTEERS TO MAKE A LIVE PARACHUTE DROP. IT WOULD APPEAR THAT ANY TEST TO BE MADE WILL HAVE TO BE MADE WITH A DUMMY DROP.

LIAISON CONTINUING WITH MC CHORD AND IF THERE IS ANY CHANGE, MINNEAPOLIS WILL BE ADVISED.

MINNEAPOLIS REQUESTED TO ADVISE [REDACTED]  
 NWAL IMMEDIATELY OF THIS INFORMATION.

PRB:ldk  
(1)Sub. AA  
164-81-1682~~TYPE RDP~~

Approved: M Sent 2<sup>3</sup>/pm M Per jkt  
 Special Agent in Charge

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/30/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

Reference is made to telephone call from SA ELGIN E. OLROGG 12/30/71, in which he said that permission had been denied by Air Force to use Air Force volunteers in a life parachute drop but that they had authorized assistance in connection with the dummy drop.

Reference also made to Springfield teletype 12/30/71 in which they pointed out that the Military Air Life Command at Scott Field had given a favorable reply to the request from McChord Air Force Base, but believed that the first test should be conducted with a 200-lb. dummy.

I called OLROGG and told him that it did not appear from the wording of Springfield teletype that McChord was precluded from furnishing live volunteers. He said apparently there was a question of interpretation but that the man he talked to in McChord was pretty firm that they were not going to furnish any live people. He said, however, that he would continue contact with McChord to get the final word.

I sent a teletype to Minneapolis and told them to advise [redacted] immediately that it would appear the only clearance we had so far from the Air Force was to supply personnel to assist in a dummy drop and not a live parachute jump.

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DB Cooper-32437

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

12/30/71

SA ELGIN E. OLROGG

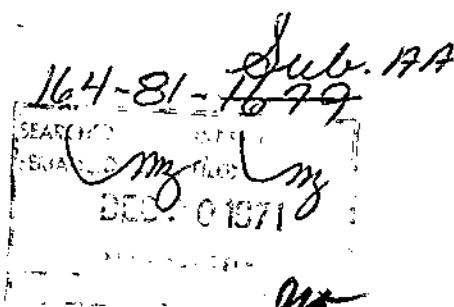
NORJAK

On December 30, 1971 [redacted]

[redacted] McChord Air Force Base, advised in response to a request from higher headquarters for permission to use two air force volunteers in a live parachute drop in connection with captioned matter authority was not granted on the basis of safety. [redacted] stated, however, a recommendation was made and authority granted to use Air Force personnel to assist in a dummy drop.

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3 - Seattle  
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NR003 SI PLAIN

126 PM URGENT 12-30-71 MDC

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

MINNEAPOLIS

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SPRINGFIELD (164-31) (2P)

NORJAK.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO BUREAU TWELVE TWENTYNINE LAST.

CONTACT MADE AT COMMAND LEVEL IN OFFICE OF GENERAL [redacted]

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[redacted] MILITARY AIRLIFT COMMAND (MAC), PM, TWELVE  
TWENTYNINE LAST, BY SA [redacted]

ON TWELVE THIRTY INSTANT [redacted]

HEADQUARTERS, MAC, IN OFFICE OF MAJOR GENERAL [redacted]

ADVISED THAT PERSONNEL AT COMMAND LEVEL HEADQUARTERS, MAC, HAVE  
RECEIVED MESSAGE FROM MC CHORD AFB. ACTION HAS BEEN EXPEDITED  
AND MC CHORD SHOULD RECEIVE EXPEDITE FAVORABLE REPLY. MAC  
BELIEVES FIRST TEST SHOULD BE CONDUCTED WITH TWO HUNDRED POUND  
DUMMY.

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164-81-1698  
Sub. AA  
*MR*

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SEATTLE MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH PERSONNEL MC CHORD AFB WHO  
WILL BE ADVISED OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS MATTER BY  
COMMAND SECTION, MAC, SCOTT AFB, ILLINOIS. P..

END

JJT

FBI SEATTLE

CLR

DB Cooper-32440

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/30/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

[redacted]  
Northwest Airlines, telephoned on 12/30/71.

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He said he had definitely confirmed that the pertinent airplane would be available to us all day on 1/6/72 and that we could do both the day time and night time flights on that day.

He also said that he would come out to Seattle some time on 1/5/72 so that we could get together and work out any details.

He will keep us posted on his exact plans in this regard.

SA OLROGG has been advised.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/29/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

[redacted] Northwest Airlines called.

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He said there had been a change in availability in aircraft, and that they definitely would not have the plane on the 3rd or 4th; they were thinking now in terms of the 5th, 6th or 7th, with the 6th being the better date.

I told him we would continue to work out arrangements with the Air Force, and when this had been finalized, we would let him know, and then when his airplane was available, everything would be ready.

I advised OLROGG to tell the Air Force of this change.

PRB:eon  
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Sub. A A

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NR005 SE PLAIN

2:55PM URGENT 12/29/71 VAB

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SPRINGFIELD

MINNEAPOLIS

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 2P

NORJAK.

RE: SEATTLE TEL TO THE BUREAU DECEMBER TWENTYEIGHT, LAST.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF SPRINGFIELD, ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE TO HAVE VOLUNTARY AIR FORCE PERSONNEL PARACHUTE FROM THE IDENTICAL PLANE INVOLVED IN THIS CASE. ARRANGEMENTS INVOLVE AIR FORCE AND NORTHWEST AIRLINES AND JUMPS WILL BE MADE AT AN AIR FORCE TRAINING AREA NEAR MOSES LAKE, WASHINGTON. PURPOSE OF THIS EXPERIMENT IS TO PINPOINT THE TIME WHEN UNSUB ACTUALLY LEFT THE AIRCRAFT AND WHETHER THIS WAS CAUSE OF OSCILLATION AND CABIN PRESSURE CHANGE EXPERIENCED BY CREW.

END PAGE ONE

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164-81-1715  
DB Cooper-32443

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AIRFORCE PERSONNEL AT MC CHORD AIR FORCE BASE ARE READILY AVAILABLE AND COOPERATIVE AND TWO INDIVIDUALS HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO PARACHUTE FROM PLANE. HOWEVER, AUTHORITY FROM HEADQUARTERS MILITARY AIR LIFT COMMAND, SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, IS NEEDED PRIOR TO AIR FORCE PARTICIPATION. MESSAGE REQUESTING INFORMATION WAS SENT THIS DATE TO [REDACTED]

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SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE BY PERSONNEL AT MC CHORD, HOWEVER, THEY DO NOT EXPECT REPLY UNTIL WEEK OF JANUARY THREE, NEXT.

APRINGFIELD, THROUGH LIAISON IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IN EFFORT TO EXPEDITE THIS MATTER.

MINNEAPOLIS CONTACT [REDACTED] NORTHWEST AIRLINES, AND ADVISE OF SITUATION WHICH MAY NECESSITATE DELAY IN ABOVE MENTIONED TEST. -P-

END

DB Cooper-32444

FILE (164-81)

12/23/71

SAC, SEATTLE

NORJAK

At 8:55 AM, 12/23/71, SAC HELD called from Minneapolis. He advised he had been talking to Mr. NYROP and that arrangements were made for the same 727 to be available to make the simulated flight on 12/27/71.

He suggested that agents actually ride on the plane. He advised that Mr. NYROP had told them he did not want a man to actually make the parachute jump but that we could simulate the conditions by dropping a package of similar weight.

Thereafter [redacted]

[redacted] Northwest Airlines, called and advised that he was going to come to Seattle on the evening of 12/26/71 and would be at the Sea-Tac Motor Inn at 8:00 AM on 12/27/71. I told him we would bring all of the maps and material that we had which has a bearing on this so that we can decide how the flight will take place.

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He advised that the airplane would be available for the flight around 4:30 PM. He asked that we make the arrangements for the dummy and the actual drop itself. He will make all the arrangements for the airplane.

[redacted] told me, contrary to our earlier belief, that the crew told him that they could see the lights of Portland and other distinctive lights in that area, so given knowledge of the specific area the hijacker could very easily have made a jump to a specific location.

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164-81-1708

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

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BB*

Re Bureau airtel to Seattle dated 2/17/72.

Enclosed herewith are two copies of a proposed draft of a circular letter to be submitted to all law enforcement agencies.

If the circular letter is approved, the Bureau is requested to furnish sufficient number to each field office so that it can be disseminated to law enforcement agencies within their territory.

Copies of the artist's conception, with and without glasses, are not being enclosed; however, the Bureau is requested to include these in the letters just prior to the description as set forth.

② - Bureau (Encl 2)  
② - Seattle  
JSD:kib  
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*Sub. BB  
164-81-2234*

DB Cooper-32446



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Washington, D.C.

TO ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES:

On the afternoon of November 24, 1971, a Northwest Airlines Boeing 727, bound from Portland, Oregon, to Seattle, Washington, was hijacked on take-off at Portland.

The hijacker who boarded at Portland, and who threatened to detonate a bomb allegedly carried in his briefcase, was given \$200,000 in used twenty-dollar bills and four parachutes, when the plane landed at Seattle. All passengers and part of the crew were then permitted to leave the plane.

The aircraft took off from Seattle, and the hijacker is believed to have left the aircraft, using the parachutes, over the southwestern part of Washington State.

The hijacker has not been identified and no trace has been found of him, the parachutes, or the money.

A composite description of the hijacker and two photographs of an artist's conception, are set out:

DB Cooper-32447

Sub: BB  
164-81-2330

Airtel

TO: SAC, Seattle (164-81)

2/17/72

FROM: Director, FBI (164-2111)

NORJAK

Promptly submit your proposal for circular letter in this case for distribution to all continental police agencies for potential suspects who are being carried as missing persons by police agencies. Submit your proposal in accordance with Manual of Rules and Regulations, Part II, Section 6E.

Sub. BB

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Date: 2/17/72

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

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)

NORJAK

OO: SE

ReButel to Seattle, Portland, Sacramento and  
Las Vegas, 12/28/71.

A canvass of all police agencies in the  
Sacramento Division has revealed no record of any missing  
person who possibly resembles the physical description of  
UNSUB in this case.

CONSIDER UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

② Seattle (RM)  
1 - Sacramento  
WAW:epg  
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Special Agent in Charge

2/3/72

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60)(P)  
RE: NORJAK

Re Butel 12/28/71 and Sacramento airtel 1/11/72.

Enclosed for Sacramento and Seattle is one copy  
each of photographs of [redacted] taken in the 1960's.  
at Las Vegas. 1A (b)

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A canvas has been made of law enforcement agencies  
in the Las Vegas Division for reported missing persons in  
accordance with directions in re Butel with negative results.

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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
Stardust Hotel, advised on 1/17/72, that records of personnel  
and employees during the early 1960's are currently in storage  
and it would take approximately two weeks to make a pertinent  
appropriate file review for a former [redacted]

[redacted] Stardust Hotel,  
who has held that position [redacted] advised on  
1/17/72, that he had no personal recollection of a former  
[redacted]

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[redacted] was recontacted 2/1/72, and advised that  
a thorough search of their records failed to disclose the  
former [redacted] ever  
having been employed at that establishment.

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- ① - Seattle (Enc. 2)  
2 - Sacramento (164-50)(Enc. 2)  
1 - Las Vegas

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P.D.: HAS SENT LETTERS  
w/Ret BHV. TO ALL  
LAW ENFORCEMENT ALL  
HAVE NOT REPLIED

DB Cooper-32452

LV 164-60

She noted, however, that their records did disclose one, [REDACTED], with Social Security Number [REDACTED] and residence [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Nevada, was employed as a [REDACTED] at the Stardust Hotel from [REDACTED] when he voluntarily resigned. She stated there was nothing additional concerning [REDACTED] in their personnel files, and noted that employment records for that period were maintained by a security firm known as [REDACTED], which is no longer in operation.

[REDACTED] Clark County SO, advised on 2/1/72, that they had no record of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and that any [REDACTED] would require a work permit from the Clark County SO.

Their records disclosed # [REDACTED] which indicated that [REDACTED] a W/M adult, born [REDACTED], at [REDACTED] 6'1" tall, 183 pounds, medium build, black hair, blue-gray eyes, dark complexion, with [REDACTED] and residence at [REDACTED] Nevada, subject [REDACTED] who had been an Air Force veteran with honorable discharge as a private first class serial # [REDACTED] held a work permit for employment as a [REDACTED] Nevada.

According to their records [REDACTED] was initially employed with the Tropicana Hotel as of [REDACTED] the Riviera Hotel [REDACTED], the Dunes Hotel on [REDACTED] the Silver Slipper on [REDACTED] and the Stardust Hotel from [REDACTED] when his card was cancelled due to his resignation from the Stardust.

[REDACTED] file indicated a prior arrest by the [REDACTED] and at the time of his work card application on 1/15/62, for the Stardust Hotel he listed the following references:

[REDACTED]

LV 164-60



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[redacted] Las Vegas PD.  
advised on 2/1/72, their file [redacted] disclosed that [redacted]  
[redacted] born [redacted] with residence at [redacted]  
[redacted] Nevada, had made application for [redacted]  
position with the Las Vegas PD on 4/22/57, received a work  
card [redacted] the Mint  
Hotel on 2/20/59, and was [redacted] 9/18/61, [redacted]  
[redacted]

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The record disclosed that [redacted]

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[redacted]  
of 2/14/62.

LEADS:

SACRAMENTO DIVISION

At South Lake Tahoe, California:

Display enclosed photographs to [redacted]  
[redacted] to determine if [redacted]  
[redacted] is identical to the [redacted] he described  
as [redacted] at the Stardust in Las Vegas in 1963.

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2. If identical Sacramento will then contact  
DMV, obtain most recent photograph of [redacted] and have same  
forwarded to Seattle and related offices for display to  
pertinent witness in this matter for identification or  
elimination as subject.

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CONSIDER UNSUB DANGEROUS.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 2/4/72

FROM : SA ROBERT H. WICK

SAC - LE

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Rememo from SAC; 1/11/72.

Persuant to instructions contained in rememo, the following police agencies were contacted during January 1972, and could furnish no information pertaining to missing persons, resembling the hijacker:

Olympia Police Department  
Thurston County Sheriff's Office  
Tumwater Police Department  
Lacey Police Department  
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# Memorandum

TO : EACH SENIOR RESIDENT AGENT

FROM : SAC J.E. MILNES

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: 1/11/72

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Re Bureau teletype 12/28/71.

Referenced teletype instructed that receiving offices should canvas all police agencies in their divisions to identify missing persons who would resemble known descriptive information available on hijacker. The artist's conception produced in connection with this matter is to be used in these contacts.

An APB has been sent to the State of Washington requesting that receiving departments review their missing person reports for persons meeting the description; however no replies have been received.

Each Senior Resident Agent is requested to contact the police agencies within his territory for any information concerning missing persons who would fit the description or who could be considered suspect in this matter.

1 - Each Senior Resident Agent

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APB STATE OF WASHINGTON 12/30/71

HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES 727 JET, NOVEMBER 24, 1971.  
RE: STATE TELS NUMBER 119.112771 AND 124.112971.

RECEIVING DEPARTMENTS ARE REQUESTED TO REVIEW MISSING PERSONS REPORTS FOR PERSONS REPORTED MISSING SINCE HIJACKING ON NOVEMBER 24, 1971 AND ADVISE FBI, SEATTLE OF ANY PERSON REPORTED MISSING WHO NET DESCRIPTION OF SUSPECT IN THIS MATTER AS SET FORTH IN REFERENCED TELS.

FBI SEATTLE, J. E. MILNES JJT

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NR039 WA PLAIN

5:19PM URGENT 12-28-71 MRF

TO SEATTLE

PORLAND

SACRAMENTO

LAS VEGAS

FROM DIRECTOR IP

NORJAK.

RE SEATILE TELETYPE TO BUREAU DECEMBER TWENTYTWO LAST.

RECEIVING OFFICES SHOULD CANVASS ALL POLICE AGENCIES IN THEIR DIVISIONS TO IDENTIFY MISSING PERSONS WHO WOULD RESEMBLE KNOWN DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION AVAILABLE CONCERNING THE HIJACKER. UTILIZE ARTIST'S CONCEPTION PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED. ALL OFFICES AFFORD THIS VIGOROUS AND IMMEDIATE ATTENTION. CONSIDER UNSUB DANGEROUS.

END

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# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

FROM : SAC J.E. MILNES

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: 12/28/71

## RE: MISSING PERSONS PROJECT

On 12/27/71, [redacted] called from the Bureau. He advised he considered our suggestion re circularization to law enforcement agencies in the western part of the country, to see if they had a missing persons report with them answering the hijacker's description. He wanted to know if we had done it in Washington and Oregon and I advised him we had not, but we had readily available, facilities over the teletype system that we could do it.

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He advised he was recommending to Mr. HOOVER we do it in Washington and Oregon first and see what results were obtained before we spread it further.

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*Memorandum*

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

DATE: 5/20/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

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b7CSUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

RE: SUB E - SEARCH AREA  
 SUB CC - SEARCH PERSONNEL  
 SUB DD - COMPLAINTS RESULTING  
 FROM SEARCH

On 4/29/76, [redacted], Kirkland, Washington, [redacted], telephone [redacted], appeared at Seattle Office and advised he is going to undertake a search of Lake Merwin.

[redacted] advised he has developed a closed circuit TV system whereby he tows a TV camera in a waterproof container from the back of his boat and it is possible, according to [redacted] to control the depth of this towed TV camera.

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[redacted] stated that to this point, he has invested about \$5,000 in the project and [redacted] was interested in learning about all rewards offered concerning captioned matter. The writer provided such information to [redacted].

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HEADQUARTERS  
3<sup>D</sup> ARMORED CAVALRY REGIMENT  
OFFICE OF THE REGIMENTAL COMMANDER  
Fort Lewis, Washington 98433

AETDR-CO

27 April 1972

Sub E.  
cc

Mr. J. Earl Milnes  
Federal Bureau of Investigation, SAC  
1015 2d Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98104

Dear Mr. Milnes,

Now that the Army's participation in the search for D. B. Cooper has been completed, I would like to express to you my appreciation for the outstanding assistance and cooperation which you and your agents gave to [redacted] and his squadron. It would have been understandable had the Bureau confined its participation only to those aspects of the search which required the presence of its agents. To the contrary, your agents participated to the fullest extent, and the manner in which they did so was most impressive. Their willingness to share the hardships of field duty and their cheerful cooperation in the search efforts reflects most favorably on their professionalism and on your leadership.

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On behalf of all Army members of the search force, I express my sincere appreciation to you and all agents who took part in the operation.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

*ASAP*

*Sub. CC*

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1015 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98104

May 1, 1972

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cc

[Redacted]  
3d Armored Cavalry Regiment  
Office of the Regimental Commander  
Fort Lewis, Washington 98433

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Dear [Redacted]:

I am delighted to receive your letter of April 27, 1972, concerning the performance of our Special Agents in the search for the unknown hijacker of Northwest Airlines Flight 305 in the vicinity of La Center, Washington.

I had written to General Bolling earlier and am attaching a copy of my letter to him for your information. In addition, however, I would like to tell you officially, as I have told you informally before, that we are deeply appreciative of the assistance received from the Army and are most favorably impressed by the performance of [Redacted] and his splendid staff.

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It is a source of pride and assurance to see the Army perform in the magnificent manner in which they did on this extremely difficult task. It is a tribute to you and to the officers under your direction, and I hope that you will see fit to insure that appropriate records are made of my observations concerning their performance.

Sincerely yours,

J. E. MILNES

Special Agent in Charge

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

5/17/72

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

RE: SEARCH OF DROP AREA

In connection with the search conducted during the period 3/21/72 through 4/18/72, the Agent personnel listed on the attached sheet, participated in that assignment:

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Date: 4/17/72

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE NITEL  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)/& SACS, LOS ANGELES (164-497)  
SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) & PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

NORJAK.

THE TEN AGENTS ON SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT FROM  
SF, LA AND PD, ASSISTING IN SEARCH IN THIS CASE, WILL HAVE  
COMPLETED THEIR ASSIGNMENT AND WILL BE DEPARTING THIS  
DIVISION ON APRIL EIGHTEEN NEXT.

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*164-81-2757*

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

4/6/72

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

*Sub CC*

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI      ATTN.: ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION  
(MOVEMENT UNIT)  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (66-5063)  
RE: NORJAK

Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau 4/3/72 and  
Seattle telcall to Los Angeles 4/6/72 instructing that the  
four Los Angeles Agents arrive at Vancouver, Washington  
8:00 p.m., 4/6/72.

SAs RICHARD C. BURRIS, [redacted]  
[redacted] will arrive Vancouver, Washington  
4/6/72 per instructions Seattle telcall.

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2 - Bureau (AM)  
1 - Seattle  
2 - Los Angeles (66-5063)  
(1 - 64-497)

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

At 9:30 AM, [redacted] called from Ft. Lewis. He advised that they had received approval to go ahead with the search and to "clean it up" by the 21st. He advised that details should be worked out directly with [redacted].

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I called [redacted]. He said that they were using the same troops they had previously used and they would move the advance group this afternoon with the rest of the troops following tomorrow morning. He expected that they would be in a position to start searching at 1:00 PM tomorrow afternoon.

I specifically asked him if they had authority to go north and south of the river and he said they were going "to try to clean it up" but they had to have the troops out of there by 4/21/72.

I called ASAC [redacted] of Los Angeles, ASAC [redacted] at San Francisco and SAC JULIUS LEE MATTSON at Portland, and told them to have their Agents at the Inn of the Quay in time for your briefing at 8:00 PM tonight.

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I called SA THOMAS J. MANNING and advised him.

I also advised SA DYER and alerted SA FARRELL of this office to get Agents ready to go and to take two cars.

I called Supervisor HENRY SHUTZ at the Bureau and told him the situation. He said he would advise [redacted] of the Administrative Division and for us to send a nitel this evening simply saying what I had told him orally.

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI      ATTN.: ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION  
(MOVEMENT UNIT)  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (66-5063)  
RE: NORJAK

*Sub E*

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Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau 3/31/72 and Seattle telcall to Los Angeles 4/3/72 instructing that four Los Angeles Agents not proceed to Seattle Division until further instructions.

SAs RICHARD C. BURRIS, [redacted]  
[redacted] will not depart Los Angeles until further instructions from the Bureau and/or Seattle.

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SAC, SEATTLE

NORJAK

On 4/3/72 I told SACs MATTSON AND GEBHART, and  
ASAC [redacted] in Los Angeles, to have the agents at the  
Inn of the Quay in Vancouver at 6:00 P.M. on 4/4/72.

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AIR MAIL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI      ATTN.: ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION  
(MOVEMENT UNIT)  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (66-5063)  
RE: NORJAK

ReButel call to Los Angeles 3/31/72.

Following Agents will arrive Seattle Division  
4/3/72 per instructions Butelcall:

RICHARD C. BURRIS (SSN 548-32-7665)

[Redacted]

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- 2 - Bureau (AM)  
1 - Seattle  
2 - Los Angeles (66-5063)  
(1 - 64-497)

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3/31/72

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

ASAC [redacted] of Los Angeles, and ASAC [redacted] of San Francisco both called on this case. Each has been instructed by the Bureau to furnish 4 men.

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I told them to have the men young and enthusiastic, volunteer-type, have them provide themselves with warm clothing, stout, warm, dry shoes, and gloves, and to be at the Quay Inn in Vancouver not later than Monday evening, 4/3/72. I said if there was any change, we would let them know.

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1148PM NITEL 3/31/72 JAK

TO DIRECTOR

SEATTLE

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 1P

NORJAK.

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RE SE NITEL MARCH TWENTYNINE LAST.

FOLLOWING SAN FRANCISCO AGENTS HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED TO  
PARTICIPATE IN SEARCHING PROJECT IN SEATTLE AREA AND WILL ARRIVE  
AT VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON, PROIR TO SIX P.M., APRIL THREE NEXT:

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3/31/72

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

Pursuant to your instructions, I called SA HENRY SCHUTZ at the Bureau at 7:30 A.M. on 3/31/72 and told him the agents required for the search should arrive in Vancouver, Washington, at 6:00 P.M., Monday, April 3, 1972, not Sunday, as previously indicated, since the Army troops would not arrive until Tuesday morning.

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3:58PM URGENT 3/17/72 VAB

TO DIRECTOR (MAIL) (164-2111)

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PORLAND

SACRAMENTO

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (P) 1P

NORJAK,

REBUTEL MARCH TEN LAST.

AGENTS ASSIGNED TO SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT SEATTLE DIVISION SHOULD REPORT TO QUAY INN, VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON, NO LATER THAN TWO P.M., MARCH TWENTY NEXT.

AGENTS SHOULD COME EQUIPPED WITH AT LEAST THREE CHANGES OF OUT-DOOR CLOTHING, WATERPROOF BOOTS, LEATHER GLOVES. RAIN GEAR AND KNAKSACKS WILL BE PROVIDED BY SEATTLE DIVISION.

END

MCC FBI SAN FRANCISCO

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3/10/72

AIRTEL

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

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NORJAK

Re Bureau telephone call 3/9/72 ordering four Agents to Seattle for a NORJAK special commencing approximately 3/15/72.

Agents from Portland designated for this duty are:



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1-Seattle (164-81)  
1 Portland

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RE: NORJAK

Terrain Search

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FROM PORTLAND DIVISION:

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FROM SACRAMENTO DIVISION:

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FROM SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION:

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 3/9/72

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

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SUB: NORJAK

[redacted] from [redacted] office called with reference to your teletype of 3/8/72. The 10 agents you requested have been approved and Butte will furnish 2, Portland 4, Sacramento 2, San Francisco 2.

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They were instructed to be at the Longview Resident Agency by 6:00 P.M. on the 14th, pursuant to our teletype. If there is any change at all, we will have to get in touch with those offices and advise them.

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On 3/9/72 ASAC BIBLER advised ASAC McCARTHY in butte and on 3/10/72 I advised SAC MATTSON in Portland, GEBHART in San Francisco and WILLIAMS in Sacramento, that the agents should not necessarily report on the 14th, but that they should await a call from us, telling them specifically what date they should report and to what point they should report.

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3/9/72

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJACK

Re telephone call from [redacted] SOG, concerning  
special assignment of two weeks duration in Long View, Wash.,  
beginning 3/14/72.

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SAC [redacted] will  
report to Long View, Wash., on the afternoon of 3/14/72 for  
assignment as ordered.

- 2 - Bureau (164-2111)  
② - Seattle (164-81)  
2 - Sacramento (164-50)

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 5/20/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

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RE: SUB E - SEARCH AREA  
SUB CC - SEARCH PERSONNEL  
SUB DD - COMPLAINTS RESULTING  
FROM SEARCH

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[redacted] stated that to this point, he has invested about \$5,000 in the project and [redacted] was interested in learning about all rewards offered concerning captioned matter. The writer provided such information to [redacted] *Sub DD*

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

2/15/73

SA [redacted]

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NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

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COMPLAINTS RESULTING  
FROM THE SEARCH (SUB DD)

On 2/8/73, [redacted]

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[redacted], Headquarters, 9th Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, Washington, advised that he has talked to [redacted] of the Corps of Engineers, Fort Lewis, this date. [redacted] advised [redacted] that he would contact [redacted], Woodland, Washington, during the week of 2/12 - 16/73, concerning damage done to [redacted] property during the search for unsub. [redacted] further advised that he would arrange with [redacted] to have Army graders repair the damage to his property.

[redacted] advised that he would like to be contacted by [redacted] if [redacted] fails to contact him [redacted].

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The above information was made available to Special Agent THOMAS J. MANNING, who telephonically contacted [redacted] on 2/8/73 and made the above information known to him.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 2/5/73

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: "NORJAK

*Sue DD*

On 2/5/73 [redacted] Woodland, Washington telephonically advised that in spite of repeated requests nothing has been done to make the property used by the US Army at the time of the Nor jak search usable. [redacted] advised he has been most patient in this regard and with the advent of Spring desires that some affirmative action be taken as soon as possible to repair the damage caused by Army vehicles when use was made of his property. He was advised that this would be called to the attention of the Seattle office and upon some decision being made on property repair he would be advised.

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It is to be noted that SRA [redacted] has been in contact with US Army claims at Ft. Lewis and on 11/30/72 advised that securing of an Army grader through the claims section was being worked on.

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It is also to be noted that the Army has stated that the claims resulting from the Norjak search were paid through the Dept. of Justice rather than Army claims but the Army felt they could handle this particular matter.

It is requested that to avoid embarrassment to the Bureau on this matter in view of the long standing claim that some contact be made with Army claims to determine their disposition of the matter and that the writer be advised as soon as possible in order that [redacted] may be advised on action being taken.

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*Sue D.D.*

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

12/14/72

SA [redacted]

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NORJAK

Re memo of Special Agent THOMAS J. MANNING dated  
11/17/72.

AT FORT LEWIS, WASHINGTON

On 11/28/72, [redacted] Headquarters, 9th Infantry Division, advised that as a result of the various claims that occurred from the activity of the third armored cavalry Division he had been in contact with the United States Army Claims Service, Fort George Meade, Maryland, who in turn had contacted the Department of Justice in Washington D.C. which resulted in the following as the procedure in handling the above claims:

Because of Posse Comitatis the Army felt that they could not pay the claims as there was some question whether they should have been involved in the search activity. They agreed, however, to receive all of the claims, negotiate for a settlement, and upon determining the amount involved would notify the Justice Department who would pay the claim.

He advised, however, that he had not received a claim from [redacted]

[redacted] He stated, however, that in view of [redacted] letter there would be less delay if he would contact the Corps of Engineers himself and see if they would not rectify the wrong presented by [redacted] without a formal claim.

On 12/6/72, [redacted] telephonically advised that the Corps of Engineers was receptive to sending a grader to the [redacted] property and he felt that the arrangements could be made within the next two weeks. He will continue to pursue this matter.

(2)- Seattle  
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/17/72

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

*Sub DD*

NORJAK

Re SA MANNING telephone call to SAC, Seattle, 11/17/72

Attached to this communication is a Xerox copy of a letter dated  
4/24/72 received by [redacted]

[redacted] signed by [redacted]  
[redacted]

On a number of occasions since May, 1972 the [redacted]  
have inquired of the writer concerning their property being made  
whole after use by the United States Army. These inquiries were  
directed to SA RICHARD A. DYER for transmission to the proper  
authorities at Fort Lewis, Washington. SA DYER advised on 11/17/72  
that he has called this matter to the attention of [redacted]  
and others at Ft. Lewis on at least seven or eight occasions and  
was advised one one of the occasions that it was not the US Army  
responsibility but was rather a FBI matter to have the property  
made whole.

The enclosure was sent to [redacted]  
[redacted] early in November, 1972 with the letter requesting an  
immediate repair to their property. All details of the damage  
done to the property have been placed in memo form and are in the  
damage claim section of 164-81. For purposes of locating this  
claim which was called to the attention of several Army officers  
at the time it was incurred, a possible reference would be the  
[redacted] property located on [redacted] property  
was also used as a bivouac area and certain damage there has been  
or is being repaired by [redacted]. However the damage complained  
of [redacted] is extremely deep ruts on the road leading  
to their property and large ruts on their property which is vacant  
land. They stated a vehicle can not pass on the road due to the  
ruts and they have been attempting to sell said property but cannot  
show it due to the impassability of the road.

Both individuals have been extremely patient in this matter but  
now feel that some satisfaction is in order. [redacted] on  
11/17/72 was somewhat placated by the visit of the writer but it is  
felt that unless some satisfaction is forthcoming shortly with the  
intention of the Army or the FBI expressed in writing a suit will  
be the next consideration. It is the opinion of the writer that  
a distinct possibility exists that the FBI will be mentioned in  
said suit.

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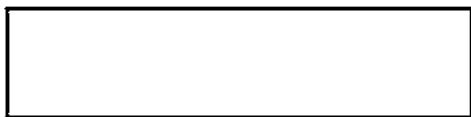
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
Headquarters, 1st Squadron, 3d Armored Cavalry  
Fort Lewis, Washington 98433

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24 April 1972



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*Sub. DD*

Dear Sirs:

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to you for your kind consideration in allowing the members of my command to use your property to establish their bivouac site while they searched for the missing skyjacker, "D. B. Cooper."

It was only mutual cooperation such as this that allowed the difficult search operation to be conducted with such relative ease and efficiency.

Before we terminated our operation on 18 April, I directed that a thorough clean up be made. In addition, I hope to arrange for a regrading of access roads to the camp sites. I hope that this will assist in repairing any damage to the land we used.

Again, thank you for your kind consideration and assistance from both myself and the officers and men of my command.

Sincerely yours,



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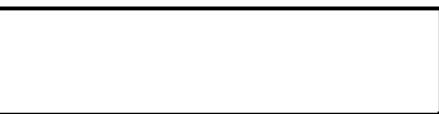
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1015 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98104

November 10, 1972

*Sub DD*



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Dear [redacted]:

This will confirm your telephone conversation with [redacted] of this office on November 9, 1972, relative to a claim you have filed with the U. S. Army to be reimbursed for property damage sustained by you, as well as a personal injury sustained by one of your employees, as a result of a search conducted by elements of the Third Armored Cavalry Division over your property during March of 1972.

As you are aware, this matter was brought to the attention of the U. S. Army at Fort Lewis, Washington, on April 14, 1972, by a Special Agent of this office.

It is suggested that you might desire to contact the Claims Officer, U. S. Army, Fort Lewis, Washington, for any additional information relative to this matter.

Your interest in calling this office is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

J. E. MILNES  
Special Agent in Charge

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

7/25/72

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

SEARCH NEAR MERWIN DAM

HANDLING OF PROPERTY DAMAGE  
BY MILITARY (SUB DD)

On July 20, 1972, [redacted]  
[redacted], U. S. Army, Fort Lewis, Washington, telephonically contacted this office with respect to claims being processed through his office for claims by certain individuals including [redacted] for compensation growing out of damage to their property incurred during the search conducted by elements of the 3rd Armored Cavalry Division.

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[redacted] specifically asked if per chance the money paid as the ransom in the Northwest hijacking case was furnished by the Government. He was informed the money was paid by Northwest Airlines. [redacted] was endeavoring to find some basis on which a payment for the claim could be authorized but since it was not Government money he advised the claim probably will not be authorized over his signature but will be passed up to a higher authority with the expectation that the claim will be paid.

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[redacted] explained that he had just returned from a tour in Vietnam and had been assigned to the [redacted] and after making inquiry concerning the search learned it was authorized by someone at the Pentagon and since he cannot pass on the claim it will be approved at a higher level.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

7/19/72

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

RE: COMPLAINTS DURING SEARCH NEAR MERWIN DAM

On Monday, 7/17/72, SA THOMAS J. MANNING advised that he had received an inquiry from [redacted] Washington, concerning the damage to his driveway located near the first bivouac site when heavy Army trucks caused deep ruts in the roadway.

A review of Seattle records concerning the search disclosed that an original complaint was made by [redacted] 3/26/72, which was immediately turned over to Army authorities and on 3/27/72, [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] Ft. Lewis, Washington, who were at that time at the Command Post at Merwin Dam, were apprised of this complaint.

SA MANNING requested that Army authorities be contacted to obtain some relief for [redacted] who plans to sell his property and would like the damage repaired.

On 7/17/72 SA RICHARD AVERY was requested to contact Army authorities and later on the same date, he advised he left an appropriate message with the office of [redacted] as well as [redacted] with the request that they directly contact [redacted] at telephone [redacted] or [redacted] the latter number being the telephone of [redacted]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: April 13, 1972.

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL (P)

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re: [redacted]

[redacted], Wash.  
April 13, 1972.

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At approximately 10:30 A.M. April 13, 1972  
SA [redacted] FBI advised CP by radio that [redacted]  
[redacted], Washington, telephone  
[redacted] has complained that the landing helicopters, about  
an hour earlier [redacted].

[redacted] advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] and she asked for assistance in finding them, as her  
[redacted]. Assistance by military and Bureau  
given.

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[redacted], as follows

[redacted]

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[redacted]

[redacted], assigned to "B" Company under [redacted]  
reports that he observed the [redacted] as the  
choppers landed in the field [redacted]  
[redacted] and another of his men were at the scene and spoke  
to [redacted].

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By about 2:00 P.M. [redacted]  
[redacted] to come and would be there possibly 3:00 P.M.

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I Wish You'd Get  
Me, Ma in Here

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because I've had  
it from them,

In Case You Don't  
Know Where They Were  
camped - it was in

clouds, off

[redacted]

See on the edge

But they came

Quickly,

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10/18/2009

They had come in here  
in peace & had their

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[redacted] I'm really angry

I think they should be

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too

[redacted] We have had

it told for years, the  
squatters all up here around  
the area. No one came

DB Cooper-32494

& asked us if they could  
come in & look around etc

But I see squatters all over  
on our private road. When  
they have been in & picked  
up Eggs & Candy Wiggles, after

Thursd<sup>ay</sup>

This Morning some of the  
many Yuccas Called in  
to help search for D. R.  
Cooper, wounded feet after  
being Camped out here for  
one week — about 75  
feet from our house.

For a week Mr. Heliotrope  
have blown so low over  
this house from early in  
the morning until dark  
making the house shake &  
the window & wall etc.  
slip etc. impossible

DB Cooper-32495

Now after they left  
we go along & get up  
our Bottles & cap cans  
etc. that the g. Pickens  
will take

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 4/13/72

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(Complaint Concerning Search)

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At 9:30PM, this date, [redacted], Washington, telephone [redacted], telephonically contacted this office regarding helicopters flying over [redacted]. [redacted] stated that he owns [redacted] and that helicopters have been continuously flying over his property at what seems to be lower and lower altitudes.

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[redacted] stated that today one of his handlers was bringing [redacted] when a helicopter flew over [redacted] at tree-top level causing [redacted].

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[redacted] further advised that last week [redacted] and he was told [redacted], that the [redacted] caused by [redacted] in the field. [redacted] feels that they [redacted] from the low-flying helicopters.

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[redacted] was not at all belligerent, but explained that he can't afford to have these problems continuing. He wishes to be contacted by SA MANNING as soon as possible.

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4/14/72  
memorandum & on 4/14/72 OFFICE  
VIPS ADVISED  
ARMY CHAIRS  
CONTACTED

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

4/8/72

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

NORJAK

On 4/7/72 [redacted], Commanding officer, of US Army personnel involved in search in vicinity of Lake Marwin requested information on complaints made re property damage by US Army troops during search.

Attached to this memo is one (1) copy of a sheet listing 4 separate complaints made. Also attached is the letter of [redacted] two (2) copies of a memo re a complaint made by [redacted] and a memo dated 4/4/72 (two ) 2 copies concerning the complaint made by [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] has been apprised of the details of the four complaints made to date.

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SA THOMAS J. MANNING

NORJAK

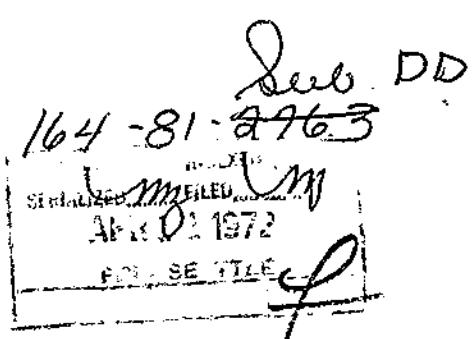
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[redacted], employed at [redacted] Washington, b7C  
telephone [redacted] is [redacted] on which US Army  
[redacted] during the search operation conducted in the vicinity  
[redacted], Washington. [redacted] executed a wconsent form to  
make use of his property and set certain conditions such as [redacted]  
[redacted]

During the telephone conversation on this date [redacted] advised  
that army trucks ran over [redacted] on the property, practically  
destroyed a gravel road.

He requested that his complaint be called to the attention  
of the United States Army and also pointed out [redacted] in  
the vicinity of the property have been cleaning up all kinds of  
debris since the departure of the army and are perturbed by the  
failure to police the area upon departure.

He was advised that his complaint would be called to the  
attention of the United States Army.

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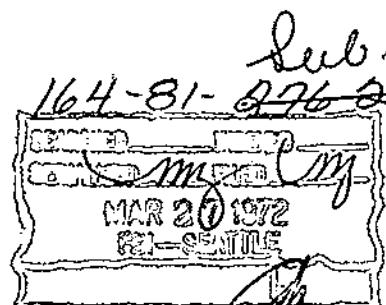
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On instant date. [redacted]

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[redacted], Washington, telephonically contacted this office. [redacted] stated that last week when she was contacted by an Agent of the FBI, asking permission to search her property, the agent stated that if anything was damaged or she had any problems to contact the FBI in Longview or Seattle. [redacted] stated that her driveway is being used and that the four wheele drive rigs that go in and out have torn up her driveway and MM made it into a mud hole. [redacted] would like to have an agent come by and look at it so it will be fixed.

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Damage complaints to date

1. [redacted] Washington - complaint re road to his unoccupied property having deep ruts due to military vehicle use.

The letter describing his property was furnished to you by SAC Milnes.

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2. On 4/4/72 [redacted] Washington telephone [redacted] employed at [redacted] Washington telephone [redacted] is the [redacted]

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[redacted] executed a consent form to make use of his property as [redacted] and set certain conditions such as [redacted]

On 4/4/72 he stated [redacted]

[redacted]. He further alleged debris was left at [redacted] have also complained that debris was strewn about their property.

3. [redacted] Washington on 3/26/72 advised FBI Seattle that her driveway was used by Army trucks and has been torn up. [redacted] is in vicinity of [redacted]

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4. [redacted] whose property is next to that of [redacted] mentioned above, sent a letter to the FBI Seattle alleging that debris was left at her location [redacted] and about her property after troops moved out. She also alleged [redacted]

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SA THOMAS J. MANNING  
Special Agent, FBI

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 3/27/72

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 3/27/72 [redacted]

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*X CANCELING PRO SEARCH*

[redacted], Washington [redacted]  
[redacted], alleged that helicopters sometime last week  
deliberately flew over property which he is [redacted] and  
deliberately [redacted]

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[redacted] complaint was the deliberate, according to  
him, buzzing of the area in which [redacted]. He was  
advised there was no deliberate buzzing at which time he stated he had  
no objection to a search of his property but did resent deliberate  
"funning" and buzzing [redacted].

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He furnished his phone number as [redacted] and advised that  
he would be home on night of March 37, 1972 between 7 and 9 PM. He  
was advised when details were developed he would be advised by phone.

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[redacted] has a home address [redacted],  
Vancouver, Washington.

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*Called 3/27/72*  
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I called [redacted] on 3/27/72. I advised him that I was aware of the  
incident he described and there was absolutely no deliberate buzzing of  
[redacted] by the helicopters and there was no "funning". I told him I was  
one of the helicopters myself, saw the whole thing take place and when it  
became apparent that [redacted] were disturbed by the  
presence of the helicopters, the Army Commanders 164-81-2543  
moved the troops down the road a substantial  
distance, [redacted]

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (164-56) -P-

NORJAK

Re Seattle Teletype to Oklahoma City, 5/17/72.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]:

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA.

On 5/18/72 [redacted]  
[redacted] FAA Aeronautical Center, advised FAA currently maintains records of over 850,000 licensed pilots.  
[redacted] advised licensed pilots are filed only by name or pilot license certificate number and not by age.  
[redacted] further advised FAA does not maintain photos of each licensed pilot. [redacted] advised records are permanently maintained at FAA on pilots whose licenses have been revoked, expired or lapsed.

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Date: 5/17/72

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

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Via TELETYPE

NITEL

(Priority)

TO : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (164-56)

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

NORJAK.

THROUGHOUT THE HIJACKING, THE SUBJECT APPEARED TO HAVE EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT FLYING IN GENERAL; ABOUT THE OPERATION OF THE BOEING SEVEN TWO SEVEN AND ABOUT FAA AND CONTROL TOWER RULES AND REQUIREMENTS.

BASED ON THIS FACT IT MIGHT BE REASONED THAT SUBJECT IS OR WAS A LICENSED PILOT, POSSIBLY WITH EXPERIENCE IN OPERATION OF THE BOEING SEVEN TWO SEVEN OR COMMERCIAL AVIATION.

LEADS. OKLAHOMA CITY AT OKLAHOMA. OKLAHOMA IS REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY CONTACT FAA AND EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF CHECKING FAA RECORDS ALONG THE LINES SET OUT BELOW FOR ANY INFORMATION WHICH MIGHT AID IN IDENTIFYING THE HIJACKER:

ONE. HOW MANY FILES OF LICENSED PILOTS FAA MAINTAINS.

TWO. CAN INFORMATION BE EXTRACTED FROM THEIR FILES BY AGE GROUP.

THREE. DO THEY HAVE PHOTOS OF EACH LICENSED PILOT.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 10/10/2000

To: Directors Office  
Criminal InvestigativeAttn: OPCA  
VCMO,  
Section Chief Andreas Stephens  
VC/FU, SSA [redacted]

From: ✓Seattle

Squad 5/ PSVCTF

Contact: [redacted] (206) 262-2503

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

Case ID #: SE 164A-81 ✓ (Pending)

Title: NORJAK

**Synopsis:** Request Bureau and Attorney General authority for the offering of a \$100,000 reward for specific evidence leading to the resolution of this case. This was discussed between Seattle SAC Charles E. Mandigo and Section Chief Andreas Stephens on 8/18/2000

**Details:** To summarize, this case involving the 11/24/1971 hijacking of Northwest flight 305 has remained the only unsolved hijacking in U.S. history. Seattle has processed well over 1100 subjects over the years and virtually every other field division has also expended significant investigative resources. Other than a small portion of the \$200,000 ransom money being recovered along the bank of the Columbia River, near Vancouver, Washington in February, 1980, no trace of the unidentified subject has ever been found. A recently updated prosecutive opinion received from the Seattle USA's office and DOJ has continued to indicate that a statute of limitations does not apply in this matter. At the time of this crime, airplane hijacking was a capital offense in the United States. This hijacking, due to its singular nature, certainly contributed to the acceleration of sweeping changes in U.S. airport security and thus had a direct and long lasting impact on the traveling public.

The hijacking of Northwest 305 continues to garner media attention. Seattle continues to receive numerous media inquiries (about fifty in the past year alone). Pursuant to recent requests from the National Press Office, Seattle cooperated in the new production of a special on the History

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 3/5/79

FROM : SAC PAUL L. MACK

SUBJECT: NORJAC

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[redacted] At 11:03 AM, 3/5/79,

[redacted] Royal Globe Insurance Company, New York, telephone (212) 732-8400, advised that the Royal Globe Insurance Company had paid Northwest Orient Airlines over \$200,000 as a result of the loss sustained in November, 1971 in captioned case. She indicated the last correspondence she had was from [redacted] in December, 1978.

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] of KNBC News, Los Angeles, has been in touch with her company concerning a news story he is working on which in fact reports that the FBI is investigating a particular suspect in this case. She wanted to know if the FBI, in fact, has a suspect or anyone under arrest in this matter.

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She was informed the FBI has checked out over 1000 suspects over the years and continually receives allegations that individuals are identical with "D.B. COOPER" and that the FBI does check such allegations out. She was informed that the FBI does not have any one under arrest in connection with this crime.

She requested that she be advised promptly in the event an individual is arrested for the NORJAC case.

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# Royal-Globe Insurance Companies



150 William Street  
New York, N.Y. 10038

(212) 732-8400

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September 11, 1978

Mr. John M. Reed  
Special Agent In Charge  
United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
915 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98174

Sub FF

Dear Mr. Reed:

Re: Hijacking Northwest Airlines  
Date of Loss: November 24, 1971

164-81

We would appreciate your assistance in updating our records regarding the subject, in particular as to if the party has been apprehended and also if any of the funds paid by our company to our insured have been recovered.

In the past and present, we have been contacted by a [redacted] and most recently of [redacted]. In 1976 she relayed to us all information regarding the hijacking, also stated she had given the same information to the Bureau, five years before. We in turn relayed her information to [redacted], New York Branch of the Bureau. Later, [redacted] advised us that the information supplied by [redacted] was nothing new and they had already checked her out. Most recently, she again wrote us an eleven page letter, regarding "D. B. Cooper". [redacted] he has listed the names and addresses of parties who could identify this man. She concluded by stating "she smells fear among some of these people" and has not pursued the matter. She has requested that we be very careful who we show this information, that she furnished, too. She hopes we find [redacted] before he finds her or she'll be a dead duck. Also she states she can expect no protection from the F.B.I. based on findings.

We would appreciate hearing from you regarding the status of the case and in particular [redacted] letter to us.

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Yours very truly,

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SAC DALE KELL, Little Rock Division, telephonically contacted SA [redacted] this date and advised that he had been contacted by former AUSA [redacted] who stated that he, [redacted], had been contacted by a [redacted] who wanted to know if the reward for D. B. COOPER was/still outstanding. Evidently, [redacted] has told [redacted] that he has a friend whom he would not name who knows the identity of COOPER.

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SA [redacted] advised of above. SA [redacted] states that the reward program originally offered by Northwest Airlines no longer exists, however, the Royal Globe Insurance Company of New York, N. Y., will negotiate a reward. They will not, however, talk with anyone until they have first talked with the FBI.

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This information was telephonically furnished to Night Clerk at Little Rock, who was going to advise SAC KELL.

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November 30, 1976

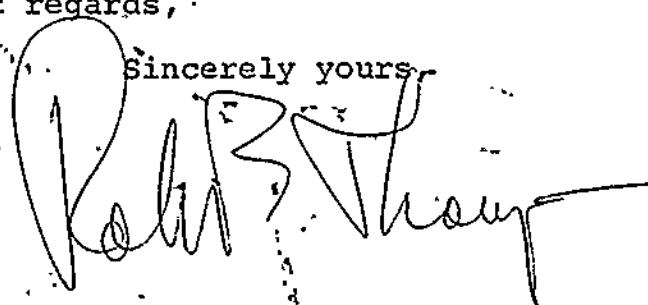
Dear Mr. Reed:

I am terribly sorry to have been so long in replying to your letter of October 21 in regard to the Post-Intelligencer's \$5,000 reward for the arrest and conviction of D. B. Cooper. Unfortunately I have been out of the city and also have been wrestling with the problem of the reward.

We finally have concluded that the offer of the reward will end as of December 31, 1976. Should you have any inquiries about the reward after the first of the year, you, therefore, can inform the individuals involved that it no longer is in effect.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,



Robert E. Thompson

Mr. John M. Reed  
Special Agent in Charge  
United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
915 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Wa. 98174

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FM: NEW YORK (164-627) (R)

TO: DIRECTOR (164-2111) IMMEDIATE

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REWYTELCALLS TO DENVER, AND DNTELCALLS TO NEW YORK, NOVEMBER  
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[REDACTED] ROYAL GLOBE INSURANCE, HOME NUMBER [REDACTED]

, CONTACTED. [REDACTED] REFERRED MATTER TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ROYAL GLOBE, HOME NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED ROYAL GLOBE IS WILLING TO NEGOTIATE FOR PERCENTAGE  
OF THE EXTORTED MONEY WITH CLEINT OF GREENLY, COLORADO, ATTORNEY

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[REDACTED] FOR RECOVERY OF MONEY AND INFORMATION LEADING TO  
APPREHENSION OF D.B. COOPER. [REDACTED] ALSO WILLING TO COOPERATE WITH

FBI IN THIS MATTER. [REDACTED] WILL BE AVAILABLE AT HIS HOME AFTER

3:00 PM, EST. NYO WILL NOTIFY [REDACTED] TO EXPECT TELEPHONIC CONTACT

SAC advised 11-24-76  
ASAC advised 11-24-76

SA [REDACTED] advised 11-24-76

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Seattle, Washington 98174  
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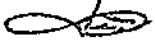
Mr. Robert E. Thompson  
Publisher  
"Seattle Post-Intelligencer"  
6th and Wall  
Seattle, Washington 98111

Dear Mr. Thompson:

We periodically receive inquiries from citizens concerning the \$5,000 reward offered by the "Seattle Post-Intelligencer" for the arrest and conviction of D. B. Cooper. With the anniversary date of the Cooper hijacking approaching us in November, we would like to verify whether or not your reward for the arrest and conviction of Cooper is still outstanding, so that we can correctly answer any inquiries received by the field offices of the FBI.

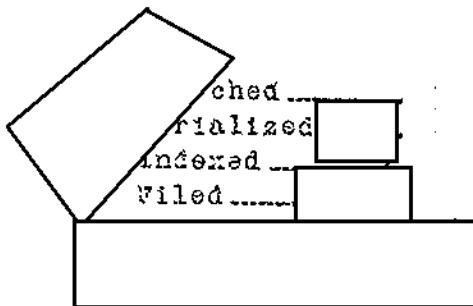
Thank you for your time and interest.

Sincerely yours,

  
John M. Reed  
Special Agent in Charge

1 - Addressee  
1 - Seattle (161-81)

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10/18/76

TO : ADIC, NEW YORK (164-627)  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
Bufile 164-2111

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Enclosed for the New York Division are one copy  
of a personal letter from [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], Royal Globe Insurance Company, 150 William  
Street, New York, New York, dated 9/19/76 to the Seattle  
Office of the FBI, and one copy of a personal letter  
from the Seattle Office of the FBI [REDACTED]  
dated 10/18/76.

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For the information of New York Division,  
contact has been made telephonically by Seattle with  
the Royal Globe Insurance Company in New York as they  
are the insurance company that paid Northwest Orient  
Airlines approximately \$180,000 as a result of captioned  
crime. As a result of that contact it was learned that  
Royal Globe has been receiving some inquiries from pri-  
vate citizens regarding a reward in this matter.

In an effort to follow up every lead in this  
important case, liaison was established by the Seattle  
Division to insure that any contact that Royal Globe  
Insurance Company receives is promptly forwarded to  
the FBI.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 8/16/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
(BUfile 164-2111)

RE: SUB FF - REWARD  
SUB E - SEARCH AREA

On 7/28/76, [redacted], Agent for the Royal ~~Globe Insurance Company~~, Dexter Horton Building, Seattle, Washington, was contacted by the writer. [redacted] stated he had been dealing with [redacted] concerning [redacted] and that company's ability to locate any evidence concerning captioned matter in Lake Merwin.

[redacted] stated he had reached an agreement with [redacted] as to a reward for [redacted] should he discover any information. [redacted] was advised that in no way would the FBI endorse [redacted] nor would they guarantee [redacted] integrity. [redacted] stated he understood the FBI's position and intended to investigate [redacted] as thoroughly as possible.

[redacted] was asked to furnish the FBI with the names of any individuals or groups who contact Royal Globe concerning the possibility of obtaining a reward for evidence in captioned matter. [redacted] stated he would make the requests known to his superiors in New York and would be back in touch with the writer when the results of that inquiry are known. [redacted] further advised that he did not see any problems with providing the requested information.

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④ - Seattle (164-81)

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505PM NITEL JULY 29, 1976 [REDACTED]

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (RUC)

NORJAK; OO: SEATTLE.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF PORTLAND, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA,

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PROVIDED THIS OFFICE WITH A COPY OF A LETTER WHICH WAS SENT TO

NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], OREGON, TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]. THE LETTER

DATED JULY 22, 1976, REQUESTED INFORMATION IF A REWARD WAS STILL AVAILABLE SHOULD THE HIJACKER OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305 OF NOVEMBER 24, 1971, BE LOCATED. [REDACTED] ALSO INDICATES IN THIS LETTER THAT HE IS IN POSSESSION OF INFORMATION REGARDING THE IDENTITY OF THE HIJACKER BUT HE WISHED TO PURSUE THIS MATTER WITH GREAT CAUTION AND WANTED TO KNOW THE STATUS OF THE REWARD BEFORE HE DID ANYTHING FURTHER. [REDACTED] RESPONDED TO [REDACTED] LETTER

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ON JULY 27, 1976, AND ADVISED [REDACTED] THAT HE WAS OFFERED A REWARD OF \$25,000 FOR THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE HIJACKER.

[REDACTED] ALSO TOLD HIM THE REWARD WOULD REMAIN VALID THROUGH

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DECEMBER 31, 1976. [REDACTED] ALSO ADVISED [REDACTED] IN THIS LETTER TO CONTACT THE FBI IN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, WITH ANY INFORMATION HE HAS.

PORTLAND AT [REDACTED] OREGON, WILL CONTACT [REDACTED] TO DETERMINE ANY INFORMATION HE HAS REGARDING NORJAK.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 7/13/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

RE: SUB E - SEARCH AREA,  
SUB FF - REWARD

Re memo of SA THOMAS J. MANNING dated 6/29/76.

On 7/9/76, attempt was made to contact [redacted]  
at [redacted], Seattle, Washington. [redacted]  
[redacted] advised that he was on vacation until 7/19/76 and  
she advised she would have [redacted] call SA [redacted] at that  
time.

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

DB Cooper-32521

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: NOP JAK

DATE: 6/29/76

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Attached to this memo is a letter received at Longview RA on 6/28/76.

This letter was previously mentioned in a memo of the writer concerning a telephone call from [redacted] of ROYAL-GLOBE INSURANCE.

Contact with [redacted] in Seattle, mentioned in letter, being left to discretion of case agent.

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# Royal-Globe Insurance COMPANIES

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INDEMNITY COMPANY • ROYAL CLOSE INSURANCE COMPANY

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TEL: (212) 732-8400

June 22, 1976

Mr. Thomas J. Manning  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
P. O. Box 429  
Longview, Washington 98632

Dear Sir:

Insured: Northwest Airlines  
Hijacking 11/24/71

This furthers your June 15, 1976 telephone conversation with our [redacted] concerning the potential recovery of the funds, which we paid to the captioned insured as a result of the hijacking of one of its planes by an individual identified as D. B. Cooper.

The Northwestern Airlines were apparently approached by [redacted] of Kirkland, Washington, who offered his services as [redacted] with the indication that, according to his information, the hijacker landed with the money in a lake, and that he, [redacted] would be able to locate the bag and possibly the body of the late D. B. Cooper and bring it to the surface.

The Northwestern Airlines contacted our attorney, who in turn advised us of the situation.

We then contacted [redacted] by phone and this is briefly what [redacted] told us:

He [redacted] in Kirkland. He has [redacted] and since he believes, on the basis of the information, which he was able to gather, that D. B. Cooper with the money landed in a lake in the Louis River Canyon, he would undertake the search for the money for a certain percentage of the redeemable bills.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

6/15/76

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

NORJAK

OO: Seattle

This date [redacted], Royal Insurance Company, 150 Williams Street, New York, New York 10038 telephonically contacted the writer at Longview RA. She advised name of writer was given to her by the company's [redacted] in Seattle, Washington, [redacted], telephone [redacted], as a person familiar with captioned matter.

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[redacted] stated she has been contacted by [redacted] Kirjklund, Washington telephone [redacted] (home and business) who stated he [redacted] advised that he has a [redacted] and stated he knows where money from this case is located, and would try to get it for the company. He gave no specific details of positively knowing where the money was located except to say it was in water near a dam where COOPER jumped from the plane. Undoubtedly he was referring to Lake Merwin and dam at that location.

She pointed out that he originally approached Northwest Airlines re this matter and was referred to an attorney who represented Northwest Airlines in litigation concerning payment by Royal Insurance to Northwest which was the insurance carrier for the airline. She stated that the company fought payment of the sum of \$210,000 in court but after litigation were told to pay the amount and this has been paid. Under rights of subrogation Royal now has right, title and interest to the money COOPER received.

[redacted] told her he would be willing to undertake a search of the lake with [redacted] in hopes of recovery of same. She stated she knew that the FBI had serial numbers of all the bills and had in fact pictures of each bill. He stated that if the money was found it would be surrendered to Royal and his payment would be one half of all recovered monies. He did not want a down payment and had no minimum charge but would do everything at his own risk with his final objective being the 50-50 split. He stated he wanted a contract to specifically set out this 50-50 split with Royal and [redacted] advised that based on this proposition she had their Seattle representative conduct a background check to determine whether [redacted] was legitimate.

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This check revealed very little except that his company was new and was not known to places like Better Business Bureau, was not listed in phone book etc. She stated she did not doubt the legitimacy of [redacted] however. She continued that she was going to bring to Royal's management attention the desire for a contract with [redacted], and would advise Seattle Division by letter if they are going under contract.

She asked that [redacted] not be contacted until contractual matter is resolved. No statement was made by writer that we would or would not contact [redacted]. Further she was not advised that [redacted] has contacted SA [redacted] explaining his [redacted].

From everything she said it would appear that [redacted] is another<sup>b6</sup> in a long line of individuals who have searched, on their own, for<sup>b7C</sup> the money in the general search area FBI and army personnel operated. However it is felt that an interview with [redacted] would be in order in the event he has not been completely candid with SA [redacted] and does have some definite information as to location of money. It is requested that no information re contact with [redacted] be revealed at time of contact.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 5/27/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

(BUfile 164-2111)

## SUB FF REWARD

On 5/17/76, [redacted] (phonetic), [redacted]  
[redacted], Royal Globe Insurance Company of New  
York, telephonically contacted the writer to inquire  
about [redacted] stated her company paid  
Northwest Orient Airlines approximately \$215,000 as a  
result of an insurance claim by Northwest necessitated  
by captioned crime.

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[redacted] was desirous of information concerning  
[redacted] as to his reliability as it pertains to [redacted]  
anticipated underwater search of Lake Merwin. [redacted]  
was advised by the writer that the FBI could not endorse  
[redacted] nor in any way guarantee that [redacted] was not attempting  
an insurance fraud.

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[redacted] was also advised that the FBI had no  
specific information as to the probability of there being  
any ransom money at the bottom of Lake Merwin. [redacted]  
indicated she would have a representative of Royal Globe  
contact [redacted] and evaluate [redacted]  
stated that if [redacted] met all the qualifications imposed  
by Royal Globe then there was a possibility her company  
would enter into a negotiation with [redacted] to pay him a  
reward if he discovered information and/or ransom money  
as a result of [redacted] in the Lake  
Merwin area.

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Airtel

5/5/76

To: SACS, Seattle (164-81)  
Las Vegas (164-60)  
Los Angeles (164-797)  
Portland (164-41)  
San Francisco (164-220)

From: Director, FBI (164-2111)

NORJAK;

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Representatives from receiving offices were in attendance at the Norjak seminar held at San Francisco, 4/8-9/76, where a suggestion was made to institute a publicity campaign for release in early November, 1976, widely publicizing a reward for any twenty-dollar bill turned in from the ransom list published in various media periodicals and possible local newspapers. This suggestion was approved at FBIHQ and efforts to initiate appropriate groundwork steps are now being taken.

Receiving offices should, at this time, contact major newspapers within their Divisions in an effort to determine if first they would participate in this publicity venture by printing, on a one-time, daily, or weekly basis, the list of ransom bill serial numbers and second if they agree to printing these, is there a particular form in which the numbers could be provided to facilitate easier printing of same. Newspaper officials should be advised that calls from individuals concerning the fact that they possess a twenty-dollar bill of interest will be directed to the nearest FBI Office.

Seattle should immediately set out leads for Minneapolis to contact officials at Northwest Airlines in an effort to determine their interest in possibly pro-

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[Redacted]  
Oregon Journal  
1320 Southwest Broadway  
Portland, Oregon 97201

Dear [Redacted]:

Mr. Julius Lee Mattson, Special Agent in Charge of our Portland Office, has brought to my attention the many articles contained in recent editions of your paper regarding the hijacking of a Northwest Orient Airlines flight on November 24, 1971. I take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation for your thoughtfulness in bringing the details concerning this case to the attention of your many readers. I am certainly gratified for the assistance you have rendered the FBI and, on behalf of my associates, I convey sincere thanks.

Sincerely,

*Cris Kelley*

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Date: 1/4/73

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

TO: SAC, SEATTLE

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

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On 1/3/74 [REDACTED] X

Rockville, Maryland, telephonically contacted WFO requesting that a list of twenty dollar bills still outstanding in connection with captioned matter be sent to [REDACTED], [REDACTED] The Dalles, Oregon. She stated that this request was prompted by recent publicity appearing in the Oregon Journal stating that such a list was available through local FBI Offices and a visit to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] who related captioned matter to her. She stated that neither [REDACTED] are in possession of any suspect twenty dollar bills nor do either have any information concerning caption matter and the list was merely being requested as matter of curiosity,

The above information is being furnished the Portland and Seattle Divisions since the office of origin may deem it advisable for [REDACTED] to be interviewed to determine the basis for his interest in captioned matter.

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2 - Portland  
1 - WFO
- [REDACTED]
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent: \_\_\_\_\_ M Per: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Director, FBI (LC4-2111)  
Attn. Correspondence and Tours Section  
External Affairs Division  
SAC, Portland (LC4-41) (P)

12/20/73

NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau and Seattle are news clippings from the "Oregon Journal," Portland, Oregon, daily newspaper, for the weekdays of 11/22-12/14/73, publicizing the NORJAK case. In addition to the clippings, there are forwarded to Bureau and Seattle the complete front pages of the 11/22, 11/23, 11/26 and 11/27/73, editions of this paper. These pages are being forwarded in their entirety to illustrate the prominent front page coverage the "Oregon Journal" gave this story.

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he spent considerable time and effort preparing for publication. b7c  
I believe this coverage again demonstrates his constructive, enthusiastic cooperation with this office.

Numerous leads have been received from all over the country as a result of this publicity. Radio and television publicity in various parts of the country has been a spin-off of the [redacted].

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It is recommended the Bureau consider sending [redacted] an appreciative letter over the Director's signature. Letter should be addressed as follows: [redacted]  
[redacted] Staff Writer, "Oregon Journal," 1320 SW Broadway, Portland, Oregon, 97201. There is nothing in Portland files which would preclude sending this letter.

2 Bureau (Encls. 25)  
2 Seattle (LC4-81)(Encls. 25)  
2 Portland (RCC) [redacted]  
(1 - LC4-41; 1 - 80-C51) [redacted]

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1015 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98104  
December 12, 1973

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[REDACTED]  
Castle Rock, Colorado [REDACTED]

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Dear [REDACTED]:

Apropos to your request, there is attached a copy of the serial numbers that were paid in the hijacking of the Northwest Airlines plane out of Portland, Oregon, on November 24, 1971. The FBI has not posted a reward in this case. I believe the reward you are referring to was published by the Oregon Journal in Portland, Oregon.

Very truly yours,

J. E. MILNES  
Special Agent in Charge

Enclosure

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*164-81 to 007*

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1 - Seattle (164-81)  
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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (164-46) (RUC)  
NORJAK  
(OO: SEATTLE)

Enclosed for Seattle are nine (9) copies of an FD-302 reflecting investigation conducted at Buffalo, and two copies of a letter from [redacted]

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[redacted] was furnished with a copy of the sequentially listed serial numbers of the \$20 bills used in captioned matter.

2 - Seattle (Enc. 11)  
2 - Buffalo

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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[redacted]  
 New York, was interviewed and after being advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents and that this interview concerned his writing to the Buffalo FBI Office regarding information on how to play the D. B. Cooper game, he provided the following information:

[redacted] advised that he saw a newspaper article about the Northwest Airlines highjacking in the local paper the "Tonawanda News." [redacted] advised he did not have a copy of this article presently but the article stated that if a reader wished to help find any \$20 bills used in the ransom that the reader merely was to contact his nearest FBI Office for a list of the serial numbers of the \$20 bills in question. [redacted] stated that the "Tonawanda News" referred to finding this ransom money as the "D. B. Cooper Game."

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The following description of [redacted] was obtained through observation and interview:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Height	5'4"
Weight	135 pounds
Hair	Dark brown
Eyes	Hazel

*Sue F**164-81-5672*Interviewed on 12/4/73 at Town of Tonawanda, N.Y. File # Buffalo 164-46by SA [redacted]  
SA [redacted]Date dictated 12/6/73b6  
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DB Cooper-32535

[redacted]  
Kenmore, New York [redacted]  
November 24, 1973

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F.B.I.  
69 Niagra Street  
Buffalo, New York

Dear Sirs,

I am interested in playing the "D.B. Cooper Game". If you would, I'd be happy if you would send me a copy of the list with the serial numbers of the twenty-dollar bills taken by Cooper. I know it won't be easy, but I'm giving it a try. If you could, I'd also like one for my father. All together I want two. Thank-you very much.

Yours truly



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NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

Reference Sub FF titled "Reward".

The newspaper, Oregon Journal, Portland, Oregon 97201, area code 503-222-5511, is offering a reward of \$1,000 for the first missing \$20 bill that is turned in to them.

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③ - Seattle (164-81) SUB FF

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1015 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98104  
December 18, 1973

[Redacted]  
Montesano, Washington [Redacted]

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Dear [Redacted]:

Thank you for your letter expressing an interest in locating the missing \$20 bills obtained by the hijacker, "D. B. Cooper", on Thanksgiving eve, 1971.

Due to the limited supply of the ransom lists and the great demand for them, it is impractical as well as impossible to make copies of this list available to the public. However, if you feel you might have one of the \$20 bills, you can call your local police or sheriff's office and check the serial number against their list. In addition, many banking institutions throughout the country have a copy of the ransom list.

For your information there is a reward of \$25,000 for the ransom money and an additional \$1,000 for the first missing \$20 bill turned in to the Oregon Journal newspaper in Portland, Oregon.

Thank you again for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

J. E. Milnes  
Special Agent in Charge

1 - Addressee

3 - Seattle (164-81)

[Redacted] (4) [Redacted]

[Redacted]

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*Sub A*

DB Cooper-32538

1015 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98104  
December 18, 1973

[redacted]  
Spokane, Washington [redacted]

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Dear [redacted]:

Thank you for your letter expressing an interest in locating the missing \$20 bills obtained by the hijacker, "D. B. Cooper" on Thanksgiving eve, 1971.

Due to the limited supply of ransom lists and the great demand for them, it is impractical as well as impossible to make copies of this list available to the public. However, if you feel you might have one of the \$20 bills, you can call your local police or sheriff's office and check the serial number against their list. In addition, many banking institutions throughout the country have a copy of the ransom list.

For your information, in addition to the \$1,000 reward being offered by the Oregon Journal newspaper in Portland, Oregon, there is a reward of \$25,000 being offered for the ransom money by Northwest Orient Airlines.

Thank you again for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

J. E. Milnes  
Special Agent in Charge

1 - Addressee  
3 - Seattle (164-81)  
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*[Signature]*

1015 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98104  
December 18, 1973

[redacted]  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin [redacted]

Dear [redacted]:

Thank you for your letter expressing interest in locating the missing \$20 bills obtained by the hijacker, "P. B. Cooper", on Thanksgiving eve, 1971.

Due to the limited supply of ransom lists and the great demand for them, it is impractical as well as impossible to make copies of this list available to the public. However, if you feel you might have one of the \$20 bills, you can call your local police or sheriff's office and check the serial numbers against their list. In addition, many banking institutions throughout the country have a copy of the ransom list.

For your information there is a reward of \$25,000 for the ransom money and an additional \$1,000 for the first missing \$20 bill turned in to the Oregon Journal newspaper in Portland, Oregon.

Thank you again for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

J. E. Milnes  
Special Agent in Charge

1 - Addressee  
3 - Seattle (164-81)  
[redacted]

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Page 1  
The Daily Chronicle  
Centralia, Washington

## Reward offered

PORLAND, Ore. (AP)—The FBI in Portland announced today that Northwest Orient Airlines is offering a \$25,000 reward for recovery of the \$200,000 ransom paid to skyjacker D.B. Cooper last November.

The FBI release quoted Northwest Orient president Donald W. Nyrop as authorizing the \$25,000 "finder fee" for recovery of the total ransom, or 15 percent for any portion of the money returned to the airline.

Date: 10/19/72  
Edition: afternoon  
Author: Staff AP  
Editor: TOM KOENNINGER  
Title: NORJAK

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OO: Seattle

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Re Seattle nited dated 10/16/72.

Contact with representative of the Las Vegas Review Journal and the Las Vegas Sun on October 17, 1972, disclosed that they had previously received the news release by DONALD W. NYROP from the Wire Services to which they both subscribe and in fact had publicized same in the Sunday editions of their respective newspapers appearing October 15, 1972.

On basis of the foregoing no additional contact is being made at Las Vegas.

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1 - Las Vegas  
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Page 1  
The Columbian  
Vancouver, Washington

## Reward offered for data aiding skyjacker capture

Hunters have been alerted to be on the lookout for game that's bigger than deer or elk—like money.

Still pressing the search for skyjacker "D.B. Cooper," the FBI has announced that the president of Northwest Orient Airlines, Donald W. Nyrop, has authorized a reward of \$25,000 to the finder of evidence of the missing skyjacker, or

15 per cent of the \$200,000 ransom money the skyjacker is believed to have parachuted with on Nov. 24, 1971.

"D.B. Cooper" was the name used by a man who hijacked a Northwest Airlines jet last Thanksgiving Eve, got \$200,000 and four parachutes from the airline, and then apparently bailed out of the plane between Seattle and Reno, Nev.

The FBI has indicated the belief that the man parachuted in the area north of the North Fork Lewis River and south of the Kalama River.

J. E. Milnes, special agent in charge of the FBI at Seattle, has specifically advised travelers, hunters and others in the forested area northeast of Woodland to watch for the remains of a man, possibly dead for about a year. Other wanted evidence is remnants of a parachute, harness or parachute shroud lines; a deteriorated raincoat or overcoat; and a small briefcase or attache case.

The money consisted of 10,000 twenty-dollar bills wrapped in a parachute canopy. All serial numbers are known and can be identified.

Persons discovering evidence of the skyjacker are requested to call the FBI in Seattle collect. The number is code 206, MA 2-0460.

Date: 10/19/72  
Edition: afternoon

Author: staff  
Editor: Jack R. Campbell  
Title: NORJAK

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## Ask hunters to watch for skyjack loot

SEATTLE, Wash. (AP) — Hunters moving into the southwest Washington wilds for the opening of the general hunting season Saturday have been asked to look for \$200,000 — the money Northwest Airlines paid to the hijacker known as D. B. Cooper.

And they have been offered a \$25,000 reward if they come up with the whole amount. The reward scales down to 15 per cent of any lesser amount recovered.

Cooper, the only successful parachute hijacker, is believed to have bailed out of a Northwest 727 jetliner last Thanksgiving Eve somewhere over the southwest Washington area. Law enforcement agencies have scoured the area several times but without success.

Northwest, still convinced Cooper didn't survive the jump, hopes a hunter will stumble on the loot.

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The Columbian  
Vancouver, Washington

Date: 10/15/72  
Edition: Afternoon  
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Editor: Jack R. Campbell  
Title: NORJAK

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## RECORD OF INFORMATION FURNISHED OTHER AGENCIES

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Information concerning:

NORJAK - letter of SAC re facts and reward

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Information furnished from File, Serial, and Page Number:

From SAC letter of SAC dated 10/17/72 setting forth facts re hijacker  
and reward

Information furnished was obtained:

- during course of Bureau investigation
- from informants
- from complainants or other sources

Information furnished to:

Keosel, Washington PD; Cowlitz County SO; Longview, Washington PD; Clark Co SO.; Vancouver, Washington PD; Camas, Washington PD; SOs of Wahkiakum, Lewis and Pacific counties; Centralia and Chehalis PD and Raymond PD.  
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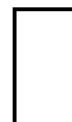
Remarks:

Several copies of the letter distributed to each department to be disseminated within department for information. Various dates of distribution.



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Thomas J. Manning

Special Agent

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AIRMAIL

TO SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

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*Sub F.F.*

Enclosed for Portland Division is one copy of a circular describing the area into which Unsub parachuted, specific things to look for, and reward information. This circular is being distributed to game wardens having cognizance over the area into which Unsub parachuted.

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① - Portland (Enc. 1)

② - Seattle

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Date: October 16, 1972

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 SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) 10/12  
 SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) 10/12  
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FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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NORJAK; OFFICE OF ORIGIN: SEATTLE  
 ON OCTOBER THIRTEEN SEVENTYTWO, DONALD W. NYROP,  
 PRESIDENT, NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, AUTHORIZED HIS APPROVAL  
 FOR RELEASE TO NEWS MEDIA IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST AREA OF  
 THE FOLLOWING NEWS RELEASE:

"DONALD W. NYROP, PRESIDENT, NORTHWEST ORIENT  
 AIRLINES, MINNEAPOLIS DASH ST. P&NL, MINNESOTA, HAS AUTHORIZED  
 A FINDER FEE OF TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS TOTAL RE-  
 WARD OR FIFTEEN PERCENT OF ANY PORTION OF THE D. B. COOPER  
 RANSOM MONEY THAT IS RETURNED."

RECEIVING OFFICES WILL ARRANGE TO MAKE THE ABOVE  
 QUOTED INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO THE APPROPRIATE NEWS MEDIA.  
 ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in

DB Cooper-32547

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 10/15/72

FROM : SPC FRANCIS E. ENTLER

SUBJECT: NORJAK

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The News department, KIRO T.V., contacted this office and requested copy of flier being distributed in Southwestern Washington offering \$25,000 reward for evidence found pertaining to captioned case. I advised them that all available fliers had been disseminated but that one would be furnished 10/16.

CALLED KIP-TV  
10/15/72  
S. OFFICE  
CATCH



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## 'Pot of gold' for hunters

A \$25,000 finders-fee reward for the return of the D. B. Cooper ransom money was announced late yesterday by Northwest Orient Airlines. A man using Cooper's name parachuted with \$200,000 on November 24, 1971, from a Northwest jet.

The reward coincides with the opening of hunting season. The airline hopes hunters might find the ransom.

Donald W. Nyrop, airline president, said a reward of 15 per cent will be paid for anyone finding any part of the ransom.

Cooper jumped from the rear door of a 727 after collection 10,000 \$20 bills.

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NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE NITEL DATED OCTOBER TEN LAST TO BUREAU AND  
MINNEAPOLIS.

ON OCTOBER THIRTEEN INSTANT, DONALD W. NYROP, PRESIDENT,  
NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES (NOAC), MINNEAPOLIS DASH ST. PAUL  
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, AUTHORIZED HIS APPROVAL FOR THE RELEASE  
*To* THE THE NEWS MEDIA IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST AREA OF THE NEWS  
RELEASE AS QUOTED IN REFERENCED AIRTEL. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) &  
 SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)  
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
 NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

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RE MINNEAPOLIS NITEL TO BUREAU AND SEATTLE,  
 OCTOBER FIVE, SEVENTYTWO.

MINNEAPOLIS IS REQUESTED TO RECONTACT MR. NYROP  
 AND OBTAIN HIS APPROVAL FOR THE RELEASE OF THE FOLLOWING  
 INFORMATION TO THE NEWS MEDIA IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST AREA:

"DONALD W. NYROP, PRESIDENT, NORTHWEST ORIENT  
 AIRLINES, MINNEAPOLIS DASH ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA, HAS  
 AUTHORIZED A FINDERS FEE OF TWENTYFIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS TOTAL  
 REWARD OR FIFTEEN PER CENT OF ANY PORTION OF THE D. B. COOPER  
 RANSOM MONEY THAT IS RETURNED."

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

Special Agent in

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Date: 10/6/72

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR (164-2111)  
SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

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NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

RE: M<sup>P</sup> NITEL TO THE BUREAU OCTOBER FIVE, SEVENTYTWO.

BUREAU AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED FOR SEATTLE AND PORTLAND  
DIVISIONS TO PROVIDE THE WASHINGTON AND OREGON NEWS  
ORGANIZATIONS WITH INFORMATION CONCERNING THE AUTHORIZATION  
BY NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES OF A REWARD FOR THE RETURN OF  
THE RANSOM MONEY.

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Special Agent

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Date: 10/5/72

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
 SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

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BORGAK, OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE NITEL TO BUREAU AND MINNEAPOLIS, OCTOBER  
 FOUR LAST.

DONALD W. NYROP, PRESIDENT, NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES,  
 MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TODAY ADVISED  
 HE WOULD NOT HESITATE TO AUTHORIZE A FINDERS FEE OF TWENTYFIVE  
THOUSAND DOLLARS TOTAL OR FIFTEEN PERCENT FOR ANY PORTION OF  
RANSOM MONEY RETURNED.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: October 4, 1972

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

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Re memo from SA [redacted] at Seattle, dated 8/24/72.

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On September 27, 1972, [redacted] [redacted], Vancouver, Washington, phone [redacted], advised that his department would disseminate literature about unsub to game wardens for further dissemination to local hunters in the Lake Merwin Dam area. He advised that he could probably disseminate 1,500 copies of the literature.

On September 28, 1972, SA [redacted] was advised of the above information at which time he stated that he would forward 1,500 copies of the literature regarding the unsub to the Longview, Washington RA for further dissemination to [redacted] (supra).

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## LEADS

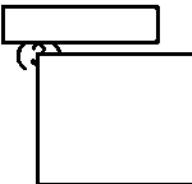
SEATTLE

AT VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON

Will provide [redacted] with literature regarding unsub for further dissemination to game wardens and subsequent dissemination to local hunters in the Lake Merwin Dam area.

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8:28 PM NITEL 10/4/72 [redacted]

TO ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)  
FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

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NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE NITEL TO BUREAU, DATED AUGUST TWENTYFOUR LAST.

RE NITEL REQUESTED BUREAU AUTHORITY TO CONTACT NORTHWEST AIRLINES AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, TO DETERMINE IF THEY ARE WILLING TO PROVIDE A FINDERS FEE TO ANYONE FINDING AND RETURNING THE RANSOM MONEY. FIFTEEN PERCENT OF ANY RANSOM MONEY RETURNED WAS RECOMMENDED AS A REASONABLE REWARD.

SEATTLE DIVISION IS DISSEMINATING INFORMATION CONCERNING CAPTIONED SKYJACKING TO WASHINGTON STATE GAME WARDENS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE AREA INTO WHICH UNSUB PARACHUTED. THE WARDENS ARE BEING ASKED TO MAKE THIS INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO ALL HUNTERS THEY ENCOUNTER IN THIS AREA DURING THE UPCOMING SEASON.

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INFORMATION CONCERNING ANY REWARD FOR PERSONS FINDING PART OR ALL OF THE RANSOM MONEY WAS NOT MADE AVAILABLE TO THE GAME WARDENS AT THIS TIME. IF A FINDERS FEE IS EVENTUALLY AUTHORIZED, THIS FACT WILL BE DISSEMINATED THROUGH THE WASHINGTON STATE GAME WARDENS TO THE HUNTERS IN THIS AREA.

IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, THE FOLLOWING LEAD IS BEING SET FORTH ON A UACB BASIS:

MINNEAPOLIS WILL EXPEDITIOUSLY CONTACT APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS AT NORTHWEST AIRLINES TO DETERMINE IF A FINDERS FEE CAN BE AUTHORIZED BY NORTHWEST AIRLINES.

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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Seattle, Washington  
October 2, 1972In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.Sub C  
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Dear Sir:

On November 24, 1971, a man parachuted into the below-described area with \$200,000 in \$20 bills. If, while camping or hunting, you should discover any evidence concerning this skyjacking please contact the nearest FBI Office.

AREA INVOLVED:

Bound on the West by US 5, bound on the South by the Columbia River, bound on the North by the Kalama River, and bound on the East by the Skamania - Clark County line.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR:

- (1.) The remains of a man, possibly dead for one year.
- (2.) The remnants of a parachute, harness or parachute shroud lines.
- (3.) 10,000 \$20 bills wrapped in a parachute canopy, all serial numbers are known and can be identified.
- (4.) Deteriorated raincoat or overcoat.
- (5.) Small briefcase or attache case.

If any information concerning this matter is discovered, it should be reported to the FBI Office at Seattle, Washington, Area Code 206, telephone MA 2-0460 collect, or to the nearest FBI Office, which can be found by checking the front of your telephone directory.

Very truly yours,

  
J. E. MILNES,  
Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-32557

Sub FF

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Date: August 22, 1972

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

TO            ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
 FROM        SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
 SUBJECT     NORJAK  
 OO: Seattle

*Sub-FF*

Reference Seattle airtel to the Bureau dated  
8/7/72.

In order that this case be given more publicity,  
the following leads are being set forth for Bureau  
consideration and approval:

1. Mats should be made of the artist's conception of Unsub so that small publications with limited funds can feature articles concerning this matter and include with the story a picture of Unsub without incurring the additional expense of having new mats made (Note: An editor of the Veterans' of Foreign Wars publication for the State of Oregon has requested such a mat to print a picture of Unsub in his next issue).
2. If the artist's conception of Unsub is changed as suggested in referenced airtel, mats of the new picture should also be made.

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1 - Portland (Info)

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Special Agent in Charge

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5 November, 1976

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

A number of weeks ago I called the Indianapolis office of the FBI and relayed the contents of the two inclosed news items to the lady who took my call. It seemed to me that an investigation of the bills found in Newfoundland would be in order, especially since the serial numbers of the Cooper ransom bills are known.

The lady who listened to my story thanked me nicely, hung up, and didn't even ask my name. Since I was interested enough to call in the first place, I would certainly like to know what happened, if anything, especially if some reward is involved.

As a retired Federal analyst, I am very familiar with the way many Government agencies do not always answer their mail, unless of course some Congressional interest is being shown, but I will optimistically look forward to some sort of an answer anyway.

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Yours truly

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## FBI Steps Up D.B. Cooper Search

The statute of limitations is about to expire on D.B. Cooper and his \$200,000 ransom, and the FBI is willing to pay \$5,000 to the first person to turn in one of the \$20 bills he stole.

Cooper was the man who hijacked a Northwest Airlines Boeing 727 flying from Portland to Seattle on Nov. 24, 1971, by giving a stewardess a note claiming he had a bomb in his suitcase.

Cooper's ransom was \$200,000 from the airline, and he parachuted into a raging thunderstorm from the jet's rear door somewhere between Seattle and Reno, Nev.

No one is sure Cooper survived the jump, and no trace of him has ever been found.

The FBI, aware that statute of limitations will expire at midnight, Nov. 24, 1976, continues the hunt.

A plan has been devised to try and recover the 10,000 \$20 bills. If any have shown up, but it isn't being well received.

The plan involves nationwide publishing of the serial numbers of the bills. The person who turns in the first bill would get \$5,000 reward. Smaller rewards would be given to persons who turned in bills later.

The FBI says, however, that even if Cooper beats the rap, he won't be able to go public. The IRS believes Cooper owes back taxes amounting to \$218,000, which includes interest and penalties, for his plunder.

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## Streets Paved With \$20 Bills

The streets aren't paved with milk and honey, but residents of Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, aren't complaining.

After all, the \$20 bills that have been popping up mysteriously on the streets will

buy a lot of milk and honey. Several people have found \$20 bills in recent days. The money has "just been lying on the ground," reports the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. "It's a mystery to us. They don't seem to come from any one direction or source."

At least \$200 has been found so far. Authorities speculate the money may have been stolen and stashed. Most of the bills are still crisp.



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To: SACs, Philadelphia (Enc. 1)  
Seattle (164-81) (Enc. 1)

From: Director, FBI (164-2111)

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Enclosed for Philadelphia and Seattle is one copy of a self-explanatory letter concerning captioned matter dated 8/26/76, to the Director, FBI from Philip M. Cullen, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

For your information, Cullen is a former SA of the FBI and retired as Senior Resident Agent at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, on 3/3/68. Philadelphia at Lancaster, contact Cullen, acknowledge receipt of his letter and secure any additional information he may have concerning [redacted]. In view of [redacted] common name, attempt to secure any additional identifying data i.e., date and place of birth, Pennsylvania State Police Number, or FBI Number in order that a search of [redacted] name can be made at FBIHQ. Conduct any additional investigation necessary to ascertain if [redacted] is in fact the individual responsible for captioned matter. If necessary, contact [redacted] Pennsylvania, it being noted that a copy of the enclosure was directed to him.

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PHILIP M. CULLEN  
ATTORNEY AT LAW

156 EAST KING STREET  
P.O. BOX 1078  
LANKCASTER, PA. 17604

August 26, 1976

Clarence M. Kelley, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C. 20535

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Re: Unknown Subject, aka  
D. B. Cooper  
Aircraft Piracy--Northwest Airlines  
November, 1971

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Dear Mr. Kelley:

Reference is made to the apparently unsolved incident in November, 1971 in which an unknown male individual using the name D. B. Cooper extorted \$200,000 cash from Northwest Airlines in the state of Washington and disappeared from the pirated aircraft enroute to Reno, Nevada.

[redacted] Lancaster  
County, Pennsylvania, telephone [redacted] furnished the following information when contacted on an unrelated personal matter.

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[redacted] stressed that he has no direct, specific information that the information he furnished concerning [redacted] below, may or may not relate to the D. B. Cooper air piracy incident.

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[redacted] businessman who has lived all his life in the general [redacted] area, advised that he had known a [redacted] white, male, who would now be in his late 50s or early 60s, muscular, originally from the Lancaster County area, who possibly could be the unknown individual using the name D. B. Cooper.

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In brief, according to [redacted]  
[redacted] Lancaster County area, [redacted] was a member of the Pennsylvania State Police who resigned from the force; was an aviator and parachutist; was an active hunter, fisherman, and outdoor camper; was a [redacted] area; and then about 10-15 years ago, after having been [redacted] by the Pennsylvania State Police on [redacted] and disappear[ed].

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cc: SAC, Philadelphia (Information)  
[redacted] Pa.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 6/14/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

Re memo of SA [redacted] 5/14/76.

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On 6/8/76, [redacted] "Bremerton Sun", was advised of the plan, now being contemplated, to offer a reward for any of the bait money turned in in connection with this matter.

[redacted] stated that that newspaper would be happy to cooperate in the plan should it materialize and he raised the question of how many bait bill numbers would have to be published. He explained it would be very tedious, cumbersome and expensive to print and publish the list of bait bills if it was an extensive list. He explained that the paper has an offset printing press and that if the FBI could furnish an offset proof publishing the list of serial numbers would be simple and involve little or no expense to the newspaper.

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He reiterated that his paper would be happy to cooperate in the plan if and when it materializes.

## RECOMMENDATION

If the plan as set out in re memo is initiated, it is recommended that "offset proofs", be prepared in advance to facilitate publication of the bait bills.

It is noted that the "Bremerton Sun" is the leading newspaper on the Olympic Peninsula and covers all of Kitsap and Jefferson Counties.

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

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 6/10/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
(BUfile 164-2111)

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Re memo of SA [redacted] dated 5/14/76.

On 6/4/76, [redacted] for the Yakima Herald-Rupublic Newspaper, a daily newspaper of wide circulation in the Yakima area, advised as follows:

With regard to the FBI's request for space to run a list of ransom bill serial numbers and an accompanying article, [redacted] stated that his paper would probably participate in this if the entire article, including the list of serial numbers, was not extensive and could be set forth in one column of one page. [redacted] stated that should the printing of the serial numbers take an extensive amount of space to set forth, it would not be practical for the newspaper to run that type of article without reimbursement. [redacted] concluded by saying that, should the article be of reasonable size, he would co-ordinate having the article printed in the Yakima Herald-Republic on a one-time basis during November, 1976.

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For information of Case Agent, there are no other newspapers or periodicals of significant circulation in the Yakima area; therefore, no additional contacts were made.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P) DATE: 3/26/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
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Enclosed are four (4) artists composites, two black and white, and two color, depicting the NORJAK unsub with and without glasses.

On November 24, 1971, a lone white male boarded Northwest Orient Flight #305 at Portland, Oregon. At approximately 3:22 P.M., while the flight was en route to Seattle, Washington, he indicated to the stewardess that his brief case contained a bomb which would blow up the plane unless his demands were met.

The hijacker demanded \$200,000 and four parachutes in exchange for the safety of the 36 passengers aboard the plane. When the aircraft landed at Seattle, Northwest Orient Airlines complied with his instructions. After he received the parachutes and money, the hijacker allowed all passengers and the two airline stewardesses to deplane.

He then ordered the remaining crew members into the first-class section of the aircraft and informed them he desired to fly to Mexico City. The hijacker instructed that the plane proceed in a southerly direction and fly at a low altitude and slow speed which would enable the rear door of the plane to be opened during the flight.

The hijacker apparently bailed out somewhere between Seattle, Washington, and Reno, Nevada, where the plane landed to refuel. It was determined the hijacker, two parachutes, and the ransom money had disappeared when the plane was inspected at Reno, Nevada.

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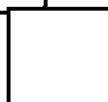
TO : DIRECTOR, FBI(164-2111)

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLERe Minneapolis airtel to Bureau and Seattle dated  
5/21/76.Enclosed for the Minneapolis Division is one copy  
of a list of ransom bills paid in air piracy case dated  
11/29/71.For the information of the Minneapolis Division,  
the enclosed lists were disseminated as suggested in referenced  
communication approximately five years ago. To date, none  
of the ransom bills have been discovered as a result of this  
dissemination.It is not clear from information contained in  
referenced communication as to the insurance company's position  
concerning the new ransom proposals. Timing is critical if  
this new program is to be implemented; therefore, if anything  
is going to be done concerning these proposals, it must be  
done soon in order for all preliminaries to be completed prior  
to the planned publicity campaign in November of this year.

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
 FROM: ADIC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAK  
 OO: Seattle

Re Seattle airtel to Bureau dated 5/12/76.

Contact with media outlets regarding requests as set forth in referenced airtel has determined that before media outlets will even consider printing a volume of serial numbers, the matter must be a current, constant highlight news interest (such as the first case), and must have a constant meaningful local interest to the readership.

There are no newspapers, magazines, or similar publications located within the Los Angeles Division that would be in a position to make space available to publish such a volume of serial numbers as involved in captioned case.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)(RUC)  
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(OO: SEATTLE)

For the information of receiving offices. [redacted]

Northwest Orient Airlines, Inc., Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, St. Paul, Minnesota, was contacted regarding the proposals in referenced Seattle airtel on 5/18/76.

After explaining the proposals to [redacted] he advised that his initial reaction to the publicity program was negative. [redacted] advised that he was concerned with stimulating further hijacking as well as the possible negative effects a campaign of this type would have regarding potential passengers for Northwest Airlines. [redacted] noted that after much difficulty Northwest received insurance payment from their insurance company for the ransom and feels that they should be contacted regarding this program. [redacted] advised that he desired to contact the insurance company himself and he also wants to discuss this program with his associates. [redacted] advised that he is not completely adverse to the proposals and was not particularly concerned over the amounts suggested as reward for turning in twenty dollar ransom notes. [redacted] advised that when Northwest Airlines has reached a decision as to their position they will contact the FBI Office.

On 5/21/76 [redacted] contacted the FBI and advised that he had discussed this proposal with officers of Northwest Airlines and their insurance representative had contacted the insurance company involved in this case and he advised that it

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was the overwhelming opinion of all involved that they would not like to see a publicity program such as this put into effect. [redacted] advised his concern was that publicity would do more harm than the possible results of this campaign would warrant. [redacted] strongly urges that we not persist in this proposal but reiterated his willingness to cooperate in any other manner possible.

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Minneapolis wishes to suggest to Seattle the possibility of having a ransom booklet prepared listing by serial numbers; the twenty dollar bills paid in Norjak. A booklet was prepared in the [redacted]

[redacted] These booklets were distributed to numerous businesses and have on occasion resulted in the recovery of twenty dollar bills included in the list.

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The following information was provided to an SA of the San Francisco Division by an United Airlines employee who desired to remain anonymous. This information is being furnished Seattle for analysis and possible lead potential.

The United Airlines (UA) employee advised that an individual whose true name is [REDACTED], according to rumor, [REDACTED] in Denver, Colorado, for a period of time shortly before the skyjacking. [REDACTED] allegedly was a military trained paratrooper and a skydiver by hobby. This individual is supposed to be an [REDACTED] who supposedly bragged in [REDACTED] that he could accomplish a feat such as bailing out of an airline plane. Further, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Finally, this individual has not been seen since shortly before the date of the skyjack. The individual providing this information insists that this information was a [REDACTED] of UA, especially those associated with the UA Denver base; but that [REDACTED] airline officials squelched the rumore, fearing that it might result in bad publicity for the airline.

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

Reurairtel to the Bureau dated 5/12/76.

Below are the lists of newspapers in the Las Vegas Divisions which would be interested in publicizing serial number listings re captioned matter:

"Las Vegas Sun" Las Vegas, Nevada  
"Review Journal" Las Vegas, Nevada  
"Valley Times" North Las Vegas, Nevada  
"Reno Evening Gazette" Reno, Nevada  
"Nevada State Journal" Reno, Nevada

The above papers are the five major newspapers in the state of Nevada which newspapers are distributed throughout the rural counties within their respective areas.

(2) - Seattle  
1 - Las Vegas  
[redacted]  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 5/14/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

Re Bureau airtel to Seattle et al, dated 5/5/76,  
enclosed is one copy of referenced communication.

LEADS:

SEATTLE DIVISION

All Resident Agencies, Washington

All RA's are requested to contact major newspapers within their territories, in an effort to determine if those newspapers would participate in a publicity venture by printing one time daily or weekly the list of ransom bill serial numbers, if they agreed printing these, is there a particular form in which the numbers could be provided to facilitate easier printing of the same. Newspaper officials should be advised that calls from individuals concerning the fact they possess a \$20 bill of interest will be directed to nearest FBI office, or resident agency.

In addition to all RA's are requested to obtain a list of all publications including all magazines and newspapers in their territories that might be possibly be interested in publishing serial number listings. The name and place of publication should be obtained and forwarded to Headquarters, so that at the appropriate time leads can be set out to have these publications contacted and their assistance requested.

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3 - Seattle (164-81)  
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164-81-6929

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Date: 5/12/76

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Via

AIRMAIL

(Precedence)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAK  
 OO: SEATTLE

Re Bureau airtel to Seattle et al, dated 5/5/76.

Enclosed for Minneapolis Office is one (1) copy of referenced communication.

Minneapolis is requested to immediately contact officials at Northwest Orient Airlines in effort to determine their interest in possibly providing the necessary reward money referred to in referenced communication. In contacting Northwest Orient Airlines officials concerning this reward, Minneapolis should bear in mind that the greater the reward the more public interest generated. If Northwest Orient Airlines is not interested in providing such a reward, the insurance carrier that reimbursed Northwest for the \$200,000 taken by Unsub in this matter should be contacted in a discreet manner and their interest in possibly providing this reward determined.

All other receiving offices should make and forward to Seattle a list of the names and places of publication of all magazines and newspapers that might possibly be interested in publishing serial number listings.

- 2 - Bureau (164-2111)
- 2 - Las Vegas (164-60)
- 2 - Los Angeles (164-797)
- 2 - Minneapolis (164-73) (Encl. 1)
- 2 - Portland (164-41)
- 2 - San Francisco (164-220)
- 3 - Seattle (164-81)

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent: \_\_\_\_\_ M Per: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

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164-81-6928

Airtel

5/5/76

To: SACS, Seattle (164-81)  
Las Vegas (164-60)  
Los Angeles (164-797)  
Portland (164-41)  
San Francisco (164-220)

From: Director, FBI (164-2111)

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OO: SE

Representatives from receiving offices were in attendance at the Norjak seminar held at San Francisco, 4/8-9/76, where a suggestion was made to institute a publicity campaign for release in early November, 1976, widely publicizing a reward for any twenty-dollar bill turned in from the ransom list published in various media periodicals and possible local newspapers. This suggestion was approved at FBIHQ and efforts to initiate appropriate groundwork steps are now being taken.

Receiving offices should, at this time, contact major newspapers within their Divisions in an effort to determine if first they would participate in this publicity venture by printing on a one-time, daily, or weekly basis the list of ransom bill serial numbers and second if they agree to printing these, is there a particular form in which the numbers could be provided to facilitate easier printing of same. Newspaper officials should be advised that calls from individuals concerning the fact that they possess a twenty-dollar bill of interest will be directed to the nearest FBI Office.

Seattle should immediately set out leads for Minneapolis to contact officials at Northwest Airlines in an effort to determine their interest in possibly pro-

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

4/15/76

SA [redacted]

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OO: SE  
BUfile 164-2111

*Sub Z*

RE: BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS SUB-Z AND  
NORJAK CONFERENCE SAN FRANCISCO  
APRIL 8, 1976 SUB-II

On 4/8/76, a conference was held in the Federal Building at San Francisco, California. Present at this conference were the following individuals:

SAC CHARLES W. BATES;  
ASAC [redacted]  
[redacted]

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San Francisco Agents [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] BERLYN CLOW;  
Portland Agent [redacted]  
Los Angeles Agent ROBERT STRANGER;  
Reno Agent [redacted]  
Seattle Agent [redacted]

[redacted] stated at the conclusion of the meeting that he would come out with his recommendations concerning this case to the Bureau by 4/16/76.

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It was noted during the conference that there were 814 suspects currently on file and 794 of them had been eliminated. In addition, it was determined that a JOHN DOE warrant would not be obtained concerning UNSUB and that as far as could be determined from the Department of Justice the Statute of Limitations has been tolled in that there was a death penalty for the crime committed by UNSUB at the time he committed the crime.

Finally, various avenues of investigative possibilities were discussed at the conference with the stipulations (1) the Statute of Limitations tolls and therefore there would be no

(2) Seattle  
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FBI - SEATTLE	[redacted]

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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE 1-76

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

April 15, 1976

## MEMORANDUM TO ALL SPECIAL AGENTS

## RE: COMPUTER SUPPORT TO THE FIELD

The main thrust of our computer support effort in the past has been directed at administrative and National Crime Information Center (NCIC) matters. It is now my desire to concentrate more on ways our computers can support the Agent in the Field. This is to make you aware of the computer services that are presently available to you.

The Data Processing Section (DPS) of the Computer Systems Division is responsible for working with the Field on investigative matters. Agents with specialized backgrounds have been assigned to this Section and will assist you if some aspect of a case lends itself to computerization. This might be a large volume of records (e.g., checks, cash receipts, purchase orders, personnel records, payroll records, telephone numbers, etc.) that require sequencing, comparing or calculating, to disclose misappropriations, kiting, lapping, skimming, padding of payrolls, identities of suspects, conspiracies, etc. If you think the work can be performed more practically on the computer, you should contact the DPS.

The DPS also offers assistance in the following areas:

1. Printing records that are in computer form (e.g., records on computer tapes, disks or cards).
2. Assistance in writing search warrants for, and conducting searches of, computer installations.
3. Assistance in writing subpoenas for computer records.
4. Assistance in auditing computer records.
5. Assistance in interviewing computer personnel (e.g., computer analysts, programmers, operators, etc.).
6. Computerized Telephone Number File (CTNF) services which will resequence telephone numbers to facilitate setting leads and identifying subscribers.
7. Special searches of the NCIC current files or previous records, in addition to the normal NCIC service.

The DPS is ready to assist the Field in all future major cases. DPS has developed a "Major Case Information System," a prototype of which was used in the RESMURS Case. A similar system is presently being used in the LAGBOM and ZAPBOM Cases. From this system, the Agent can more readily determine what investigation has been conducted on the case, and what leads are still outstanding. The system will also benefit the Agent when writing reports, answering inquiries, controlling physical evidence and for file review prior to trial.

Part II, Section 3 (pages 28 and 29) of the Manual of Rules and Regulations sets forth the way to request computer support services for investigative matters. I encourage you to take full advantage of this service.

Clarence M. Kelley  
Director



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164-81-6942

Airtel

TO: SACs, SEATTLE (164-81)  
LAS VEGAS (164-60)  
LOS ANGELES (164-497)  
PORTLAND (164-41)  
SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

2/25/76

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

NORJAK

OO: SEATTLE

Recently in connection with the Norjak case, the Department of Justice has been attempting to determine if the Federal Statute of Limitations (five years) will apply to the unknown subject of captioned hijacking, and if in fact it does apply, then is it at this time, feasible to consider obtaining a "John Doe" indictment.

In an effort to completely review all pertinent evidence obtained and determine its present value if unknown subject was identified and brought to trial now or within the last three to five years, as well as, to determine if there is enough individually identifiable information in our possession to have a basis for obtaining a "John Doe" indictment, a Norjak conference will commence April 8, 1976, 8:30 a.m., at the SFO.

All receiving offices will send appropriate representatives insuring they possess complete knowledge of all investigative aspects of captioned case conducted within their respective division and a general overall insight into all investigation conducted to date. Each representative will be expected to offer suggestions as to new directions in which this investigation might proceed and/or furnish information to insure that all logical investigation has been conducted. It is absolutely necessary that we insure all investigative avenues have been 100 per cent exhausted.

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Airtel to Sacs, SE, LV, LA, PD, SF  
RE NORJAK

Receiving offices should furnish FBIHQ the  
names of the representatives to be in attendance by  
COB 3/26/76.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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

DATE: 3/1/76

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

OO: SEATTLE  
(BUFILE 164-2111)

RE: BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS  
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On 2/24/76, [redacted] b6  
Division 6, Extension 4192, telephonically advised that there b7C  
will be a conference involving Seattle, Las Vegas, Portland,  
and San Francisco concerning captioned matter. [redacted]  
advised that the purpose of the meeting is as follows:

1. Be sure that all investigation has been completed and that everything that can be done that is feasible has been done.
2. If a subject is caught, can he be convicted with the evidence we now possess?
3. Is there enough evidence for a JOHN DOE Indictment?

[redacted] advised tentatively the meeting would be sometime in April in the San Francisco Division and would last for one or two days.

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[redacted] advised he would be putting out finalized plans in the form of an airtel sometime in the next two or three days.

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Date: 5/30/74

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(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) &amp; SAC, DALLAS (164-191)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) ~~SUB P~~ (P) SAC 0,2 X

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Re DB Cooper-32327 U.S. Government Printing Office, 1972, 455-574

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6-56 PM MITEL MAY 28, 1974 [REDACTED]

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)  
SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM DALLAS (164-191) (P) 2P

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RE REPORT OF SA [REDACTED] AT SEATTLE DATED

MAY 30, 1973.

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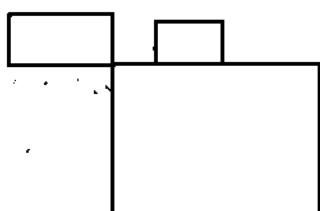
A REVIEW OF REFERENCED REPORT NOTED TO PROBABILITIES THAT THE UNSUB LIVED IN THE PORTLAND OR SEATTLE AREAS OR HAD FLOWN MORE THAN ONCE OVER THESE AREAS; HE WAS NOT AN EXPERIENCED SKYDIVER AND MOST LIKELY RECEIVED HIS JUMP TRAINING IN THE MILITARY; HE WAS NOT AN EXPERIENCED CRIMINAL; AND HE MAY HAVE PREVIOUSLY WORKED IN AN AIRLINE-RELATED INDUSTRY.

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IN ADDITION, IF NOT ALREADY DONE, SEATTLE MAY WISH TO  
CONSIDER SETTING OUT LEADS TO DISPLAY ARTIST'S CONCEPTION  
OF UNSUB TO PERSONNEL AT SMOKE JUMPING CENTERS SUCH AS  
LOCATED AT MISSOULA, MONTANA, IN THE VENT UNSUB HAD BEEN  
A SMOKE JUMPER OR TRAINED BY SMOKE JUMPING PERSONNEL.  
END.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Los Angeles (164-497)

Date: April 19, 1974

From: Director, FBI

Re: NORJAK

OO: Seattle

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FBI File No.

164-2111

Lab. No.

[Redacted]

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Examination requested by: Los Angeles, Las Vegas

Reference: Airtels 3/27/74 & 4/5/74

Examination requested: Microscopic Analyses - Fingerprint

Remarks:

It should be noted that the captioned crime was committed on November 24, 1971. Due to the amount of time that has passed since this date, the value of any further hair comparisons with the Q2 head hair clipping is very limited.

You are being advised of the result of the fingerprint examination and the disposition of the "Also Submitted" items by a separate report.

Specimen K7 is being returned to the Los Angeles field office as an enclosure to this report.

The "Resubmitted" glass microscope slide is being returned to the Las Vegas field office as an enclosure to their copy of this report.

Enclosures (3) (2 Lab report, K7)

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2-SAC, Las Vegas (164-60) Enclosures (3) (2 Lab report, Q2

(2) SAC, Seattle (164-81) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report) *164-81-6249*

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

To: SAC, Los Angeles

Re: NORJAK

OO: Seattle

Date: April 19, 1974

FBI File No. 164-2111

Lab. No. [redacted]

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Specimens received 4/3/74 from SAC, Los Angeles under cover of airtel dated 3/27/74 [redacted]:

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K7 Head hair sample from [redacted]

Also Submitted: Finger and palm prints of [redacted]

Specimens received 4/11/74 from SAC, Las Vegas under cover of airtel dated 4/5/74 [redacted]:

Resubmitted from [redacted]:

One glass microscope slide containing hairs from specimen Q2.

Result of examination:

The head hair clipping of Caucasian origin previously found on Q2 is microscopically dissimilar to the hairs present in the K7 head hair sample from [redacted]. Accordingly<sup>b6</sup> the head hair clipping could not be associated with the same source<sup>b7C</sup> as the K7 hairs.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI [redacted]  
FROM: SAC, DALLAS [redacted] (RUC)  
SUBJECT: TWABOM

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Re Bureau airtel to Dallas, dated 2/4/74.

On 2/13/74, [redacted], of the Aberrant Behavior Center, Dallas, Texas, was personally contacted by SA [redacted] and his letter of 1/25/74 to the Bureau was acknowledged. [redacted] was advised of the Bureau's instructions as set forth in referenced airtel. He was polite and gracious to SA [redacted] and said that he did not want to interfere in any capacity whatsoever with the Bureau's investigation of pending criminal cases and understands the Bureau's position that it cannot make items of evidentiary value available to him for his research.

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[redacted] further advised that his research is not entirely self-serving and that at a future date, it could be of assistance to law enforcement, the airline industry and the general field of Aberrant Behavior. He said [redacted]

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2 - Bureau  
1 - New York [redacted] (Info)  
1 - Portland [redacted] (Info)  
1 - Seattle (164-81) (Info)  
1 - Dallas  
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THE ABERRANT BEHAVIOR CENTER

713 NOEL PAGE BUILDING

DALLAS, TEXAS 75206

(214) 369-4077

(214) 369-3350

January 25, 1974

Mr. Clarence Kelly

Attn: [redacted]

5710 Dept. of Justice Building  
9th & Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20535

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Dear Mr. Kelly:

Thank you for the recent copy of the extortion note in the Trans World Airlines aircraft bombing case. It is my understanding other communications from the offender were received by telephone and transcribed in the offender's own words. Would it be possible to have copies of those phone messages that dealt with such matters as the locations of explosives, leasing and dispatch of STOL aircraft, etc.? Undoubtedly valuable psycholinguistic clues would be involved in these instructions. Is it possible any of these calls were tape recorded?

I appreciate this opportunity for informal association.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

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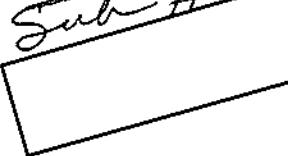
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Date: 4/23/73

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

TO ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
 FROM SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
 SUBJECT NORJAK  
 OO: Seattle

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Reference Sub: [redacted] from  
 British Columbia [redacted] Bureau airtel to Seattle dated  
 4/17/73.

Suspect's photo shown to Seattle NORJAK witnesses  
 4/23/73 and all three advised he is not identical with unsub  
 in this case.

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2 - Bureau  
 1 - Minneapolis (164-73) (Info)  
 1 - Honolulu (164-85) (Info)  
 1 - Denver (164-98) (Info)  
 2 - Seattle

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 U.S. Government Printing Office: 1970 16-700-100-1000

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, Seattle (164-81)

FROM : Acting Director, FBI (164-2111)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: April 10, 1973

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ReBuairtel 1/2/73 to Seattle, Denver, and Minneapolis.

The color sketch prepared of Unsub in captioned case, which is marked "B" and dated 1/2/73, is considered by Exhibits Section at this date to be the best likeness obtainable from descriptive data available. The original artist's sketch, with and without sunglasses and designated as "A" sketch, was a black and white rendering of Unsub prepared immediately following hijacking. Subsequently the color sketch, with and without sunglasses, was developed and marked as "B" sketch. Although a divergence of opinion regarding certain characteristics has appeared in descriptions given by the various witnesses, the consensus indicates that a good likeness of Unsub is shown by the artist's sketch and that the "B" sketch with the added dimension of color more accurately shows the Unsub's age and overall likeness.

In view of the numerous contacts with the witnesses who supplied the descriptive data from which the sketch was prepared and the lapse of time since they observed the hijacker, it is felt no constructive purpose can be served by further attempts at modification based on contact with these same witnesses.

- 1 - Denver (164-98) (Info)
- 1 - Little Rock (Info)
- 1 - Minneapolis (164-73) (Info)

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Airtel

4/17/73

To: SACs, Seattle (164-81)  
Minneapolis (164-73)  
Honolulu (164-85)  
Denver (164-98)

From: Acting Director, FBI (164-2111)

NORJAK

OO: SE

ReHNairtel to the Bureau 2/20/73, and Bureau cable  
to Legat, Ottawa, 2/23/73.

164-81-143

Enclosed for each receiving office is one copy each  
of three photographs depicting four views of suspect as furnished  
[redacted] to Legat, Ottawa.  
Also enclosed is a [redacted] to Legat, Ottawa.

All receiving offices should note that [redacted]  
and enclosures were [redacted] is  
to be protected.

Receiving offices should exhibit suspect's photographs  
to all witnesses in order to determine if identical with  
D. B. Cooper. No information regarding the source of these  
photographs should be mentioned. Results should be furnished  
the Bureau and Seattle as office of origin.

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2/22/73

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

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

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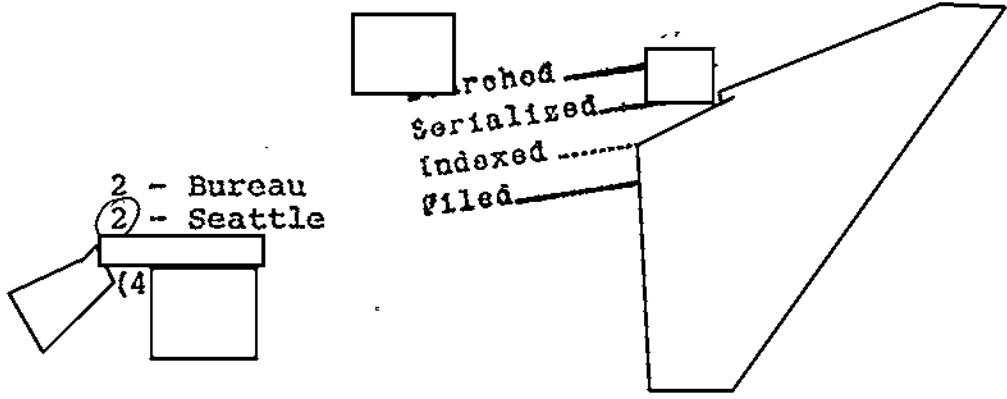
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

*Sub Z*

Re Bureau airtel to all offices except Seattle,  
Portland, and Las Vegas, dated 11/29/71.

Seattle Division will forward copies of the new artist's composite to all offices. UACB, Seattle will request that all divisions not make press releases of the new composite at this time, because of the possibility of adverse publicity due to the December FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin publication of an interim artist's composite.

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Date: 2/15/73

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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Via AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

(Priority)

TO: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

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An attempt is being made to obtain larger scale maps of the area it is thought UNSUB parachuted into. This area is in the southeast portion of the State of Washington and is located approximately halfway between Woodland, Washington, and Lake Merwin.

On February 13, 1973, [redacted]

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Mc Chord Air Force Base, made available an address for the U. S. Army Aeronautical Service. [redacted] advised maps could be obtained from this office of the area desired.

The full address is United States Army Aeronautical Service Office, HQDA (FDAS-A1), Cameron Station, Alexandria, Virginia, 22314, telephone Area Code 202/274-7773, Autovon phone 284-7773.

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ALEXANDRIA DIVISION  
At Alexandria, Virginia

Will contact appropriate personnel of the U. S. Army Aeronautical Service Office and attempt to obtain blown up maps of the area located between Woodland, Washington, and Lake Merwin. Note: This area is described in the United States Department of Interior Geological Survey under the following four names: Pidegon Springs, Cougar La Center, and Yacolt.

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2 - Alexandria  
3 - Seattle

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Special Agent in Charge

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DB Cooper-32342

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Date: 2/8/73

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81).

FROM: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72) (P)

NORJAK  
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Re WFO letter to Alexandria, 11/20/72; and Seattle airtel to Alexandria, 2/5/73:

Continuous investigation has been conducted at the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia, during the months of December, 1972, and January, 1973, in an attempt to determine who would have authority to re-route military training missions in visual aerial photography flown within the continental United States. To date no one has been located who could positively state that this could be done, however,

was contacted and he advised that he had made inquiry into this matter and stated that in the event Seattle wished to have military assistance in this matter than Seattle should request the Director to submit a letter of request to the Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Pentagon, Washington, D. C. 20301. In this letter the full particulars of the matter should be set forth as well as whether or not the Bureau or Department of Justice is willing to observe the additional cost if any to the Air Force.

[redacted] advised that he

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Approved: [redacted] Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

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DB Cooper-32343

FBI

Airtel

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To: SAC, Seattle (164-81)

Date January 22, 1973

From: Acting Director, FBI (164-2111)

NORJAK

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Re your airtel dated 1/5/73 requesting additional copies  
of subject artist's conception

1. ITEMS ENCLOSED PREPARED BY EXHIBITS SECTION, ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION:  
1000 copies each of artist's conception, with and without  
sunglasses, marked "B" and dated 1/2/73

## 2. ACTION TO BE TAKEN:

- A. Have witness(es) view item(s) for evaluation.
- B. If modification is necessary, submit additional information and any pertinent comments of witness(es) to Exhibits Section, Administrative Division.
- C. When likeness is approved by witness(es) any extra copies needed should be made or obtained locally. If local copying facilities are not available additional copies may be requested from Exhibits Section.

D. As the case progresses, advise Exhibits Section re use and effectiveness of item(s) as investigative aid(s). Upon apprehension of subject(s), submit arrest photographs(s).

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DB Cooper-32345

Airtel

1/4/73

To: SAC, Seattle  
From: Acting Director, FBI  
NORJAK

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Enclosed is a Xerox copy of a self-explanatory letter dated 12/26/72, from [redacted]

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Identify the [redacted] mentioned in enclosed letter, and conduct that investigation necessary to determine if hijacker in captioned matter identical with individual referred to by [redacted] letter has been acknowledged by the Bureau.

Enclosure

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AIRTEL

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM: SAC, DENVER (164-98) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: Seattle)

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Re Bureau airtel to receiving offices, dated 11/13/72, Sacramento airtel to Kansas City, dated 11/30/72, and Denver airtel to Bureau, dated 12/8/72.

For information of the Bureau, [redacted] was contacted on 12/8/72, and [redacted] was shown the new composite of the subject in the NORJAK case.

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[redacted] advised that while this composite does not exactly portray the subject as she recalls him, it is an extremely good likeness. She stated that she recalls the subject to be slightly thinner than the composite portrays, and she feels that the forehead in the composite should be slightly narrower. She also recalled that the subject's hair looked grayer and was combed flatter or slicked down more than the composite indicates. [redacted] said that the nose, mouth, and ears as portrayed in the composite are exactly as she recalls the subject's appearance. Her overall comment was that the new composite is probably as close as can be depicted.

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[redacted] was also shown a composite of the suspect in the TWABON case as well as a photograph of [redacted]. [redacted] She advised that neither of these photographs shares any likeness to the subject in the NORJAK case.

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- 2 - Bureau (AM)
- 1 - Kansas City (Info) (AM)
- 1 - Minneapolis (Info) (AM) (164-73)
- 1 - Sacramento (164-81) (Info) (AM)
- 1 - Seattle (164-81) (Info) (AM)
- 3 - Denver (1-149-474)

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DN 164-98

For additional information, Denver is office of origin in a case captioned [REDACTED]

Denver file [REDACTED] was recently arrested at Denver after [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Charges are pending against [REDACTED] at Denver. A photograph of [REDACTED] was shown to [REDACTED] and she advised that he bears no resemblance at all to the subject of the NORJAK case.

Referenced Sacramento airtel to Kansas City has mentioned an individual known as [REDACTED] as a possible suspect in the NORJAK case. Investigation to date at Denver has not located [REDACTED] although he does have a minor record with the Denver PD. A photograph of [REDACTED] was obtained from the Denver PD and was shown to [REDACTED] and she advised that he bears no resemblance to the subject of the NORJAK case.

*INFO*  
For information of Seattle, the new composite of the NORJAK subject recently appeared in local newspapers and the Denver Office has received two telephone calls alleging that the photograph resembles individuals known to have been in the Denver area and who resemble the composite in the newspapers. Investigation is continuing at Denver to identify the individuals mentioned in these telephone calls.

LEADS

THE DENVER DIVISION

AT DENVER, COLORADO: Will continue logical investigation to identify unknown subject in this matter.

FBI

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Date 1/4/73

To: SAC, Seattle  
 From: Acting Director, FBI  
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Enclosed is one Xerox copy of a self-explanatory letter from [redacted], dated 12/28/72. Interview [redacted] relative to captioned matter, acknowledge his letter, [redacted] and conduct appropriate investigation to determine if [redacted] mentioned in [redacted] letter is identical to [redacted] 1/8/73

Dan Cooper

Enclosure

1/4/73

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DB Cooper-32349

Longview, Washington  
December 28, 1972

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Department of Justice Building  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

On December 27, 1972 our Longview paper carried a recent FBI drawing of D.B. Cooper - skyjacker who hijacked a plane on November of 1971.

After studying the drawing carefully and reading the description I am led to believe that it may actually be a former neighbor of mine from North Dakota named [redacted]

During July of this past year I visited [redacted] North Dakota. Information from [redacted] revealed that [redacted] at that time was considered [redacted] had been residing in Fargo, North Dakota [redacted] On one evening - the exact date of which I am not sure [redacted] left the house and was last seen [redacted] in Fargo where he supposedly [redacted] stated that no-one had seen or heard anything from him since [redacted]

Information as I can recollect was that [redacted] had just recently been involved [redacted] and shortly before his disappearance [redacted] Prior to that he had worked as an [redacted] b6 b7C He is about 28 years old, brown hair (receding hairline) and brown eyes - about 5'8 or 5'9" and from the last picture I saw would judge his weight at about 170 or 180.

I hope that this information may be helpful. In the event that you should wish to contact me I can be reached by phone at [redacted]

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Sincerely

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DB Cooper-32350

January 2, 1973

Airtel

To: SACs, Seattle (164-81) (Enclosures-10)  
Denver (164-98) (Enclosures-10)  
Minneapolis (164-73) (Enclosures-10)

From: Acting Director, FBI (164-2111)

NORJAK

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Witnesses to hijacking of Flight 305, Northwest Airlines,  
11/24/71, have been shown color sketches marked "B" and dated 11/10/72.  
Minor modifications have been made to sketches as a result of the most  
recent comments made by these witnesses.

*Acting 164-81-1A 3/6*

Five copies each of the revised color sketch with and  
without sunglasses are being forwarded to Seattle, Minneapolis and  
Denver with this communication. These sketches are marked "B" and  
dated 1/2/73. Although witnesses do not agree on every detail, the  
enclosed sketch appears to be the best likeness possible based on  
recollection of stewardesses [redacted]  
[redacted], plus observations made by [redacted]  
[redacted] and [redacted].

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Airtel

12-20-72

To: SAC, Seattle (164-81)  
From: For the Acting Director, FBI (164-2111)  
W. Mark Felt  
Acting Associate Director

Sub 2

NORJAK

Enclosed for receiving offices are one true copy of self-explanatory anonymous note, one copy of newspaper photo of unsub, aka D. B. Cooper, and one copy of envelope postmarked Pocatello, Idaho, dated 12-15-72.

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Receiving offices conduct appropriate investigation and record checks to fully identify [redacted]. Attempt to determine if [redacted] possibly involved in this case.

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Based on information furnished, Bureau indices contained no identifiable information regarding [redacted].

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One copy of enclosures furnished Butte for information.

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2 - Portland (Enc - 3)  
2 - Las Vegas (Enc - 3)  
1 - Butte (Enc - 3) (for info)

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This man is [redacted] former address- Inglewood Cal.  
Then Seattle, Washington and Portland Oregon now part time  
Reno Nevada Area. We were all convinced Dan Cooper was  
[redacted] before we saw this picture.

TRUE COPY

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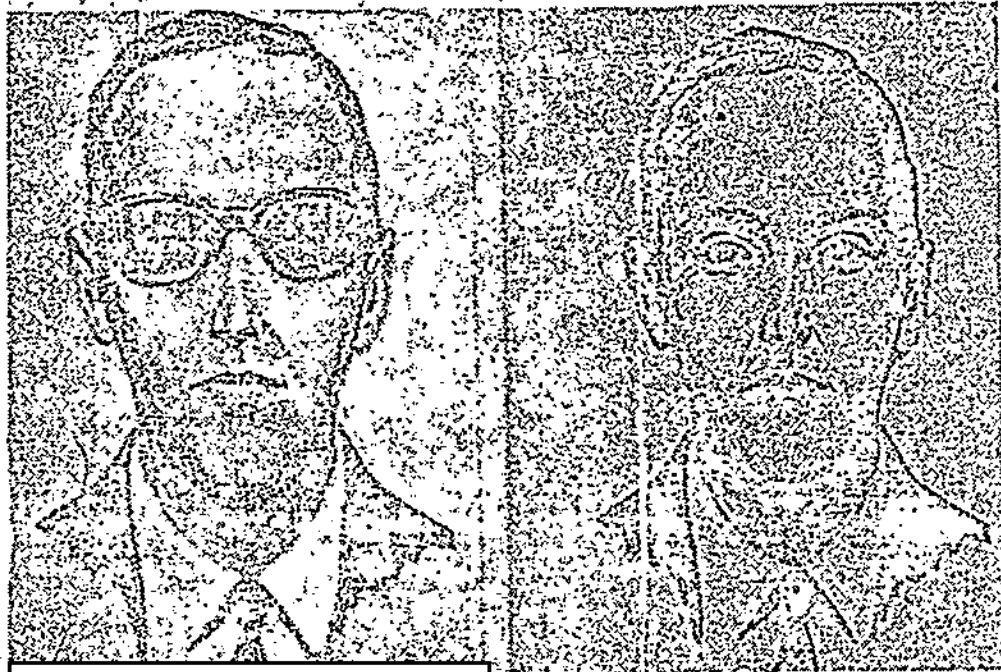
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## Cooper Still At Large

[Redacted] [Redacted] are official FBI sketches of a man who gave his name as Dan Cooper and hijacked a Northwest Airlines jet en route from Portland to Seattle last Thanksgiving Eve. The hijacker parachuted from the plane with \$200,000 in ransom money and signaled the era of the parachuting hijacker. He is still at large and authorities say they have no firm clues to his whereabouts. (AP Wirephoto)

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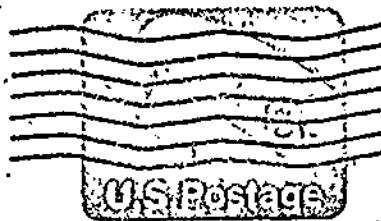
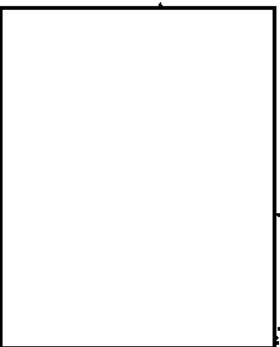
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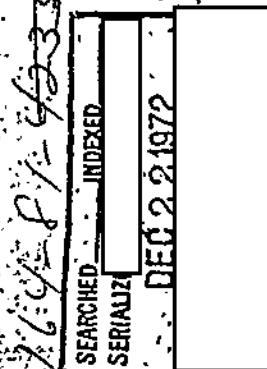
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F. B. I. Headquarters  
Dept. of Justice  
Washington D. C. 20535

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AIRTEL

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Bureau airtel, 11/13/72, to Seattle.

On 11/30/72 revised color sketches were displayed to [redacted], Stewardess, Northwest Airlines (NWA), who was aboard Flight 305, 11/24/71; and she advised it is an excellent general likeness of Unknown Subject. This sketch is identified as "B" and dated 11/10/72. She stated the only suggestion she would have is that the nose should be slightly smaller and not as rough or lumpy looking. She also stated that the mouth of the individual she observed on this flight did not appear quite as full, in other words, was "a older looking mouth". She indicated she would define "older mouth" as being very slightly wrinkled around the lips and not having as full an appearance in the lips.

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On 12/1/72, [redacted], NWA, Stewardess, who was also aboard Flight 305, stated that she believed sketch "B" is more similar to the appearance of Unknown Subject than the earlier black and white and colored sketches. She stated that in her opinion, however, the current sketch was not a vivid presentation of the appearance of Unknown Subject. She did note that she observed the Unknown Subject from the side and never did see a full-face view of him.

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2 - Minneapolis  
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Date: November 13, 1972

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To: SACs, Seattle (164-81) (Enclosures-6)  
 Denver (164-98) (Enclosures-6)  
 Minneapolis (164-73) (Enclosures-6)

From: Acting Director, FBI (164-2111)

NORJAK

SACs

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164-81-101306

Witnesses to hijacking of flight 305, Northwest Airlines, 11/24/71, have been shown color sketches of Unsub with and without sunglasses in an attempt to develop a final color version of the black and white artist's conception that was prepared immediately following the hijacking. These color sketches were marked "B" and dated 8/23/72. Also, we are attempting to incorporate any additional modifications witnesses suggest. The first feedback has been received by the Exhibits Section from witnesses [redacted]

[redacted]. Their suggested modifications to sketches "B" dated 8/23/72 have been included in the enclosed revised color sketches "B" dated 11/10/72.

Seattle should display the enclosed sketches to [redacted]  
 [redacted] for their evaluation.

Minneapolis should display the enclosed sketches to [redacted]  
 [redacted]

Denver should display the enclosed sketches to [redacted].

In order to facilitate this action, three copies each of the 11/10/72 sketches, with and without sunglasses, are being forwarded to Seattle, Minneapolis and Denver with this communication. After display of these sketches to witnesses you should advise the Bureau, attention Exhibits Section, accordingly.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

November 13, 1972

SA [redacted]

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NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

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RE SUB P BOEING COMPANY TECHNICAL AND  
SUB Z BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS

Re Bureau letter to Seattle, dated 6/27/72.

On November 6, 1972, [redacted] Boeing Aircraft Corporation, advised all [redacted] presently employed or previously employed at Boeing were checked and eliminated as suspects by SA [redacted] in November, 1971.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
ATTENTION: General Investigation Division

FROM: SAC, DENVER (164-98) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SE

Re Minneapolis teletype to Denver, 9/29/72;  
Seattle airtel to Denver, 9/29/72; and Minneapolis  
airtel to the Bureau, 10/2/72.

[redacted]  
[redacted] who was formerly employed by Northwest Airlines, was located and interviewed at Denver and was shown new artist's conception B. When shown the composite with glasses she observed that it is a fairly good likeness of the UNSUB and a definite improvement over the previous artist's conception. She stated that she felt the UNSUB's face should be slightly narrower. Regarding the hair on the new conception, she stated that her recollection was that the UNSUB's hair was combed more to the side much as was indicated in the old composite. The hair should be slightly thinner than is indicated in the new composite. The forehead should be slightly narrower. The chin should be thinner and slightly pointed.

[redacted] stated that the mouth of the UNSUB as reflected in the new composite does not appear natural. She stated it should be more like the original conception and that the corners of the mouth should not be turned down.

- 3 - Bureau (RM, AM)  
1 - Minneapolis (RM, AM) (Info) (164-73)  
① - Seattle (RM, AM) (Info) (164-81)  
2 - Denver

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NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

At 8:55 a.m. today, [redacted] FBI Headquarters, Washington, D.C., telephonically contacted the Seattle Office, and in your absence, furnished the following information:

[redacted] stated that the Bureau is in receipt of Seattle communication requesting authority to make a press release concerning certain award monies relative to this investigation as allegedly authorized by [redacted] Northwest Orient Airlines, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

[redacted] stated the Bureau finds no fault with the proposed press release; however, would prefer that we instruct Minneapolis to contact [redacted] Northwest Orient and get something in writing [redacted] reflecting such an agreement.

I advised [redacted] that we would submit appropriate communication to Minneapolis relative to this matter.

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11:28 PM NITEL 10/6/72 DCA

TO ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (P) 1P

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NORJAK. 00: SEATTLE.

RE: MP NITEL TO THE BUREAU OCTOBER FIVE, SEVENTYTWO.

BUREAU AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED FOR SEATTLE AND PORTLAND DIVISIONS TO PROVIDE THE WASHINGTON AND OREGON NEWS ORGANIZATIONS WITH INFORMATION CONCERNING THE AUTHORIZATION BY NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES OF A REWARD FOR THE RETURN OF THE RANSOM MONEY.

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FOR NINE EYES  
[redacted] [redacted] FBI HQ

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164-81-3973

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AIRTEL

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
ATTENTION: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Seattle airtel to Minneapolis, 9/26/72;  
Minneapolis teletype to Denver, 9/29/72.

Northwest Airlines stewardesses [redacted] and [redacted] interviewed at Minneapolis and displayed new artist's conception sketch B. Northwest Airlines stewardess [redacted] Northwest Air-  
lines and [redacted]  
[redacted] Denver, Colorado.

After being shown artist's conception B, stewardess [redacted] advised that she considered it to be an excellent likeness of the Unsub and a very positive improvement over the previous artist's conception. She pointed out that she observed the Unsub only with his sunglasses on, and therefore, could make no comment concerning the sketch, which did not display the Unsub without the colored glasses. In general,

- 2 - Bureau
- 2 - Denver (164-98)
- 2 - Portland (164-31)
- 2 - Seattle (164-81)
- 2 - Minneapolis

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she stated that sketch B appeared to be a likeness of an individual who was coarse and a hoodlum-type, which she did not consider the Unsub to be. She stated that he was more refine in appearance than sketch B indicates. He did not appear to be as tough and rugged as sketch B indicates.

[redacted] continued, stating that the nose on sketch B is too rugged and heavy, and she would consider his nose to appear like something "in between" the nose drawn on the early artist's conception and sketch B. She further stated that at this time she was not certain that the upper lip turned down at the corner as portrayed in sketch B. She concluded by stating in general, sketch B was an excellent likeness.

[redacted] was interviewed and advised as follows:

She pointed out that during her contact with the Unsub, he for the most part was seated on her side so that she saw only his profile. She never observed him from straight ahead, and most of the time he was whispering in her ear, and therefore, she was not in a good position to observe his facial features in great detail. She admitted that because of the time lapse, she is getting somewhat foggy in recalling his exact appearance and has looked at the artist's conception so often she feels she is influenced somewhat by this. After observing the new sketch B, she stated that she likes the original artist's conception better as being a good resemblance to the Unsub. She felt that artist's conception B definitely was not a good similarity to the Unsub. She felt that artist's conception B was not "him" and his appearance was lost completely in the sketch without the sunglasses. In particular, she noted that the hairline on sketch B was incorrect, and that she preferred the hairline on the original artist's conception. She stated on the original artist's conception it would be identical.

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In regard to the hair and hairline if the hair did not have any wave, curl or kink in it. [redacted] concluded by again pointing out that she is becoming very foggy concerning the Unsub's exact appearance, and noted she has been influenced by observing the original artist's conception on numerous occasions.

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UNSUB CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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DENVER DIVISION

AT DENVER, COLORADO

Will display artist's conception B to stewardess

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10/4/72

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

Sub Z

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

For information of Seattle, the recent artist's conception of Unsub in this matter in color has been displayed to Portland witnesses [redacted]

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[redacted] Northwest Airlines. Both advised the modified conception no longer resembles their recollections of Unsub. Both further advised they were not completely satisfied with the prior conception but that it was much closer than the revised copy.

For further information, photographs of the following suspects were displayed to these two witnesses and they stated there was no resemblance to Unsub:

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3 - Portland  
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DB Cooper-32367

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 10/4/72

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

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## BOEING FILE REVIEW

On 9/18/72, [redacted] Boeing Main Plant, Seattle, Washington, advised the list of Boeing personnel used as the basis for the file review recently conducted by SA [redacted] was compiled from Boeing personnel who were members of the 727 Air Stairs TEst Team and officers of the Boeing Skydivers Club, which went out of existence in 1960 or 1961. [redacted] stated the artists composite and full description of unsub was made available to Boeing top management with instructions to have this information reviewed at daily meetings. In addition, [redacted] stated the composite and description were posted on 150 bulletin boards throughout Boeings 5 plants.

[redacted] stated to his knowledge, no information concerning unsub has been reported to Boeing security as a result of this information being posted on bulletin boards, as well as management meetings.

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Date: 10/3/72

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 ELETYPE NITEL  
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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) AND SAC, MINNEAPOLIS  
 (164-73)  
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
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RE SEATTLE NITEL TO BUREAU, DATED AUGUST TWENTYFOUR  
 LAST.

RE NITEL REQUESTED BUREAU AUTHORITY TO CONTACT  
 NORTHWEST AIRLINES AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, TO DETERMINE  
 IF THEY ARE WILLING TO PROVIDE A FINDERS FEE TO ANYONE  
 FINDING AND RETURNING THE RANSOM MONEY. FIFTEEN PERCENT  
 OF ANY RANSOM MONEY RETURNED WAS RECOMMENDED AS A REASONABLE  
 REWARD.

SEATTLE DIVISION IS DISSEMINATING INFORMATION  
 CONCERNING CAPTIONED SKYJACKING TO WASHINGTON STATE GAME  
 WARDENS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE AREA INTO WHICH UNSUB PARACHUTED.  
 THE WARDENS ARE BEING ASKED TO MAKE THIS INFORMATION  
 AVAILABLE TO ALL HUNTERS THEY ENCOUNTER IN THIS AREA DURING  
 THE UPCOMING SEASON.

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

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 MP-1002 [redacted] M Per [redacted]

NR001 MP PLAIN

10:25 AM URGENT 9-29-72 MXF

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

DENVER

FROM: MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 2P

NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

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RE SEATTLE AIRTEL TO MINNEAPOLIS SEPT. TWENTYSIX, LAST.

REFERENCED SEATTLE AIRTEL TO MINNEAPOLIS ENCLOSED NEW  
ARTISTS CONCEPTION OF UNSUB WHICH IS TO BE SHOWN TO NORTHWEST  
AIRLINES STEWARDESSES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE BY MINNEAPOLIS  
TO DISPLAY NEW ARTISTS CONCEPTION TO STEWARDESSES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]; HOWEVER, [REDACTED] OF NORTHWEST  
AIRLINES AND IS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DENVER, COLO. SHE IS RESIDING IN [REDACTED]

THIS DATE, [REDACTED], INSTANT. SHE MAY BE ASSIGNED  
DENVER OR KANSAS CITY.

DENVER, IMMEDIATELY CONTACT [REDACTED] AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS  
TO DISPLAY NEW ARTISTS CONCEPTION.

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SEATTLE, IMMEDIATELY FORWARD ARTISTS CONCEPTION TO  
DENVER FOR DISPLAY TO [redacted]

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FOR INFORMATION OF DENVER, AFTER DISPLAY OF ARTISTS CONCEPTION, STEWARDESSES ARE TO SUBMIT THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ANY ALTERATIONS IN THE SKETCH. SUFFICIENT DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION SHOULD BE OBTAINED FROM THESE WITNESSES FOR A PROFILE SKETCH OF NORJAK SUBJECT. STEWARDESSES' COMMENTS SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO ACTING DIRECTOR AND SAC, SEATTLE.

CONSIDER UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END.

DCB FBI SEATTLE

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9/26/72

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

SAC O

SAC K

SAC Z

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
f FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

WEEKLY SUMMARY

Re Bureau airtel to Seattle, dated 9/21/72.

Copies of "B" sketch forwarded to Minneapolis by separate communication instant date. Portland witnesses' recommendations will be forwarded by Portland Division when obtained.

New information of lead value continues to be received and appropriate investigation instituted. Seattle file review continues.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date: 9/26/72

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(Priority)

TO: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)  
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAK  
 OO: SEATTLE

Re Seattle airtel to Portland, dated 8/3/72.

Enclosed for Minneapolis is one copy each of sketch "B" showing unsub with and without glasses in color, one copy of Bureau airtel to Seattle, dated September 21, 1972, and Seattle airtel to Bureau, dated August 7, 1972.

Minneapolis expedite handling lead and submit results to Seattle and Bureau.

Portland expedite handling lead set forth in referenced communication and forward results to Seattle and Bureau

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2 - Minneapolis (Encs. 4)

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 Special Agent in Charge

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Date 9/21/72

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
 FROM: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
 NORJAK

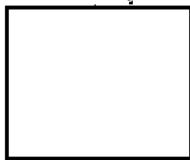
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Reurairtel 9/14/72.

Arrange to show "B" sketch to the Northwest Airlines stewardesses [redacted] and submit their recommendations for any alterations in the sketch immediately. Also determine if sufficient descriptive information can be obtained from these witnesses for a profile sketch of the Norjak subject.

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DB Cooper-32376

FBI

Transmit in Airtel Via Airtel \_\_\_\_\_ (Priority)

(Type in plaintext or code)

Date 8/31/72

To: SAC, Seattle (164-81)  
 ✓From: Acting Director, FBI (164-2111)

NORJAK  
 OO: SEATTLE

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ReSEairtel to Bureau dated 8/22/72, requesting mats of the artist's conception prepared in captioned matter for use in obtaining more widespread publicity.

In accordance with the request of the Seattle Office 8/7/72, a color artist's conception was prepared and forwarded to the Seattle Office. To date the Bureau has received no evaluation of this color sketch. Seattle's request for mats will not be further considered until the Bureau receives an evaluation by the witnesses of the color sketch.

For the information of the Seattle Office, commercial engravers charge \$10 per 50 minutes plus an initial charge of \$8 for a 4" x 5" plate. These mats will only reproduce in black and white. Many publishers both large and small presently use the offset printing process which does not require a mat.

The Seattle Office should promptly coordinate review of the Bureau's color sketch for the purpose of evaluation. If it is deemed advisable that the mats be prepared, resubmit your recommendation.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

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TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

Enclosed for Portland Division is one (1) copy of Seattle airtel to Acting Director, dated August 7, 1972, and two (2) copies each of artists sketch "B", with and without glasses.

Enclosed sketch based on photograph KK5-1 contained in the face catalog guide with modifications suggested by Stewardess [redacted]. Bureau Laboratory advised hair sample submitted insufficient to determine overall hair color. Hair color of "B" sketch is based on recollection of [redacted].

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Bureau advised by airtel August 23, 1972, that preparation of profile views of unsub will be held in abeyance until it is determined whether or not available witnesses can supply descriptive data for sketch of side view to be made.

LEADS

PORLAND  
At Portland, Oregon

Display enclosed photographs to appropriate witnesses for their evaluation and comments and forward these comments to Seattle Division.

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2 - Seattle  
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FBI

Date: August 23, 1972

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

To: SAC, Seattle (164-31)  
 ✓ From: Acting Director, FBI (164-2111)  
 NORJAK

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Reurairtel dated 8/7/72.

Sub HH without  
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Bureau artist developed composite drawing of NORJAK Unsub with sunglasses based on interviews with stewardesses [redacted] and [redacted]. On 11/27/71 stewardess [redacted], while viewing original sketch prepared, commented that it was "almost 100% like him" and stated she could suggest nothing additional to make sketch a better likeness.

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With reference to photo KK5-1 in the Bureau's Facial Identification Catalog, it is noted [redacted] indicated on her initial interview it would bear a resemblance to Unsub if modifications were made. She selected ten additional photos as resembling various features of Unsub. This plus the comments and look-alike photos selected by stewardesse [redacted] and [redacted] went into the preparation of composite drawing with sunglasses. The sketch was modified to show the eyes when additional witnesses later selected look-alike photos of the eyes.

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The attempt to depict the apparent age of Unsub has proven difficult from the beginning since witnesses did not describe age lines or features that lend themselves to the aging process. Preparation of the drawing in color may contribute to the aging factor as well as show the complexion color. In view of [redacted] more recent comments, an additional sketch in color and labeled "B" has been prepared by Exhibits Section with and without sunglasses. The "B" sketch is based on photo KK5-1 from the Catalog with changes suggested by [redacted]. Original sketch previously prepared from combined descriptions of several witnesses will be retained in Bureau files.

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Enclosures (20)

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
ATTN: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

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

SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE: ARTIST'S CONCEPTION

Enclosed is a copy of photo KK5-1 in the Facial Lines Section of the Facial Identification Catalogue, and a copy of the artist's composite of UNSUB.

The following information is being submitted for Bureau review, and the enclosed leads are being set forth on an UACB basis:

On 12/2/71, a key witness, [redacted] insisted that the artist's conception was not a good likeness of the hijacker. She requested permission to examine the Facial Identification Catalogue and immediately picked out photograph KK5-1 in the Facial Lines Section stating, "that is him, except for the ears and hair." She explained that the person depicted in that particular photograph resembled the man; however, the ears of the hijacker did not protrude as far from the head and she felt that the hair line should be somewhat lower than that on the man depicted on photo KK5-1. She was very adamant in her insistence that the artist's conception shown to her was not a good likeness of the hijacker.

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A comparison of the artist's composite of UNSUB and photo KK5-1 revealed the primary difference between the two photos is UNSUB's composite appears to be a man much younger than the man depicted in photo KK5-1. The man in KK5-1 appears to be in his mid-40s while the composite shows the man in his late 20s or early 30s.

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Airtel

To: SAC, Seattle (164-81)  
From: Acting Director, FBI (164-211)

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Reurairtel June 1, 1972.

For your information the Air Transport Association, Washington, D. C., which is acting as the administrator of a reward program designed to pay for information leading to the arrest and conviction of persons involved in aircraft piracy etc., was contacted concerning the offering of a reward relative to captioned case. They have advised that they have considered providing such a reward concerning this case and that formal notification will be forthcoming. You will be advised upon receipt of this information.

With regard to the additional suggestion you made relative to the fact that nationwide circularization be made of all banks, savings and loan associations, and commercial companies who have available safe deposit boxes on the theory that subject may have escaped safety and secreted money in such a box is not being approved. Wide circularization has already been provided banking type institutions relative to the ransom list in this case.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, Seattle (164-81)

FROM : Acting Director, FBI (164-2111)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: June 27, 1972

Revert Copy to  
SAC & ASAC  
RIN 7/31/72

This case has been reviewed at the Bureau and  
the following observations are being made in an effort to assist your office in your investigative endeavors.

The unsub, as Dan Cooper, at 2 p.m., PST, 11/24/71, purchased a one-way coach ticket at the Portland National Airport, Portland, Oregon, for travel from Portland to Seattle, Washington, on Northwest Orient Airlines Flight number 305, which was a Boeing 727 aircraft. Unsub paid for this flight with a twenty dollar bill and had no luggage. He occupied seat number 18E on the aircraft and prior to the time the aircraft taxied on the runway, he purchased a bourbon and 7-up with a twenty dollar bill from Stewardess [REDACTED]. The aircraft left Portland at 2:53 p.m., PST, however, after it taxied toward the runway for takeoff, unsub turned and handed Stewardess [REDACTED] an envelope containing a note written in black felt-tip pen and which was on plain white unlined paper and written in neat, legible handwriting. This note informed Stewardess [REDACTED] that he had a bomb and instructed her to sit next to him.

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Unsub then dictated to her his demands at the conclusion of which he remarked, "No fuss." Stewardess [REDACTED] showed Stewardess [REDACTED] the demand notes and then went to the cockpit where she displayed them to the captain of the aircraft. The unsub retrieved these notes prior to the time the aircraft landed at Seattle, Washington. She thereafter remained in the cockpit where she prepared thirteen pages of notes concerning the hijacking and in which she described unsub as in his fifties. She later said he appeared to be of Latin descent. It will be noted that one

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AIRTEL                                    AIRMAIL  
TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Bureau airtel 5/17/72.

Pursuant to instructions contained in referenced airtel, an extensive file review of captioned case was conducted. Among the files reviewed were the main volumes, numbered 1 through 47, sub-files designated for particular areas of interest, i.e., Parachutes, Witnesses, Course, 1-A volumes and numerous suspect files. In addition, an examination was made of all physical evidence being maintained at Seattle, for pertinent investigative leads.

As a result of this review, the following suggestions are being proposed:

REWARD: This case has generated world-wide attention and many suspects have been suggested and are continuing to be received. However, since nothing of value has yet been developed, it is felt that the prospect of a substantial reward for information leading to the identification and conviction of this hijacker, might entice someone to come forward and name the hijacker.

To be realistic, the reward would have to be attractive to the person furnishing the information and therefore, a sum of not less than \$25,000 is recommended.

The reward money could be provided either by the Department of Justice, or by the airlines, or by both. The only reward at the moment is \$5,000, offered by the Seattle, Washington newspaper SEATTLE POST INTELLIGENCER "Secret Witness Program."

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SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES: Since nothing was found in the search conducted by the Army in March and April, 1972 of the probable drop area in southwestern Washington, it now appears quite possible that the hijacker escaped safely and might have secreted the money in a safe deposit box.

*(M.C.C.W. 11.162-72-1)*

It is recommended that nation-wide circularization be made of all banks, savings and loan associations and commercial companies offering this type security. Each such location would be furnished with a description of the subject and the artist's conception showing the hijacker with and without the glasses.

THE BOEING COMPANY: In 1963-1964, The Boeing Company had a team of 20 to 30 engineers and test pilots experimenting with the air stairs of The Boeing 727 to determine the plane's adaptability for dropping cargo or personnel. In the tests conducted the air stairs were removed and packages were dropped from the plane using an especially designed chute.

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The Boeing Company has furnished the names of their employees who were involved in that experiment and investigation is being conducted to determine if one of these could be the hijacker. They are also being interviewed for any info they may have as to the identity of the hijacker.

Seattle is continuing to screen suspects in this matter, which are received from various sources and will give expedite attention to any worthwhile information obtained.

*(M.C.C.W. 11.162-72-1)*

*As per instructions, the material in this letter is to be distributed to the appropriate offices and agencies. It is requested that the original letter be held until the FBI has completed its investigation.*

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*The Bureau of the FBI  
Seattle Office  
Seattle, Washington*

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

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Re: Bureau airtel to Seattle, 5/17/72.

Pursuant to instructions contained in referenced airtel, an extensive file review of captioned case was conducted by the writers from May 22 - 26, 1972. Among files reviewed were main volumes, numbers 1-47, subfiles designated for a particular area of interest, i.e. parachutes, witnesses, course; I-A volumes and numerous suspect sub-files. In addition, physical evidence as available was reviewed for pertinent investigative leads.

Information set forth following the file review has been arranged according to the headings used in the table of contents fund in the report of SA CHARLES E. FARRELL, dated February 16, 1972, with the exception of a brief hijacker profile.

#### PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

##### Black Snap-On Tie and Tie Tack

An examination of the tie by the writers revealed noticeable amounts of dust lodged in the inner knot area. In addition to the markings "3 Penneys", two other labels were found as follows: "Snapper Pat. 2972750. It's a snap to snap on"; and "100% Daeron Polyester Washable RN 16484". From writers' experience in Theft From Interstate Shipment cases involving Penneys merchandise, it is known that the RN number is a manufacturer's code. Penneys headquarters will be able to determine where the tie was manufactured, when imported and which stores sold this tie.

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It is recommended that the Lab be requested to examine this tie, particularly, the dust particles lodged in the inner knot area, to determine if it is possible to determine what area of the country this tie has been in.

It is recommended that a lead be set out for New York to contact [REDACTED], Foreign Buying Department, J. C. Penney Co., 1301 Avenue of The Americas, regarding distribution of neck tie number RN 16484, ie. which Penney stores sold this model. In the event [REDACTED] does not have needed information, it is suggested the specific buyer of neck ties for Penneys in [REDACTED] department be contacted.

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Magazine and  
Notebook Paper

[REDACTED] Northwest Airlines, in a search conducted November 25, 1972, of victim airplane, found parts of a magazine and a piece of notebook paper with printing thereon made by a felt marking pen. The Bureau has examined these papers and has found 24 latent fingerprints and 5 latent palm prints of value. It is recommended that since both witnesses [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] observed

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the unsub write with a felt pen, the notebook paper and magazine parts printing be shown to these witnesses. This should be done to determine if the printing is similar to unsub's and if the felt pen color and characteristics are similar to unsub's.

ARTIST'S SKETCH

A review of the testimony of the principal witnesses, including the 3 stewardesses, the 2 Northwest Airline employees (NWA) at Portland, Oregon, and the 5 passengers reflects a general disagreement concerning the accuracy of the artist's sketch. Numerous changes were suggested by these witnesses and some were implemented in making up the final artist's sketch. It is noted that a Bureau artist personally interviewed the three stewardesses at Minneapolis, Minnesota and thereafter prepared a revised sketch of the hijacker showing him with the dark glasses, which he wore on the airplane, and another sketch, but without the glasses. One key witness, [REDACTED], stewardess, was very adamant in her insistence that the artist's conception was not a very good likeness of the hijacker.

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It is suggested that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], who worked on the Boeing 727 air stairs' project in 1963, be contacted concerning other Boeing employees that worked on that project. These employees should be identified and should be eliminated as possible suspects.

#### DESCRIPTIVE DATA

##### MATCHBOOK COVER

Regarding the blue matchbook cover marked "Sky Chef" observed by Stewardess [REDACTED] as used by the hijacker, it should be noted that Sky Chef is a chain of restaurants serving airports. It is recommended that Portland determine if there is a Sky Chef Restaurant at the Portland Airport (noting that the Sky Chef Restaurants usually have different names) and Portland should determine if this restaurant gives away blue colored matchbooks with Sky Chef written on them. Unsub may have eaten lunch at the Portland Airport Restaurant prior to boarding Northwest Airlines flight 305 and if so, latent fingerprints may be on a meal ticket (bill) for that day. Portland should determine if these tickets are available for November 24, 1971, and determine feasibility of obtaining latents.

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##### OLIVE OR LATIN COMPLEXION

Key witnesses generally agree that unsub had an "olive or Latin" complexion. One witness indicated a Mexican-American or possibly Indian complexion and characteristics. In addition, unsub expressed a desire to go "anywhere in Mexico".

It is recommended that all divisions having a concentration of Mexican-American extremists, including Chicanos, Brown Berets, review extremists albums. It is further suggested that revised colored sketches, when obtained, be shown to all pertinent Mexican-American sources.

##### INTERVIEWS WITH KEY WITNESSES

In view of her willingness to cooperate and ability to recall explicit details, it is recommended that [REDACTED] be reinterviewed. [REDACTED] could be reinterviewed in connection with the Bureau artist's interview, at which time the following questions should be asked:

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1. How did the hijacker secure the money? Did he appear to be going to jump while holding the money package by a handle or did he fix a knapsack arrangement:

2. What was the position of the hijacker when [redacted] last saw him as she left the rear of the airplane for the last time? What did the hijacker have around his waist? Was the hijacker attempting to secure himself to the plane by using parachute cords in an attempt to prevent being pulled out of the airplane when opening the rear door? Did the hijacker express a fear to the stewardess that he would be pulled out of the door prematurely?

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Experienced parachutists have advised that attempts to hold the money without adequately securing it would probably not be sufficient. Attempts by unsub to secure himself to the plane prior to opening ght rear door of the aircraft would indicate a fear of being sucked out of the aircraft as the stewardess feared. This would indicate a lack of knowledge about the Boeing 727 and aircraft in general.

3. What was the level of education of the hijacker as measured in terms of speech, grammar, and mannerisms?

AIRPORT, FLY GROUPS, FLIGHT SCHOOLS  
PARACHUTE CLUBS

In a teletype from San Francisco dated November 26, 1971, San Francisco advised there was no record in files of U.S. Parachute Association, 651 Cannery Row, Monterey, California for names of D. B. COOPER, [redacted] and [redacted]. It is recommended that San Francisco at Monterey review records of the U.S. Parachute Association for names similar, i.e. DAN COOPER and combinations such as DANIEL COOPER, DAN (middle initial whatever) COOPER, COOPER DANIELS, etc.

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EXPLOSIVE DEVICE

SIX OR EIGHT REDDISH  
STICKS OF "DYNAMITE"  
6" to 8" LONG

AIRTEL

5/12/72

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

Rerep SA Charles E. Farrell dated 2/16/72 at Seattle.

Advise by return airtel date next report can be expected at Bureau. Also present facts to U. S. Attorney and obtain "John Doe" process for unknown subject this case.

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AIRTEL

5/17/72

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

NORJAK

Captioned major case occurred almost six months ago and still remains unsolved. All indications pointed to the fact that the unknown subject parachuted near LaCenter, Washington; however, an extensive ground search of the area and investigation have failed to identify or locate the hijacker.

You must now approach the investigative aspect of this important unsolved major case with a fresh approach. The files should be thoroughly and objectively reviewed, serial by serial, by alert personnel who have proven to be tireless, imaginative, and "street wise" investigators. To assist in this file review you may wish to consider utilizing the services of personnel who have not been "wrapped up" in this case from its inception. In your file review insure that all matters that have been brought to your attention in this case have been completely resolved and that none were overlooked or left hanging.

Within ten days of receipt of this communication, advise the Bureau what steps and avenues you intend to take in order to identify and locate the unknown subject.

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TO NEW YORK (164-627)

SEATTLE (164-81)

LOS ANGELES (164-497)

FROM DIRECTOR (164-2111) 1P

DRJAK,

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE APRIL TWENTY-EIGHT INSTANT.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD [REDACTED] BE TOLD THAT THE

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[REDACTED] HIJACKER.

THIS CONFIRMS TELEPHONIC INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED TO LOS  
ANGELES OFFICE TODAY.

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FILE (164-81)

4/26/72

SAC, SEATTLE

NORJAK

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On 4/26/72 Assistant Director CHARLES BATES called. He advised that the Summary sent in on 4/25/72 was too short, too nebulous and incomplete. The Summary that is sent in each day in the future should give a complete resume of the investigation not only by Seattle, but other divisions as well.

He requested that the microfilm of the bills that we have here be furnished to the Bureau today by pilot courier. I told him we had agents reviewing the microfilm now to locate the 3 bills mentioned, and had already located two of them and we would mark in the film where these bills are located.

He requested that a photograph of [redacted] be furnished to the Bureau. In addition he advised that this investigation must be pressed immediately, that all the manpower necessary must be used on it to identify the other individuals involved in this case, and to determine immediately whether the wig and white cap man is the actual hijacker.

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He also advised that the Bureau had authorized the use of the polygraph on [redacted]. I told him if we interviewed [redacted] again, we would have to advise him of his rights, get the usual waiver and very likely would be told by [redacted] that he would not be interviewed, and the likelihood of [redacted] taking a polygraph examination appeared to me to be extremely remote.

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He said that may be but there is nothing to lose by doing it, so we should endeavor to locate [redacted] interview him and give him the polygraph examination if he will consent. I told him that we had conducted extensive investigation in Bremerton, in the bars, among law enforcement officers, and other places [redacted], trying to determine the identity of the man in the wig, with negative results, thus far. However, now that we had the photograph of this man, as touched up by the Lab, we were showing it again to the country clubs, the Episcopalian ministers.

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I told him we were conducting investigation to establish all of [redacted] associates, business connections, checking the recipients of all telephone calls from him during this period, and we would keep the Bureau advised.

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[redacted] called from the Bureau.

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He referred to the "Manuscript" and memorandum which he sent to you recently. He said that a memorandum had been sent up to the Director and when it came back from the Director it had been extensively "blue-inked."

Among other things, the Director said, "Tell him we will have no part of this deal" and instructed "no investigation as a result of review of the Manuscript."

Consequently [redacted] says that we cannot conduct active investigation on any leads obtained from the Manuscript.

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)  
ATLANTA  
LOS ANGELES (164-497)  
NEW YORK (164-627)  
FROM DIRECTOR IP

NORJAK

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE DATED APRIL THIRTY LAST.  
OFFICES SHOULD CONTINUE TO AFFORD THIS MATTER  
PREFERRED SUPERVISORY AND INVESTIGATIVE ATTENTION  
PRESSING FOR AN EARLY SOLUTION VIGOROUSLY.

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ALL OFFICES PLS GO TO TALK AND ACK AS RQSTD

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NORJAK

RE SEATTLE NITEL APRIL TWENTYSIX LAST.

SEATTLE OFFICE SHOULD IMMEDIATELY OBTAIN HANDWRITING AND  
HANDPRINTING SAMPLES FROM [REDACTED] AS THE [REDACTED] HE [REDACTED]

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ACKNOWLEDGED GIVING [REDACTED] WAS SIGNED

BY HIM. [REDACTED] CLAIMS THIS [REDACTED] IS FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND, [REDACTED] CLAIMS [REDACTED] IS FOR [REDACTED]

MAJOR CASE PRINTS OF [REDACTED] SHOULD BE OBTAINED AND IMMEDIATELY  
FORWARDED THE BUREAU. LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION HAS DEVELOPED  
EIGHT UNIDENTIFIED LATENTS ON ZEROX COPY OF [REDACTED] FURNISHED  
NEW YORK OFFICE BY [REDACTED] THE SEATTLE OFFICE SHOULD  
ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN A PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED] PRIOR TO GROWTH OF  
HIS BEARD. IT SHOULD BE DETERMINED FROM [REDACTED] AND HIS  
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ACQUAINTANCES HOW LONG HE HAS HAD THIS BEARD.

INFORMATION FROM [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] INDICATES [REDACTED] STAYED AT THE SWEPT INN MOTEL, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, FEBRUARY SIXTEEN LAST. SEATTLE SHOULD IMMEDIATELY DETERMINE THE TELEPHONE CALLS MADE BY [REDACTED] AND IDENTIFY EACH SUBSCRIBER.

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REFERENCED SEATTLE TELETYPE STATES CONSIDERATION IS BEING GIVEN TO A REVIEW OF BOEING FILES FOR PERSONS TERMINATED JANUARY SEVENTY TO APRIL SEVENTY. THIS REVIEW SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY INSTITUTED WITH SUFFICIENT MANPOWER TO EXPEDITIOUSLY HANDLE. IT WOULD APPEAR NUMEROUS INDIVIDUALS IN THIS REVIEW COULD BE ELIMINATED BY SEX, AGE, AND OTHER FACTORS THEREBY DIMINISHING THE NUMBER OF FILES THAT WOULD ACTUALLY HAVE TO BE REVIEWED. THE PHOTOGRAPH OF THE SUSPECT WITH OR WITHOUT THE WIG SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY SHOWN TO SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL AT BOEING HAVING THE SAME APPROXIMATE TENURE (FIFTEEN YEARS) AS THE SUSPECT TO DETERMINE IF THEY CAN IDENTIFY THIS PERSON. POSTING OF PHOTOGRAPHS ON THE EMPLOYEE BULLETIN BOARD IS NOT SUFFICIENT AND YOU ARE EXPECTED TO MAKE EXHAUSTIVE CONTACTS WITH ON-DUTY EMPLOYEES TO IDENTIFY THESE PHOTOGRAPHS.

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THE IDENTIFICATION OF PERSONS CALLED FROM [REDACTED] HOME  
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AND BUSINESS PHONES SHOULD BE VIGOROUSLY PURSUED UNTIL ALL PERSONS CAN BE ELIMINATED. THE BANK ACCOUNTS OF [REDACTED] SHOULD BE EXAMINED CAREFULLY FOR ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THE IDENTIFY OF THE SUSPECT.

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FROM INTERVIEWS OF [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] IT IS OBVIOUS ONE OR BOTH IS LYING CONCERNING THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN THIS MATTER. RECEIVING OFFICES SHOULD AFFORD THIS MATTER CONTINUOUS VIGOROUS ATTENTION UNTIL ALL INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN COMPLETED. IT IS EXPECTED THAT SUFFICIENT MANPOWER WILL BE ASSIGNED TO INSURE THAT INVESTIGATION RECEIVES IMMEDIATE ATTENTION AND PROMPTLY COMPLETED. THE BUREAU SHOULD BE KEPT CURRENTLY ADVISED ON AN IMMEDIATE BASIS.

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HAVE TWO MORE PLS HOLD

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NORJAK

[redacted] - SOURCE

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SA [redacted] called from Division 6.

He said that New York just called and said that [redacted] His attorney, a man named [redacted] says that [redacted] last night to confer with [redacted] They discussed [redacted] [redacted] then returned [redacted] has [redacted] [redacted] do not know.

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[redacted] says the possibility, of course, exists that [redacted]. He wanted to know if we had located [redacted] and I told him not at this time, although we had agents looking for him.

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[redacted] further said [redacted] told the New York Agents that when [redacted]

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[redacted] said to press the search for [redacted] to be on the lookout for [redacted] and to keep the Bureau advised.

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The attorney, [redacted] advised the New York agents that he did not know the location of [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that according to New York, [redacted] had furnished them a photograph of the UNSUB without a hat or wig.

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To: **SAC, Albany**

Date 1-14-72

From: Director, FBI

PERSONAL ATTENTION

**UTILIZATION OF MILITARY  
AIRCRAFT IN BUREAU CASES**

**SUB - E.**

In connection with a recent aircraft hijacking, inquiries were made concerning the use of military aircraft to assist in a search. The question of reimbursement was raised. This matter has been discussed with the Department of Defense (DOD).

Advice has been received from DOD that military aircraft may be utilized for non-DOD purposes only when: (1) their movement is pursuant to an emergency involving imminent loss of life; (2) is specifically authorized by statute; (3) is in direct support of the military mission; or (4) is certified by the head of a Federal department or agency to be in the national interest and commercial transportation is not available. This is set forth in Department of Defense Directive #4500.9, dated November 29, 1971.

According to DOD, Section 686 of Title 31, U. S. Code, requires in every instance the DOD be reimbursed for the total costs involved in the utilization by any other Federal agency of any aircraft or equipment made available to such agency for use in connection with its own investigation. The Department of Defense further advised should any requirements in connection with our investigations develop which come within the above guidelines, DOD will consider them on a case-by-case basis.

DOD furnished the hourly rates for the most commonly used aircraft. These rates are set forth as follows:

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 2/4/72

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 2/4/72 SA [redacted] called from the Bureau and advised that we should submit a report on this case in the immediate future.

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I told him one was being prepared. He advised that it should be in substantial detail concerning all of the investigation conducted. I told him I did not intend to report the investigation concerning suspects that were eliminated, but would simply indicate on the Administrative Page the total number investigated and eliminated.

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7:05 PM NITEL 2-2-72 REM  
TO SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM DIRECTOR (164-2111) 1P

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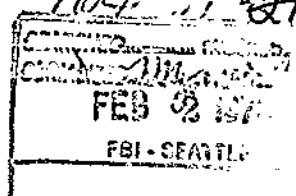
RE SEATTLE TELETYPE FEBRUARY ONE LAST WHERE IT IS STATED THAT UACB, DAILY TELETYPE WILL BE DISCONTINUED IN FAVOR OF A WEEKLY SUMMARY TO BE SUBMITTED EACH FRIDAY.

THE BUREAU CONCURS AND SEATTLE SHOULD SUBMIT A WEEKLY TELETYPE TO REACH THE BUREAU BY COB EACH THURSDAY RATHER THAN FRIDAY. THIS SUMMARY TELETYPE SHOULD SET FORTH OUTSTANDING INVESTIGATION AND WHAT SPECIFIC INVESTIGATION IS BEING CONTEMPLATED OR CONDUCTED. IT IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO STATE THAT INVESTIGATION IS CONTINUING. SEATTLE MUST INSURE ALL LEADS RECEIVE IMMEDIATE, VIGOROUS AND THOROUGH ATTENTION FROM ALL OFFICES INVOLVED. MAIL COPIES TO PORTLAND, MINNEAPOLIS AND LAS VEGAS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: 1/24/72

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Re Bureau airtel to Seattle 1/6/72.

In an effort to generate the cooperation of the public, the Bureau in referenced airtel instructed as follows:

"The Seattle Office should consider soliciting cooperative radio, television, and newspaper outlets in pertinent areas to encourage listeners to examine \$20 bills and check them against the ransom lists at police departments and FBI offices. Copies of the ransom list could be furnished cooperative radio, television, and newspaper sources.

Each receiving office is requested to establish liaison with radio and television stations, and news media to make every effort to implement the Bureau's suggestion for additional publicity about the ransom bills.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: 1/20/72

In connection with the Bureau's desires that additional publicity be obtained which might help in solving NORJAK, the Bureau, by airtel dated 1/6/72, advised as follows:

"The Seattle Office should consider soliciting cooperative radio, television, and newspaper outlets in pertinent areas to encourage listeners to examine \$20 bills and check them against the ransom lists at police departments and FBI Offices. Copies of the ransom list could be furnished cooperative radio, television, and newspaper sources."

Each SRA should contact friendly or established sources mentioned in referenced Bureau airtel for the purpose of publicizing the above information.

Each SRA should then advise how many copies of the list of ransom bills would be needed to further this publicizing of the ransom money.

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Airtel

January 6, 1972

To: SAC, Seattle

From: Director, FBI

NORJAK

Seattle teletype to Bureau 12/30/71 stated [redacted]

[redacted] Seattle, b6  
[redacted] was eliminated as a suspect as he departed Seattle at 1:15 p.m., b7C  
11/24/71, for Honolulu on Flight 893. [redacted] records at New York reflect [redacted] flew from Seattle to Portland at 7:00 a.m., 11/24/71 and returned to Seattle in time for the 1:15 flight to Honolulu. Seattle should obtain a photograph of [redacted] and immediately have it shown to all Norjak witnesses. In addition, insure no other person flew in [redacted] place on the date of the hijacking and interview flight crew on the pertinent date to obtain positive information that [redacted] did in fact work on that date.

Bureau teletype to Seattle 12/29/71 states that examination of known typewriting of [redacted] to Airline Pilots Association, Washington, D. C., has the same style typewriting as that on the "D. B. Cooper" typewritten letters sent to four newspapers including the Seattle Times. The Laboratory stated that certain limited characteristics were noted and future examination may not make a positive identification. Seattle should interview [redacted] concerning this letter after he has been positively eliminated as captioned subject. Determine typewriter utilized by [redacted] and obtain samples including the same language as the "D. B. Cooper" letters and promptly submit to the FBI Laboratory for comparison. Determine from [redacted]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/17/71

FROM : SA DONALD J. STEELE

SAC: [REDACTED]

On December 8, 1971, [REDACTED] b6  
Division 6 at the Bureau phoned at 2:27 PM and pointed b7C  
out that the Seattle Division should resolve whether the subject in this case was wearing a black or brown dress suit. He also stated that when the subject is found the Seattle Division should make sure that extreme caution be used in preserving any physical evidence. He advised the Bureau at that time was authorizing the publication of two articles in parachute magazine publications.

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FROM: Director, FBI (164-2111)

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NORJAK

Date 12/7/71

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The title is marked "Changed" to reflect the code word "NORJAK" to facilitate the handling of the numerous communications in connection with this investigation. This matter was formerly captioned, "Unsub; Northwest Airlines Flight 305, 11/24/71, CAA - Hijacking. OO: Seattle." All offices are instructed to use the code word "NORJAK" in all communications in this investigation.

In connection with the additional dissemination of the ransom list already furnished the field, all offices are instructed to further disseminate this list on any basis considered practical and appropriately advise the Bureau and office of origin of any positive information developed. The loot in this matter consists entirely of \$20 bills and it is questionable that large banks and bank-type institutions would effectively screen their \$20 bills due to the volume of this type of bill that would be handled.

All offices should insure that the composite drawing of the unknown subject is thoroughly disseminated to parachute clubs and associated groups with particular attention being

2 - All Field Offices

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