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12:51 PM MDT URGENT SEPTEMBER 26, 1974 VLD

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)

SAC, BUTTE (7-497)

FROM: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (7-590) (P) 3P

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING. OO: BUTTE

RE BUTTE TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND SALT LAKE CITY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1974.

ROOM 122, TRAVELODGE, SALT LAKE CITY, UTILIZED BY [redacted] PROCESSED, LATENT FINGERPRINTS OF UNKNOWN VALUE OBTAINED.

RED LOBBY TELEPHONE PROCESSED; LATENTS OF QUESTIONABLE VALUE OBTAINED. ORIGINAL REGISTRATION SLIPS, OR COPIES IF ORIGINAL GIVEN TO CUSTOMER, OBTAINED FROM TRAVELODGE, INCLUDING THAT OF [redacted]

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LATENT PRINTS AND REGISTRATION CARDS FORWARDED FBI LAB BY SEPARATE COMMUNICATION.

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FRONTIER AIRLINES FLIGHT 614 HAD ONE STEWARDESS, NOT AVAILABLE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 27, 1974. NO STANDBY PASSENGERS BOARDED FLIGHT 614 ON SEPTEMBER 24, 1974.

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INQUIRY AT SALT PALACE TRAVELODGE, SALT LAKE CITY, RE [redacted] DETERMINED WAS ACCOMPANIED BY WHITE FEMALE, POSSIBLY 18 YEARS OF AGE, IDENTITY UNKNOWN. NIGHT CLERK WHO REGISTERED [redacted] STATES PHYSICAL BUILD SIMILAR, PHOTOGRAPH, TO BEST OF HIS RECOLLECTION, DISSIMILAR.

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TRAFFIC TAPES OF AIRCRAFT UTILIZING SALT LAKE CITY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CONTINUOUS AND BEING REVIEWED BY AGENT PERSONNEL TO OBTAIN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER. ID NUMBERS BEING CHECKED AS TO IDENTITY OF OWNER. BUTTE WILL BE ADVISED SEPARATELY.

INVESTIGATION AT SALT LAKE CITY CONTINUING.

BUTTE, IF NOT ALREADY BEING DONE, CHECK ALL PRIVATE AIRCRAFT IN BOZEMAN AREA FOR POSSIBLE UTILIAZTION BY SUBJECT OR ACQUAINTANCE, INCLUDING CHARTER. BUTTE NOTE TIME LAPSE FROM 10:12 AM AT TERMINATION OF CALL TO TIME SUBJECT OBSERVED SAME DATE APPROXIMATELY 5 HOURS 35 MINUTES. POSSIBILITY STILL EXISTS SUBJECT MIGHT BE ABLE DRIVE SAME UNDER EXTREMELY FAST CONDITIONS. BUTTE CONSIDER POSSIBILITY CHECKING HIGHWAY PATROLMEN AND POLICE AGENCIES ALONG ROUTE TO DETERMINE IF

SUBJECT MAY HAVE CAR AND STOPPED FOR TRAFFIC VIOLATION.

BUTTE OBTAIN AND SUBMIT TO FBI LAB ALL AVAILABLE HANDWRITING SPECIMENS OF SUBJECT SO COMPARISONS CAN BE MADE WITH REGISTRATION SLIPS OF TRAVELODGE.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: September 26, 1974

TO: SAC, Butte (7-497)

Re: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
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12:30AM SEPT. 26,1974

URGENT SEPTEMBER 25, 1974 RFF

TO: DIRECTOR 7-14789

SALT LAKE CITY 7-590

BUTTE 7-590

FROM: BOSTON 7-NEW

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM.

KIDNAPPING. OO: BOSTON

RE BUTTE TEL TO BUREAU 9/25/74.

THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION BY SA [redacted] AT BOSTON, MASS:

THE 1973 BLUE BOOK CROSS REFERENCE DIRECTORY FOR [redacted] AND VICINITY, INDICATES [redacted] OCCUPIED BY [redacted] TELEPHONE [redacted]

THE 1972 SALEM CITY DIRECTORY (COVERING DANVERS, MASS.) PUBLISHED BY R.L. POLK AND COMPANY, INDICATES [redacted] OCCUPIED BY [redacted] AND [redacted] EMPLOYED BY AUSTENAL COMPANY AS [redacted]

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TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] DIRECTORY INDICATES OWNER RESIDES ON PREMISES AND RESIDENCE IS A SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING. [redacted] DANVERS, MASS. PD ADVISED 1973 POLICE LISTINGS FOR [redacted] INDICATES THE FOLLOWING OCCUPANTS OF [redacted]

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[redacted] BORN [redacted]
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[redacted] BORN [redacted]
[redacted] BORN [redacted]

NO ARREST RECORD ON ANY MEMBER OF FAMILY. FAMILY NOT KNOWN PERSONNALLY TO [redacted]

BOSTON INDICIES NEGATIVE RE [redacted]

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INDICES ALSO NEGATIVE RE OTHER NAMES INCLUDED HEREIN.

INSPECTOR'S OFFICE, MASS. REGISTRY OF MOTOR VEHICLES, BOSTON, MASS, ADVISED THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVE MASS DRIVERS LICENSES AND ALL LIST THEIR ADDRESS AS [redacted]

[redacted]

DOB [redacted] HEIGHT [redacted] SSAN [redacted] DR.LIC. ISSUED 7/10/73.

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DOB [redacted] HEIGHT [redacted] SSAN [redacted] DR.LIC. ISSUED 7/16/73.

[redacted]

DOB [redacted] HEIGHT [redacted] EYES - GLASSES, SSAN [redacted] DR.LIC. ISSUED 11/21/72.

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DOB [redacted] HEIGHT [redacted] SSAN [redacted] DR.LIC.

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BOSTON AT DANVERS, MASS.,

WILL DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS OF [redacted]

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FIELD INDEXING STUDY

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Date: 9/25/74

Transmit the following in _____ (Type in plaintext or code)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY, NUMBER E-2259-0A
CR-142421C

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (7-1248) (P)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka -
VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

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Re Butte and Detroit teletypes to Bureau, 9/24/74.

Enclosed herewith for the FBI Laboratory is original Memorex "120" tape cassette which contains [redacted] telephone call from a [redacted] Contents of call contained on side one of tape.

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Enclosed for Butte is one copy of above taped conversation and two copies of transcript of the conversation.

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For information of the FBI Laboratory, collect long-distance telephone call received by [redacted] phone from individual identifying self as [redacted] Upon receipt of call, [redacted] identified voice of caller as being identical to voice of subject MEIRHOFER, with whom she had recent Bureau supervised telephonic and personal confrontations in Montana. During call, subject had a female child speak, although [redacted] states child not identical to victim.

Investigation has determined call placed from Salt Lake City, Utah.

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REQUEST OF FBI LABORATORY, RADIO ENGINEERING SECTION:

Expeditiously review enclosed tape cassette containing 9/24/74 phone call from subject. If possible, determine origin of extraneous noises during call, particularly in portion during child's conversation. Compare voice of caller with known voice samples of MEIRHOFER previously submitted. Advise Butte and Detroit of results.

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9/20/74

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER; aka - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

File # 7-14789 -15D
Lab.# E-2403 OA

Examination requested by: SAC, Detroit (7-1248) (P) airtel dated 9/25/74

Examination requested: Engineering - Cryptanalysis

Date received: ~~9/25~~ 9/30/74

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted] b6 b7C

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Q35 Original Memorex "120" tape cassette

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428 PM SEPTEMBER 24, 1974 URGENT PMD

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

DENVER (7-754)

DETROIT (7-1248)

MINNEAPOLIS (7-609)

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (P) 3 PAGES

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM.

KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE.

APPROXIMATELY [redacted] EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME,

[redacted]

CALL PLACED COLLECT FROM A [redacted] AND WAS OPERATOR HANDLED.

CALLER SAID, HELLO [redacted] AND SHE IMMEDIATELY RECOGNIZED AS BEING SUB., WHO STATED HE KNEW THAT SHE HAD LIED TO HIM AND THAT THE [redacted] PHONE CALL HAD BEEN TAPED AND SHE HAD INVOLVED THE FBI. [redacted] CALLED HIM, DAVID, AND HE DENIED HE WAS DAVID. HE THEN PUT A CHILD ON THE PHONE, WHO SAID, "HE IS A NICE MAN. I AM SITTING ON HIS LAP." TOOK CHILD AWAY AND SAID, "YOU WILL NEVER HAVE [redacted] ALIVE." [redacted] STATED CHILD NOT VICTIM.

[redacted] MOUNTAIN DAYLIGHT TIME, SECURITY OFFICE,

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[redacted] ALERTED. [redacted] ADVISED NO CALL IN PROGRESS ON CROSSBAR NO FIVE (COVERING [redacted] AND SURROUNDING AREA IN MONT.). LOCAL OFFICERS UNDER SUPERVISION OF BUAGENTS, DISPATCHED TO MANHATTAN, MONT., CONTACTED LOGICAL PERSONS AND MEIRHOFER IS NOT LOCATED. b7D

LAST SEEN APPROXIMATELY FOUR P. M., SEPTEMBER 23, 1974.

APB HAS BEEN PUT OUT TO SURROUNDING STATIONS RE MISSING CHILDREN. ELEVEN THIRTY-FOUR, MOUNTAIN DAYLIGHT TIME, [redacted] ADVISED ALL MONT. OPERATORS POLLED AND CALL NOT MADE FROM MONT.

SUB.'S VEHICLE LOCATED IN BOZEMAN, MONT., IN REPAIR SHOP HAVING BEEN PLACED THERE AFTERNOON SEPTEMBER 23. AIRLINES, BUS DEPOTS, RENT-A-CAR, RAILROAD TERMINALS BEING CONTACTED.

REQUEST OF FBI LABORATORY: EXPEDITIOUSLY REVIEW TAPES SUBMITTED BY BUTTE OFFICE SEPTEMBER 23, 1974, FOR VOICE COMPARISONS. ALL OFFICES, IT IS IMPERATIVE LEADS BE COVERED WHILE TODAY'S OPERATORS ON DUTY.

DENVER CAUSE POLL OF ALL PHONE COMPANIES AND OPERATORS,

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COLORADO AND WYOMING, TO IDENTIFY SOURCE OF [redacted] CALL.

DETROIT IMMEDIATELY OBTAIN COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT OF [redacted]

[redacted] FORWARD ORIGINAL TAPE TO LABORATORY; DUPLICATE TO BUTTE.

OBTAIN SPECIFIC TIMES OF CALL. CONSIDER CONTACTING LOCAL b7D

TELEPHONE SECURITY TO SEE IF CALL COULD HAVE BEEN MADE FROM [redacted]

OBTAIN COMPUTER RECORDS RE SOURCE OF CALL.

MINNEAPOLIS CAUSE ALL OPERATORS, NORTH AND SOUTH DAKOTA, TO BE CONTACTED RE SOURCE OF [redacted]

BUTTE WILL CONTINUE EFFORTS TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW MEIRHOFER, WHOSE ATTORNEY HAS BEEN ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS AND AGREES TO PROMPT INTERVIEW BY BUAGENTS. ATTORNEY WILL NOT BE PRESENT WITH MEIRHOFER'S LOCATION.

WILL CONSULT USA RE POSSIBILITY CALL.

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3:15 PM NITEL SEPTEMBER 25, 1974 TEB

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

BUTTE (7-497)

FROM DETROIT (7-1248) (P)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM, KIDNAPING,

OO: BUTTE.

RE BUTTE TEL TO DIRECTOR SEPTEMBER 24, 1974, AND DETROIT TELCALL TO BUTTE SEPTEMBER 24, 1974.

INVESTIGATION DETROIT DIVISION CONCERNING SEPT. 24/74 TELCALL RECIEVED BY [redacted] REVEALS LONG DISTANCE COLLECT CALL RECIEVED BY [redacted] APPROXIMATELY [redacted]. FEMALE OPERATOR INDICATED CALL BEING PLACED BY A [redacted] CALL ACCEPTED. CALL LASTED [redacted] TRACE INSTITUTED BY [redacted] ALTHOUGH UNABLE TO COMPLETE TRACE DURING CALL.

CALLER CALLED [redacted] BY FIRST NAME [redacted] [redacted] ADVISED SHE IMMEDIATELY IDENTIFIED VOICE OF CALLER AS BEING THAT OF MEIRHOFFER, BASED ON RECENT BUREAU SUPERVISED CONFRONTATIONS WITH MEIRHOFFER IN MONTANA. DURING CALL [redacted] [redacted] CALLED THE CALLER DAVID ON SEVERAL OCCASSIONS. CALLER INDICATED HE WAS NOT A DAVID AND BECAME UPSET WITH [redacted] CONTINUED REFERENCE TO DAVID.

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CALLER INDICATED THAT HE KNEW [redacted] HAD TAPED THE [redacted] PHONE CALL HE HAD PREVIOUSLY MADE TO HER. HE CALLED THE [redacted] CALL THE "ANNIVERSARY CALL". DURING CALL CALLER PUT A CHILD ON THE PHONE STATING THE CHILD WAS VICTIM. CHILD STATED "THIS GUY IS NICE. I AM SITTING ON HIS LAP". [redacted] INDICATES CHILD IS NOT IDENTICAL TO VICTIMS. CALLER SAID [redacted] CALLER BECAME UPSET DURING CALL AND TERMINATED CALL STATING "YOU'RE NEVER GOING TO GET [redacted] BACK".

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CONVERSATION TAPED.

DETROIT IS REPRODUCING TAPE AND WILL EXPEDITIOUSLY FORWARD COPY TO BUTTE AND ORIGINAL TO LAB FOR COMPARISONS. COPIES OF TRANSCRPT OF TAPE BEING PREPARED BY DETROIT AND WILL BE FORWARDED TO BUTTE.

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12:15 PM URGENT 9-25-74 JAG

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

BUTTE (7-497)

FROM SALT LAKE CITY (7-590) (P)

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DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM. KIDNAPING

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RE BUTTE TELETYPE, SEPTEMBER 24, 1974.

INQUIRY AT [redacted] AND INTERVIEW WITH OPERATOR MAKING CALL INDICATES CALL MADE THRU [redacted] THIS IS SALT LAKE CITY NUMBER OF SALT PALACE TRAVELODGE SWITCHBOARD. TELEPHONE TICKETS REFLECTS NO ROOM NUMBER.

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VIRTUALLY NO POSSIBILITY CALL MADE FROM NUMBER OTHER THAN [redacted] OR BY [redacted] INQUIRY AT TRAVELODGE REFLECTS NO RECORD OF THIS CALL. OPERATOR, ON COLLECT CALLS, CAN BE DIALED DIRECTLY FROM ANY EXTENSION WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE MOTEL SWITCHBOARD. NO RECORD, THEREFORE, AT MOTEL OF SUCH CALL.

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IN MOTEL ALL TELEPHONE EXTENSIONS IN ROOMS AND MOTEL OFFICE WITH ONE EXCEPTION, OF INSTRUMENT SITUATED IN LOBBY AND UTILIZED ON UNLIMITED BASIS BY MOTEL EMPLOYEES, GUESTS AND ANY PERSON WHO

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MIGHT WALK INTO MOTEL OFFICE. LOBBY (AND TELEPHONE) CLEANED DURING DAY SEPTEMBER 24, 1974, AFTER CALL PRIOR TO RECEIPT OF INFORMATION BY SALT LAKE CITY OF CALL.

CHECK OF MOTEL/ RECORDS REFLECTS NO REGISTRATION INFORMATION RE SUBJECT UNDER TRUE NAME OR ALIASES FURNISHED SALT LAKE CITY BY BUTTE. ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE TO OBTAIN ALL MOTEL REGISTRATION CARDS FOR PERTINENT DATES FOR SUBMISSION TO FBI LABORATORY.

TELECOPIER PHOTO OF SUBJECT EXHIBITED TO ALL PERSONNEL OF TRAVELODGE ON DUTY DURING PERTINENT PERIOD WITHOUT EFFECTING IDENTIFICATION.

ONLY SUSPICIOUS RESIDENT IS ARRIVAL AT MOTEL AT 5:00 A.M., SEPTEMBER 24,1974, OF [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] DESCRIBED [redacted] OBSERVED, NO LUGGAGE, NO VEHICLE, APPEARED VERY RUMPLED AND VERY ODORIFEROUS. TOLD CLERK HE HAD GIRL WITH HIM, BUT GIRL NOT OBSERVED. INDICATED ARRIVAL FROM PORTLAND BY BUS AND WAS EN ROUTE TO RESIDENCE AT DANVERS, MASSACHUSETTS. PAID FOR ROOM AT TIME OF REGISTRATION AND NO CHECK-OUT TIME INDICATED AND TIME OF DEPARTURE UNKNOWN. MANIFEST OF AIRCRAFT DEPARTING SALT LAKE CITY FOR BOZEMAN

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AFTER CALL CHECKED AND NO RECORD LOCATED FOR SUBJECT UNDER NAME OR KNOWN ALIASES.

DETERMINED THRU FAA THAT LEAR JET N828M, FILED IRF FLIGHT PLAN, SALT LAKE CITY TO BUTTE. PROPSED TAKE-OFF 1:00 P.M., SEPTEMBER 24, 1974. [redacted] LISTED AS [redacted] HOME BASE FORT WORTH, TEXAS, OWNED BY KEN DAVIS INDUSTRIES, OKLAHOMA. FLIGHT INCLUDED 5 PASSENGERS AND 2 PILOTS. b6 b7C

MILEAGE SALT LAKE CITY TO BUTTE IS APPROXIMATELY 430. DRIVING TIME AT EXTREME HIGH SPEEDS CONCEIVALBY POSSIBLE 6 TO 7 HOURS.

INVESTIGATION SALT LAKE CITY CONTINUING.

BUTTE AT BUTTE AIRPORT: CHECK ARRIVAL OF LEAR JET N828M AND DETERMINE IF SUJECT POSSIBLY PASSENGER.

REVIEW FILE AND ADVISE SALT LAKE CITY OF ANY AND ALL POSSIBLE ALIASES. DETERMINE IF ASSOCIATES OF SUBJECT ARE PILOTS AND COULD HAVE DEPARTED BOZEMAN OR BUTTE AREA DURING PERTINENT PEROD. FURNISH SALT LAKE CITY PRECISE TIMES THAT SUBJECT OBSERVED IN BUTTE OR BOZEMAN AREA AND PRECISE TIMES HIS WHEREABOUTS UNACCOUNTED FOR.

DETERMINE NAMES OF ASSOCIATES OF SUBJECT WHOSE NAMES MIGHT HAVE BEEN UTILIZED IN REGISTRATION AT TRAVELODGE. CONSIDER IMMEDIATE INTERVIEW OF SUBJECT FOR ALIBI AS TO HIS WHEREABOUTS AT 10:00 A.M.,

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SEPTEMBER 24, 1974, AND SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEADS TO VERIFY. ADVISE SALT LAKE CITY OF GENERAL CONVERSATION DURING TELEPHONE CALL OF SEPTEMBER 24, 1974. CHECK AIRPORT IN VICINITY OF BUTTE AND BOZEMAN FOR ORIGIN OF FLIGHTS THAT AREA WHICH COULD HAVE POSSIBLY TAKEN SUBJECT TO SALT LAKE CITY.

SALT LAKE CITY NOT AWARE OF FULL INVESTIGATIVE INQUIRY BY BUTTE. BUTTE, SET OUT LEAD, IF SAME DEEMED NECESSARY, RE LOCATION AND INTERVIEW OF [redacted]

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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
September 27, 1974

This concerns Susan Marie Jaeger, aged 7, who was taken from a tent while on a camping trip with her family near Three Forks, Montana, 6/25/73.

On 9/27/74, Butte Office advised Gallatin County, Montana, Sheriff's Office, has obtained warrant for the arrest of David Gail Meirhofer charging him with the kidnaping and murder of victim and Sandra D. Smallegan, aged 18, who once dated Meirhofer. Her car and bones were found 5 miles east of the site where victim Jaeger was abducted.

Attached sets forth press release to be issued by Gallatin County Sheriff's Office upon arrest of Meirhofer, which is contemplated at about 3:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time. Butte further advised a bone, which appears to be that of young female, located 9/17/74, in same location as bones identified as those of Smallegan.

On 9/27/74, Butte telephonically advised investigation continuing to place Meirhofer in Salt Lake City on [redacted] when [redacted] received calls from individual identifying himself as [redacted] but whom [redacted] recognized as Meirhofer. b6 b7C b7D

Investigation continuing.

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11-20AM URGENT 9-27-74 JFH

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)

DETROIT (7-1248)

FROM BUTTE (7-497)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM;

KIDNAPING, OO BUTTE.

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FOLLOWING IS CONTEMPLETED PRESS RELEASE TO BE ISSUED AFTER MEIRHOFER'S ARREST BY GALLATIN COUNTY SO TODAY:

"DAVID G. MEIRHOFER,25, A MANHATTAN, MONTANA, RESIDENT, HAS BEEN ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH THE KIDNAPING AND MURDERS OF SUSAN JAEGER AND SANDRA D. SMALLEGAN.

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ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RELEASED BY GALLATIN COUNTY [redacted] AND ROBERT W. EVANS, SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE OF THE MONTANA-IDAHO DIVISION OF THE FBI,THE ARREST WAS THE RESULT OF A MASSIVE INVESTIGATION WHICH WAS LAUNCHED JUNE 25, 1973, WHEN SUSAN JAEGER, A 7 YEAR OLD FARMINGTON, MICHIGAN, GIRL WAS KIDNAPED FROM A TENT AT HEADWATERS STATE PARK NEAR THREE FORKS, MONTANA. THE FBI TOOK JURISDICTION UNDER FEDERAL STATUTES WHEN NO SIGN OF THE KIDNAPED GIRL WAS FOUND."

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THE INVESTIGATION INTENSIFIED WHEN SANDRA D. SMALLEGAN, 19, OF MANHATTAN, MONTANA, WAS REPORTED MISSING ON FEBRUARY 9, 1974. HER AUTOMOBILE AND BONES IDENTIFIED TO BE THOSE OF SANDRA SMALLEGAN WERE FOUND AT A REMOTE AND UNOCCUPIED RANCH NORTHEAST OF THREEFORKS, MONTANA. THE SMALLEGAN CASE WAS INVESTIGATED BY THE GALLATIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND BOZEMAN POLICE OFFICERS, ACTING THROUGH THE CITY-COUNTY INVESTIGATIVE TEAM. THE ARREST OF MEIRHOFER WAS MADE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF GALLATIN COUNTY SHERIFF L. D. W. ANDERSON.

DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE DISTRICT COURT INDICATE THAT MEIRHOFER WAS ARRESTED ON THE BASIS OF NUMEROUS TELEPHONE CALLS TO THE JAEGER RESIDENCE BY THE PURPORTED KIDNAPER.

A BONE, WHICH APPEARS TO BE THAT OF A YOUNG FEMALE CHILD, WAS FOUND ON SEPTEMBER 17, 1974, IN THE SAME LOCATION AS THE BONES IDENTIFIED TO BE THOSE OF SANDRA SMALLEGAN."

ARREST CONTEMPLATED AT ABOUT 3:00 P. M. EDT.

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1225PM NITEL SEPTEMBER 29, 1974 DFW

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

DETROIT (7-1248)

FROM BUTTE (7-497) 1P

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM. KIDNAPING.

OO: BUTTE.

SKULL, HAIR, PARTIAL VERTEBRAE PROBABLY IDENT VICTIM, LOCATED WHERE SUBJECT STATED VICTIM'S HEAD WAS SECREATED. CORONER AND PATHOLOGIST WILL CONDUCT NECESSARY INVESTIGATION.

END.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: DAVID GAIL METRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

File # (7-14789) — 1541
Lab.# PC-L2060 MC MK

AIRTEL 9/19

Examination requested by: SAC, BUTTE (7-497)

Examination requested: Misc (Anthro)

Result of Examination: Chem, Micr Ana (F)

Date received: 9/23 rm am

Examination by: [redacted]

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Q35-Q37 to [redacted] 9/25
Q35 debris, Q36, Q37 ret 9/25
" " to MK 9/25

ASAC [redacted]
Tel. advised 7/25 that Q35 is human sacrum 6-14 old; sev. cuts present. no written ack. req. FJW.
ASAC requested any presence of lime on or in Q35 FJW

Specimens:

Q35	Debris & bones
Q36	Debris
Q37	Debris

Lab yt
9/26/74
FJW: jk

Q35-Q37 no fabric present

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
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GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C. DATE: September 26, 1974
Attn: [redacted] FBI Laboratory #PC-L 2060 (Q35) [redacted] Ranch, Manhattan, Montana

FROM [redacted]
Department of Anthropology, S.I.

SUBJECT: Human sacrum and fragment of left ilium

The bone is covered with greyish dirt, powdery, with some orange red patches (mold?) and white streaks (adipocere?). Scraps of bluish toliet tissue sticking to the left side may be from wrapping when it was still wet. The 22 x 32 mm piece of ilium is attached by sacro-iliac ligaments behind the auricular surface. Cartilage, periosteum, ligaments, tendons for back muslces, and nerve sheaths (for the cauda equina) were still present somewhat dried, and there were only a few pupa shells of beetles. Dirt covering and drying may have retarded decay. Time since death seems to be from a few months to a year.

After removing the tissue to reveal the state of fusion (costal elements of S2 and S3 fused to bodies, costal element of S1 fused to root of arch and this combination unfused in front and on top but just starting to fuse at the back; 5 segments still unfused to each other) I can estimate age as 5-8, very likely 6-8. The state of fusion matches that of a boy who died almost on his 7th birthday. Age standards available for sacral growth change are less precise than those for teeth, so I cannot pinpoint probable age.

Sex differences in the sacrum are not clearcut even for adults. While it is impossible to determine sex the slight flatness of this sacrum fits female better than male averages; the curve only begins at the 4th vertebra.

This sacrum shows 4 areas of cutting apparently done while the tissues were intact. The lowest cut diagonally cuts off the left side of the lowest (5th) vertebra. The highest cut has removed the upper back parts of left sacral ala, articular process, and upper ilium (the ilium in front of this seems to have been simply broken or torn off). On the right side a cut severs the lateral parts of the 4th, 3rd and 2nd vertebra, each in a slightly different plane, and nicks the 1st vertebra only on its anterior (visceral) surface where the cut is about 2 mm wide, 1 mm deep, and 5 mm long. I don't think a knife or cleaver could make such clean, unsplintered cuts, with these changes in direction (and with no hesitation marks). I don't see marks of successive saw cuts. Yet a thin-bladed saw like a hacksaw (or meat-saw), entering from and in front, beside the child's crotch, could have made this third cut in my opinion. A 15 mm cut into the 4th vertebra goes diagonally inwards and down from the left side and in contrast with the others looks like a knife cut or a chop.

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

File # (7-14789) — 154
Lab.# PC-L2060 MC MK

AIRTEL 9/19

Examination requested by: SAC, BUTTE (7-497)

Examination requested: Misc [ ]

Result of Examination: Chem

Date received: 9/23 rm am

Examination by [redacted]

RVA

Rec'd Q35 debris 9/26

Dictation: No lime was present in the Q35 debris when examined in the laboratory.

Specimens:

Q35	Debris ≠ bone
Q36	Debris
Q37	Debris

Notes: 30X examination shows no white solids suggestive of lime

pH w universal paper shows soil to be neutral i.e. 7 ∴ no lime present.

9/19/74

AIRTEL AIRMAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM : SAC, BUTTE (7-497) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

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Re report of SA BYRON H. DUNBAR, Butte, 9/10/74, and letter of Sheriff L. D. W. ANDERSON, Gallatin County, Montana, to the FBI Laboratory, 3/6/74, in a case captioned "SANDRA DYCKMAN SMALLEGAN - VICTIM, Murder."

For the information of the FBI Laboratory, the Lockhart Ranch located north and west of Manhattan, Montana, was re-searched 9/17/74, under the supervision of [redacted] Gallatin County SO. The area specifically searched was the outdoor toilet facility and items found therein which were believed to be of human origin.

Submitted for the FBI Laboratory are three plastic containers as furnished by [redacted] Number One appears to be bone and possibly human bone. Number Two a substance containing a material somewhat identical to that on Number One. Number Three a substance believed to be of human origin.

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As the Laboratory has previously been advised, local pathologists have suggested that they are not as skilled in determining whether the source of material such as the enclosure is human or animal in origin. Therefore, these items are submitted to the FBI Laboratory with the following request.

REQUEST OF THE FBI LABORATORY

Will furnish the enclosed samples to the appropriate anthropologists in order that it can be determined whether or not these are of human origin. If human, will endeavor to ascertain from these samples the sex and age of the person from which these materials emanated. (Will note that the Victim in captioned case was a white female, age 7. Will note that SANDRA DYCKMAN SMALLEGAN was a white female, age 19 at the time of her death.) Will further note that these items came from that area wherein a telephone call was made in captioned case to the Victim's mother on 6/25/74.

At the conclusion of the requested examination, will return the enclosed items to the Butte Office.

Transmittal Form

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FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: **SAC, Butte (7-497)** Date: **September 26, 1974**

From: Director, FBI

Re: **DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;**
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

FBI File No. **7-14789**

Lab. No. **PC-L2060 MC MK**

Examination requested by: **Butte**

Reference: **Airtel 9/19/74**

Examination requested: **Miscellaneous - Chemical Analyses**

Remarks:

Specimens Q35 through Q37 are being returned under separate cover by registered mail.

Enclosures (3) (2 Lab report and Smithsonian report)

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REPORT
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FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Butte

Date: September 26, 1974
FBI File No. 7-14789
Lab. No. PC-L2060 MC MK

Re: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Specimens received 9/23/74:

Q35 Debris and bone
Q36 Debris
Q37 Debris

Result of examination:

Specimens Q35 through Q37 were examined by [redacted] Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C. [redacted] after examining Q36 and Q37, stated he could find no bones present in these specimens. [redacted] report is being furnished to you as an enclosure to this report.

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The material adhering to the Q35 sacrum was removed and examined in the Laboratory. No lime was found.

No fabric was found in Q35 through Q37.

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Make encl envelope (1) for [redacted] rpt

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Specimens 935 - 937 are being returned under separate cover by registered mail.

Enclosures (3) (2 LABORATORY REPORTS)
(1 SMITHSONIAN REPORT)

SPECIAL

Date 9/26

PC-L2060

Results:

Specimens Q35 through Q37 were examined by [redacted] b6 b7C Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.* [redacted] report is being furnished to you as an enclosure to this report.

The material adhering to the Q35 sacrum was removed and examined in the laboratory. No hair was found.

No fabric was found in Q35 through Q37.

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* [redacted] after examining Q36 and Q37, stated he could identify two bones present in these specimens.

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510AM NITEL SEPTEMBER 29, 1974 CMG

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

DETROIT (7-1248)

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FROM BUTTE (7-497)

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DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM.

KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE.

SUBJECT GAVE FULL CONFESSION TO SA BYRON H. DUNBAR IN PRESENCE OF HIS [redacted] AND [redacted] [redacted] CAPTIONED CASE, KILLING OF SANDRA DYKMA SMALLEGAN, AS WELL AS TWO OTHER LOCAL MONTANA MURDERS (MICHAEL RANEY AND BERNARD POELMAN - VICTIMS).

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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

This concerns Susan Marie Jaeger, aged 7, who was taken from a tent while on a camping trip with her family near Three Forks, Montana, 6/25/73.

Attached from Butte Office advises of arrest of subject David Gail Meirhofer by local officers, Manhattan, Montana, 9/27/74. Subject refused to be interviewed and appeared before Montana District Court Judge on charges of first degree murder and kidnaping. Butte Office previously advised that incidental to Meirhofer's arrest he was strip searched and found in his possession was a letterhead stationery of Travel Lodge, Salt Lake City, Utah, and written on this letterhead was the name [redacted] name used by individual who recently called [redacted] and a Michigan telephone number. Detroit Office is determining identity of this number. Meirhofer held in local jail without bond.

Butte subsequently advised that Meirhoffer in presence of his attorney confessed to killing of victims Susan Marie Jaeger and Sandra Dykma Smallegan and the murder of two others, Michael Raney and Bernard Poelman. b6 b7C

Meirhoffer prior to 10:30 a.m., 9/29/74, committed suicide by hanging himself in jail cell.

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8:09 Q PM NITEL SEPT 27, 1974 TDS

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

DETROIT (7-1248)

FROM BUTTE (7-497)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM; KIDNAPING, OO: BUTTE.

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RE BUTTE TELETYPE TO BUREAU SEPTEMBER 27, 1974.

SUBJECT ARRESTED MANHATTAN, MONTANA, BY LOCAL OFFICERS WITHOUT INCIDENT, APPROXIMATELY 2:30 P.M., THIS DATE. TRANSPORTED COUNTY SEAT, ARRIVING COUNTY JAIL, WAS FINGERPRINTED, STRIPPED SEARCHED, AND MAJOR CASE PRINTS OBTAINED. OFFICIAL NEWS RELEASE 2:55 PM, ALL INFORMATION BEYOND RELEASE OBTAINED BY MEDIA FROM COMPLAINT, (PUBLIC SOURCE INFORMATION).

SUBJECT INTERVIEWED 3:01 PM, REFUSED TO TALK WITHOUT ATTORNEY. INTERVIEWED TERMINATED 3:02PM. SUBJECT APPEARED BEFORE MONTANA DISTRICT COURT JUDGE 5:15 PM. CHARGED FIRST DEGREE MURDER, AND KIDNAPING. (TWO CHARGES UNDER LAWS OF STATE OF MONTANA PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1974.)

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MAXIMUM SENTENCE, DEATH, RE SUSAN MARIE JAEGER. CHARGED UNDER NEW LAW EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1974, RE SANDRA DYCKMAN SMALLEGAN, WITH DELIBERATE HOMOCIDE, AND AGGRAVATED KIDNAPING, BOTH HAVING

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MANDATORY DEATH SENTENCE IN ABSENCE OF MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES

JUDGE LESSLEY IMPOSED GGA RULE, OFFICERS OF IT'S COURTS,

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS, AND WITNESSES. AT REQUEST OF DEFENDANT

ARRAIGMENT CONTINUED TO OCTOBER 7, 1974.

SUBJECT HELD GALLATIN COUNTY JAIL WITHOUT BOND.

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TO SACS BUTTE (7-497)
DETROIT (7-1248)

SEP 27 1974

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (7-14789) TELETYPE

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM; KIDNAPING OO: BUTTE.

RE DETROIT AIRTEL TO BUREAU 9/25/74, ENCLOSING MEMOREX "120" CASSETTE TAPE CONTAINING RECORDING OF 9/24/74 TELEPHONE CALL TO JAEGER RESIDENCE.

REGARDING LABORATORY EXAMINATION OF ABOVE CAPTIONED TAPE, INDIVIDUAL WHO IDENTIFIES HIMSELF AS [redacted] COMPARES FAVORABLY WITH KNOWN VOICE SAMPLES OF MEIRHOFER SUBMITTED PREVIOUSLY.

NO BACKGROUND NOISE WHICH COULD SPECIFICALLY INDICATE ORIGIN OF CALL WAS DETECTED. CALL ORIGINATED FROM QUIET ENVIRONMENT. WHEN CALLER HANGS UP THE TELEPHONE HANDPIECE IS HEARD TO BOUNCE SUBSTANTIALLY IN TELEPHONE CRADLE SUGGESTING CALL COULD HAVE BEEN

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TELETYPE TO SACS BUTTE, DETROIT
RE: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER
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ON A DESK-TYPE TELEPHONE RATHER THAT WALL-TYPE.

BUTTE SHOULD CONSIDER POSSIBILITY THAT VOICE OF CHILD WAS A RECORDING. CHILD'S VOICE DOES NOT SOUND TO BE IN PROXIMITY TO TELEPHONE. [redacted] b6 b7C IS NOT PERMITTED TO TALK TO CHILD. A CLICK WHICH COULD BE DUE TO STOPPING OF A RECORDER IS AUDIBLE FOLLOWING UTTERANCES OF A CHILD.

EXAMINATION IS CONTINUING. REPORT FOLLOWS.

9/25/74

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY, NUMBER E-2259-OA
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FROM: SAC, DETROIT (7-1248) (P)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka -
VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

Re Butte and Detroit teletypes to Bureau, 9/24/74.

Enclosed herewith for the FBI Laboratory is original Memorex "120" tape cassette which contains [redacted] telephone call from a [redacted] Contents of call contained on side one of tape. b6 b7C b7D

Enclosed for Butte is one copy of above taped conversation and two copies of transcript of the conversation.

For information of the FBI Laboratory, collect long-distance telephone call received by [redacted] at [redacted] phone from individual identifying self as [redacted] Upon receipt of call, [redacted] identified voice of caller as being identical to voice of subject MEIRHOFER, with whom she had recent Bureau supervised [redacted] During call, subject had a female child speak, although [redacted] states child not identical to victim.

Investigation has determined call placed from Salt Lake City, Utah.

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REQUEST OF FBI LABORATORY, RADIO ENGINEERING SECTION:

[redacted] Expeditiously review enclosed tape cassette containing phone call from subject. If possible, determine origin of extraneous noises during call, particularly in portion during child's conversation. Compare voice of caller with known voice samples of MEIRHOFER previously submitted. Advise Butte and Detroit of results. b7D

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455 PM SEPTEMBER 27, 1974 URGENT PMD

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

DETROIT (7-1248)

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (P)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE.

INCIDENTAL TO MEIRHOFER'S ARREST AND STRIP SEARCH, GALLATIN COUNTY JAIL, TWO FORTY P.M., THERE WAS FOUND LETTERHEAD STATIONERY OF TRAVEL LODGE, [redacted] AND WRITTEN ON THIS LETTERHEAD STATIONERY WAS THE NAME [redacted] AND THE NUMBER [redacted].

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DISTRICT JUDGE GALLATIN COUNTY IMPOSED GAG ON DISCUSSION OF CASE.

LEAD, DETROIT, WILL RESOLVE IDENTITY OF SUBSCRIBER [redacted] DETERMINE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS NUMBER. IF LOGICAL INTERVIEW. IF LOGICAL DETERMINE IF COULD HAVE BLUE-BOX OR IN SOME MANNER BE UTILIZED IN EFFECTING COMMUNICATION THROUGH SWITCHBOARD NO. [redacted]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)

BUTTE (7-497)

FROM: SALT LAKE CITY (7-590) (P)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM,
KIDNAPING. OO: BUTTE.

RE SALT LAKE CITY TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND BUTTE, SEPTEMBER 26, 1974.

[redacted] FRONTIER AIRLINES, DISPLAYED PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT. UNABLE IDENTIFY AS BEING ON FLIGHT 614 ON SEPTEMBER 24, 1974, SALT LAKE CITY TO MISSOULA-BOZEMAN-BILLINGS, MONTANA. AIRCRAFT HAS ONLY CREW OF THREE, PILOT AND CO-PILOT DO NOT OBSERVE PASSENGERS.

YELLOW CAB AND UTE CAB COMPANY, SALT LAKE CITY, TRIP SHEETS SHOW NO TRIPS TRAVELODGE DOWNTOWN TO AIRPORT ON SEPTEMBER 24, 1974.

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[redacted] REFULED CESSNA CARDINAL N NUMBER [redacted] ON SEPTEMBER 24, 1974 AND SEPTEMBER 25, 1974 (BOTH DATES APPEAR ON TICKET), AT SUNVALLEY-KEY AVIATION,

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SALT LAKE CITY.

CANADIAN CESSNA 414 BEARING N NUMBER CFSAX OWNED BY SAXON AVIATION IN CANADA (CITY NOT LISTED). AIRCRAFT HAD GROUP OF SIX INDIVIDUALS, THREE MALES THREE FEMALES (SEE MYTEL SEPTEMBER 26, 1974 RE CFSAX), WAS REFUELED SEPTEMBER 24, 1974 TRANSWEST AIR SERVICE, SALT LAKE CITY.

[redacted] REFUELED BONANZA 4581 DELTA AT THOMPSON FLYING SERVICE SEPTEMBER 24, 1974. OWNED BY MILES CITY AERO SERVICE, BOX 659, MILES CITY, MONTANA.

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INVESTIGATION SALT LAKE CITY CONTINUING.

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11:45 AM SEPTEMBER 28, 1974 URGENT CAY

TO: DIRECTOR (7-14789)

FROM: BUTTE (7-497)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM. KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE.

RE BUTTE TELETYPE TO BUREAU, SEPTEMBER 27, 1974.

COUNTY [redacted], GALLATIN COUNTY, MONT., ADVISED POSSIBLY WILL NEED AGENT TESTIMONY TO REFUTE MOTION FOR BAIL REDUCTION REQUESTED BY SUB.'S ATTORNEY SET FOR SEPTEMBER 30, 1974. UACB, SA DUNBAR WILL TESTIFY IN THIS HEARING IF REQUESTED. U.S.A. HAS NO OBJECTION.

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1107AM NITEL SEPTEMBER 29, 1974 DFW

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

14 DETROIT (7-1248)

FROM BUTTE (7-497) 1P

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM. KIDNAPING.

OO: BUTTE.

SHERIFF L. D. W. ANDERSON ADVISED 10:30AM THAT JUST PRIOR TO THAT TIME, SUBJECT HUNG HIMSELF IN JAIL CELL, AND IS DEAD.

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11:50AM URGENT OCTOBER 1, 1974 CAY

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TO: DIRECTOR (7-14789)

FROM: BUTTE (7-497) (P) 1P

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM. [redacted]

KIDNAPING. OO: BUTTE.

SA BYRON H. DUNBAR SERVED WITH SUBPOENA TO APPEAR D[redacted] COURT, 18TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, BOZEMAN, MONTANA, OCTOBER 1, 1974, AT 2:00 P.M. SUBPOENA PURSUANT TO MOTION TO SUPPRESS FROM PUBLICATION CERTAIN PORTIONS OF QUOTE CONFESSION OF DAVID MEIRHOFER UNQUOTE. CONFESSION TO BE FORWARDED BUREAU; HOWEVER, TESTIMONY WILL BE DIRECTED TO AND MOTION PERTAINING TO PARTICULARLY GORY DETAILS. QUESTIONS REGARDING CONTROVERSIAL JAIL MANAGEMENT AND OTHER LOCAL PROBLEMS WILL NOT BE BROUGHT UP IN THIS HEARING. SA BYRON H. DUNBAR WILL TESTIFY, UACB.

END

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Butte contacted 19-1 + advised additional tel being sent in this matter. SA Dunbar requested to appear to testify to agreement between subjects attorney, county prosecutor prior to obtaining confession if counts prosecutor does not stipulate this part. USA has approved DM

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12:09 PM URGENT SEPTEMBER 30, 1974 MJL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)

FROM: BUTTE (7-497) 1P

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM.

KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE

COUNTY [redacted] GALLATIN COUNTY, MONTANA, ADVISED INQUEST RE MEIRHOFER'S SUICIDE TO BE HELD FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1974, NINE A.M. AND SA BYRON H. DUNBAR WOULD BE REQUESTED TO APPEAR AS A WITNESS. [redacted] ADVISED MEIRHOFER'S STATEMENT WILL BE RELEASED AT THE INQUEST. ADVISED ALL CONTEMPLATED SEARCHES TO BE COMPLETED.

RE REQUEST. SA DUNBAR HAS PRIOR COMMITMENT WITH FBI CONFERENCES, GREAT FALLS, MONT. [redacted] HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT APPEARANCE DUNBAR WOULD BE RESISTED AND, IF NECESSARY, GOVERNMENT WOULD BE REPRESENTED BY USA'S OFFICE TO PRECLUDE BUREAU AGENT FROM BEING WITNESS IN PURELY LOCAL CONTROVERSY.

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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

This concerns Susan [redacted]arie Jaeger, aged 7, who was taken from a [redacted]t while on a camping trip with her family near Three Forks, Montana, 6/25/73. Suspect David Gail Meirhofer was arrested by local officers, Manhattan, Montana, 9/27/74, and subsequently confessed in the presence of his attorney to killing victim Jaeger and three other individuals. Meirhofer, prior to 10:30 a.m., 9/29/74, committed suicide by hanging himself in jail cell.

Attached from Butte Office advises of contents of press release to be issued by Gallatin County [redacted] in connection with this matter. [redacted] among other things, commends the incredible amount of work on part of the FBI and local officers for their investigation in this matter. [redacted] commends SAC Robert W. Evans of the Montana and Idaho Division of the FBI for making the resources, manpower and technical facility of the Bureau available to local law officers. [redacted] stated the officers had worked the case tirelessly for over 15 months and that these men have served the public well.

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NR 002 BT PLAIN

345 PM SEPTEMBER 30, 1974 PMD URGENT

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

DETROIT (7-1248)

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (P)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM. [redacted]

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KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE.

RE BUTTE TEL TO BUREAU, SEPTEMBER 30, 1974.

FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE TO BE ISSUED BY GALLATIN COUNTY [redacted]

"AN INQUEST INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DEATH OF DAVID G. MEIRHOFER, 25, WHO HUNG HIMSELF IN GALLATIN COUNTY JAIL SUNDAY MORNING, HAS BEEN ORDERED. GALLATIN [redacted] REQUESTED THE INQUEST AND SET THE HEARING FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1974, AT NINE A. M. IN THE COURTROOM OF THE GALLATIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

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"COUNTY [redacted] STATED THAT MATTERS RELATING TO THE CASE, INCLUDING THE CONFESSION MADE BY MEIRHOFER, WOULD BE MADE PUBLIC AT THE INQUEST. [redacted] DECLINED FURTHER COMMENTS UNTIL THE INQUEST.

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" JUDGE W. W. LESSLEY ANNOUNCED THAT ALL WITNESSES WOULD BE RELEASED FROM COURT RESTRAINT AFTER THE INQUEST.

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[redacted] STATED THAT THE INFORMATION ON HAND CONCERNING CASE WAS THE RESULT OF AN INCREDIBLE AMOUNT OF WORK ON THE PART OF THE FBI AND LOCAL OFFICERS FROM GALLATIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY-COUNTY INVESTIGATIVE TEAM. [redacted] COMMENDED SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE ROBERT W. EVANS OF THE MONTANA AND IDAHO DIVISION OF THE FBI FOR MAKING THE RESOURCES, MANPOWER AND TECHNICAL FACILITY OF THE BUREAU AVAILABLE TO LOCAL LAW OFFICERS. b6 b7C

[redacted] STATED OFFICERS HAD WORKED THE CASE TIRELESSLY FOR OVER FIFTEEN MONTHS. ' THESE MEN HAVE SERVED THE PUBLIC WELL.'" b6 b7C

DETROIT AT FARMINGTON, MICHIGAN, WILL GIVE CONSIDERATION TO ALERTING [redacted] OF CONFESSION RELEASE, NOTING SUB. STATED THAT HE DID FONDLE VICTIM (NO SEXUAL INTERCOURSE) PRIOR TO STRANGLING AND THEN DID BEHEAD VICTIM AND BURN BODY, CONSUMPTION COMPLETE EXCEPT FOR HEAD AND SACRUM.

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NR 003 BT PLAIN

216 PM IMMEDIATE OCTOBER 1, 1974 TMI

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (P) 1P

[redacted]

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER: ET AL, KIDNAPING, OO BUTTE.

REBUCALL TO BUTTE, OCT. 1, 1974; AND BUTTE TELETYPE TO BUREAU, OCT. 1, 1974.

USA HAS APPROVED SA BYRON H. DUNBAR'S TESTIMONY. TESTIMONY REQUESTED BY DEFENSE ATTORNEY, AS ONLY PERSONS PRESENT DURING MEIRHOFER'S STATEMENT WERE MEIRHOFER, DEFENSE ATTORNEY, COUNTY ATTORNEY, AND SA DUNBAR WHO DID QUESTIONING AND OBTAINED STATEMENT. AGENT'S TESTIMONY REQUESTED AS COUNTY ATTORNEY AGREED THAT HE WOULD RECOMMEND SUPPRESSION OF STATEMENT IN PART FROM PRESS WITH MEIRHOFER'S PLEA OF GUILTY WHICH WAS THEN ANTICIPATED. NO QUESTIONS TO BE POSED OF AGENT RE MATTERS EXCEPT THAT COUNTY ATTORNEY DID STATE HE WOULD RECOMMEND SUPPRESSION OF STATEMENT WITH MEIRHOFER'S PLEA OF GUILTY. AGENT DUNBAR WAS PRESENT AND CAN SO TESTIFY. DEFENSE ATTORNEY STATES IF COUNTY ATTORNEY STIPULATES AS TO WHAT TOOK PLACE, AGENT WILL NOT BE CALLED AS WITNESS.

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NR 004 BT PLAIN

1330 PM OCTOBER 1, 1974 URGENT PMD

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

DETROIT (7-1248)

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (P)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER (DECEASED); SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA-VICTIM. KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE.

RE BUCALLS TO BUTTE, AND BUTTE TELS TO BUREAU, OCTOBER 1, 1974.

IN HEARING BEFORE JUDGE W. W. LESSLEY, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT, STATE OF MONT., SA DUNBAR WAS ASKED AND DID TESTIFY THAT THERE WAS A PRE-STATEMENT AGREEMENT THAT MEIRHOFER'S CONFESSION WOULD BE RECOMMENDED AS BEING KEPT CONFIDENTIAL IF HE, IN TURN, ENTERED PLEA OF GUILTY TO ALL COUNTS OF FOUR MURDERS AND TWO KIDNAPINGS AND THAT [redacted] ATTORNEY WOULD FURTHER RECOMMEND OTHER THAN DEATH PENALTY (FOUR CONSECUTIVE SENTENCES OF ONE HUNDRED YEARS EACH). NO OTHER QUESTIONS ASKED OF BUAGENT.

JUDGE LESSLEY TOOK MATTER UNDER ADVISEMENT AND STATED A REVIEW OF TAPED CONFESSION AND TRANSCRIPT INDICATES TAPE IS EXACT DUPLICATE. RULED THAT CONTRARY TO HIS PERSONAL FEELINGS AND OPINION, HE COULD NOT ACCEPT A MOTION TO SUPPRESS AND STATEMENT (TRANSCRIPT) WOULD BE A MATTER OF PUBLIC RECORD. JUDGE LESSLEY FURTHER ORDERED THAT ORIGINAL TAPE WOULD BE TURNED OVER TO FBI.

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FBI

Date: 10/1/74

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (7-497)(P)

SUBJECT: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER
(Deceased);
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

Enclosed for the information of the Bureau is one each of the following:

Affidavit of Probable Cause for charges brought against DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER

Order granting leave to file an Information charging MEIRHOFER with four separte counts under Montana law of kidnaping and homicide

Information charging DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER with four counts homicide and kidnaping

Bench Warrant issued charging MEIRHOFER with four counts kidnaping and homicide

Search Warrant with Affidavits attached for search of MEIRHOFER's house and garage

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Search Warrant with application attached for search of MEIRHOFER's personally-owned automobile

Search with Affidavit attached for a camper shell

Search of a two-story, blue frame house owned by MEIRHOFER located in Manhattan, Montana, with Affidavit attached

Additional applications and warrants being obtained for warehouse and apartment garage owned by MEIRHOFER, Manhattan-Three Forks, Montana, respectively.

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9:20 PM NITEL OCTOBER 4, 1974 TDS

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

DETROIT (7-1248)

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (P)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER (DECEASED); SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA-
VICTIM. KIDNAPING. OO; BUTTE.

INSTANT DATE, CORONER'S JURY IMPANELED GALLATIN COUNTY, BOZEMAN, MONTANA. COUNTY [redacted] IN BRIEF PRESENTED ENTIRE JAEGER AND SANDRA SMALLEGAN CASES. DURING PRESENTATION LOCATING FROZEN WRAPPED MEAT IN MEIRHOFER'S FREEZER BROUGHT UP AND RESULTS OF EXAMINATION THAT IT CONTAINED HUMAN MUSCLE TISSUE WAS PRESENTED. HEARING LASTED ALL DAY. JURY FOUND NO CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE ON PART OF SHERIFF L.D.W. ANDERSON, GALLATIN COUNTY, BUT COMMENTED TO EFFECT GALLATIN COUNTY SHERIFF CARELESS AND NEGLIGENT IN SAFE-GUARDING PRISONER, DAVID MEIRHOFER, AND FAILED IN HIS RESPONSIBILITIES TO COMMUNICATE WITH PERSONNELL ASSIGNED TO [redacted] AND ALSO FAILED TO ASSIGN ADEQUATE PERSONNEL.

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BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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Date: 10/2/74

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (7-497)(P)

SUBJECT: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER
(Deceased);
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

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Re Butte teletypes to Bureau, 10/1/74.

Enclosed herewith is the typed confession of DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER, which is self-explanatory.

For the information of the Bureau, the Gallatin County City-County Investigative Team is serving remaining search warrants on various buildings, which have been under the control of DAVID MEIRHOFER. In addition, they are contemplating obtaining a second search warrant to seize all of his private and business papers to see if they can establish if he was involved in any other kidnapings-murders in Montana or adjoining areas. Searches will also be made by said investigators for the ash remains of SUSAN JAEGER, which, according to statement of MEIRHOFER, had been disposed of in a culvert.

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2 - Butte
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Special Agent in Charge

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Two complete boxes of tapes have been previously furnished county investigators on 9/28/74, which they intend listening to in the event MEIRHOFER recorded his conversation with [redacted] or if he made a record of any crime he committed.

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The Bureau will be kept advised.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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NR 002 BT PLAIN

4-20 PM URGENT OCTOBER 3, 1974 JFH

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

DETROIT (7-1248)

FROM BUTTE (7-497)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER (DECEASED); SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA -
VICTIM. KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE.

FOR INFO OF BUREAU AND DETROIT, CITY-COUNTY INVESTIGATIVE TEAM, BOZEMAN, MONT., IN SEARCH OF DAVID MEIRHOFER'S RESIDENCE ON SEPTEMBER 28-29, 1974, SEIZED FROZEN MEAT LOCKED IN MEIRHOFER'S FREEZER. MEAT SENT TO [redacted] COLUMBIA GENERAL HOSPITAL, GREAT FALLS, MONT.

[redacted] RNISHED PRELIMINARY REPORT TO GALLATIN COUNTY AUTHORITIES THAT SIX PACKAGES CONTAINED HUMAN MUSCLE TISSUE MIXED WITH SUET, PACKAGES LABELED DEER BURGER. ONE PACKAGE CONTAINED STRIPS OF HUMAN TISSUE SIMILAR TO JERKY.

[redacted] CONDUCTING ADDITIONAL EXAMINATION. REPORT WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL LATTER PART NEXT WEEK.

GALLATIN COUNTY AUTHORITIES STILL IN PROCESS OF SEARCHING DAVID MEIRHOFER'S PROPERTY.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: 10-10-74

Re: DAVID GAIL MEIRNOFER
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER AKA VICTIM
KIDNAPING 00 BUTTE

TO: SAC BUTTE

Invoice of Contents

☐ Crypt.-Trans.
☐ Document
☐ P & C
☐ Radio Engineering
☐ LFPS

EVIDENCE	EVIDENCE	EVIDENCE
Q15	ONE 5" REEL AMPEX TAPE OF PHONE CALL 9-24-74	
K9	ONE 5" REEL MAGNETIC TAPE CONTAINING KNOWN VOICE SAMPLES	
k11	ON 5" REEL OF MAGNETIC TAPE MARKED REEL #2	
K14	ONE 5" REEL OF MAGNETIC TAPE MARKED #4	
K15	ONE 5" REEL OF MAGNETIC TAPE MARKED #5	
K16	ONE 5" REEL OF MAGNETIC TAPE MARKED #5a	

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: 10-10-74

TO: SAC LAS VEGAS

Re: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA
VICTIM KIDNAPING
00 BUTTE

Invoice of Contents

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K8 TAPED VOICE SAMPLE OF [redacted]

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Laboratory Transmittal Form
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FBI LABORATORY

1 - Mr. Gebhardt
Attn: Mr. Morrow
Rm 5714)
1 - Mr. Paddock
1 [redacted] b6 b7C

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Detroit (7-1248) Date: 7/15/74

From: Director, FBI

Re: UNSUB;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka - VICTIM,
KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

FBI File No. 7-14789 b6 b7C
Lab. No. E-2218-OA

Examination requested by: SAC, Detroit

Reference: Teletype dated 6/25/74

Examination requested: Engineering

Remarks:

Spectrographic (voiceprint) comparison of the voice of the unknown caller on Q16 with the voice of the unknown caller of [redacted] b7D indicates these voices possess numerous similarities and are probably the same speaker. The general description of the caller set forth in Laboratory report dated 11/1/73 and teletype dated 6/27/74 still holds.

EX-117 REC-56 7-14789-168

In the call contained in Q16, there are indications the caller may have had a little girl of his own at one time. He indicates a lay knowledge as opposed to a professional knowledge of psychology. There are indications he may be wealthy and possibly hold properties in various areas of the western United States. There are also indications of possible psychological disturbances manifested by his desire to keep the little girl and by his anguish knowing it to be wrong. His lay knowledge of psychology may stem from psychological treatment or study of psychology with respect to these manifestations.

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Copies of Q15 and Q16 are being maintained at the Laboratory for future comparison purposes. It will not be necessary to resubmit Q15 and Q16.

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

1 - Mr. Gebhardt
1 - Attn: Mr. Morrow
Rm 5714)
1 - Mr. Paddock
1 - [redacted] b6 b7C

To: SAC, Detroit (7-1248)

Date: 7/15/74
FBI File No. 7-14789 -
Lab. No. E-2218-OA

Re: UNSUB;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka - VICTIM,
KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

Specimens received 6/26/74

Q16 Cassette tape containing recording of telephone call [redacted]
Q15 Tape of telephone call [redacted] submitted by Butte.

Results of Examination:

The Q16 tape was subjected to aural and spectrographic examination. The voice of the unknown caller was compared with the unknown caller of [redacted] recorded on Q15. No definitive conclusion could be reached as to the specific origin of the telephone call. The Q16 call does not appear to have been made with telephone operator assistance. Comparison of voice qualities and speech characteristics of the caller in Q16 with the caller in Q15 (Laboratory report 11/1/73) indicates it is probable that the same person made both calls. b7D

The Q16 magnetic tape is being returned to Detroit via registered mail under separate cover. The Q15 tape containing the [redacted] telephone call is being returned to Butte via registered mail under separate cover.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

7-14789-168

Re: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
AKA - VICTIM KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

File # ~~7-14180~~
Lab.# E-2218-OA

Examination requested by: SAC, Butte (7-497)(P) Airtel dated 6/28/74

Examination requested: Engineering

Date received: 7/1/74

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Result of Examination:

Examination by [redacted]

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Previously submitted: Q15 One 5" reel Ampex Tape

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
AKA - VICTIM, KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

File # 7147F9 - 168
Lab.# E-2218-OA

Detroit (7-1248)

Examination requested by: SAC, ~~XXXXXXX~~ Teletype dated 6/25/74

Examination requested: Engineering - Cryptanalysis

Date received: 6/26/74

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted] b6 b7C

spectral comparison with Q 15 tape. (Auper 5" reel) containing call of Sept 24-73 - numerous similarities. notes attached.

Q16
~~Q1~~ One cassette tape

Q16 marked SAK 6-26-74

girl's name is Sugie
caller:
owns a home
no need to work
travels in the west "just sightseeing"
called Denver FBI June 30 (Saturday - late afternoon)
" [redacted]
[redacted] casual tension - not ho b6 b7C b7D
talked to [redacted]
"worked on her mind" using psychotherapy
caller kidnapped girl because he always
wanted a girl
- never had a girl
- was married but isn't now
- claims not to have hurt her except on the night of the kidnapping (had to "choke her or something")
girl knows his name + home
he says she's in his "cabin" sleeping (by herself)
calling from nearby but not in cabin
caller dyed victims hair + changed her hairstyle
had a party for girl's birthday

caller says he couldn't kill her + tried not to terrify her - he was after any little girl
he was there at 2:00
claims not to have had a car or truck too close by
calls the girl by a diff name which she answers to now



shops for clothes for her
says she's changed since her capture
tried to hypnotize her

have been to places where she played with
children her age
Disneyland, San Deigo (schools?)

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REPORT:

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5:20 PM IMMEDIATE JUNE 25, 1974 GJW

TO DIRECTOR (7-14180) (ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

ATLANTA
BUTTE (7-497)
DENVER (7-754)
LOS ANGELES (7-
SAN DIEGO
TAMPA (7-419)

ALL OFFICES VIA WASHINGTON

FROM DETROIT (7-1248) (P) 8P

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA- VICTIM, KIDNAPING, OO BUTTE

RE BUTTE AIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES, JUNE 28, 1973, AND DETROIT TELECALLS TO BUTTE, TAMPA, AND FBI LABORATORY JUNE 25, 1974.

AT APPROXIMATELY [redacted] RECEIVED ANONYMOUS PHONE CALL AT RESIEDNCE PHONE [redacted] CALLER STATED HE WAS UNSUB AND CALLED [redacted] AT PRECISE OF KIDNAPING ONE YEAR LATER [redacted] BECAUSE HE WAS IN AWKWARD POSITION WITH VICTIM AND STATED [redacted] COULD HAVE HER BACK. CALLER STATED HE DOES NOT HAVE TO WORK, IS WITH VICTIM ALL DAY LONG AND HAS TRAVELED THE WEST WITH VICTIM AND SHE HAS GOTTEN USED TO HIM. CALL DISCONNECTED FOR REASONS UNKNOWN TO DETROIT AT APPROXIMATELY [redacted]

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TELETYPED TO: SAC, Lms 7/15/74

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SHORTLY AFTER, AT APPROXIMATELY [redacted] SAME CALLER AGAIN CONTACTED [redacted] AT SAME PHONE NUMBER AND RELATED HE IS THINKING OF PLAN TO RETURN VICTIM [redacted] WITHOUT CAUSING HIS IDENTIFICATION AND ALSO A WAY IN WHICH TO FINANCIALLY BENEFIT THROUGH THE SUSAN JAEGER REWARD FUND, ALTHOUGH THE PARTICULARS OF THE PLAN HAVE NOT BEEN WORKED OUT BY CALLER.

CALLER STATED HE IS SAME PERSON WHO MADE ANONYMOUS CALL TO DENVER, FBI, JUNE 30, 1973, IN LATE AFTERNOON, SAME PERSON WHO CALLED [redacted] AND SAME PERSON CALLING [redacted] IN WHICH HE SPOKE TO [redacted] BUT UNABLE TO CONTACT [redacted] ADVISED INSTANT CALLER SOUNDS IDENTICAL TO [redacted] CALLER. CALLER IDENTIFIES VICTIM AS HAVE NAILS OF FIRST FINGERS BEING "HUMPY". CLAW-LIKE INDEX FINGERS DEFORMITY OF VICTIM NOT PUBLICIZED.

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CALLER RELATED HE WAITED OUTSIDE VICTIM'S TENT ON JUNE 25, 1973, AT ABOUT 2:00 AM AND WAS PLANNING ON TAKING A GIRL OUT OF THE TENT. HOWEVER, HE HEARD [redacted] OF VICTIM, SPEAK TO VICTIM AND THUS GIRLS AWAKE IN TENT AND DID NOT

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ENTER TENT. HE ADVISED HE WAITED FOR A WHILE AND WHEN IT APPEARED SAFE FOR HIM, HE GRABBED VICTIM, NOT CARING WHICH FEMALE CHILD HE GOT. HE ADVISED AT FIRST HE HAD TO CHOKE VICTIM AND CARRY HER ABOUT 100 YARDS TO A PLACE HE FELT SAFE. CALLER CLAIMS NOT TO HAVE ABUSED HER SINCE. SOME DISTANCE AWAY HE HAD A VEHICLE AND THUS EFFECTED ESCAPE WITH VICTIM.

CALLER STATED MATTER IS QUITE A BURDEN TO HIS SOUL AND CLAIMS TO BE RESIDING WITH VICTIM IN FATHER-DAUGHTER RELATIONSHIP. CLAIMS HE HAS CHANGED VICTIM'S APPEARANCE BY DYEING HER HAIR AND CHANGING HAIRSTYLE.

VICTIM, ALVIE, HAS BEEN GIVEN "GET WILL DRUGS" FOR SEVERAL COLDS. CALLER STATED HE HAS PERFORMED PSYCHO-THERAPY, HYPNOTISM, AND INITIAL CONDITIONING TO ENABLE VICTIM TO FORGET FAMILY AND RESIDE WITH HIM.

CALLER STATES VICTIM KNOWS HIS NAME AND AWARE OF PLACES THEY HAVE BEEN TOGETHER. CLAIMS TO HAVE TRAVELED THE WEST EXTENSIVELY, BEEN AT DISNEYLAND AND THE SAN DIEGO ZOO WITH VICTIM. CALLER CLAIMS VICTIM NOT ENROLLED IN SCHOOL AND THAT HE TEACHES HER, HAVING RECEIVED A DEGREE IN EDUCATION.

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[redacted] ATTEMPTED TO PERSUADE CALLER TO RETURN VICTIM IN EXCHANGE FOR NOT PRESSING CHARGES, TO WHICH CALLER STATED THAT IN A "NATIONAL CRIME" THERE NEED NOT BE A PERSON TO PRESS CHARGES. HE ADVISED HE WOULD CHECK "THE LAW" TO SEE IF THAT POSSIBLE.

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CALLER CLAIMS TO LOVE VICTIM AS DAUGHTER AND IF POSSIBLE WOULD LIKE IT IF BOTH HE AND PARENTS COULD HAVE HER. HE HAS GIVEN VICTIM A NEW NAME.

CALLER REASSURED [redacted] STILL ALIVE AND STATED HE COULD NOT KILL A LITTLE GIRL LIKE THAT.

CALLER STATED VICTIM SOMETIMES GOES WITH HIM TO STORES, ETC., DEPENDING UPON WHERE THEY ARE. INDICATES HIGH TRANSIENT NATURE.

CALLER STATES GOD HAS BEEN WATCHING OVER HIM BECAUSE HE HAS NOT BEEN CAUGHT YET AND THAT AUTHORITIES HAVE NOT TALKED TO HIM YET. HE SAYS HE KNOWS HOW PARENTS FEEL WHEN THEY LOSE A CHILD.

CALLER STATED THAT VICTIM WAS, AT THE TIME OF CALL, "UP IN HIS CABIN SLEEPING" AND THAT CALL WAS BEING PLACED NOT FAR FROM CABIN.

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SAYS WILL CALL AGAIN IN FUTURE. NO MENTION OF THIRD PARTY INVOLVED. CALLER TERMINATED CAL ABOUT [redacted]

CHARACTERISTICS AND NOTABLE PHRASEOLOGY OF CALLER INDICATES FOLLOWING: WHITE, MALE, 20-35 YEARS OF AGE, WESTERN, MID-WESTERN OR HILLBILLY ACCENT, SOFT SPOKEN, POLITE UTILIZING "YES [redacted] SENSITIVE TO QUESTIONS CONCERNING HAVING A LITTLE GIRL OF HIS OWN, CLAIMS NOT MARRIED AT PRESENT, HAS MONEY TO TAKE CARE OF VICTIM, OWNS PROPERTY AT DIFFERENT PLACES IN COUNTRY, TRANSIENT IN NATURE, FREQUENTLY MENTIONS HIS ABILITY IN CHANGING VICTIM'S MIND THROUGH PSYCHO-THERAPY, CRIED SEVERAL TIMES DURING PHONE CALL WHEN [redacted] ATTEMPTED TO PERSUADE HIM TO RETURN VICTIM.

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BOTH CALLS LACKED ANY OPERATOR ASSISTANCE AND PRESUMABLY DIRECT DIAL CALLS, INDICATING PROBABLE USE OF TELEPHONE OTHER THAN PAY PHONE.

SECURITY DEPARTMENT, [redacted] ABLE TO TRACE CALL TO [redacted] AREA AND DETERMINED CALL MADE THROUGH [redacted] IN CONTACT WITH [redacted]

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ALTHOUGH DETROIT UNAWARE OF RESULTS OF ANY TRACING OR RESULTS OF [redacted] EFFORTS TO DETERMINE PHONE USED IN CALL.

FOR INFORMATION, ANONYMOUS CALLER DID CALL FBI, DENVER, ON JUNE 30, 1973, [redacted]

IN A DEVELOPMENT TO WHICH DETROIT FEELS MAY BE RELATED AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY RECEIVING OFFICES AS A POSSIBILITY, ON MAY 24, 1974, THE DETROIT NEWS NEWSPAPER, DETROIT, MICHIGAN, RECEIVED A LONG DISTANCE CALL FROM AN INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFYING SELF AS [redacted] (PHONETIC) OF [redacted] INQUIRING REGARDING SUSAN JAEGER REWARD FUND PARTICULARS. CALL WAS TERMINATED AFTER [redacted] CALLER WAS DESCRIBED AS WHITE, MALE, 26-30 YEARS, SOUTHERN ACCENT.

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[redacted] PHONE CALLS RECORDED BY [redacted] AND DETROIT FORWARDING TO LABORATORY FOR APPROPRIATE EXAMINATIONS.

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DETROIT FORWARDING TO TAMPA MORE RECENT PHOTO OF VICTIM THAN PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED.

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RECORDING BEING REPRODUCED AT DETROIT AND WILL BE PROVIDED TO PERTINENT OFFICES.

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FBI LABORATORY, RADIO ENGINEERING SECTION, IS REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY ANY NOISES, SOUNDS, QUALTIES OF CALLER, ETC., CONTAINED IN BACKGROUND OF THE CASSETTE TAPE AND THEREAFTER IMMEDIATELY ADVISE TAMPA, BUTTE AND DETROIT. ARRANGEMENTS PRESENTLY BEING MADE BY DETROIT OFFICE TO HAVE CASSETTE TAPE FLOWN TO WASHINGTON, D.C., BY COMMERCIAL AIRLINES THIS DATE.

ATLANTA AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA: WITH INFORMATION PROVIDED, DETERMINE IF ANY POSSIBLE CONNECTION BETWEEN [redacted] AND ANONYMOUS INSTANT CALLER.

BUTTE AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA: UPON RECEIPT OF TAPE REPRODUCTION OF INSTANT CALL, DETERMINE FROM [redacted] IF CALLER IDENTICAL WITH PERSON CALLING [redacted]

TAMPA AT SARASOTA, FLORIDA: IMMEDIATELY CONTACT [redacted] IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE PHONE USED TO CALL [redacted] AND THEREAFTER CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION

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TO IDENTIFY CALLER AND POSSIBLY LOCATE AND RECOVER VICTIM.

DETROIT NOTES [redacted] WAS PROBABLY MADE DIRECT DIAL FROM PHONE OTHER THAN [redacted] TAMPA SHOULD CONSIDER COMPUTERIZED SERVEY TO LOCATE PHONE TO WHICH CALL(S) BILLED. [redacted] PHONE NUMBER [redacted]

IN VIEW OF DETAILS OF KIDNAPING AS PROVIDED BY CALLER, TAMPA REQUESTED TO INSURE ALL-OUT EFFORT EXERTED TO LOCATE ANONYMOUS CALLER AND VICTIM VIA [redacted]

WILL CONTACT LOGICAL SOURCES IN SARASOTA REGARDING CIRCUS ACTIVITY AND DETERMINE IF ANY HAD SHOWS IN MONTANA IN JUNE, 1973, DENVER IN JULY, 1973, CHEYENNE, WYOMING IN SEPTEMBER, 1973, AND PRESENTLY IN SARASOTA OR ANY COMBINATION OF ABOVE, IN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY UNSUB. UNSUB ANONYMOUS CALLS MADE TO OR FROM THOSE POINTS ON PERTINENT DATES.

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DETROIT: WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [redacted] AND [redacted]

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~~FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR CORRECTIONS PLEASE CONTACT DETROIT OFFICE~~

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Laboratory Transmittal Form
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FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To SAC, Salt Lake City (7-590) Date: October 17, 1974

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From: Director, FBI

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Re DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka -
VICTIM;
KIDNAPING
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FBI File No. ~~7-14789~~ 195
7-14789-1685
Lab. No. D-741001004 ND

OO: Butte

Examination requested by: Salt Lake City

Reference: Airtel dated 9/26/74

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:
Specimens received 9/30/74

Twenty-two original registration slips of Salt Palace TraveLodge, Salt Lake City, Utah, further described as follows:

SPECIMEN	REGISTRATION #	IN NAME OF
Q38	[redacted]	[redacted] b6 b7C
Q39		
Q40		
Q41		
Q42		
Q43		
Q44		
Q45		

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Enclosures (33) (Q38 through Q70)

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SPECIMEN	REGISTRATION #	IN NAME OF
Q46		
Q47		
Q48		
Q49		
Q50		
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Eleven carbon copies of registration slips of Salt Palace TraveLodge, Salt Lake City, Utah, further described as follows:

SPECIMEN	REGISTRATION #	IN NAME OF
Q60		
Q61		
Q62		
Q63		
Q64		
Q65		
Q66		

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SPECIMEN	REGISTRATION #	IN NAME OF
Q67		
Q68		
Q69		
Q70		

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ALSO SUBMITTED:

13 latent lifts

3 latent lifts

Remarks:

Q38 through Q70 have been photographed and are returned herewith. No known handwriting of MEIRHOFER is available in the Laboratory.

You will be advised separately concerning the fingerprint examination and the disposition of the ALSO SUBMITTED material.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Re: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka -
VICTIM;
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

File # ~~7-14789-155~~
Lab.# D-741001004 ND

LATENT

Examination requested by: SAC, Salt Lake City (7-590) airtel 9/26/74

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 9/30/74

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

10/15/74
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T. F. only.
Q38 → Q70 photo'd + return hw. no kn of
Meirhofer avail in lab.
adv sep concern f.c.

Twenty-two original registration slips of Salt Palace TraveLodge, Salt Lake City, Utah, further described as follows:

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SPECIMEN	REGISTRATION #	IN NAME OF:
Q37 38		
Q38 39		
Q39 40		
Q40 41		
Q41 42		

RETURN EVIDENCE

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SPECIMEN	REGISTRATION #	IN NAME OF:
Q42 43		
Q43 44		
Q44 45		
Q45 46		
Q46 47		
Q47 48		
Q48 49		
Q49 50		
Q50 51		
Q51 52		
Q52 53		
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Q56 57		
Q57 58		
Q58 59		

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Eleven carbon copies of registration slips of Salt Palace TraveLodge, Salt Lake City, Utah, further described as follows:

SPECIMEN	REGISTRATION #	IN NAME OF:
Q59 60		
Q60 61		
Q61 62		
Q62 63		

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SPECIMEN	REGISTRATION #	IN NAME OF:
Q63 64		
Q64 65		
Q65 66		
Q66 67		
Q67 68		
Q68 69		
Q69 70		

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ALSO SUBMITTED: 13 latent lifts.

3 latent lifts.

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Date: 9/26/74

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY, LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

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FROM: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (7-590) (P)

RE: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka -
VICTIM
KIDNAPING
(00: Butte)

741001004

Re Salt Lake City teletype to Bureau and Butte, 9/26/74.

Enclosed for Butte are copies of registration slips from the Salt Palace Travelodge, Salt Lake City (one packet).

Enclosed for the Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, are the following items:

1. 14 latent lifts obtained from Room 122, Salt Palace Travelodge, Salt Lake City;

2. Three latent lifts obtained from public telephone in motel lobby.

Enclosed for the FBI Lab is one packet containing the originals (and copy where original not available) of all guests checking out of Salt Palace Travelodge on 9/24/74.

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2 - Salt Lake City

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

U.S.Government Printing Office: 1972 — 455-574

The Latent Fingerprint Section of the Identification Division is requested to process enclosed latent lifts to ascertain whether they are of value, and if so, make appropriate comparisons with fingerprints of subject.

It is not know whether the Bureau has fingerprint record; however, Butte Division has advised that an arrest is eminent and major case prints will be obtained and forwarded.

It is requested FBI Laboratory make comparisons of handwriting on the Travelodge registration slips with any handwriting available for the subject. It is requested the Lab note that in the event handwriting is not available at the Lab, Butte Division has been requested to obtain same and forward for appropriate comparisons.

Butte Division is requested to note the information contained above and insure FBI Lab and Identification Division are furnished appropriate handwriting specimens and fingerprints and major case prints as soon as such are available.

Butte should also furnish FBI Lab any other pertinent information available to that division which will assist in the above examinations.

The latent lifts may be retained by the Bureau or destroyed. The FBI Lab is requested to return to the Salt Lake City Division the packet of registration slips after completion of examination.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

7-14789-168X

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka -
VICTIM;
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

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File # 7-14789 b6
Lab.# D-741001004 ND b7C

LATENT

Examination requested by: SAC, Salt Lake City (7-590) airtel 9/26/74

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 9/30/74

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

Q38 → Q70 returned by lab.
LFPS handle also sent.

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A/S items examined & returned
10/31/74

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

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File #
Lab.#

Examination requested by:

Examination requested:

Date received:

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

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Q69 70		

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re:

File #
Lab.#

Examination requested by:

Examination requested:

Date received:

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

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PLAINTEXT TELEGRAM NITEL-COLLECT b6 b7C

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10/15/74

CHIEF OF POLICE
ATTENTION [redacted] b6 b7C
BOZEMAN, MONTANA David Gail Meirhofer

REFERENCE YOUR LETTERS OCTOBER 1 AND OCTOBER 3, 1974, IN SMALLEGAN AND JAEGER KIDNAPPING AND MURDER CASES.

HEAD HAIRS FOUND NEXT TO SKULL EXHIBIT SAME MICROSCOPIC CHARACTERISTICS AS HAIRS ON BRUSH USED BY SUSAN MARIE JAEGER. ACCORDINGLY, HEAD HAIRS COULD BE FROM VICTIM.

BASED ON COMPARISON OF X-RAYS TAKEN OF TEETH IN SKULL DELIVERED BY DEPUTY ASSELIN AND DENTAL X-RAYS (K5-K7) REPORTED TO BE FROM SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, [redacted] b6 b7C SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION, CONCLUDED THIS DATE THAT SKULL IS SAME PERSON AS INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTED IN DENTAL X-RAYS (K5-K7).

SKULL JAW BONE AND VERTEBRAE BEING IMMEDIATELY RETURNED BY REGISTERED AIRMAIL.

REPORT AND DISPOSITION OF REMAINING EVIDENCE FOLLOWING.

CLARENCE M. KELLEY
DIRECTOR

7-14789

1-FBI, Butte BY MAIL
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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OCT 18 1974

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CHIEF OF POLICE

ADDRESS ALL MAIL TO
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CITY OF BOZEMAN

34 NORTH ROUSE
STATE OF MONTANA 59715

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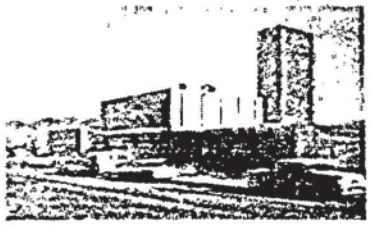

Police Department

October 1, 1974

Expedite Hearing 10/4

TO: Director, FBI
Attention: FBI Laboratory
FBI File # 95-191393
FBI File # 7-14789

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PC-L 2060 MC

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FROM: City-County Investigative Team
Bozeman Police Department
Bozeman, Montana 59715
Sheriff's Report # 740211C
Sheriff's Report # 730625

RE: Suspect: David G. Meirhofer
Victim: Sandra Dykman Smallegan
Victim: Susan Marie Jaeger
Offense: Kidnapping and Murder

Dear Sir:

The evidence described below is enclosed for examination by the FBI Laboratory, at the request of the local Pathologist. This evidence is being submitted in connection with an official investigation of a criminal matter. It was not, nor will be, subjected to the same type of technical examination by other experts.

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Pursant to examination, please refer to correspondance of Sheriff L. D. W. Anderson dated March 6, 1974, [redacted] March 18, 1974, Bureau letters to Sheriff Anderson April 10, 1974 and April 30, 1974, and Resident Agent Bozeman, Montana correspondance of September 19, 1974.

Resident Agent in Bozeman, Montana advised this office that Susan Marie Jaeger's hair samples from her hair brush have been sent to and examined by your laboratory and a bone believed to be Jaeger's was submitted on September 19, 1974.

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Homicide Squad 10/2

XT REF 1 PD BOZEMAN, MT. 10-1-74
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REQUEST FOR NATIONAL BROADCAST
URGENT NEED PERTINENT DATES AND TIS AND INFORMATION OF ALL UNSOLVED HOMICIDES-KIDNAPPINGS BOTH MALE AND FEMALE YOUR JURISDICTION FOR LAST 8 YEARS. HAVE ARRESTED KIDNAP-MURDERER NAM/MEIRHOFER, DAVID GAIL DOB/060849 HGT/507 WGT/140-150 HAI/DARK BROWN MEDIUM LENGTH EYE/VERY BEADY PSYCHOPATHIC - WAS IN MARINE CORPS 1968-71 SUBJECT TRAVELED EXTENSIVELY AND SAVED RECEIPTS - ADMITTED-TO-4 HOMICIDES AND KIDNAPPINGS THIS AREA FOR LAST 8 YEARS THEN TOOK HIS LIFE WHILE IN CUSTODY. THIS INFORMATION FOR SEARCH WARRANTS FOR POSSIBLE ARTICLES TAKEN FROM VICTIM S . REQUEST INFORMATION BY TUX OR LETTERS PLEASE.
RE DETECTIVE DIVISION
[redacted]
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PD BOZEMAN, MT. ES MDT 1100

TO: Director, FBI
Attention: FBI Laboratory
FBI File # 95-191393
FBI File # 7-14789

Resident Agent also advised previous Bureau investigations have been made regarding Susan Marie Jaeger and that discovery of Jaeger's body precludes Federal jurisdiction.

We would appreciate your assistance in proving identification of Jaeger although suspect has admitted murder of Jaeger and advised local authorities a location of her body, that location being where these items were found.

DESCRIPTION OF EVIDENCE: Skull- Believed to be that of Susan Marie Jaeger

Lower Jaw Bone - From above skull

Five (5) Vertebrae - Found with skull

Hair Sample - Found with skull

EXAMINATION REQUESTED: Examine skeletal portions for age, sex, height, weight and duration of time since death. It is requested that [redacted] Department of Anthropology, Smithsonian Institution make this examination. b6 b7C

FBI Laboratory to examine hair samples for comparison with known samples from Jaeger's hair brush.

It is requested this agency be notified, by quickest means possible, of the results of your examinations, as an inquest regarding this matter is to be held here at (9:00 a.m.), October 4, 1974.

It is further requested that the tiems which are not destroyed by examination, be returned to the contributor. b6 b7C

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]
Detective Division
City-County Investigative Team

JEJ/ems

ROBERT K. JOHNSON
CHIEF OF POLICE

ADDRESS ALL MAIL TO
CHIEF OF POLICE

CITY OF BOZEMAN
34 NORTH ROUSE
STATE OF MONTANA 59715

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Police Department

October 3, 1974

TO: Director, FBI
Attention: FBI Laboratory
FBI File # 95-191393
FBI File # 7-14789

FROM: City-County Investigative Team
Bozeman Police Department
Bozeman, Montana 59715
Sheriff's Report # 7402110
Sheriff's Report # 730525

RE: Suspect: David G. Meirhofer
Victim: Sandra Dykman Smallegan
Victim: Susan Marie Jaeger
Offense: Kidnapping and Murder

Dear Sir:

Evidence described below is enclosed for examination fy the FBI Laboratory. This evidence is being submitted in connection with an official investigation of a criminal matter. These items have previously been examined by the FBI Laboratory. It was not, nor will be, subjected to the same type of technical examination by other experts.

Pursuant to examination, please refer to correspondance of Detective Jordan dated October 1, 1974.

Description of Evidence:

One plastic bag containing - Personal hair brush of Susan Marie Jaeger, labeled Q8

One plastic bag containing - Two glass slides containing hair

One plastic bag containing - Two cylindrical containers labeled Q8

TO: Director, FBI
Attention: FBI Laboratory
FBI [redacted] # 95-191393
FBI File # 7-14789

Description of Evidence: Cont'd

One envelope containing - Three dental X-rays of Susan Marie Jaeger taken 8/72, 4/73, 5/73 by [redacted] These X-rays have not been examined by the FBI Laboratory.

Examination Requested: Compare known hair samples of Jaeger with those submitted October 1, 1974, to determine similarity and possible association.

It is requested that items not destroyed by examination be returned to the contributor.

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Sincerely yours,

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Detective Division
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Enclosures (4)

Shortly after release of the transcript, Gallatin County Coroner Robert D. Meyers said the head of Miss Jaeger had been found in an outhouse on the remote ranch. Law-enforcement officials did not say when the grim find was made. Meirhofer was arrested on Friday.

Meirhofer also admitted murdering Michael Raney, a Boy Scout who was bludgeoned and stabbed to death as he slept in a tent with fellow Scouts. The murder site was the same campground from which Miss Jaeger was taken. The Raney boy was killed in 1968.

"I went to the park where the Boy Scouts were camped and I was going to [illegible] body, and I opened the tent and I saw this little boy, and I couldn't force myself to take him I guess, so I stabbed him in the back," Meirhofer told his questioners.

He denied, however, hitting the [illegible].

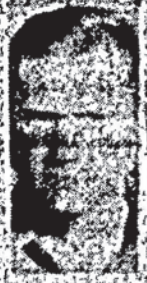
He said he killed Bernard Poelman, 12, in 1967.

He said he knew the Poelman boy, but had not known the Raney youth.

Meirhofer said he saw the Poelman boy and a friend playing near a bridge near Three Forks on March 19, 1967.

Meirhofer: "I saw Bernie Poelman playing on the, climbing upon the pillar of the bridge and then I shot him."

The transcript showed



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Meirhofer denying, generally with a simple no, other unsolved slayings and disappearances in the state.

Dunbar said Meirhofer had delivered a combine to Kalispell three days before the July 31, 1973, disappearances of two young girls from nearby Marion, Mont. Meirhofer said he had nothing to do with that and answered "no" to questions about a total of seven other apparent murders in the state.

Law-enforcement officers said a ransom call Meirhofer made to the parents of Miss Jaeger was a key factor in his arrest. The Jaegers had said the caller knew a unique fact about the girl — one that had not been made public since her June 25, 1973, disappearance from the campground.

Dunbar asked: "Uh, did you know that Susie had a unique fingernail. Is this correct, on the index fingers?"

Meirhofer: "Yes."

Dunbar: "Where are those fingernails?"

Meirhofer: "They were on her hands."

Dunbar finally established that the hands were burned with the chief's legs.

Meyers said he was issuing a death certificate for Miss Jaeger. He said there were no dental records of the girl but said some of her remains had been found.

Meirhofer said he did not sexually assault the little girl.

The statement depicted a cool-headed killer who came home and changed the oil in a neighbor's car before going back to the ranch to finished burning Mrs. Smallegan's body. Meirhofer was asked if he knew where any more of Mrs. Smallegan's remains could be found and said he did not know "where they're at now."

He said: "I had one of her hands and a couple fingers in my freezer."

Meirhofer said he had nothing of Miss Jaeger in his home.

In a bizarre piece of dialogue, Dunbar pointed out the sheets and a bedspread found in Meirhofer's home yielded great quantities of human blood and asked: "What were they used for? Sandra or Susie?"

Meirhofer: "I don't know, I didn't use them."

Dunbar: "There is a great deal of human blood on them."

Meirhofer: "I did not use them. They were in that building when I bought it and they [illegible]."

He said there was no one with him with he killed the Raney boy, and repeatedly denied hitting the youth. The coroner's verdict said the boy died from a brain hemmorrhage.

In the closest Dunbar came to trying to establish the why of Meirhofer's action during the tape-recorded statement, he asked why Meirhofer went to the camp in the first place.

Meirhofer: "Well, uh, I wanted, I wanted to get that little — to get a little kid."

Dunbar: "A kid. Did you, you were not looking for the Raney boy, is this correct? A boy or any child."

Meirhofer: "Anyone."

Dunbar's next statement was recorded as "unintelligible."

Meirhofer said he intended to choke the boy but "I couldn't get in just right to do it, and I was scared."

He said he used different hunting knives to dismember both female victims. He told investigators both knives could be found in his jeep.

The transcript revealed that Meirhofer, in a call to Mrs. Marietta Jaeger, might have mentioned taking a little girl to Disneyland in California. He denied, however, being involved with a girl in San Diego or Los Angeles. Meirhofer, a former Marine, once was stationed at Camp Pendleton, Calif., near San Diego.

Dunbar said tickets to Disneyland had been found. "One of the — was a child's ticket," Dunbar said.

"Tickets to Disneyland are sold regardless of age," Meirhofer said.

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Bozeman judge releases murder transcript

By STEVE GRAHAM

BOZEMAN, Mont. (AP) — A publicly released transcript of a confession revealed on Tuesday that a 7-year-old Michigan girl kidnaped in June of 1973 was strangled by David G. Meirhofer before he methodically chopped her body into pieces too small to be found.

The transcripts portrayed a mindless monster who never said what drove him to kill, but who covered his tracks well.

A Bozeman judge on Tuesday ordered the release of a transcript of Meirhofer's four-hour confession, made scant hours before the 25-year-old Manhattan, Mont., handyman was found hanged in his cell at the Gallatin County jail.

Law-enforcement officials said Meirhofer hanged himself with a jail-issued towel some four hours after he confessed to four murders in Montana, committed over a period that began when Meirhofer was a high school senior.

The confession was made with the understanding that Meirhofer would be allowed to plead guilty but that the state would not seek the death penalty for the four slayings.

Meirhofer admitted murdering Susan Jaeger, 7, Farmington Hills, Mich., on June 25, 1973, after he stealthily took her from a camp tent where she was sleeping with her brothers and sisters.

He also admitted the February 1974 murder of Sandra Dykman Smallegan, a 19-year-old neighbor of his in the tiny community of Manhattan.

Meirhofer said he took Miss Jaeger from the camp tent near the Missouri Headwaters State Monument near Three Forks. He said he choked the girl, but did not kill her immediately.

Meirhofer's answers were short. He seldom offered information to his questioners.

FBI Agent Pete Dunbar of Bozeman asked Meirhofer if he hurt Susan Jaeger.

"Yes, I had to choke her," Meirhofer replied. He said the little girl lived. He said he then took her in a waiting pickup truck parked along the river and took her to the Lockhart Ranch in the barren Horseshoe Hills north of Manhattan.

Meirhofer said he choked the girl to death when she fought him as he was feeling her body.

He said he cut up the body with his hunting knife.

The transcript revealed this exchange: Dunbar: "And where is the body located?"

Meirhofer: "Well, not much left of it."

Dunbar: What's left. Where. Where did you put the pieces?"

Meirhofer: "I put her head in that outhouse behind the ranch and all the rest of it was burned."

Meirhofer said Miss Jaeger's body was burned with wood at scattered places on the ranch.

Dunbar: "Where could it be found, for, for, burial purposes?"

Meirhofer: "Well, it was burned completely."

Meirhofer said Sandra Smallegan was killed early on the morning of Feb. 10 when he went to her apartment. He said the young divorcee suffocated behind a tape bandage.

"...She was sleeping and I jumped on her and choked her, and then tied her up and put a piece of tape around her mouth and then I was gonna, while I was putting some of her clothes and stuff in the car she evidently died. She couldn't get any air through the tape."

Meirhofer said he took her body to the Lockhart Ranch and cut it up with his hunting knife and a handsaw. He said he burned the pieces.

Law-enforcement officials said more than 1,800 pieces of Mrs. Smallegan's body were found on the ranch. The largest was less than five inches long.

Judge W.W. Lessley of Bozeman turned down an appeal by the lawyer for Meirhofer's parents on Tuesday and ordered the entire transcript of the confession be made public. Lessley said he hated to issue the order but said Montana law clearly stated that the confession was a public document.

He said he ordered a complete and unexpurgated release of the transcript which, he said, he had cross-checked with the actual tape-recording to insure accuracy.

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TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

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DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER (DECEASED); SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA -

VICTIM, KIDNAPING, 00: BUTTE.

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VICTIM'S PARENTS ADVISED INSTANT [redacted]

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10:19 AM URGENT OCTOBER 11, 1974 MJL

TO: DIRECTOR (7-14789)
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FROM: BUTTE (7-497) 2P

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER (DECEASED); SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA -
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[redacted] CITY-COUNTY INVESTIGATIVE TEAM, BOZEMAN, MONT., ADVISED [redacted] GREAT FALLS, MONT., ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN BLOOD TYPE FROM SIX PACKAGES MEAT CONTAINING HUMAN TISSUE, FOUND IN MEIRHOFER'S FREEZER. [redacted] TO DATE OBTAINED TYPE A FROM ONE PACKAGE AND TYPE B FROM ANOTHER PACKAGE.

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IT IS NOTED SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN'S BLOOD NEVER TYPED, BUT BLOOD TYPES OF PARENTS INDICATE SHE SHOULD HAVE TYPE AB. POSSIBILITY EXISTS [redacted] UNABLE TO OBTAIN COMPLETE BLOOD TYPE ON PRESENT EXAMINATION. [redacted] REQUESTS BLOOD TYPE OF SUSAN JAEGER. SINCE HER BLOOD NEVER TYPED REQUESTS BLOOD TYPE OF BOTH PARENTS.

IT IS NOTED ON PACKAGES OF MEAT REFERRED TO INITIALS "SMDS"

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HAD BEEN PRINTED BY MEIRHOFER, APPARENTLY REFERRING TO SANDRA MAY DYKMAN SMALLEGAN.

[redacted] SOPHOMORE, MANHATTAN HIGH SCHOOL, TURNED IN GHOST STORY TO ENGLISH TEACHER APPROXIMATELY FOUR OR FIVE DAYS PRIOR TO MEIRHOFER'S ARREST. STORY REFERS TO BURIED JEWELRY, A MAN'S HAND, ARM, LEG AND HEAD BEING STORED IN FREEZER OF ABANDONED HOUSE, IN ADDITION TO BONES BEING STORED IN CANNING JARS.

[redacted] HAS NOT BEEN INTERVIEWED. INDICATIONS ARE MEIRHOFER POSSIBLY WROTE STORY FOR HER SINCE SAME APPEARS TOO MATURE FOR [redacted] AND HAS SIMILARITIES WITH DISPOSAL OF JAEGER AND SMALLEGAN.

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OCTOBER 10, 1974, [redacted] RETRIEVED FROZEN HAND FROM FUNERAL HOME AND TRANSPORTED SAME TO [redacted] HAND APPEARS TO BE SMALLEGAN'S. [redacted] ATTEMPTING TO GET BLOOD TYPE FROM HAND FOR COMPARISON WITH FROZEN MEAT.

DETROIT REQUESTED TO TACTFULLY OBTAIN BLOOD TYPE OF SUSAN JAEGER'S [redacted]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)

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SUBJECT: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER
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It is to be noted that all logical investigation in this matter has been completed by the Butte Office. FD-165s have been cancelled. The 1a's and 1B's, where appropriate, have been returned to contributors.

A closing report is being held in abeyance, as there is an extensive amount of investigation being conducted by local authorities to determine if MEIRHOFER is possibly responsible for other crimes, particularly murder, in the State of Montana and the closing report will be held in abeyance pending a completion of FBI Laboratory examination, which is now being done at the request of the Gallatin County SO, Bozeman.

It is to be particularly noted that a human skull, almost certainly that of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, Victim of this case, has been submitted for definite verification.

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The following request is being made of the Bureau:

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Will immediately notify the Butte Office of the FBI when the human skull submitted by the Gallatin County SO will be returned, in order that the [redacted] can be properly notified as they are desirous of completed internment.

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Montana Man, 25, Charged In Slaying of Young Woman

BOZEMAN, Mont. (AP) — David G. Meirhofer, 25, Manhattan, Mont., was arrested Friday and charged with kidnaping and murder in the grisly death of a young Montana woman and the bizarre disappearance of a Michigan child.

The charges involved Susan Jaeger, 7, Farmington Hills, Mich., who disappeared 15 months ago from a campground near Three Forks, Mont., and Sandra Dykman Smallegan, 19, Manhattan, whose fragmented and cremated remains were found on an abandoned ranch north of Manhattan about a week after she disappeared the night of Feb. 8.

The FBI and Gallatin County authorities said in a joint statement that Meirhofer was arrested largely on the basis of information gained through telephone calls made to the Jaeger family home in Michigan.

Susan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Jaeger, identified Meirhofer's voice as that of a previous caller who had demanded ransom, Gallatin County Atty. Thomas A. Olson said.

Meirhofer was charged with murder and kidnaping in both cases, authorities said.

Officials previously had given no information to indicate that Susan had been slain.

She disappeared the night of June 25, 1973, through a hole slashed in the tent in which she was sleeping with several other Jaeger children. The family, on a vacation trip through western states, was camped at the Missouri River Headwaters state park.



Susan Jaeger
Victim of Slayer

Miss Smallegan disappeared at night after attending a basketball game.

Some 1,300 charred bone fragments found a week later in the yard of an old homestead in the Manzanita Hills, south of Three Forks were identified as her remains.

In disclosing Meirhofer's arrest, authorities said a bone which appeared to be that of a young girl was found on Sept. 17 in the same location as the bones identified to be those of Miss Smallegan.

The site where the bones were found is a scant dozen miles from the campground from which Susan was abducted.

Sources close to the investigation said authorities believed Susan was killed soon after being abducted from the quiet campground.

Olson said the evidence against Meirhofer included recordings of three telephone calls placed to the Jaeger home, the last on Sept. 24.

Olson said the caller in the last conversation expressed anger that the previous calls had been recorded and turned over to the FBI.

Olson said that on Aug. 28, with the consent of Meirhofer, authorities placed a group call to the Jaeger home and a number of persons, including Meirhofer, spoke to the Jaegers. He said the Jaegers at that time identified Meirhofer's voice as that of a previous caller.

In addition, he said, calls had been placed by a man to the FBI office in Denver, Colo., and to the home of a deputy sheriff in Three Forks.

Olson said the first call was the one to the FBI on June 28, 1973, three days after Susan disappeared, and came from a man who said he wanted $25,000 in ransom. He said that a week later, on July 6, 1973, a man called the deputy's home and said he was raising the ransom to $50,000.

The Jaeger family kept a month-long vigil at the Three Forks campground before returning to Michigan.

Olson said the first call to the Jaeger home was placed on Sept. 14, 1973. Nearly a year later, on June 25, 1974, a man called the Jaegers and in a lengthy conversation said he had Susan but was unable to return her.

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[illegible] turns down help

[illegible] the Gallatin County Sheriff's Posse says Sheriff L.D.W. Anderson had the volunteer group guarding the deserted cremation site for Sandra Smallegan and 7-year old Susan Jaeger while confessed murderer David [illegible] Meirhofer was left unwatched in the county jail.

Meirhofer, 23, was found hanged in his jail cell on [illegible] 9.

"We would have provided someone to watch the prisoner but Anderson never asked," Posse secretary Norman [illegible] said Saturday. He said the organization was asked only to watch the area where [illegible] dismem[illegible]

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[illegible] on designate certain members as special deputies and provide training for them. He said Anderson had refused.

A coroner's jury on Friday said Anderson was "negligent and careless" in the operation of the jail and in assigning officers to safeguard the prisoner. The jury stopped short of saying Anderson was criminally negligent.

Testimony at the inquest indicated Anderson had been told following Meirhofer's confession to take extra care in watching the prisoner.

Anderson testified he had given orders to check on Meirhofer "every 30 or 40 minutes" after the man was arrested Sept. 27. He said that after Meirhofer's confession on Sept. 29 he gave orders to watch him "even oftener" [illegible] them or what he meant by even [illegible]

There was no record of any [illegible] that any extra care should be taken to keep Meirhofer from killing himself.

Deputy Steve Green testified that he had been able to check on Meirhofer every 30-40 minutes but it was difficult because his duties also included keeping watch on four radios, [illegible] telephones, and the [illegible] "hot line."

A pathologist said on Saturday that a person strangled in the manner such as the Meirhofer hanging could not live longer than five minutes. He said the heart could beat somewhat longer but the brain would die without oxygen.

David Gail Meirhofer

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: October 18, 1974

Re: DAVID G. MEIRHOFER, SUSPECT; SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN AND SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, VICTIMS; KIDNAPING AND MURDER

TO: Chief of Police
Bozeman, Montan 59715

Attention: Detective Division

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Division of Physical Anatomy
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Dear [redacted]

I want to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation for the examinations you conducted in connection with the identifications of Sandra Smallegan and Susan Marie Jaeger, the victims in a kidnaping and murder investigation. My associates and I are most grateful for the professional assistance afforded by you.

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Sincerely yours,

C. M. Kelley

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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NOTE: General Investigative Division recommends letter of appreciation be sent to [redacted] Smallegan and Jaeger were the victims of a murder-kidnap investigation in which the subject, David Gail Meirhofer, committed suicide on 9-29-74.

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TO : Mr. Gebhardt

DATE: 10/11/74

FROM : [redacted]

1 - Mr. Gebhardt
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1 - Mr. Walsh
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SUBJECT: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
ALSO KNOWN AS - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

BACKGROUND:

This highly publicized Butte case, in which local authorities praised the FBI for its investigative efforts, concerns Susan Marie Jaeger, white female, aged 7, who was taken from a tent while on a camping trip with her family near Three Forks, Montana, on 6/25/73. Her remains, a skull and sacrum, were subsequently located at an abandoned ranch several miles from the scene of the abduction.

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The solution to this case was brought about by intensive, persistent and aggressive investigation conducted by the FBI which resulted in the identification of the subject as David Gail Meirhofer, white male, aged 25.

When our investigation established a Federal violation did not exist, the investigative results were made available to the Gallatin County, Montana, authorities. Based upon this information, Gallatin County obtained a warrant charging Meirhofer with the kidnaping of Jaeger and another local girl, Sandra Smallegan, whose remains, the largest of which was a bone the size of a 50¢ piece, had been located near the same location as the remains of Jaeger.

Meirhofer, who had previously submitted to a polygraph interview and the administration of [redacted] which failed to indicate his guilt, confessed to a Bureau Agent on 9/27/74, the murder of Jaeger, Smallegan and two other children. Shortly after providing his confession, Meirhofer committed suicide on 9/29/74, by hanging himself in his cell in the Gallatin County Jail.

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ENCLOSURE

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[redacted] to Gebhar[redacted] memorandum
RE: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER

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RECOMMENDATIONS OF SAC, BUTTE:

[redacted] SAC recommends incentive awards for ASAC [redacted] SAs Byron H. Dunbar, [redacted] and [redacted] for their outstanding investigative and clerical efforts which resulted in the successful solution of this heinous crime and several other unsolved murders.

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SA Byron H. Dunbar, the case Agent, for his outstanding investigative efforts which resulted in the identification and confession of the subject to this crime and several other murders even when faced with the fact the subject had undergone a polygraph interview and the administration of [redacted] which failed to indicate his guilt.

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SA [redacted] who assisted in this investigation from its inception, forgoing many personal conveniences, for his persistent and tenacious investigative efforts which were of significant importance in the solution of this case and the removal of a homicidal maniac from society.

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ASAC [redacted] for the superior manner in which he directed the investigative efforts of the Agents involved in this case and for the outstanding manner in which he coordinated the investigative efforts of the various field offices involved, particularly during the latter stages of this investigation.

[redacted] who handled the majority of the dictation and transcription of the 41 volumes involved in this case in an extremely efficient and competent manner requiring at times that she forgo personal conveniences in order to fulfill administrative aspects of this case.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION (GID):

GID concurs with the recommendations regarding incentive awards for the above-named individuals for their outstanding contributions to the successful conclusion of this case.

[redacted] to Gebhar[redacted] memorandum
RE: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER

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GID further recommends a letter of appreciation be sent to [redacted] University of Syracuse Psychology Department, Syracuse, New York, for his semantic analysis of the tape recordings obtained in this case which contributed significantly to the successful completion of this case.

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ACTION:

1. Route to the Laboratory for appropriate comments concerning personnel of that Division and for consideration for a letter of appreciation to [redacted] Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.

2. Route to Legal Counsel for appropriate comments concerning personnel of that Division.

3. If approved, incentive awards to be handled by Administrative Division.

4. If approved, letters of appreciation to be handled by External Affairs Division.

ADDENDUM - OVER

[redacted] to Gebhardt memorandum
RE: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER

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ADDENDUM - RFB:jyl 10/11/74:

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As pointed out by SAC, Butte, SA [redacted] the Bureau Supervisor, offered many suggestions and ideas leading up to the solution of this case. His guidance and direction was of such high caliber as to be intrinsically responsible for bringing this matter to conclusion. It is believed that his performance in this case is worthy of recognition by an incentive award.

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LABORATORY DIVISION ADDENDUM MEW:bsm 10/15/74

The Laboratory concurs that the work of [redacted] Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C., was outstanding and resulted in lavish comments and deep appreciation of local law enforcement officials concerning the meticulous reconstruction and identification of the skeletal remains that had been identified as Sandra Smallegan.

In addition, examinations by [redacted] have been made with respect to a skull and sacrum. The skull was identified by [redacted] as that of Susan Marie Jaeger.

Although Laboratory personnel have provided assistance and coordination with respect to the various Laboratory aspects of this case, these contributions are not sufficiently substantial to warrant individual recognition.

CONTINUED - OVER

RE: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER

ADDENDUM BY LEGAL COUNSEL, 10/16/71, JAM:mfd

While we appreciate the SAC's recognition of the value of the advice furnished, our efforts in this case were part of the continuing legal consultation service provided to the field and FBI Headquarters and individual recognition is not necessary. It was a pleasure to be able to help.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI DATE: 9/30/74

Attention: ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

FROM : SAC, Butte

SUBJECT: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte
Butte file #7-497
Bufile #7-14789

RECOMMENDATION FOR INCENTIVE AWARDS b6 b7C

Enclosed are recommendations for incentive awards for personnel of the Butte Division who contributed greatly to the successful solution of this case and resultant solution of three other local murder cases.

During the investigation of the SUSAN JAEGER kidnaping case and particularly in the recent past there has been considerable contact by the Butte Division with SA [redacted] General Investigative Division, who has offered many suggestions and ideas leading up to the solution of this case. In addition, personnel in the Laboratory Division offered tremendous technical assistance in bringing this matter to a logical conclusion and their help in this matter is likewise noteworthy. Also, personnel in the Legal Counsel Division offered much guidance during certain phases of this investigation and their contribution to the successful outcome is certainly worthy of recognition. The Detroit Division, covering the residence of the parents of SUSAN JAEGER, conducted extensive investigation and were of tremendous assistance in the coordination of the overall outcome of this matter, resulting in the solutions of 4 kidnapings and/or murder cases. b6 b7C

It is suggested that the SAC in Detroit, as well as the Assistant Directors of the General Investigative Division,

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Legal Counsel Division and Laboratory Division, make appropriate recommendations for monetary recognition for services performed.

It is further recommended that the Assistant Director of the Laboratory Division consider whether a letter be recommended from the Director to [redacted] of the Smithsonian Institution for his expeditious and professional handling and reporting of results concerning his examination of fragmentary bones identified as Victims in these cases.

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TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

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FROM BUTTE (7-497) 2P

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM. KIDNAPING.

OO: BUTTE.

RE BUTTE TELETYPES TO BUREAU AND DETROIT TODAY.

FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE TO BE ISSUED LOCAL AUTHORITIES,

BOZEMAN, MONTANA. "COUNTY [redacted] ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT DAVID G. MEIRHOFER COMMITED SUICIDE BY HANGING HIMSELF, SUNDAY MORNING IN THE GALLATIN COUNTY JAIL. THE SUICIDE CAME A FEW HOURS AFTER MEIRHOFER HAD CONFESSED TO FOUR KILLINGS IN GALLATIN COUNTY, MONTANA.

THE CONFESSION WAS MADE TO SA BYRON H. DUNBAR, FBI, IN THE PRESENCE OF COUNTY [redacted] AND MEIRHOFER'S [redacted] MEIRHOFER'S CONFESSION WAS TAPE RECORDED. THE RECORDING AND TRANSCRIPT HAVE BEEN ORDERED IMPOUNDED BY DISTRICT JUDGE W.W. LESSLEY.

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JUDGE LESSLEY AUTHORIZED A RELEASE OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: MEIRHOFER CONFESSED TO KILLING MICHAEL RANEY, 12 YEAR OLD BOY SCOUT BY STABBING. THE KILLING TOOK PLACE ON MAY 5, 1968, AT THE

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HEADWATERS STATE PARK, NORTH OF THREE FORKS, MONTANA. MEIRHOFER ALSO ADMITTED SHOOTING BERNARD POELMAN, AGE 13, ON MARCH 19, 1967 AS THE BOY WAS CLIMBING ON THE NIXON BRIDGE NEAR LOGAN. MONTANA. THE THIRD KILLING WAS SUSAN JAEGER, AGE 7, WHO WAS KIDNAPED AND MURDERED ON JUNE 25, 1973. THE FOURTH PERSON MEIRHOFER ADMITTED KILLING WAS SANDRA D. SMALLEGAN, 19, ON FEBRUARY 9, 1973.

MEIRHOFER WAS TO ENTER QUILTY PLEAS TO THE FOUR KILLINGS.

JUDGE LESSLEY ORDERED ALL PERSONS CONNECTED WITH THE CASE TO REFRAIN FROM COMMENT ON THE MATTER."

REQUEST TO BUREAU, ATTENTION FBI LABORATORY, RETURN EVEDENCE SPECIFICALLY SACRUM OF SUSIE JAEGER TO BUTTE OFFICE EXPEDITOUSLY.

END.

Sacrum returned to Butte FBI 9/27/74 by reg mail. FJW.

type recordings returned to Butte, Detroit + Las Vegas. 10-10-74 via reg mail JAK

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5 POLAROID NEGATIVES of TEETH in SKULL (Q67) & MANDIBLE (Q68)
6 POLAROIDS OF TEETH in SKULL (Q67) & MANDIBLE (Q68)
13. SIMILATED BITE-WING X-RAYS of TEETH in (Q67) & (Q-68)



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ITEM (S)

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DESCRIPTION

Negatives

Dental X-rays of

Pc. L 2317



55 KV - 1½" - 6' - 5 MA #3



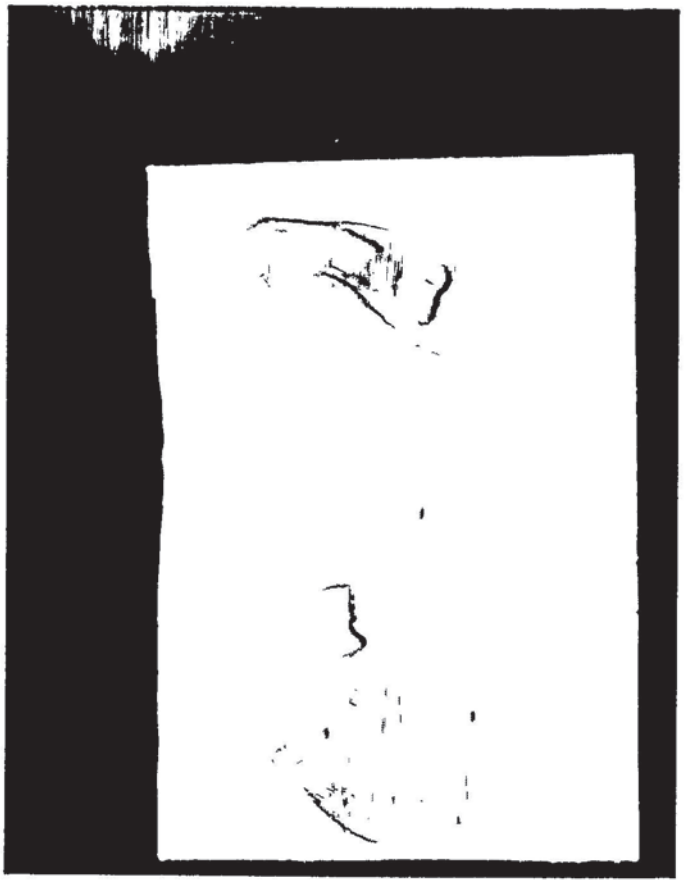
60-1:43-6-5 #5



#6 60kV - 1:45" - 6' - 5mA



60 KV – 1½ min – 6 ft – 5 ma (#2)



90 KV - 3 min - 6 ft - 5 mA (#1)



#4 55 KV - 1:43" - 6' - 5 ma

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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7-14789-175

Re: DAVID G. MEIRHOFER, SUSPECT;
SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN AND
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, VICTIMS;
KIDNAPING AND MURDER

File # ~~95-191000~~
Lab.# PC-L2475 MC LP

Let. 10/3/74

Examination requested by: Chief of Police
Bozeman, Montana 59715

Date received: 10/7/74 rm

Examination requested: Micro Anal (Hairs)
Miscellaneous (Other)

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted]

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K5-K7 [redacted] ret 10/16

Attention: [redacted]
Detective Division

[redacted] PD
Tel to [redacted] on 10/15 re findings FSW

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Specimens:

K5-K7 Three dental X-rays of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER

Resubmitted from PC-K0951 NU:

[redacted]

~~Specimen~~ Q8 hairbrush
Four glass microscope slides containing hairs from ~~specimen~~ Q8
Two pillboxes containing hairs and fibers from ~~specimen~~ Q8

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C. DATE: October 15, 1974 b6
Attn: [redacted] FBI Laboratory # PC-L 2317 [redacted] Ranch, b7C
PC-L 2475 (K5,K6,K7) Manhattan and Bozeman
Montana

FROM [redacted]
Department of Anthropology, S.I.

SUBJECT: Xrays of skull and bite-wing X-rays of Susan Marie Jaeger b6 b7C

Careful comparison of dental X-rays made by the FBI laboratories from the skull found at the [redacted] Ranch (PC-L 2317) with dental X-rays of Susan Marie Jaeger show the following points of similarity.

A. Morphology:

(1) Superimposition shows matching outlines of somewhat large pulp cavities and of enamel edges of crowns when done tooth by tooth: Lower m_1, m_2, M_1; upper left m^2, M^1 (the 2 angles of the central ray are close enough to allow matching, though not perfect at the distal end of the tooth row). b6 b7C
(2) Lower M_1s (first permanent molars) show more crenellation of the crown surface than usual.
(3) Upper left m^2 (second milk molar) shows a translucent triangle at the mesial edge of the crown, resulting in part from a Carabelli pit (the upper right m^2 fell out in the ground; enamel of M's is too opaque to show the Carabelli pits present, and a lower right M_1 hypoplastic pit also does not show clearly in the bite-wings).
(4) Shapes of edges of upper P^1 and P^2 (premolar) crowns in K 5 and K 7 match the skull X-rays, although the P1s have erupted further since these bite-wing X-rays were made (4/73 and 8/72 for left and right respectively).

B. Eruption (using K 6, bite-wing X-rays dated 6/73, the month in which Susan Jaeger was abducted, and died(?)):

(5) Lower P_1 and P_2 are in advance on the right side, being ca. 1 mm closer to the alveolar border than on the left.
(6) Upper right P^1 is slightly in advance of the left (upper right m^1 was shed even before the 5/73 X-rays).
(7) There is more translucent space above the crown of the right lower P_2 than the left.
(8) Lower right m_1 has a shorter mesial root than the left.

These comparisons lead me to conclude that the skull studied is that of the person from whom the bite-wing X-rays (K5, K6, K7) were taken, stated to be Susan Marie Jaeger.



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Re: DAVID G. MEIRHOFER, SUSPECT;
SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN AND
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, VICTIMS;
KIDNAPING AND MURDER

File # ~~25-191303~~
Lab.# PC-L2475 MC LP

Let. 10/3/74

Examination requested by: Chief of Police
Bozeman, Montana 59715

Date received: 10/7/74 rm

Examination requested: Micro Anal (Hairs)
Miscellaneous (Other)

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

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Attention:
Detective Division

Specimens:

K5-K7 Three dental X-rays of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER

Resubmitted from PC-K0951 NU:
Specimen Q8
Q8 Four glass microscope slides containing hairs from specimen Q8
Two pillboxes containing hairs and fibers from specimen Q8

rec'd 10/10/74 - Q67 ONE SKULL

PC-L2475 PAGE 1 of 2

DATE: 10-10-74 Q67 = SKULL Q68 = MANDIBLE

SUPERSCRIPTS USED

+ = APPROX. 5-8° ABOVE HORIZONTAL WHEN SKULL IN NORMAL SITTING POSITION. (MEASURED in Z PLANE)

0 = HORIZONTAL, WHEN SKULL IN NORMAL SITTING POSITION (ie. - PERPENDICULAR TO PLANE OF TEETH ON EITHER SIDE) (Z-PLANE)

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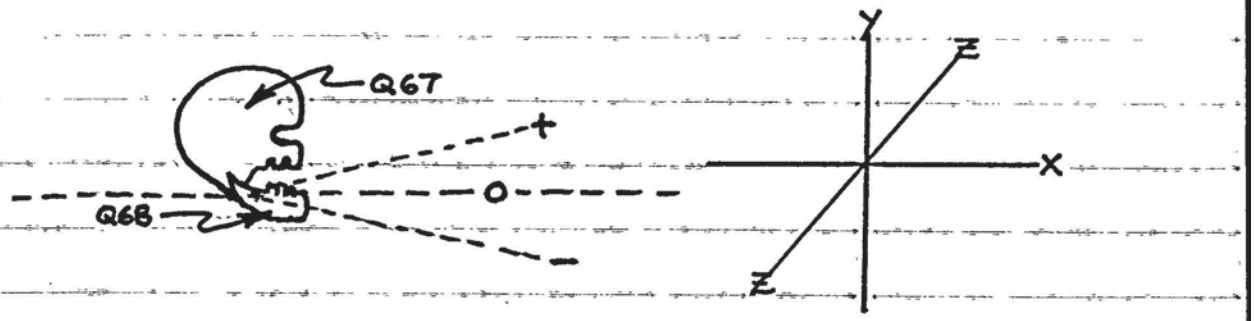

— DESCRIPTION OF RADIOGRAPY —

#1 ..... Q68, LEFT TO RIGHT = FRONT of Q68 to REAR. TEETH ON RIGHT of Q68 90 KV; 3 mins.; 6 ft; 5 ma; Polaroid film TYPE 55 P/N.

#2 ..... SAME.. 60 KV; 1½ mins.; 6 ft; 5 ma; Polaroid TYPE 55 P/N.

#3 ..... SAME. 55 KV;

#4 ..... Q67. LEFT TO RIGHT = REAR TO FRONT of Q67. LEFT SIDE TEETH. 55 KV; 1 min. 43 sec.; 6 ft; 5 ma.; Polaroid TYPE 55 P/N.

#5 ..... Q67. SAME. SAME (EXCEPT 60 KV) AS #4.

#6 ..... Q67. LEFT TO RIGHT = FRONT TO REAR of Q67. RIGHT SIDE TEETH & LEFT SIDE TEETH. 60 KV; 1'45"; 6'; 5 ma; Polaroid TYPE 55 P/N.

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#7.... NEGATIVE CORRESPONDING TO #2 POLAROID

#8.... " " " #4 "

#9.... " " " #3 "

#10... " " " #6 "

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DATE: 10/11/74

#12.... LEFT SIDE of Q67 & Q68. 60 KV; 2 mins; 6 ft; 5 ma; Polaroid Type 55 P/N.

13°.... RIGHT SIDE, Q67 & Q68; APPROX. 0°. Same parameters AS #12.

14+.... RIGHT SIDE, Q67 & Q68; APPROX. +5-8°. Same parameters #12.

15-.... RIGHT SIDE, Q67 & Q68; APPROX. -(5-8°). Same parameters as #12.

16°.... LEFT SIDE, Q67 & Q68; APPROX. 0°; Same parameters as #12.

17-.... LEFT SIDE, Q67 & Q68; APPROX. -(5-8°); Same parameters as #12.

18+.... LEFT SIDE, Q67 & Q68; APPROX. +(5-8°); Same parameters as. #12.

19.... RIGHT SIDE., Q67 & Q68; Same parameters as #12.

20.... RIGHT SIDE,. Q67 & Q68.; Same #12.

21.... RIGHT SIDE, Q67 & Q68; Same #12.

22.... LEFT SIDE, Q67 & Q68; Same #12.

23.... RIGHT SIDE, Q67 & Q68; Same #12.

24.... LEFT SIDE, Q67 & Q68; Same #12.

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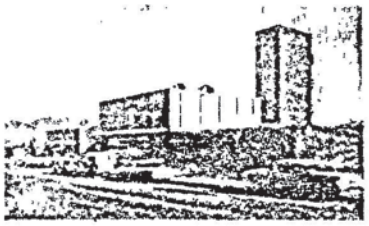

Police Department

October 3, 1974

TO: Director, FBI
Attention: FBI Laboratory
FBI File # 95-191393
FBI File # 7-14789

FROM: City-County Investigative Team
Bozeman Police Department
Bozeman, Montana 59715
Sheriff's Report # 740211C
Sheriff's Report # 730625

RE: Suspect: David G. Meirhofer
Victim: Sandra Dykman Smallegan
Victim: Susan Marie Jaeger
Offense: Kidnapping and Murder

Dear Sir:

Evidence described below is enclosed for examination fy the FBI Laboratory. This evidence is being submitted in connection with an official investigation of a criminal matter. These items have previously been examined by the FBI Laboratory. It was not, nor will be, subjected to the same type of technical examination by other experts.

Pursuant to examination, please refer to correspondance of [redacted] dated October 1, 1974.

Description of Evidence:

One plastic bag containing - Personal hair brush of Susan Marie Jaeger, labeled Q8

One plastic bag containing - Two glass slides containing hair

One plastic bag containing - Two cylindrical containers labeled Q8

TO: Director, FBI
Attention: FBI Laboratory
FBI File # 95-191393
FBI File # 7-14789

Description of Evidence: Cont'd

One envelope containing - Three dental X-rays of Susan Marie Jaeger taken 8/72, 4/73, 5/73, by [redacted] These X-rays have not been examined by the FBI Laboratory.

Examination Requested: Compare known hair samples of Jaeger with those submitted October 1, 1974, to determine similarity and possible association.

It is requested that items not destroyed by examination be returned to the contributor.

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City-County Investigative Team

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REPORT of the FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

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To: Chief of Police
Bozeman, Montana 59715

October 18, 1974

REGISTERED AIRMAIL

Attention: [redacted]
Detective Division

This examination has been made with the understanding that the evidence is connected with an official investigation of a criminal matter and that the Laboratory report will be used for official purposes only, related to the investigation or a subsequent criminal prosecution. Authorization cannot be granted for the use of the Laboratory report in connection with a civil proceeding.

Re: DAVID G. MEIRHOFER, SUSPECT; SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN AND SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, VICTIMS; KIDNAPING AND MURDER

C M Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

YOUR NO. Sheriff's Report #74-0211C and #730625

FBI FILE NO. 7-14789

LAB. NO. PC-L2475 MC LP
PC-L2317 MC LP

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Examination requested by: [redacted]

Reference: Letters 10/1/74 and 10/3/74

Examination requested: Microscopic Analyses - Miscellaneous

Specimens personally delivered by [redacted] on 10/1/74 under cover of letter 10/1/74 (PC-L2317 MC LP):

Q67	Skull
Q68	Lower jawbone
Q69-Q73	Five vertebrae
Q74	Hairs found next to skull

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Specimens received 10/7/74 under cover of letter 10/3/74 (PC-L2475 MC LP):

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K5-K7 Three dental X rays of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER

Resubmitted from PC-K0851 NU:

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Q8 Hairbrush
Four glass microscope slides containing hairs from Q8
Two pillboxes containing hairs and fibers from Q8

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Result of examination:

This report confirms the telephone call from this Bureau to [redacted] on October 3, 1974, and supplements the telegram from this Bureau to you on October 15, 1974.

Specimens Q67 through Q73 were examined by [redacted] Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C. [redacted] report dated October 3, 1974, of his findings regarding these specimens is being furnished to you as an enclosure to this report.

The head hairs present in Q74 exhibit the same microscopic characteristics as hairs present on the Q8 hairbrush. Accordingly, these hairs originated either from the same source as the person who used this hairbrush or from another person of the same race whose head hairs possess the same individual microscopic characteristics.

It should be noted that hair comparisons do not constitute a basis for positive personal identification.

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X rays were taken in the FBI Laboratory of corresponding teeth in Q67 and Q68 as shown in the K5 through K7 dental X rays. These X rays were taken at approximately the same angles as the K5 through K7 dental X rays.

The X rays taken of the teeth in Q67 and Q68, along with K5 through K7, were examined by [redacted] report dated October 15, 1974, of his findings regarding these X rays is also being furnished to you as an enclosure to this report.

Specimens Q67 through Q73 were returned to you by registered airmail on October 15, 1974.

Specimens Q74, K5 through K7 and the "Resubmitted" items are being returned under separate cover by registered mail.

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: DAVID G. MEIRHOFER, SUSPECT;
SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN AND
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, VICTIMS;
KIDNAPING AND MURDER

File # 7-14789-175
Lab.# PC-L2317 MC LP

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Sheriff's Report #74-0211C
#730625

Examination requested by: Chief of Police
Bozeman, Montana 59715

Date received: 10/1 perdel

Examination requested:

Result of Examination: Mic Anal (H)

Examination by: [redacted]

Q67-Q73 to [redacted] 10/2
Lept. picked up 10/3

Attention: [redacted]
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Specimens: Personally delivered by [redacted] on 10/1/74

Q67	Skull
Q68	Lower jaw bone
Q69-Q73	Five vertebrae
Q74	Hairs found next to skull

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Called [redacted] PD
10/3. only person I could
get ahold of was [redacted] b6 b7C
[redacted] b6 b7C
[redacted] She was
unable to raise [redacted]
so she took down
essential info fr[redacted]
rpt + fact that [redacted]
had been returned to
them. She will contact
[redacted] later in day +
inform him of above.
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[redacted] called back b6 b7C
later in day (10/3).
He said that telephonic
reply would suffice for
purposes of hearing.
(atty went thru it all again)
He is resubmitting
hairbrush + slides + also is
sending some dental
x-rays.

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Q8 4 sl rep Br. HH's CO see prev. w.s.

Q 74 2 sl rep. Num. br HH's CO. badly deteriorating same char as Q8.

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Memorandum

TO : Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C. DATE: October 3, 1974
Attn: [redacted] FBI Laboratory # PC-L 2317, [redacted] Ranch, Manhattan, Montana

FROM : [redacted]
Department of Anthropology, S.I.

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SUBJECT: Human skull with five vertebrae

The bone in these specimens is hard, fresh, and undecayed, without remnants of soft tissue. Its color is light coffee-tan under a coating of damp black earth. The skull shows red areas, apparently coloring from a wrapping (of newspaper?), and some bunches of hair. The brain has decayed and there is very little dirt inside. Empty pupae of dermestid beetles are in the nasal cavity and upper incisor sockets, indicating that these teeth fell out during the process of decay. There are no signs of injury to the skull. These observations suggest decay buried in a rather sheltered damp place, but where insect larvae could reach the remains, for a period of 6-12 months, possibly more.

Tooth eruption fit age 7-9, and the fusion of vertebrae and skull base agree.

Female sex is more likely than male (according to smooth brows, small mastoids, also small teeth).

The braincase is big for a girl of this age.

Race characters appear White (nasal spine, high bridge, compressed cheek bones, etc.).

Identifying traits are clear in the teeth (though these show only one spot of decay and she may never have visited a dentist): sharp little carabelli pits on the upper molars, a tiny nodule of enamel in the central pit of the right lower first molar (M_1), 3 separate uneven tubercles at the cutting edge of the lower lateral incisor, areas of whiteness suggesting fluorine in the water. Post-mortem loss of nasal bones makes it difficult to reconstruct the child's appearance in life; the face is linear with pointed but not projecting chin, and the head is long with considerable distance behind the ears. In general the skull "looks" N.W. European or Old American.

There is no sign of cause of death (unless it resulted directly from severing of head from body); we don't have the hyoid and so can't test strangling.

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The 5th neck vertebra's body shows a slightly diagonal cut 3 mm (in front) to 5 mm (in back) below its upper surface; it slopes from in front back and downwards and has a very slight helical convex deviation from a flat plane but no saw cut marks. The right part of the bifid spine also is cut through (the left part is too small for the blade to have touched it) in a different plane, as if the neck had extended a bit after the cut through the body. These suggest post-mortem cutting (with knife or cleaver?) from the front, since there are no hesitation marks. (N.B. The small gaping area on the front of the axis is not a cut but a slightly delayed fusion of the synchondrosis between odontoid process and body; the odontoid tip is incompletely ossified in front).

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October 1, 1974

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TO: Director, FBI
Attention: FBI Laboratory
FBI File # 95-191393
FBI File # 7-14789

FROM: City-County Investigative Team
Bozeman Police Department
Bozeman, Montana 59715
Sheriff's Report # 740211C
Sheriff's Report # 730625

RE: Suspect: David G. Meirhofer
Victim: Sandra Dykman Smallegan
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Offense: Kidnapping and Murder

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TO: Director, FBI
Attention: FBI Laboratory
FBI File # 95-191393
FBI File # 7-14789

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Detective Division
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FROM: City-County Investigative Team
Bozeman Police Department
Bozeman, Montana 59715
Sheriff's Report # 740211C
Sheriff's Report # 730625

RE: Suspect: David G. Meirhofer — David Gail Meirhofer
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County [redacted] advis[redacted] all evidence as furnished by the FBI and the need[redacted] further evidence expired with MEIRHOFER's death. He and[redacted]ates no further action regarding the case except fo[redacted]ering inquiries as received from law enforcement a[redacted] in other jurisdictions.

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Following MEIRHOFER's confession, the skull, hair and partial vertebrae subsequently identified as those of the Victim of this case were located September 29, 1974, at the point where MEIRHOFER said they were secreted on the [redacted] Ranch. b6 b7C

(Full details set forth above under FBI Laboratory Investigation.)

AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

On September 29, 1974, Sheriff L. D. W. ANDERSON, Gallatin County, advised at 10:30 a.m., telephonically, that the Subject had just hung himself in his jail cell at the Gallatin County Jail and was pronounced dead.

In a hearing before Judge W. W. LESLEY, 18th Judicial District, State of Montana, Judge LESLEY advised that contrary to his personal feelings he would not accept a motion to suppress MEIRHOFER's statement, which would be a matter of public record. Judge LESLEY ordered the original tape to be turned over to the FBI and that the transcript could be made public.

A coroner's inquest was held October 4, 1973, and there was a finding that there was not criminal negligence on the part of the Gallatin County Sheriff's Office pertaining to the death of DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER. The impounded coroner's jury did find there was reason to censure the Sheriff's Office publicly and that negligence less than criminal negligence was involved concerning MEIRHOFER's death. b6 b7C

On October 11, 1974, [redacted] City-County Investigative Team, Bozeman, advised that twenty packages of meat found in MEIRHOFER's freezer had been submitted to [redacted] Great Falls, Montana, and that [redacted] had determined that the six packages of meat did contain human tissue.

It was noted that on the packages of meat there were the initials "SMDS" printed, apparently referring to SANDRA MAY DYKMAN SMALLEGAN (according to [redacted]

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[redacted] On October 25, 1974, [redacted] Gallatin County, City-County Investigative Team, advised that a fingerprint examination had been completed by Identificatin Officer [redacted] of the State of Montana. The fingerprints taken from the hand found in the freezer were identified with numerous fingerprints found in the vehicle of SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN, as well as in her apartment. The conclusion was reached that the hand was undoubtedly that of SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN.

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CONTACTS WITH THE OFFICE
OF THE U. S. ATTORNEY,
STATE AND DISTRICT OF MONTANA
AND GALLATIN COUNTY
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

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AT BILLINGS, MONTANA

On September 5, 1974, the case was discussed with U. S. Attorney [redacted] and Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] U. S. Attorney [redacted] stated that he anticipated the case would undoubtedly be tried in state court rather than Federal in the absence of any evidence or indication that the Victim was transported interstate.

U. S. Attorney [redacted] advised that he was going to confer with [redacted] District Attorney for Gallatin County, who would be the logical prosecutor for the State of Montana.

U. S. Attorney [redacted] advised that the resources of his office would be made available to the attorney for the State of Montana.

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Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] State and District of Montana, was contacted September 16, 1974, and approved the confrontation between [redacted] and the Subject of this case as outlined:

That the confrontation initially would be with the knowledge and approval of [redacted]

Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] and U. S. Attorney [redacted] were telephonically advised on September 26, 1974, of the proposed arrest of Subject on state charges for September 27, 1974.

Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] was recontacted September 27, 1974, and advised that the Subject had been arrested on state warrants charging First Degree Murder and Kidnap (regarding SUSAN JAEGER), Deliberate Homicide and Aggravated Kidnaping (regarding SMALLEGAN).

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Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] was recontacted on September 30, 1974, to advise that Subject had committed suicide.

U. S. Attorney [redacted] was recontacted on October 29, 1974, to determine if there was any additional suggestions or comments regarding investigation in this matter and advised there was not and that in view of the outcome of the case, including the Subject's committing suicide, no further investigation was required. b6 b7C

[redacted] Gallatin County, State of Montana, advised on September 23, 1974, that in anticipation of charging DAVID MEIRHOFER with kidnap and murder involving SUSAN MARIE JAEGER he was then communicating with [redacted] Syracuse University, regarding the possibility of [redacted] testifying as an expert witness to rebut any suggestions that sodium amatoyl and polygraph examinations previously afforded MEIRHOFER are "foolproof."

He advised that he, [redacted], was corresponding with [redacted] Audiology and Speech Department, Michigan State University, at East Lansing, Michigan, regarding the possibility of [redacted] testifying as an expert witness in the field of voice comparison (comparison of voice of Subject with the voice as tape recorded on various calls to and confrontation with [redacted]

[redacted] Gallatin County, State of Montana, was contacted September 25, 1974, and furnished the information as provided by [redacted] of Smithsonial Institution to the FBI Laboratory September 25, 1974, as it pertained to the tentative identification of the sacrum previously submitted to the Laboratory by the Butte Office. b6 b7C

[redacted] was recontacted on September 26, 1974, and advised that having viewed the evidence and considering all of the possibilities in the case, he was going to authorize prosecution and was on that date instituting the preparation of warrants charging the Subject with First Degree Murder and Kidnaping (regarding SUSAN MARIE JAEGER); Aggravated Kidnaping and Deliberate Homicide (regarding SANDRA SMALLEGAN).

[redacted] was recontacted September 27, 1974, following the Subject's arrest and advised that there was then being prepared affidavits to cause a search of MEIRHOFER's property: his home in Manhattan, Montana, with attached garage; his personally-owned automobile; the house in Manhattan owned by MEIRHOFER in which he had lived just prior to moving to his present home, as well as the garage located adjacent to a triplex owned by MEIRHOFER in Three Forks.

[redacted] was recontacted September 29, 1974, and was present during the confession of DAVID MEIRHOFER as set forth above. b6 b7C

County Attorney [redacted] was recontacted on September 30, 1974, and advised that regarding the suicide of DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER this matter was going to be handled by a coroner's inquest and that he was going to be caused to be introduced evidence quoting an FBI Agent as saying, "Andy (referring to Sheriff L. D. W. ANDERSON), if you have ever guarded a prisoner, be sure and guard this one (referring to MEIRHOFER).

County Attorney [redacted] advised that he would not request or subpoena Agents to testify in this coroner's inquest.

Periodic contact was maintained with County Attorney [redacted] the last being October 29, 1974, at which time [redacted] advised as follows:

Numerous requests are being received from various police offices and other law enforcement agencies from throughout the United States endeavoring to determine and establish whether or not MEIRHOFER might be involved in the cases of murder and/or mysterious disappearances in those jurisdictions. b6 b7C

A complete itinerary of MEIRHOFER's activities is being prepared based upon all of the papers and items found during the search of his residence. To date, no evidence has been developed indicating MEIRHOFER to be involved in any cases other than those to which he confessed.

ROBERT K. JOHNSON
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Police Department

October 3, 1974

TO: Director, FBI
Attention: FBI Laboratory
FBI File # 95-191393
FBI File # 7-14789

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FROM: City-County Investigative Team
Bozeman Police Department
Bozeman, Montana 59715
Sheriff's Report # 740211C
Sheriff's Report # 730625

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RE: Suspect: David G. Meirhofer
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Pursuant to examination, please refer to correspondance of Detective Jordan dated October 1, 1974.

Description of Evidence:

One plastic bag containing - Personal hair brush of Susan Marie Jaeger, labeled Q8

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One plastic bag containing - Two glass slides containing hair

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One plastic bag containing - Two cylindrical containers labeled Q8

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HOME OF MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY
GATEWAY TO YELLOWSTONE PARK

NOV 7 1974

TO: Director, FBI
Attention: FBI Laboratory
FBI File # 95-191393
FBI File # 7-14789

Description of Evidence: Cont'd

One envelope containing - Three dental X-rays of Susan Marie Jaeger taken 8/72, 4/73, 5/73, by [redacted] These X-rays have not been examined by the FBI Laboratory.

Examination Requested: Compare known hair samples of Jaeger with those submitted October 1, 1974, to determine similarity and possible association.

It is requested that items not destroyed by examination be returned to the contributor.

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[redacted]

Detective Division
City-County Investigative Team

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Enclosures (4)

9-4a (Rev. 1-19-67)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: 10-10-74

TO: SAC DETROIT

Re: DAVID GAIL MCIRHOFER
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,AKA-VICTIM
KIDNAPING 00 BUTTE

Invoice of Contents

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K7 CASSETTE TAPE RECORDING OF VOICE OF [redacted] b6 b7C
K10 CASSETTE TAPE CONTAINING VOICE SAMPLES
K12 CASSETTE TAPE OF RECORDING 9-16-74
K13 CASSETTE TAPE OF RECORDING 9-17-74

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DATE: October 16, 1974

Re: DAVID G. MEIRHOFER, SUSPECT; SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN AND SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, VICTIMS; KIDNAPING AND MURDER

TO: Chief of Police
Bozeman, Montana 59715

Attention: [redacted]
Detective Division

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FBI

Date: 9/26/74

Transmit the following in _____ (Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY (Priority)

LC #A-154672 10-17-74 Law

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY, LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION;
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

FROM: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (7-590) (P)

RE: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka -
VICTIM
KIDNAPING
(00: Butte)

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Re Salt Lake City teletype to Bureau and Butte, 9/26/74.

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Enclosed for Butte are copies of registration slips from the Salt Palace Travelodge, Salt Lake City (one packet).

Enclosed for the Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, are the following items:

1. 14 latent lifts obtained from Room 122, Salt Palace Travelodge, Salt Lake City;

2. Three latent lifts obtained from public telephone in motel lobby.

Enclosed for the FBI Lab is one packet containing the originals (and copy where original not available) of all guests checking out of Salt Palace Travelodge on 9/24/74.

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2 - Butte (7-497)(Enc. 1)
2 - Salt Lake City

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Ansd WAB: cjp 10-31-74

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

7-14789

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U.S.Government Printing Office: 1972 — 455-574

The Latent Fingerprint Section of the Identification Division is requested to process enclosed latent lifts to ascertain whether they are of value, and if so, make appropriate comparisons with fingerprints of subject.

It is not know whether the Bureau has fingerprint record; however, Butte Division has advised that an arrest is eminent and major case prints will be obtained and forwarded.

It is requested FBI Laboratory make comparisons of handwriting on the Travelodge registration slips with any handwriting available for the subject. It is requested the Lab note that in the event handwriting is not available at the Lab, Butte Division has been requested to obtain same and forward for appropriate comparisons.

Butte Division is requested to note the information contained above and insure FBI Lab and Identification Division are furnished appropriate handwriting specimens and fingerprints and major case prints as soon as such are available.

Butte should also furnish FBI Lab any other pertinent information available to that division which will assist in the above examinations.

The latent lifts may be retained by the Bureau or destroyed. The FBI Lab is requested to return to the Salt Lake City Division the packet of registration slips after completion of examination.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

REPORT
of the
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

BJ

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO. 7-590
LATENT CASE NO. 7-14789 -
A-74672

October 31, 1974

TO: SAC, Salt Lake City

RE: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

REFERENCE: Airtel 9/26/74
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Salt Lake City
SPECIMENS: Sixteen lifts (seventeen lifts mentioned in your airtel)

Two latent fingerprints and two latent palm prints of value appear on four lifts. No latent prints of value appear on other lifts, which have been destroyed.

Latent prints not identical fingerprints or palm prints of David Gail Meirhofer.

No fingerprint record located Identification Division files for Susan Marie Jaeger.

Four lifts of value enclosed.

Laboratory report separate.

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Clarence M. Kelley, Director

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Recorded 10/17/74 10:40a.m. lau

Received 10/17/74

NO LAB FILE

Re: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
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KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

File # 7-14789-178
Lab.# D-741001004 ND
LC#A-74672

LATENT

Examination requested by: SAC, Salt Lake City (7-590) airtel 9/26/74

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 9/30/74

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted]

(Q38 - Q70 returned by LAB - no lat exam)

Named Subject:

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER,

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Lifts only to LFPS
4 lifts to Photo - no lats val others + destroyed 10-11 NAB
Request CI
No rec loc CI MEIRHOFER or JAEGER 10-18 NAB
1 lat fp val 1 lift marked "Coffee Pot Lid" 10-24 NAB
1 lat fp val 1 lift marked "Phone"
2 lat pps val on other lift marked "Phone" (these 2 pps also appear on lift marked "Room Phone") (no prev lats)
4 lifts val returned end
Lats not ∅ fps or pps MEIRHOFER (prints subm to TECH ~~closed~~ ~~[illegible]~~ SO# 6825 Bozeman, Montana)

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Twenty-two original registration slips of Salt Palace TraveLodge, Salt Lake City, Utah, further described as follows:

SPECIMEN	REGISTRATION #	IN NAME OF:
Q37 38	[redacted]	
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Q41 42		

RETURN EVIDENCE

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Q56 57		
Q57 58		
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Eleven carbon copies of registration slips of Salt Palace TraveLodge, Salt Lake City, Utah, further described as follows:

SPECIMEN	REGISTRATION #	IN NAME OF:
Q59 60		
Q60 61		
Q61 62		
Q62 63		

SPECIMEN	REGISTRATION #	IN NAME OF:
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Q64 65		
Q65 CC		
Q66 C7		
Q67 C8		
Q68 C9		
Q69 70		

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ALSO SUBMITTED: 13 latent lifts. (WR) (19 lifts mentioned in cntl)

3 latent lifts. (BR)

D-741001004 ND

Exaimation Completed 4PM time 10-25 date Dictated 10-25 date

communications not pertaining directly to the identification or solution of this investigation are not being incorporated herein.

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The daily communications received during the course of this investigation are not being set forth as references; however, all are maintained in the files of the Butte Office.

There is a considerable quantity of investigation conducted in this case, which is not being reported herein, since the solution of the case, as set forth herein, precludes the necessity of this investigation being incorporated as it does not pertain directly to evidentiary matters or items of interest as they concern the Subject and/or Victim.

The various tape recordings made of the confrontation between [redacted] and the Subject are not being incorporated herein; however, the same have been forwarded to the FBI Laboratory.

It is noted by the Butte Office that there are a number of items submitted herein, which are not in the form of FD-302, when same procedure would normally have been followed. The FD-302 was not utilized inasmuch as the Subject's death precluded the possibility of these items being introduced and utilized as testimony.

It is to be noted that with the identification of the child's bone as set forth in the details of this report under the section marked, "FBI Laboratory," the interstate transportation necessary for a successful Federal kidnaping prosecution terminated. The matters were brought to the attention of the local prosecuting attorney and the case in essence became that of the State of Montana.

The confession made by DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER was made to SA BYRON H. DUNBAR at MEIRHOFER's request.

In addition, the case continued to be monitored and followed closely by Bureau Agents in view of the extensive amount of investigation and evidentiary material in possession of the FBI.

There have been numerous contacts with the U. S. Attorney's Office of the State and District of Montana, as

well as the county attorney's office of Gallatin County, Montana, not recorded in the details as these were purely discussion and matters of policy, during which prosecutive opinions were not set forth.

There were a number of items developed during the course of the investigation regarding DAVID MEIRHOFER, which are purely of local criminal interest, all of these have been disseminated and the dissemination recorded in Butte Office files, but contributing nothing to the investigation as captioned, these are not recorded herein.

Regarding the confrontation between the Victim's mother and Subject, the Bureau requested information regarding the confrontation, its handling and whether or not the U. S. Attorney had approved; whether the Subject's attorney had authorized the confrontation. The specific details regarding the confrontation and the authorization were furnished the Bureau by Butte teletype to Bureau, September 16, 1974.

By airtel dated September 30, 1974, all offices were requested to discontinue investigation in captioned matter.

By letter dated October 1, 1974, the following items were forwarded to the Bureau and are not being set forth in the details of this report:

Affidavit of Probable Cause for charges brought against Subject

Order granting leave to file an information charging Subject with the kidnapings and homicides

Information charging Subject with four counts of homicide and kidnaping

Bench Warrant issued charging Subject with four counts of kidnaping and homicide

Search Warrant with Affidavits attached for search of Subject's house and garage

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Search Warrant with Application attached for search of Subject's personally-owned automobile

Search Warrant with Affidavit attached for a camper shell

Search Warrant for a two story, blue frame house owned by Subject located in Manhattan, Montana, with Affidavit attached

By airtel dated October 7, 1974, the Bureau was advised that the FD-165s placed in this case had been cancelled, that the exhibits, both 1a and 1B, where appropriate, have been returned.

It is to be noted that a closing report in this case was held in abeyance pending a determination that the human skull found was actually that of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER and same has been so identified as set forth in the details.

The submission of a closing report was further delayed pending a determination as to what request might be made, if any, by the Office of the U. S. Attorney or whether the investigation conducted by local officers indicated other matters of pertinence regarding Subject, which should be reported. With the completion of most of the investigation being conducted by local officers, there being no further matters to be resolved, this report is now being submitted.

The various Press Releases made in this matter have been furnished to the Bureau by separate communications and are not being repeated in the details of this report.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Billings, Montana

Report of: BYRON H. DUNBAR Office: BUTTE
Date: 11/8/74

Field Office File #: 7-497 Bureau File #: 7-14789

Title: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER (Deceased);
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER - VICTIM

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Character: KIDNAPING

Synopsis: [redacted] had confrontations (three) with DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER 9/19 and 9/20/74. Subject telephoned [redacted]. The call to the [redacted] was collect from a [redacted] Details contain the specific transcription of the call. Investigation determined the call came from Salt Lake City, Utah. MEIRHOFER stated that he had been in Manhattan, Montana, all day 9/24/74. Investigation indicated MEIRHOFER was not in Manhattan until 3:35 p.m., 9/24/74. MEIRHOFER arrested 9/27/74. At time of arrest had on his person a letterhead of the SALT PALACE MOTEL, Salt Lake City, Utah, and the handwritten name, [redacted] Bone found on [redacted] Ranch 9/17/74, identified on 9/25/74, as the sacrum of a child six to eight years old and probably female. Subject arrested 9/27/74, and Subject on 9/29/74, confessed to the kidnaping and murder of Victim in this case and stated where Victim's remains were located and remains were then located in the place mentioned. Subject also confessed to the murders of three other persons: MICHAEL RANEY, 12-year-old male, killed 5/5/68, at the Headwaters State Park near Three Forks, Montana; BERNARD POELMAN, Age 13, killed 3/19/67, while climbing on the Nixon Bridge near Logan, Montana; SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN, white female, Age 19, killed 2/9/74, at Manhattan, Montana. Subject committed suicide 9/29/74, in the Gallatin County Jail, Bozeman, Montana, by hanging.

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[redacted] of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, was shown photographs of the following persons:

[redacted] Pontiac Police Department Number [redacted]

DAVID GAIL MEINHOFER

[redacted] Southfield Police Department Number [redacted]

[redacted] advised that none of the above appear familiar to her.

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by SA [redacted] jbg Date dictated 9/12/74

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Date of transcription 9/13/74

[redacted] of kidnap VICTIM, SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, was shown photographs of the following persons:

[redacted]

DAVID GAIL MEINHOFER

[redacted]

[redacted] advised none of the above persons appear similar to anyone he recalls as ever seeing in the past.

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[redacted] was shown one tube of lipstick and one silver necklace with a heart shaped pendant, which had previously been obtained during a search of the home of DAVID G. MEINHOFER. b6 b7C

[redacted] advised that neither article appeared similar to any article that her kidnapped daughter, SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, had or could have possessed at the time she was kidnapped on June 25, 1973.

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AT FARMINGTON, MICHIGAN

The possibility of a confrontation between the [redacted] and the Subject, which had previously been discussed was again telephonically discussed with [redacted]

[redacted] advised that she was completely agreeable to any action suggested. She had been informed that such a confrontation might be of pertinence and agreed to meet with the Subject at any convenient time and place.

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The confrontation between [redacted] and the Subject was scheduled for September 19, 1974.

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At approximately 1:20 p.m., [redacted] of Farmington, Michigan, were introduced to [redacted] Attorney at 24 South Willson, the office of Attorney [redacted]

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At approximately 1:28 p.m., Attorney [redacted] advised that his client, DAVID MEIRHOFER, was in the office and that he was going to introduce MEIRHOFER to [redacted] who would confront MEIRHOFER in his, [redacted] law library with just him [redacted] present.

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At 1:32 p.m., the library door closed and therein were located [redacted] and DAVID G. MEIRHOFER.

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At 2:04 p.m., [redacted] came out of the library to answer the telephone in his office and at 2:07 p.m. again returned to the law library meeting.

At 2:55 p.m., [redacted] advised that the meeting between DAVID MEIRHOFER and [redacted] was terminated.

[redacted] further advised that he had turned the switch to "On" of a [redacted] which had been placed [redacted] request, as he stated prior to the confrontation he desired that the entire contents of the meeting between MEIRHOFER and [redacted] be recorded.

[redacted] then advised that he would desire, if at all possible, that Special Agent BYRON H. DUNBAR take the tape recording of the meeting between he, MEIRHOFER and [redacted] and that he be furnished with a copy of the recording and/or a transcript.

The tape was taken from the [redacted] which was then removed from [redacted] office.

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[redacted] advised that she had had a confrontation with DAVID MEIRHOFER during the afternoon of September 19, 1974. She further advised that she felt that she had failed, inasmuch as she anticipated that in her confrontation with DAVID MEIRHOFER he would admit to her that he was the person responsible for kidnaping [redacted] SUSAN, and that he was the person, who had telephoned her on [redacted]

[redacted] advised that after the confrontation with DAVID MEIRHOFER in the office of [redacted] there is absolutely no doubt in her mind, but what MEIRHOFER is identical to the person who called her on [redacted] at her residence [redacted]

[redacted] advised that she would like to telephonically confront MEIRHOFER.

[redacted] was furnished with a telephone facility with a [redacted] attached and set at a speed of three and three-quarter inches per second.

[redacted] telephoned DAVID MEIRHOFER at [redacted] and conversed with him until 10:46 p.m., at which time she terminated the conversation.

The tape recording of this conversation was retained by Special Agent BYRON H. DUNBAR to be forwarded to the FBI Laboratory.

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[redacted] were introduced to Police Officer [redacted] of the Bozeman, Montana, Police Department at the Bozeman Police Station. They departed Bozeman at 1:00 p.m. to go to Manhattan, Montana, where [redacted] stated that it was [redacted] intention to again facially confront DAVID MEIRHOFER without his [redacted] being present.

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She advised that she felt that in the confrontation of September 19, 1974, MEIRHOFER gained strength by looking at his attorney and felt that she might have success in talking to MEIRHOFER if no one was present but her and MEIRHOFER.

[redacted] confronted MEIRHOFER in Manhattan, Montana, near a building, which he is constructing for the City of Manhattan and the confrontation started at 1:31 p.m.

The confrontation ended at 2:11 p.m.

[redacted] advised that she terminated the conversation with MEIRHOFER voluntarily as being without value.

She advised that he very definitely is the person, who telephoned her on [redacted] in the very early hours of the morning and talked for over one hour and stated that he was the person responsible for kidnaping the [redacted] SUSAN.

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[redacted] advised that there is absolutely no doubt but what MEIRHOFER is the person who telephoned her. She advised that he steadfastly denied that he was responsible and made no admissions as to being the person who either kidnaped [redacted] SUSAN, or who made the telephone call of [redacted]

[redacted] advised that at one point in the conversation she mentioned to MEIRHOFER, "Did you kidnap Suzie to replace the girl you knew in California and that you had taken to Disneyland in 1968?". She stated that MEIRHOFER appeared to be

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momentarily upset by this, but quickly regained his composure. She advised that the entire confrontation was without value insofar as MEIRHOFER making any admissions to the effect that he was the person who kidnaped SUSAN or who telephoned her on [redacted] b7D

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[redacted] residence telephone [redacted] and [redacted] SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, who was kidnaped in Three Forks, Montana, on June 25, 1973, voluntarily furnished the following information: b6 b7C b7D

At approximately [redacted] on [redacted] she received a telephone call. Upon answering the phone, a female operator indicated that a [redacted] was placing a long distance call to her number, and requested that she accept the charges. She advised she did accept the charges. [redacted] advised that the individual identified as [redacted] began the conversation by asking if she was speaking to [redacted] He advised that he was the same person who had kidnaped SUSAN JAEGER on June 25, 1973, and the same person who had telephonically contacted the [redacted] on [redacted] and [redacted] advised upon hearing the voice of the caller, she could identify the voice as that of DAVID MEIRHOFFER. She advised that on [redacted] she had had [redacted] with MEIRHOFFER in [redacted] which had been supervised by SA BYRON DUNBAR. Based on these confrontations and MEIRHOFFER's speech, as recalled by her, she identified the caller as being MEIRHOFFER.

[redacted] advised that the caller called the [redacted] phone call he made to [redacted] the, "anniversary call". He identified SUSAN JAEGER as having "nails of her first fingers humped." [redacted] advised that during the phone call, she called the caller DAVID, which upset him. The caller put a child on the telephone and the child stated that the caller was nice and that she was sitting on his lap. [redacted] advised the female child speaking on the telephone was not [redacted] SUSAN JAEGER. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] advised that the caller on [redacted] did not at that time know that that particular conversation was being taped.

She advised that during the [redacted] telephone call, the caller stated that, "the FBI is into this now."

Interviewed on 9/24/74 at Farmington Hills, Mich. File # Detroit 7-1246

by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] WEE:KPD Date dictated 9/25/74

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[redacted] advised the caller terminated the call stating that she was "never going to get [redacted] back." She advised the call was abruptly terminated by the caller hanging up.

[redacted] advised that she recorded the entire telephone conversation on a tape cassette recorder which was attached to the telephone receiver.

[redacted] provided to SA [redacted] the memorex "120" tape cassette contained the aforementioned telephone conversation on side one. The cassette was marked accordingly.

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Concerning the time of the telephone call, [redacted] related that after the caller hung up, she kept the receiver off the line for approximately four minutes, waiting for either the caller to continue his conversation or for an operator to get on the line. She advised that hung up her receiver at 12:14 pm, after waiting approximately four minutes. She advised that she played the tape back of the conversation, and that the tape lasted [redacted] She therefore advised that the telephone call was received by her at [redacted] at approximately [redacted] to [redacted]

[redacted] advised that during the phone call, she notified [redacted] of the call and that [redacted] telephonically contacted the Detroit Division and Butte Divisions of the FBI, informing them of the call.

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By letter dated September 24, 1974, the Detroit Office furnished a transcript of the telephone call between [redacted] and Subject:

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Transcript of Telephone Call Received Approximately [redacted] who identifies caller as DAVID CARL HEINEMEYER

O - Operator
S - Subject
C - Small Child

[redacted]

O: Hello. I have a collect call for anyone from [redacted] Will you accept the charges?

S: Yes, I will.

O: Go ahead.

S: [redacted]

S: Yes.

S: I'm the guy that kidnaped [redacted]

S: Yes, hello David.

S: David who? What are you talking about.

S: You know who I mean David.

S: I don't think so.

S: Yes you do.

S: What do you mean?

[redacted]

S: I don't know what you're talking about. I have [redacted]

[redacted]

S: Yes she is.

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[redacted]

S: What? What do you mean calling me David now?

[redacted]

S: Then how, how do you know my name is David?

[redacted]

S: Okay. What are you talking about. Have you been lying - did you lie to me?

M: When?

S: The last time I called you. I'll bet you taped that conversation didn't ya?

M: What do you mean did I lie to you?

S: You told me you weren't taping it.

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[redacted]

S: Well, you evidently found out somebody's names.

[redacted]

S: What? What now?

[redacted]

S: Well I never have given you my name.

[redacted]

S: Well, you evidently found out somebody's name.

[redacted]

S: (Simultaneous with above) No. No. No.

S: I have [redacted] and you don't even want proof of it.

[redacted]

S: I think so.

[redacted]

S: Well I was the one that called you on the anniversary at [redacted] and this is also an anniversary date of the last time I called you in [redacted]

[redacted]

S: Yes.

M: And then what else can you tell me.

S: Now, ah, I don't know, are you taping this again?

M: David. What else can you

S: Quit calling me David.

M: Alright. What else can you tell me?

S: The nails of her first fingers are humped. You told me last time that that story was leaked, has it?

M: Well there is an awful lot of people who now about it.

S: How would you

[redacted]

S: I have her right here, would you like to hear her?

[redacted]

M: No, no I'm not going to let you talk to her.

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[redacted]

S: You probably know her voice won't you?

[redacted]

S: Uh hum

[redacted]

S: I can't do that.

M: Why not?

S: Because I'm. Like I told you, I'm working on this psycho therapy and if she recalls you voices, mention anything about you family, it's gonna hinder it.

[redacted]

S: [redacted]

M: And that would

S: Evidently you have had the FBI onto this, huh?

[redacted]

S: How do ya, how do you expect me to get her back to you when you got the FBI

M: If you would

S: If I would arrage drop, you'd have the FBI there wouldn't ya?

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[redacted]

(Faint speech in background obliterated)

(Pause)

C: This guy he's nice.

(Pause)

C: And he's (sic) sitting on his lap.

(Pause)

S: Did you hear her?

[redacted]

S: Oh, I'm sorry, but that's the only girl I've got to give ya.

[redacted]

S: (Obliterated) Going too far

[redacted]

S: Yes, I could.

[redacted]

S: It's long right now.

M: How tall is she?

S: About four seven.

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[redacted]

S: No.

[redacted]

S: No. Gained weight. How can she lose weight and grow?

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[redacted]

S: She don't have to worry like you.

[redacted]

S: Yes.

[redacted]

S: Very much.

[redacted]

S: Hope.

[redacted]

S: Now we're getting back to where we was that night

[redacted]

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S: I told you before. We've got to get out of here now.

[redacted]

S: Yes.

M: Why?

S: Well, well, what

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S: What, what, what about this David business? Whose this David you're talking about?

[redacted]

S: You're never gonna get [redacted] back.

M: Why?

(Telephone call terminated by caller)

M: David? David?

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AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

On October 23, 1974, [redacted] of Farmington, Michigan, advised that Victim SUSAN MARIE JAEGER was buried at Sunset Hills Cemetery, Bozeman, October 23, 1974, in a private grave-side ceremony officiated by [redacted] of Holy Rosary Parish, Bozeman.

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FBI LABORATORY
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On September 24, 1974, the FBI Laboratory furnished the following results of examination:

"Specimens received 8/26/74

"Under cover of letter dated 8/23/74 (PC-L1371 MC)

"Q21-Q23	Three rags
Q24-Q25	Two paper towels
Q26-Q27	Two pieces of insulation
Q28-Q29	Two portions of sheet
Q30	Bedspread
Q31	Blouse
Q32-Q34	Three bags of debris

"Specimens received: 9/9/74

"Under cover of letter dated 9/5/74 (PC-L1700 MC)

"Resubmitted from PC-K0951 NU:

"Four glass microscope slides containing hairs from Specimen Q8

"Result of examination:

"Human blood, unsuitable for conclusive grouping purposes, was found on specimens Q24, Q25, Q28, Q29 and Q30. No blood was found on specimens Q21 through Q23, Q26, Q27 and Q31. It is not possible to determine the age of the bloodstains present on specimens Q24, Q25, Q28, Q29 and Q30, nor the age of the person from whom the stains originated.

"A brown head hair fragment of Caucasian origin was found on Q31. This hair fragment is microscopically dissimilar to hairs present on the Q8 hairbrush and, accordingly, could not be associated with the same source as the hairs from Q8."

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"Specimens Q32 through Q34 were examined by [redacted] Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C. b6 b7C

The report of [redacted] accompanying the FBI Laboratory report showed findings that the items labeled Q32 through Q34 did not contain items identifiable with a human.

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[redacted] advised that on September 17, 1974, he returned to the [redacted] Ranch located northwest of Manhattan, Montana, and with the assistance of other officers and a backhoe dug up the outhouse at the [redacted] Ranch.

As part of this digging up of the outhouse and screening of material found therein, he did recover what he believed to be a human bone which he marked as Number One and placed same in a plastic container and furnished to SA BYRON H. DUNBAR.

[redacted] further advised that he recovered items which he designated as Number Two and Number Three from the same location which he can identify and which items are possibly remnants from a human body which were similarly turned over to SA DUNBAR.

The items furnished by [redacted] were retained to be forwarded to the FBI Laboratory.

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by SA BYRON H. DUNBAR/db Date dictated 9/18/74

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SA [redacted] of the FBI Laboratory telephonically advised Assistant Special In Charge [redacted] b6 b7C of the Butte Office as follows:

SA [redacted] Laboratory, called at 1:33 p.m. and advised that he had just been in telephonic contact with [redacted] at Smithsonian Institution. [redacted] advised that the sacrum submitted to the Laboratory by the Butte Division is that of a six to fourteen-year-old child.

[redacted] stated that there are cuts on the sacrum, but the instrument making these cuts is unknown. He advised that the cutting instrument is straight, such as a machete. [redacted] who also examined the bones of the SMALLEGAN b6 girl, advised that the bones at that time indicated they b7C had been cut with a bandsaw, but this sacrum was not cut with the same instrument. [redacted] stated that the sacrum has a flat area, which usually indicates female; however, this cannot be positive evidence; therefore, he will not testify to the sex, but states that if specifically asked would say that it is "probably" female.

[redacted] stated that the cuts on the side indicate the body may have been stretched out with the legs apart at the time the cuts were made. [redacted] requested permission of the FBI Laboratory to clean up the specimen and stated that if he were permitted to clean it up and conduct further examinations he might be able to narrow the age span closer than six to fourteen. SA [redacted] advised [redacted] that it would be permissible to clean up the bone. b6 b7C

[redacted] further recommended the area, where the bone was found, be researched more closely and possibly even sifted for teeth, bone fragments, etc.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA BYRON H. DUNBAR:

AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

[redacted] Gallatin County, Montana, was advised of the findings of [redacted] and on September 26, 1974, telephonically communicated with [redacted] and was informed that the age of the child had been determined to be between six and eight years of age, that the sacrum submitted by the Butte Division was in all probability that of a female. b6 b7C b7D

The FBI Laboratory advised as follows by teletype September 27, 1974:

MEMOREX "120" CASSETTE TAPE
CONTAINING RECORDING OF
[redacted], TELEPHONE
CALL T[redacted]BY
SUBJECT

"Regarding Laboratory examination of above-captioned tape, individual who identifies himself as [redacted] compares favorably with known voice samples of MEIRHOFER submitted previously.

" No background noise, which could specifically indicate origin of call, was detected. Call originated from quiet environment. When caller hangs up, the telephone handpiece is heard to bounce substantially in telephone cradle suggesting call could have been on a desk-type telephone rather than wall-type.

"Butte should consider possibility that voice of child was a recording. Child's voice does not sound to be in proximity to telephone. [redacted] is not permitted to talk to child. A click which could be due to stopping of a recorder is audible following utterances of a child."

NORTH OF MANHATTAN, MONTANA

Based on information furnished by DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER in his confession of September 29, 1974, the following investigation was conducted:

On September 29, 1974, SA [redacted] and [redacted] of the Gallatin County, City-County Investigative Team proceeded to the [redacted] Ranch, five miles northwest of Manhattan. At the [redacted] Ranch, a skull, hair and four vertebrae were located in the lime pit of the outhouse positioned at the rear of the Lockhart Ranch house. b6 b7C b6 b7C

The remains were photographed and removed and returned to Bozeman, Montana, where same were prepared and forwarded to the FBI Laboratory.

On October 18, 1974, the FBI Laboratory furnished the following results of examination:

"Examination requested: Microscopic Analyses - Miscellaneous

"Specimens personally delivered by Deputy [redacted] on 10/1/74 under cover of letter 10/1/74 (PC-L2317 MC LP): b6 b7C

"Q67 Skull
"Q68 Lower jawbone
"Q69-Q73 Five vertebrae
"Q74 Hairs found next to skull

"Specimens received 10/7/74 under cover of letter 10/3/74 (PC-L2475 MC LP):

"K5-K7 Three dental X rays of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER

"Resubmitted from PC-K0951 NU:

"Q8 Hairbrush
Four glass microscope slides containing hairs from Q8
Two pillboxes containing hairs and fibers from Q8

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"Result of examination:

"This report confirms the telephone call from this Bureau to [redacted] on October 3, 1974, and supplements the telegram from this Bureau to you on October 15, 1974.

"Specimens Q67 through Q73 were examined by [redacted] Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C. [redacted] report dated October 3, 1974, of his findings regarding these specimens is being furnished to you as an enclosure to this report.

"The head hairs present in Q74 exhibit the same microscopic characteristics as hairs present on the Q8 hairbrush. Accordingly, these hairs originated either from the same source as the person who used this hairbrush or from another person of the same race whose head hairs possess the same individual microscopic characteristics.

"It should be noted that hair comparisons do not constitute a basis for positive personal identification.

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"X rays were taken in the FBI Laboratory of corresponding teeth in Q67 and Q68 as shown in the K5 through K7 dental X rays. These X rays were taken at approximately the same angles as the K5 through K7 dental Xrays.

The X rays taken of the teeth in Q67 and Q68, along with K5 through K7, were examined by [redacted] report dated October 15, 1974, of his findings regarding these X rays is also being furnished to you as an enclosure to this report."

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C. DATE: October 3, 197[illegible]
Attn: [redacted] FBI Laboratory # PC-L 2317, [redacted] Ranch, Manhattan, Monta b6 b7C

FROM : [redacted]
Department of Anthropology, S.I.

SUBJECT: Human skull with five vertebrae

The bone in these specimens is hard, fresh, and undecayed, without remnants of soft tissue. Its color is light coffee-tan under a coating of damp black earth. The skull shows red areas, apparently coloring from a wrapping (of newspaper?), and some bunches of hair. The brain has decayed and there is very little dirt inside. Empty pupae of dermestid beetles are in the nasal cavity and upper incisor sockets, indicating that these teeth fell out during the process of decay. There are no signs of injury to the skull. These observations suggest decay buried in a rather sheltered damp place, but where insect larvae could reach the remains, for a period of 6-12 months, possibly more.

Tooth eruption fit age 7-9, and the fusion of vertebrae and skull base agree.

Female sex is more likely than male (according to smooth brows, small mastoids, also small teeth).

The braincase is big for a girl of this age.

Race characters appear White (nasal spine, high bridge, compressed cheek bones, etc.).

Identifying traits are clear in the teeth (though these show only one spot of decay and she may never have visited a dentist): sharp little carabelli pits on the upper molars, a tiny nodule of enamel in the central pit of the right lower first molar (M1), 3 separate uneven tubercles at the cutting edge of the lower lateral incisor, areas of whiteness suggesting fluorine in the water. Post-mortem loss of nasal bones makes it difficult to reconstruct the child's appearance in life; the face is linear with pointed but not projecting chin, and the head is long with considerable distance behind the ears. In general the skull "looks" N.W. European or Old American.

There is no sign of cause of death (unless it resulted directly from severing of head from body); we don't have the hyoid and so can't test strangling.

The 5th neck vertebra's body shows a slightly diagonal cut 3 mm (in [illegible]) to [illegible] mm ([illegible]) below its upper surface; it slopes from in front [illegible] and downwards and has a very slight helical convex deviation from a flat plane but no saw cut marks. The right part of the bifid spine also is cut through (the left part is too small for the blade to have touched it) in a different plane, as if the neck had extended a bit after the cut through the body. These suggest post-mortem cutting (with knife or cleaver?) from the front, since there are no hesitation marks. (N.B. The small gaping area on the front of the axis is not a cut but a slightly delayed fusion of the synchondrosis between odontoid process and body; the odontoid tip is incompletely ossified in front).

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Memorandum

TO : Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C. DATE: October 15, 1974
Attn: FBI Laboratory # PC-L 2317
PC-L 2375 (K5,K6,K7)

FROM [redacted] Ranch, Manhattan and Bozeman Montana b6 b7C
Department of Anthropology, S.I.

SUBJECT: X-rays of skull and bite-wing X-rays of Susan Marie Jaeger

Careful comparison of dental X-rays made by the FBI laboratories from the skull found at the [redacted] Ranch (PC-L 2317) with dental X-rays of Susan Marie Jaeger show the following points of similarity. b6 b7C

A. Morphology:

(1) Superimposition shows matching outlines of somewhat large pulp cavities and of enamel edges of crowns when done tooth by tooth: Lower m_1, m_2, M_1; upper left m^2, M^1 (the 2 angles of the central ray are close enough to allow matching, though not perfect at the distal end of the tooth row).
(2) Lower M_1s (first permanent molars) show more crenellation of the crown surface than usual.
(3) Upper left m^2 (second milk molar) shows a translucent triangle at the mesial edge of the crown, resulting in part from a Carabelli pit (the upper right m^2 fell out in the ground; enamel of M^1s is too opaque to show the Carabelli pits present, and a lower right M_1 hypoplastic pit also does not show clearly in the bite-wings).
(4) Shapes of edges of upper P^1 and P^2 (premolar) crowns in K 5 and K 7 match the skull X-rays, although the P^1s have erupted further since these bite-wing X-rays were made (4/73 and 8/72 for left and right respectively).

B. Eruption (using K 6, bite-wing X-rays dated 6/73, the month in which Susan Jaeger was abducted, and died(?)):

(5) Lower P_1 and P_2 are in advance on the right side, being ca. 1 mm closer to the alveolar border than on the left.
(6) Upper right P^1 is slightly in advance of the left (upper right m^1 was shed even before the 5/73 X-rays).
(7) There is more translucent space above the crown of the right lower P_2 than the left.
(8) Lower right m_1 has a shorter mesial root than the left.

These comparisons lead me to conclude that the skull studied is that of the person from whom the bite-wing X-rays (K5, K6, K7) were taken, stated to be Susan Marie Jaeger.

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INVESTIGATION REGARDING
DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER

The FBI Training Division furnished the following information:

"On 9/4/74, [redacted] University of Syracuse Psychology Department, Syracuse, New York, had a telephonic conference with the Training Division in regard to the tapes forwarded to him in captioned case.

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[redacted] advised that within the very near future he would furnish his written summary reflecting the semantic analysis of the tapes furnished. The purpose of the telephonic conference was to furnish the FBI with the substance of the information that he will later supply in report form.

[redacted] advised that there was no doubt in his mind that the tapes pertaining to David Mierhoffer, known voice sample, as well as telephone calls to [redacted] dated [redacted] were of the same personality. [redacted] stated that we are definitely dealing with an extremely psychotic personality - a personality which in his opinion is extremely dangerous with respect to his potential for violence. In his analysis of the conversation with the [redacted] stated there was a clear portrayal of the violent side to his personality when he would ascend into a bravado or bragging manner attempting to scare or threaten. Of significance was the exceptional acute tendency within this personality to descend into an extremely depressed state. [redacted] observed that in such a personality where highs and lows are to such an extreme there is always a great potential for the individual to act in a violent manner in order that he maintain his self-concept. It is in this regard that caution should be taken both in interviewing Mierhoffer with his potential towards violence, as well as the possibility that Mierhoffer might perform another bizarre violent act.

"It was [redacted] opinion that from his analysis of the tapes there was a definite insecurity on the part of Mierhoffer in his relationship with women. He stated that this very well could be the foundation for his seeking a release by directing his actions towards young females. While

this might be the case, he claimed that the most vulnerable portion of his personality would be with a direct confrontation with a dominant female. He noted in the telephone call of 6/25/74, that the unknown phone caller became very submissive to the [redacted] He claimed that there was a high possibility that this submission to a dominant female could very well be duplicated. He, therefore, suggested the possibility of having the [redacted] directly confront Mierhoffer, or if this be too great a danger to the [redacted] FBI agent. If such an avenue was taken, one could expect passive aggression on the part of Mierhoffer or an explosive episode.

"In summary, [redacted] analysis reflects in all of the material forwarded to him the same sadistic personality totally capable of violently murdering young females. He also draws the conclusion that the personality is in conflict with his own guilt feelings and has virtually perfected the ability to repress these guilt feelings." b6 b7C b7D

AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

During contact with [redacted] regarding the actual transcript of the sodium amatoyl test as previously afforded Subject, [redacted] advised as follows:

Regarding the sodium amatoyl test afforded to DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER, the test indicated in its entirety that MEIRHOFER did not have guilty knowledge regarding SUSAN MARIE JAEGER; however, it was developed during the course of this test that he did know the [redacted] home telephone number in [redacted]

AT MIDWEST, WYOMING

[redacted] when interviewed September 18, 1974, advised she has been a long-time employee at JUNCTION CAFE and her regular working hours have always been from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. She believes the ticket executed by her on September 24, 1973, would have been sometime during that period, but she has no way of fixing the precise time.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA BYRON H. DUNBAR on September 24, 1974:

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AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

SA BYRON H. DUNBAR was telephonically informed at [redacted] that there was then in progress a call to Victim's [redacted] at [redacted] from the kidnaper.

Immediately [redacted] was notified that there was a call in progress and to activate prearranged assignments of [redacted] people.

[redacted] advised at [redacted] that the call in progress to [redacted] was not through [redacted] of the [redacted] exchange. He further advised that all operators in the State of Montana handling long distance calls would immediately be alerted and requested to determine which, if any, had in fact handled a call to [redacted]

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[redacted] telephonically advised at approximately [redacted] she received a telephone call, which was collect, from a [redacted] and the call was operator handled.

The essence of the conversation was that as soon as the caller talked to her she recognized him as the person previously calling and identifying himself as the kidnaper and whom she immediately recognized as being identical to DAVID MEIRHOFER of Manhattan, Montana.

As a consequence she said [redacted] among other comments this individual stated that he knew that the anniversary call had been taped and turned over to the FBI.

He further put what appeared to be a female child on the phone, who said, "He is a nice man. I am sitting on his lap". He further denied that he was DAVID and asked where she got this name and also ended the conversation in an angry tone with words to the effect, "You will never have [redacted] live."

Immediately with knowledge of the fact that the call was in progress, SA [redacted] directing a number of local officers from Bozeman, Montana, proceeded to Manhattan, Montana, which investigation is reported and written up on a separate report form. b6 b7C

One of these individuals was specifically directed to give coverage to the Lockhart Ranch in the Horseshoe Hills area of Montana.

Investigation was conducted in Bozeman to attempt to locate DAVID MEIRHOFER and/or his vehicle. His personally owned vehicle, a 1973 Jeep, four-wheel drive pickup truck, was located at the AMC JEEP SALES AND SERVICE on North 7th in Bozeman and it was verified that that Jeep had been placed in the garage on September 23, 1974, for servicing, that the Jeep had not been removed and was then still in the garage.

Gallatin Field and Amtrak Railroad Station were patrolled by Bozeman Police Officers attempting to locate MEIRHOFER as well as all other areas in Bozeman.

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AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

[redacted] who has previously been identified as the [redacted] Livingston, Montana, was telephonically contacted at [redacted] to solicit her suggestions. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] advised that the best thing she could think of would be for her to call [redacted] and listen to part of the tapes, as she is familiar with the voice of most of the operators in Livingston and many of the others throughout the State of Montana.

[redacted] did immediately telephon[redacted] identified herself and advised the purpose of the call. She listened to the operator portion of the tape played to her by [redacted] stated that she did not recognize the operator's voice and could assure that she was not an operator from Livingston, Montana.

[redacted] telephonically advised that every operator handling long distance calls in the State of Montana had been polled and he could state without question that none of the operators in Montana had called or caused to be placed a call to [redacted] at [redacted] on [redacted]

Teletypes were sent to local surrounding offices to determine if the phone call was made from these areas. It was determined that the phone call had been placed through a Salt Lake City, Utah, operator, [redacted] and that the call was from the TRAVEL LODGE SALT PALACE MOTEL in Salt Lake City, Utah, Telephone [redacted]

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The following investigation was conducted by SA BYRON H. DUNBAR:

AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

Immediately upon receipt of information, September 24, 1974, that a phone call was then in progress by the kidnaper and [redacted] approximately [redacted], available officers were dispatched to Manhattan, Montana, accompanied by Special Agent [redacted], who directed these officers to locate DAVID MEIRHOFER.

From the time of arrival at Manhattan, Montana, approximately [redacted] extensive investigation by SA [redacted] and all of the officers present, including, but not limited to, [redacted] was conducted and MEIRHOFER was not observed or located until 3:35 p.m., when City Marshal [redacted] Manhattan, advised that he observed MEIRHOFER on the streets of Manhattan.

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This investigation included frequent trips to MEIRHOFER's home, the building he is contracting for the City of Manhattan and efforts to contact him in the warehouse, which he owns and which was locked.

In addition, [redacted] advised that he, too, had looked for MEIRHOFER that day regarding contracting on the city building and looked into the warehouse, but had not observed MEIRHOFER therein.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] accompanied by [redacted] Bozeman, Montana, Police Department: b6 b7C

AT MANHATTAN, MONTANA AND VICINITY

On September 24, 1974, [redacted] advised that he [redacted] of DAVID MEIRHOFER and advised that he did not observe MEIRHOFER's truck in the driveway of his residence, nor did he observe MEIRHOFER during the afternoon or evening of September 23, 1974. He further stated that he had not observed MEIRHOFER or his truck during the morning of September 24, 1974.

[redacted] employee, of MEIRHOFER's who is working [redacted] to MEIRHOFER's residence, advised that she arrived [redacted] on September 23, 1974, at about [redacted] She stated she noticed that the drapes were open and therefore assumed that MEIRHOFER was up, but was not in his residence. She stated that she started [redacted] on [redacted] to the MEIRHOFER residence, and had been working for approximately an hour and had not observed MEIRHOFER in or around his residence or passing on the street. [redacted] further stated that on [redacted] MEIRHOFER had taken his truck into Bozeman, Montana, to have something done with either the windshield or a window, and that he was taken into Bozeman by [redacted] She stated that MEIRHOFER therefore did not have his vehicle to her knowledge, and would be on foot.

[redacted] an employee of the City of Manhattan, Montana, advised that MEIRHOFER is erecting a building in Manhattan for the City and therefore [redacted] is in almost daily contact with MEIRHOFER. [redacted] stated that on September 23, 1974, late in the afternoon, he followed MEIRHOFER into Bozeman, Montana, where MEIRHOFER left his jeep pickup at AMC Jeep dealers, Bozeman, Montana, to get the window fixed. [redacted] stated [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] September 24, 1974, but MEIRHOFER stated that he could not do so since he would be busy all day. [redacted] stated that he had not seen MEIRHOFER during the morning of September 24, 1974, and he had checked numerous places in Manhattan, attempting to locate MEIRHOFER since MEIRHOFER was late or behind in erecting the building for the City of Manhattan. [redacted] did state that at approximately 10:30 a.m., September 24, 1974, he had observed MEIRHOFER's [redacted] on her way to school in a blue Volkswagen that she had recently acquired. b6 b7C

[redacted] DAVID MEIRHOFER, was contacted at Manhattan High School, Manhattan, Montana, and he stated that on September 23, 1974, [redacted] DAVID had apparently eaten dinner with his [redacted] around 7:00 p.m. He further stated that after dinner, DAVID MEIRHOFER had opened his warehouse in Manhattan so that [redacted] and several friends could work on a float they were preparing for the Homecoming Day football festivities. He stated that around 8:00 p.m., on September 23, 1974, [redacted] left the warehouse to go to an establishment known as The Bowl, Manhattan, Montana, to participate in his bowling league. He stated that about 10:30 p.m., September 23, 1974, he in turn went to The Bowl to watch the individuals bowling and observed [redacted] participating in the bowling league. He further advised that this was the last time he saw [redacted] and has not seen him on the morning of September 24, 1974, and further stated that [redacted] DAVID, did not stay with [redacted] on the night of September 23-24, 1974.

MEIRHOFER further advised that the only young children that he knows that [redacted] is associated with are [redacted] who is in the 4th or 5th grade, and [redacted] who is in the 1st or 2nd grade. He states that these [redacted] are the [redacted] of [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] DAVID MEIRHOFER and [redacted] was interviewed at Manhattan High School, Manhattan, Montana, and she advised that she had seen DAVID

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approximately 7:00 p.m., on September 23, 1974, at which time he had supper with [redacted] and DAVID's mother at the mother's house. She advised that she has not seen DAVID since 7:00 p.m., September 23, 1974, and has not seen him during the morning of September 24, 1974. [redacted] further stated that she reported for school on September 24, 1974, at approximately 8:20 to 8:25 a.m., and at approximately 10:45 a.m., she signed out of school with one [redacted] to take [redacted] home because she was sick. She returned to school around 11:00 a.m., after dropping [redacted] at her residence.

It is to be noted that the student sign-out register in the principal's office, Manhattan High School, reflected that one [redacted] last name not set forth) signed out at 9:57 a.m. It is also to be noted that the second period, which apparently [redacted] missed, runs from 10:03 a.m. to 11:05 a.m., and that she was in attendance at 11:05 a.m.

[redacted] Manhattan Elementary High School, Manhattan, Montana, advised that [redacted] is in the second grade and [redacted] is in the fifth grade. They reported for school at approximately 8:15 to 8:20 a.m., and were still in attendance at school having not left during the morning of September 24, 1974.

[redacted] Manhattan High School, advised that DAVID MEIRHOFER did attend Manhattan High School and was in the homeroom of [redacted] during his senior year. [redacted] stated that MEIRHOFER was a rebel to an extent in that when the class would decide on a "dress-up day" MEIRHOFER would dress down. [redacted] further stated that to his knowledge MEIRHOFER did not have any close friends and that he [redacted] was never a friend of MEIRHOFER, has never had him to his house, nor has he been to MEIRHOFER's house, has never gone hunting with him, or fishing.

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[redacted] of The Bowl, Manhattan, Montana, advised that DAVID MEIRHOFER bowled on the evening of September 23, 1974, in the league that started at approximately 9:00 p.m., and ended at approximately 11:30 p.m. [redacted] stated that MEIRHOFER did participate in the bowling and that he, [redacted] spoke to MEIRHOFER on several different occasions. [redacted] further stated that MEIRHOFER bowled on a team called the L and L Super Market and that the team members were [redacted] both of whom are employed at the Auto Inn, Manhattan, Montana, [redacted] who is a student at Montana State University (MSU), and is associated with the Electrical Research Department, MSU, and [redacted] who is employed at the shop, One House Hardware, Bozeman, Montana. [redacted] stated this is a relatively new team and he does not recall any of the members bowled for L. and L Super Market previously. [redacted] further states that he does not recall if MEIRHOFER left the bowling alley exactly at 11:30 p.m., but that the league was over with around that time. b6 b7C

[redacted], Auto Inn, Manhattan, Montana, advised that he bowled with DAVID MEIRHOFER between approximately 9:00 p.m., and 11:30 p.m., on September 23, 1974. He stated that there was not too much conversation between the members of the team except for he and [redacted] who are old friends. [redacted] states that as he recalls, he left the bowling alley at approximately 11:30 p.m., and he believes that DAVID MEIRHOFER was still at the bowling alley when he left. He further advised that during his conversation with MEIRHOFER, there was no mention as to what MEIRHOFER would be doing the next day, September 24, 1974, or that he was possibly leaving town. [redacted] states that he is not to well acquainted with MEIRHOFER. b6 b7C

[redacted] who resides with a small child in a small house adjacent to DAVID MEIRHOFER's residence, which house is owned by MEIRHOFER, advised that she has resided here for approximately one month and further stated that she has not seen MEIRHOFER to her knowledge for several days, and did not observe him in or around his residence on the night of September 23, 1974, nor has she observed him during the morning of September 24, 1974. [redacted] did

state that at approximately 11:30 to 12:00 on the night of September 23, 1974, she looked out her window at MEIRHOFER's residence and did not see any lights on in the residence, nor did she observe his truck in the driveway.

[redacted] of DUMA TRANSFER, Manhattan, Montana, who was a prior employer of DAVID MEIRHOFER, advised that as he recalled he saw MEIRHOFER on the evening of September 23, 1974, at approximately 8:00 to 8:30 p.m., by the Post Office in Manhattan, Montana. [redacted] stated that he has not seen MEIRHOFER in Manhattan during the morning of September 24, 1974. [redacted] further stated that MEIRHOFER is friendly with one [redacted] who [redacted] for BLACKLINE, Bozeman, Montana, and resides on [redacted] out of [redacted] states that [redacted] committed suicide four or five months ago and that he has two young girls who go to school, but are in the care of [redacted] while [redacted] is at work. [redacted] stated that [redacted] advised him that MEIRHOFER had been to see [redacted] pertaining to the interviews that MEIRHOFER had been subjected to by the FBI. [redacted] states that it is his understanding of the conversation with [redacted] that this conversation lasted for a couple hours and that MEIRHOFER was extremely upset. [redacted] further stated that this summer, MEIRHOFER employed a young boy whose first name he cannot recall, last name [redacted] whose mother is married to one [redacted] the Yamaha Motor franchise at Manhattan, Montana. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was from California, and has possibly returned to California, since he has not seen him recently. [redacted] further advised that a year or so ago, he was going hunting with several friends, and MEIRHOFER invited himself to go with [redacted] stated that MEIRHOFER did go with him and they used [redacted] hunting camp, and while he was with MEIRHOFER, MEIRHOFER made no reference to any camp of his own or possibly ownership of a cabin. [redacted] states that this was a permanent camp at the time, but that the trailers that have been set up have been returned to Manhattan, Montana.

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[redacted] GREYHOUND BUSLINE, assigned to Billings, Montana, advised that a GREYHOUND bus goes through on its route going east, at 4:25 a.m., and has a stop and/or pickup in Manhattan, Montana, at that time. He advised that the westbound bus goes through Manhattan at 1:00 a.m. [redacted] stated that the eastbound bus which would have gone

through at 4:25 a.m., on September 24, 1974, was either [redacted] (phonetic). He stated that their addresses and locations can be obtained through GREYHOUND BUSLINES, Billings, Montana, telephone #252-4169. He further stated that the westbound bus which went through at 1:00 a.m., on September 24, 1974, was [redacted] by one [redacted] and that [redacted] would be returning and be in Bozeman, Montana, at the GREYHOUND bus station at 9:40 p.m., on September 24, 1974. [redacted] stated that he also [redacted] the second section of that 1:00 a.m., bus on September 24, 1974, but that he did not stop at Belgrade, Manhattan, or Three Forks, Montana. b6 b7C

[redacted] employee, City of Manhattan, was again contacted and he advised that DAVID MEIRHOFER's mother, ELEANOR MEIRHOFER, drives a green Chevrolet with a white top, and that she [redacted] Junk Shop, Manhattan, Montana.

It was noted that a Chevrolet Impala, green bottom, white top, was parked in back of said shop bearing Montana license plate [redacted] which license plate was issued to one [redacted] for a 1966 Chevrolet Impala, four-door.

Numerous checks were made in the vicinity of DAVID MEIRHOFER's residence, his warehouse, and several buildings which he owned and rents, also, the city building which he is constructing for the City of Manhattan, with negative results. At 1:05 p.m., on September 24, 1974, SA [redacted] and [redacted] approached the MEIRHOFER residence and while SA [redacted] was knocking at the door, the telephone was ringing inside this residence. The telephone was never answered and the knocking at the door of this residence was never answered. Observations were made through the living room window and through the bedroom window and no one was observed in this residence. b6 b7C

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AT BUTTE, MONTANA

Salt Lake City, Utah, at advised ASAC that the long distance ticket for the call made to had been located. This indicated the call was placed at Mountain Daylight Time, and had a duration of The call was placed collect by a from the

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advised that the operator who handled this call was Operator residence Home Telephone

AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

Inquiry at and interview with Operator making call indicates call made through for approximately This is Telephone tickets reflect no room number.

There is virtually no possibility call made from number other than or by blue box. Inquiry at TRAVEL LODGE reflects no record of this call. Operator, on collect calls, can be dialed directly from any extension without knowledge of motel switchboard; no record, therefore, at motel of such call.

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In motel all telephone extensions in rooms and motel office with one exception of instrument situated in lobby and utilized on unlimited basis by motel employees, guests and any person, who might walk into motel office. Lobby (and telephone) cleaned during day, September 24, 1974, after call prior to receipt of information by Salt Lake City of call.

Check of motel records reflects no registration information regarding Subject under true name or aliases.

Arrangements are being made to obtain all motel registration cards for pertinent period without effecting identification.

Telecopier photograph of Subject exhibited to all personnel of TRAVEL LODGE on duty during pertinent period without effecting identification.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 10/3/74

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER was contacted on the streets of Manhattan, Montana, by Special Agents BYRON H. DUNBAR and [redacted] both of whom he knew to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

At 4:02 p.m., at time of initial contact, MEIRHOFER was advised of previous statement of rights, which he had been read and asked if he understood same, and was asked if he would account for his whereabouts of September 24, 1974. b6 b7C

MEIRHOFER advised that on September 23, 1974, he left the bowling alley at Manhattan, Montana, at approximately 11:30 p.m. and saw and believes he was seen by [redacted] City Marshal, Manhattan. He went to his home, where he remained without being in contact either personally or telephonically with anyone until approximately 8:30 a.m., at which time he got up and went to the City Building in the City of Manhattan, which he is contracting, and worked there from a half hour to forty-five minutes.

Subsequently he went to the warehouse, which he owns, and worked for two hours or more or at least until approximately 12:00 noon, when he went to his residence to eat. He remained at the residence for one half hour or a slightly longer period and returned to his warehouse, where he worked until after 3:00.

He then walked to the building he is contracting for the city and back toward town (referring to the more central portion of Manhattan), where he saw and was observed by [redacted] City Marshal, City of Manhattan. b6 b7C

MEIRHOFER advised that between 11:30 p.m., September 23, 1974, and after 3:00 p.m., September 24, 1974, he was not to his recollection seen by anyone nor did he talk to or visit with anyone until after 3:00, when he saw [redacted]

He observed that during this entire period his Jeep automobile was at the shop in Bozeman, Montana, and he was on foot.

Interviewed on 9/26/74 at Manhattan, Montana File # BT #7-497

SA [redacted] and
SA BYRON H. DUNBAR BHD/imw 9/30/74

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The facts of the case as they concerned DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER were discussed with Gallatin County [redacted] eptember 26, 1974.

[redacted] advised that based on the facts presented to him he was going to cause warrants to be issued for the Subject's arrest charging him with the kidnaping and murder of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER; the kidnaping and murder of SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN.

Subject was arrested at Manhattan, Montana, by [redacted] Gallatin County, Montana; [redacted] Gallatin County, City-County Investigative Team, and [redacted] Gallatin County, without incident 2:30 p.m., September 27, 1974. b6 b7C

MEIRHOFER was transported to Bozeman, Montana, the county seat of Gallatin County, where he was fingerprinted, strip-searched and major case prints obtained. During the course of search incidental to the arrest, there was found a letterhead stationery of the TRAVEL LODGE, SALT PALACE, 215 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84103 (801-328-4201), and written on this letterhead stationery was the name [redacted] and the number, [redacted]

MEIRHOFER was interviewed at 3:01 p.m. by SA BYRON H. DUNBAR following the giving of Miranda-type warning. MEIRHOFER stated he would refuse to talk without his attorney being present and the interview was terminated at 3:02 p.m.

MEIRHOFER appeared before District Court Judge W. W. LESLEY, 18th Judicial District, State of Montana, at 5:15 p.m. He was charged with First Degree Murder and Kidnaping (two charges under the laws of the State of Montana prior to January 1, 1974-SUSAN MARIE JAEGER; maximum sentence death). He was charged under the new laws of the State of Montana, effective January 1, 1974, with deliberate homicide and aggravated kidnaping regarding SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN, both having mandatory death sentence in the absence of mitigating circumstances.

Judge LESLEY imposed an admonition that all persons associated with the case refrain from discussing same (Gag Rule).

MEIRHOFER was ordered held in the Gallatin County Jail without bond by Judge LESLEY.

Search warrants were issued on September 28, 1974, for the search of MEIRHOFER's vehicle and home, as well as buildings owned by MEIRHOFER.

[redacted] telephonically advised during the early morning hours of September 29, 1974, that pursuant to the search warrant for MEIRHOFER's home there had been discovered in the home a human hand severed at the wrist, which was clasping two fingers.

As a result of the findings by [redacted] and other searchers a conference was arranged between MEIRHOFER; his [redacted] Bozeman, and SA BYRON H. DUNBAR. b6 b7C

With the assent of his [redacted] and in the presence of [redacted] DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER made the following confession (transcribed from a tape cassette):

CONFESSION OF DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER
(Transcribed from tape cassette)

PLACE: Sheriff's Office, Gallatin County Jail,
Bozeman, Montana

DATE: September 29, 1974

TIME: 3:20 A.M. - 4:11 A.M.

PERSONS PRESENT:

Special Agent Byron H. Dunbar, Resident Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Bozeman, Montana (PD)

[redacted]
Bozeman, Montana (TO)

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[redacted]
for Meirhofer, Bozeman, Montana (DD)

David Gail Meirhofer, Defendant
Manhattan, Montana (DM)

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CONFESSION OF DAVID [redacted]IL MEIRHOFER GIVEN SEPTEM[redacted]R 29, 1974:

PD. I am with the F.B.I. You know [redacted]

DM: Yes.

PD: County Attorney of Gallatin County. Your [redacted] [redacted] is here, right?

DM: Yes

PD: It's now 3:20 A.M. Ok? Now, David I have told you this before, right? And I'm going to repeat it just so that there's no doubt. Before we ask you any questions, you do know you have the right to remain silent, that anything you say can be used against you in court. You have the right to talk to a lawyer who is here with you now for advice and to have him present which he is during this questioning. If you decide to answer our questions now with your lawyer present, you will and can do so but you also will have the right to stop and not answer any questions. You also have the right to not answer questions until you do confer with your [redacted] Now, do you understand this?

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DM: Yes.

PD: The next thing, David, I am going to ask, you know that this is accordance with the fifth amendment and if you do answer questions you are waiving a right, so I would like you to consult with your attorney and know that you understand this and knowingly waive this right and go ahead and we can talk about things. OK?

DM: Yes.

PD: And if [redacted] will read this, explain it to you, and I would like him to have you sign it, with his, with his having read it. b6 b7C

DD: [redacted] Mr. Dunbar, has handed me what is called a Waiver of Rights. You and I have discussed this matter and under my advice, I have advised you that I feel it is in your best interests, under all the circumstances, to waive your rights under the fifth amendment, and to make the statements and to answer questions that are about to be asked, and I am advising you at this time to sign the Waiver of Rights, which means that you are in effect you are waiving your right to refuse to testify against yourself, and that's what I'm handing you now.

DM: Do you have to have a written guarantee?

DD: It will be on a tape recorder.

PD: Yah. Everything David that we are talking about is being recorded, Ok? b6 b7C

DM: I mean guarantee for what...

DD: For what we talked about?

DM: Yah.

DD: That will be there, and this will be transcribed if necessary.

PD: Would you put the time in too, David. It's 3:23.

DM: [redacted]

DD & PD: Yes

PD: Now, I'll ask, can I go ahead [redacted] and state all the things we've talked about or do you want to do this?

DD: Let me make a brief statement...

PD: Please do, yes.

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DD:...as to my understanding as to this, and then I like to have [redacted] unless you'd rather state first

DD: I have conferred with David. We've discussed some matters. We have also discussed, I have also discussed with the [redacted] and with you, Mr. Dunbar b6 b7C

PD: Yes

[redacted] b7D

[redacted]

TRANSCRIBER'S AFFIDAVIT

State of Montana,)
:ss.
County of Gallatin.)

I, EVELYN J. ZUMBRUN, being first duly sworn upon oath, state as follows:

1. That I am a resident of Gallatin County, State of Montana, and am employed as a secretary by Thomas A. Olson, Gallatin County Attorney;

2. That I am trained in the use and operation of tape recording equipment and that on Sunday, the 29th day of September, 1974, I received a Sony Cassette Tape Recorder containing a Sony C60 tape cassette.

3. That I transcribed the contents of the tape cassette to the best of my ability and can state affirmatively that I have reviewed the transcript, which appears above, with the tape cassette and that the transcription is a true and accurate representation of the matters contained on said tape.

DATED this 30th day of September, 1974.

Evelyn J. Zumbrun
EVELYN J. ZUMBRUN

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 30th day of September, 1974.

Thomas A. Olson
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR THE STATE OF MONTANA
Residing at Bozeman, Montana
My Commission expires 2-21-77

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE OF CASE	REPORT MADE BY	TYPED BY
DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER (Deceased); SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka - VICTIM	BYRON H. DUNBAR	imw
	CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING	

REFERENCE

Report of SA BYRON H. DUNBAR, Butte, 9/10/74

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Information copies of this report are being furnished the Denver and Detroit Offices in view of the exceptional amount of investigation conducted by those offices throughout the course of this matter.

It is to be noted that there were numerous pe[illegible] dates preceding September 4, 1974, in this investigation not incorporated in the previous reports. However, these daily

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November 7, 1974

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[redacted]

Dear [redacted] b6 b7C

Your recent communication concerning the performance of Special Agents Byron H. Dunbar, [redacted] and [redacted] in connection with the investigation of the kidnaping of [redacted] was received on November 4th and I very much appreciate your generous comments.

As a parent, I can certainly understand the agony you experienced, which was all the greater because it was so prolonged. If the words and actions of personnel of this Bureau were able in any way to reassure and sustain you in this time of great trouble, I am pleased. Your kind remarks are most encouraging and I know that Messrs. Dunbar, [redacted] and my other associates who assisted in this investigation will share my heartfelt gratitude. b6 b7C

My thoughts and prayers and those of my colleagues are with you. May God bless you and your family.

Sincerely yours,

O. M. Kelley

Clarence M. Kelley
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NOTE: Incoming letter concerns Susan Marie Jaeger, age 7, who was taken from a tent while on a camping trip with her parents near Three Forks, Montana, on 6-25-73. Suspect David Gail Meirhofer was arrested by local officials in Manhattan, Montana, on 9-27-74 and subsequently confessed in the presence of his attorney to killing Susan Jaeger and three other individuals. On 9-29-74 Meirhofer committed suicide by hanging himself in his jail cell.

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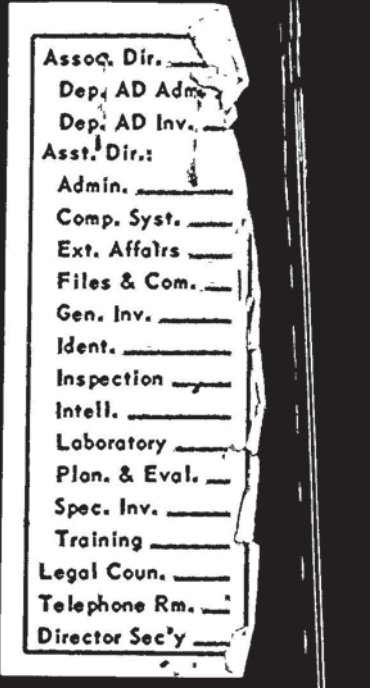
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October 30, 1974

Dear [redacted]

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Technically speaking, [redacted] of a kidnap-murder victim, whose disappearance was investigated and resolved by the F.B.I. More specifically, [redacted] of seven-year-old Susan Marie Jaeger, who was kidnapped, during the night, from a tent in a Montana State Campground on June 25, 1973.

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Throughout the fifteen-month investigation, many agents across the United States covered innumerable leads pertinent to our situation, and a number of the Bureau's facilities in Washington provided resources and information necessary for the resolution of this case.

Since it would be physically impossible for us to thank each and every person who was in any way involved, we wish now to express to you, the Director, our feelings of deepest appreciation and gratitude for all the work done by the F.B.I. on our behalf.

Those agents with whom we were privileged to come in contact, seemed to represent the very highest caliber of men. In particular, there are three

Susan Marie Jaeger

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agents whom we saw the most and with whom we are especially impressed, and so wish to commend them to you.

Special Agent Byron H. (Pete) Dunbar, our case agent and his partner, Special Agent [redacted], in the Bozeman, Montana R.A., are the men responsible for determining the identity of the person who kidnapped [redacted]. They spent an incredible amount of time and energy solving this case, and no lead was considered too insignificant for their attention. At home here in Michigan, our case agent was Special Agent [redacted] in the Oakland County R.A., who kept close contact with us, and covered any leads and happenings in this area with great thoroughness and thoughtfulness.

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These particular agents have got to be three of the finest men we have ever met! Their determination and dedication caused us to be constantly confident that Susie, however and wherever she was, would be found. Their concern and compassion helped to sustain us throughout the long wait. They were always available to us for information on their progress, answers to our many questions, and guidance in various situations

which occurred during this time.

[redacted] willingness to expend themselves for [redacted] sake was exceeded only by their desire to find her alive. That, however, was not to be the case, as you may know. But even through the end, they were always there to help and bolster, and did what they could to protect us against the sordid and sensational publicity inherent in this situation.

By now, it should be obvious how very much we respect and admire these three agents of the F.B.I., and how fortunate we consider ourselves not only to watch them work, but now to call them friends.

If you are concerned with [redacted] better relations with the public, [redacted] in our humble opinion, these men, and all the agents we've met, are doing a great job for you! Each and every man impressed us as being truly concerned, able and dedicated.

Please know [redacted] at least, will be forever grateful to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

May God guide and bless you in all your work.

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November 12, 1974

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Dear [redacted]

Please extend my sincere gratitude to [redacted] b6 b7C b7D [redacted] of your Salt Lake City Office for his valuable assistance in connection with the investigation of David Gail Meirhofer, a kidnaping suspect. The cooperation and deep interest expressed by [redacted] played an important role in determining the location of this individual. My associates and I are grateful to him for his continuous efforts on our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

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NOTE: [redacted] is on the mailing list to receive Bureau publications and is a former SA who EOD 8-8-31 and retired 2-2-67. GID concurs with recommendation of SAC, Butte, that letter of appreciation be sent to [redacted] b6 b7C

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Transmit the following in _____ (Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (7-497)(P)

SUBJECT: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER
(Deceased);
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
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It is noted that [redacted] was of utmost assistance in this investigation, particularly in the following areas:

His direction to [redacted] which identified the operator placing the [redacted] residence from [redacted] and the identification of the number from where the call was placed;

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His assistance in directing the local [redacted] in State of Montana with particular emphasis on the direction, which identified the phone number from which [redacted] call placed to [redacted]

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Investigation b[redacted] and his men, which identified the [redacted] phone call from [redacted] on the same day that the call was placed, which was a definite contributing factor to the rapid conclusion of this case following the phone call of [redacted] to the [redacted]

For the Bureau's information, a closing report is presently in dictation.

It is believed that a letter from the Director to [redacted] specifically commending the performance of [redacted] would be advisable.

It is further pointed out for the Bureau's attention that on other instances involving investigations by the Butte Office, [redacted] has continuously assisted our Agents with a zeal and interest that is certainly worthy of particular commendation. b6 b7C b7D

ADDRESSEES:

[redacted]

ADDENDUM: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION (GID) WDG:wss 11/7/74

GID concurs with the recommendation of the SAC, Butte that a letter of appreciation be sent to [redacted] through his [redacted] commending [redacted] for his interest and outstanding assistance in this investigation. As a result of [redacted] direction, [redacted] was able to determine the point of origin of the calls placed by the kidnaper, later identified as David Gail Meirhofer, to the [redacted] This information was of the utmost assistance in developing Meirhofer as the subject of this heinous crime. b6 b7C b7D

Bureau and Butte indices reflect no information to preclude a letter to [redacted]

If approved, letter of appreciation to be handled by External Affairs Division.

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December 4, 1974

REGISTERED

[redacted] SAN MARIO Jaeger

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Dear [redacted]

Reference is made to your letter of November 16, 1974, to [redacted] in which you enclosed a bill for the Meirhofer case.

There is enclosed a check for $600 for your services. The FBI appreciates your interest in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

C. M. Kelley

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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NOTE: This case concerned the disappearance of Susan Marie Jaeger, white female aged 7, who was taken from a tent while on a camping trip with her family near Three Forks, Montana, on 6/25/73. Her remains were subsequently located at an abandoned ranch several miles from the scene of the abduction. After extensive investigation, David Meirhofer confessed to the murder of Jaeger and three other children. He subsequently committed suicide by hanging himself in his cell in the Gallatin County Jail. [redacted] conducted a semantic analysis of tape recordings in this case, which contributed significantly to the successful completion of the case.

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SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT | 331 HUNTINGTON HALL | SYRACUSE, NEW YORK 13210

[redacted]

November 16, 1974

General Investigative Division
b6 United States Department of Justice
b7C Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear [redacted]

Enclosed is a billing for the Meirhoffer case. Would you see that it gets to the right people?

[redacted] has sent me the Portland materials [redacted], and I am currently working on them.

I sent off a proposal to [redacted] on the interviewing problem and will await feedback from him.

[redacted] of IACP is apparently planning a conference with some big industries on the hostage problem and has invited me to participate in January. Would
b6 you mind if I suggested your name to him as someone that I think should also be on
b7C the program?

Just got a letter from the chief of bomb security of Houston Airport offering to share his data on bomb threats with me...could be a valuable source of data.

Forgive the terseness of this, I'm swamped.

Regards,

[redacted]

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)
ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (7-497)(P)

SUBJECT: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER
(DECEASED);
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A review of this case indicates that Wanted Person (for questioning in captioned case) Stops were placed against the following on the dates indicated by Bureau Form FD-165.

REQUEST OF FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION:

Remove stops placed on the following persons as set forth with the FBI number and/or date of birth and date of FD-165, which did place the stop:

Date of FD-165

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Ordeal described by county attorney

BOZEMAN, Mont. (AP) — small town prosecuting attorney Thomas A. Olson watched in fear as a suspected murderer walked the streets while investigators worked feverishly to gather evidence before the killer struck again.

The Gallatin County attorney said Friday he watched the evidence against confessed killer David G. Meirhofer, 25, of nearby Manhattan, grow in what he considered a race against time.

Olson said it was a soul-wrenching decision to keep from arresting the man, but to move with insufficient evidence would have resulted in freeing him permanently.

Meirhofer hanged himself in the Gallatin County jail Sunday.

Olson said the evidence built slowly but steadily and the grisly crescendo came when investigator found the hand of Sandra Smallegan and six packages of human flesh in Meirhofer's freezer.

Meirhofer confessed Sunday morning to the celebrated kidnap-slayings of 7-year-old Susan Jaeger of Farmington Hills, Mich., in June, 1973, and Mrs. Smallegan of Manhattan in February 1974. He also confessed to killing two young boys in 1967 and 1968.

Meirhofer was found hanged in his jail cell just hours after the confession was made before his attorney, Olson and an FBI agent.

A coroner's jury ruled on Friday that no criminal negligence was involved in Meirhofer's death but said Sheriff L. D. W. Anderson was "careless and negligent" in operating the jail.

Meirhofer was arrested Sept. 27 following a series of events that led to the Michigan residence of Mr. and Mrs. William Jaeger. The FBI, in a year-long effort, recorded and traced the calls to points in Montana, Utah and Wyoming.

At the same time, agents gathered evidence they said indicated Meirhofer was in those areas at the time the calls were made.

Olson said there was insufficient evidence to even obtain a search warrant until a voiceprint analysis and a confrontation with the Jaeger's identified Meirhofer as the man who made the ransom demands.

Confronted with evidence of his ghoulish activities, Meirhofer confessed on Sunday to killing, dismembering and cremating the Jaeger girl and the Smallegan woman. He said one other victim was shot and the fourth was stabbed.

Olson said he considered arresting Meirhofer last June but was afraid Meirhofer would be acquitted and freed to kill again.

A final call from the kidnapper, placed from Salt Lake City, contained the voice of a small girl saying, "He is a nice man, I'm sitting on his lap." Olson said chills ran down his spine because he knew it could not be the Jaeger girl speaking and he feared Meirhofer had another victim.

He said Utah authorities reported that no child was missing and the voice has never been identified.

Olson, saying he believed the public had a right to know the details of Meirhofer's confession, successfully fought a motion to supress some of the material.

Bozeman attorney Douglas Dasinger, Meirhofer's attorney since July, had asked District Court Judge W. W. Lessley to withhold some of the "more sensational aspects" of the confession.

The judge, however, released what he said was the entire confession and Olson revealed the remaining details of the investigation at the inquest.

Testimony on Friday indicated Meirhofer took a lie-detector test and allowed himself to be questioned while under the influence of a "truth serum" — but the tests were inconclusive.

Following the inquest, Olson said the ordeal was exhausting and he was glad the entire matter was over. He said his only feeling about Meirhofer was one of sorrow for the most pathetic human being he had ever seen.

The prosecutor said Meirhofer's confession early Sunday was tiring on all the participants and the question of motive was not pursued. It would have been, he said, if Meirhofer had not committed suicide.

Anderson, the one named by the coroner's jury as the man responsible for poor jail practices, said there might be some personnel changes in his office. Anderson, incidentally, is seeking re-election in what is considered a tight race.

The eight-year sheriff was asked if he had any comment on the damning decision by the coroner's jury and said he thought everthing had been taken care of.

Deputy Bruce LaRue, who was on duty when Meirhofer died, testified that no one had told him of requested special precautions in caring for the prisoner.

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Date: 10/6/74
Edition: DAILY
Author:
Editor: WILLIAM D. JAMES
Title:
DAVID MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN JEAGER-VICTIM
Character:
or
Classification: 7-497
Submitting Office: BUTTE

[X] Being Investigated

Olson testified he heard FB Agent Pete Dunbar tell Anderson to use special care in watching Meirhofer.

"Andy, if you've ever watched any prisoner in your life, watch this one," he quoted Dunbar as saying.

The instructions were corroborated by Dasinger, who testified he had also requested Anderson to take special precautions with the prisoner.

Anderson said he rejected the idea of placing a special guard on the prisoner because he didn't know who to call in.

LaRue testified he did not check on Meirhofer because other deputies left the building and, as dispatcher, he was forbidden to enter the cell block when on duty alone.

Deputy Sgt. Benny Davis testified that he and Undersheriff George Buttelman had left the jail to go to coffee and work on another investigation.

Jailer Howard O. Whitlock, who found the body, said he had Friday and Saturday off and nobody told him that Meirhofer had confessed or to take special precautions concerning the prisoner. Whitlock said he had other jail matters to take care of and did not look in on Meirhofer until 10:20 a.m., the time the body was discovered.

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TO : Mr. Moore M/R

DATE: 9/15/75

FROM : J. H. Campbell JHC/p

SUBJECT: [redacted]

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INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 9/11/75, SA [redacted] of the Detroit Office telephonically contacted the External Affairs Division Tour Office and requested a tour of FBI Headquarters for captioned individuals. The tour was arranged for 10 a.m., Thursday, September 18, 1975.

[redacted] Susan Marie Jaeger (deceased), who at age 7 was taken from a tent while on a camping trip with her parents near Three Forks, Montana, on 6/25/73. Her remains were subsequently located at an abandoned ranch several miles from the scene of the abduction. After extensive investigation by the FBI, (DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER, Deceased; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka -- VICTIM, KIDNAPING, OO: Butte.) (Bufile 7-14789), subject Meirhofer confessed to the murder of Jaeger and three other children. Meierhofer subsequently committed suicide by hanging himself in his jail cell in Gallatin County, Montana.

Bufiles further reflect captioned individuals wrote a letter of appreciation to Director Kelley and the FBI on 10/30/74 and received a reply from the Director dated 11/7/74.

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SA [redacted] advised the Jaegers are friends of both the Butte and Detroit Offices and requested that a Bureau official possibly briefly meet with the Jaegers before or after their scheduled tour of FBI Headquarters.

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RECOMMENDATION:

That [redacted] should he desire, briefly meet with [redacted] on 9/18/75 either before or after their scheduled 10 a.m. tour.

1 - [redacted]
1 - Mr. Moore
1 - Mr. Gallagher
1 - [redacted] (Attn: Tour Room)

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October 21, 1975

Division of External Affairs
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C..

DAVID MEIRHOFER

Gentlemen:

I enclose a copy of a letter to Mr. William Mooney, Assistant Director of the Bureau.

This letter is self explanatory.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Quantico, Virginia

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[illegible] see me
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DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER,
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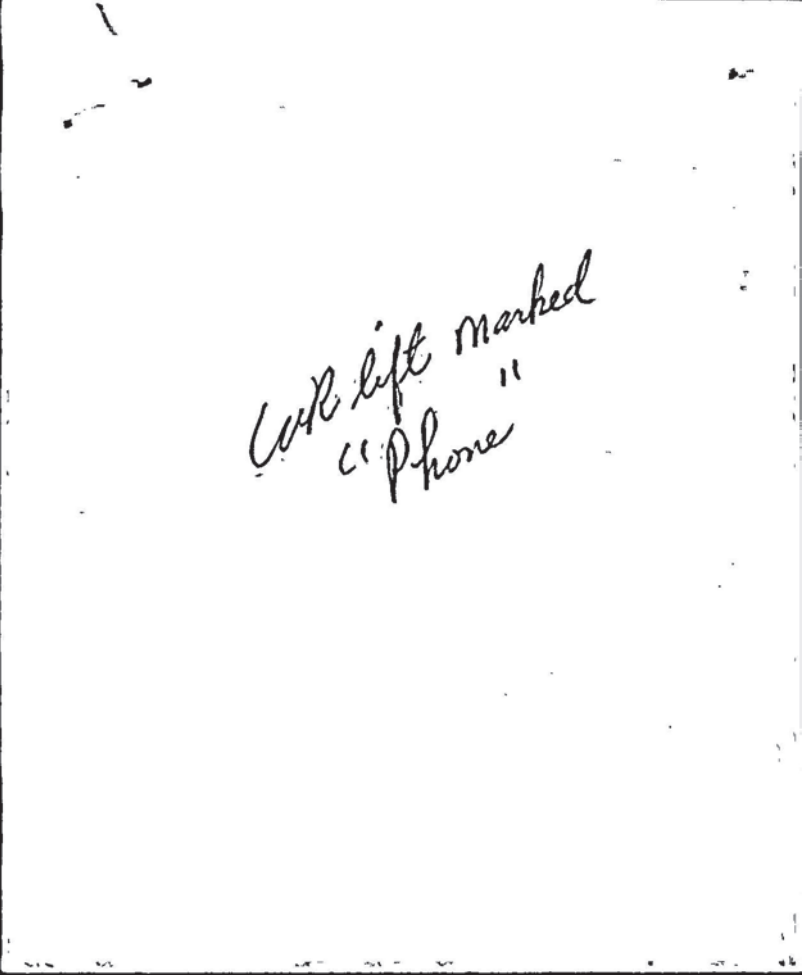
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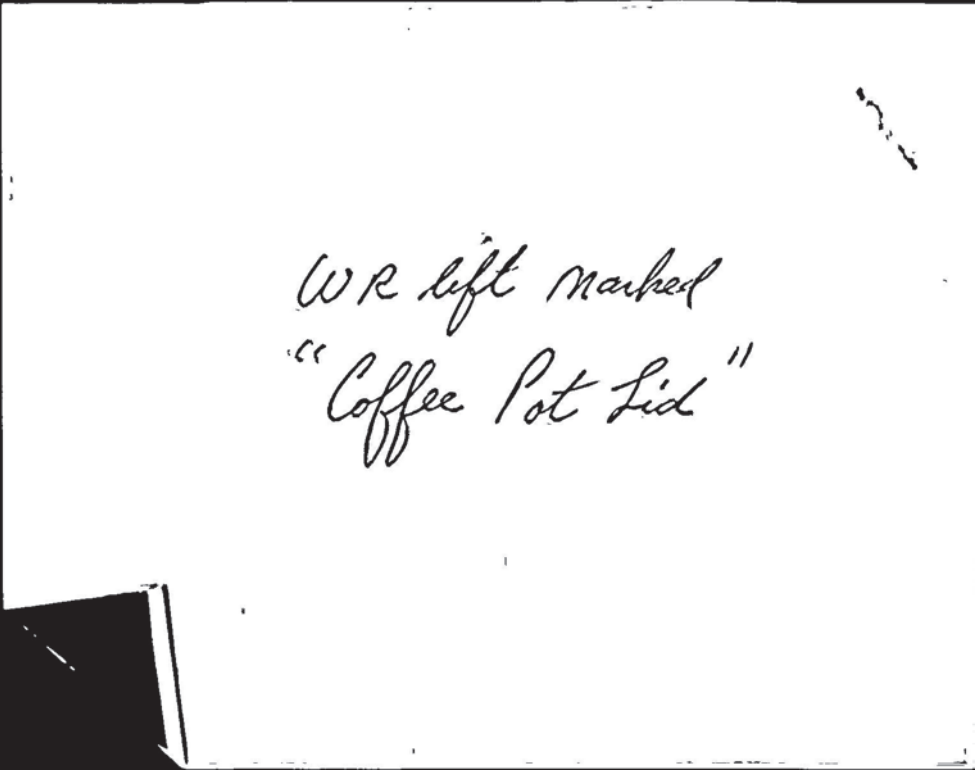
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Sincerely,

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Dear [redacted]

I have received your letter of October 21, 1975, concerning the kidnap-murder case involving David Gail Meirhofer, who died prior to trial.

A review of this case compels me to decline your request for assistance in the preparation of an in-depth story on Meirhofer.

To provide the information you seek would constitute an unwarranted invasion of the privacy of any surviving relatives of the victims and the man charged with their deaths.

I am sure you will understand that the FBI must scrupulously respect the personal privacy of these relatives.

Sincerely yours,

C. M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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1 - Butte (7-497) - Enclosure
1 - Detroit (7-1248) - Enclosure
Note to SACs Butte and Detroit: Receiving offices are being furnished copies of [redacted] request and the Bureau's response since [redacted] may contact offices or Agents seeking information. Receiving offices should insure that appropriate Agent personnel are aware of the Bureau's position in this matter. Butte should advise any other office deemed appropriate.

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NOTE: See next page.
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NOTE: Correspondent's letter dated 10/21/75 was addressed to Assistant Director Mooney, Training Division, with a copy forwarded to FOIA Section, FBIHQ. This matter was then received for action by Research Section, External Affairs Division, on 12/1/75. Correspondent seeks extensive FBI assistance and information from FBI files to write a book on David Gail Meirhofer confessed kidnaper and slayer of 7-year-old Susan Yaeger during June, 1973, (Bufile 7-14789). Meirhofer was found hanged in his cell prior to trial. FBIHQ records reflect correspondence with [redacted] since 1969 primarily dealing with his requests for information in order to write books or articles relating to firearms utilization and training by law enforcement. He has been described in the past as being sarcastic of FBI firearms training programs. One previous request by [redacted] was declined since it appeared that [redacted] was attempting to exploit the FBI's prestige for his own gain. This matter has been coordinated with Training and Files and Communications Divisions (FOI-PA).

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433 PM NITEL DECEMBER 3, 1975 DFW

TO DIRECTOR

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (C)

ATTENTION GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISIONS

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER (DECEASED), KIDNAPING, OO: BUTTE.

[redacted] (PH), WHO IDENTIFIED SELF AS CONTRACT PSYCHOLOGIST FOR FBI, FROM SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED SA BYRON H. DUNBAR, BOZEMAN, MONTANA, RESIDENT AGENCY, AS FOLLOWS:

[redacted] IS DOING PROFILE INVESTIGATIONS CONCERNING NUMBER OF SUBJECTS OF CASES ON WHICH HE HAS WORKED INCLUDING MEIRHOFER. PURSUANT TO THIS HE HOPES TO OBTAIN BACKGROUND INFORMATION FROM NEWSPAPER ARTICLES AND LOCAL OFFICERS, BOZEMAN, MONTANA. IF BUREAU APPROVAL OBTAINED HE DESIRES TO CONTACT SA DUNBAR, CASE AGENT CAPTIONED MATTER. [redacted] ADVISED IF BUREAU APPROVAL RECEIVED HE WOULD BE IN BOZEMAN, MONTANA, DECEMBER 13-16, 1975.

SHOULD [redacted] COME TO BOZEMAN, MONTANA, BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER DUNBAR SHOULD DISCUSS CASE AND WHETHER ANY RESTRICTIONS RE CONTACTS AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION.

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12/11/75 - Butte advised to refer to FBIHQ for details per AD Mintz 8-TBC

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8:19PM NITEL 10/23/73 RDE

TO: BUTTE 7-497

FROM: DENVER 7-754 P

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UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM, KIDNAPING, OO: BUTTE

RE DENVER TEL TO DETROIT 10/22/73 AND DENVER TELEPHONE CALL TO BUTTE 10/23/73.

[redacted] IS SEARCHING ACCOUNTING RECORDS IN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE BILL RE TELEPHONE CALL CHARGED TO [redacted] TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] ATTEMPTS BEING MADE TO IDENTIFY OPERATOR AT CHEYENNE, WYOMING, HANDLING THIS CALL AND ANY OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION RECORDS MIGHT REVEAL RE CALL.

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DENVER AT CHEYENNE, WYOMING, INTERVIEW [redacted] AND CONDUCT OUTHER APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION IN CHEYENNE AREA IN ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY CALLER.

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FLC FBI BUTTE FOR TWO TELS HOLD FOR TWO

Dunbar advised 8:45A

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
BUTTE	BUTTE	9/10/74	5/6 - 9/1/74

TITLE OF CASE

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE TAEGER,
aka - VICTIM

REPORT MADE BY: BYRON H. DUNBAR — TYPED BY: imw

CHARACTER OF CASE:

KIDNAPING

REFERENCE

Report of SA BYRON H. DUNBAR, Butte, 5/24/74

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					ACQUIT-TALS
CONVIC.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES	

X NONE

CASE HAS BEEN:

PENDING OVER ONE YEAR: X YES ☐ NO

PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS: ☐ YES X NO

APPROVED — SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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DATA PROC

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Numerous daily communications are received in this case by teletype, airtel and letter pertaining to various suspects, as well as situations set forth in the details herein, as well as references to non-specific data, such as clairvoyant, psychic and similar circumstances. Each of the communications is not being set forth by reference here. All are maintained in the files of the Butte Office.

It is to be further noted that there is a great quantity of information developed during the reporting period and not previously reported concerning the elimination of suspects, data pertaining to automobiles determined to have not been pertinent, informant information and miscellaneous information. In addition, there is a quantity of information regarding a tracing of a telephone call from [redacted] to [redacted] referring to the [redacted] call to the [redacted] as set forth herein, (tracing determined to not pertain to the [redacted] call). The [redacted] call has been identified as coming from [redacted] as set forth in the details.

This type of information is not being included in the details of this case in the interest of preservation of space, but also to make for clearer and more concise reading for those persons planning the prosecution of this case (Office of U. S. Attorney). b6 b7C b7D

This report is being set up in sections as listed in the Table of Contents:

Contacts with [redacted]

FBI Laboratory Investigation

Investigation Regarding DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER

Contacts with Office of U. S. Attorney

Reference is being made to the case captioned "SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN," a local murder case, in which there has been numerous correspondence with the FBI. Reference is made to this case because the site is Manhattan, Montana, the home of DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER.

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In addition, the area where SMALLEGAN's body was found burned and virtually destroyed is approximately five miles northwest of Manhattan in the area known as the Horseshoe Hills. This area is approximately five miles directly east of the abduction site in captioned case.

In addition, the point from which the [redacted] phone call originated, as set forth in the details, is less than one mile from the site where SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN's body was found. Evidence to date has not established a connection between the two cases.

It should be noted, however, that the only girl ever dated by DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER was SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN and that just once. In addition, MEIRHOFER lived directly behind the apartment of SANDRA, is completely familiar with the Horseshoe Hills and has particularly cut grain on the [redacted] place, where her body was found as well as the [redacted]

With this close proximity and knowledge of the area and friendship with SMALLEGAN there is the distant possibility that DAVID MEIRHOFER is equally well responsible for the murder of SMALLEGAN; however, to date, investigation by the Gallatin County Sheriff's Office has failed to develop sufficient evidence to substantiate a charge. b6 b7C b7D

Pertinent copies of the Consensual Monitoring, as has been undertaken in this investigation, have been designated for a control file in the Butte Office pursuant to Bureau regulations.

It is to be noted that there is a considerable quantity of information set forth herein, summarized and not in the form of FD-302 interviews. This is because the FD-302s were not available in the Butte Office at the time this report was prepared for dictation; however, the FD-302s will be available for court action and will be included in the prosecutive summary report, which will be prepared following the decision of the U. S. Attorney as to whether or not there is sufficient Federal jurisdiction for this matter to go to court in Federal rather than State Court.

The Detroit Office advised as follows on June 27, 1974, regarding tracing efforts from the caller to the [redacted]

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Investigation, Detroit, Michigan, indicates trace regarding [redacted] call to [redacted] instituted [redacted] through [redacted] process and from there was traced to a [redacted] which indicated toll call came through [redacted]

[redacted] continued trace through [redacted] and determined line coming in on [redacted] which indicated [redacted] area. His [redacted] telephonically contacted [redacted] and spoke with toll test man, name not recalled, but whose initials are [redacted] who advised he could not complete trace due to lack of knowledge regarding tracing. [redacted] advised he called [redacted] nd that [redacted] was on the way to attempt to complete the trace. Anonymous caller still on [redacted] while [redacted] was contacting [redacted]

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With consent of [redacted] Detroit Division has through [redacted] attached a [redacted] device to the line of [redacted] phone [redacted] Device is being activated upon receipt of all incoming calls. If incoming call is from Detroit area phone number from which call is placed will be automatically determined if connection of sufficient duration. If incoming call is long distance, device will indicate long distance only.

[redacted] on twenty-four hour-call to institute tracings of pertinent long distance calls. Long distance tracings to be activated by [redacted] at request [redacted] through Detroit Division. [redacted] to assure expedient communications regarding this matter.

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The Tampa Office advised as follows on June 28, 1974:

Investigation at Sarasota, Florida, reflects [redacted] located in fourteen separate incorporated town areas and six beach areas on West Coast of Florida. This resort area is serviced by thirty-four separate exchange numbers. [redacted] who were on duty during the early morning hours of [redacted]

were identified and interviewed, but recall no long distance calls over one hour in length during pertinent period.

Toll test men and supervisors, [redacted] have no information to indicate calls to Detroit actually originated at [redacted] even though they attempted to assist [redacted] request to trace call at approximately [redacted] through [redacted]

[redacted] advised that if call originated in [redacted] it would have been recorded on a SATT tape for [redacted] which tape runs from [redacted] This tape and all record tapes of telephone calls at [redacted] forwarded to [redacted] Checks of this tape negative at [redacted] has placed stop with all [redacted] for any calls made to [redacted] number, [redacted]

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On June 27, 1974, [redacted] advised that to date [redacted] was unable to accurately confirm that call to the [redacted] originated from the [redacted] area. [redacted] advised all tapes and records from the [redacted] area had been received at [redacted] and studied with no record located to indicate call to [redacted]

On June 28, 1974, [redacted] advised that all possible records for the pertinent period had been reviewed with negative results. [redacted] stated that his computer section, handling the search, is positive call not made from [redacted] area. This conclusion based on all records being searched and all possible number combinations reviewed. [redacted] stated [redacted] now in process of expanding search of tapes and records to cover a larger geographical area and will have results by July 1, 1974.

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It is to be noted that the above tracing information is of pertinence only from an informative standpoint, since investigation subsequently developed, as set forth herein, that the [redacted] phone call originated in the [redacted] area.

Based upon this tracing, an extensive investigation was conducted, particularly with efforts directed to circuses and carnivals, which is not being included herein.

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It is to be further noted that all of the postmasters in the vicinity of Denver, Colorado; Three Forks and Bozeman, Montana, were contacted to obtain the changes of address for persons from Montana and/or Colorado and/or Cheyenne, Wyoming, to Sarasota, Florida. The various mental institutions were contacted regarding persons who had an association with Montana, Colorado and/or Wyoming. The results of these investigations are filed in the Butte Office in lieu of being reported herein, as they contribute nothing to the pertinent case.

[redacted] advised on July 5, 1974, that he had completed a check to determine whether or not the [redacted] phone call could have been billed to phones listed in [redacted] who had been considered a suspect in this investigation. It was determined that the call was not billed to [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] in addition, told the Chief Operator at Livingston, Montana, to determine whether or not the [redacted] call might have been handled in any manner by an operator in the [redacted] calling area with negative results. He advised, however, that this would not include a non-operator handled call, such as a direct dialing.

A [redacted] operator telephonically advised the Butte Office of the FBI on July 17, 1974, that she had been asked to trace a number billed to a party, who claimed no knowledge of the call. The call was made to the residence of the [redacted] advised on July 17, 1974, that Telephone [redacted] was billed for a call at [redacted] The second call lasted [redacted] for [redacted] is that [redacted] of [redacted] who is located on a [redacted] and listed in the [redacted] Telephone Directory. b6 b7C b7D

From previous investigation in this case and the case of SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN, [redacted] is known to be a respected [redacted] residing in [redacted] who owns ranch property in the [redacted] and within approximately five miles of the site of captioned abduction. [redacted] ranch is adjacent to the [redacted] ranch, where the car and burned bones of SMALLEGAN were located February 14, 1974.

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The following was completed on July 23, 1974:

furnished the following plan to hear and record long distance calls in progress received by Telephone b6 b7C b7D

(1) personnel will be dispatched to as soon as possible to hold and trace calls in progress;

(2 will determine if call made through from which call placed This machine is programmed to provide coverage, including Telephone through that office. It will provide extensive coverage and incoming trunk information as a further aid in identifying call. b6 b7C b7D

To expedite the following procedures will apply:

Butte FBI will immediately notify security as follows:

Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m., to 5:00 p.m., Telephone

After hours or week ends, Telephone

If neither can be reached, Telephone b6 b7C b7D

will contact the following:

Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m., to 5:00 p.m., Telephone

CDO)

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If no answer, Test Board, Bozeman, [redacted] to contact [redacted] by radio

After hours and week ends, Telephone [redacted] elephone)

In the event above not reached, contact Telephone [redacted] CDO

If no answer, Telephone [redacted] to contact [redacted] by radio

After hours and week ends, Telephone [redacted]

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Security will contact the following to determine if call handled:

[redacted]

Telepho[redacted]
telepho[redacted]

Telephone [redacted]
telephone

In the event call traced, information provided to Security and immediately forward FBI as follows:

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[redacted]

Telephone [redacted] home
telephone

If no answer, contact Telephone [redacted]
FBI Office, Butte, Montana

[redacted] will be provided with all contacts, Telephone [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that this procedure will remain in effect for an appropriate length of time and any condition that arises that will change the procedure will be furnished the [redacted]

On July 18, 1974, the FBI Laboratory furnished suggestions regarding the setting up of recording equipment for a consensual monitoring (one party consent) of telephone calls primarily pretext made to appropriate persons for a determination as to who made the [redacted] phone call to [redacted] The suggestions were followed and the recording equipment was set up to an [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

It is to be noted that there is one psychiatrist serving the vicinity of Three Forks, Manhattan and Bozeman, Montana. Consequently the following investigation was conducted on August 6, 1974:

The tape recording of a telephone conversation to the [redacted] in the [redacted] was played for and listened to by [redacted] who has proved himself in the past to be a source in whom confidence can be placed and one who would not divulge a confidence.

After listening to the tape, he advised that he could not give a specific analysis of the caller. He had a definite impression from several key words that the caller may have known [redacted] at some time or another. At least, he had a particular compulsion to talk to her and to try and impress her with the fact that SUSIE was alive.

He advised that, however, further analysis would indicate that the caller was not a strong or aggressive person. He would be particulary described as someone mild mannered. Yet, there were definite sadistic traits in view of the fact that he did call the [redacted] on the time and date of the kidnaping. b6 b7C b7D

Insofar as assisting in helping to locate or identify the call, [redacted] advised that he cannot place any recollection with patients or persons that he has consulted professionally. He cannot from listening to the tapes analyze the person in sufficient depth to make a determination as to the type of individual this would be except as stated above.

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[redacted] further advised that he would remain alert for any person whom he consults professionally, who conceivably could be identical with the person placing the call to the [redacted]

[redacted] who has previously contacted SA BYRON H. DUNBAR, advised on August 9, 1974, that [redacted] DAVID, who had been in touch with him the day before, August 8, 1974, advised that he was again suspect in the abduction of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER and requested that his [redacted] tell him what to do. DAVID then proclaimed his innocence and [redacted] advised that he told DAVID to "do what is right," and had no further suggestions to make.

[redacted] further advised that [redacted] DAVID, made only two trips for him during the past year. These were as follows:

A trip departing Manhattan, Montana, approximately July 28 to North Field, Minnesota, to pick up a backhoe and return on approximately August 2, 1973

A trip on August 8, 1973, to Great Falls, Montana, area to deliver farm machinery and return two days later

[redacted] telephonically advised on July 18, 1974, that the [redacted] has installed a second telephone in order that they could quickly communicate with the FBI, Detroit; FBI, Butte, and/or Agents working captioned case. The telephone number is [redacted] advised that the telephone registered and listed in the directory to [redacted] is and remains [redacted]

The St. Louis Office furnished on August 13, 1974, the records of DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER, Marine Corps Serial #28 12 56, Selective Service Account #517-63-5160, as reviewed August 13, 1974. This service record is not being incorporated in the details as it is not to be recopied or disseminated in its original form outside the Bureau.

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The service record reflects MEIRHOFER to have been born June 8, 1949, to have been discharged from Camp Pendleton, California, with a rating of Sergeant, September 1, 1970. MEIRHOFER entered the U. S. Marine Corps on October 1, 1968. His net service was three years, two months, ten days, with active service of two years, ten months, twenty-six days and 11 months and twenty-two days of overseas service. He received the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnamese Service Medal, and Vietnamese Campaign Medal. His education was listed as high school, four years, with vocational training in the Marine Corps of Basic Operator Communication Course in 1969, a Communications Center Course in 1969, a Basic Wire Communications Course in 1970 and an Introduction to Carpentry Course in 1970. No disciplinarian action was shown. No pertinent medical history regarding psychiatric problems was indicated. MEIRHOFER received an early discharge from the Marine Corps based upon a personal request to return to his home and engage in a custom-combining vocation.

On April 7, 1971, MEIRHOFER was authorized to mess separately from the Marine Corps Base and indicated residence at 509 South Pacific, Apartment 7, Oceanside, California.

Report of a medical examination afforded to MEIRHOFER on August 23, 1971, for discharge purposes indicated him to be:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5'7"
Weight	145#
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Build	Medium
Physical Capabilities	Eyes, ears and so on to be normal without defect
Scars and Marks Noted	One and one-half inch scar on chin; no other identifying body marks, scars or tattoos noted

MEIRHOFER, in his own explanation, reported that he had been consulted by other physicians as follows:

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[redacted]
Manhattan, Montana, for a stab
wound in back at the Manhattan,
Montana, medical center in July, 1966

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Description of MEIRHOFER's military activities indicates that following his recruit training he was continually in communications in one facet or another from January 30, 1969, until the date of his discharge. In a non-commissioned officer's fitness report dated December 7, 1970, his then [redacted] added the following handwritten notation:

"If necessary, he (MEIRHOFER), can be left in charge of the message center and the combat operation center with no hesitation at all by his seniors. Also, being a very versatile individual with many interests and at present is taking a correspondence course in carpentry. He has an excellent growth potential and would be rated second among the five sergeants in the platoon. With more experience, he will undoubtedly possess all of the requisite skills required for promotion.

MEIRHOFER was granted a top secret clearance September 17, 1969. In his official records he listed schooling as Manhattan, Montana, Grade School and High School with graduation in May, 1967. He listed his relatives as follows:

[redacted]

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Prior employments were listed as the MANHATTAN MACHINERY COMPANY, Manhattan, Montana, immediate [redacted]

Character and credit references were listed as follows:

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(It is to be noted that the [redacted] phone call was billed from the [redacted] by [redacted]

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[redacted]

Residence listed as
Manhattan, Montana

Prior membership organizations reflected as follows:

Boy Scouts of America

Montana Interscholastic Editorial Association

MEIRHOFER indicated that his parents were divorced in July, 1963, at Townsend, Montana, and that his father remarried in July, 1964.

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Religious affiliation was indicated as being Presbyterian.

On August 19, 1974, the FBI Training Division furnished the following information:

The Training Division has forwarded the telephone conversation of [redacted] and the known voice print of DAVID MEIRHOFER to [redacted] University of Syracuse, [redacted] Department, Syracuse, New York.

[redacted] has been used in the past in connection with another kidnaping case, as well as the "HEARNAP" case. His field is [redacted] The analysis, which he will afford, could show distinct personality traints and their commonality for comparison purposes. He was requested to further determine the remote possibility of the Unknown Subject having the Victim still alive. While this is a new field being utilized by the Bureau, the Training Division, Behavioral Science Unit, will assist in determining its worth as being of possible evidentiary nature.

The Bureau advised as follows on August 21, 1974, regarding the use of sodium amytal:

Prior intelligence community studies concerning the effectiveness of sodium amytal and other so-called "truth serums" reveal that such narco-interrogation is of doubtful value in

obtaining confessions to crimes. According to a leading psychiatrist, criminal suspects under the influence of such drugs may deliberately withhold information, persist in giving untruthful answers, or falsely confess to crimes they did not commit. The psychopathic personality in particular appears to resist successfully the influence of such drugs.

The study also concluded that the barbiturates by disrupting defensive patterns may sometimes be helpful in an interrogation, but even under the best conditions they will elicit an output contaminated by deception, fantasy, garbled speech. It appears likely that any individual who can withstand ordinary intensive interrogation can hold out in narcosis.

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LEADS

DENVER DIVISION

AT DENVER, COLORADO, AND CHEYENNE, WYOMING

Two copies of this report being furnished as extensive investigation being conducted by the Denver Office primarily to resolve the specific times when DAVID MEIRHOFER was in Cheyenne, Wyoming, on September 24, 1973. Leads have been set forth by separate communication.

DETROIT DIVISION

AT FARMINGTON, MICHIGAN

Will maintain contact with the [redacted] regarding future developments in this investigation, noting that specific leads have been and are being set forth by separate communications. b6 b7C

BUTTE DIVISION

AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

1. Will maintain contact with DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER in an effort to locate Victim.

2. Will maintain contact with the Office of the U. S. Attorney regarding further prosecutive action.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Billings, Montana

Report of: BYRON H. DURBAR Office: BUTTE
Date: 9/10/74

Field Office File #: 7-497 Bureau File #: 7-14789

Title: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER - VICTIM

Character: KIDNAPING

Synopsis: [redacted] received two phone calls [redacted] from a caller who identified himself as kidnaper. The caller uniquely described the Victim, as well as circumstances of previous calls. These calls were billed to [redacted] Telephone [redacted] listed to [redacted] had noted tire tracks leading to his rural phone lines and identified these tracks as made by four traction-type tires identical to the one on his own spare tire, (Goodyear Suburbanite). [redacted] volunteered he had seen four similar tires on vehicle of DAVID MEIRHOFER. A search of MEIRHOFER's home revealed purchase slip for four Goodyear Suburbanite tires. The FBI Laboratory identified the [redacted] phone calls to [redacted] as being made by the same person. Comparison of MEIRHOFER's voice and that of the [redacted] caller indicates similarity. [redacted] both who heard the [redacted] call identified a caller known to them as [redacted] as the person who made the [redacted] phone call. DAVID GALE MEIRHOFER wa[redacted] of five persons who telephoned [redacted] 7/28/74. Investigation indicates that DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER was in Cheyenne, Wyoming, 9/24/73.

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ENCLOSURES: TO U. S. ATTORNEY
BILLINGS, MONTANA

Reports of Special Agent
BYRON E. DUNBAR, Butte, dated
August 30, 1973; November 16,
1973; March 6, 1974, and
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DETAILS:

CONTACTS WITH [redacted]

PHONE CALL

AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

[redacted] telephonically advised May 6, 1974, that for the past three successive Sundays between [redacted] p.m., Eastern Daylight Time, they have received on [redacted] telephone [redacted] a call, where calling person does not speak, but merely holds the phone for a period of perhaps not exceeding one full minute. b6 b7C b7D

AT CHEYENNE, WYOMING

Agents of the FBI conducted a surveillance of the [redacted]

Long distance operators at the telephone company office had been alerted to advise an Agent standing by in the telephone office of any calls made from [redacted] None were made.

AT FARMINGTON HILLS, MICHIGAN

On June 24, 1974, [redacted] advised she has recently provided interviews with Associated Press, UPI, KU-TV, Salt Lake City television station, and KNX, Los Angeles, California, radio station, CBS Affiliate, concerning the kidnaping of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER. [redacted] advised interviews were at the request of above agencies and news articles will probably be released June 25, 1974, in view of one year anniversary of kidnaping. b6 b7C

[redacted] advised a plea is being made to Unknown Subject or person knowing whereabouts of Victim to either contact [redacted] or SUSAN JAEGER Reward Fund, Farmington Hills, Michigan. She advised she mentioned in interviews that she feels the September, 1973, phone call (September 24, 1973)

was made by a person knowing the whereabouts of Victim and requested this individual to recontact [redacted]

At approximately 5:20 a.m., on [redacted] received anonymous phone call at residence phone [redacted] Caller stated he was Unknown Subject and called [redacted] at precise time of kidnaping one year later [redacted] because he was in awkward position with Victim and stated [redacted] could have her back. Caller stated he does not have to work; is with Victim all day long and has traveled the west with Victim and she has gotten used to him. Call disconnected for reasons unknown to Detroit at approximately [redacted]

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Shortly after at approximately [redacted] same caller again contacted [redacted] at same phone number and had a lengthy conversation.

The following is a transcript of the [redacted] phone call as furnished by FBI Headquarters August 19, 1974:

[redacted]

K = Kidnaper

[redacted]. Hello.

K ... Is this [redacted]

[redacted]

K ... Can't hear you.

[redacted]

K ... Well, I'm the guy that took her [redacted] exactly a year ago today.

[redacted]

K ... Ya.

[redacted]

K ... Well, I can't hardly tell you that.

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[redacted]

K ... Yes, she is, mam.

[redacted]

K ... Pardon.

[redacted]

K ... I can't hear you.

[redacted]

K ... Well, I'm kind of in an awkward position to do that.

[redacted]. What ...

K ... See, I've kind of gotten used to her.

[redacted]

K ... Well, how would you take care of a little girl?

[redacted]

K ... I do also [redacted] and I've probably got more money

[redacted]

K ... I don't have to work [redacted] we have been, well... we covered the West pretty well, just sight seeing. She's got used to me, I've got used to her.

[redacted] ah...

[redacted] Hello.

K ... Hello, [redacted] I'm sorry but we must have gotten cut-off.

[redacted]

K ... No.

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[redacted]

K ... I realize that, [redacted] but like I said, I'm kind of in an awkward position.

[redacted]

K ... Well, once I've turned her over to you, she can identify me.

[redacted]

K ... I know better then that, you don't have to be in court anyway. Right now as it is I'm pretty safe, because they have no suspicion of me at all. Have never even been contacted yet, because I'm pretty smart for them.

[redacted]

K ... No, I'm not playing games.

[redacted]

K ... I can tell you lots of things.

[redacted]

K ... Well...

[redacted]

K ... All right, first of all, it was I who called the Denver FBI, on Saturday, June 30th, late in the afternoon. It was also I who called you on, to call [redacted] on [redacted] sometime afte[redacted] It was also I who called you on [redacted] early in the afternoon and you weren't home. Later on, a relative of yours, that spoke with me, and then finally I talked to [redacted] and that's not enough .... your waiting.aren't you?

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[redacted]

K ... They also have the first fingers on _____.

[redacted]

K ... As far as I know, it has been leaked.

[redacted]

K ... Well, the thing is, I kind have been working on her mind, almost got most of the memory of you and your home and the other children wiped out from her mind, through psychotherapy.

[redacted]

K ... You better believe it.

[redacted]

K ... Look, if you don't believe me, you can just as well hang up and you'll never hear from me again.

[redacted]

K ... Well...

[redacted]

K ... That's especially why I called you, to tell you that she is

[redacted]

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K ... Well...

[redacted]

K ... Well, I expect to get her back [redacted] one of these days, like I said, I'm working on her mind, so she will wipe me out of her mind, just the same as she has [redacted] out of her mind.

[redacted]

K ... Just takes time.

[redacted]

K ... What's the catch? She can't come back to you, knowing who I am.

[redacted]

K ... Yes, I have [redacted]

[redacted]

K ... Well, that's a long story. I always wanted a little girl my...I always wanted a little girl of my own.

[redacted]

K ... No...no.....

[redacted]

K ... Not now.

[redacted]

K ... No, just that first night. I had to choke her some.

[redacted]

K ... When I first got her...

[redacted]

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K ... Ya.

[redacted]

K ... Not right away. I grabbed her around the throat.

[redacted]

K ... Are you recording this?

[redacted]

K ... Are you sure.

[redacted]

K ... Was the microphone on the phone?

[redacted]

K ... Are you lying to me?

[redacted]

K ... Oh, I realize that, but what comes after, that's whats bothering me.

[redacted]

K ... After you get her back.

[redacted]

K ... Things like this just draw National attention.

[redacted]

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K ... How would you let me go scott free?

[redacted]

K ... Once the FBI finds that Susie's home they'll come right after me.

[redacted]

K ... Susie can identify me, right now. Places we have been together. Things we've done and once they get....

[redacted]

K ... Well, certainly she does.

[redacted]

K ... Up in my cabin sleeping.

//

[redacted]

K ... I trust her.

[redacted]

K ... I'm not that far away.

[redacted]

K ... Well, I can't say for sure. I'd like to say. I'd like to give her back [redacted] and I'd like to keep her myself.

[redacted]

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K ... Yes, but, even if, even if we went to court everybody in the United States would know my name and know me, and where would I go.? What would I do? Even if they, even if that get through guilty.

[redacted]

K ... That's why, that's why...

[redacted]

K ... That's why I'm doing the best I can to keep from getting caught. I've some things to prepare and like I do her hair. Give her a different hair style.

[redacted]

K ... Yes, she remembered.

[redacted]

K ... We had a very nice party for her too.

[redacted]

K ... I'd like to give you the date, but if I give you everything I know about her, if I call again there won't be nothing left. I've got to have something to fall back on.

[redacted]

K ... I've given you quite a bit of information all ready.

[redacted]

K ... Well...well, I wasn't really too concern[redacted]bout [redacted] or anything else.

[redacted]

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K ... I'm trying to bring that up as little as possible. If she could get psychotherapy, then she, once in a while, to see how well and fortunate

[redacted]

K ... I tell you what...

[redacted]

K ... Now, look I don't care if you believe me or not.

[redacted]

K ... I just called to settle your piece of mind.

[redacted]

[redacted]

K ... How could you do it, you have no control over it

[redacted]

K ... Not in a National crime.

[redacted]

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K ... Will, have to think about that.

[redacted]

K ... I think you know

[redacted]

K ... Well...

[redacted]

K ... um (sigh)...

[redacted]

K ... [redacted] a little girl like that.

[redacted]

K ... [redacted] the best I could.

[redacted]

K .. [redacted] I'm not to get anybody, kind of a hit in that proposition

[redacted]

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K ... I was there, 2:00, finally woke up and I heard calling, Susie. So I knoew that there were at least two girls there.

[redacted]

K ... I don't know, after I dragged her out of the tent [redacted].

[redacted]

K ... Not very close.

[redacted]

K ... Oh, I wished I knew the answer to that.

[redacted]

K ... You think that will help?

[redacted]

K ... You think that will help.

[redacted]

K ... Very good.

[redacted]

K ... Yes, [redacted]

K ... I take good care of her.

[redacted]

K ... She knows herself as a person, but not as Susie.

[redacted]

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K ... Not entirely forgotten. It's never been like mounted in the back of her brain.

[redacted]

K ... Yes, I do.

[redacted]

K ... Pardon.

[redacted]

K ... Yes, she does, not at first, not during the initial condition period.

[redacted]

K ... Yes.

[redacted]

[redacted]

K ... That's not it.

[redacted]

K ... We better not go into that.

[redacted]

K ... I don't know....I think you should just wait, then.

[redacted]

K ... Oh...I don't think it would work [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted]

K ... What's the sense to it [redacted], she probably won't remember.

[redacted]

K ... No, not entirely.

[redacted]

K ... No, [redacted]

[redacted]

K ... Not really, get well drugs.

[redacted]

K ... She had several

[redacted]

K ... Why should they get suspicious, when you tell your [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

K ... Once in awhile, she [redacted]

[redacted]

K ... Changed quite a bit.

[redacted]

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K ... She cries once in awhile.

[redacted]

K ... Doesn't what.

[redacted]

K ... Not entirely unhappy.

[redacted]

K ... [redacted]

[redacted]

K ... There's no need to explain it.

[redacted]

K ... There's no need to explain it.

[redacted]

K ... Well, she did at first, no she didn't [redacted].

[redacted]

K ... Yes, she is [redacted]

[redacted]

K ... No, I wished there were some way that we could both ever get a child...

[redacted]

----------SWITCHING OF TAPE----------

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K ... I know about how long it takes. That's exactly why I haven't called you and called [redacted]

[redacted]

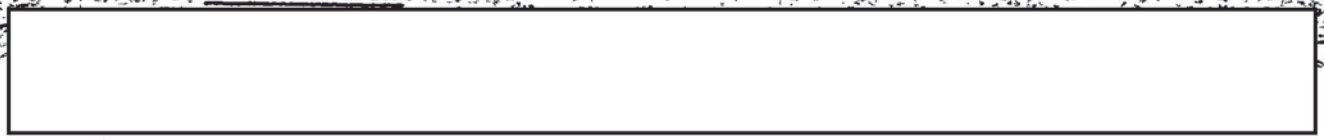
K ... That depends

[redacted]

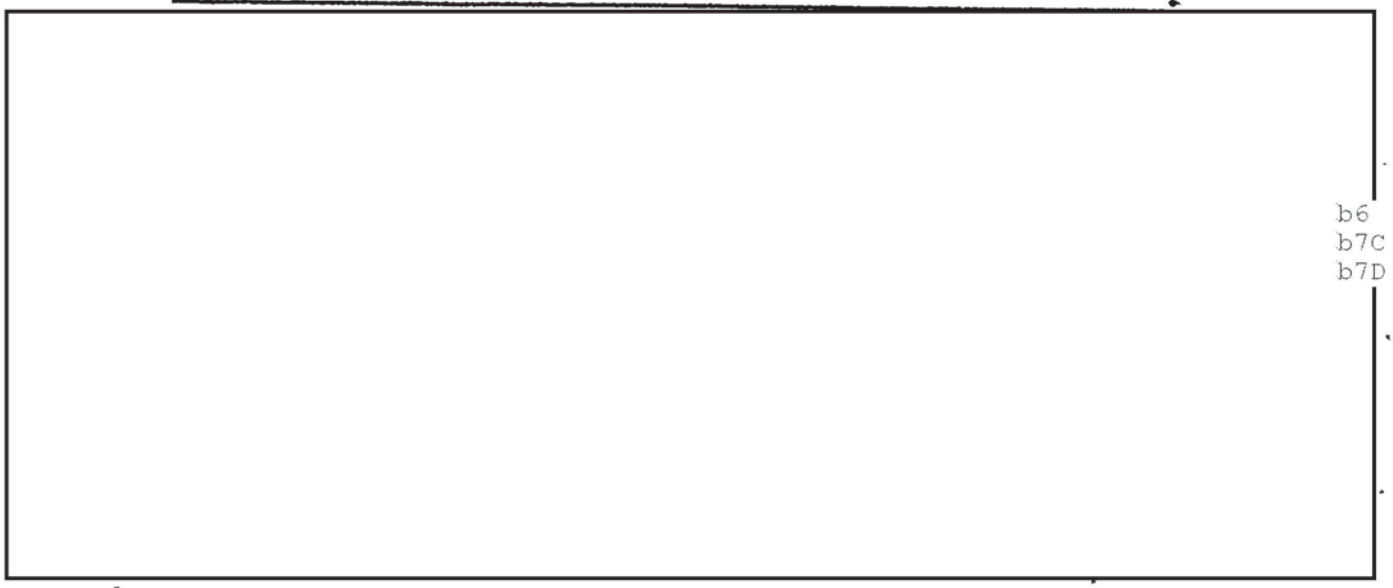
K ... [redacted]



K ... How can I be sure of it. There no connection between me and her.



K ... _____



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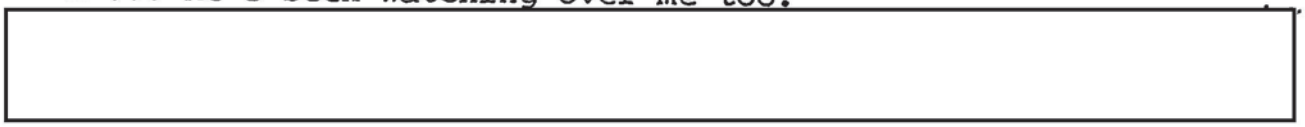
K ... I'll see what I can do, mam. You sound like a very nice person.



K ... He's been watching over me too.



K ... I'd like to _____ off my soul.

[redacted]

K ... I'll see what I can do, [redacted]

[redacted]

K ... Yes, she is.

[redacted]

K ... What's that.

[redacted]

K ... Not any more.

[redacted]

K ... _____hypnotize her. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted]

K ... I calmed her down _____.

[redacted]

K ... Although she had just been through a fairly bad experience, you know, what was that.

[redacted]

K ... What was that?

[redacted]

K ... Who's listening?

[redacted]

K ... Somebody picked up the phone.

[redacted]

K ... I heard the phone click, did you that...

[redacted]

K ... While we were talking about calming down, you know as well as I do that a frightened little girl can be calmed down and not, not in a matter of seconds, within a period of time.

[redacted]

K ... Just like tender loving, affection, care.

[redacted]

K ... [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted]

K ... I told her, she'll be alright, that I will take care of her, and [redacted]

[redacted]

K ... What's that now? Somebody's listening.

[redacted]

K ... Somebody's clicking the phone here.

[redacted]

K ... I'd better be hanging up the phone.

[redacted]

K ... If I get by after all that, I might do that.

[redacted]

K ... Well, I'll check into the law.

[redacted]

K ...

[redacted]

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K ... I tell you what

[redacted]

K ... Well, it could be, but you didn't find her any place, did you?

[redacted]

K ... That's what you think?

[redacted]

K ... Well, you expect me to take your word that you wouldn't press charges. Isn't my word as good as yours?

[redacted]

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K ... Yes

[redacted]

K ...

[redacted]

K ... Your gettin it now.

[redacted]

K ... [redacted], mam.

[redacted]

K ... That I'm letting you know

[redacted]

[redacted]

K ... Anybody could find out her birthday.

[redacted]

K ... Pardon.

[redacted]

K ... Don't need to be in the paper.

[redacted]

K ... You filed her birth certificate.

[redacted] b6 b7C b7D

K ... Maybe I live in Michigan.

[redacted]

K ... There's cabin in Michigan.

[redacted]

K ...

[redacted]

K ... Well, I'm sorry I woke you up in the middle of the night.

[redacted]

K ... _____.

[redacted]

K ... Well, maybe I'll call you again.

[redacted]

K ... I'll consider it

[redacted]

K ... Ya.

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K ... What's that?

[redacted]

K ... Well, listen, I've got to get going.

[redacted]

K ... I'll call you again.

[redacted]

K ... I'm not making you wait for a year...I'll try.

[redacted]

K ... I can teach her, I've got a degree in education.

[redacted]

K ... Yes

[redacted]

K ... I just tell her, she's not able to.

[redacted]

K ... Yes

[redacted]

K ... We have been to places where she could play with little children.

[redacted]

K ...

[redacted] b6 b7C b7D

K ... [redacted] associating with other children, at the time.

[redacted]

K ... [redacted]

[redacted]

K ... A day, well, one place to another place.

[redacted]

K ... I lived [redacted]

[redacted]

K ...

[redacted]

K ...

[redacted]

K ... My love.

[redacted]

K ... I think I'd better be going now.

[redacted]

K ... Can we say good bye.

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K ...

[redacted]

K ... I'll give you

[redacted]

K ... Well...

[redacted]

K ...

[redacted]

K ...

[redacted]

K ... Well, I really better be going, it's good by now.

[redacted]

K ... [redacted].

[redacted]

K ... [redacted].

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K ... Bye.

[redacted]

K ... That's all [redacted]

[redacted]

K ... [redacted].

[redacted]

K ... I'm trying to treat her like one.

[redacted]

K ... Will have to see when the times come.

[redacted]

K ... She won't.

[redacted]

K ... Won't you say good-bye so I can say good-bye to you.

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K ... Oh, well[redacted].

----END OF CONVERSATION----------

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AT FARMINGTON, MICHIGAN

[redacted] Telephone [redacted] advised that approximately 10:15 a.m., June 27, 1974, she received telephone call. As she answered call, no one responded; however, someone presumably at other end of line. [redacted] states call, by tone and background, appeared to be long distance. [redacted] attempted to get caller to speak to no avail. Caller hung up approximately one minute later.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA BYRON H. DUNBAR on July 3, 1974:

AT THREE FORKS, MONTANA

[redacted] of [redacted] Three Forks, who was the recipient of a telephone call from the person who identified himself as the kidnaper of SUSIE and who had asked for reward money, listened to tapes of a conversation with the [redacted] by an unknown caller on [redacted] Selected portions of the tape were played for [redacted] who stated that, in her opinion, the caller of [redacted] to the [redacted] was probably identical to the person she talked to on [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

AT DENVER, COLORADO

[redacted] advised that after a complete check was made pursuant to a Federal Bureau of Investigation request no operator in the [redacted] areas recalled handling a [redacted] to [redacted] He stated operators from both areas had previously been made aware of the significance of Telephone [redacted] home telephone of [redacted], and that this number is posted on bulletin boards in the operators' areas. b6 b7C b7D

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residing area north-east of advised as follows:

On July 17, 1974, they received a telephone bill from the which included two toll calls dated One of these was for the other for advised this was immediately brought to the attention of the telephone company accounting office at They were informed that the name of the party having telephone number was This immediately brought recognition to the as well as the telephone person contacted that this was who had been kidnaped on the preceding summer at the Three Rivers Headwaters State Park near the ranch.

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In view of the kidnaping of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER and in view of the finding of SANDRA DYKMA SMALLEGAN's body at the adjoining ranch house known as the Ranch on February 14, 1974, he has been particularly alert and alarmed to any happenings in the area. As a consequence, he and his family consisting of his a at Montana State University, can verify and recollect that they were at the in the on the night of and did sleep in the ranch house and would have been asleep at 3:25 a.m. with the doors of the house locked. No one could have entered the house or used the telephone without their knowledge. However, there is an extension telephone in the shop adjacent to the house which conceivably could have been used. advised again however that he has been alert to any strangers or vehicles entering the area and while he cannot state with certainty that there were no tracks in the area of the shop he feels certain he would have noticed had there have been. The shop is not locked and it could have been used.

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[redacted] did advise however that when he left the house at 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. traveling to the main road which goes adjacent to his property and from which they go to his home, he saw tracks coming toward his ranch house but did not get to the house. He could see that these tracks turned in the middle of the road which is a dusty dirt road and he could plainly see that all four wheels were of a Goodyear traction tread type tire which he knows. [redacted] advised he definitely can state this since the tracks were identical to those of a spare tire that he has in his pickup truck. He also recognized the tracks because he knows they are identical to the Goodyear tracks that are located on the vehicle of DAVID MEIRHOFER, a former employee [redacted] and that MEIRHOFER frequently does travel into the Horse Shoe Hills hunting and is completely knowledgeable with all the roads in the area. [redacted] advised that this would have been between 8:30 and 9:00 a.m. on the morning of June 25. He also can state with certainty that the tracks were made subsequent to about 4:30 p.m. June 24 since at that time his wife had returned to the ranch home and the tracks that he observed made by the Goodyear traction tread were laid over the top of her tracks and made subsequent [redacted] returning to the home. [redacted] advised that he did follow the tracks, that the tracks then went alongside of the wheat field along the eastern extremity of this particular field over a hill and down towards a gulch where his telephone line is located. Coming to his telephone line which is private in that it is installed by he and his son and is at the end of a five party line, the tracks turned, went under the telephone line for approximately two vehicle lengths, turned back toward the [redacted] ranch road, entered the road, and proceeded on to the main road.

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The telephone lines leading to the [redacted] ranch are bare wires readily susceptible to being tapped by anyone having a hand set or a telephone instrument knowing how to hook same up to two bare wires. The telephone line at this point is completely out of sight of the [redacted] ranch, the main road through that section of the Horse Shoe Hills and at 3:25 a.m. would be readily accessible to anyone without discovery and would be completely quiet. [redacted]

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advised that except for DAVID MEIRHOFER who he has mentioned he can think of no one who might have made these tracks.

Regarding the Horse Shoe Hills area in the vicinity of his ranch he leases his pasture to [redacted] residing [redacted] and [redacted] who resides in the [redacted] vicinity east of [redacted] These people in turn hire a [redacted] named [redacted] who comes from the [redacted] area east and north of [redacted] and is presently [redacted] in the Brackett Creek area.

[redacted] advised that the other persons on his five party line are:

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H. A. DE VERIES (Mrs. DeVeries is a widow approximately 80 years of age; however, living with her is [redacted] whose name is [redacted] (phonetic), a [redacted] and the [redacted] who live with their [redacted]

Regarding all persons on the telephone line these are ranchers, each owning their own property.

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These are the only ranchers who permanently reside in the Horse Shoe Hills area. Other people who frequently come into the area pertaining to ranch business are:

[redacted] who [redacted] the 320 Dude Ranch in the Gallatin Canyon south of Bozeman, Montana. [redacted] who leases horse pasture. [redacted]

in turn hires an individual named [redacted] (Phonetic) who spent the winter in the Horse Shoe Hills area in the area known as [redacted] which is a former railroad stop now abandoned. He also has employed [redacted] who resides west of [redacted]

[redacted] a [redacted] in the area who resides south of [redacted] in an area known as [redacted] but who does a great deal of farming in the Horse Shoe Hills; b6 b7C

[redacted] and [redacted] who [redacted] a large cow ranch. They generally reside much further east about ten miles from the [redacted] ranch, however, they do maintain a cow camp and frequently ride the area immediately north of [redacted]

[redacted] who [redacted] a ranch adjacent to [redacted] and resides in [redacted] advised that on the [redacted] place there is a three story cabin virtually concealed which he has not observed recently but which he knows from his own knowledge that same was searched during the time of SUSAN JAEGER kidnaping; b6 b7C

[redacted] First Name Unknown) [redacted] (Phonetic) who resides in a trailer house south of [redacted] and [redacted] a land developer who has purchased some land in the Horse Shoe Hills;

[redacted] who has farm land north of [redacted] ranch and who resides in [redacted]

[redacted] who resides in [redacted] or [redacted] and has ranch property in the Horse Shoe Hills

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The only permanent residence in the Horse Shoe Hills area other than the five persons mentioned on the party line telephone system are [redacted]

Other persons known to [redacted] as being completely familiar with the Horse Shoe Hills are:

[redacted] who works and lives in [redacted] but who frequently roams the hills rock hunting, coyote hunting or just exploring;

[redacted] a [redacted] in Bozeman, Montana, who frequently hunts the area;

[redacted] Bozeman, Montana, who frequently hunts in the area;

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[redacted] who frequently hunts in the area;

DAVID MEIRHOFER, previously mentioned who resides Manhattan, Montana, and who formerly harvested wheat for [redacted] and other persons in the Horse Shoe Hills

The only other place in the hills that [redacted] could suggest specifically that might be of some interest would

be what is called the Norman Place which is in the area and abandoned; however, feels it was searched during the disappearance of SUSAN JAEGER.

Regarding the telephone call billed to the [redacted] telephone this definitely was not made by the [redacted] family and he could furnish no additional information regarding same.

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The telephone located in the shop adjacent to the ranch home of [redacted] in the Horse Shoe Hills area northeast of Three Forks, Montana, was processed for latent fingerprints and three fingerprint cards containing potential latent fingerprints of value were lifted and placed in the files of the FBI Office, Butte, Montana, for possible future comparison purposes.

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AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

[redacted] advised as follows on [redacted]

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Regarding the telephone call billed to the home telephone of [redacted] with called number [redacted] the following should be noted:

Due to the type of billing on the call it could have been made from any telephone located on a particular cross bar and would have gone through the telephone office in Livingston, Montana, procedurally as follows:

When the call is dialed it is placed directly toward the area of the calling number, however, it is intercepted by an operator who asks the calling number for billing purposes. The caller then will give his number and the operator will punch same into a keyed machine without taking notes or making notations. In effect, a person could call any number as if it were direct dialed, the only difference being the operator's interception merely to obtain a number for billing purposes. It would be extremely unlikely that the operator would even remember this since they do not know either the origin of the call or the place being called. The operator's who are on duty who would have done this at [redacted] and [redacted]

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Both of these operators have already been questioned as to whether or not they have any recollection of a call to Michigan telephone [redacted] Neither have such a recollection.

[redacted] further noted that it is particularly significant that all of the operators in the area serviced by Livingston and Bozeman are periodically informed of [redacted] and the importance of noting any calls made to that number. However, he a call direct dialed the operators handling same would not have known the number being called. Particularly on June 26, 1974, [redacted] was requested and did contact [redacted] and [redacted] specifically asking if they handled a call to Detroit, Michigan. Each stated they would have remembered this. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] advised that from the billing procedure and the type of bill to [redacted] telephone [redacted] he can definitely state that the call placed to the [redacted] residence on [redacted] was not a third number billed call. Consequently, the call would have had to have been made from one of the following:

A multi-party line in Livingston, Montana (four or eight parties);

A county line in Livingston, Montana;

Big Sky, Montana, exchange;

Big Timber, Montana, exchange;

Gardiner, Montana, exchange;

Manhattan, Montana, exchange;

Pray, Montana, exchange;

White Sulphur Springs, Montana, exchange;

Three Forks, Montana, exchange

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[redacted] stated the call could have come from no other area. All of these areas being serviced by the telephone offices at Bozeman and Livingston, Montana.

Regarding the possibility of a hand set being utilized on the telephone line into the [redacted] ranch, [redacted] advised as follows:

Anyone possessing a hand set and having access to the line would have no problem whatsoever in placing the call in the same manner as it would be placed from the [redacted] family home. [redacted] further advised that it would not even take a hand set that a person having a telephone instrument could wire it to the exposed bare wires of the line leading into the [redacted] family home and complete a call just as if it had been dialed from the actual telephone at the [redacted] ranch.

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[redacted] further advised that being alerted to the fact that a call had been made to the [redacted] home from a [redacted] number the [redacted] has programmed their equipment into a switching machine so that in the event if subsequent calls are made and the company can be alerted in time that a call is in progress they would be able to tell what specific exchange the call was made from and even possibly trace same to a calling number and the machinery to implement this procedure has been set up.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA BYRON H. DUNBAR:

AT LIVINGSTON, MONTANA

On July 20, 1974, the following advised that they were the only operators on duty at 3:25 a.m., [redacted] handling both long distance operator placed calls and being the operators who would intercept direct dialed calls where it was necessary to obtain the calling number and punch same into a billing machine. Each advised that she had no recollection whatsoever of a call being placed to [redacted] and particularly no call being placed to [redacted] in the manner where she, the operator, would have handled and which lasted for more than an hour. Each stated there was no question whatsoever but that she would have remembered such a call and particularly knowing that the calling number was [redacted] as all operators in [redacted] have been alerted to be particularly cognizant of this number. b6 b7C b7D

Each advised however that if the call were direct dialed and they asked for a calling number they would not know who was being called or the city. This is handled by the Billing Machine, their only function is to punch the number from which a call is made into the machine. They do not hear any of the conversation, merely ask the calling party his number, make the proper coding and then release the call so that it can be completed automatically.

Each advised that she had no recollection of a call from [redacted] however, this would not be unusual since she would have no recollection of any of the specific numbers from which calls are placed since these are handled in a virtually automatic fashion and the number itself is of no significance to the individual operator: b6 b7C b7D

[redacted]

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A [redacted] was attached to [redacted] listed in the [redacted] telephone directory as [redacted] with a listing of East of [redacted] The area code is [redacted] for the State of [redacted] The complete number being [redacted]

The [redacted] was attached to this telephone consensually (consent being [redacted] and [redacted] set to play at 3-3/4-inches per second and to be recorded on magnetic tape.

Subsequently [redacted] was recorded reciting pages 1 and 2 of a transcript of a telephone conversation with the unknown person to [redacted] at [redacted] on [redacted] transcrpt as set forth below the tape using numbers 90 to 180 on the numerical recorder of the [redacted]

The [redacted] named [redacted] was taped on side one from numbers 0 to 88 on the [redacted] and [redacted] was taped using numbers 180 - 237 on the recorder. Each recited the same two pages of transcript as set forth below.

A telephone call was placed to the home of [redacted] answered the telephone and was advised that five persons would be speaking to her and would be numbered one through five. Each would recite the same material. Each of these persons was furnished a transcript of a telephone conversation with just the male part set forth with [redacted] as made [redacted] and as set forth on pages 1 to 4 below. Number 1 then did read pages 1 through 4 on side one of the reel identified as reel #3 and took up the numerical numbers on the recorder from 240 to 364. Number 2 then recited the

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same pages 1 through 4 and took up numbers 364 to 450 still on side one of reel #3. Number 3 took up numbers 450 to the end of transcription on the reeel still on side one of reel #3.

The reel was turned over. On side two Number 4 took up numbers 5 through 185 and Number 5 took up numbers 185 through 295.

For the purposes of potential future identification the persons reciting the material set forth below are as follows:

Number 1 [redacted] b6 b7C

Number 2 DAVID MEIRHOFER,
Manhattan, Montana

Number 3 [redacted]

Number 4

Number 5

The transcribed material as set forth in the recorded conversation is as follows: b6 b7C

TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH UNSUB TO [redacted]

Is this [redacted]

Can't hear you.

Well I'm the guy who took her [redacted]

Yeh.

Well, I can't hardly tell you that.

Yes she is [redacted]

Pardon.

I can't hear you.

Well, I'm kinda of in an awkward position to do that. I've kinda of gotten used to her.

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Well, how would you take care of a little girl.

I do also [redacted] and I've probably got more money [redacted]

I don't have to work [redacted]

We have been...well, we've covered the west pretty well just sightseeing. She's gotten used to me, I've gotten used to her.

Hello [redacted] I'm sorry but we must have gotten cut off.

No.

I realize that [redacted] but like I said I'm kinda of in an awkward position.

Once I've turned her over to you she can identify me.

I know better than that. It don't need to be in court anyway. Right now as it is I'm pretty safe because they have no suspicion of me at all. Haven't even been contacted. Because I'm pretty smart for them.

No, I'm not playing games.

I can tell you lots of things.

Well.

All right. First of all it was I who called the Denver FBI on Saturday, June 30th, late in the afternoon. It was also I who called you on [redacted] who called [redacted] on [redacted] sometime after [redacted] It was also I who called you on [redacted] early in the afternoon and you weren't home. Later on a relative of yours supposedly and then finally I talked to [redacted] And if that's not enough - you're waiting aren't you -

As far as I know it hasn't been leaked.

Well, the thing is I've kinda of been working on her mind. Almost got most of the memories [redacted] wiped out of her mind, through psychotherapy.

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You'd better believe it.

Look, if you don't believe me, you'd just as well hang up, and you'll never hear from me again.

That's exactly why I called you, to tell you that she is.

I expect to get her back [redacted] one of these days. Like I said, I'm working on her mind, so that she will wipe me out of her mind just the same as she's [redacted] out of her mind.

This takes time.

Well, she can't come back [redacted] ing know/who I am.

Yes I have been.

Well, it's kinda a long story. I always wanted a little girl of my own.

No.

Not now.

No, just that first night, I had to choke her some.

Yeh.

Not right away. I grabbed her around the throat.

Are you sure?

You're lying to me.

I realize that, it's what comes after, that's what's bothering me.

After you get her back.

Things like this have drawn national attention.

How would you let me go scot free?

Once the FBI finds that Susie's home, they'll come right after me.

Susie can identify me right now, places we've been together, things we've done, once they get...

Well, certainly she does.

She's up in my cabin sleeping.

I trust her.

I'm not that far away.

Well, I can't say for sure. I'd like to say, I'd like to get her back [redacted] and I'd like to keep her myself, but... b6 b7C b7D

Yes, but even if we went to court, everybody in the United States would know my name and know me and where would I go, what would I do, even if I did get the truth killed.

That's why I'm doing the best I can to keep from getting caught. I've changed her appearance some, I've dyed her hair, give her a little different hair style.

Yes, she remembered.

We had a very nice party for her too.

I'd like to give you the date, but if I give you everything I know about her, if I call again, there won't be nothing left. I've got to have something to fall back on.

I've given you quite a bit of information already.

I wasn't really too concerned about [redacted] b6 b7C b7D or anything else.

I try to bring that up as little as possible. Because if she would get psychotherapy then she would once in a while to see how well it's working.

I tell you what.

Well, look I don't care if you believe me or not.

I just called to settle your own peace of mind.

How can you do it? You have no control over it.

Not in a national crime.

I'll have to think about that.

I think you know, furnishing little things like that.

No, I want her.

Yes, she is. I couldn't kill a little girl like that. When I took her that night I tried not to, the best I could.

No, I was after just anybody. Kind of a hit and miss proposition.

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At the termination of the conversation with [redacted] no identification was made as to the identity of Numbers 1 through 5. b6 b7C b7D

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The Detroit Office advised as follows on August 29, 1974:

Prearranged telephone call made [redacted]. Eastern Standard Time, [redacted] from [redacted] to [redacted] phone with [redacted] consent. Special Agents present at origin and termination of call.

During call, which lasted until [redacted], [redacted] listened to five persons identified only as Caller #1, #2, #3, #4, #5. Callers read and selected portions of [redacted] telephone call of Unknown Subject. Call recorded utilizing same recording equipment as [redacted] call. [redacted] present and heard call as it was projected over recording device the same way in which he monitored [redacted] call.

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[redacted] both feel Caller #2 identical to [redacted] caller and eliminated others. [redacted] advised caller #2 sounded exactly the same except conversation was stilted from his reading and lack of expression.

[redacted] interviewed separately regarding their identification. Caller #2's conversation lasted six minutes.

Detroit Special Agents knowledgeable with [redacted] phone call tape note extreme similarity and probably ident to caller #2.

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The FBI Laboratory advised by telephone June 27, 1974, as follows:

General voice characteristics and speech attitudes, particular word choice and phraseology of caller on [redacted] Cassette are very similar to caller in previous submission [redacted] It is almost certain caller is identical.

Unknown caller appears to be adult male of undetermined age, probably at least high school education, rural background, specifically he had tendency to use rural, western colloquialisms.

Latest submission is notable for lack of detectable background noise, indicating call probably made in very quiet environment. No detectable street or vehicular traffic and very little activity at origin of call. Some background noise audible is similar to crickets and frogs, also impulse type noise from what sounds to be objects striking heard, acoustically live surface is audible. It is likely, however, that most of audible background noise is not from origin of call but being picked up by [redacted] telephone.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA BYRON H. DUNBAR:

AT SHERIDAN, MONTANA

A number of what appeared to be blackened and burned bone fragments and a piece of material, blue and white in color, were located near Sheridan, Montana, by [redacted] Madison County Sheriff's Office, Sheridan, and found approximately three miles south of Sheridan July 3, 1974.

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On July 19, 1974, the FBI Laboratory furnished the following results of examination:

"Specimens received 7/11/74

"Q17 Bone fragments
Q18 Pieces of fabric

"Results of examination:

"Specimen Q17 was examined by [redacted] Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.

[redacted] stated that no human bones were present in Q17. He further advised that the Q17 bone fragments were from more than one animal.

"Specimen Q18 contains six pieces of a blue and white printed woven fabric. This fabric is composed of cotton fibers."

Voice patterns of [redacted] were submitted to the FBI Laboratory by the Las Vegas Office. b6 b7C

On July 25, 1974, the FBI Laboratory furnished the following results of investigation:

"Specimens received 7/15/74

"K1 One cassette tape containing voice samples of suspect [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

"Results of Examination:

"The voice sample of [redacted] contained on the K1 cassette could not be identified with the unknown callers of [redacted] and [redacted]

The Detroit Office furnished to the FBI Laboratory a Memorex 60 Tape Cassette, which contains [redacted] second anonymous call received by [redacted] At [redacted] Eastern Standard Time [redacted]

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received an anonymous call from a male caller at her residence phone [redacted]

On July 30, 1974, the FBI Laboratory furnished the following results of examination:

"Specimens received 7/18/74

"Q19 One Memorex 60 cassette tape dated 7/11/74.

"Results of Examination:

"An electronically processed copy of the designated telephone call recorded on the Q19 cassette tape was recorded on one five-inch reel on 1/4-inch magnetic tape at a recording speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a full-track configuration.

"No conclusion could be reached regarding the possible origin of the call nor could the identity of the caller or callers be determined."

The FBI Laboratory was forwarded one package containing five inch reel recording by Northwest Airlines Flight [redacted] from Bozeman, Montana, on July 23, 1974. This reel was submitted for voice sound comparison with the recording made on [redacted] These recordings were made on [redacted] at three and three-quarter inches per second on a [redacted] and were as follows:

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Recording side one, reel one:

(1) [redacted]
(Not previously interviewed)
Counter Reading 14-340

(2) [redacted]
(previously interviewed)
Counter Reading 370-508

Reel two, side two:

(1) [redacted]
(previously interviewed)
Counter Reading 1-239

(2) [redacted]
(previously interviewed)
Counter Reading 241-393

(3) [redacted]
(previously interviewed)
Counter Reading 394-448

(4) [redacted]
(previously interviewed)
Counter Reading 451-533

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Also included were four Cassette tapes obtained from the Gallatin County Sheriff's Office regarding interviews with:

[redacted]
(Two tapes)

[redacted]

The FBI Laboratory furnished the following results of investigation on August 5, 1974:

"Specimens received 7/23/74

"K2 One 5-inch open reel magnetic tape recording.
K3 One Sony C-30 cassette tape.
K4 One Ampex 330 60-minute cassette tape.
K5 One Sony C-60 cassette tape.
K6 One Sony C-60 cassette tape.

"Result of Examination:

"The voices of [redacted] recorded on the K2 magnetic tape, and the voices of [redacted] recorded on K3, [redacted] recorded on K4 and K5 and the voice of [redacted] recorded on K6 were compared to the voices of the unknown callers of [redacted] recorded on Q15 and Q16 submitted previously. b6 b7C b7D

"Known samples of [redacted] are dissimilar to the voice of Unsub in captioned case. Each of them differs from the caller in Q15 and Q16, Laboratory Report 7/15/74 in one or more factors including tone of voice, phraseology and accent. It appears quite certain that none of the above is identical with Unsub.

"The voice sample of David Meirhoffer does bear marked resemblance to the voice of Unsub. His accent is quite similar and can be described with the same characteristics set forth in previous reports on the voice of Unsub. Meirhoffer uses the same sort of rural western colloquialisms as previously cited for Unsub ('kind of a reg-lar tornado') and specifically he uses one phrase which also appeared in Both Q15 and Q16, 'One o' these days,' with the same emphasis, inflection and pronunciation as Unsub."

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The Butte Office forwarded to the FBI Laboratory one small sample of debris from an ash pile located one mile northeast of the beacon on the [redacted] ranch north of Logan, Montana. This sample of debris was obtained by [redacted] of the Bozeman Police Department, who has conducted extensive investigation in this matter, as well as the case captioned "SANDRA BYKMAN SMALLEGAN."

The debris was selected by [redacted] since the charred remains of a few pieces of bone of SMALLEGAN were found in relative close proximity to this particular ash pile (within approximately one and a half to two miles), in view of the fact that this is within about three miles of abduction site of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER.

[redacted] advised that he did carefully sift through the ash pile, found nothing that would be identical with charred bones and/or teeth, as were located in the SMALLEGAN case.

He further stated that his search was of sufficient intensity that he did locate individual pellets from shotgun shells in the debris.

On August 23, 1974, the FBI Laboratory furnished the following results of examination:

"Specimens received 8/13/74:

"Q20 Debris

"Result of examination:

"Specimen Q20 was examined by [redacted] Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C. [redacted] stated that he could find no bones or other material that could be associated with either an animal or a human body."

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DAVID GAIL MEIPHOFER

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DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER, who knows SA BYRON H. DUNBAR as a Special Agent of the FBI, was informed that it was desirous to talk to him concerning the disappearance of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER. MEIRHOFER was advised of rights pertaining to this type of interview by means of an Advice of Rights Form, which he read, acknowledged understanding and signed the waiver thereof. The rights form is maintained in the files of the Butte Office of the FBI.

MEIRHOFER advised that he very definitely did not participate in or have knowledge of the abduction of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER on June 25, 1973, nor has he ever placed a telephone call to or talked to anyone in the [redacted] at Farmington, Michigan.

He further advised that he resented being talked to concerning the disappearance of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER since he thought he had been cleared of any suspicion of criminal activity as he had taken a polygraph examination in February, 1974, pertaining to another matter which he thought had exonerated him from the disappearance of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER.

MEIRHOFER advised that so far as having a little girl, it would be impossible. He has no place to keep her, he has not and does not purchase the type of food a child would eat, he has not been gone from Manhattan, Montana, for any appreciable period, as he works everyday, either on his own buildings or a building he is contracting with the city. b6 b7C

His closest associate who could verify the fact that he normally finishes work and goes to his home at 9:00 or 10:00 p.m. and does not again leave would be [redacted] who worked with MEIRHOFER several weeks while home on leave from the U. S. Navy. [redacted] is presently assigned to the U. S. S. Oriskany at Long Beach, California. [redacted] is his [redacted] and could probably furnish information as to his character as well as his personal daily habits.

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by SA BYRON H. DUNBAR/hgb Date dictated 8/8/74

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In addition, his [redacted] b6 b7C
is a [redacted] spends most of his time sitting in the livingroom of his house, on the porch, or in the yard, and he, too, would be knowledgeable of MEIRHOFER's comings and goings. He would be able to, in generalities, establish MEIRHOFER has not been gone for an appreciable period of time and would probably know it if he were to leave his home in the late hours of the evening.

When asked if he would consent to a search of his home, MEIRHOFER advised he would decline to consent to this search, stating his inclination would be to allow a search, but he had previously taken a polygraph examination thinking it would clear him and yet he was still being questioned and considered a suspect in the disappearance of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER.

MEIRHOFER was given a suggestion of taking sodium amotoyl (truth serum) and advised that prior to taking this type of examination, he would desire and was going to consult with his attorney. He advised he does not have an attorney, but he definitely was going to get one in order to act correctly. Knowing that he was not guilty of anything, he still, with suspicion being placed upon him, felt a need for legal counseling. b6 b7C

When requested to furnish voice exemplars, MEIRHOFER again stated that prior to doing so, he desired to consult with an attorney. Other persons who might establish his whereabouts and activities would be:

[redacted] now lives in [redacted] but who did [redacted] owned by MEIRHOFER as a [redacted]

MEIRHOFER further advised he has never had a particular desire for a little girl, that he does want to, some day, marry and have children. He advised he does have little sisters with whom he is close, but there has been no traumatic experience pertaining to his sisters. He

advised he has never changed the appearance or hair style on any child. He advised that while in the U. S. Marine Corps (October, 1968, to August 26, 1971), he did serve in Vietnam, but while in Vietnam had no association with direct combat, nor was he on drugs at any period. He stated he was not dating, did not adopt any little girl, and had no experiences with girls while in Vietnam. He advised he does want to see the right thing done and if he had any information or could assist in anyway pertaining to finding SUSAN JAEGER, he would do so.

He stated it was his personal opinion that SUSAN JAEGER is still alive, based upon the fact that she has not been found. Based upon the circumstances under which she was taken, he felt a kidnaper for other than taking a child, could have made a better selection.

MEIRHOFER advised that concerning females in his family, there is his [redacted] age approximately [redacted] who lives in [redacted] a [redacted] a [redacted] age [redacted] who lives in [redacted] a [redacted] age [redacted] who lives with [redacted] in [redacted] a [redacted] age [redacted] who lives with his [redacted] in [redacted] and a [redacted] age [redacted] who lives with [redacted] in [redacted]

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In addition, he has a [redacted] age [redacted] a [redacted] age [redacted] a [redacted] age [redacted] all having the last name of MEIRHOFER, all having a normal close family relationship as exists between brothers and sisters, nothing exceptional.

He also has [redacted] with whom he has been close, including:

[redacted]

[redacted]

Regarding relationships with younger persons, DAVID MEIRHOFER advised that he did like young persons, but he did not think in any way, which was unusual, and that concerning a prior relationship with a young man known as [redacted] this occurred several years ago; [redacted] was a friend of his. Because of the friendship he did get into a fight with [redacted] and he feels that was all there was to it. He wishes the incident had never happened. b6 b7C

MEIRHOFER advised that so far as having psychiatric problems and psychic problems, or mental problems, these have never existed. He advised he was in the U. S. Marine Corps under #2481256 from October, 1968, to August 26, 1971, receiving an honorable discharge, without court martials or disciplinary action.

MEIRHOFER advised he has not been in trouble with the law and has never been charged with any type of criminal activity.

MEIRHOFER was born June 8, 1949.

MEIRHOFER advised he was in communications in the service at teletype operation. He has had no experience with telephone hookups and does not have a telephone handset.

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[redacted] furnished the following information based on his investigations of August 9, 1974, and August 13, 1974. [redacted] furnished the following report:

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8/9/74 Lead given to this investigator to determine whereabouts of David Meirhoffer on Wednesday August 7, 1974 and Thursday August 8, 1974.

8/9/74 - Interview of [redacted] of Miller Lumber Company of Belgrade. [redacted] stated that David was in early in the afternoon of Wednesday the 7th and purchased some wood products from Miller Lumber Company. The time was between 1:30 and 3:00 p.m.

8/9/74 - Interview with [redacted] of David. [redacted] stated that he saw David on both Wednesday and Thursday in the early afternoon, however, he did not talk to him, very much. At the time, [redacted] was working a building that David has under contract. In the evenings on the dates in question, [redacted] stated that he was working on his stock car and did not see David.

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8/13/74 - Interview of [redacted] and [redacted] The [redacted] stated that they saw David on the two days in question. Sometime shortly after 3 in the afternoon and then again in the evenings about 6 o'clock. While David was at the apartments in Three Forks to carry on tasks related to the rental of the apartments.

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[redacted] Montana State Hospital, Warm Springs, Montana, telephonically advised:

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The following are the questions asked of DAVID MEIRHOFER under the influence of sodium amatol as administered by he, [redacted] August 19, 1974:

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[redacted] advised that following the administering of the sodium amatol and an evaluation of responses to the questions as given all were answered in the negative all answers indicating there was no knowledge on the part of DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER to indicate that he has any knowledge pertaining to the kidnaping and/or locating of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER and/or the abduction and subsequent killing of SANDRA DYKMA SMALLEGAN.

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[redacted] advised that from the giving of the questions, the responses to same, and his opinion of DAVID MEIRHOFER he believes the test was effective and that in his opinion MEIRHOFER does not have guilty knowledge nor was he responsible for the abduction of SUZIE JAEGER or the telephone calls about which he was questioned.

[redacted] advised that the sodium amatol test was arranged by MEIRHOFER's [redacted] who was present during the test.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA BYRON K. DUNBAR:

AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

[redacted] at Law in the firm of ANDERSON AND DASINGER, Bozeman, advised that he was retained by DAVID MEIRHOFER. He was furnished with background of the case involving the kidnaping of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER.

[redacted] advised on August 9, 1974, that he was going to recommend that DAVID MEIRHOFER be given a sodium amatoyl test, that he, [redacted] would arrange for the test and furnish results, if there was no guilty knowledge. b6 b7C

[redacted] was furnished the name of [redacted] as one person in the State of Montana, who had previously given sodium amatoyl tests.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA BYRON H. DUMBAR:

AT MANHATTAN, MONTANA

[redacted] City Employee and City Policeman, advised as follows on August 8, 1974:

On August 8, 1974, he had had coffee with DAVID MEIRHOFER and noticed that he was gone the rest of the morning. He said that he did not again see him until about 9:30 that evening. b6 b7C

[redacted] advised that he does periodically endeavor to keep track of the comings and goings of DAVID MEIRHOFER and this is easy to do, since he is presently building a building for the City of Manhattan. MEIRHOFER, to his recollection, has not been gone from Manhattan, Montana, for any appreciable period of time. He has never seen MEIRHOFER accompanied by a young girl.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

AT LIVINGSTON, MONTANA

On August 8, 1974, [redacted] advised he is employed as a dispatcher with WAGGONER TRUCKING COMPANY, Livingston, and has held this job since May, 1974. When he first took the job he could not find an apartment or house in Livingston, so [redacted] a house at [redacted] was DAVID MEIRHOFER, who lived in an apartment at the back of the lot. b6 b7C

[redacted] moved into this house on [redacted] and moved to [redacted]

[redacted] stated the [redacted] was very friendly and particularly liked his children. He often gave the children candy. [redacted] stated he never saw anything unusual about the [redacted] He felt MEIRHOFER was rather quiet and stayed to himself.

[redacted] stated he had been in MEIRHOFER's house one or twice but did not notice anything at all to indicate that MEIRHOFER had a child, particularly a female child, there. There were no clothes or toys to indicate anyone other than MEIRHOFER lived in that house. [redacted] stated he has never seen MEIRHOFER carrying anything like food or clothes out of the house.

[redacted] stated he usually retires anywhere from 10:00 p.m. to midnight each night. His bedroom is in the front of the house away from the apartment used by MEIRHOFER and he stated he has never seen any activity at MEIRHOFER's apartment during the early morning hours. b6 b7C

[redacted] advised there have been times when he went to bed and MEIRHOFER's truck was not at the apartment.

[redacted] advised he knows nothing about MEIRHOFER's background or his activities to indicate he could be involved in any unusual activities.

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The only visitors [redacted] knows MEIRHOFER had was [redacted] (last name unknown) and [redacted] who live [redacted]

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The following investigation was conducted by SA BYRON H. DUNBAR on August 9, 1974:

AT MANHATTAN, MONTANA

[redacted] of DAVID MEIRHOFER, Manhattan, Montana, advised that from prior to school being out in the spring of 1973 until after school started in the fall, MEIRHOFER had an immediate neighbor, who had a six or seven-year-old female child for whom MEIRHOFER frequently baby sat, watched over and played with. [redacted] identified this [redacted] as [redacted] and advised that she moved to [redacted] in approximately September, 1973, or October, 1973. [redacted] had a [redacted] named [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] BROKEN ARROW BAR, Manhattan, Montana, advised [redacted] frequently hangs out at the ROCKY MOUNTAIN BAR near the depot at Helena, Montana, and would be known there. [redacted] looks very much like the Victim in this case. He advised that [redacted] probably left Manhattan in the company of [redacted] as well as a [redacted] or else he is her [redacted] In addition, the [redacted] of one [redacted] works at the Helena Police Department and probably would know the location of [redacted] present address unknown, had lived with [redacted] in Manhattan for a short period of time.

Records of the Bozeman Convalescent Home, Bozeman, Montana, indicated that [redacted] worked at that establishment from June 30, 1973, to October 15, 1973, at which time she left without notice. She had date of birth of [redacted] virtually illegible) and Social Security Account [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] Gallatin County Sheriff's Office, advised that [redacted] is known in Helena, having been arrested there. His date of birth is [redacted] and his last known address is [redacted]

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

AT HELENA, MONTANA

On August 14, 1974, [redacted] formerly known as [redacted] advised

that she and her [redacted] prior to their divorce, lived in a house in [redacted] address not recalled, from November, 1972, to August, 1973, when she separated from her husband and came to [redacted] to live with her [redacted] at this address.

In a large house next to their's in [redacted] there was a young man, who lived all alone. She never knew his name nor did she associate with him and she was never in his house nor he ever in hers. He was a rather small man, who owned a late model green and white pickup truck with Gallatin County plates. He never had any visitors except children in the neighborhood with whom he seemed friendly. He never communicated with her or her husband. She thought he was sort of strange, but has little knowledge of him. He would pick bouquets of flowers and give them to [redacted] the [redacted] who moved in with [redacted] in late spring of 1973. When [redacted] returned to [redacted] about August, 1973, [redacted] continued to live in the house until [redacted] also moved to [redacted] that fall. b6 b7C

[redacted] said she could offer little information about the above-mentioned man, who was her [redacted] in [redacted] She never associated him with the JAEGER kidnaping. [redacted] said [redacted] does have a resemblance to the photo furnished of the JAEGER girl, but she knows they are not identical as she has known [redacted] for several years. b6 b7C

On August 14, 1974, [redacted] Divorcee of [redacted] who resides at that address with BOB [redacted] was interviewed in the Resident Agency, Federal Building, as she is employed as a [redacted] by the Internal Revenue Service in the Federal Building. She advised she moved from [redacted] about May, 1973, to live with her [redacted] and her [redacted] She got a job at the Bozeman Convalescent Home and this worked out fine as [redacted] took care of her [redacted] while she worked. [redacted] was born [redacted] in Helena, Montana.

[redacted] said she has seen photographs of the JAEGER girl (and was shown one at this time) and said [redacted] has a vague resemblance to the JAEGER girl, but not much.

She said she knew the man, who lived [redacted] to them in [redacted] as DAVE (LNU). He owned a green and white late model truck with a canopy. He told her he had been married

at one time and she thinks he may have said they had a small girl. She thinks he drove a truck for a while and knows he spent quite a bit of time doing carpentry work for the taxidermy shop not far from his residence. He told her his father owned and ran a machine shop in Manhattan and that he had a sister living there somewhere.

She never knew this man to ever have any visitors in his home nor to mix with anyone and thought he was a "loner". He seemed fond of children. Her [redacted] and some neighbor children are the only persons she ever saw DAVE associate with. On an occasion or two, after the [redacted] split up, when she had to work a night shift at the Convalescent Home, [redacted] DAVE [redacted] never asked DAVE to do this and was somewhat uneasy about this. She never knew of DAVE ever doing anything improper with [redacted] is the type of child, who would have very positively reported any misbehavior had it occurred. b6 b7C

DAVE also liked to "horse around" with children in his front yard. She recalled two of the children as [redacted], age about [redacted] who lived across the alley behind DAVE. Another was [redacted] Phonetic), age about [redacted], who used to live with his mother, a divorcee, in an apartment across from the Post Office until they moved to the west end of town.

She never dated DAVE nor did she go into his house except on one occasion to get [redacted] She thought the house was pretty well kept and not a pig pen. She actually did not have that much contact with DAVE and knows little about him. He never had a child of his own around the house and never mentioned having a daughter as a playmate for [redacted] She does not know how DAVE spent his time. He generally was home at night. Except for the fact that he went hunting, she did not know of his activities. He did not seem to be a boozer. He played loud rock music in his house. She did not know if he had any peculiar ideas or beliefs or was a devotee of any odd religions or practices. She cannot recall him having a motorcycle. b6 b7C

She advised she thought of him as rather small, possibly in his thirties. She never associated him with the JAEGER kidnaping nor the other crimes that occurred in the area.

The following investigation was conducted by SA BYRON H. DUNBAR:

AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

[redacted] Gallatin County, Montana, b6 b7C furnished the following information:

8/14/74 - A check was made with the County Assessor as to all real property listings and exact locations of property of David Meirhoffer. Following is a list of his property.

Lots 6 and 7 each 25 feet by 130 feet block 18 original plat Manhattan, Montana.

Lot 18 and South 25 feet of lot 19 block 17 original plat Manhattan, Montana.

Lot 5 Block 20 original plat Three Forks, Montana.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA BYRON H. DUNBAR:

AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

Records of the Gallatin County Credit Bureau as furnished by [redacted] August 15, 1974, reflect as follows regarding DAVID MEIRHOFER:

MEIRHOFER has been in file since October, 1971, at which time he was listed as single; in February, 1974, listed as 24 years of age with an address of Three Forks, Montana. There was no derogatory information. Bank references were FIRST NATIONAL BANK, Bozeman, Montana, and MANHATTAN STATE BANK, Manhattan, Montana.

AT WARM SPRINGS, MONTANA

[redacted] who administered sodium amatoyl and furnished questions to DAVID MEIRHOFER on August 18, 1974, advised that on the basis of the examination and sodium amatoyl he feels MEIRHOFER is not responsible for the kidnaping of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER. b6 b7C

AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA

[redacted] for DAVID MEIRHOFER advised that MEIRHOFER was given a sodium amatoyl injection and questioned under the influence thereof on August 18, 1974. [redacted] advised that he was informed by [redacted] that MEIRHOFER does fit the psychological pattern of a person who could be responsible for the abduction of a minor child, but on the basis of the sodium amatoyl examination feels that DAVID MEIRHOFER was innocent, insofar as the kidnaping of SUSAN MARIE JAEGER is concerned.

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Pursuant to a written consent to search as signed by DAVID G. MEIRHOFER of Manhattan, Montana, his residence and attached garage located at the rear of 123 South 6th Avenue was searched and the following items were taken pursuant to the search.

MEIRHOFER's comments as made at the time of the search are set forth.

One tube Cashmere bouquet lipstick

(MEIRHOFER advised that this lipstick was one he had when in high school and it was obtain[illegible] when the upper classmen [illegible]orated the freshmen class with lipstick.)

One book of Disneyland Tickets #SP46479

One book of Disneyland Tickets #13506

(MEIRHOFER advised that these books of Disneyland tickets were purchased when he was in the U. S. Marine Corps and stationed at Camp Pendleton, California.)

13 pages of Combining Log reflecting combining at the [redacted] ranch and [redacted] ranch

(MEIRHOFER advised that during the years he was combining he did a great deal of cutting in the area known as the Horseshoe Hills and very definitely did combine for [redacted] and for the [redacted] ranch and is completely familiar with those ranches.

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In addition, MEIRHOFER advised that he has hunted in the Horseshoe Hills and is well acquainted in this area north of Manhattan and Logan, Montana.)

Three house keys

(MEIRHOFER advised that he obtained these keys, probably during the purchase of a house or building, but that he cannot state what the keys are for and they are not for any of the locks on his property that he is aware of.)

One Standard Oil Gas Receipt reflecting a purchase of petroleum products on Standard Oil Credit Card #550 884 7901, card issued to DAVID MEIRHOFER, date of purchase August 20, 1973, at Belfield, North Dakota

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(MEIRHOFER advised that in August of 1973, he traveled from Manhattan, Montana, to Minneapolis, Minnesota, to pick up a new backhoe for his [redacted] the MANHATTAN MACHINE COMPANY and delivered same back to Manhattan, Montana, and that this was a purchase en route.)

One receipt from COAST TO COAST STORES, Bozeman, Montana, in the amount of $16.55

(MEIRHOFER advised that as a house owner and builder he does have a credit account at COAST TO COAST STORES, Bozeman, Montana, and makes periodic purchases.)

One receipt from the GOODYEAR TIRE CENTER, Bozeman, Montana, in the amount of $193.00

(MEIRHOFER advised that on the date of the receipt October 8, 1973, he did purchase four new size L78-15 Suburbanite Goodyear Traction Grip Tires, which are presently on his personally owned vehicle, a 1972 Jeep, four-wheel drive.

In addition, these tires were on the vehicle on June 25, 1974.)

Statement of Hours and/or Mileage t[redacted] b6 b7C for September, 1973, with adding machine tapes attached; one notation was September 23-25, Colorado, 718 miles, with a Colorado Trip notation dated September 26, 1973, 718 miles at $.55 equals $394.90 times one-half equals $197.45, expenses equal $141.01 times one-half equals $70.50 for a total of $126.95 b6 b7C

(Regarding this trip, MEIRHOFER advised as as follows:

In September of 1973, he was working as a truck driver for [redacted] of [redacted] and on September 23, 1973, did load at Willow Creek, Montana, at approximately 6:00 a.m., six horses and two cows to be transported to Lyons, Colorado, for [redacted] (First Name Not Known) [redacted] who was moving to Lyons, Colorado. The animals were the personal property of [redacted] He then transported these cattle from Willow Creek, Montana, via interstate to Billings, Montana, south to Lyons, Colorado, and completed unloading at approximately 1:30 a.m., September 24, 1973, at Lyons, Colorado. Following this, he spent the night at a motel approximately three or four miles west of Lyons, Colorado, and stayed there until about 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., September 24, 1973, at which time he ate breakfast at a cafe near Lyons, Colorado, then traveled

approximately 60 miles east until he entered the interstate, possibly at Longmont, Colorado, and then traveled north toward Billings, Montana. En route, somewhere in Colorado, he purchased gas on the interstate highway at which time he picked up three hitchhikers who were in the U. S. Air Force. He transported these hitchhikers to the Weigh Station adjacent to Cheyenne, Wyoming, where they were let out and he obtained a weigh ticket. Obtaining the ticket he continued to travel north and probably did not stop until he reached the Weigh Station at Sheridan, Wyoming, where he again passed through a Weigh Station and was either ticketed or obtained or turned over a trip permit.

He then traveled north and spent the night at the highway rest stop between Hardin, Montana, and Billings, Montana, arriving at this rest stop approximately 1:00 to 2:00 a.m. On the morning of September 25, 1974, he was up at approximately 7:00 a.m. and was in Billings, Montana, by approximately 8:00 a.m., September 25, 1974, at which time he made personal purchases and then traveled on to Manhattan, Montana. b6 b7C

En route he did stop, he believes, at a cafe at Casper, Wyoming, and obtained gas at Casper, Wyoming. All purchases of gas were made on credit cards belonging to [redacted] and would have been one of the following, which were furnished to him, MEIRHOFER:

Conoco, Standard, Bankamericard
or Master Charge

MEIRHOFER advised that he had been weighed coming and going at the truck weigh stations

at Sheridan and Cheyenne, Wyoming. He does not know the names of the hitchhikers he picked up or a means of identifying them, except that they got off at the weigh station presumably to return to their base at Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Silver chain necklace with silver heart

(MEIRHOFER advised that he could not state where this silver chain necklace was obtained or why he had it in his possession.)

(Chain and necklace found by SA [redacted] b6 b7C

The following was obtained from the attached garage of MEIRHOFER by SA [redacted]

"Bozeman Daily Chronicle" newspapers dated May 12, May 13, May 19, June 4, June 16, June 18 and July 29, 1974, with articles cut out as follows:

July 29, article on Page 3 or 4

(MEIRHOFER advised that he could not identify the specific articles, which had been cut from these "Bozeman Daily Chronicle" newspapers)

May 12, 1974, article from the lower outside corner, Page 17-18

May 13, 1974, article from upper center of Page 1-2

May 19, 1974, article from the outside middle, Page 13-14

June 4, 1974, article from inside center Page 5-6

June 16, 1974, article from lower inside corner Page 21-22

June 18, 1974, article from center Page 5-6

Located in the MEIPHOFER warehouse consensually by SA [redacted] which warehouse is located at 216 Railroad Avenue East, were the following:

Two sections of bed sheets, white in color, containing red stains

One white bedspread containing red stains

One small blue girl's short-sleeve blouse

(MEIRHOFER advised that the bed sheets, spread and blouse had all been in the warehouse when he purchased the same and that the owner of the warehouse had told him that he had done some butchering in this warehouse.)

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The following items were obtained from the personally owned automobile, a 1972 Jeep, Montana License #6-625 by SA [redacted] pursuant to a consensual search:

A newspaper article headed, "Girl Scouts Call to Summer Camps" with the following items being underlined:

"Camp Thunderbird, located ten miles west of Helena near Highway 12, Camp Maiden, 20 miles north of Lewistown will operate July 7-13. Camp Havre, 20 miles north of Havre (north crossed out) runs July 22-27 and Camp Westana will function between

August 2-8. Westana is north of Whitefish by Still Water Lake. Camp Silver Cloud 13 miles west of Anaconda is set for August 13-19."

(MEIRHOFER advised that he would refuse and decline to comment pertaining to these underlined items.)

In addition there were calendar pages from a desk calendar with the following hand-printed notations:

From calendar page of May 30, 1974, "Camp Thunderbird, 12 miles west of Helena, Girl Scouts, easy access, Forest Service Camp 1/4 mile away, densely wooded"

June 26-July 2, a hand-drawn map with a notation "Highway 12" is also located on this calendar page.

Calendar page of June 5, 1974, "Camp Tahepia CFE, West side of Georgetown Lake, densely wooded, two Forest Service campgrounds near"

Calendar page of May 31, 1974, "Camp Silver Cloud, East of Silver Lake, Girl Scouts, take Storm Lake access road, take first left, densely wooded August 13-19"

A hand-drawn map on the back of calendar page date July 30, 1974, with the notation "Camp Silver Cloud"

On calendar page, May 21, 1974, "Forest Service camp Piney-Georgetown Lake, good cover, close to CFG camp. Lodgepole-Georgetown Lake, good cover. Philipsburg Bay - Georgetown Lake good cover, close to CFG camp. Porcupine - West of Helena good cover

close to GS camp."

Also a hand-printed page containing the following:

Camp Scartana, mountains west of Augusta

Camp Maiden, 20 miles north near Lewistown

Camp Silver Cloud, 12 miles west of Anaconda

Camp Thunderbird, 10 miles west of Helena

Camp Havre, 22 miles south of Havre

Camp Westana, 18 miles north of Whitefish

Camp Templer Hills, CFG, 30 miles south of Livingston August 5-12-12-19

Camp Tahepia, Georgetown Lake"

It was noted that Camp Silver Cloud and Camp Thunderbird had check marks adjacent.

Regarding all of the above notations pertaining to camps, MEIRHOFER advised that he would make no comment whatsoever.

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DAVID MEIRHOFER made the following observation during the course of the consensual search of his home August 21, 1974.

The concrete slab poured on his present garage and apartment he con state was poured September 12, 1973. He can base this upon the fact that that is the date that he made payment for the pouring of the cement which was poured by M & M READY MIX COMPANY of Belgrade, Montana.

MEIRHOFER advised that in addition he had two employees helping to pour the cement.

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by — Date dictated

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Pursuant to the search of the home of DAVID MEIRHOFER, Manhattan, Montana, newspapers dated May 12, May 13, May 19, June 4, June 16, June 18, and July 29, 1974, were found. Certain articles in these newspapers were removed.

Corresponding newspapers were obtained and the articles which had been removed from the newspapers in MEIRHOFER's home are as follows:

"Bozeman Daily Chronicle," Sunday, May 12, 1974, lower outside corner of page 17 and 18: Page 17 photograph of four girls identified as top sellers with the Big Sky Scout Council who recently completed a successful cookie sales. The girls depicted in the photographs being:

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"Bozeman Daily Chronicle," May 13, 1974, upper center pages 1 and 2 the correlating article on page 2 is "Slay Case Yields No Active Leads," a newspaper article concerning investigation into the SANDRA SMALLEGAN homicide case as continuing but that there are presently no active leads

"Bozeman Daily Chronicle," Sunday, May 19, 1974, on page 13, 14 at the outside center article missing comparing

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with the paper of May 19, pages 13 and 14, the corresponding article is pertaining to a Girl Scout outdoor event slated at Lewistown, Montana, that over 100 girls, 13 - 15 are expected to attend a get acquainted event to be held at Camp Maiden located 20 miles north of Lewistown, Montana, in the heart of the Judith Mountains

"Bozeman Daily Chronicle," Tuesday, June 4, 1974, a piece was cut from left center pages 5 and 6. Page 6 of the "Bozeman Daily Chronicle" in corresponding position is an article pertaining to Girl Scouts being called to camps. That the Big Sky Council has five summer camps under the direction of MANDI STRELOW of Bigfork. The article corresponding to the one found during the search of MEIRHOFER's truck.

"Bozeman Daily Chronicle," June 16, 1974, a piece was cut out at the lower corner pages 21 and 22. The corresponding location of the paper of the same date reveals that the piece cut out pertains to an auction of household tools and goods at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds.

"Bozeman Daily Chronicle," June 18, 1974, article was missing pages 5 and 6 at top. A review of the "Bozeman Daily Chronicle" for this date and these pages reveal article in a similar spot pertained to a Camp Templed Hills out of Livingston, Montana, planed by the Camp Fire Girls for August 4 - 10 and 11 - 17 and that interested girls were invited to attend either session. The fee to be mailed to the Headwaters Council Camp Fire Girls, P. O. Box #763 or 37 East

Main, Bozeman, Montana.

"Bozeman Daily Chronicle," July 29, 1974, as obtained in the search had a piece missing from upper outside pages 3 and 4. The corresponding article is revealed as an article pertaining to a Belgrade girl VINNETT BARHAM, age 15 years, being still missing.

Copies of the articles as reviewed are maintained in the files of the Butte Office of the FBI.

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AT PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA

On August 26, 1974, investigation at CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY (CONOCO), Ponca City, revealed no CONOCO retail credit card ever issued to a DAVID G. MEIRHOFER. On September 25, 1973, MEIRHOFER purchased $11.00 worth of gasoline with CONOCO credit card [redacted] issued to [redacted]

Microfilm copy of invoice not clear, but gas purchased at what appeared to be HANSER'S AUTOMOTIVE, 430 South Billings Boulevard, Billings, Montana, on CONOCO Invoice [redacted] No vehicle license number recorded on invoice with gas purchase.

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No other purchases made by MEIRHOFER in September, 1973, on [redacted] credit card.

The following was furnished by [redacted] of the American Board of Psychiatry, by letter dated July 27, 1974:

WILLIAM S. PRUNTY, M.D.
DIPLOMATE OF THE AMERICAN BOARD OF PSYCHIATRY

BOZEMAN MEDICAL ARTS CENTER — 300 NORTH WILLSON AVENUE
BOZEMAN, MONTANA 59715
587-7011

July 27, 1974

Mr. Pete Dunbar
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Federal Building
Bozeman, Montana 59715

Re: David Meirhofer

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of last evening, I am preparing these comments for you about a former patient of mine, David Meirhofer. As you will recall, on February 21, 1974, you and I discussed this young man in my office. At that time you had obtained from David a written release giving me permission to communicate with you about the situation. Since I have not seen David since my original contact with him in 1966, I have nothing further to add to what we talked about on February 21, 1974.

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I first saw David Meirhofer on July 7, 1966, when he was referred to me by [redacted] of Manhattan, Montana. I saw David on three subsequent occasions in July, 1966, and have spent approximately a total of four hours with David and a brief period of time with his father during those interviews. David at that time was seventeen years of age. At that time he had been referred to me by [redacted] because of an altercation which occurred between David and Bruce Olson of Manhattan, who at that time was fourteen years of age. David and [redacted] were very close friends and had been for approximately one year. [redacted] expressed the opinion that there was no homosexual relationship between David and [redacted] had reported at that time to his parents who were concerned about the relationship that there was no homosexuality in the relationship. David vehemently stated that there was no sexual interest at all. He did state, however, that he "loved [redacted] and that [redacted] had expressed to him that he had the same feeling toward David. David was angry at [redacted] because he felt that [redacted] was leading [redacted] astray." He was unable to express to me any reason for this statement except that [redacted] was "a smartaleck" and [redacted] was becoming the same type of person because of [redacted] influence.

David then decided to drive into the country south of Manhattan with [redacted] and teach him a lesson by "beating him up." When they got out of the car, the fight started and David's knife "came out of his pocket" and in the ensuing fight [redacted] took the knife away from David and stabbed David in the back with it. When the two boys realized what had happened, the fight then stopped and [redacted] administered first aid and David was able to drive the car back to Manhattan and [redacted] sutured the stab wound. David stated that during the fight he knew what he was doing but at the same time he was unable to give any rational explanation why he would use a knife in a situation like this. He stated that he did not really want to hurt the boy but simply to teach him a lesson. Obviously, there are many unanswered questions in David's

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explanation of this situation. Following that altercation, of which the county attorney's office was aware, the [redacted] were to stay separated from David. David absolutely refused to accept this and stated that he would continue his friendship with [redacted] and he did see [redacted] even though he was not supposed to be doing so, and the [redacted] threatened legal action if the boys did not stay separated. I have no information of what happened in those relationships in the ensuing months because David terminated therapy after July 21, 1966, against my wishes and against the wishes of his father. David felt very strongly that he could handle himself and would not get into trouble again. b6 b7C

David came from a divorced family and at the time I was seeing him his father had remarried and he seemed to get along reasonably well with his stepmother. He was then living with his father and stepmother and a sibling, age two. David expressed to me that he had a great deal of hostility towards women because he felt that they were very domineering and controlling and could ruin a man's life by getting him to do anything that they wanted them to do. Therefore, he had decided that he would never marry. He denied any interest at all in the opposite sex but at the same time denied any interest in his own sex and stated that as far as he was concerned there was very little place for sex in life. David had masturbated some at the time I was seeing him but had read in a "doctor's book" that it was very harmful and he had ceased to engage in masturbation. He stated that he had had no other sexual activity of any kind. At that time he had one year of high school left and after completing high school he intended to start a carpentry business which I understand he has done and in a rather successful way. b6 b7C

My impression at the time I was seeing David was that there was indeed a homosexual meaning to his feelings about [redacted] but I was unable to get any verification of this from David. He was pleasant and cooperative in a sense but also seemed to realize that if he admitted nothing the legal problems that might ensue from his situation with [redacted] would take care of themselves. The entire relationship which I had with David was under duress in the sense that he would not have been here had he not been forced into it by his father and the [redacted] and the threat of legal action against him if he did not cooperate.

David was very interested in scouting and was functioning as an assistant leader of the scout troop of which his father was scoutmaster. David's friends at that time were predominantly younger than he, although he did state that he had a casual friendship with a boy by the name of [redacted] whose father was a taxidermist in Manhattan. I was impressed that David's denial of any sexual interest was unrealistic. I also felt that his antipathy for the opposite sex was significant and very deep-seated. He would not really discuss these matter with me, however, except to report how he felt. We were unable to pursue them in any depth. There was a great deal of anxiety in David when we discussed these matters about his feelings in terms of his relationships with others.

In terms of the diagnosis at the time I saw David, I felt that the correct diagnosis was that of a rather severe anxiety reaction in an adolescent adjustment reaction. I saw nothing to indicate at that time that David was

or had been psychotic. At the time of the Raney murder I was alerted to the fact that the murder had occurred at a scout function and a knife was used as the murder weapon. This concerned me about David because I knew his history and I arranged to have his name brought to the attention of the legal authorities. David does not know that and, in fact, you may not be aware that I was at that time the person who suggested that David be considered for questioning in that situation. Apparently, that was the first time he had been brought to the attention of the law enforcement people.

I do hope that my comments will be of some use to you in your investigation. By his signed consent of February 20, 1974, David has given me permission to communicate with you and I will be glad to continue to do so in any way that I may be of help in this situation.

Thank you for your kind consideration in these matters.

Yours very truly,

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AT HOUSTON, TEXAS

On August 23, 1974, [redacted] EXXON CORPORATION Security Office, advised their records show EXXON Credit Card [redacted] is issued to [redacted] Manhattan, Montana. [redacted] advised their records reflect there have been no charges against this credit card since October, 1972. b6 b7C

It is noted that [redacted] stated their records show the last name spelling of the credit card holder to be [redacted] and not [redacted]

On August 27, 1974, the Denver Office furnished the following information:

Port of Entry (POE) officials located the trip permit, #460731, August 27, 1974, in state archives. Permit reveals DAVID G. MEIRHOFER signed for one trip through Wyoming on September 24, 1973, at 1:10 p.m., driving for [redacted] TRANSFER, Manhattan, Montana. MEIRHOFER driving International Truck, License #6-1362. Trip ticket given by [redacted] who does not recall specifically issuing trip permit to MEIRHOFER. b6 b7C

POE officials stated original of trip permit may be obtained by subpoena, if necessary. They provided Xerox copy of permit.

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A review of the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) reflects that DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER, Marine Corps Serial #248-12-56, Social Security Account #517-62-5160, served in the U. S. Marine Corps October 1, 1968, to August 26, 1971, received an honorable discharge and no disciplinarian action and received the following specialty education courses:

Communication Electronic School
MRCD, San Diego, California
Basic Wire Communication
25.1D

The Washington Field Office advised as follows on August 27, 1974:

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[redacted] U. S. Marine Corps, Communications - Electronics School, San Diego, California, advised that Marine Corps course captioned "Communication Center Man (MOS 2542)" does not include any information regarding tapping into telephone lines with handset. Course instructs basic sending and receiving of routine message traffic. b6 b7C

[redacted] stated, however, that U. S. Marine Corps course "Basic Wire Communications 25 I.D." is a correspondence course, which would definitely include information regarding tapping into telephone lines with handset and/or handling of telephone equipment. Course instructs in the set-up of a complete communications center even in the remotest areas.

[redacted] Marine Corps Institute Building 160, Washington Navy Yard, Washington, D. C. (WDC) advised that Basic Wire Communications #25 I.D. is a correspondence course, which is a course in theory, which includes no practical work.

[redacted] advised, in his opinion, course does not provide technical knowhow to enable a person to easily tap into a dial telephone system. He advised that if individual having this course had also obtained field experience with either a business telephone unit, a regimental size unit in Vietnam, a Marine aircraft wing, he then would have had access to dial telephone gear, which would have given him the practical experience to tap into a dial telephone system. b6 b7C

[redacted] stated that the individual's background in any of the above areas or possible civilian experience would have to be known in order for him to state if individual had know-how to tape into commercial telephone system.

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DAVID MEIRHOFER was re-interviewed in the presence of his [redacted] at his home in Manhattan, Montana.

MEIRHOFER was informed that he had been identified by witnesses as the person making a [redacted] phone call. b6 b7C b7D

MEIRHOFER steadfastly denied that he had made a telephone call on [redacted] to [redacted] or had ever called [redacted]

He further denied any knowledge of the kidnaping of SUSAN MARIE JAFGER, the person responsible for her kidnaping or her present location.

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by _____ Date dictated _____

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[redacted] advised that copies of records as retained by the DOUMA TRANSFER COMPANY, Manhattan, Montana, had been turned over to [redacted] for DAVID MEIRHOFER.

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[redacted] for DAVID MEIRHOFER, furnished copies of records as obtained from the DOUMA TRANSFER COMPANY, which he advised was the full extent of the records furnished him by DOUMA TRANSFER COMPANY and, specifically, [redacted] pertaining to a trip made by DAVID MEIRHOFER to Lyons, Colorado, and back on September 23-25, 1974. b6 b7C

These copies included the following:

A cash sale by INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTORS of Cheyenne, Wyoming, September 24, 1973, for products totaling $5.76, charged by DAVID MEIRHOFER on Credit Card [redacted] issued to [redacted]

A guest registration duplicate for DAVID MEIPHOFER of Manhattan, Montana, at the RED CLIFF HOTEL, Lyons, Colorado, dated September 21, 1973, in the amount of $12.00, reflecting vehicle license as #6T1362

A guest check showing a total of $1.25, Check #132-21

A guest check marked Midwest, Wyoming, Junction Cafe, September 24, 1973, receiving $2.52 for meal, signed [redacted] b6 b7C

A duplicate of a Wyoming Trip Permit from the Wyoming Department of Revenue dated September 24, 1973, showing a time of 1:10 p.m., to DOUMA TRANSFER of Manhattan, Montana, make of tractor - International, with license #6-1362 from the State of Montana and a fee of $8.32 signed by DAVID MEIRHOFER, showing that the vehicle was empty, the Trip Permit being made at the

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Cheyenne, Wyoming, Port of Entry, bearing #460731 preceded by an O.T.

Trip Permit issued at Sheridan, Wyoming, 12:35 p.m., September 23, 1973, in the name of [redacted] Manhattan, Montana, for a trip from Manhattan, Montana, to Colorado, entered at the Sheridan, Wyoming, Port of Entry for an International Truck, [redacted] showing the commodities to be transported as horses from Montana to Colorado. Stamped "Cheyenne Permit Terminated" b6 b7C

A guest check at the FOUR WINDS INN dated September 23, 1973 b6 b7C

A guest check bearing [redacted] in the amount of $1.70, name not indicated

A Colorado Department of Revenue Port of Entry Division Permit [redacted] to [redacted] showing a destination of Pinewood Springs, Colorado, signed by [redacted] dated September 23, 1973

A guest check from the HUSKY RESTAURANT, Cheyenne, Wyoming, dated September 24, 1973, Check #0532 (last numeral illegible)

A Master Charge purchase on Card [redacted] for gas in the amount of $31.90 in Casper, Wyoming, September 23, 1973

A duplicate invoice dated September 24, 1973, at the JOHN JOHNSON TRUCK STOP, Loveland, Wyoming, showing purchases of petroleum products in the amount of $25.02, signed DAVID G. MEIRHOFER, initials "CM" on the charge, type of credit card not indicated

BT #7-497

CONTACTS WITH THE OFFICE
OF THE U. S. ATTORNEY

By letter dated July 19, 1974, the office of the U. S. Attorney, State and District of Montana, advised as follows:

"This will confirm that I had discussion with your agent Byron H. Dunbar this date, concerning a consensual recording of telephone calls placed by Agent Dunbar to various persons.

"Considering the facts of the case as outlined by Agent Dunbar, as known to me, we do authorize this consensual recording of telephonic conversations with the consent and recording known to one party (Agent Dunbar)."

Periodic conversations were had with the office of the U. S. Attorney, State and District of Montana, and, specifically, with [redacted] the last contact being August 29, 1974. b6 b7C

[redacted] requested the following information from the FBI Laboratory on August 20, 1974:

Could voice print examination be made if DAVID MEIRHOFER were compelled to furnish voice samples telephonically before a Grand Jury, which were simultaneously recorded; then an expert witness requested to examine the voice and compare with June 25, 1974, telephone call to Victim's mother.

Assistant U. S. Attorney requested to know how long the voice print type examination takes; does it have to be in a Laboratory; is equipment portable; could an immediate answer be given to Grand Jury; are there any experts more knowledgeable or better equipped to furnish definite identification than [redacted] of the University of Michigan, if so, who.

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The FBI Laboratory advised as follows on August 23, 1974:

It is the Laboratory's policy to conduct voice print examinations for investigative guidance only. Testimony will not be afforded.

Voice print comparison could be made between voice exemplar made telephonically before Grand Jury and the tape recording made June 25, 1974. The examination could not be conducted as suggested in or near a Grand Jury room, inasmuch as it would be inadvisable to transport voice print machine to provide this service, as well as the fact that other necessary technical aids and equipment would not be available for the expert to complete the examination.

No estimate could be accurately given concerning the time necessary to complete an examination of this type, inasmuch as variable factors, such as quality of tape recordings, length of recordings, availability of transcripts of recordings affect greatly the time required to make examinations. A minimum of one day is normally necessary for completion of a voice print examination. It is suggested that [redacted] Michigan State Police, East Lansing, Michigan, might possibly provide voice print analysis and give testimony thereto. He has worked with [redacted] at Michigan State University and has in the past given identification testimony based on voice print comparisons. b6 b7C

[redacted] advised during the course of contact August 29, 1974, that on the basis of the investigation conducted it appears there is definitely probable cause to believe that DAVID G. MEIRHOFER is responsible for the kidnaping in this case. He advised, however, there is a very definite possibility that there is not Federal jurisdiction and that he anticipates reviewing the law to resolve whether or not there is Federal jurisdiction. In the absence of Federal jurisdiction, he will then consider a conference with the appropriate prosecuting attorney for the State of Montana.

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FBI

Date: 9/10/74

Transmit the following in _____ (Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (7-497)(P)

SUBJECT: CHANGED
DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

Title of this case is being marked changed to indicate the name of the Subject as DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER as developed by investigation. Title previously carried as "UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka - VICTIM, KIDNAPING."

Case discussed with USA, State and District of Montana, and AUSA [redacted] 9/5/74. USA [redacted] advised withholding prosecutive opinion to review from jurisdictional aspect. Anticipates case will probably be tried State Court rather than Federal, but before decision is made needs to research law in its entirety and confer with Department.

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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3:55 PM URGENT SEPTEMBER 16, 1974 LKS

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

DETROIT

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (P) 2P

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM.

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CONFRONTATION [redacted] WITH SUB. PROPOSED TEN THIRTY A.M., MDT, SEPTEMBER 19, 1974. CONFRONTATION TO BE IN LAW LIBRARY ANDERSON AND DASINGER, (SUBJECT'S ATTY) BOZEMAN, MONT. SECURITY ASSURED. SUB. WILL BE SEARCHED BY HIS ATTY AND ANY POTENTIAL WEAPONS REMOVED PRIOR TO CONFRONTATION. CONVERSATION WILL BE RECORDED WITH ATTORNEY'S APPROVAL. AUSA [redacted] APPROVED CONFRONTATION SEPTEMBER 16, 1974; [redacted] APPROVED CONFRONTATION WITH ADMONITION HE WOULD HAVE TO ADVISE MEIRHOFER OF PROPOSAL.

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ROUND TRIP COST DETROIT TO BOZEMAN, MONT., TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX DOLLARS FIFTY-FIVE CENTS. [redacted] SHOULD DEPART DETROIT, MICHIGAN, TWELVE FIFTEEN P.M., EDT SEPTEMBER 18, 1974, WILL BE MET AT PLANE, BOZEMAN, MONT., FIVE ZERO SIX P.M., MDT. UACB DE PAY COSTS FROM CONFIDENTIAL FUND. b6 b7C

DETROIT PURCHASE TICKETS, ESCORT [redacted] TO PLANE.

ABOVE PROPOSAL, UACB.

END.

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FBI

Date: 9/18/74

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY, NUMBER E-2259-OA
CR-14242IC

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (7-1248) (P)

UNSUB;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka. - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
(OO: BUTTE)

E-2395 OA

Re Detroit airtel to the Bureau, dated 8/29/[redacted]

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are two Ampex 370 tape cassettes, one bearing two recordings taken 9/16/74, the other bearing one recording taken 9/17/74.

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For the information of the Bureau, [redacted] is a [redacted] of DAVID MEIRHOFER, suspect in this matter, and MEIRHOFER has indicated [redacted] voice is similar to his. The enclosed tape cassette, dated 9/16/74, includes two telephone conversations. The first conversation involves a call from SA [redacted] Grand Rapids, Michigan, to telephone number [redacted] Holland, in which an attempt was made to contact [redacted] was then unavailable, the person answering the call was not identified and this call should be disregarded by the FBI Laboratory. The second call on this tape cassette involves a call from [redacted] to SA [redacted] Grand Rapids. The recording taken 9/17/74, involves an interview of [redacted] by SA [redacted] in which [redacted] voluntarily read portions of a previously recorded telephone conversation.

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Returned to Detroit ENCLOSURE

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It is requested that the Radio Engineering Section of the FBI Laboratory compare taped conversations with [redacted] with the voice of unknown subject caller making [redacted] and [redacted] telephone calls which are on recordings previously furnished to the FBI Laboratory. b6 b7C

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB;
~~XXXX~~ SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

File # 7-14789 133
Lab.# E-2395 OA

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Examination requested by: SAC, Detroit (7-1248) (P) airtel dated 9/18/74

Examination requested: Engineering

Date received: 9/23/74

Result of Examination:

Examination by

evidence recd 9-23-74
rec-cassette
copies made + returned
K12, K13 returned to Detroit
examination discontinued

marked PAK 9-23-74 "

K12 Ampex 370 tape cassette bearing recordings taken 9/16/74

K13 Ampex 370 tape cassette bearing recordings taken 9/17/74

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

September 23, 1974

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This concerns Susan Marie Jaeger, aged seven, who was taken from a tent while on a camping trip with her family near Three Forks, Montana, 6/25/73.

Butte has advised subject David Gail Meirhofer made no admissions when confronted by [redacted] on 9/19 and 20/74, but that [redacted] is convinced of subject's guilty. Confrontations between Meirhofer and [redacted] on 9/19/74, were taped and these tapes will be submitted to the Bureau. b6 b7C

WDG:dka

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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NR 002 BT PLAIN
6:15 PM NITEL SEPTEMBER 20, 1974 TDS

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

DETROIT (7-1248)

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (P)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM.

KIDNAPING. OO: BUTTE.

RE BUTTE TEL TO BUREAU, SEPTEMBER 19, 1974.

SUMMARY [redacted] HAD FOLLOWING CONFRONTATIONS WITH SUB.:

SEPTEMBER 19, 1974, ONE THIRTY-TWO P.M. TO TWO FIFTY-FIVE P.M., LAW OFFICE ANDERSON AND DASINGER WITH SUB'S ATTORNEY, SUB AND [redacted] PRESENT. CONFRONTATION TAPED AND TO BE FORWARDED TO BUREAU FOR TRANSCRIPT AND COPIES.

SEPTEMBER 19, 1974, NINE TWENTY-TWO P.M. TO TEN FORTY-SIX P.M., TELEPHONIC. TAPED AND TO BE SENT TO BUREAU FOR TRANSCRIPT.

SEPTEMBER 20, 1974, ONE THIRTY-ONE TO TWO ELEVEN P.M., ON [redacted] STREET, MANHATTAN, MONTANA.

IN CONFRONTATIONS NO ADMISSIONS MADE BY SUB BUT [redacted] CONVINCED OF SUB.'S GUILT.

STREET CONFRONTATION NOT TAPED.

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FURTHER CONFRONTATIONS NOT WARRANTED. [redacted] RETURN TO DETROIT NOT SCHEDULED. DETROIT WILL BE ADVISED AS RESERVATIONS MADE.

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AMW FBIHQ ACK FOR ONE TEL

CLR

cc: External Affairs Division

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9:36 PM NITEL SEPTEMBER 19, 1974 TDS

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

FROM BUTTE (7-497)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM. KIDNAPING.

OO: BUTTE.

[redacted] HAD CONFRONTATION SUBJECT COMMENCING ONE THIRTY-TWO P.M., SEPT. 19, 1974; PRESENT WERE [redacted] AND SUBJECT, IN LAW LIBRARY OF ANDERSON AND DASINGER LAW FIRM, BOZEMAN, MONTANA. SUBJECT CONTINUOUSLY DENIED KNOWLEDGE OF OR INVOLVEMENT IN CAPTIONED CASE.. b6 b7C

[redacted] FIRMLY CONVINCED THAT HE IS PERSON RESPONSIBLE. CONFRONTATION WAS TERMINATED BY ATTORNEY AT TWO FIFTY-FIVE P.M.

[redacted] BELIEVES ADDITIONAL CONFRONTATION WITHOUT SUBJECT'S ATTORNEY MIGHT BE FRUITFUL. AUSA AND STATE ATTORNEY [redacted] POTENTIAL PROSECUTOR ADVISED AND STATE NO OBJECTION TO THIS TYPE CONFRONTATION IF SUBJECT'S ATTORNEY AWARE OF POSSIBILITY. SUBJECT'S ATTORNEY DID NOT DENY OPPORTUNITY TO CONFRONT SUBJECT, BUT ADVISED HE HAS TOLD SUBJECT NOT TO TALK TO VICTIMS PARENTS OR FBI EXCEPT IN HIS PRESENCE. FURTHER ADVISED NO FURTHER CONSENSUAL

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SEARCHES WILL BE PERMITTED RE SUBJECT'S PREMISE, PROPERTY OR VEHICLE.

UACB ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE OF CONFRONTATION BETWEEN [redacted] b6 b7C

AND SUBJECT WITHOUT ATTORNEY PRESENT, ONE P.M. EDT. SEPT. 20, 1974.

IF BUREAU, INCLUDING OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL, CONSIDER SECOND

CONFRONTATION INADVISABLE REQUEST BUTTE BE ADVISED PRIOR ONE P.M.EDT.

END

LRF FBIHQ CLR

cc: Legal Counsel
External Affairs Division

Laboratory Transmittal Form
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FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Butte (7-497)

Date: September 24, 1974

From: Director, FBI

Re: UNSUB;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

FBI File No. 7-14789

Lab. No. PC-L1371 MC OL
PC-L1700 MC

Examination requested by: Butte

Reference: Airtels 8/23/74 and 9/5/74

Examination requested: Miscellaneous - Microscopic Analyses -
Chemical Analyses

Remarks:

Specimens Q21 through Q34 and the "Resubmitted" glass microscope slides are being returned under separate cover by registered mail.

FJW/rrk (4)
Enclosures (3) (2 Lab report) 1 Smithsoian report)

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REPORT of the

FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Butte

Date: September 24, 1974

FBI File No. 7-14789

Lab. No. PC-L1371 MC OL
PC-L1700 MC

Re: UNSUB;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Specimens received 8/26/74

Under cover of letter dated 8/23/74 (PC-L1371 MC)

Q21-Q23	Three rags
Q24-Q25	Two paper towels
Q26-Q27	Two pieces of insulation
Q28-Q29	Two portions of sheet
Q30	Bedspread
Q31	Blouse
Q32-Q34	Three bags of debris

Specimens received: 9/9/74

Under cover of letter dated 9/5/74 (PC-L1700 MC)

Resubmitted from PC-K0951 NU:

Four glass microscope slides containing hairs from specimen Q8

Result of examination:

Human blood, unsuitable for conclusive grouping purposes, was found on specimens Q24, Q25, Q28, Q29 and Q30. No blood was found on specimens Q21 through Q23, Q26, Q27 and Q31. It is not possible to determine the age of the bloodstains present on specimens Q24, Q25, Q28, Q29 and Q30, nor the age of the person from whom the stains originated. b6 b7C

A brown head hair fragment of Caucasian origin was found on Q31. This hair fragment is microscopically dissimilar to hairs present on the Q8 hairbrush and, accordingly, could not be associated with the same source as the hairs from Q8.

Specimens Q32 through Q34 were examined by [redacted] Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. [redacted] findings are being furnished to you as an enclosure to this report.

FJW/rrk (4)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

File # 7-14789 130
Lab.# PC-L1371 MC OL

AIRTEL 8/23

Examination requested by: SAC, BUTTE (7-497)

Examination requested: Misc (Anthr)
Mic Anal (H)
Chem Anal (Biochem)

Date received: 8/26 rm

Examination by: [redacted] b6 b7C

Result of Examination:

airtel 8/30
Q21-Q31 to OL 9/4 ret 9/23
Q32-Q34 to Dr. Angel 9/4 ret 9/9

K-10 used
R+E submission

1 sl.

see L1700

Specimens:

Q21-Q23 Three rags
Q24-Q25 Two paper towels
Q26-Q27 Two pieces of insulation
Q28-Q29 Two portions of sheet
Q30 Bedspread
Q31 Blouse
Q32-Q34 Three bags of debris

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FJW/RRK
9/24/74

PC-L1371

Q 31 Solid light blue blouse, all size buttons have been pulled off the front, short sleeves, sealed, label: PERMANENT PRESS 9-32/ 65% DACRON POLYESTER 35% COTTON [redacted]

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PC-L1371

Q31 animal H's
med to med-lg hr HH frag C.O.
basal end crushed
dias to H's present on
slides containing H's from
Q8.

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C. DATE: September 6, 1974
Attn: [redacted] FBI Laboratory # PC-L 1371

FROM [redacted]
Department of Anthropology, S.I.

SUBJECT: 3 bags of ashy material from different places

None of the bags contains any piece of identifiable bone, human or animal. After considerable search I can't find any bone at all.

In addition to wood, plaster, nails, and 2 scraps of paper or cardboard the bag from the stove (Q 33) does contain some flat metal scraps. But I can identify no fragment of dental bridge or other artifact connected with human burning.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPPING
OO: BUTTE

File # 7-14789-136
Lab.# PC-L1371 MC OL

AIRTEL 8/23

Examination requested by: SAC, BUTTE (7-497)

Examination requested: Misc. (Anthr)
Mic Anal (H)
Chem Anal (Biochem)

Date received: 8/26 rm

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted]

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from file 9/4

Specimens:

Blood

Q21-Q23	Three rags
Q24-Q25	Two paper towels
Q26-Q27	Two pieces of insulation
Q28-Q29	Two portions of sheet
Q30	Bedspread
Q31	Blouse
Q32-Q34	Three bags of debris

Result of Examination:

Human blood, unsuitable for conclusive grouping purposes, was found on specimens Q24, Q25 Q28, Q29 and Q30. No blood was found on specimens Q21 through Q23, Q26, Q27 and Q31. It is not possible to determine the age of the blood stains present on specimens Q24, Q25, Q28, Q29 and Q30, nor the age of the person from whom the stains originated.

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BLOOD EXAMINATION

PC- L1371

Contributor: SAC, Butte

Date: 9-16-74

Specimen	Benz.	Hemo.	Anti-H	Groupings Elut.	Groupings Inh.	Crust	Remarks
Q21 Rag	—						Soiled, heavily paint? stained
Q22 Rag	—						
Q23 Rag	—						
Q24 Paper 1	+		+1/Su	1/wc	1/wc	A— B— O—	heavily
towel 2	+			1/wc		A— B— O—	bloodstained
Q25 Paper 1	+		+1/Su	1/wc	1/wc	A— B— O—	heavily
towels 2	+			1/wc		A— B— O—	bloodstained
Q26 Piece of insulation	—						
Q27 Piece of insulation	—						
Q28 Portion of sheet 1	+		+1/Su	1/wc	1/wc	A— B— O—	Good small stain

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BLOOD EXAMINATION

PC- L1371
Contributor SAC, Butte
Date 9-16-74

Specimen	Benz.	Hemo.	Anti-H	Groupings Elut.	Groupings Inh.	Crust	Remarks
Q28 Portion 2₁	+		+1/Su	1/NC		A – B – O –	Good Scrubbing
of Sheet 2₂	+			1/NC			
							—
Q29 Portion 1	+		+1/Su	1/WC	1/WC	A – B – O –	
of Sheet 2	+			1/WC		A – B – O –	
Q30 Bedspread	+		1/Su	1/WC	1/WC	A – B – O –	stains appear
2	+			1/WC		A – B – O –	to be diluted
3	+			1/WC			or old ??
Q31 Blouse	—						

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CASE # PC-1,1371 Elution **BLOOD GROUPING** DATE 9-20-74

SPECIMEN	SERUM	CELLS	STAIN	CONTROL	GROUP	REMARKS
SERUM CONTROL	B	A				
	A	B				
KNOWN O	B	A		—		
	A	B		—		
KNOWN A1	B	A		+		
	A	B		—		
KNOWN B	B	A		—		
	A	B		+		
KNOWN AB	B	A		+		
	A	B		+		
#2	B	A		+		
	A	B		—		
Q24-1	B	A	—	—		
WC	A	B	—	—		
Q24-2	B	A	—	—		
WC	A	B	—	—		
O	B	A		—		
	A	B		—		
AB	B	A		+		
	A	B		+		
Q25-1	B	A	—	—		
WC	A	B	—	—		
Q25-2	B	A	—	—		
WC	A	B	—	—		
Q28-1	B	A	—	—		
WC	A	B	+	—		
Q28-2,	B	A	—			
	A	B	+			

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CASE # PC-L 1371 Eustonia

BLOOD GROUPING

DATE 9-20-74

SPECIMEN	SERUM	CELLS	STAIN	CONTROL	GROUP	REMARKS
Q28-2	B	A	—			
	A	B	+			
O	B	A		—		
	A	B		—		
AB	B	A		+		
	A	B		+		
Q29-1	B	A	—	—		
WC	A	B	—	—		
Q29-2	B	A	—	—		
WC	A	B	+	—		
Q30-1	B	A	—	—		
WC	A	B	—	—		
Q30-2	B	A	—	—		
WC	A	B	—	—		
O	B	A		—		
	A	B		—		
AB	B	A		+		
	A	B		+		
Q30-3	B	A	—	—		
WC	A	B	+	—		
=	B	A				
	A	B				
	B	A				
	A	B				
	B	A				
	A	B				
	B	A				
	A	B				

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CASE # PC-1371

BLOOD GROUPING

DATE 9/23/74

SPECIMEN	SERUM	CELLS	STAIN	CONTROL	GROUP	REMARKS
SERUM CONTROL	B	A		+		
	A	B		+		
KNOWN O	B	A		+		
	A	B		+		
KNOWN A	B	A		−		
	A	B		+		
KNOWN B	B	A		+		
	A	B		−		
KNOWN AB	B	A		−		
	A	B		−		
KNOWN A2	B	A		−		
	A	B		+		
Q 24-1	B	A	−	+		
NC	A	B	+	+		
Q25-1	B	A	hemo	+		
WC	A	B	"	Tr.		
Q28-1	B	A	hemo.	+		
WC	A	B	Tr.	+		
Q29-1	B	A	−	+		
WC	A	B	Tr.	+		
Q30-1	B	A	−	+		
WC	A	B	hemo.	Tr.		
	B	A				
	A	B				
	B	A				
	A	B				
	B	A				
	A	B				

8/23/74

AIRTEL AIRMAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM : SAC, BUTTE (7-497) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

Forwarded under separate cover to the FBI Laboratory are the following:

Items obtained from a consensual search of property of DAVID G. MEIRHOFER, prime suspect, Manhattan, Montana:

3 pink mechanic wipe clothes red stained, from MEIRHOFER garage

2 paper hand towels red stained from MEIRHOFER garage

2 portions of insulation from MEIRHOFER garage, red stained

2 sections of bed sheets red stained from MEIRHOFER warehouse

2 - Bureau (AM)
2 - Packages (AM) (Reg.)
2 - Butte
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BT #7-497

1 white bedspread with red stains from LEIRDOYER warehouse

1 small girl's blue short-sleeved blouse containing stains

From Horseshoe Hills area of Gallatin County, Montana, and general vicinity of where pertinent telephone call was made to the [redacted]

Sample from campfire located 1½ miles north of beacon on property of [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

Ash samples from stove located in 3-story cabin on [redacted] property

Sample of ash from campfire in rear of 3-story cabin on [redacted] property

Regarding debris from the campfires and stove, reference is made to Gallatin County SO letter to the Director, Attention FBI Laboratory, 3/6/74, and Bureau letters to the Gallatin County SO, 4/30/74 and 4/10/74.

The debris, as forwarded, is also in close proximity to where cut, charred and burned bones of SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN were located.

REQUEST OF THE FBI LABORATORY

Regarding the last three submissions (samples from campfires and stove) the Laboratory is requested to conduct appropriate investigation to determine if these samples contain any bone fragments or evidence of a human body.

Regarding the girl's short-sleeved blouse, the Laboratory's attention is directed to a hair brush previously

submitted as used exclusively by the Victim.

The FBI Laboratory is requested to examine the blue girl's short sleeved shirt for evidence of blood stains, to determine blood stains, if developed, are human or animal, and if human, to group.

Examine the blouse to determine if there are any human hair samples or pieces contained therein. If hair samples are located, will compare them with known hair samples of the Victim in this case as previously submitted with the hair brush. (The hair brush is available to be re-submitted by Butte.) Will compare with known hair samples as obtained on hair brush of SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN as referred to as item Q-6 in Bureau letter to Sheriff L. D. W. ANDERSON, Bozeman, Montana, 4/10/74, in case captioned "UNSUB; SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN - VICTIM; MURDER."

Will examine three mechanic wipe clothes, two paper hand towels, two portions of insulation, two sections of bed sheets, and white bedspread, all containing stains appearing to be red which could be blood. Determine if they do contain blood stains. If blood stains are developed, will determine whether human and then determine blood grouping and any other pertinent data specifically indicating the age of the stain and, if possible, the age of the person who may have caused the stain, noting the Victim in this case was 7 years of age at the time of her kidnaping on 6/25/73; and noting SANDRA DYKMAN SMALLEGAN was approximately 18 years of age at the time of her murder. Will note that DAVID G. MEIRHOFER of Manhattan, Montana, should be considered the prime suspect in both cases.

At the conclusion of the requested examination, the Laboratory will return the above listed items to Butte.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

File # 7-14789 136
Lab.# PC-L1700 MC
AIRTEL 9/5

Examination requested by: SAC, BUTTE (7-497)

Examination requested: Mic Anal (H)

Result of Examination:

Date received: 9/9 hw

Examination by [redacted] b6 b7C

See PC-L1371 W.S.

Resubmitted from PC-K0951 NW:

FOUR glass microscope slides containg hairs from specimen Q8

9/5/74

AIRTEL AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)
Attention: FBI Laboratory

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (7-497) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

Re Butte airtel to Bureau, 8/23/74; and Bureau airtel to Butte, 8/30/74.

Enclosed for the Bureau are glass microscope slides containing hair fragments.

Request of Bureau:

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare the enclosed hair samples with brown head hair located on short-sleeve blouse as requested in re Butte airtel.

3 - Bureau (Encs. 2) (AM)
2 - Butte
BHD/hgb
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3:15 ~~AM~~ ~~PM~~ NITEL SEPTEMBER 25, 1974 TEB

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

BUTTE (7-497)

FROM DETROIT (7-1248) (P)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM, KIDNAPING,

OO: BUTTE.

RE BUTTE TEL TO DIRECTOR SEPTEMBER 24, 1974, AND DETROIT TELCALL TO BUTTE SEPTEMBER 24, 1974.

INVESTIGATION DETROIT DIVISION CONCERNING SEPT. 24/74 TELCALL RECIEVED BY [redacted] REVEALS LONG DISTANCE COLLECT CALL RECIEVED BY [redacted] APPROXIMATELY [redacted] MALE OPERATOR INDICATED CALL BEING PLACED BY A [redacted] CALL ACCEPTED. CALL LASTED [redacted] TRACE INSTITUTED BY [redacted] ALTHOUGH UNABLE TO COMPLETE TRACE DURING CALL.

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CALLER CALLED [redacted] BY FIRST NAME [redacted] ADVISED SHE IMMEDIATELY IDENTIFIED VOICE OF CALLER AS BEING THAT OF MEIRHOFFER, BASED ON RECENT BUREAU SUPERVISED CONFRONTATIONS WITH MEIRHOFFER IN MONTANA. DURING CALL [redacted] 26 1974 [redacted] CALLED THE CALLER DAVID ON SEVERAL OCCASSIONS. CALLER INDICATED HE WAS NOT A DAVID AND BECAME UPSET WITH [redacted] CONTINUED REFERENCE TO DAVID.

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CALLER INDICATED THAT HE KNEW [redacted] HAD TAPED THE [redacted] PHONE CALL HE HAD PREVIOUSLY MADE TO HER. HE CALLED THE [redacted] CALL THE "ANNIVERSARY CALL". DURING CALL CALLER PUT A CHILD ON THE PHONE STATING THE CHILD WAS VICTIM. CHILD STATED "THIS GUY IS NICE. I AM SITTING ON HIS LAP". [redacted] INDICATES CHILD IS NOT IDENTICAL TO VICTIMS. CALLER SAID THAT THE FBI IS INTO THIS NOW "AND "HOW DO YOU THINK I COULD GET HER BACK WITH THE FBI IN THIS INVESTIGATION". CALLER BECAME UPSET DURING CALL AND TERMINATED CALL STATING "YOU'RE NEVER GOING TO GET [redacted] BACK".

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CONVERSATION TAPED.

DETROIT IS REPRODUCING TAPE AND WILL EXPEDITIOUSLY FORWARD COPY TO BUTTE AND ORIGINAL TO LAB FOR COMPARISONS. COPIES OF TRANSCRPT OF TAPE BEING PREPARED BY DETROIT AND WILL BE FORWARDED TO BUTTE.

END

TMA FBIHQ CLR

cc - 7

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Q35-Q37

9/23

CHEM.

FBI

Date: 9/19/74

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

11a-MC

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM : SAC, BUTTE (7-497) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

PC-L 2060 MC

COPY & SPECIMENS RETAINED IN LAB FOR LAB ACTION & REPORT

Re report of SA BYRON H. DUNBAR, Butte, 9/10/74, and letter of Sheriff L. D. W. ANDERSON, Gallatin County, Montana, to the FBI Laboratory, 3/6/74, in a case captioned "SANDRA DYCKMAN SMALLEGAN - VICTIM, Murder."

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For the information of the FBI Laboratory, the Lockhart Ranch located north and west of Manhattan, Montana, was re-searched 9/17/74 under the supervision of [redacted] Gallatin County SO. The area specifically searched was the outdoor toilet facility and items found therein which were believed to be of human origin.

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Submitted for the FBI Laboratory are three plastic containers as furnished by [redacted] Number One appears to be bone and possibly human bone. Number Two a substance containing a material somewhat identical to that on Number One. Number Three a substance believed to be of human origin.

7-14789-138

EX-105 REC-7

2 - Bureau (AM)
1 - Package (AM)
3 - Butte
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As the Laboratory has previously been advised, local pathologists have suggested that they are not as skilled in determining whether the source of material such as the enclosure is human or animal in origin. Therefore, these items are submitted to the FBI Laboratory with the following request. b6 b7C b7D

REQUEST OF THE FBI LABORATORY

Will furnish the enclosed samples to the appropriate anthropologists in order that it can be determined whether or not these are of human origin. If human, will endeavor to ascertain from these samples the sex and age of the person from which these materials emanated. (Will note that the Victim in captioned case was a white female, age 7. Will note that SANDRA DYCKMAN SMALLEGAN was a white female, age 19 at the time of her death.) Will further note that these items came from that area wherein a telephone call was made in captioned case to the [redacted] on [redacted]

At the conclusion of the requested examination, will return the enclosed items to the Butte Office.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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3:27 PM URGENT SEPTEMBER 24, 1974 TMT

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

DENVER (7-754)

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MINNEAPOLIS (7-609)

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (P) 1P

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM.

KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE.

REMYTEL, SEPTEMBER 24, 1974.

DISCONTINUE EFFORTS TO TRACE CALL. INVESTIGATION DETERMINED CALL EMANATED FROM SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END.

BEH FBIHQ ACK AND CRXX CRCCXXXX CLR

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Gebhardt

DATE: 9/20/74

FROM [redacted] b6 b7C

1 - Mr. Gebhardt
1 - [redacted]
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SUBJECT: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

The purpose of this memorandum is to obtain approval for Butte to arrange for a confrontation between [redacted] and subject Meirhofer in the absence of Meirhofer's attorney on 9/20/74. b6 b7C b7D

This concerns Susan Marie Jaeger, white female, aged seven, who was taken from a tent while on a camping trip with her family near Three Forks, Montana, 6/25/73. Intensive investigation has been conducted to date and David Gail Meirhofer, residence Manhattan, Montana, has been developed as a subject.

On 6/25/74, [redacted] residence [redacted] received two telephone calls from an unknown caller, who identified himself as the kidnaper. The caller uniquely described the victim as well as the circumstances regarding a previous call made to [redacted] on [redacted] The calls to [redacted] on [redacted] were determined to be billed to a [redacted] resident [redacted] who denied placing the calls. Upon contact [redacted] advised he had noted tire tracks leading to his rural phone lines and identified these tracks as made by tires identical to his own spare tire, a Goodyear Suburbanite. [redacted] volunteered he had seen four similar tires on a vehicle belonging to Meirhofer, who had previously worked for him.

The FBI Laboratory has identified the [redacted] and [redacted] phone calls to [redacted] as made by the same person and that a comparison of Meirhofer's voice and that of the 6/25/74, caller indicates a similarity.

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On 7/28/74, with the consent of his attorney, Meirhofer and other selected individuals agreed to read a verbatim transcript of the [redacted] call to [redacted] These readings were telephonically directed to the [redacted] where they were recorded. As a result of these calls, [redacted] both of whom heard the [redacted] caller, identified the number two caller as the person who made the [redacted] call. Meirhofer was the number two caller of the five persons who telephonically contacted the [redacted] on [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

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9/20 - ASAC V.S. Mclaine advised Butte approved for confrontation between Meirhofer and [redacted] in the absence of Meirhofer's attorney. Mclaine advised Butte to contact Federal Magistrate at Helena and Assistant U.S. Attorney prior to confrontation.

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Bates to Gebhardt memorandum
Re: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER

Transcripts of the calls placed to the [redacted] on [redacted] and [redacted], were forwarded to [redacted] University of Syracuse, Syracuse, New York, for semantic analysis. [redacted] advised on 9/4/74, that there was no doubt in his mind that the tapes pertaining to Meirhofer, known voice sample, as well as the telephone calls to [redacted] residence on [redacted] and [redacted] were of the same personality. He stated we are definitely dealing with an extremely psychotic personality. A personality which in his opinion is extremely dangerous with respect to his potential for violence. [redacted] further noted in the telephone call of [redacted] that the unknown caller became very submissive to the [redacted] He claimed that there was a high possibility that this submission to a dominant female could very well be duplicated. He, therefore, suggested the possiblity of having the [redacted] directly confront Meirhofer. b6 b7C b7D

As a result of [redacted] analysis, arrangements were made with the consent of Meirhofer's attorney and the Assistant U. S. Attorney, Billings, for a confrontation between [redacted] and Meirhofer on 9/19/74. At the confrontation, on 9/19/74, Meirhofer denied knowledge of or involvement in this matter. However [redacted] is firmly convinced that Meirhofer is the person responsible for [redacted] disappearance and believes an additional confrontation with Meirhofer in the absence of his attorney might be fruitful. This matter was discussed with the Assistant U. S. Attorney and State Attorney [redacted] potential prosecutor, who advised they have no objection to this type confrontation if subject's attorney is aware of the possibility. b6 b7C

Meirhofer's attorney was contacted on 9/19/74, and did not deny the opportunity to confront Meirhofer again but advised he has informed his client not to talk to victim's parents or FBI except in his presence.

In view of the above, Butte has advised an attempt will be made on 9/20/74, to effect a confrontation between [redacted] and Meirhofer in the absence of his attorney.

This matter has been discussed with [redacted] Office of Legal Counsel, who advised he has no objection to a confrontation between [redacted] and Meirhofer, in the absence of Meirhofer's attorney. However,

Bates to Gebhardt memorandum
Re: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER

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On 9/20/74, ASAC [redacted] Butte, advised that Meirhofer is not in custody and has not been indicted or charged by Federal or local authorities with this crime. He further advised the confrontation as set up is to occur at approximately 1:00 p.m., Mountain Standard Time, 9/20/74, at Manhattan, Montana.

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ACTION:

That approval be granted for Butte to arrange the above confrontation between [redacted] and subject Meirhofer.

DG MM/JG Mft RES 8

I OK with legal counsel I see no objection to this. RES 8

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NR 001 BT PLAIN

7:06 SEPTEMBER 25, 1974 MIXED PMD

TO DIRECTOR (NITEL)

SALT LAKE CITY (7-590) (URGENT)

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (P)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE.

RE BUTTE TEL TO SALT LAKE CITY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1974.

FOLLOWING NAMES AND SALT LAKE PHONE NUMBERS OF PERSONS DEPARTING SALT LAKE VIA FRONTIER AIRLINES TO BOZEMAN, MONT., FLIGHT 614, SEPTEMBER 24, 1974.

A MONT MORENCY, SALT LAKE CONTACT POINT - HOLIDAY INN AIRPORT.
CHARLES LANE, SALT LAKE CONTACT NO. [redacted] SALT
LAKE CONTACT POINTS [redacted]
[redacted] SALT LAKE CONTACT POINT [redacted] BOTH).

SALT LAKE CITY AT SALT LAKE THROUGH ABOVE NAMES AND NUMBERS IMMEDIATELY RESOLVE IF ANY OF THESE PERSONS COULD BE IDENTICAL WITH SUB. THROUGH FRONTIER AIRLINES DETERMINE IF ANY PASSENGER COULD HAVE BOARDED AS LAST MINUTE STANDBY AND NOT BEEN ON FLIGHT MANIFEST. IF SO, OBTAIN NAME AND RESOLVE WHETHER IDENTICAL WITH SUB.

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OBTAIN IDENTITY FLIGHT CREW, FLIGHT 614, SEPTEMBER 24, 1974, SALT LAKE TO BOZEMAN, INTERVIEW AND EXHIBIT PHOTO SUB.

SPECIFICALLY INTERVIEW PHONE OPERATORS AT TRAVELODGE MOTEL.

END

5 SEP 30 1974

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FBI

Date: 9/23/74

Transmit the following in _____ (Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL (Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM : SAC, BUTTE (7-497) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
aka - VICTIM
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Enclosed for FBI Laboratory is tape #4 (monitoring confrontation between [redacted] and Subject on 9/19/74, 1:32 p.m. to 2:55 p.m., [redacted] and [redacted] Bozeman, Montana.) Tape was recorded at 15/16 ips on [redacted]

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory tapes #5 and #5a recording telephonic conversation between Subject and [redacted] from [redacted] on [redacted]

EX-103

REC-31

REQUEST OF FBI LABORATORY
ATTENTION: RADIO ENGINEERING SECTION

7-14789

Make comparisons of the enclosed tapes with the 6/25/74 tape previously furnished to the Laboratory when the Subject telephoned the [redacted]

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Will prepare duplicate copy of tape #4 (personal confrontation between the Subject and the [redacted] at law office, Bozeman, Montana) and cause to be prepared a transcription of this conversation. b6 b7C

Will prepare duplicate tapes to be furnished the Butte Office of the telephonic conversation as set forth in tape #5 and #5a.

Will furnish the Butte Office the duplicate copies of the enclosed tapes.

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9/26/74
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER;
aka - KICTIM;
KIDNAPING
OO: Butte

File # 7-14789 142
Lab.# E-2400 OA

Examination requested by: SAC, Butte (7-497) (P) airtel dated 9/23/74

Examination requested: Engineering

Date received: 9/26/74

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted] b6 b7C

tapes rec'd 9-26-74
Cans marked 9-26-74 SA K
Copies maintained in Lab.
examination discontinued

discontinued

K 14, K15 K16 returned to Butte

K12 Tape #4, conversation on 9/19/74 between 1:32 and 2:55 p.m.
K13, K14 Tapes #5 and #5a, conversation of 9/19/74 between 9:22 and 10:46 p.m.

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
9/25/74

This concerns Susan Marie Jaeger, aged 7, who was taken from a tent while on a camping trip with her family near Three Forks, Montana, 6/25/73.

Butte previously advised subject David Gail Meirhofer was confronted by [redacted] in Montana on 9/19 and 20/74, but made no admissions concerning involvement in this matter.

On 9/24/74, Butte Office advised that at approximately 12:10 p.m., (Eastern Daylight time) [redacted] residence [redacted] received phone call from individual identifying himself as [redacted] Call was placed collect and operator handled. Caller, who [redacted] recognized as subject, put a child on phone and then caller stated "you will never have your child alive." [redacted] advised child not victim. b6 b7C

Subject's attorney contacted and agreed to interview of subject by Bureau Agents. He advised he will not be present.

On 9/24/74, Butte telephonically advised call originated from a motel in Salt Lake City and attempts are being made to locate caller.

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TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

DENVER (7-754)

DETROIT (7-1248)

MINNEAPOLIS (7-609)

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (P) 3 PAGES

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM. KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE.

APPROXIMATELY TWELVE TEN P. M., EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME, [redacted] RECEIVED CALL AT [redacted] CALL PLACED COLLECT FROM A [redacted] AND WAS OPERATOR HANDLED.

CALLER SAID, HELLO [redacted] AND SHE IMMEDIATELY RECOGNIZED AS BEING SUB., WHO STATED HE KNEW THAT SHE HAD LIED TO HIM AND THAT THE [redacted] PHONE CALL HAD BEEN TAPED AND SHE HAD INVOLVED THE FBI. [redacted] CALLED HIM, DAVID, AND HE DENIED HE WAS DAVID. HE THEN PUT A CHILD ON THE PHONE, WHO SAID, "HE IS A NICE MAN. I AM SITTING ON HIS LAP." TOOK CHILD AWAY AND SAID, "YOU WILL NEVER HAVE YOUR CHILD ALIVE. [redacted] STATED CHILD NOT VICTIM.

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[redacted] ALERTED. [redacted] ADVISED NO CALL IN PROGRESS ON CROSSBAR NO FIVE (COVERING THREE FORKS, MANHATTAN AND SURROUNDING AREA IN MONT.). LOCAL OFFICERS UNDER SUPERVISION OF BUAGENTS, DISPATCHED TO MANHATTAN, MONT., CONTACTED LOGICAL PERSONS AND MEIRHOFER IS NOT LOCATED.

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LAST SEEN APPROXIMATELY FOUR P. M., SEPTEMBER 23, 1974.

APB HAS BEEN PUT OUT TO SURROUNDING STATIONS RE MISSING CHILDREN. ELEVEN THIRTY-FOUR, [redacted] ADVISED ALL MONT. OPERATORS POLLED AND CALL NOT MADE FROM MONT.

SUB.'S VEHICLE LOCATED IN BOZEMAN, MONT., IN REPAIR SHOP HAVING BEEN PLACED THERE AFTERNOON SEPTEMBER 23. AIRLINES, BUS DEPOTS, RENT-A-CAR, RAILROAD TERMINALS BEING CONTACTED.

REQUEST OF FBI LABORATORY: EXPEDITIOUSLY REVIEW TAPES SUBMITTED BY BUTTE OFFICE SEPTEMBER 23, 1974, FOR VOICE COMPARISONS. ALL OFFICES, IT IS IMPERATIVE LEADS BE COVERED WHILE TODAY'S OPERATORS ON DUTY.

DENVER CAUSE POLL OF ALL PHONE COMPANIES AND OPERATORS,

BT 7-497

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COLORADO AND WYOMING, TO IDENTIFY SOURCE OF SEPTEMBER 24 CALL.

DETROIT IMMEDIATELY OBTAIN COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT OF SEPTEMBER 24 CALL. FORWARD ORIGINAL TAPE TO LABORATORY; DUPLICATE TO BUTTE. OBTAIN SPECIFIC TIMES OF CALL. CONSIDER CONTACTING LOCAL TELEPHONE SECURITY TO SEE IF CALL COULD HAVE BEEN MADE FROM MICHIGAN. OBTAIN COMPUTER RECORDS RE SOURCE OF CALL.

MINNEAPOLIS CAUSE ALL OPERATORS, NORTH AND SOUTH DAKOTA, TO BE CONTACTED RE SOURCE OF SEPTEMBER 24 CALL.

BUTTE WILL CONTINUE EFFORTS TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW MEIRHOFER, WHOSE ATTORNEY HAS BEEN ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS AND AGREES TO PROMPT INTERVIEW BY BUAGENTS. ATTORNEY WILL NOT BE PRESENT WITH MEIRHOFER'S LOCATION.

WILL CONSULT USA RE POSSIBILITY CALL, FEDERAL VIOLATION.

CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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NR 006 BT PLAIN

9:37 PM URGENT SEPT 25, 1974 TDS

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

BOSTON (7-833)

SALT LAKE CITY (7-590)

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (P) SIX PAGES

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM.

KIDNAPING. OO: BUTTE.

RE SALT LAKE CITY TEL TO BUREAU AND BUTTE, SEPTEMBER 25, 1974; BUTTE TEL TO SALT LAKE CITY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1974, AND BUTTE AIRTEL TO ALBANY AND ALL OFFICES, JUNE 28, 1973.

FOR INFO BOSTON SUB. HAS BEEN PRIME SUSPECT IN CASE [redacted] PHONE CALL TO [redacted] NO. [redacted] TAPED. CALLER UNIQUELY DESCRIBED VICTIM. CALL DETERMINED TO ORINGIATE [redacted] IN TWO CALLS TO [redacted] BY KIDNAPER WHO AGAIN UNIQUELY IDENTIFIED VICTIM. LABORATORY STATES CALLS UNDOUBTEDLY SAME PERSON. [redacted] WAS ANNIVERSARY OF KIDNAPING.

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PRETEXT CALL TO MEIRHOFER AND RECORDED CONFRONTATIONS BETWEEN MEIRHOFER AND [redacted] HAVE BEEN TAPED. MEIRHOFER PREVIOUSLY

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IDENTIFIED BY VOICE.

[redacted] SUB. CALLED [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] CALL DETERMINED TO BE THROUGH SWITCHBOARD SALT PALACE TRAVEL LODGE MOTEL, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH. SUBS. WHEREABOUTS CANNOT BE ACCOUNTED FOR BETWEEN [redacted] SUBJECT HAD SCHEDULED APPOINTMENT WITH ATTORNEY ONE THIRTY P.M. THIS DATE. FAILED TO APPEAR.

SUB. IS LONER, NO CLOSE ASSOCIATES. PRIOR MILITARY RECORD WITHOUT DEROGATORY INFO. KNOWN TO BE VERY METHODICAL, PRECISE PERSON, PARTICULARLY SKILLED IN CARPENTRY, ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

SCHEDULED AIRLINES FLIGHTS REVIEWED AND FRONTIER FLT 614 ONLY PERTINENT COMMERCIAL COULD HAVE BEEN UTILIZED SEPTEMBER 24, 1974. NUMEROUS RANCHES AND CAMPS VICINITY MANHATTAN- BOZEMAN, MONT., HAVE PRIVATE PLANES AND LANDING STRIPS, WHICH CAN COME AND GO

WITHOUT CANTACT WITH FAA OR OTHER SOURCES.

DEPARTURE FLIGHTS SALT LAKE SEPTEMBER 24, REQUESTING TAKE OFF CLEARANCE OF EXTREME IMPORTANCE REGARDLESS WHETHER FLIGHT PLANS FILED.

FOR INFO BOSTON, SALT LAKE DETERMINED POSSIBLE REGISTRATION SALT PALACE TRAVEL LODGE MOTEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: [redacted] DESCRIBED [redacted] (SUB. [redacted] b6 b7C NO LUGGAGE, RUMPLED AND VERY ODORIFEROUS (ASSOCIATE OF SUB., WHO OBSERVED RETURN TO MANHATTAN, COMMENTED HE DID SMELL). WHEN REGISTERING STATED HAD GIRL, BUT NOT OBSERVED.

GENERAL TEXT OF CALL SEPTEMBER 24, 1974:

OPERATOR: COLLECT CALL FROM [redacted] CITY NOT GIVEN.

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SUB.: "HELLO [redacted] "HELLO DAVID".

CALLER THEN COMMENTED [redacted] HAD LIED ON ANNIVERSARY CALL, AS SHE HAD SAID CALL HAD NOT BEEN TAPED AND HE KNEW IT WAS AND SHE HAD TURNED IT OVER TO FBI. THEN DENIED HE WAS DAVID. PUT CHILD ONPHONE, WHO STATED "HE IS A NICE MAN. I AM SITTING ON HIS LAP." REMOVED CHILD AND CONCLUDED CONVERSATION WITH "YOU WILL NEVER HAVE YOUR CHILD ALIVE."

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PARTICULAR ATTENTION SHOULD BE PAID TO FOLLOWING:

CALLED [redacted] SUB. HAD THREE PERSONAL CONFRONTATIONS WITH [redacted] WAS CALLED DAVID MORE THAN ONCE WITHOUT REFUTING, BUT THEN DENIED HE WAS DAVID. REFERRED TO CALL AS ANNIVERSARY CALL. ONLY [redacted] HAVE REFERRED TO CALL AS ANNIVERSARY CALL CONSTANTLY AND THIS TERMINOLOGY USED IN CONFRONTATIONS [redacted] MADE REFERENCE TO TAPING OF [redacted] CALL AND TURNING SAME OVER TO FBI. ONLY SUB. AND SELECTED PERSONS FAMILIAR WITH THIS INFORMATION.

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[redacted] STATED CHILD NOT VICTIM. STATED IMMEDIATELY RECOGNIZED VOICE AS THAT OF DAVID MEIRHOFER..

BOSTON AT BOSTON, DETERMINE WHETHER THERE IS A [redacted] b6 b7C [redacted] IF SO RESOLVE WHEREABOUTS.

SALT LAKE CITY AT SALT LAKE CITY, NOTE, REGARDLESS OF CLEANING, ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN FINGERPRINTS. SPECIFICALLISPROCESS ROOM OCCUPIED BY [redacted] INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO INSIDE OF HANDSET THAT FITS PHONE CRADLE, BOTTOM OF BOTH TOILET LIDS, GLASSES, INSIDE COVER AND MIRROR MEDICINE CHEST AND ALL LOGICAL AREAS. PROCESS HANDSETS HOUSE PHONES ACCESSIBLE TO PUBLIC, NOTING MAJOR CASE PRINTS TO BE OBTAINED OF SUB. WITH HIS ARREST. b6 b7C

EXHIBIT GLOSSY PHOTO OF SUB. NOTING HE PRESENTLY DOES NOT HAVE MUSTACHE TO CLERK HANDLING REGISTRATION OF [redacted]

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EXHIBIT PHOTO TO ALL PERSONNEL ON DUTY FIVE A.M., TO TWELVE FIFTEEN P.M., SEPTEMBER 24, 1974.

DETERMINE SCHEDULE BUSES ARRIVING FROM PORTLAND TO DETERMINE IF LOGICAL [redacted] ARRIVED MOTEL FIVE A.M., BY BUS FROM PORTLAND. DETERMINE HOW ROOM PAID FOR. IF CREDIT CARD OR CHECK, OBTAIN ORIGINAL REGISTRATION CARD TO FORWARD FBI LAB.

WHEN CONTACTING STEWARDESSES, FRONTIER FLIGHT 614, AND EXHIBITING PHOTO MAKE REFERENCE TO ODERIFEROUS NATURE OF SUB. AND [redacted]

BOSTON AND SALT LAKE EXPEDITE. SUTEL. ARREST CONSIDERED IMMINENT.

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3:07PM URGENT SEPTEMBER 26, 1974 DAD

TO: DIRECTOR 7-14789

SALT LAKE CITY 7-590

BUTTE 7-497

FROM: BOSTON 7-833

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM, KIDNAPING. OO: BUTTE.

RE BUTTE NITEL TO DIRECTOR DATED SEPTEMBER 25, 1974, BOSTON NITEL TO DIRECTOR SEPTEMBER 25, 1974.

REFERENCED BOSTON NITEL ADVISED OCCUPANTS AT RESIDENCE [redacted] ARE [redacted] DOB [redacted] DOB [redacted], DOB [redacted] AND [redacted] DOB [redacted]

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7-14789-145

ON INSTANT DATE [redacted] CONTACTED BY BUREAU AGENTS UNDER PRETEXT THAT [redacted] MAY HAVE POSSIBLY STAYED AT SAME MOTEL AS TWO FEDERAL FUGITIVES AND PURPOSE OF CONTACT WAS TO DISPLAY PHOTOGRAPHS OF FUGITIVES TO HIM.

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[redacted] ADVISED SHE HAS BEEN DIVORCED FROM HUSBAND APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR AND THAT FORMER HUSBAND CURRENTLY RESIDING AT [redacted] ZIP CODE [redacted]

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SHE FURTHER ADVISED [redacted] AGE [redacted] ALLEGEDLY RESIDING WITH FATHER AT ABOVE ADDRESS AND MAY BE MPLOYED AS AN ALLUMINUM WINDOW INSTALLER.

SHE DESCRIBED SON AS [redacted] AND STATED HE WOULD NOT BE VERY COOPERATIVE TO FBI AS HIS ATTITUDE HAS DRASTICLY CHANGED SINCE HER RECENT DIVORCE FROM HIS FATHER.

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PHOTOGRAPH OF [redacted] TO FOLLOW.

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KAC FBIHQ CLR

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5:12 SEPTEMBER 26, 1974 MIXED PMD

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789) (NITEL)

SALT LAKE CITY (7-590) (URGENT)

FROM BUTTE (7-497)

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM; b6 b7C

00 BUTTE.

BOSTON DIVISION TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED PRETEXT PHONE CALL DISCLOSED [redacted] WITH HIS [redacted] IN OREGON. PARENTS NOW DIVORCED. [redacted] DOES HAVE SHOULDER LENGTH HAIR. THEREFORE, APPEARS PERSON WITH NAME [redacted] REGISTERING INTO MOTEL, SALT LAKE CITY, NOT IDENT SUBJECT MEIRHOFER.

SALT LAKE CITY REQUESTED TO EXPEDITE INVESTIGATION TO PLACE MEIRHOFER IN SALT LAKE CITY.

SALT LAKE CITY, DETERMINE THROUGH TAXICAB COMPANIES WHETHER ANY PASSENGERS PICKED UP AT SALT LAKE PALACE TRAVEL LODGE MOTEL 10:15 A. M. AND TRANSPORTED TO AIRPORT IN TIME TO MAKE 10:45 A. M. FRONTIER FLIGHT TO BOZEMAN.

EX-101 REC-46 7-14789-1416

ASCERTAIN WHETHER ANY PRIVATE PLANES REFUELED AT SALT LAKE CITY AIRPORT WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN FROM BOZEMAN AREA AT TIME ON MORNING, SEPT. 24, 1974.

DETERMINE WHETHER ANY CHARTER FLIGHTS MADE SALT LAKE CITY TO BOZEMAN AREA BETWEEN 10:15 A M AND 1:30 P. M., SEPT. 24, 1974.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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6:51 PM U R G E N T SEPTEMBER 26, 1974 PRC

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)

SAC, BUTTE (7-497)

FROM: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (7-590) (P) 3P

DAVID GAIL MEIRHOFER; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING. OO: BUTTE.

RE BUZTE TELETYPE TO SALT LAKE CITY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1974.

ON SEPTEMBER 26, 1974, CONTINUOUS TAPE OF GROUND CONTROL FOR TAXI RUNWAY, SALT LAKE CITY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, REVIEWED FROM 16:30 GREENWICH TIME (10:30 AM), TO 20:00, GREENWICH TIME (2:00 PM) FOR SEPTEMBER 24, 1974. FLIGHT PROGRESS STRIPS ON IFR CONTACT WITH SALT LAKE CITY FLIGHT SERVICE STATION ALSO REVIEWED.

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FLIGHT PROGRESS STRIPS REVEALED FOLLOWING: 1:30 PM CESSNA 414 BEARING N NUMBER CFSAX DEPARTED 1:30 PM FOR GREAT FALLLS, MONTANA. CFSAX IS CANADIAN NUMBER, NOT AVAILABLE THROUGH FAA, SALT LAKE CITY.

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TWIN COMANCHE, N NUMBER 7997 YANKEE DEPARTED 2:00 PM TO MISSOULA, MONTANA. REGISTERED KENNETH W. CASE COMPANY, 1018 LINCOLN STREET, SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA.

JET SABRE LINER, N NUMBER N110PM DEPARTED 11:00 AM TO BUTTE, MONTANA. OWNED BY ANACONDA COPPER COMPANY, SALT LAKE CITY.

GROUND CONTROL TAPE REVIEW REVEALED FOLLOWING:

WHEN DESTINATION NOT SHOWN, IT IS NOT KNOWN.

CESSNA 5174 CHARLEY DEPARTED SALT LAKE CITY 17:11 ZULU (GREENWICH TIME).

AIRCRAFT IDENTIFYING SELF ONLY AS WHISKEY TANGO WHISKEY, DEPARTED 18:15 ZULU.

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AIRCRAFT 9016 TANGO, DEPARTED 19:25 ZULU,

AIRCRAFT IDENTIFYING SELF AS SIERRA ALPHA X RAY, DEPARTED 19:40 ZULU, STATING ENROUTE GREAT FALLS, MONTANA.

AIRCRAFT 1563 VICTOR, DEPARTED 19:48 ZULU, REGISTERED AERO LEASING, INC., CLEVELAND, OHIO.

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SEVERAL AIRCRAFT GIVING ONLY LAST TWO DIGITS OF N NUMBER DEPARTED NOT IDENTIFIABLE.

SALT LAKE CITY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT HAS FOUR FIXED-BASE OPERATIONS WHERE PRIVATE PLANES ARE FUELED. SALT LAKE CITY WILL DETERMINE IF ANY PLANES FROM BOZEMAN AREA REFULED SEPTEMBER 24, 197'.

SOME OF ABOVE AIRCRAFT NOT IDENTIFIABLE THROUGH FAA, SALT LAKE CITY.

BUTTE, DEPENDING ON INVESTIGATIVE RESULTS THERE, SET OUT APPROIATE LEADS.

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CODE TELETYPE IMMEDIATE

6/27/74

TO SAC'S BUTTE (7-497)
DENVER (7-754)
DETROIT (7-1248)
TAMPA (7-419)

1 - Mr. Gebhardt
(Attn: Mr. Morrow)
1 - Mr. Paddock (Annex)
1 - Mr. White
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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6:36 P DBS
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FROM DIRECTOR FBI (7-~~14180~~ 14789)

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
AKA - VICTIM, KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

RE DETROIT TELETYPE 6/25/74.

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GENERAL VOICE CHARACTERISTICS AND SPEECH ATTITUDES, PARTICULAR WORD CHOICE AND PHRASEOLOGY OF CALLER ON 6/25/74 CASSETTE ARE VERY SIMILAR TO CALLER IN PREVIOUS SUBMISSION [redacted] LABORATORY REPORT 11/1/73. IT IS ALMOST CERTAIN CALLER IS IDENTICAL.

FOR INFORMATION TAMPA UNKNOWN CALLER APPEARS TO BE ADULT MALE OF UNDETERMINED AGE, PROBABLY AT LEAST HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION, RURALL BACKGROUND, SPECIFICALLY HE HAD TENDENCY TO USE RURAL WESTERN COLLOQUIALISMS.

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TELETYPE TO SAC'S BUTTE
DENVER
DETROIT
TAMPA

RE: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
AKA- VICTIM, KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

LATEST SUBMISSION IS NOTABLE FOR LACK OF DETECTABLE BACKGROUND NOISE, INDICATING CALL PROBABLY MADE IN VERY QUIET ENVIRONMENT. NO DETECTABLE STREET OR VEHICULAR TRAFFIC, AND VERY LITTLE ACTIVITY AT ORIGIN OF CALL. SOME BACKGROUND NOISE AUDIBLE IS SIMILAR TO CRICKETS AND FROGS, ALSO IMPULSE TYPE. NOISE FROM WHAT SOUNDS TO BE OBJECTS STRIKING HEARD, ACOUSTICALLY LIVE SURFACE IS AUDIBLE. IT IS LIKELY HOWEVER THAT MOST OF AUDIBLE BACKGROUND NOISE IS NOT FROM ORIGIN OF CALL BUT BEING PICKED UP BY [redacted] TELEPHONE. b6 b7C b7E

THE [redacted] TAPE SUBMISSION, Q15 WAS FORWARDED BUTTE OFFICE BY LABORATORY REPORT 11/1/73. BUTTE IS REQUESTED TO EXPEDITIOUSLY RETURN TAPE TO LABORATORY FOR DIRECT COMPARISON WITH LATEST SUBMISSION.

LABORATORY DIVISION

FD-36 (Rev. 5-22-64)

FBI

Date: JUNE 25, 1974

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Via TELETYPE [redacted] IMMEDIATE
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR FBI (7-~~14180~~ 74789)
SACS ATLANTA
BUTTE (7-497)
DENVER (7-754)
LOS ANGELES (7-1565)
SAN DIEGO
TAMPA (7-419)

AHN: F.B.I. LABORATORY
PACKAGE COPY.

[redacted]

FROM: SAC DETROIT (7-1248) (P)

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM, KIDNAPING,
OO: BUTTE.

RE BUTTE AIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES, JUNE 28, 1973, AND
DETROIT TELECALLS TO BUTTE [redacted] TAMPA AND F.B.I. LABORATORY JUNE 25, 1974.

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Q- cassette tape

AT APPROXIMATELY [redacted]

[redacted] RECEIVED ANONYMOUS

PHONE CALL AT RESIDENCE PHONE [redacted] CALLER STATED [redacted]

engr. copy

[redacted]

[redacted] CALL DISCONNECTED FOR REASONS UNKNOWN TO DETROIT

AT APPROXIMATELY [redacted]

WEE:KPK
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Later Call from Detroit
Send 1 copy to Tampa, 1 copy to Butte, 1 copy to Denver + 1 copy to Detroit before exam is made,

Make 3 copies of tape + send to Detroit AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Approved [signature] Sent [signature] 6/25/74 M Per per call Detroit 6/25/74

Special Agent in Charge

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SHORTLY AFTER, AT APPROXIMATELY [redacted] SAME CALLER AGAIN CONTACTED [redacted] AT SAME PHONE NUMBER AND RELATED [redacted]

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[redacted] ALTHOUGH THE PARTICULARS OF THE PLAN HAVE NOT BEEN WORKED OUT BY CALLER.

CALLER STATED [redacted]

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SAYS [redacted] NO MENTION OF THIRD PARTY INVOLVED. CALLER TERMINATED CALL ABOUT [redacted]

CHARACTERISTICS AND NOTABLE PHRASEOLOGY OF CALLER INDICATES FOLLOWING: WHITE, MALE, 20-35 YEARS OF AGE, WESTERN, MID-WESTERN OR HILLBILLY ACCENT, SOFT SPOKEN, POLITE UTILIZING "YES MA'AM", SENSITIVE TO QUESTIONS CONCERNING HAVING A LITTLE GIRL OF HIS OWN, CLAIMS NOT MARRIED AT PRESENT, HAS MONEY TO TAKE CARE OF VICTIM, OWNS PROPERTY AT DIFFERENT PLACES IN COUNTRY, TRANSIENT IN NATURE, FREQUENTLY MENTIONS HIS ABILITY IN CHANGING VICTIM'S MIND THROUGH PSYCHO-THERAPY, CRIED SEVERAL TIMES DURING PHONE CALL WHEN [redacted] ATTEMPTED TO PERSUADE HIM TO RETURN VICTIM.

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BOTH CALLS LACKED ANY OPERATOR ASSISTANCE AND PRESUMABLY DIRECT DIAL CALLS, INDICATING PROBABLE USE OF TELEPHONE OTHER THAN PAY PHONE.

[redacted] SECURITY DEPARTMENT, [redacted] ABLE TO TRACE CALL TO [redacted] AREA AND DETERMINED CALL MADE THROUGH [redacted] AND [redacted] IN CONTACT WITH [redacted]

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ALTHOUGH DETROIT UNAWARE OF RESULTS OF ANY TRACING OR RESULTS OF [redacted] EFFORTS TO DETERMINE PHONE USED IN CALL.

FOR INFORMATION, ANONYMOUS CALLER DID CALL FBI, DENVER, ON [redacted] b6 b7C b7D b7E

IN A DEVELOPMENT TO WHICH DETROIT FEELS MAY BE RELATED AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY RECEIVING OFFICES AS A POSSIBILITY, ON [redacted] CALL FROM AN INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFYING SELF AS [redacted] (PHONETIC) OF [redacted] INQUIRING REGARDING [redacted] CALL WAS TERMINATED AFTER [redacted] CALLER WAS DESCRIBED AS WHITE, MALE, 26-30 YEARS, SOUTHERN ACCENT. b6 b7C b7E

[redacted] PHONE CALLS RECORDED BY [redacted] FORWARDING TO LABORATORY FOR APPROPRIATE EXAMINATIONS.

DETROIT FORWARDING TO TAMPA MORE RECENT PHOTO OF VICTIM THAN PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED.

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RECORDING BEING REPRODUCED AT DETROIT AND WILL BE PROVIDED TO PERTINENT OFFICES.

FBI LABORATORY, RADIO ENGINEERING SECTION, IS REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY ANY NOISES, SOUNDS, QUALITIES OF CALLER ETC., CONTAINED IN BACKGROUND OF THE CASSETTE TAPE AND THEREAFTER IMMEDIATELY ADVISE TAMPA, BUTTE AND DETROIT. ARRANGEMENTS PRESENTLY BEING MADE BY DETROIT OFFICE TO HAVE CASSETTE TAPE FLOWN TO WASHINGTON, D. C., BY COMMERCIAL AIRLINES THIS DATE.

ATLANTA AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA: WITH INFORMATION PROVIDED, DETERMINE IF ANY POSSIBLE CONNECTION BETWEEN [redacted] AND ANONYMOUS INSTANT CALLER. b6 b7C b7D b7E

BUTTE AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA: UPON RECEIPT OF TAPE REPRODUCTION OF INSTANT CALL, DETERMINE FROM [redacted] IF CALLER IDENTICAL WITH PERSON CALLING [redacted]

DENVER, LOS ANGELES AND SAN DIEGO: INFORMATION PROVIDED REGARDING POSSIBLE FUTURE LEADS.

TAMPA AT SARASOTA, FLORIDA: IMMEDIATELY CONTACT [redacted] IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE PHONE USED TO CALL [redacted] AND THEREAFTER CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

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TO IDENTIFY CALLER AND POSSIBLY LOCATE AND RECOVER VICTIM.

DETROIT NOTES SECOND CALL LASTED OVER [redacted] WAS PROBABLY MADE DIRECT DIAL FROM PHONE OTHER THAN [redacted] TAMPA SHOULD CONSIDER COMPUTERIZED SURVEY TO LOCATE PHONE TO WHICH CALL(S) BILLED. [redacted] NUMBER [redacted]

IN VIEW OF DETAILS OF KIDNAPING AS PROVIDED BY CALLER, TAMPA REQUESTED TO INSURE ALL-OUT EFFORT EXERTED TO LOCATE ANONYMOUS CALLER AND [redacted]

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WILL CONTACT LOGICAL SOURCES IN SARASOTA REGARDING CIRCUS ACTIVITY AND DETERMINE IF ANY HAD SHOWS IN [redacted] AND [redacted] PRESENTLY IN [redacted] OR ANY COMBINATION OF ABOVE, IN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY UNSUB., UNSUB ANONYMOUS CALLS MADE TO OR FROM THOSE POINTS ON PERTINENT DATES.

DETROIT: WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [redacted] AND [redacted]

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TELETYPE

5:03PM URGENT JUNE 27, 1974 PHJ

TO DIRECTOR (7-14180)

OMAHA

TAMPA (7-419)

BUTTE (7-497)

FROM NEW ORLEANS (7-1286) (P) 2PG

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RE TELETYPES TO ALL OFFICES, TAMPA, JUNE 26, 1974.

RELATIVE TO RE TELETYPES, [redacted] ANCORP NATIONAL SERVICE, INC., [redacted] CONCESSION FOOD SERVICES FOR THE MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM, NEW ORLEANS, LA., ADVISED TODAY, WHEN THE GREAT WALLENDA HIGH WIRE ACT WAS IN NEW ORLEANS, NOVEMBER 21-29, 1973, HE SUBLET THE CONCESSION CONTRACT. HE STATED DURING THIS FUNCTION AT THE AUDITORIUM, WHICH WAS THE SHRINE CIRCUS, AN INDIVIDUAL, NAMED [redacted] ACTED AS [redacted]

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ACCORDING TO [redacted] CURRENTLY HAS A CONCESSION AT THE IOWA STATE FAIR, BURLINGTON, IOWA. HE DESCRIBED

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[redacted] AS BEING A VERY COOPERATIVE AND INTELLIGENT INDIVIDUAL WHO WOULD RECALL HAVING A CONCESSIONIARE WITH A SMALL CHILD EMPLOYED AT THE SHRINE CIRCUS.

THE [redacted] SAID SINCE HE DID NOT RECEIVE A COMPLAINT FROM [redacted] DURING THE SHRINE CIRCUS, HE FEELS SCANNEL PROBABLY DID. HE SUGGESTED THE CURRENT [redacted] [redacted] FOR THE IOWA STATE FAIR WOULD KNOW SCANNEL. HE SAID ALSO [redacted] WOULD KNOW MANY CARNIVAL PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES.

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INVESTIGATION CONTINUING, NEW ORLEANS. INFORMATION FURNISHED TAMPA AND BUTTE FOR THEIR INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANCE.

OMAHA AT BURLINGTON, IOWA. CONDUCT INVESTIGATION SET FORTH IN TWO REFERENCED TELETYPES OF LAST DATE.

END MESSAGE...

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: 6-25-74

Re: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
AKA-- VICTIM, KIDNAPING
OO:BUTTE

TO: SAC, DETROIT (7-1248)

RE DETROIT TELETYPE 6-25-74, DETROIT TEL CALL 6-25-74

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3-40 PM IMMEDIATE JUNE 26, 1974 BLW

TO DIRECTOR (7-~~14180~~) 14799

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MEMPHIS

NEW ORLEANS

ALL OFFICES VIA WASHINGTON

FROM TAMPA (7-419) (P) 5P

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM. KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE.

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RE BUTTE AIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES, JUNE 28, 1973, AND DETROIT TEL TO BUREAU, JUNE 25, 1974.

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FOR INFO DALLAS, MEMPHIS, AND NEW ORLEANS, RE DETROIT TEL ADVISED UNSUB CALLED [redacted] APPROXIMATELY [redacted] BLE

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JUN 27 1974

TELETYPED TO:

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TO TRACE CALL TO [redacted], AREA AND [redacted] ATTEMPTING TO TRACE NUMBER FROM WHICH CALL WAS PLACED. DURING CALL, UNSUB INDICATED [redacted]

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IT IS NOTED UNSUB HAS ALSO CALLED [redacted]

IT APPEARS LIKELY UNSUB MAY BE TRAVELLING WITH A CIRCUS OR CARNIVAL, SEVERAL OF WHICH HAVE WINTER QUARTERS IN THE SARASOTA AREA.

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[redacted] RINGLING BROTHERS BARNUM AND BAILEY COMBINED SHOWS (RBBBCS), VENICE, FLA., WINTER QUARTERS, ADVISED BOTH THE RED AND BLUE UNITS OF RBBBCS PRESENTLY ON ROAD AND NOT IN FLA. NEITHER UNIT WAS IN [redacted] OR [redacted] WHEN CALLS MADE TO [redacted] IN [redacted] NOTED ITINERARY OF ALL CARNIVALS, CIRCUSES, AND ROADSHOWS ARE PUBLISHED FOR NEXT TWO WEEK PERIOD IN "VARIETY" PUBLICATION, 1719 W. END, NASHVILLE, TENN., AND BACK ISSUES SHOULD

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BE AVAILABLE FROM PUBLISHER.

[redacted] FOR THE KARL WALLENDA HIGH WIRE TROUPE, 1623 ARLINGTON ST., SARASOTA, ADVISED [redacted] CONTINENTAL CIRCUS, HOLLYWOOD AND VINE, HOLLYWOOD, CALIF., AND THE HUBERT CASTLE CIRCUS OF DALLAS, TEXAS, BOTH WERE IN COLO., MONT., AND WYOMING, DURING SUMMER OF 1973. CASTLE CIRCUS NOW IN CANADA AND PRESENT LOCATION CONTINENTAL CIRCUS UNKNOWN.

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[redacted] WAS EXHIBITED PHOTO OF VICTIM AND RECALLS YOUNG GIRL OF SIMILAR APPEARANCE WAS WITH UNKNOWN WHITE MALE WORKING IN CONCESSION DEPT., MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM, NEW ORLEANS, LA., WHEN WALLENDA TROUPE PERFORMED THERE NOV. 21-29, 1973. [redacted] MADE COMPLAINT TO MANAGER OF CONCESSION DEPT. ABOUT THIS GIRL AS SHE WAS ALWAYS IN THE WAY, SO [redacted] MAY RECALL HER AND HER GUARDIAN.

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DALLAS. DETERMINE PRESENT LOCATION HUBERT CASTLE CIRCUS AND THEREAFTER SET OUT LEAD TO CONTACT APPROPRIATE SOURCES

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AND EXHIBIT VICTIM'S PHOTO IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE IF SHE AND UNSUB ARE NOW, OR WERE IN PAST EMPLOYED WITH THIS CIRCUS. NOTE ABOVE REFERENCE TO CALLS MADE TO [redacted] DURING [redacted] AND DETERMINE IF CIRCUS WAS IN PERTINENT AREAS ON THESE DATES. b7E

LOS ANGELES. CONTACT CONTINENTAL CIRCUS FOR SAME INFO AS FORTH FOR DALLAS.

MEMPHIS AT NASHVILLE, TENN. CONTACT A. B. AMUSEMENTS, PUBLISHERS OF "VARIETY," 1719 W. END, NASHVILLE, AND REVIEW 1973 ISSUES TO DETERMINE WHICH CIRCUSES AND CARNIVALS WERE IN DENVER, THREE FORKS, AND CHEYENNE ON PERTINENT DATES. THEREAFTER SET OUT LEADS TO CONTACT THESE SHOWS AS SET FORTH ABOVE FOR DALLAS.

NEW ORLEANS. CONTACT MANAGER OF CONCESSION DEPT., MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM, RE WHITE FEMALE OF SIMILAR APPEARANCE TO VICTIM WHO WAS WITH UNIDENTIFIED WHITE MALE WORKING IN CONCESSION DEPT. NOV. 21-29, 1973. ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY WHITE

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MALE WITH THIS GIRL. EXHIBIT PHOTO OF VICTIM TO APPROPRIATE CONCESSION DEPT. PERSONNEL WHO WERE EMPLOYED THERE NOV. 21-29, 1973, TO DETERMINE IF VICTIM FAMILIAR TO THEM.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT SARASOTA.

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FOR ANY AND/PR OR QUESTION CONTACT THE TAMPA OFFICE

AMW FBIHQ

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: 6-26-74

Re: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
AKA-- VICTIM, KIDNAPING
00:BUTTE

TO: SAC, TAMPA (7-419)

RE DETROIT TELETYPE 6-25-74 , DETROIT TEL CALL 6-25-74

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: 6-26-74

TO: SAC, DENVER (7-754)

Re: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
AKA-- VICTIM, KIDNAPING
OO:BUTTE

RE DETROIT TELETYPE 6-25-74 DETROIT TELCALL 6-25-74

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: 6-26-74

Re: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
AKA-- VICTIM, KIDNAPING
OO:BUTTE

TO: SAC, BUTTE (7-497)

RE DETROIT TEBETYPE 6-25-74 DETROIT TEL CALL 6-25-74

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TO DIRECTOR (7-~~14180~~) 14789

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/// ALL OOFFICES VIA WASHINGTON ///

FROM LOS ANGELES (7-1565) 3P

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGAR, AKA - VICTIM; KIDNAPING, OO: BUTTE.

RE BUTTE TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES JUNE 28, 1973; DETROIT TELETYPE TO BUREAU JUNE 25, 1974; AND TAMPA TELETYPE TO BUREAU JUNE 26, 1974.

FOR INFORMATION NEWARK REFERENCED DETROIT TEL ADVISED UNSUB CALLED [redacted] APPROXIMATELY [redacted] WHICH IS PRECISELY ONE YEAR FROM TIME OF ABDUCTION. [redacted] ABLE TO TRACE CALL TO [redacted] AND [redacted] ATTEMPTING TO TRACE NUMBER FROM WHICH CALL WAS PLACED. DURING CALL, UNSUB INDICATED [redacted]

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IT IS NOTED UNSUB HAS ALSO CALLED [redacted] FROM [redacted] AREA [redacted] FROM [redacted] ON [redacted] AND FROM [redacted] IT APPEARS LIKELY UNSUB MAY BE TRAVELING WITH A CIRCUS OR CARNIVAL, SEVERAL OF WHICH HAVE WINTER QUARTERS IN THE SARASOTA, FLORIDA AREA. b6 b7C b7E

REFERENCED TAMPA TEL ADVISED [redacted] HIGH WIRE TROUP, [redacted] STATED [redacted] CONTINENTAL CIRCUS, HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA, WAS IN COLORADO, MONTANA AND WYOMING DURING SUMMER OF 1973. [redacted] WAS EXHIBITED PHOTO OF VICTIM AND RECALLS YOUNG GIRL OF SIMILAR APPEARANCE WAS WITH UNIDENTIFIED WHITE MALE WORKING IN CONSESSION DEPARTMENT, MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WHEN WALANDA TROUP PERFORMED THERE NOVEMBER 21 THROUGH 29, 1973. b6 b7C

INQUIRY AT ENTERTAINMENT ENTERPRIZES, HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA TODAY DETERMINED THIS IS ANSWERING SERVICE FOR [redacted] CONTINENTAL CIRCUS. [redacted] PRESENTLY LOCATED ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY, AT TELEPHONE [redacted] SUITE [redacted] HOTEL UNKNOWN.

NEWARK AT ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY: IMMEDIATELY CONTACT [redacted] AT ABOVE LOCATION AND DISPLAY PHOTOGRAPH OF VICTIM. NEWARK THEREAFTER SET OUT LEAD TO CONTACT APPROPRIATE SOURCES FOR DISPLAY OF VICTIM'S PHOTOGRAPH IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE IF SHE AND UNSUB ARE NOW OR WERE IN PAST EMPLOYED WITH THIS CIRCUS. NOTE ABOVE CALLS [redacted] [redacted] DURING [redacted] AND DETERMINE IF CIRCUS WAS IN PERTINENT AREAS ON THESE DATES.

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FOR ANY CORRECTIONNS CONTACT LOS ANGELES

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6:54 PM URGENT JUNE 27, 1974 WGM

TO DIRECTOR ~~(7-14180)~~ 7-14789 BUTTE (7-497) TAMPA (7-419)

FROM DETROIT (7-1248) (P)

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM, KIDNAPING, OO: BUTTE.

RE DETROIT TELETYPE TO BUREAU, JUNE 25, 1974.

INVESTIGATION, DETROIT, MICHIGAN, INDICATES TRACE REGARDING [redacted] CALL TO [redacted] INSTITUTED [redacted] THROUGH "BACK TRACE" PROCESS AND FROM THERE WAS TRACED TO [redacted] NUMBER TWO CALL WHICH INDICATED TOLL CALL CAME THROUGH DETROIT 4A OFFICE. [redacted] TRACE INITIATED BY [redacted] TOLL OFFICE [redacted] CONTINUED TRACE THROUGH [redacted] AND DETERMINED LINE COMING IN ON [redacted], WHICH INDICATED [redacted] AREA. HIS [redacted] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED [redacted] AND SPOKE WITH TOLL TEST MAN, NAME NOT RECALLED BUT WHOSE INITIALS ARE [redacted] WHO ADVISED HE COULD NOT COMPLETE TRACE DUE TO LACK OF KNOWLEDGE REGARDING TRACING. [redacted] ADVISED HE CALLED [redacted] AND THAT [redacted] WAS ON THE WAY TO ATTEMPT COMPLETE THE TRACE.

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ANONYMOUS CALLER STILL ON [redacted] WHILE [redacted] WAS CONTACTING [redacted] b7E

WITH CONSENT OF [redacted] DETROIT DIVISION HAS THROUGH [redacted] ATTACHED A [redacted] DEVICE TO THE LINE OF [redacted] b6 b7C b7C b7E

AT [redacted]. DEVICE IS BEING ACTIVATED UPON RECEIPT OF ALL INCOMING CALLS. IF INCOMING CALL IS FROM [redacted] PHONE NUMBER FROM WHICH CALL IS PLACED, WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY DETERMINED IF CONNECTION OF SUFFICIENT DURATION. IF INCOMING CALL IS LONG DISTANCE, DEVICE WILL INDICATE LONG DISTANCE ONLY.

[redacted] SECURITY DEPARTMENT, ON 24 HOUR CALL TO INSTITUTE TRACINGS OF PERTINENT LONG DISTANCE CALLS. LONG DISTANCE TRACINGS TO BE ACTIVATED BY [redacted] AT REQUEST [redacted] THROUGH DETROIT DIVISION. b6 b7C b7D b7E

SECOND TELEPHONE INSTALLED [redacted] TO ASSURE EXPEDIENT COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER.

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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
June 26, 1974

This concerns Susan Marie Jaeger, 7-year-old white female, who disappeared while on a camping trip with her family near Three Forks, Montana, 6/25/73. Intensive investigation has been conducted; however, no information has been developed to date concerning the whereabouts of victim.

At approximately [redacted] received an anonymous telephone call from individual who stated [redacted] Unknown subject (Unsub) related [redacted] This call was disconnected for unknown reasons. However, same caller recontacted [redacted] at approximatel [redacted] same date. During the second call unsub again stated [redacted] Unsub further related [redacted] He further described [redacted] and stated [redacted] It is to be noted investigation reflects an anonymous caller did place calls as stated by unsub which were traced to a [redacted]

Both calls were recorded by [redacted] and these recordings are being forwarded to the Laboratory for appropriate examinations. The Security Department, [redacted] was able to trace the above calls which were apparently direct dial calls from the [redacted] area.

Investigation continuing to identify unsub.

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NR004 DE PLAIN

5:20 PM IMMEDIATE JUNE 25, 1974 GJW

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TO DIRECTOR (7-14180) (ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

ATLANTA BUTTE (7-497)

DENVER (7-754) LOS ANGELES (7-1565)

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ALL OFFICES VIA WASHINGTON

FROM DETROIT (7-1248) (P) 8P

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA- VICTIM, KIDNAPING, OO BUTTE

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RE BUTTE AIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES, JUNE 28, 1973, AND DETROIT TELECALLS TO BUTTE, TAMPA, AND FBI LABORATORY JUNE 25, 1974.

AT APPROXIMATELY [redacted]

[redacted] RECEIVED ANONYMOUS

PHONE CALL AT [redacted] PHONE [redacted] CALLER STATED [redacted]

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CALL DISCONNECTED FOR REASONS UNKNOWN TO [redacted]

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AT APPROXIMATELY [redacted]

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all listed offices.

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SHORTLY AFTER, AT APPROXIMATELY [redacted] SAME CALLER AGAIN CONTACTED [redacted] AT SAME PHONE NUMBER AND RELATED [redacted]

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[redacted] ALTHOUGH THE PARTICULARS OF THE PLAN HAVE NOT BEEN WORKED OUT BY CALLER. b6 b7C b7E

CALLER STATED [redacted]

[redacted]

ADVISED INSTANT CALLER SOUNDS IDENTICAL TO [redacted] CALLER. CALLER IDENTIFIES [redacted]

[redacted]

CALLER RELATED [redacted]

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SAYS [redacted] NO MENTION OF THIRD PARTY INVOLVED. CALLER TERMINATED CAL ABOUT [redacted]

CHARACTERISTICS AND NOTABLE PHRASEOLOGY OF CALLER INDICATES FOLLOWING: WHITE, MALE, 20-35 YEARS OF AGE, WESTERN, MID-WESTERN OR HILLBILLY ACCENT, SOFT SPOKEN, POLITE UTILIZING "YES MA"AM", SENSITIVE TO QUESTIONS CONCERNING HAVING A LITTLE GIRL OF HIS OWN, CLAIMS NOT MARRIED AT PRESENT, HAS MONEY TO TAKE CARE OF VICTIM, OWNS PROPERTY AT DIFFERENT PLACES IN COUNTRY, TRANSIENT IN NATURE, FREQUENTLY MENTIONS HIS ABILITY IN CHANGING VICTIM'S MIND THROUGH PSYCHO-THERAPY, CRIED SEVERAL TIMES DURING PHONE CALL WHEN [redacted]

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BOTH CALLS LACKED ANY OPERATOR ASSISTANCE AND PRESUMABLY DIRECT DIAL CALLS, INDICATING PROBABLE USE OF TELEPHONE OTHER THAN PAY PHONE.

SECURITY DEPARTMENT, [redacted] ABLE TO TRACE CALL TO [redacted] AREA AND DETERMINED CALL MADE THROUGH [redacted] IN CONTACT WITH [redacted]

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ALTHOUGH DETROIT UNAWARE OF RESULTS OF ANY TRACING OR RESULTS OF [redacted] EFFORTS TO DETERMINE PHONE USED IN CALL.

FOR INFORMATION, ANONYMOUS CALLER DID CALL [redacted] ON [redacted] b6 b7C b7D b7E [redacted] CALLS HAVE BEEN TRACED TO [redacted]

IN A DEVELOPMENT TO WHICH DETROIT FEELS MAY BE RELATED AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY RECEIVING OFFICES AS A POSSIBILITY, ON [redacted] RECEIVED A LONG DISTANCE CALL FROM AN INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFYING SELF AS [redacted] (PHONETIC) OF [redacted] INQUIRING REGARDING SUSAN JAEGER REWARD FUND PARTICULARS. CALL WAS TERMINATED AFTER [redacted] CALLER WAS DESCRIBED AS WHITE, MALE, 26-30 YEARS, SOUTHERN ACCENT.

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[redacted] PHONE CALLS RECORDED BY [redacted] FORWARDING TO LABORATORY FOR APPROPRIATE EXAMINATIONS.

DETROIT FORWARDING TO TAMPA MORE RECENT PHOTO OF VICTIM THAN PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED.

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RECORDING BEING REPRODUCED AT DETROIT AND WILL BE PROVIDED TO PERTINENT OFFICES.

FBI LABORATORY, RADIO ENGINEERING SECTION, IS REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY ANY NOISES, SOUNDS, QUALTIES OF CALLER, ETC., CONTAINED IN BACKGROUND OF THE CASSETTE TAPE AND THEREAFTER IMMEDIATELY ADVISE TAMPA, BUTTE AND DETROIT. ARRANGEMENTS PRESENTLY BEING MADE BY DETROIT OFFICE TO HAVE CASSETTE TAPE FLOWN TO WASHINGTON, D.C., BY COMMERCIAL AIRLINES THIS DATE.

ATLANTA AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA: WITH INFORMATION PROVIDED, DETERMINE IF ANY POSSIBLE CONNECTION BETWEEN [redacted] AND ANONYMOUS INSTANT CALLER.

BUTTE AT BOZEMAN, MONTANA: UPON RECEIPT OF TAPE REPRODUCTION OF INSTANT CALL, DETERMINE FROM [redacted] IF CALLER IDENTICAL WITH PERSON CALLING [redacted]

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TAMPA AT SARASOTA, FLORIDA: IMMEDIATELY CONTACT [redacted] IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE PHONE USED TO CALL [redacted] AND THEREAFTER CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION

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TO IDENTIFY CALLER AND POSSIBLY LOCATE AND RECOVER VICTIM.

DETROIT NOTES SECOND CALL LASTED OVER [redacted] WAS PROBABLY MADE DIRECT DIAL FROM PHONE OTHER THAN [redacted] TAMPA SHOULD CONSIDER COMPUTERIZED SURVEY TO LOCATE PHONE TO WHICH CALL(S) BILLED. [redacted] PHONE NUMBER [redacted]

IN VIEW OF DETAILS OF KIDNAPING AS PROVIDED BY CALLER, TAMPA REQUESTED TO INSURE ALL-OUT EFFORT EXERTED TO LOCATE ANONYMOUS CALLER AND VICTIM VIA [redacted]

WILL CONTACT LOGICAL SOURCES IN SARASOTA REGARDING CIRCUS ACTIVITY AND DETERMINE IF ANY HAD SHOWS IN MONTANA IN [redacted] DENVER IN [redacted], CHEYENNE, WYOMING IN [redacted] AND PRESENTLY IN SARASOTA OR ANY COMBINATION OF ABOVE, IN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY UNSUB. UNSUB ANONYMOUS CALLS MADE TO OR FROM THOSE POINTS ON PERTINENT DATES.

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DETROIT: WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [redacted]

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~~FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR CORRECTIONS PLEASE CONTACT DETROIT OFFICE.~~

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cc- Mr. White

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NR 002 OM PLAIN

10:30 AM URGENT 6/28/74 TAE

TO: DIRECTOR (7-14789)

SPRINGFIELD

BUTTE (7-497)

FROM: OMAHA (7-678) (RUC) 2P

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER AKA- VICTIM. KIDNAPING. OO: BUTTE.

RE BUTTE AIRTEL TO ALBANY JULY 28, 1973, AND NEW ORLEANS TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU JUNE 27, 1974.

FOR INFO SPRINGFIELD, [redacted] CARL WALLENDA HIGH WIRE TROOP, SARASOTA, FLORIDA, ADVISED, AFTER PHOTO OF VICTIM EXHIBITED TO HIM, HE RECALLS YOUNG GIRL OF SIMILAR APPEARANCE WAS WITH UNIDENTIFIED WHITE MALE WORKING IN CONCESSION DEPARTMENT, MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISANA, WHEN WALLENDA TROUP PERFORMED THERE NOVEMBER 21-29, 1973.

[redacted] ANCORP NATIONAL SERVICE, INC., [redacted] ALL CONCESSION FOOD SERVICES FOR THE MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM, NEW ORLEANS, ADVISED WHEN THE GREAT WALLENDA TROUP WAS IN NEW ORLEANS, NOVEMBER 21-29, 1973, HE SUBLET THE CONCESSION CONTRACT DURING THIS FUNCTION ~~CONCESSION DURING FUNC~~ AT THE AUDITORIUM, WHICH WAS THE SHRINE CIRCUS, [redacted] ACTED AS CONCESSION

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[redacted] ACCORDING TO [redacted] REPORTEDLY HAD A CONCESSION AT IOWA STATE FAIR, BURLINGTON, IOWA. HE DESCRIBED [redacted] AS BEING VERY COOPERATIVEAND INTELLIGENT INDIVIDUAL WHO WOULD RECALL HAVING A CONCESSIONARE WITH A SMALL CHILD EMPLOYED AT THE SHRINE CIRCUS, NEW ORLEANS.

ON JUNE 28, 1974, [redacted] BURLINGTON, IOWA, ADVISED [redacted] IS PRESENTLY WITH REID SPECTACULAR, [redacted] BY [redacted] THEY DEPARTED BURLINGTON, IOWA, JUNE 24, 1974, AND CURRENTLY IN PEORIA, ILLINOIS, FROM JUNE 28 THROUGH JULY 8, 1974.

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[redacted] BELIEVED TO BE [redacted] MENTIONED IN RE TELETYPE, IS [redacted] SMALL MIDWAY SOUVENIR BOOTH WHICH CONTAINS BALLOONS, DOLLS, ETC.

SPRINGFIELD AT PEORIA CONTACT [redacted] RE HIS KNOWLEDGE OF SMALL CHILD, EMPLOYED WITH UNKNOWN CONCESSIONAIRE, SHRINE CIRCUS, NEW ORLEANS, NOVEMBER 21-29, 1973. DISPLAY PHOTOGRAPH OF VICTIM.

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6:05 PM NITEL JULY 01, 1974 DE

TO: DIRECTOR (7-1489)

OMAHA (7-678)

BUTTE (7-497)

FROM: SPRINGFIELD (7-748) (RUC) (2P)

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA-

VICTIM. KIDNAPING. OO: BUTTE.

RE OMAHA TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, JUNE 28, 1974.

JULY 1, 1974, [redacted] b6 b7C

REID SPECTACULAR, NOW APPEARING SHERIDAN VILLAGE SHOPPING CENTER, PEORIA, ILLINOIS, ADVISED [redacted] FROM LOUISIANA, [redacted] b6 b7C OF COTTON CANDY TRUCK AND SOUVENIR STAND NOT ASSOCIATED WITH [redacted] BUT BOOKED BY [redacted] STEAMBOAT DAYS [redacted] BURLINGTON, IOWA, SAME TIME [redacted] THERE AND DEPARTED JUNE 24, 1974, FOR UNKNOWN DESTINATION IN STATE OF MINNESOTA. [redacted] ADVISED THEY HAVE NEVER OPERATED IN LOUISIANA AND PHOTO OF VICTIM UNFAMILIAR TO THEM. [redacted] ADVISED

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[redacted] SHOULD KNOWN THAT DESTINATION OF [redacted] IN MINNESOTA AND ADVISED HE KNOWS NINFORMATION ABOUT [redacted] WHICH WOULD AID TO LOCATE HIM.

OMAHA AT BURLINGTON. RECONTACT [redacted] AND DETERMINE FROM HIM DESTINATION OF [redacted] OR ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE AND IMMEDIATELY SET OUT LEADS TO HAVE [redacted] INTERVIEWED RE HIS KNOWLEDGE OF SMALL CHILD, EMPLOYED WITH UNKOWN CONSESSIONAIRE, SHIRNE CIRCUS, NEW ORLEANS, NOVEMBER 21 - 29, 1973.

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645 PM URGENT 6/28/74 TJB

TO DIRECTOR (7-~~14180~~ 14764)

ST BUTTE (7-497)

DALLAS

MEMPHIS

FROM NEWARK (7-1065) (RUC)

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGAR, AKA - VICTIM;

KIDNAPPING; OO: BUTTE

RE: LOS ANGELES TELETYPE DATED JUNE 26, 1974.

FOR INFORMATION OF ~~NASHVILLE~~ MEMPHIS, REFERENCED TELETYPE ADVISED UNSUB CALLED [redacted] WHICH IS PRECISELY ONE YEAR FROM TIME OF ABDUCTION. [redacted] ABLE TO TRACE CALL TO [redacted] ATTEMPTING TO TRACE NUMBER FROM WHICH CALL WAS PLACED. DURING CALL, UNSUB INDICATED HE HAS BEEN TRAVELLING WITH

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VICTIM EXTENSIVELY.

UNSUB HAS ALSO CALLED [redacted] IT APPEARS LIKELY UNSUB MAY BE TRAVELLING WITH A CIRCUS OR CARNIVAL, SEVERAL OF WHICH HAVE WINTER QUARTERS IN THE SARASOTA, FLORIDA AREA. b6 b7C b7E

REFERENCED TELETYPE ADVISED [redacted] CARL WALANDA HIGH WIRE TROUP, SARASOTA, STATED [redacted] CONTINENTAL CIRCUS, HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA, WAS IN COLORADO, MONTANA, AND WYOMING DURING SUMMER OF 1973. [redacted] OBSERVED PHOTOGRAPH OF VICTIM AND RECALLS YOUNG GIRL OF SIMILAR APPEARANCE WAS WITH UNIDENTIFIED WHITE MALE WORKING IN CONSESSION DEPARTMENT, MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WHEN WALANDA TROUP PERFORMED THERE NOVEMBER 21 THROUGH 29, 1973. b6 b7C

[redacted] CONTINENTAL CIRCUS, CONTACTED JUNE 28, 1974, AT ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY. HE ADVISED HIS CIRCUS IS A SHRINE CIRCUS AND PLAYED JUNE 8 THROUGH 12, 1973, AT DENVER, JUNE 15 AND 16, 1973, AT SALT LAKE CITY, AND JUNE 18 AND

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19, 1973, AT OGDEN, UTAH. HIS CIRCUS DID NOT PLAY IN MONTANA OR WYOMING DURING 1973.

[redacted] OBSERVED PHOTOGRAPH OF VICTIM AND ADVISED SHE WAS NOT FAMILIAR.

[redacted] ADVISED CARDEN-JOHNSON CIRCUS, DALLAS, TEXAS, PLAYED MONTANA AND WYOMING DURING SUMMER OF 1973. HE SUGGESTED CONTACTING [redacted] AMUSEMENT BUSINESS, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, FOR LIST OF CIRCUSES OR CARNIVALS WHICH PLAYED IN MONTANA, WYOMING, OR COLORADO DURING 1973. [redacted] ADVISED THIS PUBLICATION LISTS ALL ENGAGEMENTS FOR THE BUSINESS AND ABOVE INFORMATION SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FROM THEIR FILES.

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DALLAS CONTACT CARDEN-JOHNSON CIRCUS TO DETERMINE IF THEY PLAYED IN PERTINENT LOCATIONS IN 1973, AND IF SO, HAVE VICTIM'S PHOTOGRAPH SHOWN TO CIRCUS OFFICIALS.

MEMPHIS
~~NASHVILLE~~, CONTACT AMUSEMENT BUSINESS AND OBTAIN LIST OF CIRCUSES AND CARNIVALS WHICH WERE IN PERTINENT AREAS IN 1973, AND SET OUT LEADS TO SHOW VICTIM'S PHOTOGRAPH.

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~~CORRECTION-LS--LAST-SHOULD-READ-MEMPHIS-NOT-NASHVILLE~~

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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JUN 28 1974

TELETYPE

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11:17PM NITEL JUNE 28, 1974 JMM

TO: DIRECTOR (7-14789)
BUTTE (7-497)
DETROIT (7-1248)

FROM: TAMPA (7-419) (P)

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UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - KIDNAPING OO:BUTTE

[redacted]

RE TAMPA TELCALL TO DETROIT 6/26/74, DETROIT TELCALL TO TAMPA 6/26/74, TAMPA TEL TO DIRECTOR, 6/26/74, LA TEL TO ALL OFFICES 6/26/74, BUREAU TEL TO BUTTE AND OTHERS, 6/26/74, DETROIT AIRTEL TO TAMPA, 6/25/74, NO TEL TO DIRECTOR, 6/27/74, DETROIT TEL TO BUTTE, 6/27/74, BUREAU TEL TO BUTTE 6/27/74, AND DETROIT TEL TO DIRECTOR, 6/27/74.

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INVESTIGATION AT SARASOTA, FLA., REFLECTS [redacted] SERVICES 300,000 TELEPHONES LOCATED IN 14 SEPARATE INCORPORATED TOWN AREAS AND 6 BEACH AREAS ON WEST COAST OF FLA. THIS RESORT AREA IS SERVICED BY 34 SEPARATE EXCHANGE NUMBERS. [redacted] [redacted] WHO WERE ON DUTY DURING THE EARLY MORNING HOURS OF [redacted] WERE IDENTIFIED AND INTERVIEWED BUT RECALL NO LONG DISTANCE CALLS OVER [redacted] IN LENGTH DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

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TOLL TEST MEN AND SUPERVISORS [redacted] HAVE NO INFO TO INDICATE CALLS TO DETROIT ACTUALLY ORIGINATED AT SARASOTA, FLA., EVEN THOUGH THEY ATTEMPTED TO ASSIST [redacted] REQUEST TO TRACE CALL AT APPROXIMATELY [redacted] ADVISED THAT IF CALL ORIGINATED IN [redacted] IT WOULD HAVE BEEN RECORDED ON A SATT TAPE FOR [redacted] WHICH TAPE RUNS FROM [redacted] THIS TAPE AND ALL RECORD TAPES OF TELEPHONE CALLS AT [redacted] FORWARDED TO [redacted] CHECKS OF THIS TAPE NEGATIVE AT TAMPA. [redacted] HAS PLACED STOP WITH ALL [redacted] FOR ANY CALLS MADE TO [redacted] NUMBER [redacted]

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ON 6/27/74, [redacted] ADVISED THAT TO DATE [redacted] WAS UNABLE TO ACCURATELY CONFIRM THAT CALL TO [redacted] ORIGINATED FROM [redacted] AREA. APPEL ADVISED ALL TAPES AND RECORDS FROM [redacted] AREA HAD BEEN RECEIVED AT TAMPA AND STUDIED, WITH NO RECORD LOCATED TO INDICATE CALL TO VICTIM RESIDENCE.

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ON 6/28/74, [redacted] GENTELCO, TAMPA, ADVISED THAT ALL POSSIBLE RECORDS FOR THE PERTINENT PERIOD HAD BEEN REVIEWED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS . [redacted] STATED THAT HIS COMPUTER SECTION, HANDLING THE SEARCH, IS POSITIVE CALL NOT MADE FROM [redacted] AREA. THIS CONCLUSION BASED ON ALL RECORDS BEING SEARCHED AND ALL POSSIBLE NUMBER COMBINATIONS REVIEWED. [redacted] STATED [redacted] NOW IN PROCESS OF EXPANDING SEARCH OF TAPES AND RECORDS TO COVER A LARGER GEOGRAPHICAL AREA AND WILL HAVE RESULTS BY 7/1/74.

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TAMPA WILL FORWARD TO BUTTE AND DETROIT INSERTS OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED AT TAMPA AND [redacted] AS WELL AS RESULTS OF EXPANDED TAPE AND RECORDS SEARCH BY [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUL 18 1974

TELETYPE

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Spec. Inv. ____
Training ____
Legal Coun. ____
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Director Sec'y ____

NR004 TP PLAIN

1:50PM URGENT JULY 18, 1974 JFD

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14789)

BUTTE (7-497)

DETROIT (7-1248)

FROM TAMPA (7-419)

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM; KIDNAPING; OO: BUTTE.

RE BUTTE NITEL TO BUREAU, JULY 17, 1974.

ON JULY 18, 1974, [redacted] CONTACTED AND ADVISED INFORMATION HAD BEEN DEVELOPED THAT TWO PHONE CALLS WERE MADE TO [redacted] AND THESE CALLS HAD BEEN BILLED TO A [redacted] STATED IF CALLS ORIGINATED FROM [redacted] AND BILLED TO [redacted], THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN OPERATOR ASSISTED AND A RECORD OF CALL TO [redacted] MADE ALL OPERATORS WHO WERE ON DUTY AT THE TIME OF CALLS HAVE BEEN

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PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED BY TAMPA AGENTS AND AT THE TIME OF THEIR INTERVIEW WERE UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE CALLS.

[redacted] STATED IF CALL BILLED TO BOZEMAN, MONTANA, THEN THE [redacted] SHOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE WHERE THE CALL ORIGINATED FROM THEIR BILLING RECORDS.

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PLB FBI WA

CODE b6 b7C TELETYPE IMMEDIATE

6/26/74

TO: SAC'S BUTTE (7-497)
DENVER (7-754)
DETROIT (7-1248)
TAMPA (7-419)

1 - Mr. Gebhardt
(Attn: Mr. Morrow)
1 - Mr. White

7-14789-

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (~~7-14189~~)

[redacted] b6 b7C

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
AKA - VICTIM, KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

RE DETROIT TELETYPE 6/25/74, DETROIT TELEPHONE CALL TO BUREAU 6/25/74.

MAGNETIC TAPE COPIES OF JUNE 25, 1974, ANONYMOUS TELEPHONE CALL TO [redacted] b6 b7C [redacted] BEING IMMEDIATELY FORWARDED BUTTE, DENVER, DETROIT AND TAMPA DIVISIONS VIA REA PRIORITY AIR EXPRESS.

FOLLOWING IS FLIGHT INFORMATION FOR RESPECTIVE OFFICES. PACKAGES ARE MARKED "HOLD AT AIRPORT" AND MUST BE MET AT AIRPORT UPON ARRIVAL.

BUTTE PACKAGE WILL ARRIVE 12:25 P.M. JUNE 27, VIA NORTHWEST FLIGHT 709.

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Director Sec'y

SAK:meh

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
JUN 26 1974
TELETYPE

MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

TELETYPE TO SAC'S BUTTE
DENVER
DETROIT
TAMPA

RE: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER,
AKA - VICTIM, KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

DENVER PACKAGE WILL ARRIVE 1:15 P.M. JUNE 27, VIA UNITED FLIGHT 469.

DETROIT PACKAGE WILL ARRIVE 6:50 P.M. JUNE 26, VIA NORTHWEST FLIGHT 367.

TAMPA PACKAGE WILL ARRIVE 8:11 P.M. JUNE 26, VIA NATIONAL FLIGHT 443.

OFFICES WILL BE TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED OF ANY CHANGE IN FLIGHT INFORMATION SHOULD IT OCCUR.

Laboratory Transmittal Form
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FBI LABORATORY

1 - Mr. Gebhardt
(Attn: Mr. Morrow, Rm 5714)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Detroit (7-1248)

Date: 7/30/74

From: Director, FBI

Re: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
CO: BUTTE

FBI File No. 7-14789-93

REC-123 No. E-2259-0A

EX 104

Examination requested by: SAC, Detroit

Reference: Airtel dated 7/12/74

Examination requested: Engineering

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Remarks:

Based upon the cadence of the speech, the word "Grandma" appears to be preceded by at least three other words. The word immediately preceding "Grandma" could be "you."

Enclosures (2) (2 Laboratory reports)

2 - Butte

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919 cassette + 5 original copies Detroit shipped 8-9-74 Reg # 715997

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REPORT of the FBI LABORATORY

1 - Mr. Gebhardt
(Attn: Mr. Morrow Rm 5714) b6 b7C

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Detroit (7-1248)

Date: 7/30/74
FBI File No. 7-14789
Lab. No. E-2259-OA

Re: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAECER, aka - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

Specimens received 7/18/74

Q19 One Memorex 60 cassette tape dated 7/11/74.

Results of Examination:

An electronically processed copy of the designated telephone call recorded on the Q19 cassette tape was recorded on one 5-inch reel on 1/4-inch magnetic tape at a recording speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a full-track configuration.

No conclusion could be reached regarding the possible origin of the call nor could the identity of the caller or callers be determined. b6 b7C

The Q19 cassette tape and the 5-inch reel copy are being forwarded Detroit under separate cover via registered mail.

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7/23/74
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[redacted]EDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATI[redacted]
[redacted]TED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUS[redacted]ICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: [redacted] UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA
VICTIM KIDNAPING (OO: BUTTE)

File # 7-14789 -93
Lab.# E-2259-OA

Examination requested by: SAC, Detroit (7-1248)(P) Airtel dated 7/12/74

Examination requested: Engineering

Date received: 7/18/74

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

Q19 - is a Memorex 60 cassette tape (C-60)
marked 257 Mom + Child 5:49 p.m
July 10, 1974.
and dated 7/11/74.
Position of call on Side 1 marked with 2
lines.
The call in question is short - & one possibly 2 speakers.

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Q19 One Memorex "60" tape cassette

Filtered + leveled ~~copies~~ copy of questioned call made
on 5" reel of 1/4" mag tape. at
3 3/4" inches per second in full track
config.
Q19 tape marked "SAK" and "7-19-74"
Copy marked "SAK" and "7-25-74"

FD-36 (Rev. 5-22-64)

FBI

Date: 7/12/74

Transmit the following in _____ (Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-14~~180~~789)
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)
FROM: SAC, DETROIT (7-1248) (P)

UNSUB;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka -
VICTIM
KIDNAPING
(OO: BUTTE)

E-2259-OA

[redacted] b6 b7C b7E

Re Detroit teletype, 6/25/74.

Enclosed for FBI Laboratory is one Memorex "60" tape cassette, which contains 40 second anonymous call received by victim's mother, 7/10/74.

At [redacted]

Caller's conversation quite muffled and apparently speaking through a cloth or at some distance from receiver. Through interview of [redacted] and Detroit Division review of tape cassette recording of call, only discernable word of caller is [redacted] After a pause by caller to continue conversation, it appears that a child begins humming into phone. Call terminated.

(2) - Bureau (ENC. 1) (RM)
2 - Butte
2 - Tampa (INFO)
2 - Detroit
WEE/rlm
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ENCLOSURE

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EX-110

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

U.S.Government Printing Office: 1972 455-574

[redacted] advised call placed from area other than Farmington, Michigan. No further trace possible. b7D

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The FBI Laboratory, Radio Engineering Section, is requested to attempt to determine content of anonymous caller's conversation which sounds muffled on tape. Attempt to identify any noises, sounds, or qualities of caller which may be contained on tape. If feasible, attempt comparison of this caller to caller on tape as provided via 6/25/74 communication. If positive comparison made, reproduce tape and provide copies to Tampa, Butte, and Detroit.

Conversation contained on side one of cassette and stats as marked on cassette.

PLAINTEXT TELETYPE NITEL

7/19/74

1 - Mr. Morrow
(Rm 5714)
1 - Mr. White
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TO SAC BUTTE (7-497)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM
KIDNAPING; OO: BUTTE

REURTEL 7/17/74 CONCERNING POSSIBLE VOICE MAGNETIC TAPE RECORDINGS FOR VOICEPRINT COMPARISONS. VOLUME I, SECTION 8Q, PAGE 40 OF THE MANUAL OF INSTRUCTIONS SETS FORTH THE EQUIPMENT TO BE USED AND THE PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED IN MAKING THESE TAPE RECORDINGS. IT IS NOTED YOUR OFFICE HAS PRESENTLY AVAILABLE THE NECESSARY RECORDING EQUIPMENT TO MAKE THESE RECORDINGS. IN ADDITION, IT IS NOTED THAT ALL RECORDING EQUIPMENT ASSIGNED YOUR DIVISION IS OF THE 1/2-TRACK RECORDING CONFIGURATION WHICH WILL PROVIDE THE LABORATORY WITH PROPER VOICE RECORDING SAMPLES. ALSO THESE VOICE TAPE RECORDINGS SHOULD BE MADE IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE ORIGINAL UNSUBS VOICE WAS RECORDED, I. E. BY USE OF AN ACTIVE TELEPHONE INSTRUMENT. THE SOUND TRAINED AGENT IN YOUR DIVISION SHOULD BE APPRAISED OF THIS POTENTIAL TECHNICAL WORK AND SHOULD BE AVAILABLE WHEN THE RECORDINGS ARE MADE.

REC-16 7-14789-94
EX-116
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MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUL 17 1974

TELETYPE

NR 007. BI PLAIN

9-50 PM NITEL JULY 17, 1974 FLC

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

ATTENTION: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE AND LABORATORY DIVISIONS

SAC DETROIT 7-1248

SAC TAMPA 7-419

FROM SAC BUTTE 7-497

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UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM. KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE.

[redacted] TELEPHONE OPERATOR TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THIS DATE SHE HAD BEEN ASKED TO TRACE NUMBER BILLED TO PARTY WHO CLAIMED NO KNOWLEDGE OF CALL. CALL MADE TO RESIDENCE OF [redacted] ADVISED TELEPHONE [redacted] BILLED FOR CALLS [redacted] SECOND CALL LASTING [redacted] BILLED TO [redacted] ON [redacted] RESPECTED [redacted] RESIDES [redacted] AND [redacted] PROPERTY IN [redacted] APPROXIMATELY FIVE MILES FROM SITE OF CAPTIONED ABDUCTION. [redacted] NORMALLY

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NOT OCCUPIED, IS ADJACENT TO LOCKHART PLACE WHERE CAR AND BURNED BONES OF SANDRA DYKMA SMALLEGAN LOCATED FEBRUARY 14, 1974.

BUTTE INSTITUTING INVESTIGATION TO INTERVIEW LOGICAL PERSONS, PARTICULARLY THOSE ON TELEPHONE LINE WITH [redacted] WILL INTERVIEW AND OBTAIN VOICE PRINT SAMPLES FROM POSSIBLE SUSPECTS. b6 b7C b7D b7E

REQUEST OF BUREAU:

ADVISE BEST EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE TO FOLLOW TO OBTAIN PROPER EFFECT FOR VOICE PRINTS FOR COMPARISON WITH TAPED TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN UNSUB AND [redacted]

DETROIT WILL, IF ADDITIONAL CALLS RECEIVED [redacted] IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY BUTTE SO LOCAL TRAPS AND TRACES MAY BE INSTITUTED, [redacted] TRACE.

TAMPA AT [redacted] CONTINUE ATTEMPTS TO DETERMINE IF CALL PLACED [redacted] REA AND THROUGH CONTACTS [redacted] ASCERTAIN IF CALL PLACED [redacted] COULD BE BILLED TO [redacted]

[redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUL 23 1974

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1105 AM URGENT JULY 23, 1974 LKS

TO DIRECTOR (7-14789)

ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

DETROIT (7-1248)

WFO

FROM BUTTE (7-497) (P) 2P

[redacted]

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER DASH VICTIM. KIDNAPING.

OO: BUTTE.

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[redacted]

K2

ONE PACKAGE CONTAINING FIVE INCH REEL RECORDING BEING SENT FBI LABORATORY DIRECT FROM BOZEMAN, MONTANARA, WILL BE ON NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 68, ARRIVE WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT 8:11 P.M., VIA SPECIAL EXPEDITE REGISTERED PACKAGE SERVICE. REEL SUBMITTED FOR VOICE SOUND COMPARISON WITH RECORDING MADE JUNE 25, 1974.

EX-101
REC-48
14789-95

JUL 24 1974

FOUR CASSETTE TAPES OBTAINED GALLATIN COUNTY SO REGARDING INTERVIEWS WITH:

[redacted] TWO TAPES);

[redacted]

[redacted]

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TAPES OF INTERVIEWS WITH THESE PERSONS, WHO WERE SUSPECTS IN MURDER OF SANDRA SMALLEGAN, CONSEQUENTLY MUST BE CONSIDERED IN CAPTIONED CASE.

END PAGE ONE

Lab rep to Joe BT
SAK: Ans 8/5/74

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FBI RECORDINGS MADE [redacted] AT THREE AND THREE QUARTERS IPS ON A [redacted] b7E

RECORDING, SIDE ONE, REEL ONE:

(1) [redacted] (NOT PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED) COUNTER READING [redacted]

(2) DAVID MEIRHOFFER (PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED) COUNTER READING [redacted]

REEL TWO, SIDE TWO:

(1) [redacted] RURAL ROUTE, [redacted] b6 b7C b7E [redacted] (PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED) COUNTER READING [redacted]

(2) [redacted] MANHATTEN, MONTANA (PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED) COUNTER READING [redacted]

(3) [redacted] THREE FORKS, MONTANA (PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED) COUNTER READIND [redacted]

(4) [redacted] TRIDENT, MONTANA (PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED) COUNTER READING [redacted]

END PAGE TWO

BT (7-497)

PARTICULAR EMPHASIS REQUESTED ON VOICE PRINT DAVID MEIRHOFFER, WHO MEETS ALL CRITERION SUGGESTED BY LABORATORY.

WFO REQUESTED PICK UP PACKAGE FROM FLIGHT 68, NORTHWEST AIRLINES, 8:11 P.M., JULY 23, 1974, NATIONAL AIRPORT, AT LOST AND FOUND DEPARTMENT.

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DKS FBIHQ CLR

cc: MR. GEBHARDT

Laboratory Transmittal Form
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FBI LABORATORY

1 - Mr. Gebhardt
(Attn: Mr. Morrow
Rm 5714)
1 - Mr. Paddock
1 [redacted] b6 b7C

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Butte (7-497)

Date: 8/5/74

From: Director, FBI

Re: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: BUTTE

REC-135

FBI File No.

Lab. No. 7-14789 95
E-2270-CA
CR-14242 IC

Examination requested by: SAC, Butte EX-108

Reference: Teletype dated 7/23/74

Examination requested: Engineering - Cryptanalysis-Translation

Remarks:

It should be noted that David Meirhoffer makes a statement very much in keeping with the psychological aspects pointed out for UNSUB in Laboratory Report 7/15/74 with respect to his sensitivity about losing his wife, etc. In K2, Meirhoffer is talking about the destruction of the building he had been working on and says "It kind of makes you know what it feels like to lose a wife. Its the same thing." It was also noted in referenced Laboratory report that UNSUB may be wealthy and possibly hold property in the western United States. In K2 Meirhoffer states that his apartments are finished and ready to rent, and has other apartments already rented.

While the possibility does exist that the similarities between the characteristics on K2 and Q15 are coincidental, it appears likely that [redacted] may very well be identical with the caller on Q15 and Q16. b7E

Enclosures (2)(2 Laboratory reports)

2 - Detroit (7-1248)

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MAIL ROOM ☑ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

The voice frequency patterns of [redacted] bear considerable resemblance to those of the unknown callers on Q15 and Q16. Little spectral similarity with the unknown voices was noted for the remaining known voice samples on K2, K3, K4, K5 and K6. [redacted] should therefore be considered a prime suspect in this case. b7E

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REPORT
of the
FBI LABORATORY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

1 - Mr. Gebhardt
(Attn: Mr. Morrow
Rm 5714)
1 - Mr. Paddock
1 [redacted] b6 b7C

SAC, Butte (7-497)

Date: 8/5/74
FBI File No. 7-14789
Lab. No. E-2270-OA
CR-14242 IC

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
CO: BUTTE

Specimens received 7/23/74

K2 One 5-inch open reel magnetic tape recording.
K3 One Sony C-30 cassette tape.
K4 One Ampex 330 60-minute cassette tape.
K5 One Sony C-60 cassette tape.
K6 One Sony C-60 cassette tape.

Results of Examination:

The voices of [redacted] recorded on the K2 magnetic tape, and the voices of [redacted] recorded on K3, [redacted] recorded on K4 and K5 and the voice of [redacted] recorded on K6 were compared to the voices of the unknown callers of [redacted] recorded on Q15 and Q16 submitted previously.

Known samples of [redacted] are dissimilar to the voice of Unsub in captioned case. Each of them differs from the caller in Q15 and Q16, Laboratory Report 7/15/74 in one or more factors including tone of voice, phraseology and accent. It appears quite certain that none of the above is identical with Unsub. b6 b7C b7E

The voice sample of [redacted] does bear marked resemblance to the voice of Unsub. His accent is quite similar and can be described with the same characteristics set forth in previous reports on the voice of Unsub. [redacted] uses the same sort of rural western colloquialisms as previously cited for Unsub ("kind of a reg'lar tornado") and specifically he uses one phrase which also appeared in both Q15 and Q16, "One o' these days," with the same emphasis, inflection and pronunciation as Unsub.

The K2, K3, K4, K5 and K6 tapes are being returned to Butte under separate cover via registered mail.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER IX - VICTIM
KIDNAPING OO: BUTTE

File # 7-14789 - 95
Lab.# E-2270-OA
CR-14242 IC

Examination requested by: SAC, Butte (7-497)(P) Teletype dated 7/23/74

Examination requested: Engineering — Crypt —

Date received: 7/23/74

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted] b6 b7C
PADDOCK
Pwp

Dictation set forth on attached.

K2 One package containing five inch reel recording

K3
K4
K5
K6
} cassette tapes.

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7/23/74
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER IX - VICTIM
KIDNAPING OO: BUTTE

File # 7-14789 - 95
Lab.# E-2270-OA

Examination requested by: SAC, Butte (7-497)(P) Teletype dated 7/23/74

Examination requested: Engineering

Date received: 7/23/74

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted]

specimens

K2 - one 5 inch open reel recording -
containing voice of James Wicks on side 1
and [redacted] on side 1
contains voices of [redacted]

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K2 One package containing five inch reel recording and
K3

K3 - one Sony C-30 cassette tape # 007806
marked side [redacted] on Side B

K4 - one Amyex 370 60 minute cassette marked
3-26-74 Interview with [redacted]

K5 - one Sony C-60 cassette marked telephone Conversation with [redacted]
number 005806

K6 - one Sony C-60 cassette tape number 005806
marked [redacted]

Spectrographic comparison of voices with unknown male callers of [redacted] voice of [redacted] [redacted] most similar - good comparison. all tapes marked SAK and 7-23-74

ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

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REPORT

additional types

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PLAINTEXT TELETYPE NITEL

JULY 19, 1974

TO: SACs, BUTTE

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

1 [redacted]

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM, KIDNAPING,

OO: BUTTE.

REBUTEL JULY 5, 1974, TO BUTTE AND NEW YORK, BTTEL TO BUREAU, DETROIT, AND TAMPA, JULY 17, 1974, AND BUTELCAL TO BUTTE, JULY 19, 1974. b6 b7C

IN VIEW OF MOST RECENT DEVELOPMENTS, HOLD IN ABEYANCE CONTACT WITH [redacted] UNTIL RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION OF MOST RECENT SUSPECT ARE KNOWN.

NOTE: This is an alleged kidnaping wherein the victim disappeared approximately [redacted] years ago. Butte had previously requested that tape recording of voice of a suspect in this matter be submitted to a professor who is a leading expert in the U. S. as far as establishing a person's residence and occupation by means of dialect and speech pattern. Butte has now developed information that several telephone calls to the [redacted] Investigation in that area has revealed that someone apparently tapped into telephone wires and placed the call unbeknown to the telephone subscriber. A good suspect has been developed. This teletype instructs Butte to hold in abeyance contact with the professor until results of the investigation of new suspect are know. b7E

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2:46PM URGENT JULY 19, 1974 LEW (2)

TO DIRECTOR (7-419) 14-761-97

BUTTE (7-497)

FROM TAMPA (7-419) (RUC)

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM; KIDNAPING.

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RE BUTTE NITEL TO TP, 7/18/74.

ON 7/1874, RECORDS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES, ELECTRIC COMPANY, AND TELEPHONE COMPANY ALL NEGATIVE RE [redacted] WHO RESIDES IN RESIDENCE ADJACENT TO [redacted] ADVISED [redacted] A NEWSPAPER MAN, CURRENTLY RESIDES [redacted] ADVISED [redacted] HAS [redacted] YEAR OLD DAUGHTIER AND ALSO AN OLDER DAUGHTER MARRIED TO MAN IN U.S. AIR FORCE, WHO POSSIBLY RESIDES IN STATE OF UTAH.

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CREDIT CHECK REFLECTS [redacted] MARRIED TO [redacted] AUGUST 25, 1970. ADDRESS GIVEN ONLY AS SARASOTA, FLA. MARRIAGE LICENSE RECORDS, SARASOTA, FLA., COURTHOUSE, REFLECTS [redacted] DOB [redacted] POB CASCADE COUNTY, MONTANA, RESIDENCE [redacted] AND [redacted] DOB [redacted] 1950, POB SARASOTA, FLA.,

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FILED MARRIAGE APPLICATION, AUGUST 20, 1970. PARENTS OF [redacted] INDICATED AS [redacted] AND [redacted] PARENTS OF [redacted] REFLECTED AS [redacted] AND [redacted] PARENTS OF [redacted] NOT CONTACTED AT SARASOTA, FLA. RE CURRENT LOCATION OF [redacted] BUTTE, AT GREAT FALLS, MONTANA, FURTHER IDENTIFY AND LOCATION [redacted] THROUGH LOCAL DRAFT BOARD AND U.S. AIR FORCE RECRUITER IN ORDER TO RESOLVE IF [redacted] IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB.

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Laboratory Transmittal Form
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1 - Mr. Gebhardt
(Attn: Mr. Morrow
Rm 5714)
1 - [redacted] b6 b7C

FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Las Vegas (7-285)

Date: 7/25/74

From: Director, FBI

Re: UNSUB;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka
VICTIM
KIDNAPPING
CO: BUTTE

FBI File No. 7-14789

Lab. No. E-2218-OA

Examination requested by: SAC, Las Vegas

Reference: Airtel dated 7/9/74

Examination requested: Engineering

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Remarks:

A number of differences were noted in the spectral voice patterns of [redacted] and the unknown callers of [redacted] The pitch of [redacted] voice is also slightly higher than the unknown voices. Based upon the differences noted [redacted] does not therefore appear likely to be the unknown caller, however it is not conclusive.

Enclosures (2) (2 Laboratory reports)

2 - Butte (7-497)

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REPORT
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1 - Mr. Gebhardt
(Attn: Mr. Morrow
Rm 5714)
1 - [redacted] b6 b7C

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

TO: SAC, Las Vegas (7-285)

Date: 7/25/74 — 98
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Lab. No. E-2218-OA

RE: UNSUB;
SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, aka
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KIDNAPPING
OO: BUTTE

Specimens received 7/15/74

K1 One cassette tape containing voice samples of suspect [redacted] b6 b7C

Results of Examination:

The voice sample of [redacted] contained on the K1 cassette could not be identified with the unknown callers of [redacted] b7E

The K1 cassette tape is being returned to Las Vegas under separate cover via registered mail.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

14789 — 98

Re: UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA
VICTIM KIDNAPPING
OO: BUTTE

File # 7-~~14189~~ b7E
Lab.# E-2218-OA

Examination requested by: SAC, Las Vegas (7-285)(P) Airtel dated 7/9/74

Examination requested: Engineering

Date received: 7/15/74

Result of Examination:

Examination by [redacted]

K1 - one [redacted] C-60 Low Noise cassette tape marked [redacted] b6 b7C

spectrographic comparison with unk calls of [redacted]

does not appear to be same - difference in spectral patterns + [redacted] voice pitch slightly higher.

K1 cassette marked JAK 7-19-74

K1 One tape containing taped voice of Suspect [redacted] b6 b7C

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FBI

Date: 7/9/74

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (7-285) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
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Enclosed for the Bureau is one tape containing the taped voice of Suspect [redacted]

On 7/8/74, SA [redacted] obtained a tape recording of a telephone conversation with [redacted] in accordance with request of the Butte Office by nitel dated 7/5/74.

The Butte Office requested that the voice recording be furnished to the Bureau to be compared with the recorded voice of UNSUB, obtained 6/25/74, previously submitted to the Bureau by the Butte Division. It is requested that the submitted voice recording of Suspect [redacted] be compared with the voice recordings previously submitted.

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cc - [redacted] DIV 6 - DN

2 - Bureau (Enc. 1)
2 - Butte
2 - Las Vegas
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Lab rep to Sac LV
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Approved: VFL Jr
Special Agent in Charge

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For information of the Bureau, tentative arrangements have been made to recontact Suspect [redacted] on 7/20/74.

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The Bureau is requested, as soon as possible, to notify the Las Vegas Division whether or not the submitted taped voice of [redacted] is sufficient and satisfactory for examination purposes. If this recording is not satisfactory, efforts will be made on 7/20/74 to obtain additional recording.

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9-50 PM NITEL JULY 17, 1974 FLC

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

ATTENTION: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE AND LABORATORY DIVISIONS

SAC DETROIT 7-1248

SAC TAMPA 7-419

FROM SAC BUTTE 7-497

UNSUB; SUSAN MARIE JAEGER, AKA - VICTIM. KIDNAPING. OO BUTTE.

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[redacted] OPERATOR TELEPHONICALLY

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ADVISED THIS DATE SHE HAD BEEN ASKED TO TRACE NUMBER BILLED TO PARTY WHO CLAIMED NO KNOWLEDGE OF CALL. CALL MADE TO [redacted] ADVISED TELEPHONE NO [redacted] BILLED FOR CALLS [redacted], SECOND CALL LASTING [redacted] BILLED TO [redacted] RESPECTED [redacted] RESIDES [redacted] AND [redacted] RANCH PROPERTY IN HORSESHOE HILLS, APPROXIMATELY FIVE MILES FROM SITE OF CAPTIONED ABDUCTION. [redacted] NORMALLY

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NOT OCCUPIED, IS ADJACENT TO LOCKHART PLACE WHERE CAR AND BURNED BONES OF SANDRA DYKMA SMALLEGAN LOCATED FEBRUARY 14, 1974.

BUTTE INSTITUTING INVESTIGATION TO INTERVIEW LOGICAL PERSONS, PARTICULARLY THOSE ON TELEPHONE LINE WITH [redacted] WILL INTERVIEW AND OBTAIN VOICE PRINT SAMPLES FROM POSSIBLE SUSPECTS. b6 b7C

REQUEST OF BUREAU:

ADVISE BEST EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE TO FOLLOW TO OBTAIN PROPER EFFECT FOR VOICE PRINTS FOR COMPARISON WITH TAPED TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN UNSUB AND [redacted]

DETROIT WILL, IF ADDITIONAL CALLS RECEIVED [redacted] IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY BUTTE SO LOCAL TRAPS AND TRACES MAY BE INSTITUTED, [redacted] SIMULTANIOUS WITH [redacted] TRACE.

[redacted] CONTINUE ATTEMPTS TO DETERMINE IF CALL PLACED [redacted] AREA AND THROUGH CONTACTS [redacted] ASCERTAIN IF CALL PLACED [redacted] COULD BE BILLED TO [redacted] NUMBER [redacted] b6 b7C b7D b7E

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