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Subject: ZODIAC KILLER

File Number: 9-HQ-49911

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To: Director, FBI (9-49911)

Attention: Identification Division

Late: Fingerprint Section

Latent Case Number A-10042

From: SAC, Sacramento (9-68) (P)

Subject: Zodiac

Extortion

Sacramento

On 8/13/70, Officer [redacted] of the Police Department, Fairfield, California, suggested one [redacted] as a suspect in the Zodiac killings.

He is presently attached to the [redacted] Office. He was born [redacted], and has military

It is requested that his fingerprints which are on file in the Identification Division be compared with the unidentified latent prints previously developed in this case.

Armed and Dangerous.

ST-120

REC-88 9-49911-141

25 Aug 22, 1970

Approved: Special Agent in Charge
Fingerprints not located Identification Division files, for
However, latent fingerprints previously reported this case not identical fingerprints are white male, born in Chicago, Illinois, who may or may not be the person named re-

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION WORK SHEET

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Latent Case No: A-10042

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RE: ZODIAC  
EXTORTION

Date of reference communication: Airtel 8/20/70

Specimens:

Named Suspect:  
LTC  
DOB Military

1 Civil try

Copy of res to Proc

Result of examination:

CI req. 8/24 wtm

CI mtl  
as shown above 8/26 wtm

6/9/70: figs from wmr not  
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Examination completed 1:50pM  
Time 8/26/70  
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Date
FBI
Date: 10/13/70

Transmit the following in

Via AIRTEL

DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
ATTENTION: FBI-LABORATORY

SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296) (P)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC
EXTORTION
CO: Sacramento

To:

Re San Francisco airtel to Sacramento, 9/22/70.

Enclosed for the Bureau is one photocopy and one xeroxed copy of post card addressed to San Francisco Chronicle, San Francisco. Postmarked 10/23/70, at San Francisco. Enclosed for Sacramento is one xeroxed copy of same post card.

The enclosures in this matter were furnished by Inspector [redacted], Homicide Detail, San Francisco Police Department, on 10/13/70. Inspector [redacted] advised that the cross under numeral 13 was made of a thin paper which was pasted on to the post card as was the other printing, and that the color of the cross was red.

The laboratory is being furnished the enclosures for inclusion in their file and any examination being adviseable.

Special Agent in Charge

Approved

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U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1949-O-240-544 (11)
To: FBI, San Francisco (9-2296)

Date: October 29, 1970

Re: ZODIAC

EXTORTION

OO: Sacramento

Examination requested by: San Francisco

Reference: Airtel 10/13/70

Examination requested: Document

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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Mr. 7-18
To: FBI, San Francisco (9-2296)  
Re: ZODIAC  
EXTORTION

Specimens received

10/15/70

Qc57 Photocopy of post card postmarked "SAN FRANCISCO PM 5 OCT 1970" bearing address "San Francisco Chronicle B.P." (taken from newspaper heading)

Qc58 Photocopy of reverse side of post card bearing message beginning "DEAR EDITOR: You'll hate me..." ending "ZODIAC" (taken from newspaper articles)

Result of examination:

The photocopies Qc57 and Qc58 do not contain any hand printing and a comparison of these specimens with the other specimens received previously in this case was not feasible. Nothing of significance was noted concerning Qc57 and Qc58 which would be of value in identifying the source of these specimens or the other specimens received in this matter.

The submitted evidence is retained.
TO DIRECTOR (9-49911)
CINCINNATI
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (9-9-2296) (P) (3P)

ZODIAC EXTORTION 00: SACRAMENTO.

RE: SAN FRANCISCO AIRPLANE TO BUREAU DATED OCTOBER THIRTEEN,
LAST AND SAN FRANCISCO TELEPHONE CALL TO ASAC ODD JACOBSON
DATED OCTOBER TWENTY ONE, INSTANT.

FOR INFORMATION OF CINCINNATI, UNSUB THIS MATTER
THROUGH CORRESPONDENCE TO LOCAL SAN FRANCISCO NEWSPAPERS.
DESCRIBES HIMSELF AS ZODIAC AND PRESENTLY CLAIMS TO HAVE
MURDERED THIRTEEN PERSONS. INSPECTOR
HOMICIDE DETAIL, SAN FRANCISCO POLICE DEPARTMENT, BELIEVES
UNKNOWN SUBJECT DEFINITELY RESPONSIBLE FOR AT LEAST SEVEN
MURDERS WHICH WERE ACCOMPLISHED BY SHOOTING AND STABBING.

ADVAISED ON OCTOBER TWENTY ONE, INSTANT THAT HE
HAD BEEN CALLED BY CINCINNATI POST AND TIMES STAR
NEWSPAPER AND ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] AMERICAN
HAD BEEN ARRESTED BY CINCINNATI POLICE DEPARTMENT ON
MURDER WARRANT. ISSUED BY BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO 90. NEWSPAPER

END PAGE ONE
/ENCLOSURE

MR. SULLIVAN FOR THE DIRECTOR
SOURCE ADVISED [REDACTED] HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH MURDER OF SIXTEEN YEAR OLD GIRL AND NOTED VICTIM'S BODY HAD BEEN MUTILATED INCLUDING THE SUPERFICIAL CUTTING OF A Z ON THE ABDOMEN AND EXCISION OF THE NIPPLE OF LEFT BREAST. SOURCE NOTED [REDACTED] HAD REPORTEDLY BEEN IN SAN FRANCISCO DURING AUGUST, NINETEEN SEVENTY. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT ON AUGUST FOUR, LAST AND AUGUST THIRTY, LAST BRENDA VANCE, [REDACTED], TWENTY THREE YEARS AND JANICE SMITH NF, TWENTY TWO YEARS WERE FOUND MURDERED IN SAN FRANCISCO. BOTH WERE PROSTITUTES WORKING IN SAN FRANCISCO AREA. BOTH DIED FROM SEVERE BLOWS TO THE HEAD. SMITH'S BODY WAS MUTILATED EXTENSIVELY INCLUDING REMOVAL OF NIPPLE FROM LEFT BREAST. VANCE'S BODY HAD NUMEROUS BURNS OF TORSO AND BREASTS. [REDACTED] BELIEVES BOTH VICTIMS WERE ABDUCTED AT GUN POINT AND TAKEN TO ABANDONED DWELLING AND MURDERED. [REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED BUTLER COUNTY SO, SHERIFF'S OFFICE ON OCTOBER TWENTY, LAST FOR PURPOSE OF EVALUATING INFORMATION END PAGE TWO
FURNISHED BY NEWSPAPER SOURCE AND ALSO TO DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS DURING AUGUST, LAST AND PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS. STATED HE WAS UNWILLING TO DISCUSS ANY OTHER CASE UNTIL TRIED AND CONVICTED FOR LOCAL MURDER. BUREAU AUTHORITY REQUESTED TO HAVE CINCINNATI OFFICE CONTACT BUTLER COUNTY SO TO OBTAIN MAJOR CASE PRINTS AND PHOTOGRAPH OF AND IF POSSIBLE, DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS DURING AUGUST, LAST. IF IT APPEARS WAS IN SAN FRANCISCO AREA AND MAY BE WILLING TO DISCUSS HIS ACTIVITIES AND SO HAS NO OBJECTION TO INTERVIEW, WOULD TRAVEL TO CINCINNATI FOR PURPOSE OF INTERVIEW. ARMED AND DANGEROUS. AM COPY SENT TO SACRAMENTO.

END

HOLD

CC-MR. ROSEN
October 22, 1970

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Zodiac is the alias of the West Coast murderer who claims to have killed 13 people and who is believed by police authorities definitely responsible for seven murders. We are not actively investigating the murders but conduct out of state investigation for local authorities on limited basis. Several Zodiac threats have been mailed and the Bureau has an Extortion case, however, U. S. Attorney has indicated preference for prosecution by local authorities on murder charges.

Attached discloses a [redacted] arrested in Ohio on a charge of murder wherein victim's body was mutilated including the cutting of a "Z" on her abdomen. Two Negro prostitutes were found murdered in San Francisco during 8/70 with mutilations similar to the Ohio death. San Francisco authorities requested assistance in obtaining major case prints, photographs and whereabouts of [redacted] during 8/70. If approved, Cincinnati will conduct the limited investigation requested.

BHC:jw

[Signature]
TO SAC, CINCINNATI
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911) - 145
ZODIAC. EXTORTION. 00: 8C.

REQUEST TO BU AND CI TEN TWENTYSEVEN.

BE AUTHORITY GRANTED FOR CI TO CONTACT BUTLER COUNTY
S.O. TO OBTAIN COPY OF MAJOR CASE PRINTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS OF
AND IF POSSIBLE DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS
DURING AUGUST NINETEEN SEVENTY. IN VIEW OF DESIRES EXPRESSED BY
CHIEF DEPUTY, BUTLER COUNTY, SHERIFF'S OFFICE, AND PENDING LOCAL
MURDER CHARGES NO INTERVIEW OF SHOULD BE CONDUCTED BY
BU. SHOULD OBJECTION TO INTERVIEW BE CHARGED SP SHOULD BE
ADVISED SO LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN CALIFORNIA CAN CONDUCT SUCH
INTERVIEW. AIRMAIL COPIES SENT TO SF AND 8C.

1 - San Francisco (9-2296) (AIRMAIL)
1 - Sacramento (AIRMAIL)

NOTE: See SF tel to Bu & CI 10/21/70 with note of General
Investigative Division dated 10/22/70.
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20537

REPORT
of the
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 9-2296 9-49911 A-10042
FBI FILE NO.
LATENT CASE NO.

October 26, 1970

TO: SAC, San Francisco

RE: ZODIAC EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airtel 10-13-70
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: San Francisco

SPECIMENS:

The requested latent print examination is being conducted and you will be advised of the results upon completion.

EX-111
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9-49911-146

19 OCT. 27 1970

John Edgar Hoover, Director

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TO DIRECTOR (MAIL) (9749911) AND SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296)

FROM CINCINNATI (9-2455)

ZODIAC EXTORTION. OO: SACRAMENTO

RE SF TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, OCTOBER TWENTY TWO, LAST AND DIRECTOR TELETYPE TO CI, OCTOBER TWENTY THREE INSTANT.

BUTLER COUNTY SO, HAMILTON, OHIO FURNISHED PHOTOGRAPH OF PHOTOGRAPH BEING FORWARDED BY SEPARATE CORRESPONDENCE. Stated major case prints were taken and are in CUSTODY OF BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION, LONDON, OHIO. BUTLER COUNTY SO unable to authorize any interview of suggested that SFPD obtain authorization for interview directly.

Bureau
1 - Cincinnati MJC/jns
1 - Sacramento (3)

Approved: Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____
FROM BUTLER COUNTY WENTSCHLER BUILDING, HAMILTON, OHIO, FOUR FIVE ZERO ONE TWO.

SAN FRANCISCO, ADVISE SFPD OF ABOVE AND SUGGEST DIRECT COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THAT DEPARTMENT AND BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION TO OBTAIN MAJOR CASE PRINTS AND CONTACT WITH BUTLER COUNTY PROSECUTOR TO OBTAIN AUTHORIZATION FOR SFPD OFFICERS TO INTERVIEW SUSPECT.

END
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
(ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296) (P)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC EXTORTION
          00: SACRAMENTO
          Vallejo Times Herald, Vallejo, Calif.

Re San Francisco airtel to Sacramento, 9/22/70.

The Identification Division is requested to compare the fingerprints of [name redacted], DOB [date redacted], with the latent fingerprints previously submitted in this case. [Name redacted] is presently employed as [occupation redacted] and residing at [address redacted].

EX-106 9-49911-148
REQ 74 22 Oct 59


Approved: Nov 2 1970
Special Agent in Charge
REPORT
of the
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

EX-106
9-2296
9-49911
A-10042

October 28, 1970

TO: SAC, San Francisco

RE: ZODIAC EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airtel 10/12/70
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: San Francisco
SPECIMENS:

This report supplements Latent Fingerprint Section report dated 10/26/70.

The latent fingerprints and impressions previously reported of value in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of [redacted] born [redacted] in [redacted]. No prints are contained in our files for [redacted].

John Edgar Hoover, Director

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION WORK SHEET

Recorded: 10-15-70 3:00 P.M.  Reference No: 9-2296
Received: 10-15-70 gls  FBI File No: 9-49911 148
Answer to: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO  Latent Case No: A-10042

Examination requested by: addressee
Copy to:
  RE: ZODIAC
  EXTORTION

Date of reference communication: Airtel 10-13-70
Specimens:
  Named Suspect: W - M - DOB

Name to cs 10/16 year

Result of examination:
  Case not of facts
  Be born

Examination by: 10/27/70
Evidence noted by:
  10/27/70

Examination completed 10:30 Time 10/27 Date 10/27 Dictated Date

NOV 2, 1970

[Redacted and unclear text]
Transmit the following in

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY
SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296) (P)

RE ZODIAC EXTORTION
OO: Sacramento

Rebulet to San Francisco, 10/26/70.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau is one photocopy and one Xerox copy of card and envelope which envelope is addressed to "San Francisco Chronicle", 5th and Mission Streets, San Francisco, and postmarked at San Francisco, 10/27/70.

Enclosed for Sacramento is one Xerox copy of same Bureau enclosure.

On 10/29/70 Inspector [redacted], San Francisco Police Dept., advised enclosed envelope and card received by the [redacted] writer for "San Francisco Chronicle", daily newspaper on 10/28/70. Inspector [redacted] advised Mr. [redacted] made card and envelope available to SFPD on 10/29/70.

The Laboratory is requested to compare the enclosed specimens with previous specimens submitted in this case.

3- BUREAU (9-49911) (Encs. (AM)
1- SACRAMENTO (9-68) (Enc. 1) (AM)
2- SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
Attention: FBI LABORATORY and FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296)(P)

RE: ZODIAC EXTORTION
OO: Sacramento

ReBulet to San Francisco, 10/26/70.

Enclosed for the Bureau is one photocopy and two Xerox copies of postcard addressed to [redacted] Orinda, Ca. postmarked 10:27 at Berkeley, California.

The above photocopy was furnished to San Francisco Office by Inspector [redacted], Homicide Detail, San Francisco Police Department on 10/28/70. Inspector advised that the card was sent to him by [redacted] of Orinda, Calif.

According to Inspector [redacted], he believes the card may have been sent to him by [redacted] who now resides at [redacted], Berkeley, California. [redacted] stated that [redacted] is a white male; born: [redacted]

(9-49911)

3- BUREAU (Encs. 3 AM)
1- SACRAMENTO (9-68)(AM)
2- SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296)

CEG/amc (6)

Approved: ________________ Sent __________ M Per ________________

Special Agent in Charge
The Identification Division is requested to search files to determine if fingerprints of [redacted] are on file, and if located, to compare them with latent fingerprints previously submitted in this matter.
FBI, San Francisco (9-2296)

November 12, 1970

FBI, San Francisco

Enclosures (2) (2 Laboratory reports)

2 - Sacramento (9-68) - Enclosures (2) (2 Laboratory reports)

Mailed 24
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November 12, 1970

To: FBI, San Francisco (9-2290)

Re: ZODIAC

Extortion

OO: SACRAMENTO

Date: 11/2/70

Specimens received

Qc59 through Qc61 were described in Laboratory report dated 11/5/70.

Result of examination:

Nothing of cryptographic significance was noted in specimens Qc59 through Qc61.

Results of document and fingerprint examinations were furnished separately.

Specimens Qc59 through Qc61 are being retained.
FBI

LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, San Francisco (9-2290)

Date: November 5, 1970

Re: ZODIAC

EXTORTION

C/O: Sacramento

Examination requested by: San Francisco

Reference: Airtels 10/29/70

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint - Cryptanalysis

Remarks:

Qc50 through Qc61 are being forwarded to the Cryptanalysis Section of the Laboratory for evaluation. You will be advised of the results of that evaluation in a separate report.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Sacramento (9-68) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

Mail room [ ] Teletype Unit [ ]
REPORT
of the
FBI LABORATORY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, San Francisco (9-2296)
Re: ZODIAC EXTORTION

Date: November 5, 1970
FBI File No. 9-49911
Lab. No. D-701102099 LL
D-701102130 LL

Specimens received
11/2/70

- Qc59 Photocopy of a post card bearing cut out typewritten address "Grinda, Ca." postmarked "BERKELEY, CA 17 OCT PM 1970" bearing message cut out of newspapers or other publications beginning "Mon, Oct 12, 1970... The Zodiac is going to..."

- Qc60 Photocopy of envelope postmarked "SAN FRANCISCO, CA 6B 27 OCT PM 1970" bearing hand printed address S.F. Chronicle 5th - Mission S.F."

- Qc61 Photocopy of accompanying Halloween greeting card bearing hand printed message beginning "By Fire..."

Result of examination:

Qc59 does not contain any hand printing and a comparison of this specimen with the other questioned specimens containing hand printing was not feasible.

The hand printing on Qc60 and Qc61 is too limited and distorted to definitely associate it with any of the hand printing on threatening letters received previously in this case; however, a few hand printing similarities were noted.

Nothing of particular significance was noted concerning Qc59 through Qc61 which would be of value in identifying the source of these specimens or the other specimens received previously in this matter.

No identification record could be located for based upon the description of this person furnished in your communication dated 10/29/70.

The submitted evidence is retained.
REPORT
of the
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 9-2296
FILE FILE NO. 9-49911
LATEST CASE NO. A-10042

TO SAC, San Francisco

REFERENCE: ZODIAC EXTORTION
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: SAN FRANCISCO

676 On basis of information furnished, no identification record located for

Laboratory report separate.

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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On basis of info furnished, no relevant record located for 11/3 NJ

Specimens submitted for examination

Photocopy of a post card bearing cut out typewritten address
Orinda, Calif. postmarked "Oakland, Calif. Oct 11, 1970"
bearing message cut out of newspaper or other publications
beginning "Mon. Oct 12, 1970 The Zodiac is going to...

2-Sacramento (9-68)
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FBI/DOJ
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
ATTENTION FBI LABORATORY (D-701015062LL)
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-68)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC EXTORTION

Sgt. Solano County SO, Vallejo, California, advised one FBI Number born is considered a suspect in this case and he requested that the unidentified latent fingerprints be compared with the fingerprints on file in the Identification Division.
TO: SAC, Sacramento

RE: ZODIAC

EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airtel 11-3-70
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Sacramento

Remaining unidentified latent fingerprints and latent impressions (fingerprints or palm prints) previously reported this case not identical fingerprints of FBI Palm prints of not contained Identification Division files.

John Edgar Hoover, Director

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1 - San Francisco (9-2296)

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Received: 11/9/70 jdb

Answer to: SAC, Sacramento

Examination requested by: Addressee

Copy to:

RE: ZODIAC
EXTORTION

Date of reference communication: Airtel 11/3/70

Specimens:

Named Suspect: [redacted]

Result of examination:

[redacted]

Remaining incident hut foot or hat umps (fists or yes) not reported. This case must of foot of

676 lbs of [redacted] not contained about our files.

San Francisco (9-2070)

Examination completed 1:40 PM 11/12/70 Time

Date

Dictated 11/12/70 Date

[redacted]
FBI

Date: 11/17/70

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
(Attn: Identification Division)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296) (P)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC

EXTORTION

00: Sacramento

Rebuted to San Francisco, 11/12/70.

On 11/17/70 Inspector [redacted], Homocide Detail, requested that the fingerprints of [redacted] and [redacted] as located in files of Identification Division, be compared with latent fingerprints previously submitted in this matter.

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REC-51 9-49911-53

12 Nov 30

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Bureau

Sacramento (9-68)
San Francisco
CEG/djm

Approved: [Signature]

Sent M Per

Special Agent in Charge
On basis of information furnished, no identification record located for [redacted].

Remaining unidentified latent fingerprints and impressions (fingerprint or palm prints) previously reported this case not identical fingerprints or palm prints [redacted] in California. [Redacted] Palm prints of [redacted] contained Identification Division files.

John Edgar Hoover, Director

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[Date] 7-Dec 3-1970
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION WORK SHEET

Recorded: 11/19/70 2:20 p.m.  Reference No: 9-2296
Received: 11/19/70  BJ  FBI File No: 9-49911
Answer to: SAC San Francisco

Examination requested by: Addressee
Copy to:

RE:  ZODIAC
EXTORTION

Date of reference communication: Airtel 11/17/70
Specimen: Named Suspects:

B7U

DOB: [Redacted]
W-M, (DOB: [Redacted]) civil

DOB: [Redacted]
W-M, (DOB: [Redacted]) civil

Basis info furnished, no arrest record located for

Result of examination:  

Evidence noted by: [Redacted]

Names to CD 11/19 Jed

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2. Sacramento (9-68)

Examination completed 9:30 AM 11/25/70 Dictated 11/25/70 Jed
MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
   (Attention: Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section)

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (9-2455) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC EXTORTION
          (CO:SACRAMENTO)

DATE: 12/8/70

Re San Francisco airtel to CI, 10/29/70.

Enclosed for the Bureau is one photostatic copy of the fingerprints of a white male, born____ at Dayton, Kentucky.

On 12/1/70, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation and Identification, London, Ohio, provided the enclosed photostatic copy of the fingerprints of a white man. They advised that his department does not have a set of major case fingerprints for this suspect.

It is noted that the sheriff, Butler County, Ohio, has requested that the suspect not be interviewed at this time, inasmuch as he is presently charged with first-degree murder and the sheriff is fearful that an interview at this time might prejudice this case. Therefore, no attempt is being made to obtain major case fingerprints of this suspect.

The Latent Fingerprint Section is requested to compare enclosed fingerprints of this suspect with latent fingerprints previously submitted in this case.

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IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 6-2455
FBI FILE NO. 8-49911
LATENT CASE NO. A-10042

TO: SAC, Cincinnati

RE: ZODIAC EXTORTION

REFERENCE:
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Cincinnati
SPECIMENS: Photograph of fingerprints of

REMAINING UNIDENTIFIED LATENT FINGERPRINTS AND LATENT IMPRESSIONS (FINGERPRINTS OR PALM PRINTS) PREVIOUSLY REPORTED THIS CASE NOT IDENTICAL FINGERPRINTS OR PALM PRINTS OF... CONTAI... NOT CONTAINED IDENTIFICATION DIVISION FILES.

Photograph of fingerprints of... enclosed.

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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Recorded: 12-14-70 9:50 a.m. Reference No: 9-2455
Received: 12-14-70 jab FBI File No: 9-49911
Answer to: SAC, Cincinnati Latent Case No: A-10042

Examination requested by: Addressee
Copy to:

RE: ZODIAC, EXTORTION

Date of reference communication: Letter, 12/8/70

Specimen:
1 copy of Fingerprint Card submitted of Suspect:

Name to card: [redacted]

Result of examination:

Examination by: [redacted]
Evidence noted by: [redacted]

Remaining unidentiﬁed (left, right, and right hand) needs repeated
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2. Sacramento (9-28)

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Examination completed 9:40 am 12/18/70 Dictated 12/18/70 [redacted]
The requested latent print examination is being conducted and you will be advised of the results upon completion.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
   Attn: Identification Division
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296)
SUBJECT: ZODIAC
       EXTORTION
       OO: Sacramento

Re Bureau letter to San Francisco, 11/27/70.

On 2/22/71, Inspector [REDACTED] of the Homicide Detail, San Francisco Police Department, requested that the fingerprints of the following individuals located in files of the Identification Division, be compared with latent fingerprints previously submitted in this matter:

1. DOB
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9-49911-156

2 Bureau
1 - Sacramento (Info)
2 - San Francisco

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Approved: ____________________ Sent ___________ M Per ___________

Special Agent in Charge
All of the above are white males. It is believed that they served in the military.
TO: SAC, San Francisco

REFERENCE: Mail to 2-22-71

IDENTIFIED FINGERPRINTS FOLLOWING NAMED SUSPECTS:

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA,

MAIL ROOM [ ] TELETYPING UNIT [ ]
SAC, San Francisco          March 12, 1971

Palm prints of the aforementioned individuals not contained Identification Division files.

Fingerprints of (redacted) not located Identification Division files on basis available information.

This report supplements Latent Fingerprint Section report of 3-9-71.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION WORK SHEET

Recorded: 2/26/71  4:00 p.m.  jdb  Reference No: 9-2296
Received: 2/26/71  FBI File No: 9-49911-156
Answer to: SAC, San Francisco  Latent Case No: A-10042

Examination requested by: Addressee
Copy to: SAC, Sacramento - 9-68

RE: ZODIAC
EXTORTION

Date of reference communication: Airtel 2/23/71
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, DATE: 4/1/71
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION, LATENT CASE #A-10042

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-68)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC EXTORTION

On 3/24/71, Sgt. [Redacted] Solano County Sheriff's Office, Fairfield, California, requested that the unidentified latent fingerprints previously developed in this case be compared with the fingerprints of [Redacted] born [Redacted]. He was

[Handwritten notes and remarks]

BUREAU 2 - Bureau
1 - San Francisco (9-2296) (Info)
1 - Sacramento
FBB:jam
(4)

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan - 49911
TO: SAC, Sacramento

RE: ZODIAC Extortion

REFERENCE: Letter 4/1/71
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Sacramento
SPECIMENS:

Latent fingerprints previously reported this case not identical with fingerprints of [redacted] No palm prints here for...

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Recorded: 4-6-71 9:50 a.m. pjh
Received: 4-6-71
Answer to: SAC, Sacramento

Examination requested by: Addresssee
Copy to:

RE:
ZODIAC
EXTORTION

Date of reference communication: Letter, 4-1-71
Specimens:

Named Suspect: [Redacted]
DOB: [Redacted]
SSAN: [Redacted]

Result of examination: 4/6/71
Called Card Index

Examination by: [Redacted]
Evidence noted by: [Redacted]

1 c/o San Francisco (9-2296)

Examination completed 6/6/71
Time 4/6/71
Dictated 4/6/71
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911) (ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296) (P)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC EXTORTION

OO: SACRAMENTO

Re Bureau letter to San Francisco, dated 3/12/71.

On 7/29/71, Inspector [redacted] of the Homicide Detail, San Francisco Police Department, requested that fingerprints of the following individuals located in the files of the Identification Division be compared with latent fingerprints previously submitted in this matter. These individuals are believed to have served in the military service and are white males.

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2 - San Francisco
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Approved: __________________________ Sent: ____________________________

Special Agent in Charge: 9-49911
RE: ZODIAC EXTORTION

REFERENCE: EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: SPECIMENS:

Airtel 7-30-71
San Francisco

On basis of information furnished, no fingerprint records located here for the other four individuals named in reirtel.

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION WORK SHEET

Recorded: 8-3-71 4:05 p.m. je
Received: 8-3-71
Answer to: SAC, San Francisco

Examination requested by: Addressee
Copy to: A.S.C., Sacramento (9-68)
RE: ZODIAC
EXTORTION

Date of reference communication: Airtel 7-30-71
Specimens: Named Suspects:

Result of examination: 8/4/71
Names to C.I.
Basis info. furnished no fbi records found in C.I. for 5 suspects

Examination completed 2:15 p.m. 8/4/71
Time Date
Dictated 8/4/71
Date
Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION (LATENT CASE #A-10042)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-68). (P)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC EXTORTION

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau and San Francisco, are one Xerox copy each of four letters addressed to SA Vallejo, California. Resident Agency, from

As the Bureau will note, is developing an obsession with this case. The contents have been discussed with Vallejo Police Department, and Sergeant (and they have requested that the fingerprints of be compared with the latent fingerprints previously developed and submitted to the Bureau. is further described as born, presently residing at California.

It is requested the records of the Identification Division be checked for fingerprints of both criminal and civil, and that his prints be compared with the latents previously developed.

Results of this examination should be furnished to both San Francisco and Sacramento.

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3 - Bureau (Enc.-4)
2 - San Francisco (9-2296) (Enc.-4)
3 - Sacramento
   (2 - 9-68)
   (1 - 66-21A)
FBB:jk
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION
LATENT CASE NUMBER A-10042

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-68)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC
EXTORTION

ENCLOSED FOR THE BUREAU ARE FOUR LETTERS RECEIVED
BY SA [OBSCURED] VALLEJO, CALIFORNIA, RA FROM [OBSCURED]
November 19, 1971

FBI
823 Marin St.
Vallejo

Dear [Name]

In my present review of the Zodiac case, I turned up a couple more interesting items.

In line with the findings re moon phases that Zodiac apparently uses in timing his murders, I discovered that a full moon started the day before the Riverside City College coed murder Oct. 30, 1966, in which he has been suspected. This tends to confirm those suspicions.

Also, I noticed that Zodiac's last communication, a postcard claiming a murder in the Tahoe area, went to the SF Chronicle a year to the day after the Modesto area kidnap. Because he has marked his "anniversaries" similarly before, this also tends to confirm his participation in that crime. You wouldn't think he'd consider that an achievement, but he must have got his jollies by burning her station wagon. Or perhaps he did someone else in later that night.

Enclosed is a copy of a tabulation I did on the pertinent moon phases since the SF cabbie murder, save for a couple Pisces Moon phases I don't have.

It may be that with several dozen known factors in his six known strikes, including date and time, the time gaps, the moon phases and possibly such details as weapon caliber, a computer could be programmed to come up with probabilities on strikes after Oct. 11, 1969. As I mentioned, it appears he had started a pattern of two Friday strikes, two Saturday strikes, etc. In his astrology, the number two appears highly significant, both because of it being the numerological number assigned to the moon and because the Zodiac symbol for Pisces contains two fish. The other especially significant number for him is nine. He also appears to use the basic number system of numerology which, for example, applied to dates gives you a basic number of two for 12-20-1968, and nine for 7-4-1969.

Cordially,

[Name]
Sunday, November 21, 1971

Mr. [Redacted]
FBI
823 Marin St.
Vallejo

Dear [Redacted],

I will stop burying you in a blizzard of letters with this one.

But I learned for the first time in the Sacramento Bee today (new Secret Witness program) of some details of four murders of young women there.

I have already mentioned the full moon (Hunter's Moon) that started Nov. 13, 1970. A Mrs. Carol Hilburn was murdered Nov. 14.

The article also tells of the kidnap and murder of a nurse, Judith Hakari, who was abducted from a parking lot the night of March 7, 1970. A Pisces new moon occurred March 6 and 7 that year, and there was a total eclipse of the sun March 7.

Both of those sound like they could have been Zodiac's work.

With regard to the long gap between the Lake Herman Road and Blue Rock Springs murders. He could, of course, have been out of the country or at sea or something. But it's possible he has had a horoscope done and uses that in connection with moon phases. A reliable astrologer, if there is such an animal, would be helpful on that. I get the feeling, however, that Zodiac may not have gone into astrology very deeply.

When I read about the Stockton strangulation last Thursday I checked the tabulation and found there was a new moon Wednesday. But later I learned it looked like a rape or sex crime. That isn't Zodiac's MO—but could he fake the sex angle, at least to a certain extent?

Best regards,
December 1, 1971

Mr. [Redacted]
FBI
823 Marin St.
Vallejo

Dear Mr. [Redacted],

Zodiac has not been heard from since March 22. He could have been in the Houston-Galveston area where there have been six unsolved murders of females.

I have dates for only the last four slayings but again they correlate with the moon phase pattern reported previously:

Pisces moon on June 15
Colette Wilson Vanished June 17

Pisces moon on Oct. 29
Gloria Gonzalez vanished Oct. 28

New moon on Nov. 17.
Debbie Leekerman and Marie Johnson vanished Nov. 15
(All bodies found later)

It is theoretically possible for Zodiac to have flown back to Oakland or San Francisco after the Nov. 15 double murder, then go to the Tallied employment agency in Stockton Nov. 18 and end up strangling her. That would have been extremely tight scheduling—but with Zodiac little is surprising.

With regard to Pisces in astrology, I should have called it a water sign closely related to the moon, as well as to the planet Neptune. The moon association is because of the moon's tidal effects. Numerologically, the moon is number 2 and Neptune is number 9. Pisces is the 12th and last sign of the Zodiac.

And, most important, the most favored times for action in astrology may extend a few days at a time, according to their "high priests".

If you check the mailing dates of Zodiac messages with the moon phase pattern, you will find that a number of them also correlate.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]
November 17, 1971

FBI
823 Marin St.
Vallejo,
California

Dear [Name]

Please excuse this amateur, among countless others, for horning in on the Zodiac case. But I believe I have uncovered some dope that may be helpful.

It may appear involved and far out—and it is. Before the Zodiac case broke, I didn't know astrology from asters or numerology from numismatists. But I couldn't believe that a killer who would take the time and pains to construct his abstruse ciphers, based on his cryptographic service experience, would be a random killer. The enclosed information supports that conclusion.

It could prove helpful in several ways:

1. Identifying past murders as Zodiac's by their propinquity with New Moon, Full Moon and Pisces Moon phases.

2. Narrowing his birth date to the Pisces period from Feb. 20 to March 20.

3. Perhaps somehow anticipating future strikes, although this likely would be impossible because of the wide range over which he operates. Perhaps officers would be more alert during likely strike periods—just a few a month at most.

4. Identifying XX Zodiac when and if he comes into custody.

I have learned from digesting astrology magazines that so-called favorable times may extend as much as several days. This would permit Zodiac, as he did, to strike a day or so after a New Moon, Full Moon or Pisces Moon.

It may be that the "significant" Moon number of 2, and the Neptune number of 9 have been applied to various things; e.g. the .22 caliber gun at Lake Herman "bad and the 9 mm. at Blue Rock Springs and at San Francisco. But perhaps my imagination runs away with me. One astrology book said that the "magic" Neptune number of 9 should be associated with the birth date during December,
TO: Sgt. [Redacted]
FROM: [Redacted]

RE: Zodiac murders

As the FBI noted, Zodiac might have been triggered by a horoscope magazine. This appears to be the case, based on examination of the magazine Astrology—Your Daily Horoscope (the magazine cut up to paste up the Zodiac message mailed to the Sacramento Bee Dec. 10, 1969). I checked copies for the known murder months. Here's the "trigger":

New Moon on Dec. 19, 1968:
Lake Herman Road murders Dec. 20, 1968 (Friday).

Moon enters Zodiac sign of Pisces July 3, 1969:
Blue Rock Springs murder July 4, 1969 (Friday)

Full moon in Zodiac sign of Pisces Sept. 25, 1969:
Lake Berryessa murder Sept. 27, 1969 (Saturday)

New Moon on Oct. 11, 1969 (Saturday):

Subsequent "trigger":

Full Moon on Sunday, March 22, 1970:
Zodiac kidnap of woman and baby north of Modesto on March 22, 1970.

The moon in the sign of Pisces indicates that's Zodiac's sign—born between Feb. 20 and March 20. He has dropped some false clues to his sign, such as Gemini in his cipher, paste-up message on Cancer sheet and others. But it appears from actual murder dates that he is Pisces.

Pisces is the 12th and last sign of the Zodiac. This series of murders started during December, 12th and last month of 1968.

The planet of Pisces, according to astrology, is Neptune, which carries the astrological number of 9. The astrology magazines ascribe "Number 9 power" to the murder dates of 12-20-1968 and to 10-11-1969.

Pisces is called a Moon Sign. The moon's astrological and numerological number is 2.

The first two murder strikes occurred on Fridays, the next two on Saturdays. The kidnap occurred on a Monday, suggesting that Zodiac's fifth and sixth strikes were made on Sunday, then two on Monday, etc.

Zodiac's message to the M1 Bee was mailed on Wednesday, Dec. 10, 1969, the day following a new moon and total solar eclipse on Dec. 9. A Sacramento murder of a young woman who
TO: Sgt. [redacted]  
FROM: [redacted]  
RE: Zodiac strike dates  

Nov. 18, 1971  

If Zodiac continued his MO, beyond known strikes and murders, they should have fallen on or adjacent to the following dates:

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\[\text{\(\times\) Modesto Kidnap} \quad \text{\(\times\) \(\times\) Sec. Dec Letter 12-10-67}\]
FBI LABORATORY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Las Vegas (164-60)  Date: December 7, 1971

Ref: USNHJ
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 308,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
CO: Seattle

Examination requested by:

Philadelphia,
Airlines 11/30/71, 12/3/71,
11/23/71

Remarks:

QL through Q6 will be returned with the fingerprint report.

Sacramento is referred to Las Vegas telecopy to the Bureau, dated 11/23/71, requesting photographs of Q1 and Q2 for CII, Sacramento. These photographs are enclosed for Sacramento and are to be delivered to the Supervisor Special Agent, CII, for comparison with the Kodine case. The hand printing on Q1 is diagnosed and nothing of significance was noted in the comparison with the questioned hand printing in the case "Medical Extortion, CO: Sacramento," Sacramento file 9-68, FBI files file 9-49911. No connection could be established by the laboratory between Q1 and Q2 in captioned case and the Kodine case.

Emeloures (2) (2 Lab report)
2-Philadelphia (164-133) Emeloures (3) (2 Lab report)
2-Emeloures (164-50) Emeloures (6) (Photographs of Q1 and Q2, 1, 2 Lab report)

Emeloures (104-50) Emeloures (5) (2 Lab report)
2-Portland Emeloures (3) (2 Lab report)
2-Kodinepse (164-75) Emeloures (3) (2 Lab report)

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MAIL ROOM  TELETYPING UNIT
REPORT
of the

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Las Vegas (164-60)  Date: January 7, 1971
Re: US-828;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

Specimens received 12/4/71 from Las Vegas

Q1 Envelope postmarked "OAKDALE, CA NOV 27 PM 1971 95361," addressed "RENO NEWSPAPER RENO NV."

Q2 Accompanying piece of paper with cutout words forming the message "ATTENTION. Thanks for Hospitality was IN A BUT Dr. B. Cooper."

Specimens received 12/4/71 from Philadelphia

Q3 Envelope postmarked "U. S. POSTAL SERVICE, NY 583 26 NOV PM 1971" addressed "Miss [blurred], 80, Richfield, Minn."


Specimen received 12/5/71 from Sacramento

K1 One copy of the final edition of the 11/26/71 issue of the MODESTO BEE

Result of examination:

Q1 through Q4 were not identified in the Anonymous Letter File. Appropriate copies of these specimens have been added to this file for future reference.
No indented writing, watermarks or other features were found on Q1 through Q4 which would be of value in determining the source of these specimens. It is noted that indented impressions of the Q1 address appear on Q2.

The printed cutout words of Q2 were compared with the Kl newspaper. Printing characteristics indicate that the cutout words on Q2, with the exception of the "ity" portion of "Hospitality," came from Kl, or an earlier edition of this paper with the same type setup for these words.

Q1 through Q4 were photographed and will be returned separately. Kl is being returned to Sacramento with copies of this report.
Latent fingerprints previously reported in this case not identical with fingerprints of unknown person born sometime in 19... who may or may not be the... referred to in referenced letter.

Series of four letters, which were also submitted, retained in files.

Letter 12-8-71
Sacramento
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION WORK SHEET

Recorded: 12-13-71 11:50 A.M. [mm] Reference No: 9-68
Received: 12-13-71
Answer to: SAC, Sacramento

FBI File No: 9-49911 16-9
Latent Case No: A-10042

Examination requested by: [670] Addressee [628]
Copy to: SACRAMENTO (66-21A) - SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296)

RE: ZODIAC EXTORTION

Date of reference communication: Letter 12-8-71
Specimens: 4 Xerox copies of 4 letters [ALSO SUBMITTED]

Named Suspect: [670] DOB: [670]

Result of examination: [670] 12/13 gap [670]

Evidence noted by: [670]

Copies of 4 letters, also submitted, retained in CFile

Examination completed 10 P.M. 12/15/71 Dictated 12/15/71
December 23, 1971

Mr. [Redacted]
Scottsville, New York 14548

Dear Mr. [Redacted],

I received your letter on December 20th and the concern which prompted you to write is understandable. With regard to your communication, the matter you mentioned is not within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. It is suggested, however, that you may wish to advise the San Francisco, California, Police Department, of any information which pertains to the Zodiac killer.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mailed 24
DECEMBER 23 1971

1 - Buffalo - Enclosure
1 - San Francisco - Enclosure

Attention SACs: Bufiles contain no record of correspondent. San Francisco should furnish orally pertinent facts from enclosed communication to appropriate law enforcement officials.

LEE JAN 6 1972 F316
Mr J. Edgar Hoover, Chief F.B.I. Wash. D. C.

Dear Sir,

I believe that I have in my possession, evidence which may, with the proper investigation disclose the name and identity of the Zodiac killer of California. I would like to have your cooperation in this matter as I have had absolutely no cooperation from the local enforcement agencies.

I remain your truly

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EX-107

REO 76

9-49911-160

28 DEC 30 1971
Dec 15, 1971

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Chief FBI, Wash. D.C.

Dear Sir,

I believe that I have in my possession evidence which may, with the proper investigation, disclose the name and identity of the Zodiac killer of California. I would like to have your cooperation in this matter as I have had absolutely no cooperation from the local enforcement agencies.

I remain your truly,

[Signature]

12-22-71

C. E. H. [illegible]
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

 Memorandum

TO: J. W. Marshall
FROM: I. W. Conrad

DATE: 7-14-72

SUBJECT: ZODIAC; EXTORTION

9-49911

There is enclosed the file which has been maintained in the Laboratory in connection with the above-captioned matter. It is desired that this file be maintained as an enclosure to the main file in the Records Branch.

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"ENCLOSURE ON BULKY RAMP"

60 JUL 18 1972
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FBI/DOJ
To: FBI
San Jose Police
FBI

From:

Subject: communique re Handwriting comparison of with Zodiac

I am forwarding to you the material enclosed in the envelope just received from [redacted]. The material encloses side-by-side handwriting samples of [redacted] and the Zodiac Killer (taken from marriage application and the Zodiac Killer's notes).

These are forwarded herewith for your perusal prior to our meeting on Friday, April 16th.

cc:
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FBI DEP
To
From

I talked to [redacted] of the Nevada FBI office today and he explained that you would not be sitting in at our 4/10 conference in Boston.

However, I am enclosing the latest materials from the Zodiac scenario since you have a complete set of previous records dating and you indicated that the FBI would be willing to forward the material to Washington to an FBI center where the binary theory, substantiating site could be checked out by some experts.

I truly would appreciate you doing this, as one part of establishing this connection as a plausible, or non-plausible, theory.

I will be endeavoring to:

(a) Have perhaps Midlevel FBI office investigators background and whereabouts during the time of the Zodiac killings & letters

(b) Have Howard Police continue to check airline manifests to see if [redacted] can be placed on a flight from Nevada to Logan (he could have used an alias)

(c) Develop an approach so that [redacted] would consent to a Police interview.
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CRIME PREVENTION
BELONGS
TO EVERYONE

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Attn. [Redacted]
JFK Federal Office Building
Boston, Mass. 02203
These are letters received in the Zodiac case. It has not been definitely established that all of these letters were written by the Zodiac.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FOIPA
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FBI/FOIA
TO:  DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
ATTN:  FBI LABORATORY, DOCUMENT SECTION

FROM:  SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9A-2296) (SQ.10)  10723055-G-PL

SUBJECT:  aka
Victim
Possible Extortion
OO:  San Francisco

Re San Francisco airtel to Bureau, 5/29/81; Bureau Lab examination Report to San Francisco, 6/26/81.

Enclosed for the Bureau are four letters with analysis of an article from the pen of also enclosed. Each letter, addressed to Supervisor, San Francisco Division with analysis are dated as follows: 1 - letter with analysis of article, dated 6/24/81. 1 - letter with analysis related to Zodiac's telephone number, i.e. telephone number of dated 6/30/81. 1 - letter with analysis entitled , dated

In connection with previously submitted documents, i.e. as an enclosure with referenced communication dated , authored by captioned individual, enclosed herein is a detailed analysis to support his previously expose of his theories.

- Bureau (Enc. 4)
2 - Boston (9B-3930) (Info)
2 - San Francisco
RLS:kes
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Approved:   Transmitted  (Number) (Time)  Per  

503
This analysis was requested by Supervisor and interviewing Agents on 5/22/81 when was inter-viewed regarding complaint of harassment, in the Boston Office, from receipt of and various articles sent to him by via the U.S. mails.

Copies of these enclosures are being furnished to Inspector San Francisco Police Department (SFPD), who is assigned to the Zodiac killings investigation within their department. Inspector was previously furnished materials received by as sent to him by

San Francisco is unable to assimilate the validity of the enclosed documents, along with the previously submitted materials, purported to be a "solution" to the identity of the Zodiac killer as theorized by. Due to the complexity of the codes of analysis, this material is being forwarded to the FBI Laboratory Document Section for review. It is suggested that referenced airtel and Lab report (referenced above), be reviewed prior to examination of the enclosed materials.

The Bureau is to note that on 7/8/81, was generally advised that the FBI Laboratory was not convinced that he had reached a "solution" of the Zodiac codes in his analysis. It is further noted that in the enclosed communication, entitled, attached an additional page in which he asked if he should send a copy of it to was again warned that he could incur both criminal and civil liabilities by continuing to send materials to stated that he had in fact sent one more card to. He stated he wanted to be totally "up front" with the FBI and he would never again send any material to

was also advised that the enclosed materials concerning Zodiac codes would be furnished to the FBI Laboratory for analysis and that he would be advised as to the findings of the Laboratory.
REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The FBI Laboratory is requested to examine the enclosed documents and those previously provided to determine if there is any validity to the claimed "solution" of Zodiac killer's codes.

LEADS

BOSTON DIVISION

AT BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTES. Should receive the card sent to him recently by and he complains to your office, advise that has been admonished and assured the San Francisco Division he would cease and desist any further communiques to...
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(Attn: Identification Division)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296)(F)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC EXTORTION

TO: Sacramento

Rebiet dated 8/6/71.

On 7/19/72 Inspector [Redacted], Homicide Detail, San Francisco Police Department, requested that fingerprints of the following individuals located in the files of the Identification Division be compared with latent fingerprints previously submitted in this matter.

DOB: [Redacted]
Sacramento Police Department

DOB: [Redacted]
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Approved: Special Agent in Charge

U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1971-413-135
REPORT
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IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 9-2200
FBI FILE NO. REC-71 9-49911
LATENT CASE NO. A-10042
TO: SAC, San Francisco

July 28, 1972

RE: ZODIAC EXTORTION

REFERENCE:
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: San Francisco
SPECIMENS: Airtel 7/19/72
Latent fingerprints previously reported in this case not identical with fingerprints of [redacted] No palm prints here

MAILED TO
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FBI

[Redacted]

L. Patrick Gray, III, Acting Director

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION WORK SHEET

Recorded: 7/24/72 9:55 a.m. Jaf

Received: 7/24/72

Answer to: SAC, San Francisco

Examination requested by: Addressee

Copy to: 2 c.c. Sacramento (9-68)

RE: ZODIAC
EXTORTION

Date of reference communication: Airtel, 7/19/72

Specimens: Names submitted for Comparison Purposes of:

DOB: Sacramento PD #

Result of examination: 7/24 fwd

Names to C.I

Evidence noted by:

Examination completed 1:00 P.M. 7/27/72

Dictated 7/27/72
FBI
Date: 9/8/72

Transmit the following in
(Type in plaintext or code)
Via ALETEL

AERIAL - REGISTERED MAIL
(Priority)

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: ZODIAC, BUFFALO (9-1019) (P)

TO: ZODIAC EXTORTION
(C/O: Sacramento) 720911051

Remotel calls to San Francisco, 9/6/72 and 9/7/72.

For information of the Bureau and receiving offices, on
9/2/72 at Buffalo, New York, one RICHARD HOWARD MICHAEL, utilizing
a .30-30 rifle, murdered his 20-year-old wife, KATHLEEN, and his
32-year-old child, RICHARD, JR., and immediately thereafter commit
suicide using the same weapon. Until approximately two weeks ago,
MICHAEL, originally a native of Buffalo, New York, had been
residing in the San Francisco area for approximately five years.
He had been separated from his wife and child during the past
several months, and the above killings and suicide are believed to
have been caused by despondency over the unsuccessful attempts at
reconciliation.

Through further contacts with Lieutenant

Commanding, Homicide Bureau, Buffalo Police Department, it has been
determined that investigation by the Police Department to date has
developed that the reason for the separation of MICHAEL and his
wife in California was because of MICHAEL's insistence upon her
participation in group and perverted sex practices. Because of
MICHAEL's presence in the San Francisco area, his general
description, and other propensities as set forth above, he should be
considered a suspect in the Zodiac killings.

Bureau (Enc. 5) (AM-RM)
Sacramento (9-68) (AM-RM)
San Francisco (Enc. 1) (AM-RM)
Buffalo
GJD: pjc

Approved: ____________ Sent ____________ M Perf. ____________
Special Agent in Charge

(703) 568-1160
BU-9-1015

It is to be further noted that prior investigation in the Zodiac homicides has indicated a possibility that Zodiac had received training, possibly in the military, in the science of cryptology. Present investigation shows that MICHAEL was an electronic technician assigned to U. S. Navy submarine duty and found amongst his effects is a book on cryptographic techniques.

Suspect's description:

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Enclosed herewith for information of San Francisco is one copy of MICHAEL's resume found within his personal effects.

Enclosed herewith for the FBI Laboratory are four handwritten pages of known handwriting of above suspect. The Laboratory is requested to compare this handwriting with that appearing on communications from Zodiac. The enclosure should be returned to the Buffalo Office, and Buffalo, San Francisco, and Sacramento advised of results.

Enclosed herewith for the Latent Fingerprint Section, Identification Division, is one photostat of fingerprints taken from the body of suspect. It is requested that these fingerprints (or other available prints of suspect available in Identification Division files) be compared with suspect fingerprints of Zodiac. The enclosure may be retained by the Identification Division; and Buffalo, Sacramento, and San Francisco Divisions advised of the examination results.
LEADS

Sacramento

At Sacramento, California

Will conduct appropriate criminal checks regarding suspect Michael in an effort to determine if he has a criminal record within the State of California (an FD-9 has been submitted by the Buffalo Office).

San Francisco

At San Francisco and Oakland, California

Will, at Oakland and San Francisco, California, make appropriate criminal checks regarding suspect.

Buffalo

At Buffalo, New York

Will maintain contact with the Homicide Bureau, Buffalo Police Department, for any information of value in this matter.
K10

100 Four pages of lined paper bearing known HHN handwriting of
MURRAY HILDRED MERRILL

Also submitted: Photograph of fingerprint

and of Michael Howard
Michael

Sent: 4-9-72

02550
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Buffalo (9-1015)

From: Director, FBI

Re: ZODIAC

CO: Sacramento

Date: September 28, 1972

Examination requested by: Buffalo

Reference: AirlTel 9/8/72

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

The results of the latent fingerprint examination will be furnished separately.

If RICHARD HOWARD MICHAEL continues to be a possible suspect, in this matter you may wish to submit samples of his known hand printing for comparison with the questioned material.

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SEP. 28. 1972

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Enclosures (3) (XIB, 3 Lab report)
2 - Sacramento (9-68) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
San Francisco (9-2284) Enclosure (Lab report)

Administrative Page

MAIL ROOM — TELETYPING UNIT
To: SAC, Buffalo (9-1015)
Re: ZODIAC; EXTORTION

Specimens received 9/11/72.

KL0 Four pages of lined paper bearing known handwriting of RICHARD HOWARD MICHAEL

ALSO SUBMITTED: Photocopy of fingerprint card of RICHARD HOWARD MICHAEL

Result of examination:

The known handwriting of RICHARD HOWARD MICHAEL appearing on KL0 is not adequate to permit a satisfactory comparison with the questioned hand printing in this case. Nothing of significance was noted, however, in the limited comparison which could be conducted.

KL0 was photographed and is returned herewith. The "ALSO SUBMITTED" item is retained.
Laboratory Work Sheet

Recorded 9/12/72

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Re: ZODIAC; EXTORTION

00: Sacramento

Examination requested by: Buffalo (9-1015) airtel 9/8/72

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Result of Examination:

1. MC q.w. the cme → Kio,

Kio h.w. 2 q.m. h.p.

Nothing of significance noted limited comparison which could be conducted.

2. Kio photo. s returned. A.S. retained

III. LEPs exam separate.

Kio

K59 Four pages of lined paper bearing known handwriting of RICHARD HOWARD MICHAEL

Also submitted 3 photocopy of fingerprint card of RICHARD HOWARD MICHAEL

RETURN EVIDENCE

2 - Sacramento (9-68) MICHAEL

1 - San Francisco 9-2296
TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-63) (RUC)
SUBJECT: ZODIAC EXTORTION

Re: Buffalo Airtel to the Acting Director, dated 9/8/72.

The following investigation was conducted by AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

On 9/21/72, Mr. [redacted] California Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (CII) advised that a search of their files failed to locate any record identifiable with the suspect RICHARD HOWARD MICHAEL, DOB 8/4/41.

This search included their current files and deceased files.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

2 - Bureau
2 - San Francisco
2 - Buffalo
2 - Sacramento

Approved: [Signature] Agent in Charge

Sent: [Signature] M Per
FBI

Date: 9/29/72

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296)(P)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC

EXTORTION

00: Sacramento

Re Buffalo airtel to the Bureau, dated 9/8/72.

The following investigation was conducted by SA

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

On 9/12/72, Miss [redacted] Identification Bureau, San Francisco Police Department advised that a search of her files failed to disclose a record for RICHARD HOWARD MICHAEL, date of birth 8/4/41.

The following investigation was conducted by SA

AT OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

On 9/27/72, Mrs. [redacted] Identification Bureau, Oakland Police Department advised that a search of her files failed to disclose a record for RICHARD HOWARD MICHAEL, date of birth 8/4/41.

AT SAN LEANDRO, CALIFORNIA

On 9/27/72, [redacted] Identification Bureau, San Leandro Police Department advised that a search of her

2 - Bureau
2 - Buffalo (9-1015)
2 - Sacramento (9-68)
2 - San Francisco

REC-41 9-49911-165

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U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1971-141-129
files failed to disclose a record for RICHARD HOWARD MICHAEL, date of birth 8/4/41.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Washington, D.C. 20537

REPORT
of the
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 9-1015
FBI FILE NO. 9-49911
LATENT CASE NO. A-10043

October 10, 1972

TO: SAC, Buffalo

ZODIAC;
RE: EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airlst 9/9/72

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY Buffalo

SPECIMENS: Copy of fingerprints of Richard Howard Michael

Previously reported unidentified latent fingerprints this case not identical fingerprints Michael. Previously reported latent impressions this case compared, insofar as possible, fingerprints Michael, but not identified. No palm prints located here for Michael.

Listed specimen enclosed. Disposition of handwriting specimens will be given in a separate Laboratory report.

MAILED 10 OCT 1 1972

FBI

Sacramento (9-48)
San Francisco (9-2226)

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L. Patrick Gray III, Acting Director

REC-48 ST-103 9-49911-166

10 OCT 12 1972
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9/12/72

Recorded 9/29/72 12:34 P.M. J1

Re: ZODIAC;
EXTORTION

00: sacramento

Examination requested by: Buffalo (9-1615) airtel 9/6/72

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Result of Examination: Named suspect: RICHARD HOWARD MICHAEL, DOB: 8/4/41

UTL crm C5

Home to end 9/29 J1

10-5

Four pages of lined paper bearing known XNHH handwriting of RICHARD HOWARD MICHAEL

Also submitted: Photocopy of fingerprint

RETURN EVIDENCE

2 - Sacramento (9-68)
1 San Francisco (9-2296)

Examination completed 3:40 Time

10-5 Date

Dictated 10-5-72

Analysis 10/10/72
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[Signature]
TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911) (Attn: Identification Division)
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296) (P)
SUBJECT: ZODIAC ONE
OO: Sacramento

Re San Francisco airtel to Bureau 7/19/72.

As the Bureau and Sacramento are aware the San Francisco Office has maintained liaison with Inspectors and Homicide Detail, San Francisco Police Department, since the inception of captioned case. Following are three suspect look-likes to the composite drawing of ZODIAC. The Identification Division is requested to compare fingerprints of the following individuals, if available, with the latent fingerprints previously submitted in the ZODIAC matter.

DUB - Missouri
California State Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (CII) No. REC-14 9-49911-168
DUB - FBI No. ST-102
DUB - Salem, Oregon

Approved: Special Agent in Charge
Sent M Per
UNIVERSITIES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
    (Attention: FBI, Laboratory,
     Identification Division)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (70-8072) (P)

SUBJECT: ALLEGED HOMICIDE ON UNKNOWN
GOVERNMENT RESERVATION
CGR
QQ: SAN FRANCISCO

ZODIAC
EXTORTION 9-49911 LL
OO: SACRAMENTO

DATE: 1/30/73

730206103

For the information of the Bureau, on 11/30/72, CID Investigator [Redacted] Presidio of San Francisco, California, had received information from a source at the Sierra Army Depot that captioned Subject [Redacted] had discussed the murder of an unknown Negro female with the source.

Interviews to date have been negative, however, in reviewing Subject [Redacted] photograph with artist's conception of Unsub murderer, it was determined that there is some similarity between [Redacted] photograph and the artist's conception of Zodiac.

The following is background information on COX:

Name
Date of birth
SSAN
Height
Weight
Eyes
Hair
Scars
Fingerprints

Bureau
San Francisco
(1-9-2296)
JJR:dds
(5)

9-49911
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
It is requested that the laboratory compare unidentified latents of Zodiac with known fingerprints of [BLANK]. Also compare known signature of [BLANK] on fingerprint cards with alleged handwriting of Zodiac.
RE: ZODIAC EXHORZON

REFERENCE: Airtal 1/31/73
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: San Francisco

Unidentified latent prints previously reported in this case not identical fingerprints or palm prints of FBI.

Unidentified latent fingerprints and latent impressions compared available fingerprints of interest and palm prints from the Latent Division in Oregon, Ventura, California, etc. but no identifications effected. Major case prints of these two individuals needed for comparison with latent impressions (fingerprints or palm prints) and with previously reported latent palm prints.

REG-70 9-49911-169

L. Patrick Gray, III, Acting Director

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION WORK SHEET

Recorded: 2/5/73  10:35 am  jaf
Received: 2/5/73

Answer to: SAC, San Francisco

Examination requested by:  Addressee
Copy to:

RE:  ZODIAC
EXTORTION

Date of reference communication:  Airtel, 1/31/73
Specimens: Named Suspects:

DOB:  [redacted]  California State
Bureau CII #
DOB:  [redacted]  Missouri
FBI #
DOB:  [redacted]  Oregon, Ventura, Calif. 50

Result of examination:

Evidence noted by:

Names & Assn called 4/5 67C

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Individuals needed for copy with lat. figs. (figs. on pp. 1)

Sacramento (4-68)

Examination completed 2/4/73

Time 2/5/73

Dictated 2/5/73

Date 9-49911-169
Dear Mr. [Redacted],

This is to acknowledge your letter dated July 7, 1973 requesting cryptanalytic assistance in connection with the "Zodiac" case. It was noted in your letter that you have also informed the local authorities of your cryptanalytic findings of the "Zodiac" ciphers.

Since your communication does not relate to any matter coming within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI, our technical personnel cannot devote time to analyzing your decipher. However, the FBI Laboratory can provide cryptanalytic assistance upon specific request from the duly-constituted state, county, or municipal law enforcement agency in connection with their official investigation in this criminal matter should the appropriate agency make such a request.

I hope you will understand our position in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

SEE NOTE PAGE TWO
NOTE: No record Butlles re. Coordinated with BC SA

We have already provided cryptanalytic assistance to local authorities through our field offices in this much has not provided any significant new data or information which can be cryptanalytically verified.

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REPORT
of the
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LABORATORY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

Superintendent
To: Scientific Laboratory
New York State Police
State Campus
Albany, New York 12226

ATTENTION: Mr.

This examination has been made with the understanding that the evidence is connected with an official
ingestion 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.

August 30, 1973

REGISTERED

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

YOUR NO.
FBI FILE NO.

EXAMINATION REQUESTED:

Examination requested by: Address
Letter dated August 3, 1973

Reference:

Examination requested:
Document-Cryptanalysis

Specimen received August 6, 1973

Qul. Photocopy of envelope postmarked "ALBANY, N.Y. MA 1 AUG 1973" bearing hand printed address "THE TIMES UNION
ALBANY, NEW YORK 12201"

Qul2. Accompanying hand printed letter beginning "You were
wrong I am ..."

ADDITION FOR FBI, ALBANY:

It is requested this case be approved with the New York
State Police and that the Cryptanalysis-Coding-Translation Section
of the FBI Laboratory be advised of the outcome.

2 - FBI, Albany, with copy of incoming letter
1 - FBI, Albany, with copy of incoming letter
1 - General Investigative Division (continued on next page)

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RESULT OF EXAMINATION:

The following is the decryption of the enciphered material at the bottom of specimen Qc2:

ALBANY MEDICAL CENTER
THIS ONLY THE BEGINNING

This will verify the information furnished telephonically to Handwriting Expert New York State Police, Scientific Laboratory, Albany, N.Y., on August 7, 1973, in the interests of making the above expeditiously available to the New York State Police.

Document examination and disposition of specimens Qc1 and Qc2 handled separately.
REPORT
of the
FBI
Laboratory
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

August 8, 1973

Superintendent
New York State Police
Albany, New York 12226

Attention: Mr. [Redacted]
Handwriting Expert

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.

Anonymous Letter to
"The Times Union" Newspaper
Postmarked Albany, N.Y. 9/2/73

Examination requested by: Addresses
Reference: Letter dated August 8, 1973
Examination requested: Document - Cryptanalysis

Qa1. Photocopy of envelope postmarked "ALBANY, NY 14264" bearing the hand printed address "THE TIMES UNION ALBANY, NEW YORK 12207"

Qa2. Accompanying photocopy of hand printed letter beginning "You were wrong I am....."

Result of examination:

Qa1 and Qa2 could not be identified in the Anonymous Letter File. Copies of these specimens have been added to this file for future reference.

2 - FBI, Sacramento (9-23) Enclavures (2) (Copies of Qa1 and Qa2) NOT RECORDED
2 - FBI, Albany
2 - Bufale 8-49922
25 AUG 14 1973

Page 1 LMS: JFM (2)
MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPING UNIT ☐
It was not determined whether Qc1 and Qc2 were prepared by the writer of the letters in the case "ZODIAC; EXTORTION," because of a lack of significant characteristics in the hand-printing on Qc1 and Qc2. The possibility, however, that the writer of the letters in the ZODIAC case prepared Qc1 and Qc2 could not be eliminated.

The results of the Cryptanalysis examination of the coded message on Qc2 will be furnished separately. The submitted evidence is retained.

For your information, the investigation by this Bureau of the extortion aspect of the ZODIAC case is being coordinated by the FBI, Sacramento. That office is being requested to advise the local authorities who have interest in the murders attributed to the ZODIAC of the contents of Qc1 and Qc2.

NOTE: Enclosed for Sacramento are copies of Qc1 and Qc2. Sacramento is requested to insure that local authorities who have interest in the ZODIAC case be advised of the contents of Qc1 and Qc2. Albany in coordination with Sacramento should insure that any latent fingerprints developed on the originals of Qc1 and Qc2 be compared with the latent fingerprints developed in the ZODIAC case.
Honorable Clarence M. Kelly, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. Kelly:

Enclosed is a copy of an anonymous letter received by a local newspaper. Please process through your Anonymous and Threatening Letter File and also your Cryptography Section.

I request you please expedite this matter and advise promptly of analysis.

Sincerely,

Handwriting Expert
RE: ALLEGED BRUTALITY ON UNKNOWN GOVERNMENT RESERVATION GUR

REFERENCE: Letter 1-20-73
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: San Francisco

TO: SAC, San Francisco

The previously reported unidentified latent fingerprints in the case "Hanging Detention," Bufila 67-49911, San Francisco file 21-2296, not identical fingerprints. Ten latent impressions compared, inventor as possible, fingerprints but no identification attempt.

No palm prints Identification Division files

For Gov.

Felt
Baker
Bishop
Callahan
Cleveland
Conrad
Dubley
Gebhardt
Jenkins
Marshall
Miller, E.S.
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DUPLICATE YELLOW

58 MAR 20 1973

L. Patrick Gray, III, Acting Director

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

To: SAC, San Francisco (70-8072)
Date: March 1, 1973

From: Director, FBI

FBI File No. 70-58293
Lab. No. D-730206103 LL

Re: Alleged Suicide on Unknown Government Reservation; CGI CO: San Francisco

Examination requested by: San Francisco
Reference: Letter dated January 30, 1973
Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint
Remarks:

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
2 - Sacramento (9-68) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
1 - San Francisco (9-2296) Enclosure (Lab report)
1) Bufile (9-49911)

LMS: jfn
(8)

DUPLICATE YELLOW

54 MAR 14 1973

ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE
To: SAC, San Francisco (70-8072)  
Re: ALLIED HOMICIDE ON UNKNOWN GOVERNMENT RESERVATION; CGR

Request  
February 5, 1973

Request comparison of known handwriting and fingerprints of [REDACTED] with questioned handwriting and fingerprints on specimens in the case titled "ZODIAC: KILLING"

Result of examination:

Fingerprint card signatures of [REDACTED] are not adequate to permit a satisfactory comparison with the questioned hand printing in the case titled "ZODIAC: KILLING."

If [REDACTED] continues to be a suspect in the ZODIAC case, it is suggested that an attempt be made to obtain hand printing samples in the wording of the questioned material from him.

The results of the requested fingerprint examination will be furnished separately.

LMD:jfa (6)
TO:  DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
FROM:  SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-68) (C)
DATE:  11/1/73

SUBJECT:  ZODIAC
          EXTORPTION

Re Bureau letters to New York State Police, Albany, New York, 8/8/73, and 8/10/73.

It is noted copies of referenced letters with photocopy of envelope postmarked "ALBANY, NY LA PM1 AUG 1973" bearing hand printed address "THE TIMES UNION, ALBANY, NEW YORK 12201" and accompanying hand printed letter beginning "You were wrong I am..." were furnished to the Sacramento Division.

On 8/16/73, copies of referenced letters and enclosures received with referenced letters were furnished to the Vallejo, California PD and the Solano County SO since both of these agencies have an interest in the Zodiac case. On 8/17/73, by separate communication, copies of the above were sent to the San Francisco Office so they could be furnished to the San Francisco, California PD and the Napa County, California SO, since both of those agencies also have an interest in the Zodiac case. On 8/21/73, copies of the above were furnished to the California Bureau of Investigation inasmuch as that State agency is also interested in the Zodiac case.

Since information received by the Sacramento Division has been furnished to all interested agencies, no further investigation is being conducted.
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11:18PM NITEL 1-31-74 CJC

TO: DIRECTOR
FROM: SACRAMENTO

ZODIAC, EXORTION, 00: SACRAMENTO.

ON THIS DATE, INSPECTOR HOMICIDE DETAIL, SAN FRANCISCO POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED THAT ON JANUARY 30, 1974, THE "SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE" NEWSPAPER RECEIVED ANOTHER LETTER FROM ZODIAC. ADVISED THAT AFTER CONFERRING WITH A HANDWRITING EXPERT, IT WAS CONFIRMED THAT THE NOTE WAS IN FACT FROM ZODIAC FROM COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS LETTERS. THE TEXT OF THE LETTER IS AS FOLLOWS:

END PAGE ONE

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(Misspelled words in above quoted letter appear as in the letter.)

An inspector has been assigned to the Zodiac case since its inception which began in Northern California on December 20, 1968. It was not until 1969 when Zodiac began boasting of his killings in letters to the "San Francisco Chronicle". To date, there have been six victims which have been attributed to Zodiac by the police authorities. Five of the known victims were killed in various areas of Northern California in a ten-month period that began in December, 1968. The sixth victim known to be Zodiac's was a co-ed murdered in Riverside, California, in 1966. Zodiac acknowledged that he had indeed been responsible for the Riverside slaying in a letter mailed March 15, 1971, from Pleasanton, California.

The latest note received by the "San Francisco Chronicle" was written with a blue felt tip pen. It was on a white sheet of paper and tucked into an envelope addressed simply "San Fran Chronicle please rush to editor". From the postmark.

End page two
AND THE ZIP CODE NUMBERS IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THE LETTER WAS MAILED TUESDAY FROM SOMEWHERE IN EITHER SAN MATEO COUNTY OR SANTA CLARA COUNTY. INSPECTOR [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT COPIES OF THE LATEST MATERIAL RECEIVED FROM ZODIAC WILL BE FURNISHED TO THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE. THIS MATERIAL WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE FBI LABORATORY UNDER SEPARATE COVER.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

WA HOLD

Laboratory
CC Mr. Gebhardt
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)  
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296) (P)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC  
EXTORTION  
OO: Sacramento

Re San Francisco nite letter to the Bureau and Sacramento dated 1/31/74.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are two copies each for the FBI Laboratory and one copy each for Sacramento of the following listed items:

1. Photocopy of letter beginning "I saw & think The Exorcist..." and ending with "SFPD - 0".

2. Photocopy of bottom portion of letter containing palm print.

3. Photocopy of letter addressed to "San Fran Chronicle".

4. Photocopy of dusted envelope containing fingerprints.

The above-listed items were furnished to the San Francisco Division by Inspector [redacted] Homicide Detail, San Francisco Police Department (SFPD). The original of the above-listed items of evidence in the ZODIAC case.

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case were processed by SFPD experts and are being maintained by that Department.

These photocopies are being furnished to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with previous exhibits submitted in captioned case. For the information of the FBI Laboratory Inspector advised that SFPD experts have confirmed that this latest note is in fact from the ZODIAC based on comparison with previous letters.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.
Enclosures to Bureau:

To go with San Francisco report.

Letter dated 2/6/74 described as photos described on pg. 1 of let.

Re: Zodiac Extortion

San Francisco file No. 9-2296
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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FBI/DOJ
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

To: SAC, San Francisco (9-2296)  Date: February 15, 1974

From: Director, FBI

Re: ZODIAC
EXTORTION
001: Sacramento

FBI File No. B-48511
Lab. No. D-74008094 LL

Examination requested by:

Reference:

Examination requested:

San Francisco
Airtel dated February 6, 1974

Document - Cryptanalysis

The results of the cryptanalysis examination will be furnished separately.

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Mailed 6
FEB. 15 1974
FBI

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
2 Sacramento Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

Administrative Page

Mail Room - Teletype Unit
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

For: SAC, San Francisco (9-2296)                     Date: February 15, 1974

To: ZODIAC                                    FBI File No. 9-49911

Ex: EXTORTION                                    Lab. No. D-740208034 LL

Specimens received February 8, 1974

Qc62 Photograph of envelope postmarked "U.S. POSTAL SERVICE
CA 940 AM 29 JAN" bearing the hand printed address "San Fran
Chronicle Please Rush To Editor"

Qc63 Accompanying hand printed letter beginning "I saw &
think...

Result of examination:

It has previously been noted that certain of the
threatening letters in this matter were not written as freely
as other letters and portions of the questioned material
contain distortion. Additionally, most of the specimens
submitted to the Laboratory have been photocopies, some of
which are not sufficiently clear to permit satisfactory
comparison. For these reasons, an unqualified determination
regarding the number of persons preparing the threatening
letters in this matter could not be made; however, hand print
characteristics indicate that all of the threatening letters
including Qc62 and Qc63 were probably prepared by one person.

The submitted evidence is retained.

LMS:jfm (6)
FBI

Date: 2/23/74

Transmit the following in

(Type in plaintext or code)

Via: AIRTEL
ATNMAYL

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296) (P)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC
EXTORTION
CC: SACRAMENTO

Re: San Francisco airtel to Sacramento, 2/20/74.

Enclosed for the Bureau is one photo copy and one xerox copy of letter and envelope received 2/26/74 from Inspector [Redacted], Homocide Detail, San Francisco Police Department.

Enclosed for Sacramento is one xerox copy of same letter.

For the information of the Bureau, on 2/20/74, Inspector [Redacted] advised that on 2/14/74 the enclosed letter was received by the San Francisco Chronicle and reporter for the San Francisco Chronicle brought the letter to [Redacted] as a possible Zodiac letter. [Redacted] thereafter turned the letter over to [Redacted], questioned document examiner, United States Post Office, San Francisco. Mr. [Redacted] has advised [Redacted] that he feels the letter is a Zodiac letter.

The Laboratory is requested to compare the enclosed letter with previous submissions in this matter in an effort to determine if the enclosed letter was prepared by Zodiac.

ENCL.
1 - Bureau (Enc. 2)
2 - Sacramento (Enc. 1)
2 - San Francisco

Approved: Special Agent in Charge

MAR 19 1974
FBI

Date: 2/6/74

Transmit the following in
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
(ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, LFS,
LATENT CASE NUMBER 10042)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-68) (P)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC
EXTORTION
00: Sacramento

For information of the Los Angeles Office,
commencing in August, 1969, an individual who has written
several letters to newspapers in Northern, California,
some of which contain cryptographic messages, and who signs
himself "ZODIAC", has been suspect in at least six unsolved
murders in California. Because of some of the details
contained in his letters, pertaining to the murders,
details not known to the general public, the police
agencies which investigated the cases have come to the
confirm conclusion that the "ZODIAC" is responsible.
The murders for which the "ZODIAC" has taken credit are as
follows:

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1 - San Francisco (9-2296) (Info)
2 - Sacramento

(7)

Approved: Special Agent in Charge
Sent: M

All but the Riverside, California crimes occurred in the Sacramento and San Francisco Division. The Sacramento and San Francisco Divisions have, since 1969, on a selective basis, requested examinations by the FBI Laboratory and FBI Identification Divisions, pursuant to requests from the Vallejo, California Police Department (PD); Solano County, California Sheriff's Office (SO); San Francisco PD; and Napa County, California SO. All of these police agencies have had jurisdiction in murders committed by the "ZODIAC" in their areas.

As a result, the FBI Laboratory has on file several samples of handprinting and writing prepared by the "ZODIAC", which samples were furnished by the above police agencies.

The FBI Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, has on file some latent prints developed from questioned documents and other sources, and made available by the above police agencies. Some or all of these latent prints may belong to the "ZODIAC".

For a period of approximately three years, no correspondence had been received from the "ZODIAC", however, on 1/29/74, a letter was received by a San Francisco newspaper, believed to have been prepared by the "ZODIAC". The San Francisco office is in the process of obtaining a copy of this letter and any latent fingerprints developed on it for submission to the FBI Laboratory and Identification Division.
SC 9-68

A review of the Sacramento file in this matter discloses that no questioned writing or latent prints which may have been developed in the Riverside, California, murder have ever been submitted to the FBI Laboratory or Identification Division.

LEADS:

The FBI Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, is requested to advise how many latent prints believed to be of the "ZODIAC" are available and if there is any possibility of classifying these latent prints to the extent of permitting a search through FBI fingerprint files in an effort to identify the "ZODIAC".

LOS ANGELES:

AT RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA:

Will, from the local authorities who investigated the murder believed committed by the "ZODIAC", obtain copies of any handwriting or handwriting attributable to him, and photographs of any latent prints which may have been developed in that case, and submit these to the FBI Laboratory and Identification Division for appropriate examination and comparison with previously submitted samples.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.
Thirty-nine latent fingerprints, eleven latent palm prints and two latent impressions (fingerprint or palm prints) previously reported in this case remain unidentified. These prints were previously compared with available prints of numerous individuals, but no identifications were effected. Ten additional latent fingerprints were previously identified with elimination prints.

Unless comparisons are conducted with the known prints of "Zodiac," it is not possible to determine if any of the previously reported prints are his.

It is not possible to determine which fingers made most of the previously reported latent fingerprints in this case, therefore, it is not possible to assemble...

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a composite set of prints that could be classified and searched in the main fingerprint file.

Comparable areas of unidentified latent prints previously reported on items from different crime scenes, as well as latent prints on different envelopes and letters, were compared with each other, but no identifications affected.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
   (ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-68) (P)

CODIAC
EXTORTION

CC: Sacramento

Re San Francisco airtel to the Bureau, 2/6/74.

Copies of the documents received by the Sacramento Office as enclosures to referenced airtel have been furnished to the Vallejo Police Department and the Solano County Sheriff's Office, Vallejo, California, both of which agencies have an investigative interest in this matter.

The above agencies are desirous of knowing the meaning of the symbols at the bottom of this latest letter, which could possibly be some form of Oriental writing, if it is possible to ascertain same.

The FBI Laboratory or Bureauc Languages Section is requested to examine the symbols referred to in an effort to establish their meaning. If successful, please advise the San Francisco and Sacramento Offices.

2 - Bureau
1 - San Francisco (9-2296) (Info)
2 - Sacramento
GJMicas (5)

Approved: ___________________________  Sent: ____________ M Per ____________
To: SAC, San Francisco (9-2296)  
Date: March 1, 1974

From: Director, FBI

Re: ZODIAC EXTORTION

Examination requested by: SAC, San Francisco

Reference: San Francisco airtel 2/8/74 and Sacramento airtel 2/14/74

Examination requested: Document-Cryptanalysis

Remarks:

Result of Document examination and disposition of specimens handled separately.

Enclosures (2) (2 Laboratory reports)

1 - Sacramento (9-68) - enclosure

PWP: spc spc (6)

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MAR 1  1  1974}
To: SAC, San Francisco (9-2296)
Re: ZODIAC
EXTORTION

March 1, 1974

Specimen received 2/9/74.

Qc62 Photograph of envelope postmarked "U.S. POSTAL SERVICE CA 940 AM 29 JAN" bearing hand printed address "San Fran. Chronicle Please Rush To Editor"

Qc63 Accompanying hand printed letter beginning "I saw & think..."

Result of examination:

No determination as to the meaning of the marks on the bottom of the note on Qc63 could be made. Although having some characteristics of Chinese or Japanese, they are not complete radicals.

The middle portion of the note is a quote from "The Mikado" by Gilbert and Sullivan. It is noted portions of "The Mikado" had been quoted in previous specimens. (Laboratory report 8/10/70, CR-13816 JU)
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2/11/74
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

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File # 9-49911
Lab.# D-740208094 LL
CR-14164 IC

Re: ZODIAC
EXTORTION
00: Sacramento

Examination requested by: San Francisco (9-2296) airtel 2/6/74
Examination requested: Document - Cryptanalysis
Date received: 2/8/74
Examination by

Result of Examination:
Markings on Qc 63 not
driven or Japanese
although some characteristics
are similar
Middle phrase from Mikado
by Gilbert and Sullivan

Qc62 Photograph of envelope postmarked "U.S. POSTAL SERVICE CA 940
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FBI/DOJ
To: SAC, San Francisco (9-2296)  
Date: March 8, 1974

From: Director, FBI

Re: ZODIAC

Examination requested by:

Reference: San Francisco

Examination requested: Airtel dated February 28, 1974

Remarks: Document

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

Administrative Page
REPORT of the
FBI LABORATORY

SAC, San Francisco (9-2296)

To: ZODIAC;

Re: EXTORTION

March 4, 1974

Specimens received

Qc64 Photocopy of envelope postmarked "U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, CA 913 PM 3 FEB 1974," bearing the hand printed address "Editor San Francisco Chronicle San Francisco, California"

Qc65 Accompanying photocopy of sheet of paper bearing the hand printed message beginning "Dear Mr. Editor, Did you know that the....."

Result of examination:

The questioned hand printing on Qc64 and Qc65 contains some characteristics which are not entirely consistent with the hand printing characteristics contained in the Zodiac letters submitted to the Laboratory to date. For this reason, it could not be determined whether Qc64 and Qc65 were prepared by the writer of the Zodiac letters; however, no characteristics were found which would definitely establish that Qc64 and Qc65 were prepared by someone other than the writer of the Zodiac letters.

The submitted evidence is retained.
Re: ZODIAC; EXTORTION

OO: SACRAMENTO

Examination requested by: SAC, SHN FRANCISCO (9-2296) Airtel 2/25/74

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 3/8/74

Result of Examination:

1. NC q.w this case, including Qc64 & Qc65 same person, various photocopies same.

2. Qc64 & Qc65 returned.

Qc64 Photocopy of envelope postmarked "U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, CA 913" on 3 FEB 1974," bearing the hand printed address "Editor San Francisco Chronicle San Francisco, California"

Qc65 Accompanying photocopy of sheet of paper bearing the hand printed message beginning "Dear Mr. Editor, Did you know that the..."
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TO: Mr. Albert Cordova  
Sheriff of Solano County  
Fairfield, California 94533

RE: ZODIAC EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Letter received March 5, 1974
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Address
SPECIMENS: Fingerprints and palm prints of

The latent prints previously reported in this case are not identical with the submitted prints of

You will receive a separate report concerning the result of our laboratory examination.

The specimens are enclosed, together with a photograph and arrest record of which were also submitted.

Clarence M. Kelley, Director

THIS REPORT IS FURNISHED FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY  
MAIL ROOM [ ]  TELETYPE UNIT [ ]
Case # V-24564
Mr. Albert Cordova, Sheriff, Solano County, Fairfield, California 94533 (Sheriff per Recording)

Examination requested by:

Examination requested:

Result of Examination:

Named Suspect:

Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 3/5/74
Examination by:

Noted by:

Specimens sent with photograph & arrest record

K11 Three sheets of paper bearing the known handwriting and/or hand printing of

K12: Week-At-A-Glance Business Reminder notebook bearing the known handwriting and/or hand printing of

ALSO SUBMITTED: Two palm prints
Photocopies
Photocopy of Solano County Jail/Record form
Photocopies of Fingerprint card, FBI Master form, and GI form

Examination completed 12:00 3/12
Dictated 3/12

Time Date
3-14-74

Fieldink
OBJECTION:

REPORTED BY:

DATE WRITTEN:

74-0306021

CASE NUMBER:

SOLANO COUNTY #V-21561

FBI # 9-19911

LATEN A-10012

TYPE OF CASE:
ZODIAC HOMICIDES

SUBJECT:

FITS THE GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF ZODIAC. HE WAS BORN IN
THE ATTENDED SCHOOL IN RIVERSIDE CALIF. HE IS EMPLOYED IN OAKLAND CALIF.
HE IS A CONVICTED SEX OFFENDER OF CHILDREN.

REQUESTED BY:

FBI

SOLANO COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT

SERGEANT

W REQUESTED:

UNITED STATES MAIL

CHIEVED BY:

Dubuque

NOPSIS:

SUBJECT:

TYPE OF EXAMINATION:

EVALUATION OF FINGER PRINTS AND PALM PRINTS.

EVALUATION OF HAND WRITING EXEMPLARS SUBMITTED WITH EVIDENCE ON FILE.

MATERIAL SUBMITTED:

1. TWO YELLOW PAGES OF WRITTEN MATERIAL (PARTIAL TEXT OF ZODIAC MESSAGES.)
2. RED DIARY WRITTEN BY SUBJECT OVER PERIOD OF ONE YEAR.
3. PALM PRINTS OF SUBJECT OF LEFT AND RIGHT HANDS.
4. ONE WHITE SHEET CONTAINING ZODIAC TEXT, WRITTEN WITH INK PEN BY SUBJECT.
5. SOLANO COUNTY JAIL ARREST RECORD.
Examination requested by: SHERIFF OF SOLANO COUNTY (V-24564) CALIFORNIA

Examination requested: DOCUMENT - FINGERPRINT

Result of Examination:

1. NC Zodiac letters submitted to laboratory to date. K11 & K12 lack significant chm. material available for comparison.
2. Nothing noted. Examination which suggest additional of K11 & K12 please return A.S. return L FPS.
3. K11 Three sheets of paper bearing the known handwriting and hand printing of

K12 Week-At-A-Glance Business Reminder notebook bearing the known handwriting and hand printing of

ALSO SUBMITTED: Two palm prints
Photograph of
Photocopies of Solano County Jail record form, FBI Master form, and CIT record
Examination requested by: SHERIFF OF SOLANO COUNTY (SF-86544)  

California  

Examination requested: DOCUMENT + FINGERPRINT  

Result of Examination:  

Specimen was received and returned to 2/28/74  

Retained  3/7  

Pending  

Additional remarks:  

Laboratory Work Sheet  

POLICE FILE  

File # S-46281  

Lab. # E-769560521 LL  

Date received: 3/5/74  

Examination by:  

Received by: SFPD  

Attache:  

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REPORT
of the
FBI
LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: Sheriff of Solano County
Fairfield, California 94533

Attention: Detective Sergeant

March 8, 1974

REGISTERED AIRMAIL

Re: ZODIAC
Extortion and Homicide

Clarence M. Kelley
Director
YOUR NO. V-24561
FBI FILE NO. 9-49511
LAB. NO. D-740306021 LL

Examination requested by: Addressed

Reference: Letter Received March 5, 1974

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

K11 Three sheets of paper bearing known hand printing of

K12 Week At a Glance Business Register written showing
the known writing of

ALSO SUBMITTED: Two palm prints
Photographs of

Photographs of

Result of examination: EX100

It was not definitely determined whether the ZODIAC letters submitted to the Laboratory to date were prepared by z...
While [redacted] could not be definitely eliminated as a possible suspect in this matter on the basis of the handwriting comparison, nothing of significance was noted in the examination which suggest that additional known exemplars of [redacted] would be of value. It is suggested that other suspects be considered in this matter.

K11 and K12 are returned herewith. Appropriate photographs are retained. The disposition of the also submitted items will be furnished with the results of the requested fingerprint examination.
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3/6/74 rma

Laboratory Work Sheet

NOLAB FILE
File # 9-49911 — 180
Lab.# D-740306021 LL

Re:
SUBJECT
ZODIAC
Extortion and Homicide

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: SHERIFF OF SOLANO COUNTY (V-24564)
CALIFORNIA

EXAMINATION REQUESTED: DOCUMENT - FINGERPRINT

RESULT OF EXAMINATION:

1. NC Zodiac letter submitted to laboratory to date. K11-K12 lack significant chem. material available for comparison. Nothing noted examination which suggest additional of value.

2. K11, K12 photo. returned A.S. return LFS. Hand printing of

3. K12: Week-At A-Glance Business Reminder notebook bearing the known handwriting and signature of

ALSO SUBMITTED: Two palm prints
Photograph of
Photocopies of Solano County Jail/record form,

Presented By Division
[Redacted]

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911) (Attn: FBI Laboratory, and Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, LC #A-10042)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-6854) (P)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC
EXTORTION
00: Sacramento

DATE: 4/11/74

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are the following:

1. Three 8½" x 11" lined three-hole note paper containing hand printing to the effect, "Bates had to die. There will be more. Z," as well as three envelopes postmarked 4/30/67 at Riverside, California, addressed to Press Enterprise, and Riverside Police Department.

2. Two envelopes, bearing no stamps, addressed in heavy felt type printing to the, "Homicide Detail, Riverside" and the Daily Enterprise, Riverside, California.

3. Two carbon copies of a typed letter entitled, "The Confession."

4. Two copies of an 8" x 10" photograph of hand printing on a plywood board desk top.

Detective [Redacted] Riverside, California, Police Department, advised the carbon copies of the type-written letter entitled, "The Confession" were mailed to the Riverside Police Department and the Press Enterprise, a Riverside newspaper, the first part of 1967. The original of this letter was not mailed to anyone to the knowledge of

Bureau (Enc. 12) (RM)
1 - Sacramento (9-68) (Info)
1 - San Francisco (9-2296) (Info)
2 - Los Angeles
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the Riverside Police Department. Detective related "The Confession" described details of the murder of CHERRI JO BATES and the manner in which her vehicle was disabled which would have been known only to the unknown subject who murdered her.

He advised the hand printed letters stating, in effect, "Bates had to die, there will be more" had been received after "The Confession" letter had been received.

Detective stated that after an article by reporter PAUL AVERY in the San Francisco Chronicle in early 1971, in which AVERY claimed the CHERRI JO BATES murder had been committed by Zodiac, Zodiac thereafter directed a letter to the Chronicle in which he claimed responsibility for this murder.

Detective stated that several months after the CHERRI JO BATES murder, the poem which starts, "Sick of living/Unwilling to die...," was discovered in the library at Riverside City College, Riverside, California, where CHERRI JO BATES was attending at the time of her murder. He pointed out the night she was murdered she had left the library in which this poem was discovered. He said it had apparently been written with a blue ball point pen into the soft wood of a plywood study desk.

Detective stated that all latent fingerprints in instant case had been submitted to the Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, on 11/4/66. Detective exhibited a letter from the Latent Fingerprint Section dated 11/15/66 which reflected Latent Case #73096 had been assigned to the Riverside submissions. He added that from the latents previously submitted to the Bureau, only four fingerprints and three partial palm prints remain unidentified.

**REQUESTS OF THE BUREAU**

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare the handwriting or hand printing of the enclosed documents with previously submitted samples of the handwriting or hand printing attributable to Zodiac.
It is pointed out that all items being submitted have been processed chemically by the Riverside, California, Police Department for any latent prints.

On completion of the examination by the FBI Laboratory, it is requested the enclosed documents, all which are original and are evidence in the CHERI JO BATES murder case, be returned to Los Angeles for return to the Riverside, California, Police Department.

The FBI Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, is requested to compare the latent fingerprints and partial palm prints previously submitted by the Riverside Police Department to the Identification Division on 11/4/66, Latent Case #73096, with other latent prints on previously submitted samples by the Sacramento and San Francisco Offices.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Los Angeles (62-6854)  Date: May 2, 1974

From: Director, FBI

Re: ZODIAC - EXTORTION

OO: Sacramento

Examination requested by: Los Angeles

Reference: Letter dated April 11, 1974

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks: The submitted evidence will be returned with the fingerprint report.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Sacramento (85-88) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
2 - San Francisco (8-2298) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

MAIL ROOM □ TELETYPING UNIT □
Specimen received April 19, 1974

Q66 Envelope postmarked "RIVERSIDE, CA APR 30 PM 1967, CA" bearing the hand printed address [redacted] "Riverside California"

Q67 Accompanying hand printed message beginning "She Had To....."

Q68 Envelope postmarked "RIVERSIDE CA APR 30 PM 1967" bearing the hand printed address "Riverside Police Dept. Riverside, Calif."

Q69 Accompanying hand printed message beginning "Bates had To...." "

Q70 Accompanying newspaper clipping bearing photograph

Q71 Envelope postmarked "RIVERSIDE, CA APR 30 PM 1967" bearing the hand printed address "PRESS Enterprise 3517 14th Street Riverside, California"

Q72 Accompanying hand printed message beginning "Bates had to...."

Q73 Envelope, not postmarked, bearing hand printed address "HOMICIDE DETAIL RIVERSIDE"

Q74 Envelope postmarked "RIVERSIDE, CALIF NOV 29 PM 1966" bearing the hand printed address "DAILY ENTERPRISE RIVERSIDE CALIF ATT "CRIME"

Q75 Two carbon copies of typewritten message beginning "THE CONFESSION SHE WAS YOUNG......."

Q76 Two photographs of hand printing on desk top beginning "Sick of living, unwilling to....."
Result of examination:

It was not determined whether the questioned hand printing on Q66 through Qc76 was prepared by the writer of the Zodiac letters, submitted previously in this case, because of variations in the Q66 through Qc76 material. Nothing of particular handwriting significance was noted, however, in the comparison.

The submitted evidence was photographed and will be returned separately.
RE: ZODIAC EXTORTION

REFERENCE: EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Los Angeles

SPECIMENS:

Five envelopes and miscellaneous papers, Q36 through Q70 and Q72

Specimens examined and a latent fingerprint of value appears on hand printed message, Q36, and one latent fingerprint from extreme tip area of a finger appears on envelope, Q74.

Comparable areas of latent prints on Q36 and Q70 and latent prints previously reported on specimen submitted with letter 11-6-66, from Chief of Police, Riverside, California, in latent case OA-79039, Batch #271205, compared latent prints previously reported in captioned case, but no identification effected.

Specimens enclosed.

1 - San Francisco (2-2229)
2 - Sacramento (9-68)
Burlch (32-27196)

Clarence M. Kelley, Director

MAY 14, 1974

This report is furnished for official use only

Teletype unit
Examination requested by: Los Angeles (62-6854)
Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint
Result of Examination:

Compare latents developed in Captioned case with latents developed in case entitled:

DANIELLE CHERRY JO BATES - VICTIM, RIVERSIDE, CALIF., 10/30/66 MURDER
FILE # 32-27195 (file requested 5/6 (no photos in file))

Specs made for latents prior to sub. (powder + powder)

563 + 577 to photo 5/5

Q66 Envelope postmarked "RIVERSIDE, CA APR 30 PM 1967, CA" bearing the hand printed address "Riverside California"

Q67 Accompanying hand printed message beginning "She Had To....."

Q68 Envelope postmarked "RIVERSIDE CA APR 30 PM 1967" bearing the hand printed address "Riverside Police Dept. Riverside, Calif."

Q69 Accompanying hand printed message beginning "Bates had To....."
Accompanying newspaper clipping bearing photograph

Envelope postmarked "RIVERSIDE, CA APR 30 PM 1967" bearing the hand printed address "PRESS Enterprise 3512 14th Street Riverside, California"

Accompanying hand printed message beginning "Bates had to......" 

Envelope not postmarked, bearing hand printed address "HOMICIDE DETAIL RIVERSIDE"

Envelope postmarked "RIVERSIDE, CALIF NOV 29 PM 1966" bearing in the hand printed address "DAILY ENTERPRISE RIVERSIDE CALIF ATTN CRIME"

Two carbon copies of typewritten message beginning "THE CONFESSION SHE WAS YOUNG......"

Two photographs of hand printing on desk top beginning "Sick of living, unwilling to....."

Examination Completed 2/15/79 5/15/79 Dictated 5/15/79
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)  
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY, DOCUMENT SECTION, IDENTIFICATION DIVISION)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (9-2548) (P)

RE: ZODIAC EXTORTION

00: SACRAMENTO

Enclosed for the Laboratory is a copy of four (4) sheets of paper with printing, and one (1) photo of the Zodiac symbol.

The enclosed xerox copy of the Zodiac symbol is utilized by a Cleveland pimp. He has this symbol on the...

Race: [Blacked out]
Sex: Male
Height: [Blacked out]

4 - Bureau (Enc. 6) (RM)
1 - Sacramento (Enc. 2) (RM)
1 - San Francisco (Enc. 2) (RM)
3 - Cleveland (1 - 31-5416)

RCA:pjh
(9) EXCLOSURE

Approved:  Special Agent in Charge

Sent

M Per
Weight: 
Eyes: 
Hair: 
Date of Birth: 
Place of Birth: 
SSAN: 
FBI #: 

On [redacted], pleaded guilty at U.S. District Court to one (1) count of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1952, ITAR - Prostitution. He was sentenced to one year and fined $5,000. Besides his interests in prostitution, he is the owner of the [redacted] which he previously [redacted]. He has a [redacted] connection to [redacted].

According to informants closed to [redacted] it is felt that [redacted] during the late 1960's - early 1970's, was responsible or has some knowledge of the murders of MARLENE STEELE, TOM BROWN and ARNIE PRUNELLA, all from the Cleveland area. From investigation to date, it is felt that [redacted] is capable of murder and is demented. One incident recounted by a source revealed that after [redacted].

As a further insight to [redacted]'s personality he features himself as the "father of prostitution" and constantly fancies himself as an important crime figure having sinister capabilities and by his actions does his best to foster same.

The Laboratory Document Section is requested to compare the zodiac sign and [redacted] printing with documents received in the ZODIAC murder case and furnish
results to Sacramento and Cleveland. The Laboratory is requested to return to Cleveland the plastic folder with the printed material.

The Identification Division is requested to compare fingerprints with latents on file in the ZODIAC case, File 9-499144, Latent Case Number A-10042, and furnish results to Sacramento.
RECORDED
8/16/76
jlm

Re:
ZODIAC
EXTORTION

00: Sacramento

Examination requested by:

Cleveland (8-2548)

Examination requested:

Document & Fingerprint

Result of Examination:

K/L 73-4-145

Received Cleveland

Date received:
8/16/76

Examination by:

Date:

File #
8-48911

Lab. #
D-790818058 LL

NO LAB FILE
To: SAC, Cleveland (9-2548)  
Date: August 23, 1974

From: Director, FBI  

Re: ZODIAC EXTORTION

00: Sacramento

Examination requested by: Cleveland

Reference:

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

The results of the requested latent fingerprint examination will be furnished separately.

Enclosures (4) (X13, Also Submitted, 2 Lab report)
1 - Sacramento (9-66) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
1 - San Francisco (9-2296) Enclosure (Lab Report)
1 - Cleveland (91-5416) Enclosure (Lab report)
Specimens received: August 15, 1974

K12: Four sheets of paper bearing known writing of

Also submitted: Zodiac sign and photograph of

Result of examination:

It was not definitely determined whether the Zodiac letters submitted to the Laboratory to date were prepared by KL12, because of a lack of significant characteristics in the material available for comparison.

While could not be definitely eliminated as a possible suspect in this matter on the basis of the handwriting comparison, nothing of significance was noted in the examination which suggests that additional known exemplars of would be of value. It is suggested that other suspects be considered in this matter.

The submitted evidence is returned herewith. Representative photographs are retained.
Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: ZODIAC EXTORTION

OO: Sacramento

Examination requested by: Cleveland (9-2548) airtel 8/9/74
Examination requested: Document & Fingerprint
Date received: 8/15/74
Examination by:

1. NC Zodiac letters submitted Laboratory to date — K13, lack significant characteristic material available for comparison.

2. Nothing noted from which suggest additional of value.


T.F. LFP from separate. K13 Four sheets of paper bearing known writing of

ALSO SUBMITTED: Zodiac sign and photograph of

2. Sacramento 9-68
1. San Francisco 9-2296
1. Cleveland 31-54/6

JW

for 8/23/74
FBI
Date: 8/16/74

Transmit the following in
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
   (ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296) (F)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC
EXTORTION
OO: Sacramento

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are two (2) copies
each for the FBI Laboratory and one (1) copy each for
Sacramento of the following listed items:

1) Photo copy of letter beginning, "Editor
   Put Marco back..." and signed "The Red Phantom (Red wit
   Rage).

2) Photo copy of envelope addressed to "Editor,
   San Francisco Chronicle, San Francisco, California" in which
   item one was transmitted.

3) Photo copy of message side of postcard, beginning
   "Sirs, I would like to express my..." and signed, "A Citizen
   
4) Photo copy of address side of item three
   Postcard addressed to "Editor, San Francisco Chronicle"
   5th and Mission, San Francisco.

Moments

Approved: Special Agent in Charge
The above listed items were furnished to the San Francisco Division by Inspector [redacted], Homicide Detail, San Francisco Police Department. The original of the above listed items of evidence in the Zodiac case were processed by San Francisco Police Department technicians and are being maintained by that department.

These photo copies are being furnished to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with previous exhibits submitted in captioned case. For the information of the FBI Laboratory, it will be noted that Inspector [redacted] advised that the local San Francisco press has published that these items are the work of Zodiac, however, Inspector [redacted] advised confidentially that ARMED AND DANGEROUS.
To: SAC, San Francisco (6-3296)

From: Director, FBI

Date: September 6, 1974

Examination requested by: San Francisco

Reference: Airfoil dated 5/16/74

Examination requested:

Remarks:

Examinations (2) (Airfoil report)

Enclosures (2) (Lab report)
Specimens received 6/20/74

Q977 Photocopy of envelope bearing illegible postmark and hand printed address "Editor San Francisco Chronicle - San Francisco, California"

Q978 Photocopy of hand printed letter beginning "Editor...Put waves back....." and signed "...The Red Phantom"

Q979 Photocopy of address side of postcard postmarked "POSTAL SERVICE, CA 946 P, 6 MAY 1974" bearing hand printed address "Editor SF Chronicle 6th & Mission San Fran"

Q980 Photocopy of message side of Q979 postcard bearing hand printing beginning "Sir - I would like to express..." and signed "...A citizen"

Result of examination:

The hand printing on Q977 and Q978 contains some characteristics which are inconsistent with the hand printing on the ZODIAC letters received in the Laboratory to date. While these inconsistencies are not sufficient to definitely eliminate the writer of the ZODIAC letters as the writer of Q977 and Q978, they suggest that these specimens may have been prepared by someone other than the writer of the ZODIAC letters.

It was not definitely determined whether the questioned hand printing on Q979 and Q980 was prepared by the writer of the ZODIAC letters because of variations in this material; however, similarities were noted which indicate that Q979 and Q980 were probably prepared by the writer of the ZODIAC letters.

The submitted evidence is retained.
Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: ZODIAC EXTORTION
00: Sacramento

Examination requested by: San Francisco (9-2296) airtel 8/1k6/74
Examination requested: Document
Date received: 8/20/74
Result of Examination:

1. NC Qc77 + Qc78 → Zodiac Letter, inconsistencies.

2. NC Qc79 + Qc80 → Zodiac Letter, variations, signs.

3. Evidence returned.

Qc77 Photocopy of envelope bearing illegible postmark and hand printed address "Editor San Francisco Chronicle San Francisco, California"

Qc78 Photocopy of hand printed letter beginning "Editor Put Marco back....." and signed "the Red Phantom" address side of postcard

Qc79 Photocopy of envelope postmarked "POSTAL SERVICE, CA 945 P 8 MAY 1974 " bearing hand printed address "Editor SF Chronicle 5th & Mission San Fran"

Qc80 Photocopy of hand printed address "Sirs - I would like to express....." and signed "-- A Citizen"

Lab report 9/6/74
LMS: MIS
Sacramento (9-68)
Dear Editor,

SF Chronicle

I echo Jack's taste in sympathy by your running

SF Chronicle
California
Marco back in the
YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO.
LATENT CASE NO.

9-2946
9-49912
A-10042

September 9, 1974

SAC, Cleveland

RE:

REFERENCE:

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY:

Specimens:

Alex B. 6-9-74
Cleveland

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Lab report separates

2 - Documents

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Clarence M. Kelley, Director

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Manager, 15th Floor
Re: ZODIAC EXTORTION
00: Sacramento

Examination requested by: Cleveland (9-2548) 
Examination requested: Document & Fingerprint
Result of Examination: 
Named Suspect: [redacted] FBI# [redacted]

Collect-case 8-26 0000

Four sheets of paper bearing known writing of

ALSO SUBMITTED: Zodiac sign and photograph of

Examination completed 1534m 8-27-74 Dictated 8-27-74
No request for latent treatment of evidence submitted with attached Artel-Lab will return all evidence to Cleveland LPS handle list
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9-49911-185 pages 4, 5, 6
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911) ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (9-2296) (P)
SUBJECT: ZODIAC
EXTORTION
OO: SACRAMENTO

Mr. [Redacted], Seaside, California, who was contacted regarding another matter on 8/27/74, advised that he has followed the ZODIAC case in the newspapers and has developed considerable interest in this matter. He stated that he recently applied for a sales position and after reviewing the man's application and considering his application, felt that there was a remote possibility that he could be identical with "ZODIAC." He furnished the following descriptive data:

Name: [Redacted]
DOB: [Redacted]
Race: [Redacted]
Sex: Male
Height: 5' 7"
Weight: 177 lbs
SSN: [Redacted]
Military Service: [Redacted]

The Identification Division is requested to compare the fingerprints of [Redacted] if available, with the latent prints previously submitted in this matter.

217 - Bureau
1 - Sacramento (9-68) (INFO)
2 - San Francisco
JGR: klc (5)

[Date: 9/30/74]

[Signature: Special Agent in Charge]
Report of the
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

"X-119"

YOUR FILE NO. 9-2296
FBI FILE NO. 9-49911
LATENT CASE NO. A-10042

TO: SAC, San Francisco

October 17, 1974

RE: ZODIAC EXPRDITION

REFERENCE:
Examination requested by: San Francisco

Specimens:

Previously reported unidentified latent fingerprints and impressions (fingerprints or palm prints) from a case compared available fingerprints and palm prints of suspect residing in Vallejo, California. It was determined that the fingerprints and palm prints were not of the suspect. Therefore, no further investigation was conducted. Previous reports from Vallejo, California, indicated that the fingerprints and palm prints were not possible. Major case prints necessary for conclusive comparisons of latent prints from second grip, side and lower joint areas of fingers and for comparison with previously reported latent palm prints.

Clarence M. Kelley, Director
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION WORK SHEET

Recorded: 10/3/74, 11:55 a.m. tao
Received: 10/3/74
Answer to: SAC, San Francisco

Examination requested by: Addresssee
Copy to:

-RE: ZODIAC

EXTORTION

Date of reference communication: Airtel 9/30/74

Specimens:

Named Suspect: W/M, (SSAN)

67C born [redacted] Visalia, California

Result of examination:

Card C/D called 10/3 fed
Meme to cram C/D 10/3

Examination completed 10/11/74

2 Sacramento (9-68)

Examination by: [redacted]
Evidence noted by: [redacted]

Dictated 10/14/74
Transmit the following in (Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMMAIL 
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
ATTENTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, LFS

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-68) (P)

SUBJECT ZODIAC
EXTORTION
OO: SC

AT VALLEJO, CALIFORNIA:

On 2/13/75, Detective Sergeant Vallejo Police Department, advised that his department is in receipt of information suggesting as a possible suspect in this matter one white male American, DOB presently residing at Fairfield, California. He is retired from the Military Service. Sgt. requested a comparison of fingerprints against the latent prints on file at the FBI Identification Division in this matter.

REQUEST OF BUREAU

Will compare latent prints in this case against fingerprints of DOB Sacramento will furnish Vallejo PD with results of examination.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

Bureau
Sacramento
GJM: mmml
(4)

Approved: Special Agent in Charge

Sent M Per

REPORT
of the
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO.
REC-69-68

FBI FILE NO.
9-J-1991-187

LATENT CASE NO.
A-10042

March 3, 1975

TO: SAC, Sacramento

RE: ZODIAC EXCHANGE

REFERENCE:
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY
SPCIMENS:

Latent fingerprints previously reported this case compared with fingerprints born but no identification was effected.

Major case prints or necessary for conclusive comparison of latent fingerprints made by tip areas of fingers and latent impressions. No palm prints available Identification Division files for.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION WORK SHEET

Recorded: 2/18/75 10:50 a.m. jk
Received: 2/18/75
Answer to: SAC, Sacramento

Examination requested by: Addressee
Copy to:

RE:
ZODIAC
EXTORTION

Date of reference communication: Airtel 2/14/75
Specimens: Name submitted for comparison purposes:

DOB: 10/11/40

Result of examination:
cut/cd called 3/18
Name to crm cd 3/18

Examination by: 
Evidence noted by:

Examination completed 2/22 Time 2/22 Date Dictated 2/22 Date
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FBI/DOJ
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

TO: Chief of Police
San Francisco Police Department
Attention: Inspector
Homicide Detail
Hall of Justice
850 Bryant Street
San Francisco, California 94103

DATE: May 15, 1975

Re: ZODIAC EXTORTION

Specimens Q81, Q82 & Q83

MAILED 11
MAIY 1 4 1975

REGISTERED AIRMMAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
718389

Special Instructions:
Mail Room: Show shipment date and registry number.
Shipping Room: Show shipment date; bill of lading number;
Initial invoice; return to Section checked in block; after
Initializing in block, invoice to be placed in administrative file.

5/14/75

FBI
FBI File No. 9-49911

5/14/75

5/14/75
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

To: Chief of Police
San Francisco Police Department
Hall of Justice
850 Bryant Street
San Francisco, California 94103

Attention: Inspector
San Francisco Homicide Detail

May 14, 1975

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: ZODIAC EXTORTION

Examination requested by: Addressee
Reference: Letter, 4/18/75
Examination requested: Cryptanalysis

Specimens received 4/21/75

Q01 - Taping on the Zodiac ciphers beginning on the first page, "To the District..."

Q02 - Cassette tape with an attached slip of paper with text beginning, "Please play this tape first..."

Q03 - Cassette tape with an attached slip of paper with text beginning, "Now play this tape 2nd..."

Result of examination:

From the examination of Q01, Q02, and Q03, it does not appear that the decryption referred to here may result. It is not clear that the ciphers analyzed in the first part of Q01 have already been decrypted utilizing a system different from the one described in the specimens.

Specimens Q01, Q02, and Q03 are being returned separately.

MAY 14, 1975

[Signature]

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

FBI FILE NO. 940911 - 188

LAB. NO. CA-1347 XE
Examination requested by: San Francisco letter dated 4/18/75
Examination requested: Cryptanalysis Date received: 4/21/75

Result of Examination:

Q81, 83 describe Q81. Q81 gives the beginning of numerous "decryptions," none of which make much sense and none of which continue through the entire message.

7-PWP

Q81 Treatise on the Zodiac ciphers beginning on the first page, "To the District..."

Q82 Cassette tape with an attached slip of paper with text beginning "Please play this tape first..."

Q83 Cassette tape with an attached slip of paper with text beginning "Pls. play this tape 2nd..."
Re: Sacramento letter to Los Angeles dated 3/27/75:

For the information of the Bureau, [redacted] of Nampa, Idaho, confidentially advised the Butte Office on 2/5/75, that during 1968 - 1969 he resided in Riverside, California, and was employed with a [redacted] who resided in Riverside, California, during the period of time that murders occurred in the San Francisco, California area, reportedly committed by ZODIAC. [redacted] had brought suspicions as possibly being a suspect in these murders and from information furnished by [redacted] to [redacted] was murdered on 10/30/66, at Riverside, California, which murder has been attributed to and claimed by ZODIAC.

Detective [redacted], Homicide Detail, Riverside, California Police Department, on 4/9/75, identified the [redacted] as being identical to [redacted], date of birth [redacted], Social Security No. [redacted] and CII No. [redacted] who was last arrested by the Riverside Police Department on [redacted] for driving while intoxicated, booking number [redacted].

1 - Bureau
2 - San Francisco (9-1-75)
2 - Sacramento
2 - Los Angeles

JED:mmw
(8)
LA 62-6854

[redacted] pointed out the murder of SHERRI BATES occurred on 10/30/66 and not during 1968 - 1969, when the subsequent murder contributed to ZODIAC occurred in the San Francisco area.

The Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, is requested to compare the known fingerprints of [redacted] with latents on file which have been previously submitted by Los Angeles and San Francisco in the ZODIAC case. Results of the examination should be furnished to the Los Angeles, Sacramento and San Francisco Divisions.
May 12, 1975

ONE latent fingerprint previously reported as being from the area of a finger and two latent impressions previously reported as being either fingerprints or portions of palm prints covered, insofar as possible, fingerprints of the area indicated for identification. Remaining unidentified latent fingerprints previously reported this case not identical fingerprints of latent impressions of tips of fingers, as well as palm prints, of necessary for conclusive comparisons with latent fingerprints from the area indicated. Impression, as well as comparisons with previously reported latent palm prints.

Sacramento
San Francisco (9-2296)

Clarence M. Kelley, Director

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TELETYPE UNIT
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION WORK SHEET

Recorded: 4/29/75 2:40 p.m. SKJ
Received: 4/29/75
Answer to: SAC, Los Angeles

Examination requested by: Addressee
Copy to:

RE: ZODIAC, EXTORTION

Date of reference communication: Letter 4/23/75
Specimens:

Named Suspect: FBI

Result of examination:

4/30/75
CI

5/1/75
CV LOC

5/3/75
2 cc. Sent for Master
1 cc. SACRAMENTO

Sent for Master
SAN FRANCISCO 6-2296

Examination completed 4:00 AM
Time
5/1/75
Date
Dictated 5/7/75
Date
3/1/82: Lot tests now reported this case as negative.

1 lot test (NP) +/− but 190:1 now reported. This case complicated at 190:1 dosage. 190:1 test +/−.

No pps on file for comp. with 13 previous reports.

5/8/98
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-49911)
ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION,
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION,
LATENT CASE #A10042

FROM: SAC A, SACRAMENTO (9-68) (P)

SUBJECT: ZODIAC

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original of a note. Enclosed for San Francisco are two xerox copies of the above note.

On one [redacted] Fresno, California, contacted the Fresno RA and furnished the enclosed note. [redacted] explained that over the [redacted] weekend he had visited [redacted] at residence, Oakland, California, telephone [redacted] during this visit he showed a [redacted] which claimed had been [redacted] The car had not been driven for some time and had no 1975 registration tags.

[redacted] - Bureau (Enc. 1)
2 - San Francisco (9-2296) (Enc. 2)
2 - Sacramento
JAR: cap
(7)

Lab report
1-23-75
EMB: asc

Approved: ____________________ Sent __________ M Per __________
Special Agent in Charge
advised that on the
as follows:

advised that he wrote the name and the license number on the back of this note.

stated that he has read a good deal about the ZODIAC murder case and feels this note may have been written by ZODIAC. He advised he further suspects that they may be involved because of

advised he reported this to the Fresno Police Department but did not feel anything was done with the information, and he, therefore, contacted the FBI with his present information.

According to and are both employed as in San Francisco. is employed as in Fresno, California.
denied that he has and requested that his identity be kept confidential.

The Latent Fingerprint Section is requested to examine this note for any latents of value and compare them with other questioned latents in this case. The Laboratory is requested to conduct appropriate handwriting comparisons of this note with known writing of the "ZODIAC".

LEAD:

SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. Will make this information available to San Francisco Police Department.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

July 23, 1975

To: SAC, Sacramento (9-68)

From: Director, FBI

Re: ZODIAC; EXTORTION

CC: Sacramento

Examination requested by:

Reference:

Examination requested:

Remarks:

Sacramento

Airtel dated 7/9/75

Document - Fingerprint

Q84 will be returned with the fingerprint report.

MAIL FILE
JUL 24 1975

Enclosures (2): (2 Lab report)
1 - San Francisco (9-2098) Enclosure (Lab report).

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REPORT
of the
FBI LABORATORY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Sacramento (9-68)

July 23, 1975

FBI FILE NO. 9-49911
LAB. NO. D-750714096 LL

ZODIAC;
Re: EXTORTION

Specimens received 7/14/75

Q84 Slip of paper bearing handwritten and hand printed message beginning "EQUINOX 3:33 p.m. ..."

Result of examination:

It was not determined whether the questioned writing on Q84 was prepared by the person who prepared the items in this case attributed to the Zodiac because of a lack of comparable material. It is noted that Q84 was largely handwritten and the material attributed to the Zodiac was largely hand printed.

Q84 was photographed and will be returned separately.

LMS:asc (5)
To SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-68)

Re: ZODIAC EXTORTION

00: Sacramento

Examination requested by: SACRAMENTO
Reference: Airtel dated 7-9-75
Examination requested: Doc fppt
Specimens received: 7-14-75

Q84 Slip of paper bearing handwritten and hand printed message beginning "EQUINOX 3:33 p.m. .......

1. W.C. J. w. Q84 → item this
   case attributed to the Zodiac, lack comparable material. Noted Q84
   largely h.w. + material attributed to Zodiac largely h.p.
2. Q84 photos s returned 2 FBS.

1. San Francisco 9-22-76

[Signature]
Date: 7/21

FBI FILE NO. 9-99911-190
LAB. NO. D-750714096 LL
YOUR NO.

Examination by: [Redacted] 7/21