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March 15, 1966

Mr. John Doar U. S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Doar:

We operate Hamburger Drive In's in Louisiana and Mississippi. We recently opened a new unit in Natchez, Mississippi. We serve all customers at front windows alike. There are no seating facilities so customer merely comes to the window, gets his order, and returns to his car and many times there is a standing line for service.

At the suggestion of our Lafayette Fil representative, I am attaching copies of KKK tripe that is presently being distributed in Natchez, Mississippi.

There must be legal grounds for suits of injury to our business in matters of this nature. What is the Civil Rights Division prepared to do in order to support and protect business firms from such intimidation?

Sincerely yours,

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Louis J. Michot Sirector of Franchise Sales Louislana & Mississippi

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Attachment

- cc: Hon. Edwin E. Willis, M C General Consul House Un-American Activities Committee
 - Clarence Prosfore, FBI, Natchez, Mississippi

A 15¢ Hamburger and A Token of Income on the

What is wrong with standing in the same line with i definite fust to get a Hamburger? What is wrong with him bark/on his control of your car and the two of you sit there and eat a 15¢ hamburger. The or a set beople will give is, "There is nothing wrong with that". That is mough, look at what has happened in other states where this has a reach to the What do you think will happen in ten or even 25 years. This is not will these beople/want, this is only to break the line of intergration

But if your 16 year old daughter can stand in line with a 16 yr old nigger boy and if they can sit in a car side by side and the ischothing wrong with that, then certainly there is nothing wrong with side and the rest of a date and holding her hand. You say this won't happen, non convou be sure? If this is the going thing then, it will happen. You may state the state and see what has happened take a good look all around you, look in other states and see what has happened and is still happening. Do want this, I think net. Act now.

The nigger and the white have already married and have had children in other states where they have been permitted to interprete. So we say a 15¢ hamburger and a token of interpration equals complete interpretion.

Now you ask, where is this taking place? At the present time, this very thing is going on at the burger chef. (That is where they are standing in line together, parking side by side, and using the same window). We have met with the local manager twice, and talked with him about this problem. He stated that his hands are fiel. You see, the Burger Chef is a Chain Pusiness, owned by a Northern Co. They have designed all the Drive Inns alike. There was not one bit of consideration given the people of this area when this building was built. Maybe they eat with niggers in the North but we don't feel that we have too.

These buildings were strictly built on a served intergration basis.

So all we have to do is get in line and rean the harvest. If that is what you want. Then you have it all laid out for you.

We believe that the Burger Chef or any other nince of business is allowed to continue on an intergrated basis, then we can expect only to Read the Consouences. If the White and the Black are to continue to stand in line at the same serving window and park side by side at the Burger Chef or any other nlace, then soon the results will be total intergration.

You consider the Cost. 15¢ and a token= complete intergration. Is this what you want? This is what you are buying:

We are All for GOD & COUNTRY,

United Klans of America Eddms County Units, Pealm of MISSISSIPPI

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

DERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGAT Jackson, Mississippi March 18, 1966

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BURGER CHEF RESTAURANT, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

COMPLAINCE

On March 17, 1966, the Jackson Office of the FBI received a letter dated March 15, 1966, addressed to Mr. John Doar, U. S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Washington, D. C., from Mr. Louis J. Michot, Director of Franchise Sales for Louisiana and Mississippi. Enclosed with Mr. Michot's letter was one mimeographed copy of a leaflet prepared by the United Klans of America (UKA), Adams County Unit, Realm of Mississippi, and also one mimeographed leaflet by the Knights of the Green Forest, Adams County Units. Mr. Michot's letter and the aforementioned leaflets are attached.

A characterization of the UKA is attached to the appendix.

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FD 36 (Rev. 5-22-64) BL 3-18-66 Date: Transmit the following in (Type in plaintext or code) AIRTEL Via (Priority). DIRECTOR, FBI TOX SAC, JACKSON(157-NEW) FR OM: UNSUBS; BURGER CHEF RESTAURANT NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI RM(KLAN) Enclosed herewith are eight copies of LHM re captioned matter for dissemination. One copy of LHM is being furnished USA, ICG and Secret Service, Jackson, Mississippi. 6-Majortan Jeft A. Ø≠Bureau(Enc. 8) , ONI, OSI, SEC SER 1cc detached by 4-Jackson(2-157-NEW) DATE FORW Klan Unit (1-157-1519) HOW FORW: MAR 2 3 1966 (1-157-5498)BY: LCB:hke 30.65 (7) MAR S Approved: REMARS Per Sent _ М Special Agent in Charge



Re Jackson airtel to the Director dated 3/18/66, captioned, "Unsubs; Burger Chef Restaurant, Natchez, Mississippi, RM (Klan)," enclosing LHM. A copy of that LHM is enclosed for New Orleans.

Department has requested a preliminary investigation based on possible interference. Jackson complete the requested investigation and surep within seven days of the receipt of this communication. See Section 28 G, Manual of Instructions.

Referenced communication does not include the exact address of complainant Michot but indicates that he may reside in the Lafayette, Louisiana, area. New Orleans interview Michôt and

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Airtel to SACs, Jackson New Orleans RE: UNSUB; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN,

surep within three days of the receipt of this communication.

New Orleans note that Michot's letter to Assistant Attorney General John Doar, a copy of which is incorporated in the enclosed LHM, indicates that Michot was previously interviewed by the Bureau in this matter. Advise date and caption of communication by which that information was previously furnished to the Bureau.

Advise all persons contacted that this investigation is being conducted at the specific request of Attorney General Nicholas deB. Katzenbach.

NOTE: The Jackson Office has received a copy of a letter from the complainant, a company representative of the Burger Chef Corp., addressed to the CRD alleging harassment by the Klan in connection with the recent opening of an integrated drive-in in Natchez. Handbills circulated by the Klan suggest to white persons that they not frequent the drive-in. No pertinent identifiable information in Bureau files regarding Louis J. Michot.

Gene Livingston, CRD, advised on 3/24/66; he made the above request and will confirm in writing.

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		NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI; UNKNOWN VICTIMS; LOUIS J. MICHOT - COMPLAINANT PA, CRA, 1964	
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

New Orleans, Louisiana March 28, 1966

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI; UNKNOWN VICTIMS; LOUIS J. MICHOT - COMPLAINANT

Mr. Louis J. Michot, Director of Franchise Sales, Burger Chef Drive-In Restaurants, Route 1, Box 344, Lafayette, Louisiana, advised that he has no first-hand information concerning the Klan activities in regard to the Burger Chef at Natchez, Mississippi. He stated that he has no additional information to furnish other than that stated in his letter to the Department of Justice, March 15, 1996.

Mr. Michot suggested that the <u>owner of the Burger</u> Chef at Natchez, <u>Mississippi</u>, Mr. Noren Howard, be contacted relative to incidents happening at the Burger Chef in Natchez insofar as the Klan is concerned.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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Director Federal Bureau of Investigation

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XVJohn Doar FROM Assistant Attorney General QUAS DRIVE -IN Civil Rights Divisior

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This will confirm a March 24, 1966 telephonic request made of Mr. Deily of your Bureau by Mr. Livingston of our Division in which it was requested that your agents conduct a preliminary investigation into the allegations contained in a letter from Louis J. Michot to John Doar, dated March 15, 1966. The allegations were that certain persons were attempting to interfere with a business in Natchez, Mississippi which is complying with the public accommodations title of the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

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449 PM CST URGENT LHG TO DIRECTOR (173-3062) FROM JACKSON (157-5830)3P

CHANGED. UNSUBS; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISS. MURRAY SEALS - VICTIM; PA, CRA OF SIXTY FOUR.

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO JACKSON AND NEW ORLEANS MARCH TWENTY FIVE LAST AND NEW ORLEANS AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR MARCH TWENTY EIGHT LAST, BOTH CAPTIONED "UNSUB; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISS., UNKNOWN VICTIMS, LOUIS J. MICHOT, COMPLAINANT - PA, CRA OF SIXTY FOUR."

TITLE CHANGED TO INCLUDE NAME OF VICTIM.

APRIL ONE INSTANT LOREN LESLIE HOWARD, MANAGER, BURGER CHEF, NATCHEZ, M ISS., FURNISHED SIGNED STATEMENT POINTING OUT THREE FLYERS IN FORM OF LETTERS WHICH HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED IN NATCHEZ, MISS., AREA BETWEEN FEBRUARY S APR 5 1056 TEN, SIXTY SIX, AND PRESENT, SIGNED RESPECTIVELY BY UKA, INC., KGF, AND A THIRD SIMILAR TYPE ORGANIZATION. THESE END PAGE ONE

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LETTERS WERE FOR PURPOSE OF DISCOURAGING TRADE AT BURGER CHEF. IN ADDITION VARIOUS CARS BELIEVED OCCUPIED BY KLANSMEN HAVE PARKED ON THE LOT OF THE BURGER CHEF AND RECORDED LICENSE NUMBERS OF CUSTOMERS. LATER WHEN POLICE STOPPED THESE CARS FROM PARKING ON THE LOT THERE HAVE BEEN CARS BELIEVED TO BE OCCUPIED BY KLANSMEN PARKING ON SHOULDER OF ROAD AT ENTRANCE TO BURGER CHEF DRIVEWAY. THESE KLANSMEN HAVE RECORDED CUSTOMERS' LICENSE NUMBERS. HOWARD OF OPINION PRESENCE OF THESEKLANSMEN AS DISCOURAGED POTENTIAL CUSTOMERS.

HOWARD URTHER ADVISED IN STATEMENT THAT ON NIGHT OF MARCH THIRTY ONE LAST, HE SENT TWO OF HIS EMPLOYEES, NAMELY BILL MC DANIEL (BROTHER OF EDDIE L. MC DANIEL, GRAND DRAGON, UKA, INC., REALM OF MISS.) AND MURRAY SEALS TO HIGHWAY IN FRONT OF BURGER CHEF TO RECORD LICENSE NUMBERS. CLIP BOARD TAKEN FROM SEALS; HE WAS THROWN TO GROUND AND FACE HELD IN DIRT. SEALS MANAGED TO ESCAPE, UNHURT. NATCHE POLICE END PAGE TWO PAGE THREE

CALLED AND APPEARED ON SCENE. INDIVIDUALS ON ROAD BELIEVED TO BE KLANSMEN, LEFT AREA AFTER TAKLING TO POLICE.

PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN INSTITUTED. D/L REFERENCED BUREAU AIRTEL MARCH TWENTY FIVE LAST WILL NOT BE MET DUE TO FACT SA TO WHOM CASE ASSIGNED HAS BEEN WORKING ON DABURN CASE, JACKSON DIVISION, AND DUE TO AMOUNT INVESTI-GATION NECESSITATED BY STATEMENT OF HOWARD MENTIONED ABOVE.

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FBI WASH DC 554PM URGENT 4-1-66 RPP TO JACKSON EX-114 FROM DIRECTOR (173-3062)-5

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UNSUB; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI; UNKNOWN VICTIMS; LOUIS J. MICHOT-COMPLAINANT; PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF SIXTYFOUR.

REBUAIRTEL DATED MARCH TWENTYFIVE LAST.

DEPARTMENT CONTACTED TODAY BY LOUIS J. MICHOT. MANAGER OF CAPTIONED ESTABLISHMENT TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED MICHOT TODAY THAT KLAN MEMBERS HAVE BEEN HARASSING CUSTOMERS AT CAPTIONED DRIVE-IN BY BLOCKING DRIVEWAY, PLACING TACKS IN PARKING LOT AND RECORDING LICENSE TAG NUMBERS OF CUSTOMERS AND MAKING HARASSING TELEPHONE CALLS TO THEM. FLAT TIRES INCURRED BY FOUR CUSTOMERS AND DRIVE-IN EMPLOYEE ATTEMPTING TO RECORD TAG NUMBER OF ONE KLAN CAR REPORTEDLY BEATEN LAST EVENING.

DEPARTMENT REQUESTED IMMEDIATE ADVICE AS TO SITUATION, THAT LOCAL AUTHORITIES BY ADVISED AND THAT AGENTS PREPARED TO PHOTOGRAPH ANY INCIDENTS, MAKE HOURLY CHECKS AT DRIVE-IN BETWEEN HOURS OF SEVEN P.M. AND TWELVE P.M., INCLUSIVE, END PAGE ONE PAGE TWO

EVENINGS OF APRIL ONE THROUGH APRIL THREE.

ASCERTAIN PRESENT SITUATION AND SUTEL SUMMARY TODAY. ADVISE LOCAL AND STATE AUTHORITIES AS REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT; IF ALREADY COGNIZANT, INCLUDE IN YOUR TEL INFORMATION REGARDING ACTION BEING TAKEN OR PLANNED BY THEM REGARDING SITUATION. CONDUCT OBSERVATION AS REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT AND ADVISE APPROPRIATE LOCAL AUTHORITIES SUCH OBSERVATION BEING CONDUCTED AT SPECIFIC REQUEST OF NICHOLAS DEB. KATZENBACH, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES.

KEEP BUREAU FULLY ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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April 1, 1966

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TO SAC. JACKSON

FROM DIRECTOR. FBI (173 - 3062)UNSUB; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI; UNKNOWN VICTIMS; BOUIS J. MICHOT - COMPLAINANT; PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF SIXTYPOUR.

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TELETYPE TO SAC, JACKSON

RE: UNSUB; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN,

EVENINGS OF APRIL ONE THROUGH APRIL THREE.

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KEEP BUREAU FULLY ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

NOTE: PI being conducted regarding interference based

on information received from Louis J. Michot, area representative of Burger Chef Drive-In chain, alleging that Klan has been exerting economic coercion by circulating hand bills encouraging white customers to discontinue patronage at captioned, recently opened, integrated drive-in.

Above request made 4-1-66, by M. R. Glick, CRD; he will confirm in writing. Glick requested he be advised of situation as soon as information available; his home phone is 546-2739.

Observation necessary to determine if incidents are occurring, and if so, to identify individuals involved.

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION Mr. Cast Mr. Call APR 2 1966 CEFBI WASH DC Mr. Conva Mr. Fel Mr. Ca 101 Mr. P Mr. S. FBI JKN MISS Mr. T Mr. 7 Tele. 1 101/AM CSTURGENT 4/2/66 MJK Mis: Miss Grady : DIRECTOR (173-3062) ΤÓ FROM : SAC, JACKSON (157-5830) /3 PGS (0)CHANGED; UNSUB; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM; BURGER CHEF MORMOSPILA DRIVE -IN, NATCHEZ, MISS.; PA, CRA, NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR (470) REJNTEL APRIL ONE LAST AND BUTEL APRIL ONE LAST.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Mr. Tolson Mr. DeL.ach Mr. Moh-

Mr. Wick

TITLE CHANGED TO SHOW FULL TRUE NAME OF VICTIM.

IN ADDITION SIGNED STATEMENT MENTIONED MY TEL APRIL ONE LAST A SIGNED STATEMENT OBTAINED FROM VICTIM WHO ADVISES UNSUB UNKNOWN TO HIM BUT COULD POSSIBLY IDENTIFY UNSUB IF SEEN AGAIN. NOTED HOWEVER DESCRIPTION UNSUB AS FURNISHED BY VICTIM IN SIGNED STATEMENT DIFFERS FROM DESCRIPTION FURNISHED BY VICTIM TO LOCAL POLICE.

LIEUTENANT AND THREE OFFICERS, NATCHEZ PD, WHO WENT TO SCENE INTERVIEWED. THESE OFFICERS DID NOT IDENT UNSUB. SHERIFF AND CHIEF PD INTERVIEWED. SHERIFF STATED ONLY COMPLAINT RECEIVED BY SO RE BURGER CHEF CAME FROM A MR. MICHOT WHO TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED SHERIFF NIGHT MARCH THIRTYONE LAST. CHIEF PD ADVISED HAS HAD OFFICERS END PAGE ONE MCT-18/73-3062-77

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CHECKING BURGER CHEF AND CHIEF FURNISHED NAMES OF INDIVIDUALS BELIEVED BY CHIEF TO BE KLANSMEN WHO HAVE BEEN IN AREA OF BURGER CHEF.

SPOT CHECK ON HOUR INSTITUTED PER REFERENCED BUTEL. AT EACH HOUR EIGHT PM - TWELVE MIDNIGHT, APRIL ONE LAST, NO CARS PARKED ON ROAD OR IN VICINITY BURGER CHEF. CARS ON LOT CHECKED AND NO KLANSMEN NOTED ON LOT OR IN AREA.

FOR INFORMATION BUREAU, MR. PETER DOMINGUE, SUPERVISOR, BURGER CHEF, INC., LAFAYETTE, LA., AT BURGER CHEF, NATCHEZ, APRIL ONE LAST AND ADVISED HE HAD BEEN GIVEN MESSAGE BY BILL MC DANIEL, ASSISTANT MANAGER, BURGER CHEF, NATCHEZ, AND BROTHER E.L. MC DANIEL, GRAND DRAGON, UKA, INC., REALM OF MISSISSIPPI, THAT "THIS MATTER WOULD BE SETTLED BY NEXT FRIDAY" (APRIL EIGHT NINETEEN SIXTYSIX). MR. DOMINGUE STATED HE HAD BEEN IN TELEPHONIC CONTACT APRIL ONE LAST WITH MR. LOUIS J. MICHOT, LAFAYETTE, LA., REGARDING THIS MESSAGE FROM E.L. MC DANIEL AND MICHOT HAD SUGGESTED DOMINGUE CONSULT SAS, NATCHEZ, TO DETERMINE IF INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE STOPPED.

MR. DOMINGUE ADVISED BY SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE, NATCHEZ, THAT COMPLAINT HAD BEEN RECEIVED REGARDING POSSIBLE VIOLATION END PAGE TWO PAGE THREE

OF FEDERAL LAW OVER WHICH FBI HAD JURISDICTION AND THAT INVESTIGATION WOULD BE CONTINUED REGARDLESS OF FEELINGS OF MR. MICHOT. MR DOMINGUE THEN POINTED OUT MICHOT WAS MERELY LOOKING AT MATTER FROM BUSINESS STANDPOINT AND THOUGHT PERHAPS IF INVESTIGATION DISCONTINUED THE BURGER CHEF MIGHT POSSIBLY SUFFER LESS FINANCIAL DIFFICULITIES. MR. DOMINGUE WAS ADVISED BY SA PROSPERE THAT THE FBI WOULD MAKE NO RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO ACTION WHICH SHOULD BE TAKEN BY MICHOT BUT THAT THE INVESTIGATION WOULD BE CONTINUED.

SPOT CHECK BURGER CHEF WILL CONTINUE APRIL TWO AND THREE NEXT PER REFERENCED BUTEL.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE COMMUNICATIONS SECTION APR 3 1966

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Mr. Tolson Mr. DeLoach Mr. Mohr Mr. Wick. Mr. Casper_ Mr. Callahan. Mr. Conrad. Mr. Felt Mr. Galo_ Mr. Rosen_ Mr. Sullivand Mr. Tavel_ Mr. Trotter_ Tele. Room. Miss Hoimes Miss Gandy_

FBI JKN MISS 12:36 AM CST URGENT 4-3-66 JLM 1P TO DIRECTOR (173-3062) FROM JACKSON (157-5830)

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UNSUB: MURRY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-INN NATCHEZ, MISS. PA - CRA, NINETEEN SIXTY-FOUR.

REMYTELS APRIL ONE AND TWO, SIXTY-SIX AND BUTEL APRIL ONE, SIXTY-SIX.

ON NIGHT OF APRIL TWO, LAST SPOT CHECKS MADE EACH HOUR OF THE BURGER CHEF DRIVE-INN BETWEEN THE HOURS SEVEN P. M. AND TWELVE MIDNIGHT. NO CARS WERE OBSERVED PARKED ON SHOULDER OF ROAD OR IN VICINITY BURGER CHEF. CARS ON LOT CHECKED AND NO KNOWN KLAN MEMBERS WERE OBSERVED ON THE LOT OR IN THE AREA. 773-3062-5

SPOT CHECKS BURGER CHEF WILL CONTINUE NIGHT APRIL THREE, INSTANT. 3 APR 5 1965

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Mr. Tolson. Mr. DeLeach Mr. Mohr FEDERAL DUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Mr. Wick Mr. Casper... COMMUNICATIONS SECTION . Mr. Callahan Mr. Conrad. APR 4 1966 Mr. Felt_ Mr. Gale_ TELETYR Mr. Rosen **NFBI WASH DC** Mr. Sullivan Mr. Tavel Mr. Trotter Tele. Room_ Miss Holmes. FBI JKN MISS Miss Gandy. 12:19 AM CST URGENT 4-4-66 JLM IP ТÓ DIRECTOR JACKSON (157-5830) FROM MURRY EDWARD SEALS . JR .. - VICTIM: BURGER CHEF DRIVE-INN . UNSUB : NATCHEZ, MISS. PA - CRA, NINETEEN SIXTY -FOUR. OBURGER CHAITIN REMYTEL APRIL THREE LAST. 33 SPOT CHECKS, BURGER CHEF, NATCHEZ, MISS., ON THE HOUR SEVEN P.M); ; ; ; THROUGH MIDNIGHT APRIL THREE DISCLOSES NO CARS PARKED ON ROAD IN FRON BURGER CHEF AND ONLY CARS ON PARKING LOT THOSE OF CUSTOMERS. CHECK OF DOWNTOWN AREA, NATCHEZ, DISCLOSED NO KNOWN KLANSMEN ON STREETS . Go LivingsTon, CRD, Advised -4/4/66 MČT-18 END WA ... JMS APR 5 1966 FBI WASH DC ill the So the ele 1848 W LEFELLE PHIL BECEINED 57 APR 14 1966

UNTIED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: USA, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

Report of: Date:	SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE April 9, 1966	Office:	JACKSO N	

Field Office File #: 157-5830

Bureau File #: 173-3062

Title:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS; JR. -VICTIM; BURGER CHEF DRIVE -IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

Synopsis:

Character:

Flyers in the form of letters circulated in Natchez. Mississippi area advocating or thindernings that white people should not trade at the Burger Chef. Natchez. Miss. Individuals, believed to be Klansmen, have parked on shoulder of road at entrance of Burger Chef and on one known incident stopped a customer and told him not to trade at Burger Chef. On 3/31/66 individuals, believed to be Klansmen, assaulted employee, Burger Chef, while employee attempted to memorial license numbers. Local Police have stopped Klansmen from parking on the road at Burger Chef. Local Police responded to call 3/31/66 in connection with assault of employee, however, assailant not identified. Manager, victim, assistant manager, employees, local officers, Klansmen who remained at scene following incident 3/31/66 and witnesses who was stopped by Klansmen all interviewed. Identity of assailant not determined as yet.

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DETAILS:

On March 17, 1966, the Jackson Office of the FBI received a letter dated March 15, 1966, addressed to Mr. JOHN DOAR, United States Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Washington, D. C., from Mr. LOUIS J. MICHOT, Director of franchise sales for Louisiana, and

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Mississippi. Enclosed with Mr. MICHOT'S letter was one mimeographed copy of a leaflet prepared by the United Klans of America (UKA), Adams County Unit, Realm of Mississippi, and also one mimeographed leaflet by the Knights of the Green Forest (KGF), Adams County Units.

Mr. MICHOT'S letter and the aforementioned leaflets are set forth below:

"March 15, 1966

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Dear Mr. Doar:

"We operate Hamburger Drive In's in Louisiana and Mississippi. We recently opened a new unit in Natchez, Mississippi. We serve all customers at front windows alike. There are no seating facilities so customer merely comes to the window, gets his order, and returns to his car and many times there is a standing line for service.

"At the suggestion of our Lafayette FBI representative, I am attaching copies of KKK tripe that is presently being distributed in Natchez, Mississippi.

"This constant harrassment is designed of course to injure our business there. I am calling this to your attention and would like to be advised as to our rights in such a situation. These Klansmen can be identified as our manager met with them prior to the distribution of these circulars, but to comply with their demands would place us in violation of the Civil Rights laws.

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"There must be legal grounds for suits of injury to our business in matters of this nature. What is the Civil Rights Division prepared to do in order to support and protect business firms from such intimidation?

"Sincerely yours,

"/s/ Louis J. Michot Director of Franchise Sales Louisiana and Mississippi

"LJM/dt

"Attachment

"cc: Hon. Edwin E. Willis, M C General Consul House Un-American Activities Committee

"Clarence Prospere, FBI, Natchez, Mississippi

"F. P. Thomas, Pres., Burger Chef Systems, Inc.

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AT LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA

Will recontact LOUIS J. MICHOT and determine if he has third letter distributed in Natchez area. If MICHOT has copy will submittreport setting forth this third letter.

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AT NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

1) Will expedite photographs of known Klansmen to witnesses in effort to identify unknown subjects.

2) Will identify and interview holders of license registrations as furnished by LOREN HOWARD, Manager, Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi.

3) Will contact logical racial informant.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

All individuals interviewed in connection with this case were advised that investigation was being conducted at the specific request of Attorney General NICHOLAS de B. KATZENBACH.

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Sheriff OBELL ANDERS, Adams County Sheriff's Office, Natchez, Mississippi advised that an individual identifying himself as MICHOT telephonically contacted him the night of March 31, 1966 between 10 and 10:30 P.M. and stated that people had been coming onto the road of the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi and that these people were causing disturbances by harassing the customers. The Sheriff said he understood from Mr. MICHOT that the manager of the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi had asked these individuals to stay off the property of the Burger Chef, and that these unknown individuals then moved to the Highway and observed customers on the road of the Burger Chef through field glasses.

Sheriff ANDERS stated that MICHOT further advised him that he, MICHOT, had told his manager to obtain the license numbers of these unknown individuals. Then mo

Sheriff ANDERS stated that following the phone call from MICHOF that one of his deputies had had an automobile accident and after checking this accident, to determine the condition of his deputy he then proceeded to the Burger Chef in an effort to contact the manager and he determined that the Burger Chef was closed.

Sheriff ANDERS stated that MICHOT had advised him in the phone call that when his manager had gone to get a license number from a car parked on the road, that the manager was assaulted and his face was pushed into the dirt.

Sheriff ANDERS stated that this was the first complaint he had ever received from anyone associated with the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi and he had no knowledge

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that any fliers or leaflets had been circulating in the Natchez area in the recent past, having as their purpose the discouragement of trade at the Burger Chef.

Sheriff ANDERS stated that MICHOT had advised him that he, MICHOT, had attempted to contact the Chdef of Police at Natchez and when he was unable to do so, he had called Sheriff ANDERS to report this matter.

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Chief of Police J. T. ROBINSON, Natchez, Mississippi Police Department advised that his department had received a complaint the night of March 31, 1966 reporting that an employee of the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi had been assaulted. Chief ROBINSON stated his Desk Sergeantwikho received the complaint immediately dispatched the Lieutenant on duty together with another car to the scene. Chief ROBINSON stated that he had previously instructed his officers to keep known Klansmen off the Lot of the Burger Chef.

Chief ROBINSON stated he had been advised by his Lieutenant who investigated this matter that there was a white 1964 Chevrolet Biscayne which had allegedly been parked on the shoulder of the road near the entrance of the Buger Chef and that it was believed that the assailant had made his get away in this automobile, but that the police had been unable to identify this particular automobile. Chief ROBINSON further stated that his Lieutenant advised him that when they arrived on the scene that the following individuals believed to be Klansmen were sitting in a car at the scene:

REGGIE CARTER

C. D. FREEMAN

W. S. TORRENCE

JOHN W. BARBER

Chief ROBINSON stated he understood that the automobile of REGGIE CARTER, which is a late model Oldsmobile with red top and white bottom was at the scene; that the old model green station wagon of C. D. FREEMAN was at the scene; that the late model Buick of W. S. TORRENCE was at the

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scene and possibly a much automobile.

Chief ROBINSON stated that he was advised by Lieutenant LEWIS of his department that the police had been unsuccessful in identifying the assailant of the Burger Chef employee, but that efforts were continuing to try to identify the owner and occupants of the 1964 white Chevrolet Biscayne which is believed to be the automobile in which the assailant made his escape.

Gheif ROBINSON made available a police report of the Natchez Police Department Numbered 5897-C which shows the complainantato be MURRAY SEALS, JR., 2146 2nd Street. This report shows it was received by officer OGLESBY at 9:35 P.M. on March 31, 1966 and reports an assault at the Highway 65-84 By-pass at Burger Chef. The report shows investigating officers were Lieutenant LEWIS, FLOURNOY, BOYETTE, and RUSHING. This report states as follows:

"Above stated that he and another employee of the Burger Chef walked down on the highway in front of the Burger Chef to check on some people parked in two cars on the side of the lot. He stated that a white male, heavy set, with short blond hair, got out of the 1964 Chevrolet Biscayne, white, and jumped on him, knocking him down. Subject got back in the car and left. SEALS said a young boy was driving the car. Also parked at this spot was **REGGIE CARTER, JOHN BARBER, C. D. FREEMAN**, and two more men that the **police** officers did not know. They were in **REGGIE CARTER'S** car."

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Lieutenant DENNIS LEWIS, Natchez, Mississippi Police Department advised that he received a call via wadib at approximately 9:35 P.M. on March 31, 1966 advised there was a fight at the Burger Chef. Lleutenant LEWIS stated officers HOMER/FLOURNOY was riding with him in his patrol car and that he. LEWIS, called via radio for car Number 4 occupied by HAROLD BOYETTE and WILLIAM RUSHING to report to the Burger Chef. Lieutenant LEWIS stated car Number 4 arrived at the scene and that upon his arrival, he observed MURRAY SEALS on the lot in front of the Burger The Oldsmobile of REGGIE CARTER which is red over Chef. white was observed parked near the driveway of the Burger Chef on the shoulder of the road. Inside the automobile of REGGIE CARTER were REGGIE CARTER, JOHN BARBER, C. D. FREEMAN, and a fourth unknown individual.

Lieutenant LEWIS stated he interviewed SEALS who advised that someone had jumped on him. Lieutenant LEWIS stated that REGGIE CARTER and the others in the car jumped out and stated it was not them who had assaulted SEALS. Lieutenant LEWIS stated SEALS described the unknown assailant as a white male, heavy set, short blond hair, wearing a red checkered shirt. Lieutenant LEWIS stated SEALS advised him he felt he could identify the individual who attacked him if he saw him again.

Lieutenant LEWIS stated he could think of no violation of a city ordinance or state law under which he could arrest any of the individuals sitting in the car of REGGIE CARTER and that he therefore left the scene. He stated that before leaving he instructed car Number 4 to remain on the lot of the Burger Chef and that approximately 30 - 45 minutes later he observed the automobile of REGGIE CARTER and the others at the Glass House Restaurant and that he instructed car Number 4 to return to his regular patrol.

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Lieutenant LEWIS advised that he contacted Chief of Police J. T. ROBINSON who advised him that he, LEWIS, should have moved RECGIS CARTER and the others immediately following the incident and should they have refused to move, that Lieutenant LEWIS should have arrested them.

Lieutenant LEWIS stated that he observed the old model Plymouth stationwagon of C.D. FREEMAN parked behind the automobile of REGGIE CARTER and that behind this Plymouth stationwagon was a 1963 Buick, bearing Mississippi license, Lauderdale County Number L9936. Lieutenant LEWIS stated that a check of this registration disclosed this Buick was registered to W. S. TORRENCE.

Liatemant LEWIS stated that the individuals sitting in the car of **RECOIE CARTER** got out of their car and stated it was not any of them who had attacked **SEALS** and that **SEALS** looked at these individuals and stated he was unable to identify any one of these individuals as being the person who had assaulted him.

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HOMER FLOURNOY, College Lane, Natchez, Mississippi advised he has been an officers of the Natchez Police Department for the past 17 years and 5 months. He stated that on the nightoof March 31, 1966 he was riding with Lieutenant LEWIS when a call was received via radio reporting a fight at the Burger Chef. He stated that upon arrival at the Burger Ohef he observed a Buick, old station wagons and an Oldsmobile, model unknown, all parked on the shoulder of the road near the entrance of the Burger Chef. FLOURNOY stated that the only car which was occupied was the Oldsmobile belonging to REGGIE CARTER. In the automobile of REGGIE CARTER, was REGGIE CARTER, JOHN BARBER, C. D. FREEMAN and two other individuals whom he does not know. FLOURNOY stated that Lieutenant LEWIS stopped near the car of CARTER and that a boy came down the hill from the Burger Chef and said someone had hit him. Absthat time the individuals in the automobile of REGGIE CARTER got out of the car and REGGIE CARTER and G. D. FREEMAN then talked to Lieutenant LEWIS and this boy. FLOURNOY stated he recalled that the victim would say that none of the men in the automobile of REGGIE CARTER were identical to the individual who had assaulted him.

FLOURNOY stated that the victim was told to return to the Burger Chef and that the officer left CARTER and the others sitting in their car. FLOURNOY stated that later car Number 4 reported to Lieutenant LEWIS via radio that CARTER and the others had departed the area.

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HAROLD BOYETTE, 111 Rushing Street, Natchez, Mississippi Police Department advised that he was in a Unit of the Matchez Police Department the night of March 31, 1966 and that his uit received a call from Lieutenant LEWIS to report to the Burger Chef. BOYETTE stated he was accompanied by officer WILLIAM RUSHING. BOYETTE stated that they proceeded to the Burger Chef and upon his arrival he saw the manager and other employees of the. Burger Chef standing at the end of the canopy nearest to the highway. BOYETTE stated car Number 4 was turned around on the lot and driven back down the hill to the entrance of the driveway where they observed the automobile of REGGIE CARTER. BOYETTE stated that the manager and other employees of the Burger Chef then walked down the driveway to where the police car had stopped. BOYETTE stated that he and officer RUSHING got out of the car and that he, BOYNTTE, went to the passenger side of CARTER'S automobile and began to question the occupants of the car when Lieutenant LEWIS arrived on the scene and took over the intermogation.

BOYETTE stated that REGGIE CARTER, JOHN BARBER, C. D. FREEMAN and a fourth unknown individual were sitting in the automobile of REGGIE CARTER when he went over to this car.

BOYETTE stated that during the course of interrogation by Lieutenant LEWIS that CARTER and other occupants of the car got out and said something to the effect that they will finish this now. BOYETTE stated he immediately told CARTER and the others that if there was any finishing to be done that he would do it, at which time CARTER and the others quieted.

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WILLIAM RUSHING, 322 Arlington Avenue, Natchez, Mississippi advised he has been an officer of the Natchez Police Department for the past 6 months. He stated that on the night of March 31, 1966 he was riding in car Number 4 with HAROLD BOYETTE, A call was received via radio from Lieutenant LEWIS regarding a fight at the Burger Chef. Upon arrival at the Burger Chef he observed employees standing in front of the Burger Chef. One of these employees, a white male, stated "there they are down there, go get them". RUSHING stated BOYETTE then drove the car to the entrance of the Burger Chef and stopped the car in front of the automobile of REGGIE CARTER which is a hedeover white Oldsmobile which was parked on the shoulder of the lot. RUSHING sated he got out of his car and walked over to the drivers side and spoke to REGGIE CARTER. At this time officer BOYETTE walked up to the other side and spoke to the occupants. The occupants stated that they were merely sitting in the car talking. The employees who was allegedly jumped on came down the driveway with the other employees and was "mouthing off". RUSHING stated that he felt that this employee "spoke vile, a little", but he qualified this remark by stating perhaps this employee was upset due to the fact that he had been assaulted.

RUSHING stated that Exethat time Lieutenant LEWIS drove up and instructed him to look into the automobile of REGGIE CARTER and see if he could identify assailant. This employee looked in the car and at about this time REGGIE CARTER said "What are you doing looking in my car" and at this point CARTER and the oothers got out of the car and said something to the effect "we will finish this now". RUSHING stated that officer BOYETTE immediately told CARTER and the others shatche wouldedcamynfinishing that was to be done and at this pint CARTER and the others quieted down.

RUSHING stated that before leaving BOYETTE told

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CARTER that they might not be violating the law sitting there on the shoulder of the road, but if they did violate the law he would put them in jail.

RUSHING stated that he and BOYETTE then drove off at which time they received a radio call from Lieutenant LEWIS advising them to return to the Burger Chef parking lot where they were to maintain a watch on CARTER and the others. RUSHING stated that in a little while CARTER and the others left the area and he and BOYETTE returned to their regular patrol.

RUSHING stated that the only individual mechanows personally who was in the car of CARTER'S was C. D. FREEMAN, but that following the incident he was told that REGGIE CARTER, who he has been on the streets of Natchez was the individual in the driver's seat. RUSHING stated he did not know the other individuals.

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LOREN LESLIE HOWARD, Manager, Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi was interviewed in his office at the Burger Chef at which time he furnished the following signed statement:

"Natchez, Miss. April 1, 1966

"I, Loren Leslie Howard, make the following voluntary statement to Richard H. Hamilton and Clarence G. Prospere who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the F.B.I.

"I am thirty years old and reached the 12th grade in school. I became manager of the Burger Chef located on the Bridge Bypass near Homochitto Street, Natchez, Miss., on or about Jan.23, 1966. The first harassment or interferrence with the operation of my business began about Feb. 10, 1966 when a flyer in the form of a letter was thrown out throughout the City of Natchez and part of Adams County, Miss. This flyer threatened the health and well being of any white customers of the Burger Chef. A small decrease in business was noted after distribution of the first flyer, however, it was impossible to say this decrease was due entirely to the flyer but may have been the results of weather or someother factor. unknown. This flyer was signed by the United Klans of America, Inc., Adams County Unit or words to this effect.

"A second flyer, again in the form of

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letter, came out about three weeks after the first flyer. This flyer was signed by a group other than the UKA, Inc., however, I cannot recall the name of the group that signed this flyer. This flyer used the title "The 15¢ Hamburger" and followed the same theme as the first flyer. There was a small drop in business after this second flyer, however, again I am unable to state for a fact that this drop was solely due to the flyer.

"Following this second flyer I felt I would attempt to take some action and I talked with Eddie Mc Daniel who I have been told is the Grand Dragon of the UKA, Inc., in Mississippi. Mc Daniel arranged a meeting with a committee headed by a Mr. Carter. I do not know anyone else on this committee. May meeting with this committee took place about 4 days after the second flyer was distributed. I recall there was about ten men on the committee with this Mr. Carter. We met at the Glasshouse Restaurant, Natchez, Miss. at 8:00 P.M. In my telephonic conversation with Eddie Mc Daniel he stated he felt the white people should stick together and that the purpose of Mr. Howard meeting with the committee was for Mr. Howard to explain why he served Negroes and to explain the full position of the Burger Chef.

"At the meeting with the committee headed by Mr. Carter they allowed me to have the floor and explain the position of my company. They then told me the Burger Chef would have to do the following to handle the mixed crowd at the Burger Chef. This was in the from of a suggestion. The first was to put a window on the side of the business with a sign showing this window was for Colored or Negro trade. I explained this was almost an impossibility due to the design of the building and the extra help which

would be required. After they discussed this and apparently understood that a window could not be installed they then suggested a partition be put in front of the counter inside the building which would separate the two windows which are on the counter. They pointed out that no sign would have to be installed with this partition. I then explained that this would not of it self separate the two races. The committee then said they would take this back to the several groups they represented, however, they did not identify these groups. The meeting then terminated and I was told I would be recontacted in two or three days. A few days later I again met with what I believe to be the same committee. We again met at the Glasshouse. Part of the group indicated they would not trade at the Burger Chef and the remaining part of the group were non-comittal. It was brought out at this meeting that the objection was not to the standing in line, but the fact that a car full of Negroes would be parked next to cars occupied by white people. This meeting then terminated.

"A few days after this last meeting a third flyer in the form of a letter was distributed in the Natchez, Miss., area. This flyer was signed by the Knights of the Green Forest. This flyer was captioned "There Is More Than One Way to Skin a Cat."

"After this third flyer, I observed cars occupied by one or more white males parked on the lot of the Burger Chef. These individuals appeared to be writing down license numbers. A day or two later a Negro policeman came in the office effethe Burger Chef to use the phone at which time this officer reported "you know who" is on the lot or words to that effect. After this the cars which had been parking on the lot began parking on the shoulder of the road at the entrance to the parking lot of the Burger Chef. At times I received reports from my employees that they had seen people

with field glasses sitting in the cars on the shoulder of the road. I cannot recall the identity of these employees. After these cars began parking on the shoulder of the road I haveppersonally seen people turn into the driveway of the Burger Ghef and then leave without stopping to place an order. I have also seen cars start in the driveway and turn out without coming up the driveway. I cannot say positively but I feel these people turned away because of the cars parked along the should of the road. I do not know any of the people who were parked in the cars on the shoulder of the road.

"After the cars began parking on the shoulder of the road I noticed people changing tires on the parking lot of the Burger Chef. I went out and inspected the lot and diveway and I observed roofing nails spread in the driveway of the Burger Chef. I picked up fifty to a hundred of these nails and swept the others off the driveway.

"There have been several rumors spread throughout the Natchez area such as the Burger Chef is owned by a Negro; that there was a fight at the Burger Chef and several customers were injured and other such rumors.

"On the night of Mar. 31, 1966, I observed cars parked on the shoulder of the road near the driveway of the Burger Chef. I sent Bill Mc Daniel and Murray Seals, both employees of the Burger Chef, to take the license numbers of these cars. As these two employees were taking the numbers all the occupants of the cars got out and grabbed Murray Seals, Bill Mc Daniel was still in his car. Murray Seals was thrown to the ground and his face pushed and held in the dirt. To my knowledge he was not beaten or bruised. He managed to get free and ran. I drove up about this time and saw Seals running to the Burger Chef. The only person I recognized in the group was the Mr. Carter who had been at the committee meetings.

"I then drove on into the lot to the Burger Charter

Chef and telephoned the Natchez Police Dept. I spoke to the desk Sgt. but I do not know who he is. I then observed that the man who had thrown Seals to the ground was put in a white 1964 Chevrolet and taken from the area. I was unable to obtain the license number of this car. About this same time others left and only about four cars remained.

The Natchez Police arrived a few minutes after I called and asked if we could identify the assailant. Murray Seals, Bill Mc Daniel, Charles Boyles and I went with the officers, one of whom was a Lieutenant, to the cars on the road however, the assailant had been taken away. When we approached the cars on the road the occupants jumped out and wanted to fight the employees of the Burger Chef and the police. The Lieutenant told me and my employees to return to the Burger Chef and they would handle the matter. A few minutes later the police officers came to the Burger Chef and took a statement from Seals. I do knot know if this was a written statement or oral statement.

"I will make available a list of employees and their addresses.

"When people began parking on the lot and when the first letter was put out I called the Natchez Police Dept. and reported the incident to the Lieutenant. I believe it was Lt. Dennis Lewis who came to see me following my first call. Lt. Lewis advised me he could do nothing about parking on the road, but the police would prevent parking on the parking lot.

"During thettime from the issuance of the first flyer to the present time I have obtained license numbers of the following cars which I believe are involved in the harassment of the Burger Chef. I

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cannot give any dates or details as to when the numbers were obtained or what the occupants of the car were doing when these numbers were obtained as I made no record when the numbers were recorded.

1-D 1909	60 Oldsmobile, white with red top
1-6531	Green Macury
1-7000	Fairlane Ford 500
1-8236	
1-B-1735	Blue Ford Falcon
1-D92006	White Oldsmobile about 60 model
F/5 1242	
1-1159	
1-6850	
	55 Ford light gray
1-2325	Yellow Dodge 65/66
	Green Ford pickup truck with white tool boxes
1-5635	Black 57 Oldsmobile

"I have read the above statement of this and 10 other pages. I put my initials at the bottom of each of the other 10 pages & by all scratch out. This statement is true & correct to the best of my knowledge.

"/s/ Loren Leslie Howard

Witnesses:

"/s/ Clarence G. Prospere, Sp. Agent F.B.I., Natchez, Miss. "/s/ Richard H. Hamilton, Special Agent, FBI, Natchez, Miss.

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Having furnished the foregoing statement HOWARD advised that BILL MC DANIEL, Assistant Manager of the Burger Chef, who is the brother of EDDIE MC DANIEL, Grand Dragon, UKA, Inc., Realm of Mississippi, had advised him that his brother, EDDIE MC DANIEL had admitted writing the letter which was signed by the UKA.

The following is a description of LOREN LESLIE HOWARD as obtained from observation and interrogation on April 1, 1966:

Name	LOREN LESLIE HOWARD
Allas	None
Sex M	Male
Race	White
Age	30
Date of birth	3/12/36
Place of birth	Lazbuddle, Texas
Residence	138 South Commerce St, Natchez
Height	5*8**
Weight	150-160
Build	Medium
Hair	Bark Brown
Eye s	Brown
Complexion	Medium
Scars and marks	None
Peculiarities	None
Occupation	Manager, Budger Chef
Marital status	Married, wife - MARTHA HANNAGAN HOWARD Same address

Previous residence None

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Relatives

Father - O. T. HOWARD, Muleshoe, Texas Mother - EDNA HOWARD """ Brothers - MELVIN HOWARD Lubbock, Texas THOMAS HOWARD Muleshoe, Texas RAY HOWARD, Muleshoe, Texas

Sisters - Mrs. ELMO OWENS, Muleshoe, Texas

Mrs. RAYMOND SINGLETARY, Elsonore, Calif.

Mrs. MARION HOWARD, Muleshoe, Texas

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Mr. PETE DOMINGUE, Supervisor, Burger Chef, Lafaystte, Louisiana, advised, following the interview with LOREN LESLIE HOWARD that he had received a message from EDDIE MC DANIEL through BILL MC DANIEL, the brother of EDDIE MC DANIEL and the assistant manager of the Burger Chef, Matchez, Mississippi that EDDIE MC DANIEL would "settle things" by Friday. BOMINGUE stated he felt this meant April 8, 1966. Mr. DOMINGUE stated the following receipt of this message he had telephonically contacted Mr. LOUIS J. MICHOT, Lafayette, Louisians who suggested that DOMINGUE discuss this with the FBL Agents at the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi with the idea of having the FBI Agents drop this investigation if the Kian agreed to discontinue their herassment of the Burger Chef.

Mr. DOMINGUE was advised by SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE that a complaint had been received regarding a possible violation over which the FBI had jurisdiction and that the investigation would be conducted regardless of any deals Mr. LOUIS J. MICHOT or employees of the Rurger Chef might want to make with the Klan. Mr. DOMINGUE then pointed out that Mr. MICHOT was merely looking at the matter from a business standpoint and thought perhaps if the investigation was conducted, the Burger Chef might possibly suffer financial difficulties. Mr. DOMINGUE was then advised by SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE that the FBI would make no recommendation as to action which should be taken by Mr. MICHOT, but that the investigation wouldbe continued.

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MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR., 2146 Second Street, Natchez, Mississippi, an employee of the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi, was interviewed at his place of employment at which time he furnished the following signed statement:

"I, Murray Edward Seals, Jr., make the following voluntary statement to Richard H. Hamilton and Clarence G. Prospers who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the F. B. I.

"I am 19 yrs. old and graduated from high school. I attended college for one semester. I began working at the Burger Chef, Natchez, Miss, on or about Jan. 14, 1966.

"About the middle of Feb., 1966, I observed cars with one or more white makes parked on the shoulder of the road near the driveway of the Burger Chef. I do not know if the occupants of these cars were recording license numbers or doing anything to discourage trade at the Burger Chef. I did not recognize any of these people but I did record license numbers which I turned over to my boss, Mr. Loren Howard. I have no record of these numbers now, however, I do recall the number 1-D-1909 as a license I have seen frequently at the Burger Chef.

"About the first March, 1966, I observed a black and white 57 or 58 Oldsmobile which I had previously seen on the shoulder of the road come onto the lot of the Burger Chef. The occupants whom I do not know obtained an order of food and backed to the side of the lot. Later a green

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pick-up truck make unknown parked beside the Oldsmobile. It appeared to me the occupants of these vehicles were recording license numbers. I saw no paper or pencils but arrived at this conclusion from the way they observed these cars coming into and leaving the Burger Chef parking lot. I recorded the numbers of these two vehicles and turned them over to Mr. Howard.

"About a week or ten days ago cars again began parking on the shoulder of the road at the entrance to the Burger Chef. The car I have seen most of all is a red over white 59 model Oldsmobile. As many as seven cars would at times be parked on the shoulder of the road and usually the occupants of all the cars would get in one car. I noticed no activity on the part of these individuals as far as yelling at customers is concerned and I saw no customers turn away when they saw these individuals. I cannot say these individuals were recording license numbers as I was too far away to closely observe their activity.

"On the night of 3/31/66, I was off from work and had gone to a movie. On my home I stopped at the Burger Chef to get a cold drink. I told Bill McDaniel who is the Assistant Manager of the Burger Chef and who was on duty that I had seen cars parked on the shoulder of the road as I came into the Burger Chef parking lot. McDaniel asked me if I had seen any new cars which had not previously been at the entrance and I told him I had seen some new cars. He suggested we go down and record these new license numbers.

"I took a clip board to write on and McDaniel and I got into McDaniel's car after which we drove out the driveway and onto the highway. Ι would estimate this was at about 9:30 or 9:45 p.m. We stopped at the back of the line and I recorded the first license number, we then drove up to the driveway of the Burger Chef. I got out to record the license on a white 64 Chevrolet Biscayne which was parked on the side of the shoulder of the road nearest the Burger Chef and there were other cars parked on the shoulder beside this car. As I started to write this license number down I heard someone say "get that paper" and I heard someone else say "get that boy." About this time someone grabbed me and threw me to the ground on my side. I moved around but this man got on top of me and twisted my head so my face was in the I finally got free and ran to the Burger dirt. I did not look back. The man who grabbed Chef. me, I believe, was about two inches taller than me, he weighed abt. 180 pounds and I think he was about forty years old. I think I might possibly identify this man should I see him again. I cannot recall having seen this man before. I think he might have been wearing grey work pants and a checkered or stripped green and grey or green and green sport shirt. I think his hair was long and light colored. I did not see where this man came from and cannot say if he was in a car parked on the shoulder. I also did not see this man leave the area.

"After the Natchez Police arrived I went back with the officers and recovered the clip board, however, the paper with the license numbers I had recorded was not in the board.

"I have read the above statement of this and five other pages. I put my initials at the bottom of the other five pages and by all corrections. This statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

"/s/ Murray Edward Seals, Jr.

Witnesses:

"/s/ Clarence G. Prospere, Sp. Agent, F. B. I., Natchez, Miss.

"/s/ Richard H. Hamilton, Special Agent, FBI, Natchez, Miss."

The following is a description of MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR., as obtained through observation and interrogation:

Name Allases Sex Race Age	MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. None Male White 19	
Date of Birth	FOIA(b)6	
Place of Birth	FOIA(b)7 - (C))
Residence	2146 Second Street Natchez, Mississippi	
Height	5 feet 9 inches	
Weight	130 pounds	
Build	Small	
Hair	Brown	
Eyes	Blue	
Complexion	Fair	

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Scars and Marks

-inch scar across bridge of nose. Four top center teeth on

Peculiarities

Occupation Marital Status Previous Residence Army Record

Relatives Father bridge Counterman, Burger Chef Single None Naval Reserve, presently U. S. Naval Reserve Number 6910217

MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, SR. 2146 Second Street Natchez, Mississippi

Mother

Sister

KATHERINE SIMMONS SEALS 2146 Second Street Natchez, Mississippi

KATHERINE SEALS, Age 17 Resides with parents

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BILLY RAY MC DANIEL, 79 Auburn Avenue, Natchez, Mississippi, Assistant Manager, Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi, was interviewed at his place of employment at which time he furnished the following signed statement:

"I, Billy Ray McDaniel, make the following voluntary statement to Richard H. Hamilton and Clarence G. Prospere who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the F. B. I. I have been advised by Clarence G. Prospere that I do not have to make a statement and that any statement I do make may be used against me in a court of law. I have been advised that I may talk to an attorney or anyone else of my choosing before making any statement. No threats, promises or anything else has been used to get me to make this statement.

"I am 19 years old and reached the <u>twelth</u> grade in school. I first began working for Burger Chef on Jan. 13, 1966 and I became Ass't Mgr. about one month ago. I am Ass't. Mgr. of the Burger Chef at Natchez, Miss.

"About three weeks ago Mr. Loren Howard, Mgr., Burger Chef, Natchez, Miss., advised me "they" were parking on the Burger Chef parking lot and taking license numbers and that he and the employees would have to get the license numbers of these individuals.

"After my talk with Mr. Howard, I observed individuals circling the Burger Chef in cars but I cannot say the occupants of these cars were Klansmen. I did not recognizedany of these individuals as Klansmen and I cannot identify any of

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these people by name. I did not record the license numbers of any of the cars that were circling the Burger Chef.

"For about a week or a week and a half before Murray Seals, Jr., was assaulted I observed cars parked almost nightly on the shoulder of the road near the entrance to the driveway of the Burger Chef. I recorded the license numbers of these cars and turned them over to Mr. Howard. I did not recognize any of these people sitting in the cars or standing near these cars as people I know by name. I do know some of these people as people I have seen in Natchez. I might possibly be able to identify some of these people if I was shown photographs of these people.

"I have never been a member of a Klan-type organization.

"The car I saw most frequently on the shoulder of the road near the driveway of the Burger Chef was a 60 to 62 model Oldsmobile with a red top and a white bottom. I think the license number on the car was 1-1909.

"On last Thursday night an employee by the name of Murray Seals, Jr., came by the Burger Chef. One of the employees on duty whose identity I do not recall advised me that cars were again parked near the entrance to the Burger Chef. I took Murray Seals, Jr., who was at the Burger Chef on his time off and we drove to the highway in my car. I drove past the line of cars which consisted of three cars or four. I stopped at the side of the driveway of the Burger Chef and Seals got out of the car to record license numbers. I rember there was an old

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model two-tone green Plymouth station wagon in the line. There was a white 64 model Chevrolet which I could not recall having seen before. I do not recall the make or model of the third car.

"I saw two men sitting in the 64 white Chevrolet. One of these men, the driver, was a short black headed individual who appeared to be 25 - 26 years old. The passenger in this car was a big man with short crew cut hair which appeared to be blond or white headed. He looked to be in his middle thirties and weighed 190 to 200 pounds. did not know either one of these individuals. T do not think I could identify these two men should I see them again or should I be shown photographs. I might possibly be able to identify photographs of the occupants of the other cars because after members of the Natchez Police Dept., arrived at the scene I went back with the officers and observed these individuals.

"As Seals started to record the license number of the 64 Chevrolet the big man on the back seat of the 64 Chevrolet got out of the car and grabbed Seals. The driver had gotten out first and stood in front of the license in an effort to hide it. The big man grabbed Seals and threw him to the ground. Seals face was held in the dirt. Seals got free and ran to the Burger Chef.

"After the man grabbed Seals, I got out of my car and started hastily walking to the Burger Chef to phone the Natchez Police. As I reached the canopy, Mr. Loren Howard, the Mgr., drove up and observed what was happening. Mr. Howard then drove

on to the Burger Chef. I remained at the canopy and at about this time Seals got free and ran to the Burger Chef. I then saw the driver who had been in the Chevrolet get back in the car and drive off. I do not know what happened to the second man. I did not run down the hill to get the license number but went to my car which was still at the entrance to the driveway and I drove around the Burger Chef to tell Mr. Howard I was leaving and then I drove to the highway but did not see the 64 white Chevrolet.

"When I returned the police were at the driveway of the Burger Chef and I drove in with them. We then went back and looked in the cars on the shoulder of the road but I did not see the man who had grabbed Seals.

"I have not been told by anyone that they have received phone calls regarding their trading at the Burger Chef. I do not recall Mr. Howard telling me that customers had been receiving phone calls.

"I have seen copies of the three flyers in the form of letters that have been put out in the Natchez area regarding trading at the Burger Chef. I do not know who published, edited or distributed these letters other than one was signed by the United Klans of America, Inc. I did not tell Mr. Howard this letter was put out by my brother, Eddie L. McDaniel because this brother had told me he did but I possibly told Mr. Howard the letter was put out by the United Klans of America, Inc., of which my brother is the Grand Dragon because the letter was signed by the United Klans of America, Inc. My brother, Eddie L. McDaniel, has told me nothing regarding any of these letters distributed in the Natchez area regarding the Burger Chef.

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"I have been advised of the provisions of Title 18, Section 1001, U. S. Code and I understand that if I furnish false information this will constitute a violation of this statute.

"I have read the above statement of this and seven other pages. I put my initials by all <u>scratch</u> out and inserts and at the bottom of the other seven pages. This statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

"/s/ Billy Ray McDanidl

"Witnesses:

"/s/ Clarence G. Prospere, Sp. Agent, F. B. I., Natchez, Miss.

"/s/ Richard H. Hamilton, Special Agent, F. B. I., Natchez, Miss."

The following is a description of BILLY RAY MC DANIEL as obtained through observation and interrogation:

Name	BILLY RAY MC DANIEL
Aliases	None
Sex	Male
Race	White
Age	19
Date of Birth	FOIA(b)6
Place of Birth	FOIA(b)7 - (C)
Residence	79 Auburn Avenue
	Natchez, Mississippi
Height	5 feet 10 inches
Weight	145 pounds
Build	Small
Hair	Dark brown with wave
Eyes	Hazel
Complexion	Fair

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Scars and marks Peculiarities Occupation

Marital Status Previous Residence Military Service Relatives Father None Face pock marked Assistant Manager Burger Chef Single None None

ELMER MC DANIEL, Aka "ED" 79 Auburn Avenue Natchez, Mississippi

Mother

Brothers

BERTHA MC DANIEL 79 Auburn Avenue Natchez, Mississippi

EDDIE L. MC DANIEL 2156 Second Street Natchez, Mississippi

JERRY MC DANIEL 1512 Eastwood Road Natchez, Mississippi

JACKIE MC DANIEL Cranfield, Mississippi

CLAUDE MC DANIEL California (Address Unknown)

Mrs. LEWIS (MARGARET) HARVESTON 11 Fifth Street Natchez, Mississippi

Mrs. SONNY (SUE) ROBERTS Lafayette, Louisiana

Sisters

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Miss PEGGY ROBBINS, 210 Elm Street, Vidalia, Louisiana, Stated she was a part-time employee of the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi, having worked for the three weekends of March 19 and 26, 1966, and April 2, 1966. She stated she has terminated her employment due to the fact that she felt working extra time at the Burger Chef was too much for her since she is regularly employed as a secretary during the normal work week. She stated she has agreed to work at the Burger Chef on Special occasions when they are unable to obtain sufficient help.

Miss ROBBINS stated that she recalls seeing automobiles parked on the shoulder of the road near the driveway of the Burger Chef but that she does not know the owners of any of these cars and does not know any of the occupants. She stated she has at no time ever seen any automobiles parked on the lot of the Burger Chef which she has any reason to believe were anything but regular customers.

Miss ROBBINS stated she was not on duty when Murray Seals, Jr., an employee of the Burger Chef, was assaulted.

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CHARLES TAYLOR, 30 East Franklin Street, Natchez, Mississippi, stated he began working at the Burger Chef on about March 15 or 16, 1966, and that he terminated his employment the night of March 31, 1966.

TAYLOR stated he had at no time ever recorded any license numbers and turned them over to the management but that during the time he was working at the Burger Chef, he did observe cars parked between the red light at the intersection of Homochitto Street and the Bridge By-Pass and the driveway leading to the Burger Chef. He stated he saw these cars about every other day and that the only car that he can recall having seen Several times was a 1960-61 or 1962 model Ford which was blue and white. He stated he did not pay enough attention to the occupants of these cars to be able to describe them.

TAYLOR stated that on the night of March 31, 1966, he was pealing potatoes on the inside of the Burger Chef at the rear of the building and that MURRAY SEALS came into the kitchen and announced that he had been attacked while on the road. TAYLOR stated that the manager and assistant manager returned with SEALS to the driveway and that he, TAYLOR, looked out of the front window but could not see cars on the road from his location. He stated he did not leave the building during the incident but continued to peel potatoes.

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Mrs. MARION (SANDRA) SEYFARTH, Route 3, Box 9-H, Natchez, Mississippi, was interviewed at her home at which time she stated she first became employed with the Burger Chef on or about March 1, 1966, and that she terminated this employment on April 1, 1966.

She stated that during the time she was employed, she did notice, beginning approximately two weeks earlier, that cars were parked in front of the Burger Chef on the shoulder of the road near the entrance of the driveway of the Burger Chef. She stated she did not know the owners of these cars or the occupants and that she did not see any particular car which she could now describe.

Mrs. SEYFARTH stated that when SEALS was attacked, she was inside the building and did not go out. She stated she was told by someone that an unknown individual had jumped on MURRAY SEALS. She stated she did not hear anyone identify the assailant and that she has no further information regarding this incident.

Mrs. SEYFARTH further advised that she has seen or heard of no other incidents at the Burger Chef.

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Mrs. GLYNN (CAROLYN) PRIEST, 716 Arlington Street, Natchez, Mississippi, advised that she has been employed with the Burger Chef since January 12, 1966, when the Burger Chef first opened for business in Natchez, Mississippi. Mrs. PRIEST stated she was not working the night MURRAY SEALS was assaulted.

Mrs. PRIEST stated that she has seen cars driving onto the lot and parking on the shoulder of the road in front of the Burger Chef and the occupants of these cars appeared to be taking license numbers but she had not recorded the license numbers of any of these cars that she had seen on the lot or on the shoulder of the road. She states she had heard no one identify the assailant of MURRAM SEALS and that she knew of no other incidents at the Burger Chef.

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DAVID WEBB, 206 South Rankin Street, Natchez, Mississippi, advised that he has been employed at the Burger Chef since January 7, 1966, and explained that he was employed during the construction of the building and that when the Burger Chef first opened on January 12, 1966, he began working as a counterman.

WEBB stated he has seen automobiles circling the Burger Chef but that he has recorded no license numbers. He stated he has seen cars parked on the shoulder of the road near the entrance to the driveway of the Burger Chef but that he does not know the identity of anyone in these automobiles.

WEBB stated that he left the Burger Chef the night of March 31, 1966, at approximately 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. and that it was after this that MURRAM SEALS was assaulted.

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Mrs. CHARLIE M. (THERESA) BROWN, Route 2, Box 553, Natchez, Mississippi, stated she has been with the Burger Chef since approximately February 1, 1966. She stated she has seen no cars parked on the road or on the lot of the Burger Chef and that on March 31, 1966, she came to work at 10:00 a.m. and got off from work at 6:00 p.m.

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LINDA GAIL ENGLE, 200 Elm Street, Vidalia, Louisiana, advised that she was formerly employed at the Burger Chef but that she became sick and quit the Burger Chef approximately three weeks ago. ENGLE stated that she had been told by Mr. HOWARD, the Manager of the Burger Chef, Natohez, Mississippi, that he, HOWARD, had copies of letters which had been put out in the Natchez area and that these letters were against serving Negroes at the same window as whites.

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ENGLE stated that she had at no time ever recorded any license numbers and that she had terminated her employment two or three weeks prior to the assault of MURRAY SEALS; therefore, she knew nothing of this assault.

ENGLE stated that on the Friday that she became sick, which she believes to be March 18, 1966, that a friend of hers went to the Burger Chef and that this friend advised her that he had been stopped by individuals who said they were Klansmen and that this friend was told by these Klansmen that he should quit giving the Burger Chef his business. ENGLE identified this friend as CHARLES STEVENS, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. STEVENS, all of whom reside in Ferriday, Louisiana. ENGLE stated that CHARLES STEVENS did not tell her whether or not he knew the identity of these Klansmen.

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JOHN JACKSON, 141 "D", River Oakes Apartments, Natchez, Mississippi, stated he began his employment with the Burger Chef on February 9, 1966, and that he terminated his employment on April 2, 1966, because he was afraid Kluxers might follow him home or bomb his car.

JACKSON stated he and BILL MC DANIEL went down the driveway of the Burger Chef one night and that he, JACKSON, copied the licensed of one automobile. JACKSON stated there were two cars parked on the shoulder of the road near the entrance of the driveway to the Burger Chef but that BILL MC DANIEL told him he only needed to record the one license number as the other car was one which had been there before and they already had that number.

JACKSON stated that a red top and white bottom Oldsmobile was parked on the shoulder of the road at the entrance to the Burger Chef Amost every night that cars were parked on the road. JACKSON stated he did not feel that he could identify this automobile or its occupants.

JACKSON stated that on the night that SEALS was attacked, that he, JACKSON, was in the building stacking cheese and that he did not know that anything had happened until SEALS came into the building with dirt on his clothes and his face. JACKSON stated at this time, he inquired what had happened and was told of the attack on SEALS. JACKSON stated that he then went to the end of the canopy at the front of the Burger Chef and observed the red top and white bottom Oldsmobile parked near the entrance to the driveway. He further stated he believed there was a green pickup truck at the time. He then pointed out that the truck may have been parked a day or two earlier and that he was now confused as to which vehicles were parked on which days but he again stated that he did not recognize any of the occupants of the cars and could not identify the automobiles.

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CHARLES BOYLES, 151 Devereaux Drive, Natchez, Mississippi, advised he has been employed at the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi, for approximately six weeks. He stated he has seen an individual identified to him as "Mr. CARTER" and he believes that Mr. CARTER has a green 1963 or 1964 Ford. He stated he recalls seeing a 1957 Oldsmobile, which is light tan, and has parts of it which are unpainted or which have been touched up, and a green pickup truck parked on the lot of the Burger Chef. BOYLES stated that he believes that he could possibly identify photographs of individuals he had seen in vehicles on the parking lot of the Burger Chef.

BOYLES stated that on the night of March 31, 1966, he was cleaning the canopy in the front of the Burger Chef and that he was standing on a ladder near the roof so that he was unable to see a disturbance at the entrance to the driveway. He stated that when SEALS came up from the shoulder of the road with dirt on his clothes and face, that he, BOYLES, went back to the scene with the police and other employees and that he observed the individuals who had been parked in an automobile on the shoulder of the road. BOYLES stated that he recognized CARTER but that he did not know any of the others. BOYLES stated he did not see the man who attacked SEALS and that he has heard of no other incidents at the Burger Chef.

BOYLES stated that he has heard no discussion from the manager, assistant manager, or other employees of the Burger Chef to the effect that phone calls had been received in the Natchez area suggesting that the caller not trade at the Burger Chef.

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RAYMOND DUDLEY PEVY, Route 5, Box 72, Natchez, Mississippi, stated he began his employment at the Burger Chef on or about March 1, 1966. He stated he has seen four or five cars at one time parked on the shoulder of the road near the entrance to the Burger Chef and that he has seen this group of cars on three or four occasions since he began his employment. PEVY stated he did not recard any license numbers and he does not recall the make or model of any of the vehicles.

PEVY stated he was not at work the night MURRAY SEALS was attacked.

On 4/6/66 at Natchez, Mississippi File# Jackson 157-5830

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CHARLES STEVENS, 406 Florida Street, Ferriday, Louisiana, stated that a week ago last Sunday (March 27, 1966) at about just after dark, he went to the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi, and had obtained an order. He then drove out of the driveway, turned right going west toward Louisiana on the Bridge By-Pass, and after traveling approximately 200 yards, a white pickup truck flashed its lights and pulled up beside his car as he stopped. STEVENS stated there were three or four men in the truck and that one of them announced, "We are with the Klan" or "We are Kluxers" and told him not to come back to the Burger Chef. STEVENS stated he was surprised and shocked by these individuals stopping him and that he did not obtain the license number of the pickup truck. STEVENS was asked if he could further identify the truck as to whether or not it had a cattle rack or tool box or other identifying characteristics, and he stated that he had failed to pay sufficient attention so that he could describe the truck in more detail.

STEVENS stated he does not know whether or not he would be able to identify any of the individuals who were in the truck should he see them again but that he would, if shown photographs, attempt to make an identification.

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REGGIE P. CARTER, 1198 North Pine Street, Natchez, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents. He was advised that he did not have to make a statement, that any statement he did make could be used against hm in a court of law, and that he had the right to consult an attorney before making any statement. CARTER was advised that the interviewing Agents wished to talk to him about his parking on the shoulder of the road in front of the Burger Chef and about his knowledge of an incident which occurred at the Burger Chef the night of March 31, 1966.

CARTER stated he was parked on the shoulder of the road the night of March 31, 1966, and that he knew of no law or reason why he could not park on the shoulder of a road when he so desired. CARTER then stated that the individual who attacked the employee had not been in a white car but that he had been in a blue car.

When CARTER was asked to furnish any further information he might have regarding this blue car or the individual who assaulted the employee of the Burger Chef, he stated he did not desire to furnish any further information but that should the Agents identify this individual, he would be glad to talk to the Agents about this individual after they had identified him.

CARTER was again told that if he knew the identity of this individual that he should make this known to the interviewing Agents and he stated that he had not stated that he knew the identity of this individual and that he would furnish no further information.

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JOHN W. BARBER, Route 1, Box 75A, Natchez, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents. He was advised that he did not have to make a statement, that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to consult an attorney before making any statement.

BARBER stated that on the night of March 31, 1966, he was in a company car and pointed out that he is now employed as a salesman at the Joe McPhail Oldsmobile Company, Natchez, Mississippi, and that he could not recall the make or model of the company car which he happened to be driving the night of March 31, 1966.

BARBER stated that he left the McPheil Oldsmobile Company, drove on the 61 By-Pass south to the River By-Pass, and turned right on the River By-Pass. He stated that upon nearing the Burger Chef, he observed the car of REGGIE CARTER parked on the adge of the road near the driveway. He stated that he stopped and got into the car with CARTER and that he and CARTER were merely sitting in the car talking. He stated there were mother cars parked in the immediate area at this time. He stated as they were sitting in the car talking, that other cars drove up. He stated that C. D. FREEMAN and an individual by the name of TORRENCE, whose first name he did not know, and an individual who was with TORRENCE, and whose identity he does not know, also drove up and parked behind the car of REGGIE CARTER.

BARBER advised that a white Chevrolet parked beside the automobile of REGGIE CARTER and that this white Chevrolet was between the Burger Chef and CARTER's car which was parked on the whoulder of the road. This Chevrolet was near the driveway of the Burger Chef. BARBER stated he believes there was only one individual in this car.

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BARBER stated a car stopped in the driveway in front of the vehicle of REGGIE CARTER and that a boy walked from this car to the back of the white Chevrolet which was parked parallel to the automobile of REGGIE CARTER. At this time, he saw the driver of this Chevrolet get out of the car and walk to the back of the car as if to cover his license plate.

BARBER stated this individual stood close to the back of the center of his car. BARBER stated that at about this time, he observed lights from an automobile in back of the line of cars behind the car of CARTER and that he saw a man come from behind the line of cars and grab the boy who was writing down the license number of the Chevrolet.

BARBER, when asked to describe this individual, stated he was approximately six feet tall, weighed 170 to 180 pounds, but that he is unable to describe his clothes or give any further details.

BARBER stated that by the time he and CARTER had gotten out of the automobile of CARTER, that the unknown in dividual who had assaulted the boy had gotten up and left the area. BARBER advised that he did not see the assailant enter a car and cannot say what type vehicle he was using. BARBER further stated he could not say whether or not there were one or more individuals in the assailant's car.

Having furnished the foregoing information, BARBER was asked if the foregoing information was put into the form of a signed statement, would he sign the statement; and he advised that he would not sign any statement.
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The following is a description of JOHN W. BARBER as obtained through observation and interrogation:

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Relatives Father

Mother

JOHN W. BARBER Route 1, Box 75A Natchez, Mississippi Male White FOIA(b)6 FOIA(b)7 - (C)5 feet 11 inches 150 pounds Slender Dark Brown, wavy Hazel-Fair Salesman, Joe McPhail Oldsmobile Company, Natchez, Mississippi

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W. S. TORRENCE was located at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company at which time he advised that he is the Construction Superintendent for the Southeastern Construction Company, Jackson, Mississippi, which is making an addition to a warehouse at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company.

TORKENCE was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents. He was told that he did not have to make a statement, that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to consult an attorney before making any statement.

TORRENCE stated he had been interviewed repeatedly by SA JOHN H. PROGTOR of Meridian, Mississippi, and that he did not wish to furnish any information regarding his being at the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi, the night of March 31, 1966. TORRENCE stated he had been at the Burger Chef the night of March 31, 1966, but that he did not care to furnish any further information.

TORRENCE was asked if he was willing to furnish descriptive data concerning himself and he stated he would not furnish any information which included descriptive data or any other information.

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C. D. FREEMAN, 636 Maple Street, Natchez, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents. He was advised that he did not have to make a statement, that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to consult an attorney before making any statement.

FREEMAN advised that he wished to furnish no information whatsoever and that he would only talk to FBI Agents in the presence of his attorney.

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EDDIE L. MC DANIEL, 2156 Second Street, Natchez, Mississippi, was telephonically contacted and advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent.

MC DANIEL was advised that he was being contacted in an effort to make an appointment inasmuch as he was being called at the headquarters of the United Klans of America (UKA) and that the Agent wished to interview him outside the UKAheadquarters at any point that might be convenient for MC DANIEL. MC DANIEL was then advised that he did not have to make a statement, that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to consult an attorney before making any statement.

MC DANIEL stated that he would only talk to FBI Agents in the presence of his attorney. The interview was then terminated.

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A characterization of the United Klans of American, Incorporated (UKA) and the Knights of the Green Forest (KGF) are attached as an appendix to this report.

APPENDIX

UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC. KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, reflect that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a leadership dispute and United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy and segregation of the races.

The first source and a second source advised in July, 1961, that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., merged with Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, the Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. (The organization is directed by Robert Shelton, Imperial Wizard, and is the dominant Klan group in the South, with units in several southern states.)

Second source advised that at a meeting at Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Third source advised on August 4, 1965, that the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, is currently an active organization, with Klaverns in several southern states. This source said that Robert M. Shelton is the Imperial Wizard of this organization and was last elected to this position on September 5, 1964, at a National Klonvocation in Birmingham, Alabama. Source said that the activity of the UKA is increasing, and that the national office remains in Suite 401, Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

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KNIGHTS OF THE GREEN FOREST, INC., KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KGF)

A source advised on January 28, 1966, that the KGF was formed the latter part of January, 1966, at Tupelo, Mississippi, by a small group of dissident members of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (UKA). This group broke away from the UKA after a meeting of the UKA at Natchez, Mississippi, on January 23, 1966, during which the group became dissatisfied with the leadership of the UKA and with alleged misuse of UKA funds by the state officers.

The source advised that Dale Odus Walton, Tupelo, Mississippi, is the Imperial Wizard of the KGF and the National Headquarters is located near Tupelo, Mississippi, with a mailing address: Post Office Box 1546, Tupelo, Mississippi.

On March 8, 1966, Dale Odus Walton, Tupelo, Mississippi, advised that he is the Imperial Wizard of the KGF. He stated he does not have a Charter of Incorporation but is applying for a charter for the KGF in all 50 states and Puerto Rico. He advised that the purpose of the KGF is to fight communism, promote white supremacy and to restore Christianity to all parts of the world.

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To: SAC, Jackson (157-5830)

From: Director, FBI (173-3062)

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NOTE: Preliminary investigation being conducted regarding alleged Klan boycott of captioned, integrated establishment and related violence, including assault of employee of establishment and intimidation of customers by placing tax in parking lot, recording lisenseetag numbers and making harassing telephone calls.

Jackson has advised convertion of investigation delayed due to assignment of case Agent to DABURN special and extent of investigation involved.

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Second report will not reach Bureau within seven days of referenced report as Agent to whom case is assigned was out of RA Monday through Wednesday handling contact of ______ Upon returning RA on Thursday info referred to above received precluding coverage normal leads. Only other Agents Natchez RA besides from SRA are two first office agents who have been exhibiting photographs to witnesses. Second report to reach Bureau 4/25/66.

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Mr. Rosen

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DATE:

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PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

SUBJECT: BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN

BuFile 173-3062

NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM

ASAC Sylvester of the New Orleans Office telephonically advised that an informant of the New Orleans Office had been contacted by Jimmy Scarborough, former Exalted Cyclop in the Klavern in Natchez, Mississippi, concerning the delivery of dynamite caps. Scarborough wanted the informant to deliver the caps from Ferriday, Louisiana, to Natchez, Mississippi. The caps were to be delivered to a Klansman named Howington. The informant had been asked to make the delivery today, April 14. The informant had refused.

According to the informant, Scarborough had indicated that the "Burger Chef won't burn" and it was believed by the informant that Scarborough had planned to use the caps to destroy the Burger Chef in Natchez.

New Orleans Office pointed out that this could be a "plant" inasmuch as Howington regularly travels to the Natchez area and could very easily transport the dynamite caps himself.

ACTION:

The New Orleans Office has alerted the Jackson Office and requested Jackson to alert the local authorities in Natchez, Mississippi.

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Mr. Tolson Mr. DeLoach. Mr. Mohr FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE COMMUNICATIONS SECTION Mr. Wick Mr. Casper. Mr. Callahan Mr. Conrad. APR 1 5 1966 Mr. Felt Mr. Gale FBI NEW ORLS Mr. Ros TELETYP Mr. Sullivan 9-29 PH CST URGENT 4/15/66 OLP Mr. Tavel Mr. Trotter. Tele, Room TO DIRECTOR AND JACKSON Miss Holmes Miss Gandy. NEW ORLEANS (173-547) IP FROM UNSUBS; MURRAY SEALS - VICTIM, BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISS., PA, CRA NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR. ADVISED THAT A WRAPPED PACKAGE IN SANDWICH TYPE WAXED PAPER, WHICH HE ASSUMES WERE TWO BLASTING CAPS, WAS PLACED IN A GLOVE COMPARTMENT OF A -CAR ON APRIL FOURTEEN, SIXTYSIX, BY HANK HOWINGTON, AND WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO MISSISSIPPI TO JACK SEALS ON APRIL FOURTEEN LAST. PACKAGE WAS NOT DELIVERED AND IS IN FOIA(b)7 - (D)HANDS OF JIMMY SCARBOROUGH . IS ENDEAVORING TO LEARN WHO WILL DELIVER AND WHEN, MATTER BEING CLOSELY FOLLOWED. BUREAU AND JACKSON WILL BE KEPT ADVISED. END REG- 102 WA .. 3062 MJK JN FBI JKN MISS 18 APR 19 1966 66 pr LLD WA FBI WASH DC TU CLR DocId:31420962 w#:35104

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GENERAL INVESTIGA VE DIVISION

Burger Chef Drive-In, Natchez, Miss., serves Negroes and has recently been harassed and boycotted by the Klan.

New Orleans has advised that the

informant

Howington, who has the caps, frequently goes to Natchez and could take them himself.

Department being advised and matter being closely followed.

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To: SAC, Jackson (157-5830)

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UNSUB; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. -VICTIM BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI PA - CRA, 1964

Rerep of SA Clarence G. Prospere dated 4/9/66, at Jackson, and Bureau airtel dated 4/14/66.

Bear in mind that those customers who incurred flat tires on their automobiles as a result of the roofing nails spread in the driveway of the captioned establishment are also victims in this matter. Every effort should be made to identify and interview such customers, as well as any other customers who have been challenged or intimidated upon visiting the drive-in.

As you were instructed in reBuairtel, remaining investigation must be afforded vigorous, continuous attention until brought to a logical conclusion and your report submitted as soon as possible thereafter. Also, as you is 15 1966 were previously instructed, the Bureau must be advised immediately of any further acts of interference by the Klan comments in this matter.

NGTE: Preliminary investigation being conducted re interference by Klan with operation of captioned, integrated establishment. Interference has occurred in forms of economic boycott, intimidating customers by recording license tag numbers, and making harassing phone calls, spreading nails in drive-in parking area, and assault on one employee.

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TO SACS JACKSON (157-5830) MEW ORLEANS (173-547) REC- 102 FROM DIRECTOR FBI (173-3062) //

UNSUBS; MURRAY SEALS DASH VICTIM, BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISS., PA., CRA OF SIXTYFOUR.

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RE NEW ORLEANS TEL TO DIRECTOR AND JACKSON APRIL FIFTEEN, LAST.

NEW ORLEANS ADVISE BY RETURN RADIOGRAM IDENTITY OF INDIVIDUALS IN WHOSE AUTOMOBILE BLASTING CAPS WERE REPORTEDLY PLACED.

JACKSON INSURE THAT APPROPRIATE SOURCES ARE ALERTED FOR ANY INFORMATION RE POSSIBLE PLANS BY KLAN

TO BOMB CAPTIONED ESTABLISHMENT. VIA RADIOGRAM RJD/nB4 (3) APR1 8 1966 35 JPM

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DeLoach Mohr Captioned drive-in, which serves Negroes, scene of recent interference by Klan. New Orleans source previously furnished info re proposed plan of Louisiana Klansmen to furnish dynamite caps to Mississippi Klansman for proposed use in bonb ing the drive-in.

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NOTE CONTINUED:

Source now has advised that package which source believes contained blasting caps placed in glove compartment in automobile on 4/14/66, for delivery to Mississippi; delivery not effected.

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Captioned drive-in which serves Negroes, scene of recent interference by Klan. New Orleans source previously furnished information regarding proposed plan of Louisiana Klansmen to furnish dynamite caps to Mississippi Klansman for use in bombing drive-in.

Referenced New Orleans communications indicate

and also indicate caps presently in possession of Klansman, Jinny Scarborough.

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Mr. MICHOT stated that he would make a further search for this letter, and if he located it, he would immediately advise the FBI either at Lafayette or Natchez. He is also going to Natchez in the next several days and will make further inquiry from the employees of Burger Chef in Natchez and attempt to determine if any other individuals other than Burger Chef employees may have a copy of the letter.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Post Office Box 1450 Jackson, Mississippi 39205 April 21, 1966

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS - CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

A source which has furnished reliable information in the past on April 14, 1966, advised an agent of the FBI that on April 13, 1966, Jimmy Scarborough, former Exalted Cyclops of the Ferriday, Louisiana, Unit of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK) was endeavoring to have someone pick up two dynamite caps from Hank Howington, a member of the OKKKK in Ferriday, and deliver them to Jack Seale in Mississippi.

This source overheard Scarborough state, "The Burger Chef won't burn," and assumed from this statement that Seale and his group were going to use the caps to dynamite the Burger Chef.

According to this source, efforts were being made to get someone to deliver the caps on the late afternoon of April 14, 1966, to Jack Seale.

On April 14, 1966, Loren Leslie Howard, Manager of the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi; Chief of Police J. T. Robinson, Natchez, Mississippi, Police Department; Charles Snodgrass, Administrative Assistant, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, Jackson, Mississippi; Shelby Grubbs,

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

Secret Service, and John Prior, Intelligence Corps Group, both Jackson, Mississippi, were all advised of the possible incident at the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi.

On April 14, 1966, Chief of Police J. T. Robinson advised he had been in contact with Charles Snodgrass by telephone and that they were coordinating coverage of the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi.

On April 15, 1966, the original source in this information advised that a wrapped package in sandwich-type waxed paper, which he assumes was two blasting caps, was placed in a glove compartment of a car on April 14, 1966, by Hank Howington and was supposed to have been delivered to Mississippi to Jack Seale on April 14, 1966. This source stated that this package was not delivered, and it is in the hands of Jimmy Scarborough.

This original source advised on April 18, 1966, that on the night of April 16, 1966, he had received information that Jimmy Scarborough still had the package in his possession. This source stated he feels that Scarborough has made, or will make, delivery of the package himself.

On April 14, 1966, Mr. Loren Howard, Manager of the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi, when advised by Special Agent Clarence G. Prospere of the possible bombing of the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi, stated that he had a Negro employee who came to work after the Burger Chef closed at 11 p.m. and that this Negro cleaned up and worked until the following morning. Mr. Howard stated that in view of the information he had received, he would give consideration to the working hours of this Negro to insure that no one was on the premises of the Burger Chef between the hours of 11 p.m. when the Burger Chef normally closes and daylight the following morning.

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On April 19, 1966, Chief of Police J. T. Robinson advised that a physical surveillance of the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi, had been instituted by his detectives and himself on the nights of April 14, 15, 16, and 17, 1966, and that he had seen no activity with the exception of the following which occurred the night of April 17, 1966:

Chief Robinson stated that on the night of April 17, 1966, he was parked at the rear of the Burger Chef and that at 2:50 a.m. a car drove into the Burger Chef and stopped at the back door. This car was occupied by Bill McDaniel, the assistant manager, and

Robinson stated he asked Bill McDaniel why he had come to the Burger Chef and McDaniel stated he had only stopped by for a few minutes. Chief Robinson stated that he told Bill McDaniel that if he was to be at the Burger Chef for a little while that he, Chief Robinson, would go get a cup of coffee.

Chief Robinson stated he drove out of the Burger Chef and in the direction of downtown Natchez but that upon getting out of sight of the Burger Chef he immediately made a U-turn and returned to the Burger Chef to determine what Bill McDaniel and ______ might be doing. He stated upon returning to the Burger Chef he was surprised to see that Loren Leslie Howard, Manager of the Burger Chef, had arrived during his short absence while pretending to go get coffee, and that upon seeing this, he left the area without further observation.

Chief Robinson stated that in the absence of specific information as to the exact date and time he does not feel that he can maintain a continuous surveillance of the Burger Chef due to the absence of any specific information as to when this establishment might be blown if, in

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fact, the information is correct that a klan-type organization plans to do such a thing. Chief Robinson stated that should any specific information be received, he and his detectives will immediately institute surveillances or any other action which would possibly bring about the identity of apprehension of the individuals planning or perpetrating the bombing of the Burger Chef.

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Unsubs; Burger Chef Drive-In, Natchez, Mississippi; Murray Edwards Seals, Jr - Victim, PA, CRQ 1964.

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On April 18, 1966, DAVID WEBB advised that his stepfather is SAM ROBERTSON who drives a taxi cab in Natchez, Mississippi, and resides at 206 South Rankin Street, Natchez, Mississippi. WEBB stated his father does not live in Natchez.

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SAM ROBERTSON, 206 South Rankin Street, Natchez, Mississippi, advised that he drives a taxi cab for the Yellow Cab Company, Natchez, Mississippi. ROBERTSON was advised that information had been received that he had made the statement that a phone call had been received at the cab stand where he works regarding the discouragement of trade at the Burger Chef. ROBERTSON stated that he prefers not to discuss this phone call or to furnish any information in connection with it as he drives a cab on a part-time basis and has lived in Natchez practically his entire life and that for personal reasons he does not wish to furnish any information whatsoever.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE at Natchez, Mississippi:

Mr. LOREN LESLIE HOWARD, Manager, Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi, advised that HENRY VIRGIL SEYFARTH, who is coming to work at the Burger Chef on April 16, 1966, advised him the morning of April 15, 1966, that CARMEN ETTA LEWIS told him, SEYFARTH, at school that she had received a phone call telling her not to trade at the Burger Chef.

HOWARD further stated that also on April 15, 1966, a Mr. WEBB, the father of DAVID WEBB who is an employee of the Burger Chef, advised him that a phone call had been received at the cab stand where he works saying not to trade at the Burger Chef.

Mr. HOWARD stated that due to the shortage of employees at the Burger Chef, it has been necessary to split shifts and that he has brought it to the attention of BILL McDANIEL, Assistant Manager, that McDANIEL in addition to being Assistant Manager will have to work on the regular line at night. HOWARD stated that when he discussed this with McDANIEL, McDANIEL indicated he may terminate his employment because he would have to work in addition to being the assistant manager.

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HENRY VINGIL SEXFARTH, Route 3, Box 9H, Natchez, Mississippi, was interviewed in the presence of his mother at which time he stated that on April 14 or 15, 1966, he had seen CARMEN ETTA LEWIS at school at which time LEWIS told him she had received a phone call telling her to not shop or trade at the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi. SEYFARTH stated LEWIS merely made this one comment and was laughing about it and that she did not elaborate or make any further statement regarding the phone call.

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CARMEN ETTA LEWIS, Route 4, Box 30, Natchez, Mississippi, was interviewed at her place of employment at the Natchez Electric Company, North Pins Street, Natchez, Mississippi, at which time she stated that on about April 13, 1966, or April 14, 1966, exact date not recalled, she received a phone call at her home at approximately seven or eight o'clock in the evening. An individual who sounded like a white male stated, "I am a klansman and have been seeing your car at the Burger Chef." LEWIS stated this individual went on to say that he did not know if she knew that the white people were boycotting the Burger Chef, and he asked for her cooperation and pointed out that this call was not a threat.

LEWIS stated that approximately one hour later she received a second phone call which again she believed was from a white male, and his conversation was much the same as in the first call; but in addition, this individual stated that there had been trouble between some Negro boys and some white ladies at the Burger Chef. This second caller also stated that this phone call was not a threat.

LEWIS stated she cannot say whether or not the two calls were by the same person or different people as she paid no attention to the voices but that she did not recognize either of the callers as an individual that she knows by their voice. She stated there was nothing particularly unusual about the voice of either of the callers, and she does not believe that she could identify the voice of either of the callers should she hear this voice on the telephone again.

When asked if she had any idea as to why she had been called, she stated that her family car had been at the <u>Burger Chef frequently and that her parents are friends or</u>

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acquaintances of EDDIE L, and BILL McDANIEL. She stated she was merely pointing this out and had no way of knowing if the acquaintances of her family with the McDANIEL family had anything to do with the phone call.

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Report of: SA CLARENCE G', PROSPERE Date: 4/22/66 Office: JACKSON

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Time: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

Character: PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS - CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

Synopsis: Holders of License Registrations recorded by employees of Burger Chef identified. Manager and employees exhibited photographs of known and suspected klansmen of Natchez area. CHARLES STEVENS, who was stopped by pickup truck and told not to trade Burger Chef unable to identify anyone from photographs. Two individuals who received phone calls requesting they not shop Burger Chef interviewed. One states she received two calls but unable to identify caller. Second individual declined to discuss or furnish information regarding phone call.

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ENCLOSURES FOR THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY:

Enclosed herewith for the United States Attorney's Office, Jackson, Mississippi, is one copy of anletterhead memorandum dealing with captioned matter.

DETAILS:

On April 14, 1966, Mrs. H. J. Salmon, Clerk, Adams County Sheriff's Office, Natchez, Mississippi, furnished the following registration information regarding the 1966 Mississippi licenses listed below:

1-1159 FREDDIE L. FREEMAN, Route 2, Box 475, Natchez, Mississippi, 1957 Ford four-door sedan

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R. P. CARTER, 1198 North Pine Street, Natchez, F/5-1242Mississippi, 1961 General Motors Corporation (GMC) truck 1-2325 CHARLES DAVIDSON, 1202 Magnolia, Natchez, Mississippi, 1965 Dodge Polara two-door hardtop JOE L. HARDY, Route 5, Box 194, Natchez, Mississippi, 1-5635 1956 Oldsmobile 98 two-door hardtop HERBERT A. ROGILLIO, JR., Route 2, Box 405, Natchez, 1-6850 Mississippi, 1958 Ford Custom 300 two-door sedan R. P. CARTER, 1198 North Pine Street, Natchez, 1-D-1909 Mississippi, 1962 Oldsmobile 88 four-door hardtop FLOYD WHITE, Route 1, Box 328, Natchez, Mississippi, 1 - 65311963 Mercury four-door sedan 1-D-2006 DOYLE MURRAY, 3615 Laurel Avenue, Natchez, Mississippi, 1964 Oldsmobile 88 Super, four-door sedan OTIS K. GERMANY, JR., Route 1, Box 351, Natchez, 1-7067 Mississippi, 1960 Ford, four-door sedan C. D. FREEMAN, 636 Maple Street, Natchez, Missis-1-8236 sippi, 1956 Plymouth Station Wagon MARION BRASWELL, Pine Ridge, Mississippi, 1962 1-B-1735 Ford Falcon four-door sedan

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ENCLOSURES FOR NEW ORLEANS:

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LEADS:

NEW ORLEANS:

At Vidalia, Louisiana

Will maintain contact with

JACKSON:

At Natchez, Mississippi

Will attempt to identify individuals in photographs who have been selected by witnesses.

Will interview Holders of License Registrations FOIA(b)7 - (D) who have been identified as set forth in this report.

Will maintain contact with logical sources for information regarding possible bombing of Burger Chef.

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The identity of the source referred to in the enclosed LHM is _____ whose identity is known to the Bureau.

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On April 12, 1966, advised SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE he had heard nothing regarding the bombing of the Burger Chef in Natchez, Mississippi.

On April 19, 1966, _______ advised SA CLARENCE G, PROSPERE he was not surprised to hear that the UKA was planning to bomb the Burger Chef in Natchez as he knew UKA members had "been against" the Burger Chef since it opened. He stated he has heard of no plans or talk about this matter but will be alert for any information.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

By separate communication five photographic slides are being sent to the FBI Laboratory for the development of copies. By this communication the Bureau is being requested to make two copies of these slides available to the Bureau and Department, and to return two sets of these slides to the Jackson Division.

By separate communication two sets of 14 photographs each of known and suspected Klansmen in the Natchez, Mississippi area will be submitted to the Bureau. These photographs are presently being printed at Jackson.

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To: SAC, New Orleans (173-547)

From: Director, FBI (173-3062)

UNSUBS; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

Re New Orleans tels dated 4/14, 15, 18/66 and New Orleans radiogram dated 4/19/66.

If not already submitted, by return mail, forward LHM suitable for dissemination containing pertinent information furnished by informant in this matter.

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Tolson DeLoach Mohr NOTE: New Orleans informant has furnished information regarding proposed plan of Louisiana Klansmen to furnish dynamite caps to Mississippi Klansman for possible use in bombing captioned drive-in. Drive-in, which serves Negroes, has been scene of recent interference by Klansmen and PI presently being conducted in this regard.

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DOYLE MURRAY, 3615 Laurel Avenue, Natchez, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of interviewing agents by SA REESIE L. TIMMONS, who also advised him that he did not have to furnish any information, that any information he furnished could be used in a court of law, and that he could contact an attorney or anyone else at any time.

DOYLE MURRAY, when advised of the nature of the inquiry, stated that neither he nor his automobile had been in the vicinity of the Burger Chef Restaurant on the Natchez Bypass at any time during late March or early April, 1966.

When advised that the license number of his 1964 Oldsmobile, 102006, had been recorded at the Burger Chef. MURRAY immediately stated that he would not discuss the matter further with the FBI.

MURRAY did admit that the 1964 Oldsmobile bearing 1966 Mississippi license 102006 and a green Watsun pickup truck bearing 1966 Mississippi registration F D1098 are owned by him and driven by no one but he and his 5 wife

At this point, the interview was terminated as MURRAY departed into his home.

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CHARLES D. SMITH, located at his residence Route 2, Box 453, Natchez, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents by SA REESIE L. TIMMONS, who also advised him that he did not have to furnish any information, that any information he furnished could be used in a court of law, and that he could contact anyone or an attorney at any time.

CHARLES D. SMITH advised that he is the current owner of a 1958 Ford Custom four-door sedan bearing 1966 Mississippi license 1-6850, formerly owned by HERBERT A. ROCILLIO, JR. of Route 2, Natchez, Mississippi, having purchased same in February, 1966.

He advised that he also owns a 1961 Chevrolet station wagon bearing 1966 Mississippi license 1-6109.

When advised of the nature of the inquiry, CHARLES D. SMITH advised that he would not talk with FBI Agents under any circumstances regarding his activity or the activity of anyone else.

CHARLES SMITH and wife immediately departed for the interior of their residence at which time the interview was terminated.

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BENNIE FREEMAN, Route 2, Box 475, Natchez, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of interviewing agents by SA REESIE L. TIMMONS, who also advised him that he did not have to furnish any information, that any information he furnished could be used in a court of law, and that he could contact an attorney or anyone else at any time.

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BENNIE FREEMAN advised that the 1957 Ford bearing 1966 Mississippi license 1-1159 is owned by his son, FREDDIE L. FREEMAN, who is currently in the Armed Forces in Korea and has been since January, 1966.

BENNIE FREEMAN advised that he occasionally drives this 1957 Ford himself, and one one or two occasions during late March or early April, 1966, did drive to the Burger Chef Drive-In on the Natchez Bypass to get a hamburger before retiring for the night. FREEMAN advised that he had not heard of any leaflets being distributed regarding the Burger Chef and was unaware of any incident occurring at the Burger Chef on or about March 31, 1966.

MR. FREEMAN emphatically denied having parked the 1957 Ford registered to his son on the shoulder of the Natchez Bypass in the vicinity of the Burger Chef at any time.

MR. FREEMAN advised that he owns a 1964 white Pontiac bearing 1966 Mississippi registration 1-1160 and may have been at the Burger Chef in that automobile as well as the one owned and registered to his son.

MR. FREEMAN advised that he is employed by the Mississippi Valley Gas Company at Natchez, Mississippi, is 53 years of age, and has two sons in addition to FREDDIE L. FREEMAN, who are WILLY M. FREEMAN, age 24, who resides in Natchez, Mississippi, and DENNIE JOSEPH FREEMAN, age 22, who resides at Little Rock, Arkansas.

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MARION BRASWELL, Route 2, Natchez, Mississippi, (Pine Ridge Community), was located at his grocery store, The Second Creek Grocery, Liberty Road, Natchez, Mississippi, and advised of the identity of the interviewing agents by SA REESIE L. TIMMONS, who also advised him that he did not have to furnish any information, that any information he furnished could be used in a court of law, and that he could contact an attorney or anyone else at any time.

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MARION BRASWELL, when advised of the nature of the inquiry, advised that he owns two 1964 Ford Falcons, one a brown two-door sedan bearing Mississippi registration 1-B-1735 and a blue two-door station wagon bearing 1966 Mississippi registration 1-B-1736.

MR. BRASWELL advised that he is retired; however, works some ten to twelve hours per day in The Second Greek Grocery owned and operated by him and his wife.

MR. BRASWELL advised that on a Sunday night, either March 27 or April 3, 1966, he and his wife drove into the parking lot of the Burger Chef between 9:00 and 9:30 p.m. after church in hopes of getting a hamburger before they retired for the night. He stated the Burger Chef was closed when they arrived, and he circled the building and immediately departed the area.

MR. BRASWELL emphatically denied parking his automobile on the shoulder of the Natchez Bypass in the vicinity of the Burger Chef at any time. He stated that his automobile, the blue Falcon station wagon, has not been on or near the property of the Burger Chef other than the one occasion described above.

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CHARLES DAVIDSON located at his residence, 1202 Magnolia, Natchez, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents by SA REESIE L. TIMMONS, who also advised him that he did not have to furnish any information, that any information he furnished could be used in a court of law, and that he could contact an attorney or anyone else at any time.

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DAVIDSON, when advised of the nature of the inquiry, stated that he was the registered owner of the yellow 1965 Dodge bearing 1966 Mississippi license 1-2325. DAVIDSON denied that his automobile was parked on the shoulder of the Natchez Bypass at any time during late March or early April, 1966. When asked if anyone other than himself drove the above described automobile, DAVIDSON became extremely angry and stated that he would not discuss anything further with the FBI at any time under any circumstances. At this point, the interview was terminated.

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FLOYD WHITE, Route 1, Box 328, Natchez, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the investigation. He was further advised that he did not have tomake any statement, any statement he did make could be used in court and that he had the right to consult with an attorney or anyone else before making any statement.

WHITE advised that he has been to the Burger Chef on two occasions. The first time he purchased some hamburgers. The second time he was parked on the road along side the Burger Chef in his 1963 aqua Mercury, license number 1/2D-2006. He was unable to recall the exact date he parked along side the Burger Chef, but estimated that it was about two months ago. Ne said he was accompanied by another man on the occasion, but refused to identify him. WHITE said he did not recall seeing any other cars with men in them parked along side the Burger Chef.

WHITE declined to say why he was sitting near the Burger Chef but said he was just watching. He refused to answer any questions about the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) boycotting the Burger Chef or about the KKK. He advised that at no time while he was present at the Burger Chef did he say anything to the customers, harass or block the entrance. On the occasion that WHITE was at the Burger Chef, there were no assaults or fights of any kind to the best of his knowledge. WHITE advised that he was unable to furnish any other information about any activities centered around the Burger Chef.

The following description of WHITE was obtained through observation and interview:

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OTIS K. GERMANY, JR., Box 351, Matchez, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the investigation. He was further advised that he did not have to make any statement, any statement he did make could be used in court, and he had the right to consult with an attorney or anyone else before making any statement.

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GERMANY advised that he did not know anything about the activities centered around the Burger Chef in Natchez and refused to comment on whether he had parked at the Burger Chef to observe the customers. He advised he had nothing else to say and the interview was terminated.

Observed parked at the home of GERMANY was a 1960 Ford, bearing license number 1-7067.

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JOE L. HARDY, Route 5, Box 194, Natchez, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the investigation. He was further advised that he did not have to make any statement, any statement he did make could be used in court and that he had the right to consult with an attorney or anyone else before making any statement.

HARDY advised that he had nothing to say and did not care to discuss anything about the Burger Chef in Natchez. Ne said he has been there on a few occasions, but did not recall when in his 1965 Oldsmobile. License number 1-5635. He said he had never parked in the road along side the Burger Chef, but when questioned whether he had parked in the parking lot and observed people going in and out, he declined to answer. He said that he does not lend his car to other people. HARDY stated that he had seen the leaflets that were being passed out by the United Klans of America, Incorporated (UKA, Inc.) discouraging trading at the Burger Chef, but did not know anything more about them. HARDY advised he had learned from an unrecalled source that one of the employees had tried to get the license number of a car parked in the road along side of the Burger Chef, and in doing so had tried to move a man away from in front of the license plate, and a fight occurred. HERDY declined to furnish any names of individuals involved or any other information regarding the incident,

In closing HARDY again said he did not know anything about the activities centered around the Burger Chef, but said "something ought to be done about that place." When questioned as to what he meant by the statement, he declined to answer, and the interview was terminated.

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L. C. MURRAY was telephonically contacted at the United Klans of America, Incorporated (UKA, Inc.) Headquarters in Natchez, Mississippi. He was advised of the identity of the telephoning agents. He was further advised that he did not have to make any statement, any statement he did make could be used in court and that he had the right to contact an attorney or anyone else before making any statement.

An attempt to set up an appointment with MURRAY was made, but he advised that he had nothing to say and would not be interviewed. At this time the interview was terminated.

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JAMES C. TIBBS, 206 Wensel Avenue, Natchez, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the investigation. He was further advised that he did not have to make any statement, any statement he did make could be used in court, and that he had the right to contact an attorney or anyone else before making any statement.

TIBBS advised that he has never been at the Burger Chef in Natchez, Mississippi, and has never parked along side the road near the Burger Chef. He stated that he did not know anything about the serving policy of the Burger Chef and said that he did not care because food sold at such cheap prices would not be fit to eat.

TIBBS was unable to furnish any information about harassment of customers or fights that occurred at the Burger Chef.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION New Orleans, Louisiana April 29, 1966

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

A source, with whom insufficient contact has been made to determine reliability, advised that he had learned on April 13, 1966, that JIMMY SCARBROUGH, the former Exalted Cyclops of the Ferriday-Clayton, Louisiana, Unit of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK), had stated that HANK HOWINGTON, a member of the Ferriday-Clayton, Louisiana, Unit, OKKKK, had a package to be delivered to JACK SEAL in Mississippi.

SCARBROUGH supposedly indicated that the package was actually two dynamite caps, and SCARBROUGH stated "the Burger Chef won't burn." Source assumed from this statement that the dynamite caps were to be used to dynamite the Burger Chef.

A characterization of the OKKKK is attached.

This source learned on April 14, 1966, that HANK HOWINGTON had placed a package, the outer wrapping of this package was of wax paper similar to that used to wrap sandwiches, in the glove compartment of an automobile in Ferriday, Louisiana.

This package, which was approximately 3 by 4 inches and not very thick, was supposed to have been delivered to JACK SEAL in Mississippi, on April 14, 1966. The package was not delivered, and JIMMY SCARBROUGH removed the package from the glove compartment of the automobile.

The source advised on April 18, 1966, that at a Province 5 meeting of the OKKKK held on April 16, 1966, SCARBROUGH indicated that the package was still in his, SCARBROUGH's, possession. This source felt that SCARBROUGH had made delivery or would make delivery of the package himself.

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ENCLOSURE

FD-36 (-F B 1 4/29/66 Date: Transmit the following in (Type in plaintext or code) AIRTEL AIRMAIL Via (Priority) DIRECTOR, FBI (173-3062) TO: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (173-547) FROM: UNSUBS; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM SUBJECT: Burger Chef Drive-In, Natchez, Mississippi PA, CRA, 1964 のないに対対な Re Bureau airtel, 4/25/66. Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies and for Jackson one copy of an LHM regarding captioned matter. FOIA(b)7 (D) Source utilized in LHM is It is noted that information from the informant has been paraphrased in an effort to protect the identity of the informant. Ice CRD - 2-OSURE Bureau (Enclosures 8)E - Jackson (157-5830) (Enclosure) (RM) 2 - New Orleans 3-306: EBL/cal Helen Unit (6) MAY 4 1966 З (2.5)Ċ Sent М Agent in Charge DocId:31420962

This source advised on April 22, 1966, that he did not have any additional information regarding the above-mentioned package.

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Report of: SA REESIE L. TIMMONS Date: APRIL 30, 1966

Office: JACKSON

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Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

Character: PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS - CIVIL RIGHTS ACT, 1964

Synopsis: Owners of automobiles from which license numbers were reported by Burger Chef employees interviewed. JOE L. HARDY was aware of leaflets distributed by UKA, Inc. and heard of incident wherein Burger Chef employees was allegedly assaulted while getting license numbers of autos parked on road. Others admitted visiting Burger Chef but deny knowledge of leaflets or the 3/31/66 incident. Two of individuals depicted in photographs identified and interviewed, two not identified to date, and individuals depicted in slides 2, 6, 7, 11, and 12 not identified to date. Informant has obtained no information regarding Burger Chef incident since that reported 4/18/66.

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DETAILS:

The following individuals are the registered owners of the automobile license plates reported by employees of the Burger Chef Drive-In:

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CHARLES BOYLES, 151 Deveraux Drive, Natchez, Mississippi, was exhibited photographs of known and suspected kian members in the Natchez area, at which time he made the following comments:

BOYLES stated that the man on the left in photograph number 9 was at the Burger Chef on the night of March 31, 1966, in one of the cars parked on the shoulder of the road at the entrance to the Burger Chef.

He also stated that the individual with the checked shirt in photograph number 11 was with the group parked at the entrance to the Burger Chef on the night of March 31, 1966; as well as on several other occasions.

The individual on the right in photograph number 12 has been seen also in a car parked at the entrance to the Burger Chef Drive In.

He stated that the mangin slide number 2 with the striped shirt without the robe, the man with the blue shirt in slide number 7, and both men in slide number 12 have been seen in cars parked on the shoulder of the road at the entrance to the Burger Chef on more than one occasion.

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BILL MCDANIEL, Assistant Manager, Burger Chef Drive-In, Natchez, Mississippi, who resides at 79 Auburn Avenue, Natchez, Mississippi, was exhibited photographs of known and suspected kian members in the Natchez area at which time he made the following observations:

McDANIEL stated that the first individual on the left in Photographs Number 1 and 2, and the person in Photograph Number 3 has been in a car parked at the entrance to the Burger Chef on several occasions and was at the Burger Chef the night MURRAY SEALS, JR., was attacked.

He also stated that the individual in Slide Number 11 looked very similar to the individual who attacked MURRAY SEALS, JR., on March 31, 1966, at the Burger Chef, but he pointed out that he was not identifying this individual as the individual who had attacked SEALS but merely that this individual looked like the individual who had attacked SEALS.

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Mr. LOREN HOWARD, Manager, Burger Chef Drive-In, who resides at 138 South Commerce Street, Natchez, Mississippi, was exhibited photographs of known and suspected klan members in the Natchez, Mississippi, area, at which time he made the following observations:

HOWARD stated that the first individual on the left in Photographs Number 1 and 2, and the person in Photograph Number 3 is the person known to him as Mr. CARTER whom he has seen as a member of the committee which he met with at the Glass House Restaurant. He stated he has also seen this person parked in a car at the entrance to the Burger Chef.

He also stated that he has seen the individual in Photograph Number 4 either at the meeting of the committee at the Glass House Restaurant or in one of the cars parked at the entrance of the Burger Chef.

HOWARD also described the following persons as being members of the committee which met at the glass House Restaurant:

A tall slender individual who wears glasses, sport coats and a string tie. He stated this individual is always with E. L. McDANIEL.

A young individual whom he could only describe as "being fat and a smart aleck."

Mr. HOWARD further stated that there was a yellow 1965 or 1966 Dodge which he had often seen parked with the other cars at the entrance to the Burger Chef Drive-In.

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Mr. HOWARD stated that he met E. L. McDANIEL at the Fountain Lounge, Natchez, Mississippi, about one week before MURRAY SEALS was attacked, at which time McDANIEL told him that he knew nothing about any tacks being thrown in the driveway of the Burger Chef and that he did not believe that any of his group had put the tacks on the driveway. HOWARD also stated that McDANIEL had told him that he felt harassment was senseless.

HOWARD also stated that he met DENISE WALTERMAN, who reportedly owns a beauty shop in Vidalia, Louisiana, at the Fountain Lounge, Natchez, Mississippi, on April 10, 1966. HOWARD stated that WALTERMAN advised him she had been running around with E. L. McDANIEL and had a "busted lip" that evening which she had gotten from a fight with E. L. McDANIEL.

HOWARD stated that since the cars have quit parking at the entrance to the Burger Chef, the business of the Burger Chef has gone up considerably. JN 157-5830 CGP/skm 1

The photographs which were exhibited to LOREN HOWARD on April 12, 1966, were viewed by SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE who made the following observations:

The individual on the left in Photographs Number 1 and 2, and the person in Photograph Number 3 is REGGIE P. CARTER.

The individual in Photograph Number 4 is JOHN WILLIAM BARBER.

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M. D. NETTLES, JR., 410 Walnut Street, Natchez, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents and the nature of the investigation. He was further advised that he did not have to make any statement, any statement he did make could be used in court, and that he had the right to consult with an attorney or anyone else before making any statement.

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NETTLES advised that he frequents the Burger Chef;, but the only reason he goes there is to purchase food for himself or his family. NETTLES advised that he has not seen any literature distributed by the United Klans of America concerning the serving policy of the Burger Chef.

NETTLES stated that he has never parked on the roadway alongside the Burger Chef or in the parking lot to harass or observe the customers. He said that he has never been present at the Burger Chef when any fight occurred and had no knowledge of any incidents that have occurred at the Burger Chef. He denied ever being connected with the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) and said he had no sympathy or time for the organization.

The following description of NETTLES was obtained through observation and interview:

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Date 5/10/66

WOODROW W. CARNELL, interviewed at the Liberty Road Ball Park, Natchez, Mississippi, May 7, 1966, was advised of the identity of the Interviewing agents by SA JAMES R. MC GEE, who also advised him that he did not have to furnish any information, that any information he did furnish could be used in a court of law, and that he could contact an attorney or anyone class at any time.

CARNELL advised that he would not discuss anything with any representative of the FBI at any time. He stated he would give his name and address only, did not trust any FBI Agent as he considered all of them to be communists, and further added that he has not violated any law.

CARNELL advised that he owns and operates CARNELL Welding and Repair Shop, 538 U. S. Highway 61 North, Natchez, Mississippi.

The following description was obtained from observation:

Height: Weight: Build: Eyes: 5 feet 10 inches 220 pounds Very heavy Dark

On_<u>5/7/56</u>ot Natchez, Mississippi File# Jackson 157-5830 SA REESIE L. TIMMONS and by <u>SA JAMES R. MC CEE/clm</u> Date dictated <u>5/8/66</u>

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May 25, 1966

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SAC, Jackson (157-5830) To:

Director, FBI (173-3062) From:

UNSUBS;

BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS CIVIL RIGHTS ACT 1964

Rerep of SA Reesie L. Timmons dated May 10 1966, at Jackson, and Bureau airtel dated May 12, 1966.

If your report has not already been submitted, furnish same by return mail and advise in detail of reason for delay.

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NOTE: PI being conducted at Department request regarding interference in form of Klan harassment of customers and assault on an employee of captioned establishment which serves Negroes. Jackson is displaying photographs of known and suspected Klansmen to witnesses in attempt to identify all unsubs.

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ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (LOUISIANA) (OKKKK)

A source advised on October 25, 1963, that an organization known as the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK) had been organized in the State of Louisiana at Shreveport, Louisiana, in December of 1960.

A second source advised on March 23, 1965, that this organization continues to be active and that the aims and purposes of this group are to continue to promote Americanism, the supremacy of the white race, and the continuance of segregation between the races.

A third source advised on December 23, 1965, that this organization continues to be active within the State of Louisiana and its aims and purposes continue to be the same.

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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, BURGER-CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, JUNE 15, 1966

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TO Director JUN15 1966

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FROM Doar ssistant Attorney General Civil Rights Division

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SUBJECT: Unknown Subjects; Natchez (Adams County) Miss.; Louis J. Michot, Burger-Chef -- Victim; Interference with Public Accommodations CRA of 1964

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Reference is made to my memorandum of 3/28/66 concerning the above-captioned matter.

Aftorneys of this Division have been informed by the manager of the Natchez, Mississippi Burger-Chef, Mr. Howard, that he has met on two occasions with a group of ten men who have identified themselves assmembers of and represented Klu Klux Klan organizations in Adams County. Mr. Howard advised that he does not know the complete. identitypof these men.

Please exhibit to Mr. Howard all available photographs of known klansmen active in and around the Natchez Area, for the purpose of identifying the ten men with whom he allegedly met. Also optain full details of the conversation which took place and, by means of identified photographs, determine which of the ten men said what.

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Department now requests additional investigation to identify all those present at the meetings. Requested investigation consists of exhibiting to the manager all available photographs of Klansmen in Natchez area.

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To: SAC, Jackson (157-5830)

From: Director, FBI (173-3062) ---

UNSUBS; REC- 96 BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, MATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI; MURRAY EDWARD[®]SEALS, JR. - VICTIM PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS CRA - 1964

Re report of SA Reesie L. Timmons dated 5/30/66 at Jackson.

Enclosed are two copies of a self-explanatory Departmental memorandum dated 6/15/66 requesting additional investigation in this matter.

Complete the requested investigation and surep within five days of receipt of this communication. State in the first paragraph of the details of your report that this is a limited investigation and underscore the word limited.

Advise all persons interviewed that this investigation is being conducted at the specific request of Nicholas deB. Katzenbach, Attorney General of the United States.

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NOTE: PI completed and final results furnished to Department on 6/3/66 regarding interference by Klansmen with operation of captioned establishment which serves Negroes. PI disclosed information regarding meetings of establishment manager with Klansmen on two occasions; manager tentatively identified some of those present, at the meetings.

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AT NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

Will contact Burger Chef Manager concerning alleged statement about burning the Burger Chef. ellin , 2*

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On June 16, 1966, GENE COREIL, Accountant for the Burger Chef Drive-In, advised the New Orleans Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that a mimeographed paper had been distributed in Natchez on the night of June 10 or June 11, 1966, by the United Klans of America, Incorporated, (UKA). According to COREIL, the manager of the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi, stated that a customer told him that the Burger Chef was to be burned down before the month (June) was out.

ENCLOSURES

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (173-3062)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (173-787)

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of a circular distributed at Natchez, Mississippi, on 6/11/66, which was signed by the United Klans of America, Adams County Units, Realm of Mississippi.

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ENCLOSURE



A CHEAP HAMBURGER COST A LOT MORE THAN 15¢

White citizens of Natchez, congratulations! You have proven what some people thought impossible to achieve. You, with only a few exceptions, have stuck together in a surprising and gratifying manner. When you were informed about the unhaly plot to bring teen-agers of both races together at the Burger Chef, you were evidently thankful that someone cared enough about you to inform you of the purpose of a seemingly innocent drive-in establishment. With this information and 15¢ nore you chose to buy a homburger in the company of members of your own race. You didn't sell out your heritage for 15¢!

You chose to keep your teen-age sons and daughters away from the establishment by giving them a little more money and a lot more consideration. You showed that you cared for them by keeping them away from the demonalizing influence of such a gathering place. You chose to stay away from - and reen your fimily away from - slandercus insults thrown from negroes who were not there for a homburger, but for the thrill of seeing the white race degrade itself.

You stayed away so well and so completely that the establishment can now boast of a 90% negro business. Out of the 10% white trade we can discount the transients from other counties and states who are unaware of the goings-on, and who are probably herrified at the cars surrounding them containing jeering, smirking, idle negroes. The remaining shall percent of Natchez whites are either brain-washed or blind. They are still telling themselves that just because teen-agers of both races stand in the same line together and park their cars side by side, they don't necessarily have to start up a conversation, sit in the same car together, and eventually date one another. Call it brain-washed or blind, or what you will. These people are grossly misled and no one can help this narrow-minded, gullible, unconcerned minority.

On the other hand, thank God, you - the white majority of Natchez - have spoken in a loud wide, though you may not have said a word. You have silently and ceremonicusly clasped hands with your neighbors and held on to what is rightfully yours - a pure and untainted race. You have loyally respected the Southern way of life and protected your birthright, because a cheap homburger just deem't mean that much to you. Lot the brain-washed and the blind save their money, since that's what is most important to them.

The negroes of Matchez need a drive-in restaurant.

LET THEM HAVE THE BURGER CHEF!

We are all for God and country.

United Klans of America Adams County Units Realm of Mississippi



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

New Orleans, Louisiana June 16, 1966

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

Mr. Gene Coreil, Accountant for Burger Chef, Lafayette, Louisiana, who is also part owner of the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi, advised on June 15, 1966, that he had received information from Mr. Loren Howard, Manager, Natchez Burger Chef, that on the night of June 10, 1966, or early morning of June 11, 1966, some mimeographed papers had been distributed in Natchez, Mississippi.

Coreil made available one of the papers which contained the following text:

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"A CHEAP HAMBURGER COST A LOT MORE THAN 15¢

"White citizens of Natchez, congradulations! You have proven what some people thought impossible to achieve. You, with only a few exceptions, have stuck together in a surprising and gratifying manner. When you were informed about the unwholly plot to bring teen-agers of both races together at the Burger Chef, you were thankful that someone cared enough about you to inform you of the purpose of a seemingly innocent drive-in establishment. With this information and fifteen cents more, you choose to buy a hamburger in the company of members of your own race. You didn't sell out your heritage for 15¢.

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"You choose to keep your teen-age sons and daughters away from the establishment by giving them a little more money and a lot more consideration. You showed that you cared for them by keeping them away from the demoralizing influence of such a place. You choose to stay away from--and keep your family away from-- slanderous insults thrown from negroes who were not there for a hamburger, but for the thrill of seeing the white race degrade itself.

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"The negroes of Natchez need a drive-in restaurant.

"LET THEM HAVE THE BURGER CHEF!

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"We are all for God and country."

/S/ United Klans of America Adams County units Realm of Mississippi

Mr. Coreil advised that Mr. Howard had told him on June 14, 1966, that on Saturday, June 11, 1966, a customer had advised Howard that he had heard that the Burger Chef in Natchez was to be burned down before the month was out. Mr. Coreil stated that he understood that the month referred to was June, 1966.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE COMMUNICATIONS SECTION Mr. DeLoach. Mr. Mohr_ Mr. Wick_ Mr. Casper_ JUN 1 7 1966 Mr. Callahan Mr. Conrad. FBI WASH DC Mr. Felt. Mr. Gale___ Mr. Rosen Mr. Sullivar Mr. Tavel FBI JKN MISS Mr. Trotter_ Tele. Room 11:48 PM CSR URGENT 6-16-66 KCH 6-Mc Botw Miss Holmes. Miss Gandy. T9: DIRECTOR (173-3062) FROM: JAICKBON (173-NEW) UNSUB BURGER CHEF DRIVE- IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS - CIVIL RIGHTS SIX FIFTEEN SIXTYSIX. R.T. MOORD, CRD, ACT OF SIXTYFOUR

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ON SIX FIFTEEN SIXTYSIX, LOREN HOWARD, MANAGER, BURGER CHEF DRIVE- IN. NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, ADVISED BUREAU AGENTS THAT HE FOUND A CIRCULAR SIGNED BY THE UNITED KLANS OF 173-3062 51 AMERICA, ADAMS COUNTY UNITS, REALM OF MISSISSIPPI, REGARDING PEOPLE STAYING AWAY FROM TRADING AT THE BURGER CHEF AND JUN 20.1966 3 ADVOCATING THAT THEY SHOULD CONTINUE TO DO SO.

HOWARD ADVISED THAT HE FOUND THESE CIRCULARS THROWN ON STREETS AND SIDEWALKS THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF NATCHEZ ON SIX ELEVEN SIXTYSIX. HOWARD FURTHER ADVISED THAT TACKS HAD AGAIN BEEN THROWN IN THE DRIVEWAY AND HE KNOWS AT LEAST ONE cc-Denly 678 CUSTOMER HAD A FLAT TIRE BECAUSE OF THIS.

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HOWARD ALSO ADVISED THAT A BOY, WHOM HE KNOWS ONLY AS A CUSTOMER HE HAS SEEN PREVIOUSLY, STOPPED HIM AT THE FRONT WINDOW OF THE BURGER CHEF AND TOLD HIM THAT HE HAD HEARD SOME INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE UNKNOWN TO HIM STATE THAT THE BURGER CHEF ONLY HAD A COUPLE OF MORE MONTHS AND IT APPEARED THE ONLY WAY TO HANDLE IT WAS TO BURN IT DOWN.

HOWARD ADVISED THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL WOULD NOT IDENTIFY HIMSELF AND HE WAS NOT ABLE TO OBTAIN HIS LICENSE NUMBER, AND HAS NOT SEEN HIM SINCE THAT EVENING.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES BEING ADVISED.

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If not already handled, advise appropriate state authorities, Secret Service and G2 regarding threat to burn captioned establishment. Those agencies, as well as local authorities, should also be advised of any subsequent threats received in this matter, in View of past events and possible involvement of the Klan.

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NOTE: PI previously conducted regarding harassment of captioned establishment by Klan; establishment serves Negroes. PI instituted 6/16/66 re further incidents of harassment. Jackson advised information received from unidentified individual that unknown persons indicated Burger Chef "only had a couple of more months," and that the only way to handle it was to burn it down.

No radio contact with Jackson Divison until further notice.

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Date 6/22/66

CHARLES DAVIDSON was contacted in front of the Natchez Police Department, Natchez, Mississippi on June 17, 1966, and advised that the Agents wanted to talk to him about the circular that had been put out on the streets of Matchez on the night of June 10, 1966, regarding the Burger Chef Drive-In. DAVIDSON refused to talk to the Agents and got into his mitomobile and left the area.



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Investigation and Indicate that REGGIE CARTER, CHARLES DAVIDSON, and JOE HARDY, who are UKA members, may be involved in the printing and distribution of the above described circulars. DAVIDSON has been interviewed and has advised that CARTER is presently on vacation and will not return until after 6/27/66 at which time he will be interviewed.

Report will not be submitted within 7 days because subjects are not available for interview.

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FBI 6/24/66 Date Pransmit the following in AIRTEL 5 (Type in plaintext or code. 9 G report (Priority) an the ಣ ಸ TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (173-3062) you ςŢΟ SAC, JACKSON (157-5830) FROM: t0 page seven UNSUBS; urnished BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS CRA - 1964 to 9-1 was invited Enclosed for the Bureau are 2 copies of a LHM reflecting an interview with LOREN HOWARD, Manager, which Burger Chef Drive-In, Natchez, Mississippi. 1s 1 /66 w Photographs of known and suspected Klan members were not shown to HOWARD as they had previously been Attention shown to him and he could only identify a Mr. CARTER, S S S as pointed out in previous report. dated Mr. HOWARD advised that he learned that LOUIS MICHOT. Supervisor, Burger Chef, Drive-In, Lafayette, La., had written letters to the Department of Justice, Mr. 6-94B: Prospere HOOVER, and three Congressmen regarding the situation at the Burger Chef in Natchez, Mississippi, however, he does not know the contents of these letters submitted by ON Mr. MICHOT. One copy of LHM being furnished the USA, Jackson. CRD de. CRA,64 \mathfrak{O} No further investigation being conducted in NOTE TO C Clarence Jackson Divişion UACB. EX-103 5.1 REC- 39 3)- Bureau (Enc. Jackson JUN 27 1966 RHH/lsk (5) Per 19pegial Agent in Charge



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Jackson, Mississippi June 24, 1966

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

By letter dated June 15, 1965, Mr. John Doar, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, United States Department of Justice, advised that attorneys of his Division have been informed by the manager of the Natchez, Mississippi, Barger Chef, Mr. Howard, that he has met on two occasions with a group of ten men who have identified themselves as members of and represented Ku Klux Klan organizations in Adams County. Mr. Howard advised he does not know the complete identity of these men.

In his letter, Mr. Doar requested that all available photographs of known Klansmen active in and around the Natchez area be exhibited to Mr. Howard for the purpose of identifying the ten men with whom he allegedly met. Also, obtain full details of the conversation which took place and by means of the identified photographs, determine which of the ten men said what.

Mr. Howard, manager of the Burger Chef, was interviewed and the results of same are attached hereto:

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Mr. LOREN HOWARD, Manager, Burger Chef Drive-In, Bridge By-pass, Natchez, Mississippi, furnished the following information.

Mr. HOWARD stated that he met with the committee of ten men on only two occasions, the last of these being in April, 1966. He stated that he has had no contact with any member of this committee since that time.

Mr. HOWARD advised that the only individual on this committee who he knew was a Mr. (First Name Unknown) CARTER. He stated that CARTER was not the leader of either of these meetings. He further advised that it would not be possible for him to remember which individual said what but only remember that information which he had previously furnished in his signed statement.

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Mr. LOREN HOWARD, Manager, Burger Chef Drive-In, Bridge Bypass, Natchez, Mississippi, after being advised of the identities of the interviewing agents, furnished the following signed statement:

"June 21, 1966 Natchez, Mississippi

Date 6/29/66

"I, Loren Howard, Manager, Burger Chef Drive-In, Bridge By-Pass, Natchez, Mississippi, do voluntarily furnish the following statement to Richard H. Hamilton and James R. McGee, who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the Faderal Bureau of Investigation. Special Agent Hamilton has advised me that this statement may be used in a court of law. No threats or promises have been made to get me to make this statement.

"On Saturday, June 11, 1966, I found several copies of a circular type letter entitled, 'A Gheap Hamburger Cost a Lot More Then 15¢,' which was signed by the 'United Klans of America, Adams County Units, Realm of Mississippi" thrown on streets, sidewalks and doorsteps throughout the city of Natchez. This circular letter thanked those white citizens who had not patronized the Burger Chef Drive-In and advocated that they continue to do so and encouraged others not to patronize the Burger Chef Drive-In. On the Saturday, June 11, 1966, that this circular was distributed the volume of my sales was down approximately \$200.00 over

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my sales the previous Saturday; however, I cannot state positively that this drop in sales was due entirely on the circular which was distributed.

"On about Tuesday, June 14, 1966, a young male customer stopped me at the front serving window and told me that he had overheard two men, who were unknown to him, say that the Burger Chef only had a couple of more months to go and it looked as if the only way to handle it was to burn it down. The individual who advised me of the above information would not give me his name and I did not obtain his license number. I know this person only as an individual who I have seen on a few occasions make purchases at the Burger Chef Drive-In.

"At about 9:00 a.m. on the morning of June 15, 1966, I found numerous roofing nails scattered on the entrance of the Burger Chef Drive-In as far up the driveway as the Burger Chef sign. None of my employees can recall seeing anything suspicious on the night of June 14, 1966, and John Jackson, my night cleanup man, who leaves about 3:00 a.m., cannot recall seeing anything suspicious or noticing any roofing nails in the driveway at the time he left.

"I have read this statement consistingsthis of and one other page and it is true to the best of my knowledge. /s/ Loren Howard 6/21/66

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"Witnessed:

"Richard H. Hamilton, Special Agent, FBI, Natchez, Miss., 6/21/66.

"James R. McGEE, Special Agent, FBI, Natchez, Miss., 6/21/66."

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Mr. LOREN HOWARD, Manager, Burger Chef Drive-In, Bridge Bypass, Natchez, Mississippi, after being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents furnished the following information:

On June 15, 1966, Mr. HOWARD advised that he had found numerous circular type letters distributed throughout the Natchez area on sidewalks and doorsteps on June 11, 1966. HOWARD advised that this circular was entitled "A Gheap Hamburger Cost A Lot More Than Fifteen Cents." which was signed by the "United Klans of America, Adams County Unit, Realm of Mississippi." He stated that this circular advocated that the citizens of Natchez not patronize the Burger Chef Drive-In. Mr. HOWARD made copies of this circular available to the Bureau agents.

HOWARD stated that on the Saturday that these circulars were distributed his business was down about \$200 from the previous Saturday; however, he could not state positively that this drop was caused entirely by the distribution of the circular.

Mr. HOWARD advised that a young boy, whose identity is unknown to him, stopped him at the front customer's window on about June 14, 1966, and advised Mr. HOWARD that he had overheard some individuals, whose identity were unknown to him, state that the Burger Chef only had a couple of more months, and it looked like the only way to handle it was to burn it down.

On June 16, 1966, Mr. HOWARD advised Bureau egents that on June 15, 1966, numerous roofing nails were scattered on the entrance driveway to the Burger Chef Drive-In. He stated that he had inquired of his employees if any of them had seen anything suspicious and none were able to recall seeing anyone distribute the roofing nails.

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On June 17, 1966, Mr. HOWARD advised that a, first name unknown (FNU), McCLURE had stated that a Swift Company employee had told him that he had gotten a flat tire while making a delivery at the Burger Chef Drive-In. Mr. HOWARD stated that when he called the people at Swift, they knew nothing about such an incident.

Mr. HOWARD advised that he had been fingerprinted while serving in the United States Marine Corps from 1951 through 1953, and his service number was 1364517.

Mr. HOWARD advised that he would be more than willing to furnish all of the above information in the form of a signed statement; but due to a business appointment, would be unable to do so at this time.

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REGINALD P. CARTER, 1198 North Pine Street, Natchez, Mississippi, was interviewed at the Adams County Court House, Natchez, at which time he was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent. SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE advised CARTER that he did not have to make a statement. that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to consult an attorney or anyone else before making any statement.

CARTER stated he had been interviewed twice before regarding the possible bombing or burning of the Burger Chef, Natchez, Mississippi, and that he still did not wish to furnish any information to the FBI.

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Mrs. ROBERT W. HAVARD, Manager, Glass House Restaurant, Natchez, Mississippi advised that the restaurant is owned by she and her husband and that due to the other business commitments of her husband that she manages the Glass House Restaurant. Mr. HAVARD stated she has been told that REGCIE CARTER is a Klansman, but that she has no recollection of any meetings of CARTER and other individuals with LOREN HOWARD, Manager, Burger Chef. Mrs. HAVARD pointed out that she has hard of LOREN HOWARD as the manager of the Burger Chef, but that she has not met him and does not know him by sight.

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Mrs. HAVARD stated that a group of ten or twelve individuls meeting at the Glass House Restaurant would not be unusual as this restaurant is a pickup point and hangout for oil field employees and it is not uncommon for groups of these individuals to eat and drink coffee in the Glass House Restaurant. Mrs. HAVARD further stated that in view of the fact she does not know who the Klansmen are in the Natchez area she would not be able to identify a particular group as being a group of Klansmen.

Mrs. HAVARD stated, after reviewing her records, that she has no help presently employed who was working at the Glass House Restaurant in February or March of 1966 who would have had occasion to see the customers. She explained that she had some Negroes employed in her kitchen, but that the kitchen help was unable to see through into the dinning room. Mrs. HAVARD further stated that the help which she has are generally transients and have no fixed address whereby she can locate former Employees.

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SAM ROBERTSON, 206 South Nankin Street, Natchez, Mississippi advised that he did not wish to furnish any information regarding a phone call received at his cab stand in connection with the Bugger Chef and he pointed out that he had previously advised that he did not wish to furnish any information regarding this matter.

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Mr. BOBBY THRASH, Manager, Orkin, 12 East Franklin Street, Natchez, Mississippi advised that he is the individual who received a phone call some time in April, 1966, exact date not recalled, from an individual who refused to identify himself. The caller asked THRASH if he was the manager of Orkin and when THRASH answered in the affirmative the caller then asked THRASH to boycott the Burger Chef and stop the Orkin trucks from stopping at the Burger Chef.

Mr. THRASH stated his company has a service contract with the Burger Chef and that he advised the caller that Orkin would continue to service the Bugger Chef and would not cooperate in any boycott of the Burger Chef.

Mr. THRASH stated that several times during the conversation he attempted to get this individual to identify himself and even offered to met with the caller and discuss the matter over a cup of coffee, however, the caller refused to do this and denied to identify himself.

Mr. THRASH stated that he could only described the caller as an individual, believed to be a white male, and that he has feceived no other calls and cannot furnish any further information regarding the caller.

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ReBuairtel to Jackson 7/28/66.

Enclosed herewith for the New Orleans Division are five Ektachrome Transparencies numbered 2,6,7,11 and 12, and three photographs numbered 6,7, and 9.

Referenced airtel had as an enclosure a letter to the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, from JOHN DOAR, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, dated July 26, 1966, requesting that efforts be made to identify individuals in photographs which have been made a part of this file in the Jackson Division. Referenced Buairtel makes reference to the fact that Detective FRANK A. RICKARD of the Natchez, Miss. PD indicated he believed these individuals were probably from out of state. The Bureau instructed that in view of these comments and the proximity of Natchez to Louisiana, that copies of photographs in question should be immediately furnished to the New Orleans Division for display to informants and other logical sources in that Division in an effort to effect identifications.

The Bureau further advised that this matter should be afforded continuous daily attention and close supervision.

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Reference is made to the Department's request stated on page 2 of the enclosed memorandum concerning further efforts to identify individuals observed at captioned establishment. It is noted that Jackson report dated 5/30/66, stated that Detective Frank A. Rickard of the Natchez Police Department indicated he believed these individuals were probably from out of state. In view of his comments and the proximity of Natchez to Louisiana, copies of photographs in question should be immediately furnished to the New Orleans Division for display to informants and other logical sources in that Division in an effort to effect identifications.

Afford this matter continuous daily attention and close supervision.

Advise all persons interviewed that this investigation is being conducted at the specific request of Attorney General Nicholas deB. Katzenbach.

NOTE: PI previously conducted regarding interference by Klan concerning captioned establishment which serves Negroes. Interference has been infform of harrassment of patrons by recording license numbers, anonymous telephone calls, nails in drive-way of establishment and distribution of pamphlets. PI presently being conducted regarding additional similar interference, covering some phases of investigation requested by above Department memorandum.

Sam Robertson, referred to on page 2 of Department memorandum, reportedly recipient of a telephone call; he was previously interviewed and declined to furnish any information.

Efforts to identify photographs of persons recognized as possibly participating in interference have already been displayed to witnesses, Jackson informants, and members of Natchez PD.



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LOREN LESLIE HOWARD, Manager, Burger Chef Drive-In, Natchez, Mississippi advised that he has not seen the individual who reported to him that the Burger Chef would be burned and he knows of no way to identify this individual.

HOWARD stated that he is unable to furnish any information as to the exact date that he met with the committee at the Glass House Restaurant and that he can only refer back to information he has previously furnished in a signed statement as his memory becomes more cloudy with the passage of time regarding the various incidents that took place in February and March, 1966.

HOWARD stated he is unable to identify the "Orkin Exterminator Man" and that he would not recognize this individual should he see him again.

HOWARD stated that he is hesitant to furnish information as things are quiet at the Burger Chef and that he has actually, for the first time, exceeded \$400 in business on a weekend and he feels that to dontinue the investigation of the incidents in February and March merely increases the possibility of stirring up the Klan again and may cause unknown individuals toktake action against the Burger Chef because by continued investigation by the FBI it appears that the Burger Chef is responsible for the continuance of this investigation.

Mr. HOWARD stated he fully realized that the FBI is continuing investigation without the specific request of the Burger Chef, but he stated that to the Klansmen who are interviewed he feels that they might twist the facts and convince themselves that the Burger

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Chef is responsible for the investigation and therefore these Klansmen might take some action against the Burger Chef. FD-263 (Rev. 9-17-65)

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Bureau airtel to Jackson dated 7/28/66. Jackson airtel to Director dated 8/5/66.

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Will report results of the efforts to identify individuals in photographs and slides which have previously been furnished to the New Orleans Division by referenced Jackson airtel to Director dated 8/5/66.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Referenced Bureau airtel to Jackson dated 7/28/66 enclosed a self-explanatory departmental memorandum dated 7/26/66 requesting additional investigation in this matter.

The following is set forth for the information of the Bureau and refersively by paragraph to the departmental memorandum referred to above:

PARAGRAPH II

"Contact LOREN HOWARD, Manager of the Natchez Burger Chef, in reference to the statement of GENE COREIL, Accountant for the Lafayette, Louisiana, Burger Chef, recorded in your report of June 21, 1966 that HOWARD reported that a customer advised HOWARD that the Burger Chef would be burned, and determine the identity of this customer and obtain additional facts as to what this customer said. Interview that customer for the purpose of determining how he learned the Burger Chef would be burned."

In report of SA JAMES R. MC GEE, Jackson, dated July 11, 1966 captioned "UNSUB; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, JUNE 15, 1966. PA, CRA, 1964". (Bureau file 173-3062; Jackson file 157-787).

On Fage 6, Paragraph 2 LOREN HOWARD in signed statement stated "On about Tuesday, June 14, 1966, a young male customer stopped me at the front serving window and told me that he had overheard two men who were unknown to him, say that the Burger Chef only had a couple of more months to go and itelooks as if the only way to handle it was to burn it down. The individual who advised me of the above information would not give me his name and I did not obtain his license number. I know this person only as an individual who I have seen on a few occasions make purchases at the Burger Chef Drive-In."

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Reinterview of LOREN HOWARD in connection with this matter is set forth in instant report.

PARAGRAPH III

"Interview REGGIE P. CARTER for the purpose of determining what other persons met with LOREN HOWARD at the Glass House Restaurant on two occasions."

In report of SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE, Jackson, dated April 9, 1966 captioned "UNSUBS; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR., - VICTIM; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI. PA, CRA, 1964", an interview of CARTER is set forth on Page 49. In this interview CARTER refused to furnish any information.

In report of SA JAMES R. MC GEE, Jackson, dated July 11, 1966 captioned "UNSUB; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, JUNE 15, 1966. PA, CRA, 1964", (Bureau file 173-3062) (Jackson file 157-787), an interview of CARTER is set forth.inIn this interview CARTER again furnished no information of Value.

Results of reinterview with REGGIE P. CARTER set forth in this report.

PARAGRAPH III

"Determine from LOREN HOWARD the exact date he met with the committee at the Glass House Restaurant, and contact the waitresses, cashier and any other persons at the Glass House who might have seen and can identify the members of this committee."

In report of SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE, Jackson, dated April 9, 1966 there is a signed statement from LOREN LESLIE HOWARD. In this statement he states on Page 18, "The first harassment or interference with the operation of my business began about February 10, 1966 when a flier in the form of a letter was thrown out throughout the City of Natchez and part of Adams County." JN 157-5830

In the next paragraph of this statement HOWARD states "A second flier again in the form of a letter came about three weeks after the first flier".

In the next paragraph of this statement HOWARD states "Following this second letter he met with EDDIE L. MC DANIEL and a meeting was arranged about four days after the second flier was distributed." From this it appears the first meeting of HOWARD with REGGIE CARTER at the Glass House Restaurant took place about March 7, 1966.

On Page 20 of the report of SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE, Jackson, dated April 9, 1966 HOWARD in his statement stated "A few days later I again met with what he believed to be the same committee. No exact date is fixed."

By airtel from Jackson to theDDirector dated June 24, 1966 captioned "UNSUBS; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR., - VICTIM - PA, CRA, 1964", there is enclosed an LHM containing an FD-302 setting forth results of interview of June 24, 1966 with LOREN HOWARD. In this FD-302 Mr. HOWARD stated that he met with the committee of ten men on only two occasions, the last of these being in April, 1966. He stated that he has had no contact with any member of this committee since that time.

"Mr. HOWARD advised that the only individual on this committee who he knew was a Mr. (FNU) CARTER. He stated that CARTER was not the leader of either of these meetings. He further advised it would not be possible for him to remember which individual said what but only remember that information which he had previously furnished in his signed statement."

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Results of reinterview of LOREN LESLIE HOWARD are set forth in this report.

PARAGRAPH IV

"Reference is made to your report dated June 3, 1966 which contains Mr. HOWARD'S statement that an 'Orkin Exterminator Man' and an average of two or three customers a day stated that they had been called and told not to trade at the Burger Chef. In regard to this please identify and interview the Orkin man and as many of the customers as possible to ascertain the nature of the persons who called them and what was said."

In report of SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE, Jackson, dated April 22, 1966 captioned "UNSUBS; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR., - VICTIM; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, PA, CRA, 1964," interviews with CARMEN ETTA LEWIS and SAM ROBERTSON are on Pages 19 and 22 of this report.

It is to be noted that in Paragraph 1 on Page 2 of the departmental memorandum, referred to above, requests a reinterview of SAM ROBERTSON. Results of this reinterview are set forth in this report.

Also results of interview with the "Orkin Exterminator Man" are set forth in this report.

PARAGRAPH III

"Determine who is responsible for typing and copying the literature distributed in the Natchez area relating to the operation of the Burger Chef by:

> a. Checking with printers in the Natchez area, including any previously determined printer of segrationist literature for information which might indicate who ordered the literature in question printed;;

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- b. Comparing the typewriter marks on the distributed **Lint**erature with that on typed communications previously received or which can readily be obtained from suspected leaders of the Klan in the Natchez area;
- c. Examining watermarks on the distributed literature to determine the manufacturer of the paper and further determine where it was sold and to whom;
- d. Checking with Klan informants in the Natchez area for the purpose of identifying the literature in question as being printed and distributed by the UKA and/or KGF, Natchez units."

With respect to Item "a" no information has ever been developed and no items ever obtained which indicate a commercial printer in the Natchez area is used to print Klan literature. All letters and fliers distributed in the Klan have been typed and then mimeographed on mimeograph paper which bore no watermarks. No typewriter has ever been identified in previous investigations as being in possession of any particular Klansman.

With respect to Item "d" the Bureau is referred to the report of SA JAMES R. MC GEE, Jackson, dated July 11, 1966 captioned "UNSUB; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, JUNE 15, 1966, PA, CRA, 1964", (Bureau file 173-3062; Jackson file 157-787), which on the administrative Page "B" sets forth information as to who mimeographed and printed the fliers in this case. In addition interviews of the people involved are set forth in this report. In addition the information regarding

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who mimeographed and distributed circulars was set out in LHM submitted by cover airtel dated July 23, 1966 to the Director (Bureau file 173-3062; Jackson file 157-787) captioned "UNSUB; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, JUNE 15, 1966; PA, CRA, 1964".

For the information of the Bureau the owner of the Glass House Restaurant, namely ROBERT W. HAVARD, has previously been identified as a Klansman who informant now reports is no longer associated with the Klan. The Glass House Restaurant has been a hangout for Klansmen for over a year.

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Report of:	SA CLARENCE G.	PROSPERE	Office:	JACKSON
Date:	August 11, 1966			

Field Office File #: 157-5830

Bureau File #: 173-3062

Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR., - VICTIM

Character: PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS CIVIL RIGHTS ACT, 1964

Synopsis:

LOREN LESLIE HOWARD, Manager, Burger Chef, Natchez, Miss., upon reinterview states cannottidentify customer who advised him Burger Chef would be burned. Also states unable to furnish any additional information which would establish date he met with REGGIE CARTER and committee at Glass House Restaurant. HOWARD unable to identify "Orkin Exterminator Man". Orkin Exterminator Man identified and interviewed. SAM ROBERTSON, upon reinterview, stated he did not wish to furnish any information as previously stated. Mrs. ROBERT W. HAVARD, Manager, Glass House Restaurant unable to furnish information regarding committee and states no employees presently employed who were at restaurant when committee allegedly met.

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DETAILS:

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NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 CO: JACKSON

ReJNlet to the Director dated 8-5-66 with copies to New Orleans.

By return airtol advise date your report submitted and name of reporting Agent. If report has not already been submitted, furnish same by return mail.

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NOTE :

In connection with interference investigation, New Orleans is exhibiting photographs to Klan sources in that division to identify unknown Klansmen who have participated in some of the interference incidents involved in this matter.

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advised on 8/23/66, that the only individual which he recognized was on photograph number 9. He stated that the individual on the right hand side of the photograph appeared to be BUCK HORTON who resides at Vidalia, La.

Efforts to contact were unsuccessful inasmuch as and will FOIA(b)7 - (D) not be available for contact until 8/26/66.

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New Orleans, Louisiana September 6, 1966

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISS.; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. -VICTIM

The following individuals were contacted in an effort to identify individuals whose photographs were contained in snap shots and slides which were furnished to the New Orleans Office of the FBI by the Jackson Office of the FBI.

1. L. W. DAVIS, Mayor, Ferriday, Louisiana

2. ROBERT W. WARREN, Chief of Police,

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4. RAYMOND KEATHLY, Deputy, Concordia Parish Sheriff's Office, Vidalia, Louisiana

5. ALLEN CROSS, Police Officer, Vidalia, Louisiana

The above persons advised they were unable to identify any of the individuals on the transparencies which were numbered 2, 6, 7, 11 and 12 and on the three photographs numbered 6, 7, and 9.

A first confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on August 23, 1966, that the individual appearing on the right hand side of photograph number 9 appears to be BUCK HORTON, who resides at Vidalia, Louisiana.

A second confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on 8/26/66, that he could identify none of the persons depicted on the above mentioned transparencies and photographs.

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NOTE:

New Orleans is exhibiting photographs of various unidentified klansmen to sources in Louisiana, in attempting to identify unknown subjects, in connection with interference at captioned establishment.

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Mr. DAVID WEBB, Assistant Manager, Burger Chef Drive-In, Bridge Bypass, Natchez, Mississippi, after being advised of the identities of the interviewing agents furnished the following information:

Mr. WEBB advised that he was on duty the night of June 14, 1966, and did not notice any suspicious cars around the Burger Chef Drive-In. WEBB further advised that he did not notice any persons attempting to spread roofing nails in the driveway nor did he have any complaints by his customers for having any flat tires.

Mr. WEBB further advised that he has not noticed any cars parked on the edge of the roadway near the Burger Chef Drive-In.

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Miss ANN DELAUGHTER, 1116 Main Street, Natchez, Mississippi, who is employed at the Burger Chef Drive-In, after being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents, furnished the following information:

Miss DELAUGHTER advised that she was sitting on her front porch at about 1:00 a.m. on Saturday morning June 11, 1966, when she noticed two vehicles going down Main Street, distributing a circular type letter regarding white persons patronizing the Burger Chef Drive-In and signed by the United Klans of America, Adams County Unit, Realm of Mississippi. Miss DELAUGHTER described the cars as a 1966 Ghevrolet, green and white in color and the other car she could only describe as being a light colored new model automobile. Miss DELAUGHTER advised that persons in these vehicles were throwing numerous amounts of these circulars out the windows of the cars as they drove down Main Street.

Miss DELAUGHTER advised that she has not recently noticed any cars parked near the driveway entrance to the Burger Chef Drive-In.

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If your report has not already been submitted, furnish same by return mail and advise in detail of reason for delay.

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NOTE: Preliminary investigation previously conducted regarding interference by Klan involving captioned establishment which serves Negroes and whites; interference in form of harassment of customers, distribution of pamphlets, and placing nails in driveway.

PI presently being conducted regarding additional interference by Klan in form of distribution of pamphlets, nails in driveway, and possible threat to burn the establishment.

JK previously advised completion of investigation delayed due to temporary unavailability of suspects.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Jackson, Mississippi July 11, 1966

Title:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, JUNE 15, 1966

Character: PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS -CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

Reference: Report of SA James R. McGee, Jackson, Mississippi, dated July 11, 1966.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication, have furnished reliable information in the past.

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JOE MARDY, Route 5, Box 196, Natcher, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents. DA MC GRE advised WARDY that he did not have to say anything and anything he did say could be used against him in a court of ine. He was advised he had the right to commit with an atterney or anyone clos of his choice before saying anything. No force, threats or promises ware used.

MARDY refused to discuss any matters dealing with the Burger Chof Drive-In in Natchez, Mississippi.

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RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. -VICTIM PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS -CIVIL RIGHTS ACT, 1964

On July 6, 1966, Mr. Loren Howard, Manager, Burger Chef Drive-In, Bridge Bypass, Natchez, Mississippi, advised an Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) that he has been receiving telephone calls of a harassing nature. Mr. HOWARD advised he has received about six telephone calls in the last three weeks, usually about 12:00 midnight, and when he answers the phone, no one speaks. He advised that if he hangs up, the unknown caller merely calls him back and keeps the line open.

Mr. Howard advised that on the night of July 5, 1966, he received another such telephone call and when he kept asking who it was, the unknown male caller finally answered, "You are dead." When Howard asked him again what he said, the caller again repeated, "You are dead." Mr. Howard stated he then asked the unknown caller when and he was advised "Wednesday."

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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS -CIVIL RIGHTS ACT, 1964

Mr. Howard advised that he had no idea who might be calling him as the caller did not identify himself. He further advised that he cannot think of any present or past disgruntled employees who might call him.

On July 5, 1966, Odell Anders, Adams County Sheriff, and Detective Lieutenant Charles C. Bahin, in the absence of J. T. Robinson, Chief of Police, Natchez, Police Department, were advised of the foregoing information.

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, JUNE 15, 1966

PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS - CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 Character:

Synopsis:

On 6/21/66 manager of Burger Chef Drive-In, Natchez, Mississippi, advised in a signed statement that literature put out by the UKA, Inc., Adams County, Mississippi, urging citizens not to patronize the Burger Chef Drive-In, was thrown about Natchez, Mississippi. Manager also advised roofing tacks were strewn in the Burger Chef Drive-In on 6/15-16/66. Three suspects interviewed and denied participation in above action. Two Burger Chef employees interviewed - negative.

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ENCLOSURES FOR THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, JACKSON:

Enclosed for the United States Attorney is one copy of a circular distributed at Natchez, Mississippi, on 6/11/66, which was signed by the United Klans of America, Incorporated, Adams County, Mississippi.

DETAILS:

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This is a preliminary investigation.

This report is predicated upon information received from LOREN HOWARD on June 15, 1966, as follows:

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

On 6/4/66 __________ advised that he had heard "Different CARTER state that the white employee at the Burger Chef in Natchez, who was supposedly beaten in the recent past at his place of business, was actually in a rigged fight to cause trouble for the Burger Chef. Source stated he did not know if the FOIA(b)7 - (D) employee was in on the rigged fight. Source stated CARTER wanted to stop people from trading at the Burger Chef and if the people thought this drive-in was a trouble spot, they would not patronize it.

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The circulars were printed on a Mimeograph Machine of Unit Number One, UKA, Adams County, Mississippi, which had been borrowed by R. P. "REGGIE" CARTER. JOE HARDY and CHARLES DAVIDSON and possibly R. G. CARTER, distributed the circulars. The circulars were rolled and stapled at the residence of DAVIDSON by the wives of HARDY and DAVIDSON. Mrs. HARDY has the stapler, according to the source.

Source stated these individuals are renegades in Unit Number One, Adams County, UKA, running around causing trouble on their own.

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On 6/15/66 Chief of Police, Natchez Police Department, J. T. ROBINSON, and Sheriff, Adams County, Mississippi, ODELL ANDERS, advised of the possible threat to burn Burger Chef Drive-In.

On 6/17/66 ARTHUR HERMAN, Secret Service, Jackson, and JOHN PRIOR, INTC, Jackson, Mississippi, advised of the alleged threat to burn Burger Chef Drive-In before end of June, 1966.

Report not being submitted within seven days due to two suspects being out of town and unavailable for interview.

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Date 2017 11, 1966

REGINALD P. CARTER, 1195 North Pine Street, Natchez, Mississippi, was interviewed by SAn JAMES R. MORE and RICHARD II, MANALINH, at his place of business. Natchez, Mississippi, and SA Modiff inmediately advised him of the identity of the interviewing Agents. SA Mediff anythed CARTER that he did not have to say anything and that mything he did way could be used against him in a court of Law. GARTER was further advised that he had the right to consult with an attorney or snyone else hefere saying anything. He force, threats, or provines were used.

CANTER advised he does not know the person or persons who three Metrod Kines of America literature about the Surger Chef perking lot. Natchez. Micrisolopi, on or about June 11, 1966.

CARTER also advised he does not know anything about persons who may have strewn tacks around the Burger Chef parking lot around the case time.

CARTER advised he is not a member of the United Kiene of America and refused to talk about his past activities. Ne further advised he does not advocate violence of any kind.

CARTER advised he would be willing to tak to Agents of the FBI at any time and if any violent action was brought to his attention, he would probably discuss it with the FBI.

CARTER advised to does not know a JOE HARDY, and if a JOE HARDY was involved in strewing Kien literature around the Barger Chef parking lot, he knows nothing about this matter.

CARTER advised he has not heard from any source that persons unknown made any statements concerning the burning down of the Barger Chef Drive-Inn in Natchez, Missispipi.

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To: SAC, Jackson (173₂787) REG 22 From: Director, FBI (173-3062) - 37 UNKNOWN SUBJECT; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, 6/15/66; PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

Rerep of SA James R. McGee dated 7/11/66 at Jackson.

Ann Delaughter, whose comments are set out on page 11 of rerep, described an automobile used in distributing the Klan circulars concerning the Burger Chef as a 1966 green and white Chevrolet. You should conduct additional investigation to determine whether or not any of the suspects in this matter has an automobile fitting that description.

Complete the above investigation and surep within five days of the receipt of this communication.

Information furnished by informants which is set out on cover page B of rerep should be submitted in LHM suitable for dissemination. Handle by return mail.

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Information furnished by informants regarding latest interference and previous interference was set forth by Jackson on cover page; this information should be furnished to the Department.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Jackson, Mississippi July 23, 1966

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, JUNE 15, 1966 FUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS; CIVIL RIGHTS ACT, 1964

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> 175 HO ENCLOSURE



In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS: BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, JUNE 15, 1966

This source stated these individuals are renegades in Unit #1, Adams County, UKA, Inc., running around causing trouble on their own.

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FD-36 (Rev. 5-22-64 F B I Date: 7/23/66 Transmit the following in (Type in plaintext or code) AIRTEL Vía . (Priority) TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (173-3062) SAC, JACKSON (173-787) FROM: UNSUBS; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN. NATCHEZ, MISS., 6/15/66 PA; CRA, 1964 ReBuairtel to Jackson dated 7/18/66 and report of SA JAMES R. McGEE dated 7/11/66, Jackson. Enclosed herewith for the Bureau is the original and ten copies of LHM dealing with captioned matter. USA, Jackson, Miss., furnished one copy of same LHM. The source referred to in LHM is FOIA(b)7 -(D)and the other source referred to is Report follows regarding additional investigation to determine whether or not any of the suspects in this matter have an automobile fifting the description as set florth in referenced report. G G E REC- 43 **SURE** (3 - Bureau (Enc. 11) 2 - Jackson JRM/bdb (5) JUL 28 191 Praticita 10 A.A.A Per Sent М Approved: Special Agent in Charge DocId: 31420962

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Form DJ-150 (Ed. 4-26-65)

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Assistant Attorney General

Civil Rights Division

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Unknown Subjects, Burger Chef Drive-In, Natchez, Mississippi; Murray Edward Seals, Jr., Victim. Public Accommodations CRA of 1964

In regard to this matter, please conduct the following investigation:

Contact Loren Howard, Manager of the Natchez Burger Chef, in reference to the statement of Gene Coreil, Accountant for the Lafayette, Louisiana Burger Chef, recorded in your report of June 21, 1966 that Howard reported that a customer advised Howard that the Burger Chef would be burned, and determine the identity of this customer and obtain additional facts as to what this customer said. Interview that customer for the purpose of determining how he learned the Burger Chef would be burned.

Interview Reggie P. Carter for the purpose of determining what other persons met with Loren Howard at the Glass House Restaurant on two occasions.

Determine from Loren Howard the exact date he metrwith the committee at the Glass House, and contact the waitresses, cashier and any other persons at the Glass House who might have seen and can identify the members of this committee.

Reference is made to your report of June 3, 1966, which contains Mr. Howard's statements that an "Orkin exterminator man" and an average of two or three customers a day stated they had been called and told not to trade at the Burger Chef. In regard to this, please identify and interview the Orkin man and as many of the customers as possible to ascertain the nature of the person who called them and what was said.

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Reference is made to the interview with Sam Robertson contained in your report of April 26, 1966. Please recontact Sam Robertson for the purpose of obtaining facts relating to the call he received such as the nature of the caller and what was said.

Persons interviewed have made identification of unknown persons appearing in photographs numbered 6, 7 and 9, and slides numbered 2, 6, 7, 11 and 12 contained in your reports of May 4, 1966 and June 3, 1966, respectively, as having been at the Burger Chef. Because of these identifications, it is important that the effort to learn the names of these persons be continued.

Determine who is responsible for typing and copying the literature distributed in the Natchez area relating to the operation of the Burger Chef by:

> a. Checking with printers in the Natchez area, including any previously determined printer of segregationist literature for information which might indicate who ordered the literature in question printed;

> b. Comparing the typewriter marks on the distributed literature with that on typed communications previously received or which can readily be obtained from suspected leaders of the Klan in the Natchez area:

c. Examining water marks on the distributed literature to determine the manufacturer of the paper and further determine where it was sold and to whom;

d. Checking with Klan informants in the Natchez area for the purpose of identifying the literature in question as being printed and distributed by the UKA and/or Knights of the Green Forest, Natchez Units.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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JULY 25, 1966

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SA JAMES R. MC GEE

Report of: Date:

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI JUNE 15, 1966

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PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS; CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

Office: JACKSON

Bureau File #: 173-3,062

Synopsis: None of the suspects have an automobile similar to a 1966 green and white Chevrolet.

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DETAILS:

The following investigation was conducted by SA RICHARD H. HAMILTON at Natchez, Mississippi.

On July 21, 1966, Mrs. MARGARET SALMON, Auto Registration Section, Adams County Sheriff's Office, Natchez, Mississippi, advised the following suspects have automobiles registered in Adams County, Mississippi.

> R. P. CARTER 1198 North Pine Street -1961 GMC pickup truck, F/51242 1962 Oldsmobile, four door, "88", 1D-1909

CHARLES DAVIDSON 1202 Magnolia -1965 Dodge Polora, two door, hardtop, 1-2325.

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JOE L. HARDY Route 5, Box 194 1956 Oldsmobile, two door, hardtop, 1-5634 1956 Oldsmobile, "98", two door, hardtop, 1-5635

She advised none of the above automobiles are green and white in color.

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UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC. KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUN KLAN

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Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, reflect that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia under the name United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a ledership dispute and United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy and segregation of the races.

The first source and a second source advised in July, 1961, that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of American, Inc., merged with Almama Knights, Sknights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, the Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. (The organization is directed by Robert Shelton, Imperial Wizard, and is the dominant Klan group in the South, with units in several Southern states.)

Second source advised that at a meeting at Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Third source advised on August 4, 1965, that the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, is currently an active organization, with Klaverns in several southern states. This source said that Robert M. Shelton is the Imperial Wizard of this organization and was last elected to this position on September 5, 1964, at a National Klonvocation in Birmingham, Alabama. Source said that the activity of the UKA is increasing and that the national office remains in Suite 401, Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

APPENDIX

"What is wrong with standing in the same line with a <u>nigger</u> just to get a Hamburger? What is wrong with him parking his car beside your car and the two of you sit there and eat a 15¢ hamburger. The answer most people will give is, "There is nothing wrong with that". That is wrong though, look at what has happened in other states where this has already been done. What do you think will happen in ten or even 25 years. This is not what these people want, this is only to break the line of <u>intergration</u>.

"But if your 16 year old daughter can stand in line with a 16 year old <u>nigger</u> boy and if they can sit in a car side by side and there is nothing wrong with that, then certainly there is nothing wrong with asking her for a date and holding her hand. You say this won't happen, how can you be sure? If this is the going thing then, it will happen. You may still say it can't happen, Friend, take a good look all around you, look in other states and see what has happened and is still happening. Do want this, I think not. Act now.

"The <u>nigger</u> and the white have already married and have had children in other states where they have been permitted to <u>intergrate</u>. So we say a 15¢ hamburger and a token of <u>intergration</u> equals complete <u>intergration</u>.

"Now you ask, where is this taking place? At the present time, this very thing is going on at the burger chef. (That is where they are standing in line together, parking side by side, and using the same window). We have met with the local manager twice, and talked with him aboutt this problem. He stated that his hands

are tied. You see, the Burger Chef is a Chain Business, owned by a Northern Co. They have designed all the Drive Inns alike. There was not one bit of consideration given the people of this area when this building was built. Maybe they eat with <u>niggers</u> in the North but we don't feel that we have too.

"These buildings were strictly built on a served intergration basis.

"So all we have to do is get in line and reap the harvest. If that is what you want. Then you have it all laid out for you.

"We believe that if the Burger Chef or any otherpplace of business is allowed to continue on an <u>intergrated</u> basis, then we can expect only to Reap the Consequences. If the White and the Black are to continue to stand in line at the same serving window and park side by side at the Burger Chef or any otherpplace, then soon the results will be total <u>intergration</u>.

"You consider the Cost. 15¢ and a token complete <u>intergration</u>. Is this what you want? This is what you are buying.

"We are All for GOD & COUNTRY,

"United Klans of America Adams County Units, Realm.of Mississippi

"Theres More Than One Way to Skin A Cat

'To whom it may concern:

"WHEREAS, the <u>Niggers</u> of Adams County are so 'underpriviledged, and

"WHEREAS, the <u>Niggers</u> of Natchez are being so 'discriminated' against; and

"WHEREAS, no Nigger in Adams County has had the initiative to build a decent eating establishment for the aforesaid populace; and

"WHEREAS, the <u>Niggers</u> have such liking of the Burger Chef 15 cent hamburger joint; and

"WHEREAS, the management of the Burger Chef has stated that he cannot comply with a request to alter the Burger Chef so as to <u>accomodate</u> both races in a Segregated manner on two occasions;

"THEREFORE, we the Adams County Knights of the Green Forest, do hereby urge white citizens to refrain from infringing upon the 'rights' of the Niggers to eat and carry hambergers from the Burger Chef on the Bridge By-pass to their heart's content, so long as they pay the required 15 cents or are sneaky enough to snitch them without being caught.

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"SEGREGATE THE BURGER CHEF!

"Knights of the Green Forest Adams County Units"

By communication dated March 25, 1966 the Bureau advised Jackson and New Orleans Division that the Department had requested a preliminary investigation in connection with this matter based on possible interference.

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To: SAC, Jackson (173-787) REC 22 From: Director, FBI (173-3062)

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSON MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. VICTIM PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS CRA OF 1964

Enclosed are two copies of a self-explanatory Departmental memorandum dated 7/26/66 requesting additional investigation in this matter.

Complete the requested investigation and surep within ten days of receipt of this communication. State in the first paragraph of the details of your report that this is a limited investigation and underscore the word limited.

7/28/66

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For your information and assistance, the reports identified by date in the enclosed memorandum refer to Bureau memoranda to the Civil Rights Division furnishing results of investigation previously conducted. The pertinent communications are Jackson reports dated 4/22/66 and 5/30/66 and New Orleans airtel to the Director dated 6/16/66 enclosing letterhead memorandum with copy to Jackson. The "report of 5/4/66" mentioned in paragraph two, page 2, of the enclosed memorandum refers to a Bureau memorandum to the Department disseminating copies of photographs enclosed with your letter dated 4/27/66.

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Mr. LOREN HOWARD, Manager, Burger Chef Drive-In, Natchez, Mississippi, has been contacted on a daily basis since May 11, 1966.

On May 11, 1966, Mr. HOWARD advised that tacks were scattered at the entrance of the Burger Chef Drive-In on May 5, 1955, and corn was scattered throughout the drivein on May 6, 1966.

He advised that for several days up to May 11, 1966, an average of two or three customers per day had complained to his employees of being contacted telephonically and advised to discontinue eating at the Burger Chef Drive-In.

Mr. HOWARD on May 11, 1966, instructed his employees to obtain the names or license numbers of all individuals who had been contacted regarding their dealings at the Burger Chef Drive-In.

On May 20, 1966, Mr. HOWARD advised that only one man during the period May 11-20, 1966, had mentioned being contacted as a result of trading at the Burger Chef. He identified this man as an "Orkin exterminator man but name and address unknown." UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM; BURGER OF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

APPENDIX

UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC. KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, reflect that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a leadership dispute and United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy and segregation of the races.

The first source and a second source advised in July, 1961, that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., merged with Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, the Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. (The organization is directed by Robert Shelton, Imperial Wizard, and is the dominant Klan group in the South, with units in several southern states.)

Second source advised that at a meeting at Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Third source advised on August 4, 1965, that the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, is currently an active organization, with Klaverns in several southern states. This source said that Robert M. Shelton is the Imperial Wizard of this organization and was last elected to this position on September 5, 1964, at a National Klonvocation in Birmingham, Alabama. Source said that the activity of the UKA is increasing, and that the national office remains in Suite 401, Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

APPENDIX

D-36 (Rev. 5-22-64) FBI Date: 8/17/66 Transmit the following in (Type in plaintext or code). AIRMAIL AIRTEL (Priority) DIRECTOR, FBI (173-3062) TO: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (173-547) FROM: UNSUBS BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, SUBJECT: NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR., VICTIM Re Jackson report dated 8/11/66, re captioned. On 8/16/66, advised that the individual in photograph #9 with his back to the wall is tentatively identified as BUCK HORTON, of Vidalia, Louisiana, who is employed with Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi. FOIA(b) (D) HORTON is the subject of New Orleans file 157-4700 and Jackson file 157-4662. On 8/16/66, advised he was unable to identify any of the individuals in the photograph submitted by Jackson. Efforts to further identify the individuals depicted in photographs is continuing by New Orleans. Bureau and Jackson will be advised. 3-Bureau (RM) / cc; Bomb-CAA 64 unit 2-Jackson (157-5830) (RM) 8/19/66 REG 45 2-Jackson (157-5830) (RM) 13-3062. 2-New Orleans U.S. DEPT. DF JUSTICE DCS: dao (7)AUG 1.8 1966 3 02 64 122 HUG 19 inter and 小说和王 C . Wick Special Agent in Snarge proved. Marc DocId:31420962

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Report of: Date:	SA REESIE L. TIMMONS Office: May 10, 1966	Jackson
Field Office File #:	JN 157-5830 Bureau File #:	173-3062
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Character:

PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS - CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

Synopsis:

M. D. NETTLES, also known as SONNY NETTLES, and WOODROW W. CARNELL, both of Natchez, <u>Miss.</u>, identified as individuals depicted in photographs 12 and 7 respectively. NETTLES admits going to Burger Chef, denies knowledge literature of UKA re this place, or being member of Klan type organization. CARNELL gave name and address only. Investigation continues.

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DETAILS:

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Detective FRANK A. RICKARD, Natchez, Mississippi Police Department, viewed the individual on the right in photograph number 12, and identified him as being M. D. (SONNY) NETTLES, Natchez, Mississippi, an employee of the Jefferson Davis Hospital, Natchez, Mississippi.

SA's REESIE L. TIMMONS, JAMES R. MC GEE and SAMUEL N. JENNINGS, observed an individual, in full Klan robes and hood, at the Liberty Road Ball Park, believed by all three Agents to be identical to the individual depicted in photograph number 7. This individual readily stated his name as WOODROW W. CARNELL.

Detective FRANK A. RICKARD, on May 9, 1966, advised that he has checked with several of his sources and is certain that the individual in photograph number 12 (on the right) is SONNY NETTLES and the other individual in the photograph, wearing klan robes, is his brother.

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SAC, Jackson (157-5830) To:

From: Director, FBI (173-3062)

UNSUBS; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM PA CRA OF 1964

ReJNairtel 4/22/66, enclosing five Ektachrome Transparencies.

Enclosed are two copies each of the above-mentioned transparencies. They should be properly identified and returned to the Bureau immediately. The original copies and single copies for the USA were previously furnished to you by routing slip on 5/5/66.

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Transparencies are photographs of known and suspected Klansmen in Natchez area, being used in this investigation to identify unsubs who have participated in interference incidents relating to captioned establishment. Jackson furnished single copies of five transparencies requesting preparation of three additional copies.

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INFORMANTS:

The two sources mentioned in enclosed LHM are contacted 5-12-66, by SA V. WALSER PROSPERE and former contacted 5-20-66 by SA REESIE L. TIMMONS.

ADMINISTRATIVE :

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Submission of this report was delayed due to delinquency in the Steno Pool because of numerous expedite matters. No administrative action recommended.



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Field Office File #:	JN 157-5830 Bureau File #: 173-3062
Title:	UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR VICTIM; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

Character:

PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS; CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

Synopsis: Chief of Police J. T. ROBINSON and Detective FRANK A. RICKARD, Natchez PD, and sources who are familiar with members of Klan type organizations in the Natchez, Miss., area stated individuals depicted in Ektachrome transparencies 2, 6, 7, 11 and 12 are not from the Natchez-Adams County, Miss., area.

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ENCLOSURES TO USA:

Enclosed herewith is one copy of LHM dealing with captioned matter.

DETAILS:

Chief of Police J. T. ROBINSON and Detective FRANK A. RICKARD, Natchez, Mississippi, Police Department, have viewed Ektachrome transparencies 2, 6, 7, 11 and 12 on numerous occasions from May 11, 1966, and displayed same to numerous members of the Police Department of Natchez and have been unable to identify any individuals depicted therein.

Detective FRANK A. RICKARD advised that he is certain the above Ektachrome transparencies were taken at a meeting of the United Klans of America (UKA) held on a vacant lot adjacent to the Holiday Inn, Natchez, Mississippi, during the summer of 1965.

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Detective RICKARD advised that he was on duty at the above described rally and is certain that the individuals depicted in these photographs came from out of state. He advised that he recorded the license numbers of all Mississippi automobiles at this rally and is reasonably certain that the individuals depicted in the above described transparencies came from out of state.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Jackson, Mississippi May 30, 1966

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. - VICTIM; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS; CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

Two sources who have furnished reliable information in the past and who are in a position to know members of the United Klans of America and other Klan type organizations in the Natchez-Adams County, Mississippi, area, on May 12 and 20, 1966, after viewing Ektachrome transparencies number 2, 6, 7, 11, and 12, advised that they do not recognize any individuals depicted therein. Both of the sources are of the opinion that the individuals depicted in these slides are not from the State of Mississippi.

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JACK JOHNSON, Apartment D, 140 River Oaks Apartments, Natchez, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent who also advised him that he did not have to furnish any information, that any information he did furnish could be used in a court of law and that he could contact an attimey or anyone else at any time.

JOHNSON advised that he was in error when he identified the individuals depicted in photographs 6 and 7 wearing the white shirt and glasses as being the same party.

After viewing the five Ektachrome transparencies he identified the individual wearing the white shirt and glasses in photographs 6 and 7 as being an individual who he had seen in the Burger Chef on more than one occasion.

He also identified the individual in slide 7 wearing the white shirt and glasses as being an bindividual he had seen in an automobile parked on the side of the road at the entrance to the Burger Chef on more than one occasion.

JOHNSON advised that he does not believe any of the individuals depicted in slides 2, 6, 7, 11, and 12 are natives of the Natchez-Adams County, Mississippi, area.

5/18/66 at Natchez, Mississippi

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____ Date dictated __ 5/24/66_

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AT NATCHEZ, MISS.

1- Will continue efforts to identify individuals depicted in photographs 6 and 7 and interview.

2- Will maintain contact with logical sources of information re Burger Chef incident.

3- Upon receipt of slides 2, 6, 7, 11, and 12 from the Mechanical Section, will identify individuals and interview.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Det. FRANK RICKARD, Natchez PD, on 4/27/66 identified the individual depicted in photographs 6 and 12 as being M. D. NETTLES, JR., aka Sonny Nettles, 410 Walnut St., Natchez, Miss.

SA CYRUS V. HOAGLUND, JR. and SA TONY A. KELLY interviewed this individual on 4/27/66 without benefit of photographs 6 and 12 and do not believe the individual to be identical to the party depicted in those photographs.

Efforts will continue to positively identify the individual depicted in photographs 6 and 7.
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Detective FRANK A. RICKARD, Natchez Police Department, on April 27, 1966, viewed photographsnumber 9 and identified the individual depicted therein on the left side of the photograph as being one JAMES C. TIBBS of 206 Wensel Avenue, Natchez, Mississippi.

He viewed photographs number 14, 11, and 5 and identified the individual common to all three photographs as being L_{\circ} C. MURRAY.

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Upon receipt of slides described in referenced report, attempt to identify and interview individuals depicted therein.



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NEW ORLEANS DIVISION

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

In compliance with Bureau instructions, will display slides and photographs which are enclosed to informants and other logical sources in the New Orleans Division in an effort to effect identification of the individuals depicted in these photographs and slides.

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The photographs and slides which were exhibited to CHARLES BOYLES on April 13, 1966, were viewed by SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE and the following observations were made:

The individual in Photograph Number 9 is unknown.

The individual in the checked shirt in Photograph Number 11 is L. C. MURRAY.

The individual on the right in Photograph Number 12 is unknown.

The individuals in slides Number 2 and 7 and 12 are unknown.

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The photographs and slides which were exhibited to BILL McDANIEL on April 13, 1966, were viewed by SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE who made the following observations:

The individual on the left in Photograph Number 1 and 2, and the person in Photograph Number 3 is REGGIE P. CARTER.

The individual in Slide Number 11 is unknown.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (173-3062)

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SAC, JACKSON (157-5830)

UNSUB: MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR. SUBJECT: VICTIM; BURGER CHEF DRIVE-IN NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI PA - CRA, 1964

> Re report of SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE, Jackson, dated 4/22/66.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are two sets of 14 photographs each of known and suspected klansmen in the Natchez, Miss., area. The Bureau is requested to furnish one set of these photographs with re report to the Department and to retain one set of these photographs with the Bureau copies of re report.

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The photographs and slides which were exhibited to JOHN JACKSON were viewed by SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE who made the following observations:

The individuals in Slides Number 6 and 7 are unknown.

The individual in Photographs Number 4 and 13 is JOHN WILLIAM BARBER.

The individual in Photograph Number 3 is REGGIE P. CARTER.

The individual in Photograph Number 14 is L. C. MURRAY.

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MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR., 2146 Second Street, Natchez, Mississippi, was exhibited photographs of known and suspected klan members in the Natchez area at which time he made the following observations:

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SEALS identified the individual in Photographs Number 4 and 13 as being a person whom he had seen parked in a car at the entrance to the Burger Chef Drive-In, Natchez, Mississippi, on several occasions. SEALS also stated this individual was in the Burger Chef on March 31, 1966, as he saw him when he, SEALS, returned to the driveway entrance of the Burger Chef with members of the Natchez Police Department after he was attacked.

by SA RICHARD H. HAMILTON: skm Date dictated 4/19/66

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Jackson 157-5830 CGP/skm <u>1</u>

The photographs exhibited to MURRAY EDWARD SEALS, JR., on April 19, 1966, were viewed by SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE at which time he made the following observations:

The individual in Photographs Number 4 and 13 is JOHN WILLIAM BARBER.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/21/66

JOHN JACKSON, 141 "D", River Oaks Apartments, Natchez, Mississippi, was exhibited photographs of known and suspected klan members in the Natchez, Mississippi, area at which time he made the following observations:

JACKSON stated that the individual with the white shirt and wearing glasses in Slides Number 6 and 7 is an individual whom he has seen in an automobile parked on the side of the road at the entrance to the Burger Chef Drive In, Natchez, Mississippi, on more than one occasion.

He advised that the individual in Photographs Number 4 and 13 is either the individual who complained because his son was served after a Negro boy who was at the service window first or he is an individual whom he has seen parked in one of the cars at the entrance to the Burger Chef.

JACKSON stated he has also seen the individual in Photograph Number 3 in cars which were parked on the side of the road at the entrance to the Burger Chef Drive-In.

He also advised that he believes that he has seen the individual in Photograph Number 14 in one of the cars which was parked on the side of the road at the entrance to the Burger Chef Drive-In.

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by **SA RICHARD H. HANTILION: Skm** Date dictated **4/19/66** This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; It and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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DAVID WEBB, 206 South Rankin Street, Natchez, Mississippi, was exhibited photographs of known and suspected klan members in the Natchez, Mississippi, area at which time he made the following observations:

WEBE stated that he believes that one of the men in Slide Number 11 or Photographs Number 6 and 7 may have been at the Burger Chef on the night MURRAY SEALS was attacked. WEBE pointed out he could not be positive of this identification but was merely selecting an individual from the slides and photographs whom he felt appeared similar to an individual he had seen when SEALS was attacked, and he described this individual as a large individual. He again pointed out that he could not make a positive identification and doubted that if he saw the individual again that he would be able to identify him.

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The photographs and slides which were exhibited to DAVID WEBB were viewed by SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE who made the following observations:

The individual shown on Slide Number 11, and the two individuals in Photographs Number 6 and 7 are unknown.

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SA RICHARD H. HAMILTON exhibited photographs of known and suspected klansmen in the Natchez, Mississippi, area to the following individuals, none of whom could make any identification or observations:

> April 12, 1966--Mrs. CAROLYN PRIEST, 316 Arlington, Natchez, Mississippi

April 12, 1966--Miss PEGGY ROBBINS, 210 Elm Street, Vidalia, Louisiana

April 13, 1966--RAYMOND PEVY, Route 5, Box 72, Natchez, Mississippi

April 14, 1966--CHARLES TAYLOR, 30 East Franklin Street, Natchez, Mississippi

April 18, 1966--CHARLES STEVENS, 408 Florida Avenue, Ferriday, Louisiana