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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: August 29, 1955

FROM : SAC, DALLAS (2-0)

SUBJECT: I. IRVING DAVIDSON  
NEUTRALITY ACT  
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

On August 17, 1955, Dallas Confidential Informant DL-32-C, whose identity is known to the Bureau, and who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SA PAUL H. RAINES that he had been contacted at the informant's gun shop by an individual who identified himself as I. IRVING DAVIDSON.

DAVIDSON was interested in purchasing Enfield Rifles, and also inquired into the possibility of purchasing Thompson Sub machine guns, wanting large quantities of rifles and as many submachine guns as he could get.

DAVIDSON displayed to the informant an alleged permit from the State Department which entitled DAVIDSON to purchase firearms for shipment to South America for military use.

DAVIDSON told the informant that the weapons would be used to start a revolution in South America and that they would be used to "kill Communists".

DAVIDSON stated that he would possibly return the following day, when the informant told him he might be able to get submachine guns, but DAVIDSON did not reappear. He had left his address in Washington, D.C. for the informant to contact him if the weapons were found.

The following description of DAVIDSON was furnished by the informant.

*9-6-55 Davidson requested copies of this report for his file*

Name	I. IRVING DAVIDSON
Address	1224 Wyatt Bldg, Washington, D.C.
Height	About 5' 5"
Age	38-40
Build	Plump
Complexion	dark, swarthy (Informant stated looked like Jewish or Italian)
Hair	Black, receding, with bald spot on top.
Characteristics	Informant described as looking like "little gangster type"
Scars and Marks	Burn scar right side of face, ear to chin.

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