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MRS. L. N. PENNINGTON, DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL, CITY OF
ATLANTA, REVIEWED HER RECORDS ON THE EMPLOYMENT OF ARNOLD RAY
GODFREY. THE RECORDS SHOW THAT GODFREY HAS A WIFE NAMED MILLIS
NO OTHER RELATIVES ARE LISTED ON THE EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION.
EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION WAS FILED IN 1949 AND THE FOLLOWING
REFERE CES WERE NOTED: FRANK WALDON, ROUTE 1, COPPER HILL,
TERMESSEE; WALTER STYNUS, ROUTE 1, COPPER HILL; CLAUDE CRANFORD,
ROUTE 1, COPPER HILL. RECORDS FURTHER REFLECT THAT GODFREY WENT
THROUGH THE FIFTH GRADE AT COPPER HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

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CAPTAIN LONG, COBB COUNTY POLICE, ADVISED SHIRLEY BULLOCK
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ANNIE LOIS CAMPOS was contacted at her residence and furnished the following information:

She was unable to remember any incident where her husband told her he and his brother had been hired to assassinate any individual. Upon the suggestion of the interviewing Agents by naming MARTIN LUTHER KING, JJR., as the victim, Mrs. CAMPOS immediately responded that sometime after MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., was assassinated, her husband told her that an individual had approached him in a bar, had shown him a suitcase full of money and suggested that he and his brother assassinate MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. When he told her about this incident, he was under the influence of alcholic beverages; in fact, she stated her husband was an aboholic. Many times she had to go to the bar on a Friday night and physically remove her husband in order that he would spend all of his paycheck so the children would have some food. A lot of times when her husband was drunk he talked about killing different individuals. She assumed this had a lot to do with when he was in the Army.

Mrs. CAMPOS stated, however, that if her husband told her the same story while heawas sober, she would tend to put some truth in the incident.

The following description of ANNIE LOIS CAMPOS was obtained through observation and interview:

Race Sex Date of birth Place of birth Husband's name White Female

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She had previously been married to LEON OWEN POWELL from July, 1955, until 1975.

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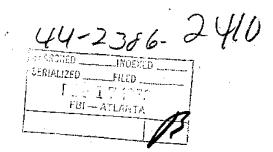
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Discrepancies in his version of an alleged meeting with an unknown white male at Pete's Bar Atlanta, Georgia, as compared with LEON POWELL's were discussed. CLAUDE stated that any discrepancions are a result of a long passage of time since the incident and his statement is accurate in his recollection. He clarified his relationship with RAY GODFREY stating that GODFREY was a friend whom he has known for many years but GODFREY was more closely associated and a better friend of LEON's. CLAUDE also commented that he later learned GODFREY made an initial contact with LEON approximately one week prior to the unknown white male's proposition to murder MARTIN LUTHER KING but he did not know anything about the meeting at Pete's Bar until the unknown white male seated himself and made the offer, nor did he have prior knowledge of what transpired between GODFREY and LEON.

Other than these changes, CLAUDE stands by his original statement, emphasizing that his statement may differ in some aspects with LEON's statement but the fact is, both he and LEON witnessed the offer of a substantial amount of money by an unknown white male to murder MARTIN LUTHER KING.

In addition, CLAUDE stated he and LEON talked about the alleged meeting with the unknown white male frequently after is occurrence but as time passed, they talked about it less and less. He said that he and LEON worked together on the same job at the time of the alleged meeting and continued to do so until approximately three months ago. He knows of no one who could verify that they were in Atlanta, Georgia, at the time of the alleged meeting but stated that both, he and LEON, were residing in Decatur, Georgia, during this time. CLAUDE described

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the interior of Pete's Bar, including the booth where each participant of the allged meeting was seated and a sketch was made by Special Agent FRANZ W. NENTEL. CLAUDE was questioned specifically concerning his polygraph examination in response to the question "Do you know who asked you and LEON to kill MARTIN LUTHER KING?", and he denied having any prior knowledge of the unidentified person who offered he and LEON \$25,000 to murder MARTIN LUTHER KING.

CLAUDE stated that he telephonically contacted his brother, LEON POWELL, at telephone number 404-289-1545, Decatur, Georgia (telephone number is for DAVID POWELL, CLAUDE's nephew) after initial interview by FBI Agents at Midland, Texas. CLAUDE stated that he and LEON discussed the interview.

In addition, CLAUDE stated he had discussed the alleged meeting with the unknown person at Pete's Bar with WILLIAM DEAN WOODCOCK, his partner in business and roommate at the Scottish Inn. WOODCOCK is the only fellow employee whom he told of the alleged meeting.

CLAUDE stated that the unknown person who offered them the money to murder MARTIN LUTHER KING did not have any type of an accent. He repeated that all aspects of his statement including description, time reference and conversation between the unknown person who made the offer to kill MARTIN LUTHER KING were true and accurate to the best of his recollection.