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RICHARD LEE GUTHRIE JR., male white, Date of Birth February 5, 1958 was interviewed at the Cincinnati office of the FBI subsequent to his arrest, at approximately 5:52pm on January 15, 1996, in the vicinity of 4581 Glencary Court, Cincinnati, Ohio,

Before any questioning began GUTHRIE was advised of his constitutional rights by allowing him to read out loud from an Advice of Rights and Waiver of Rights form. GUTHRIE stated that he was aware of his right not to make any statements and to have counsel appointed and waived those rights by executing a waiver of rights at 8:25pm.

It was explained to GUTHRIE that the purpose of the interview was first to determine the whereabouts of his associate, PETER KEVIN LANGAN, and then to discuss his bank robbery activities with LANGAN and others.

Taken as evidence incidental to GUTHRIE's arrest was his Motorola PAGEMART Nationwide pager, serial number #2060073-F1.

GUTHRIE explained that he was not certain but believed that LANGAN was residing in the Kansas City, Missouri area and that they kept in touch through the pager system which was accessed through a toll-free number allowing them to leave recorded discrete messages for each other. Through this system they would arrange to meet at a specific date, place and time, and, that he believed that telephone information regarding from where the incoming calls were made could be obtained from the pager company.

GUTHRIE initially stated that, "I hope you don't find him," and that "I don't know where he is for that reason." The last time they personally met was about 1 1/2 months ago, on November 22, 1995. GUTHRIE would not say where they met, but believed that LANGAN was residing in the Grandview, Missouri area.

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GUTHRIE was questioned about where he had been residing, stating that it was within three hours or so from Cincinnati but that he did "not want to put innocent people in jeopardy," and disclose where he has been staying. He stated that the last time he stayed in Cincinnati was at the Buckeye Motel across from the Green Township Police Department.

GUTHRIE was specifically questioned regarding his bank robbery activities, and was also asked whether he had seen a segment on the America's Most Wanted television program about the Mid-West bank robbers. GUTHRIE stated that someone had given him a copy of the program and that he was "pissed" because it had alleged that they had hurt some elderly lady, and that that was not true. According to GUTHRIE, it was just "PR." GUTHRIE was further asked; and clarified his intentions during the robberies by nodding with an affirmative yes to the interviewing agents, that he was in fact prepared to shoot it out with the police if necessary and they were "loaded for bear."

GUTHRIE commented that he did hear that there was a \$50,000 reward for "me and Pete and that should have warned me," implying that others would be willing to give them up for the reward.

At this point in the interview GUTHRIE stated that during the first week in December, 1995 he had made arrangements to meet LANGAN on Tuesday evening, January 16th, between 6:00 and 9:00pm in the Indianapolis, Indiana area.

GUTHRIE advised that he had met LANGAN in the same place on two previous occasions and that LANGAN would be driving a 1979 dark blue Chevrolet Van, full size, possibly a C-20 model bearing Iowa license plates which were registered to an electronics company in the county where Iowa City is located.

The meeting place is the parking lot area of a large older type mall and extended shopping plaza area, known as the Keystone Mall, located about five or six miles north of the Indianapolis beltway on Route 431 in the vicinity of 116th Street.

The parking lot is bordered by a strip mall, which is adjacent to a Target department store, Nationwide auto parts store, a Hardee's restaurant, and a bank. GUTHRIE assisted in providing a diagram of the Keystone Mall area.

GUTHRIE last met LANGAN by the bank and met with him at a restaurant in the strip mall area.

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GUTHRIE advised that their procedure for actually meeting one another is as follows:

Each has a GLOBAL MOBILE RADIO SYSTEM (GMRS), made by MAXON, model #210, with ten preset channels. Around the agreed upon time GUTHRIE would transmit on one of the first five channels in the blind. LANGAN would use the search mode function on his GMRS system and reply on the same channel. The broadcasts would be made every 15 minutes on the quarter hour with GUTHRIE transmitting, "This is Red Baron," and LANGAN would usually respond and identify himself as, "Harley Davidson." GUTHRIE would indicate in coded terms, that "the fishing is fine" or words to that effect indicating that it was safe for LANGAN to enter the parking lot and meet him.

They could also exchange messages on the voice mail system if there were any changes.

GUTHRIE was aware that LANGAN had left messages this morning, Monday, January 15th, indicating that he was having mechanical trouble with his van, and clarified that the last time he met LANGAN was in Grandview, Missouri, off Interstate 71, by the "Grandview sign" located near a large gas station. GUTHRIE believed that LANGAN may have resided in Joplin, Missouri.

At this point in the interview, SAs LENGLE and FLOHR, continued the interview of GUTHRIE.

At 10:35pm GUTHRIE gave written permission, executing an FD-472 form, to consensually record the messages currently in his voice mail system, and provided the voice mail toll-free access number as; (800) 708-5276/pressing "0"/and then "1959", to play the voice mail messages.

A review of those messages indicated that on the morning of Monday, January 15th three messages were recorded as follows (GUTHRIE identified the first two speakers as PETER LANGAN, and the third one as himself leaving a reply to the first two voice mail messages):

(LANGAN) "Yeah, this is number two. I'm gonna be delayed by twenty-four hours on my arrival due to some mechanical problems. I should have them taken care of and I'll be on my way tomorrow morning. Should arrive tomorrow night. This is Monday, so I should arrive Tuesday and I'll go ahead and beep you again just to make sure you get the message.

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(LANGAN) "Yeah, this is number two, I'm just repeating, ah, my previous message I'm gonna be delayed by twenty-four hours due to mechanical problems, so this is Monday, I should arrive Tuesday evening, and, ah, just leave me a response on this same system so that I know that you got the message. And, ah, we'll see you when I get there. Bye.

(GUTHRIE) "Yeah, I got your message this morning, and it's twelve thirty five here, so an hour earlier there and I'll be expecting you tomorrow night, ah, everything is looking good, ah, and the trouts are fishing in the pond. See ya tomorrow night. Tuesday night."