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Participating during portions of the interview were the following: Special Agents (SA), SA WILLIAM J. DAVITCH, SA KENNETH E. MOORE, SA JOHN CALVERT HOLLAND, JR., and SA GARY R. FUHR. As set forth below, segments of the interview were conducted by the other interviewing SAs as noted.

GUTHRIE stated that around October, 1992, he and LANGAN robbed a Pizza Hut in Livonia, Georgia, that was set up by JAMES STEWART, who was an employee. GUTHRIE wore a ski mask and carried a .25 caliber pistol and got money from a floor safe by the cash register. LANGAN drove GUTHRIE's 1992 GMC pick-up and they both went first to GUTHRIE's trailer in Livonia and then to JAMES STEWART's residence where they divided up approximately \$2,300.

At this point GUTHRIE recalled that the United States Secret Service (USSS) searched his trailer in West Virginia and issued warrants for his arrest for credit card fraud, and that warrants were also issued for both he and LANGAN for the Pizza Hut robbery.

GUTHRIE and LANGAN returned to Cincinnati. At that time, LANGAN was living on Biegler Street with Faith Ford.

Also during this period GUTHRIE makes a trip to Columbus, Ohio and signs a lease for 585 Reinhard Avenue on October 14, 1995.

About two weeks later, GUTHRIE meets LANGAN at the South County Center, St. Louis, and plan their next bank robbery.

20) Roosevelt Bank, 6969 South Lindbergh Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri, November 22, 1995: Robbed by GUTHRIE and LANGAN.

They both return to the Columbus, Ohio safe-house and during this period video tape armored car deliveries in anticipation of their first armored car robbery.

(GUTHRIE was shown a video tape taken from his blue Ford van subsequent to his arrest in Cincinnati on January 15, 1995. GUTHRIE identified the voices as his and LANGAN's and that it was the tape of casing armored car deliveries in the Columbus, Ohio area during this time frame. GUTHRIE signed and dated this video tape.)

They both leave separately and meet again at the Pittsburg, Kansas safe-house where they make further plans to vacate that residence. LANGAN, still driving his white Chevrolet van, takes some of his belongings to Kansas City, and, during the first week in December, 1995, GUTHRIE returns to the Columbus, Ohio safe-house.

On December 8, 1995, GUTHRIE drives to Cincinnati to case banks.

21) Society National Bank, 3515 Springdale Road, Cincinnati, Ohio, December 8, 1995: Robbed by GUTHRIE alone.

During this time frame GUTHRIE stated that he remained at the Columbus, Ohio safe-house, LANGAN is still in Kansas City

and SCOTT (LNU) and KEVIN (LNU) are in Philadelphia, Penn. Arrangements were previously made for the three of them to return to Columbus, Ohio on December 14, 1995.

(GUTHRIE listened to two audio cassette tape recordings recovered from his blue Ford van subsequent to his arrest. GUTHRIE identified tape #2, side A, as LANGAN speaking as Field Marshall Pedro, and side B as himself casing armored car deliveries in Dublin, Ohio, and mentioning the date of December 13, 1995. GUTHRIE identified tape #3, side A, as himself and LANGAN previously casing a Wells Fargo depot in Kansas City, Missouri, and banks in Joplin and Springfield, and side B, casing armored car deliveries in Columbus, Ohio.)

On December 14, 1995, GUTHRIE was joined by LANGAN, SCOTT (LNU), and KEVIN (LNU), and knew that the three of them were planning a bank robbery in northern Ohio. Without GUTHRIE, they left for short periods of time driving SCOTT (LNU's) white suburban, and cased banks north of Columbus. During one of their short trips GUTHRIE learned that they had purchased a getaway vehicle and stashed it somewhere in the area of the intended robbery.

22) Mid-America National Bank, 5830 Monroe Street, Sylvania, Ohio, December 19, 1995: Robbed by LANGAN, SCOTT (LNU), and KEVIN (LNU).

During the evening of December 19th, all three returned and GUTHRIE learned that they had successfully robbed a bank, possibly around the Toledo, Ohio area, and escaped with around \$7,300. SCOTT (LNU) had made the selection of this bank. Shortly after this, GUTHRIE was told by LANGAN, that this robbery had not been connected to them based on what he had read in the newspapers. GUTHRIE assumed from this that they did not use an IED, and may have altered their usual techniques somewhat.

LANGAN gave GUTHRIE \$500 which they had owed him, and split the rest among themselves.

About two days later, LANGAN left for Kansas City in his white Chevrolet van and SCOTT (LNU) and KEVIN (LNU) left for Philadelphia, Penn., in the white suburban.

About two days later GUTHRIE returns to the Pittsburgh safe-house in his blue Ford van and is there for Christmas morning. LANGAN joins him and moves more of his possessions back to Kansas City.

GUTHRIE remains and moves some of his weapons, etc., into a Joplin, Missouri, U-Store-it facility, #C-48, with a lock combination of "1945."

Around January 6, 1996, GUTHRIE returns to the Columbus safe-house and later contacts DANNY MCANINICH and attempts to recruit him into ARA and his bank robbery activities, and to form their own "cell." GUTHRIE did not think that MCANINICH was interested but learned from him that SHAWN KENNY was on leave from the U.S. Army, and in town.

On Saturday evening, January 13, 1996, he met with KENNY at a Skyline Chili restaurant by a mall on the west side of Cincinnati and attempted to recruit him. They talked about obtaining military weapons and showed KENNY an M-1A Springfield manufactured weapon, which is a civilian version, black in color, of a military M-14, 7.62mm rifle, with folding stock, and loaded magazines. They made arrangements to meet again on Monday, at 5:00pm at MCANINICH's apartment in Miamitown, Ohio.

GUTHRIE returned to Columbus, and then returned to Cincinnati on the afternoon of January 18, 1996, where he was arrested by the FBI.

GUTHRIE stated that while incarcerated at the Kenton County Jail, Covington, Kentucky, he provided false information regarding a meeting with LANGAN that was supposed to occur in Indianapolis, Indiana, and on two occasions was transported there by FBI agents.

He then provided the location of the Columbus safe-house and a "Consent to Search" for the FBI, and later learned that LANGAN was arrested by the FBI at that location on January 18th after a shoot-out.

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**7) Society National Bank, 11355 Princeton Pike,
Springdale, Ohio; June 8, 1994:**

GUTHRIE stated that he and LANGAN arrived in the Cincinnati area from Pittsburg, Kansas, in early June, 1994 driving the blue extended Ford van. They were both familiar with the area and had considered robbing the Society Bank in the vicinity of the Tri-County Mall in the past, and on one occasion had been "locked and loaded" for a robbery of a Provident Bank, on Colerain Avenue, just off I-275.

During this trip they stayed at a Travelodge in Kentucky about five miles south of Cincinnati on I-75, renting two rooms for two to three days while they searched the area for banks to rob.

GUTHRIE purchased an older model Chevrolet Citation from a used car lot in Newport, Kentucky. GUTHRIE inspected the vehicle and went to LANGAN who was waiting in the blue Ford van and obtained \$500 cash from him. GUTHRIE went back to the lot and purchased the Citation from an older white male employee.

GUTHRIE took the vehicle, and that day they were "locked and loaded" and prepared to rob the same Provident Bank on Colerain Avenue, but called it off, and stashed the vehicle in the Walmart parking lot on Colerain Avenue.

During their drive around Cincinnati they decided on the Society Bank on Princeton Pike. This bank was located just south of the Tri-County Mall, adjacent to another bank and just in front of a strip of stores and another shopping area. On the

next day they retrieved the Chevrolet Citation and returned to the bank, "locked and loaded."

For this robbery, both GUTHRIE and LANGAN had fashioned an IED made from three flares, black tape, a clock device of some sort, and wires. GUTHRIE planted an inert World War II style grey steel hand grenade in the glove box and pulled the pin. It was intended that the spoon on the grenade would pop off when the glove box was opened and further frustrate and delay the police. GUTHRIE could not recall if the hand grenade had been filled with black powder and bottom opening plugged.

That morning both GUTHRIE and LANGAN were "locked and loaded," wearing full faced halloween masks, believed to be of Ross Perot and possibly Dan Quayle, and parked very near the front door of the bank.

There was some initial confusion as LANGAN got out of the vehicle and headed towards the bank and was spotted by a woman who saw him and began running away. LANGAN continued into the bank anyway; GUTHRIE followed but did not take the IED with him. GUTHRIE recalled that he had dropped his I COM scanner but put it back in the vehicle.

GUTHRIE was shown a photograph of the IED constructed for this robbery, but not used. GUTHRIE identified a photograph of this same IED that he subsequently used during the robbery of the Mercantile Bank, Springfield, Missouri, on July 7, 1994. GUTHRIE signed and dated the back of this photograph.

By the time GUTHRIE entered the bank, he believed through the front door as LANGAN did, LANGAN was already over the counter and rifling the teller drawers and placing the money into a canvas bag. GUTHRIE covered the banking floor and when LANGAN exited a side door, he exited the front door and entered the getaway vehicle and was joined by LANGAN.

They took their masks off and with GUTHRIE driving, exited the parking lot and turned right on the road that runs perpendicular to Princeton Pike heading for the switch site and the blue Ford van. As they left the parking lot a dye pack in the canvas bag exploded and LANGAN began throwing money out of the window in an attempt to get rid of the dye pack. GUTHRIE opened his door and was driving erratically because the vehicle was filling up with red dyed tear gas.

Approximately 1,000' down this road GUTHRIE turned into the parking lot of an office complex and he and LANGAN switched.

to the blue Ford van. GUTHRIE went further north coming back out onto Princeton Pike about in front of the Tri-County Mall, to I-275 heading westbound. They joined I-71 and continued south, through Louisville, Kentucky and drove straight back to Pittsburg, Kansas, arriving around 1:00 or 2:00am the next morning.

While enroute GUTHRIE was upset because he realized that he had left his expensive I COM scanner in the Chevrolet Citation at the switch site, but at least had taken the IED with him in the "go bag" he had taken from the Citation.

GUTHRIE was asked if he recalled having been shown a photograph of the I COM scanner recovered subsequent to this robbery and stated that he did and that it was, in fact, the one he had left behind.

GUTHRIE recalled that they had netted only around \$2,100, which they split evenly, and burned the dye pack in a barrel at the Pittsburg, Kansas safe-house. He also recalled that it had taken a long time to clean the dye stains from the money.

One of the Halloween masks was dye stained and both of them may have ended up in either his storage locker in Joplin, Missouri, or in LANGAN's in Shawnee, Kansas.

GUTHRIE stated that during the robbery he carried a loaded blue Astra 9mm automatic and LANGAN carried a 9mm Taurus; both wore their bullet proof vests and baseball style gloves.

GUTHRIE was shown a bank surveillance photograph from the Society robbery that depicted a masked white male holding a weapon on the banking floor. GUTHRIE stated that it was a photograph of himself wearing a full face Halloween mask, black T-shirt, jeans, jungle boots, white baseball gloves and holding a handgun. GUTHRIE signed and dated the back of this photograph.

GUTHRIE was shown a photograph of an IED that was recovered subsequent to the robbery of the Mercantile Bank, 3230 E. Battlefield, Springfield, Missouri, and identified this device as the one he and LANGAN made for the Society robbery but had not used. GUTHRIE stated that they had used this IED device on their next robbery in Springfield. GUTHRIE signed and dated the back of this photograph.

Sometime not long after this robbery, GUTHRIE recalled that SHAWN KENNY had paged him repeatedly with "911," which meant

that he had a problem and wanted to talk to him. GUTHRIE contacted KENNY and on a subsequent trip to Cincinnati told him about the details of the Springdale robbery including the exploded dye pack and leaving his I COM scanner behind. KENNY informed GUTHRIE of an incident where he was stopped with another individual who the United States Secret Service (USSS) thought was GUTHRIE.

GUTHRIE made several trips during this time period to Cincinnati and contacted KENNY. On one of these trips, GUTHRIE gave KENNY some money to help him out and in an effort to recruit him to join himself and LANGAN in the bank robberies. GUTHRIE also gave KENNY money that he and LANGAN had taken during the robbery of the North American Savings Bank in Kansas, City, Missouri which occurred on 5/18/94. The money was dye stained and consisted of between \$50 and \$75 in \$5 bills. KENNY later told GUTHRIE that he had spent some of this dye stained money at a gas station near the trailer park in Miamitown where he was living and as a result he was contacted by the police.

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not his but that he remembered STEDEFORD purchasing several of these at a Kinkos in the past.

Item #20) A blue folder containing various forms filled out in the names of DAVID DIXON and MICHAEL DIXON with a hand written note attached to the forms and a tablet of State Farm Declarations forms. GUTHRIE advised that he gave the forms described above to SCOTT STEDEFORD and MARK THOMAS and that they were blank at the time. GUTHRIE also recognized the hand written post-it note attached to the forms. Guthrie stated that he wrote the note and attached it to these forms when he gave them to MARK THOMAS in 1988. GUTHRIE had AL DOZIER in Cincinnati, Ohio, make the State Farm Declaration forms and remembered giving them to MARK THOMAS.

Item #21) A blue folder containing a State Farm Declarations page, State Farm Insurance cards and an original Social Security Card application form in the name of WILLIAM ROBERT STEVENS, address, 3318 S Glenstone, No 127, Springfield, Missouri, 65804-4408. The actual Social Security Card was not attached to the form. Guthrie recalled SCOTT STEDEFORD using the Social Security Card application, in the name of WILLIAM ROBERT STEVENS, to obtain a legitimate social security card (copy attached) and stated that STEDEFORD used GUTHRIE's rental post office box as his address to obtain the card. The address, 3318 S. Glenstone was a mail drop used by GUTHRIE and that he had picked up the original social security card from this post office box. GUTHRIE gave the original to STEDEFORD in April, 1995 and knew that STEDEFORD had used that social security card to obtain an Oklahoma drivers license. GUTHRIE recognized the blue folder as the same type he had seen STEDEFORD possess in the past.

At the conclusion of the interview, GUTHRIE provided hand writing exemplars.

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