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*SUBJECT: <OKLAHOMA>CITY BOMBING - ROGER EDWIN ((MOORE))

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3. BACKGROUND ON ROGER MOORE ACCORDING TO NEWS ACCOUNTS (WE HAVE NO INFORMATION AS TO THE ACCURACY OR RELIABILITY OF ANY OF THESE ACCOUNTS, AND PROVIDE THEM ONLY AS AN EXPLANATION OF OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE BACKGROUND [REDACTED] GUN COLLECTOR ROGER MOORE IS MENTIONED IN VARIOUS NEWS ARTICLES (APRIL TO *SEPTEMBER 1996) IN CONNECTION WITH THE<OKLAHOMA>CITY BOMBING INVESTIGATION. NEWS ACCOUNTS, A YEAR AFTER THE BOMBING, SAY THE PECULIAR ROLE OF ROGER MOORE REMAINS ONE OF ITS MOST CURIOUS MYSTERIES. PROSECUTORS SAY MCVEIGH AND NICHOLS ROBBED ARKANSAS GUN COLLECTOR ROGER MOORE ON 5 NOVEMBER 1994, NETTING ALMOST \$60,000 WORTH OF GUNS TO FINANCE THE BOMBING OF THE ALFRED P. *MURRAH<FEDERAL BUILDING.> GUN COLLECTOR ROGER MOORE SAID GUNS, SILVER BARS, GOLD COINS, CASH AND OTHER VALUABLES - WORTH ALMOST \$60,000 - WERE STOLEN FROM HIS HOME NEAR ROYAL, ARK., ON 5 NOVEMBER 1994. MOORE, WHO SAID HE KNEW MCVEIGH CASUALLY, TOLD AUTHORITIES THAT HE WAS BOUND WITH DUCT TAPE WHILE A MASKED PERPETRATOR RANSACKED HIS HOME. THE ROBBERY, HOWEVER, HAS REPORTEDLY STYMIED INVESTIGATORS, WHO HAVE NO EVIDENCE PLACING EITHER SUSPECT AT THE SCENE AND STILL DO NOT KNOW WHO ACTUALLY STOLE THE GUNS AND CASH. SINCE MOORE KNEW MCVEIGH THROUGH GUN SHOWS, SOME HAVE SUGGESTED IT WASN'T A ROBBERY AT ALL. THE "TULSA WORLD", ON 8 SEPTEMBER 1996, ASKS THE QUESTION "WAS A ROYAL, ARK., MAN SUPPOSEDLY ROBBED NOV. 5, 1994, ACTUALLY A GOVERNMENT INFORMANT?"

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