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[A confidential source abroad] advised that on March 5, 1970, JERRY BUCHANAN was seen in his residence, Calle Circumvalacion Oblatos, 1275, Guadalajara, in a late model Oldsmobile Vista Cruiser station wagon, yellow over brown, bearing 1969-70 New York State tag RBP9. Whether this vehicle was identical with car #4 stolen March 21, 1970, or car #13, mentioned hereafter, stolen on February 23, 1970, was not known by the source. (u)

On April 7, 1970, [a confidential source abroad] advised one JAY BLAND, who was possibly identical with JERRY BUCHANAN, was arrested and released at Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico, for "contrabanding." This individual was driving a 1970 Oldsmobile Vista Cruiser station wagon bearing 1970 plates 8991G, vehicle identification number 348650M190077. (This source) transmitted a newspaper picture from an unidentified Mexican newspaper of the individual arrested at Guadalajara. This picture was subsequently identified by SA J. P. HUFFORD, FBI, as identical to JERRY BUCHANAN. (u)

On May 20, 1970, VICENTE YLLAN GARCIA, of the Federal Judicial Police at Guadalajara, Jalisco, advised that he was the individual who arrested JAY BLAND on a contraband charge and at that time BLAND had been in possession of the late-model Oldsmobile Vista Cruiser station wagon. YLLAN was advised of the stolen status of this station wagon and he stated he would attempt to locate and confiscate this vehicle. YLLAN was recontacted June 11, and June 17, 1970, at which time he stated he had been unable to locate instant vehicle or BLAND. (u)

On June 7, 1971, [a confidential source abroad] advised that the above-described Oldsmobile was in possession of ROSANDO ROSAS, Assistant Customs Chief, bearing Zacatecas plates 71-ZWL. (u)

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III. INFORMATION RELATING TO INVESTIGATION AT GUADALAJARA, MEXICO, AND SURROUNDING AREAS OF MEXICO. (u)

On or about June 30, 1971, the following information was received from a confidential source abroad:

On May 19, 1971, JULIO CESAR SANCHEZ ASENCIO advised that JOHN WAYNE HILL had returned to Guadalajara, Jalisco, with another white male American citizen. Both of these individuals had been seen talking to JUAN MANUEL PATINO GUERRA, and were believed to be trying to sell a new pick-up truck that they had brought from the United States. (u)

An effort was made to locate HILL at the home of RICHARD NORMAN SUMMERS at Calle Manzanillo #412, Chapala, Jalisco. He could not be located at this address; however, on May 21, 1971, JOHN WAYNE HILL and KENNETH EDWARD GORDON were determined to be located in Room 451 of the Hotel Geneve at Guadalajara. Investigation at the hotel determined that HILL had been in touch with someone at Calle Puerto Melaque #2626, Guadalajara. (u)

Source advised that on May 21, 1971, both HILL and GORDON had been taken into custody by the Secret Service Division of the Guadalajara Police Department and that two vehicles had been seized as being possibly stolen from the United States. (u)

On May 22, 1971, JERRY BUCHANAN was arrested by Secret Service Agents at his home at Puerto Melaque #1421, Guadalajara. Also seized in his possession as being an automobile possibly stolen from the United States was the following vehicle:

1970 blue Plymouth Barracuda, VIN BH23GOE 126020, and Florida plates 29W-1647. (u)

Also detained by Secret Service Agents on May 22, 1971, was Professor ALFONSO LEON GOMEZ at his home at Calle Abascal y Souza #692, Guadalajara. Seized from this individual as an automobile possibly stolen from the United States, was the following vehicle: (u)

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1969 Ford Fairlane, VIN 9R30F 180881
and California plates YSS-596. (u)

Also arrested by Secret Service Agents on May 22, 1971, was Professor JUAN MARTINEZ MURILLO, also known as "El Gordo," at his home at Calle Herrera y Cairo #7961, Guadalajara. Later that day, Secret Service Agents also detained RICHARD NORMAN SUMMERS at Chapala, Jalisco. Secret Service Agents also detained JUAN MANUEL PATINO GUERRA at Guadalajara. (u)

JERRY BUCHANAN had in his possession a card bearing the name of FRANCISCO ROMERO at Calle Juarez 211-307, at Guadalajara. Source advised that this individual buys and sells stolen articles and is the son of MANUEL ROMERO ROJO, former Chief of Police at Guadalajara. Another card found in BUCHANAN's possession bore the notation "Noah's Ark, Unisex Clothing Boutique, 1945 N. E. 163rd Street, North Miami Beach, Florida." Another card bore the notation "Joe Bland Construction Company, General Contractor, 3201 Maxroy Street, Houston, Texas." Another card bore the notation "2663 Lake Independence, Patridge Street, Belize City, B. H." Another card bore the notation "Comandante SERGIO MANGE, telephone numbers 7-03-51 and 5-33-09." Another card bore the notation "ANGEL ALVARADO, Privada San Enrique, Colonia Chapalita, telephone 7-03-51." (u)

JERRY BUCHANAN told Secret Service Agents that he had been born at Brevard, North Carolina, and is the son of JAMES BUCHANAN and MARY WEST. His mother resides at 466 N. W. 84th Street, Miami, Florida. (u)

Regarding the 1970 Plymouth Barracuda that he had in his possession when he was arrested, he denied that it was his property and stated that it had been loaned to him by a man named MEL. He stated that he had met this man in the bar at the Hotel Geneve at Guadalajara and had no further information concerning him. BUCHANAN denied stealing any cars and stated that a 1970 Oldsmobile station wagon that had been in his possession when he was detained in Guadalajara in April of 1970, had been bought by him at the Baratillo Market at Guadalajara. He denied any knowledge of arms or of other vehicles. He stated that he had a brother named JAMES BUCHANAN. He stated his brother had a Volkswagen station wagon which had been left at a mechanic's shop at Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico, about six months previously. (u)

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BUCHANAN stated that he had previously owned a 1966 blue Oldsmobile which he had painted black. He stated that he had bought this car from AL JOHNSON in March or April of 1970 at Miami, Florida, and had sold this car in October of 1970 to a man named RAYMOND, of the Santos Customs Brokers House at Hidalgo, Texas. (u)

BUCHANAN stated that in 1968 he had been in training for guerrilla warfare with thirteen (13) other Americans in the mountains near Comitan, Chiapas. He stated that among these Americans had been ROBERT CURTIS. They had been preparing for an invasion of Cuba; however, they were later arrested in Honduras and in Guatemala and the invasion never materialized. (u)

Source advised that investigation conducted at the Hotel Formosa at Avenida Revolucion #1905, Guadalajara, reflected that GUILLERMO CHIO SOLORIO, aka. Memo, is the son of the owner of this hotel. CHIO was interviewed and advised that he had known BUCHANAN for about one year and that BUCHANAN had been constructing two small wooden boats in the carpenter shop which is located in this hotel. He stated that BUCHANAN changed cars frequently; however, he could not remember the makes or models. BUCHANAN also sold TV sets, radios, electric drills, and tools. He did recall that each time BUCHANAN arrived at the hotel with a different car, he would call someone on the telephone whom he described as a "comandante" of the customs house. He recalled that BUCHANAN had two friends, FRANCISCO CASTURITA and EDWARD COURT, who had arrived at the hotel on May 19, 1971, and had left on May 21, 1971. CASTURITA made one telephone call to telephone number 786-5030 at Los Angeles, California. Both of these individuals left stating they were going to Mazatlan, Sinaloa, and later to Empalme, Sonora. (u)

BENJAMIN AGUILAR, car washer at the Hotel Formosa, advised that he had seen BUCHANAN driving the blue Plymouth Barracuda since about May 10, 1971. He recalled that about six months previously, BUCHANAN had in his possession a 1966 four-door light blue Ford and that about four months previously, he had in his possession a late model dark green two-door Oldsmobile Toronado. He recalled that BUCHANAN had brought about seven or eight cars to Guadalajara during the past year. (u)

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Investigation conducted in the area of BUCHANAN's home and his previous residence at Guadalajara, reflected that neighbors stated they had seen this individual with many automobiles. No one could definitely identify these automobiles. During the investigation in the Hotel Formosa, GUILLERMO CHIO advised that BUCHANAN had a friend named PANCHO who worked in a bar on Calle Gigantes at Guadalajara. This individual was identified as FRANCISCO BARRAGAN REYES, aka. Pancho, whose home address is Avenida Mexico #3151. He is the manager of the La Luna de Miel Bar on Calle Gigantes. He was located, at which time he stated he had known BUCHANAN for about one year and recalled that he had brought many different automobiles to Mexico. He recalled that about six months previously, BUCHANAN had in his possession a 1971 green Chevrolet. (u)

Concerning the ranch that BUCHANAN supposedly owns about 40 miles from Guadalajara, BUCHANAN stated that this is the Rancho San Ignacio near Tala, Jalisco. He stated that it was actually owned by his father-in-law, JUAN DOMINGUEZ, and he has a small house at this location. (u)

JOHN WAYNE HILL, during interview by Secret Service Agents at Guadalajara, stated that during the past five or six years he had brought about 50 or 60 stolen automobiles to Guadalajara. He stated that he had brought so many automobiles to this area that he could not remember the details of these. He stated that the majority of these vehicles had been Fords or Chevrolets and he had sold the majority of them through JUAN MANUEL PATINO GUERRO and JULIO CESAR SANCHEZ ASENCIO. He recalled that in March, 1971, he had brought a 1971 four-door Ford Galaxie to Mexico and had sold this vehicle, with the help of JUAN MANUEL PATINO GUERRA, to a member of the Mexican Customs Service named NAVARRETE, at Manzanillo, Colima. He stated he had been born at Malvern, Arkansas, and his parents are JOHN W. HILL and LOIS EARLAND HILL. He maintains his address at 4589 Hamilton Avenue, San Jose, California. (u)

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Source advised that through contact with Secret Service Agents and other sources, he had learned the following:

That the contact of JERRY BUCHANAN with a "comandante" of the Mexican Customs Service was probably FRANCISCO GUEVARA ARREOLA. GUEVARA is a customs employee and is commissioned under Customs Inspector, General RAUL MERIGO. GUEVARA also is a very close friend of SAMUEL PADILLA GUTIERREZ, who has just retired from the customs service at Guadalajara. PADILLA owns a furniture store near the Revolution Park at Guadalajara and has been named by several people as the principal individual who has bought and sold a large number of stolen automobiles. He reportedly has bought these vehicles and has sold them to customs employees at Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, and Tepic, Nayarit. He reportedly sold a late model Oldsmobile station wagon to ROSENDO ROSAS, Assistant Chief of the Customs Service at Guadalajara. (u)

PADILLA also reportedly sold a 1970 or 1971 Chevrolet Malibu to Customs Corporal MARTINIANO TORRES at Manzanillo, Colima. He also sold a 1970 gold or brown-colored Pontiac Firebird to JOSE SALAZAR JACINTO, Chief of the Customs Enforcement Agency at Guadalajara. SALAZAR later sold this Firebird to MARTINIANO TORRES, who later sold it to an employee of the state government at Zacatecas, Zacatecas. PADILLA also sold TORRES a 1969 or 1970 white over blue pick-up. TORRES later sold this vehicle to CARLOS PALACIOS NOVOA, an employee of the Customs Service at Guadalajara, who resides near the Las Casitas Motel. (u)

Another person described as a purchaser of stolen automobiles, is GUILLERMO GALVEZ SANTANA. He is described as being paralyzed from the waist down and as dealing in late model stolen vehicles. It was also reported that JULIO CESAR SANCHEZ ASECNIO has, in the past, sold automobiles to General GOMEZ HUERTA at Mexico, D.F., and that the General has furnished money for the purchase of other vehicles. (u)

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FLAVIO BERUMEN, who is in charge of Customs Warehouse No. 3 at Guadalajara, reportedly has a stolen car which was sold to him by SAMUEL PADILLA GUTIERREZ. JOSE LOPEZ AMEZCUA, Customs official at Guadalajara, reportedly has a stolen car which he obtained from PADILLA. (u)

SAMUEL PADILLA GUTIERREZ reportedly has partners in the purchase and sale of automobiles. These individuals are called "EL RUSO", a Mexican, and an American called FRANK. These vehicles are kept on a parking lot near the customs house at Guadalajara. (u)

It has also been reported that the customs patrol at Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, uses a stolen car sold to them by SAMUEL PADILLA GUTIERREZ. (u)

This source advised on June 7, 1971, that the following vehicles had been located in the possession of customs officials or at the customs house at Guadalajara, Jalisco, on that date:

1970 Oldsmobile Vista Cruiser station wagon, VIN 348650 M 190077, Zacatecas plates 71-ZWL, in possession of ROSENDO ROSAS, Assistant Customs Chief

1969 Chevrolet Impala four-door sedan, VIN 164699 R 024049, and Jalisco plates 47-JXD, in the possession of FLAVIO BERUMEN of Customs Warehouse No. 3

1971 two-door Mercury Cougar, VIN 1S91H 514564 and Coahuila plates 51-DVE

1970 two-door Ford LTD, VIN OD62Y 114774 and State of Mexico plates 43-LLP

1970 four-door Ford LTD, VIN OD66K 121005 (u)

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Source advised that the official declaration made by subjects in this matter was being typed and indicated that vehicles stolen by JERRY BUCHANAN went to customs officials at Guadalajara and that vehicles stolen by SUMMERS and HILL went both to customs officials and to SANCHEZ and PATINO who sold them to customs officials. (u)

JERRY BUCHANAN, when arrested, had in his possession Mexican Tourist Card FM-5, No. 4229794, in the name of MELVIN BLEETSTEIN. He also had Mexican Temporary Automobile Import Permit No. 122758, issued May 19, 1971, at Reynosa, Tamaulipas, Mexico, for a 1970 Plymouth Barracuda, bearing VIN BH 23GOE 126020 and Florida plates 29W-1647. (u)

Police Officer MARTIN MEJIA, also with the Secret Service of the Guadalajara Police Department, can testify concerning the 1970 Plymouth having been in the possession of subject BUCHANAN. (u)

On July 23, 1971, the same confidential source abroad advised that the following vehicles had been located at Guadalajara in possession of Customs officials:

1970 white Ford LTD, Jalisco plates 64-JZS, VIN ON66H 121324; JOSE LOPEZ AMEZCUA of Customs has this car

1968 four-door Plymouth, blue, Michigan plates JVK-735, VIN PE41F80 271504; this vehicle was located at Calle Cabanas #445, Guadalajara, which house belongs to a customs official

1969 white Oldsmobile, California plates RRS-758, in possession of ENNIO FANO MONTERO, a customs official who resides at Privada de las Rosas #470, Guadalajara

1970 Chevrolet Malibu, Jalisco plates 28-JPM, VIN 136370A 135472, in the possession of Customs Agent JORGE KOSONoy CELEDON, who resides at Calle Montes Celestes #1844, Guadalajara; he received this car from Customs official MARTINIANO TORRES at Manzanillo, Colima. (u)

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On September 22, 1971, a confidential source abroad advised the following automobiles, believed to have been stolen, had been located at Guadalajara, Mexico.

1971 grey Mercury Cougar, Coahuila plates 51DVE, VIN 1S91H514565, being driven by the Director of Customs at Guadalajara

1970 light brown Chevrolet Malibu, Jalisco plates 28-JPM, VIN 136370A 135472, being driven by Customs employee JORGE KOSONOV CELEDON, of Montes Celestes No. 1844, Guadalajara

1970 Vista Cruiser Oldsmobile VIN 348550M 140378, this vehicle was being used by Attorney ISIDRO URZUA, whose office is at Calle Corona No. 71, Guadalajara

1971 four-door Dodge Monaco, Sonora plates 31 WAW, VIN DH 41 ND 108829, being used by Attorney ISIDRO URZUA, Calle Corona 71, Guadalajara

1970 light brown Ford LTD, Jalisco plates 54 HSF, VIN OD62H123582, being used by FELIPE A. V., of Calle Enrique Gonzalez in front of Colegio Allende at Guadalajara.

1969 Pontiac Firebird, black over blue, Jalisco plates 60 HSF, VIN 223378U138012, being driven by an employee of the El Occidental newspaper at Guadalajara.

1969 white over blue Chevrolet Impala, Jalisco plates 32 HSF, VIN 164699R029242, being driven by Attorney ISIDRO URZUA, of Calle Corona No. 71, Guadalajara.

1969 red Impala Chevrolet station wagon, Illinois plates 814090, located at Customs House, Guadalajara.

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1970 red Ford XL convertible,
VIN 0061N 173244, located at
Paraguay No. 2505 at Guadalajara

1965 red Ford Mustang, California
plates OXZ-813, located at Customs
House, Guadalajara

JORGE KOSONoy CELEDON, an employee of the
Customs Service at Guadalajara took the 1970 brown Malibu
to Matamoros, Tamaulipas, Mexico. Customs employee,
GUILLERMO SANCHEZ PINEDA was using this vehicle at that
post. (u)

On August 25, 1972, a confidential source
abroad advised that following the arrest of JERRY
BUCHANAN in June, 1971, at Guadalajara, Jalisco, he
was prosecuted for being in possession of a 1970
blue Plymouth Barracuda, bearing VIN BH23GOE126020,
which had come from Laredo, Texas. (u)

BUCHANAN, after being in jail, was absolved
of any guilt and released. (u)

MARTIN MEJIA of the Secret Service Division
of the Guadalajara Police Department, has advised that
he would voluntarily appear for Grand Jury and trial
testimony in Miami, Florida, if travel expenses and
per diem were paid by the U. S. Government. In addition,
CARLOS ACEVES, Chief of the Secret Service Division of
the Guadalajara Police Department, has advised that
he will permit MEJIA to go to Miami as requested. (u)

On September 12, 1972, a confidential source
abroad made available the following:

1. Copy of the court record in this case
as obtained from the Jalisco State Prison.
2. Copy of a blank Florida certificate of
live birth as obtained during the arrest
of JERRY BUCHANAN.

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3. Copy of a blank certificate of birth obtained during the arrest of JERRY BUCHANAN.
4. Copy of a Mexican temporary car import permit in the name MELVIN BLEETSTIEN for a 1971 Plymouth Barracuda obtained during the arrest of JERRY BUCHANAN
5. Copy of a Mexican tourist card in the name MELVIN BLEETSTIEN obtained during the arrest of JERRY BUCHANAN.

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Telegram No. 52 IV 42614, of May 31st last, directed to the Attorney General of the Federation, from the above-mentioned Agent of the Federal Public Ministry, stating:

"YOUR MESSAGE OF THE 29TH LAST..... (illegible) RELATING TO PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE OF 31/9/71, INSTRUCTING ARREST SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT OF KENNETH RICHARD GORDON, JOHN WAYNE, HARRY BUCHANAN, RIC HARD NORMAN SUMMERS, FOR THE CRIME OF CONTRABAND, ALONG WITH JUAN MARTINEZ MURILLO AND JOSE MANUEL MARTINEZ GUERRA, IN THE PROPER COURT, UNDER ARTICLE 41 OF THE FISCAL CODE OF THE FEDERATION, THE ATTORNEY ASKS FOR SENTENCE..... (ILLEGIBLE) ABSENCE OF CHIEF ATTORNEY, UNDER ARTICLE V OF (ILLEGIBLE)TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR BY ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL LEOPOLDO ORTIZ SARTOR (?)"

The previous elements of proof, by their nature and contents, form a homogenous whole and fully prove the nature of the crime of contraband, as provided in Article 46, Section III of the Fiscal Code of the Federation, and receiving stolen goods, as provided for under Article 50, Section III, in connection with Section 17, of the above-mentioned Fiscal Code, and nor for Article 480 (?), Section II, of the Federal Penal Code, considering that the principal crime is that of contraband, as set forth in the above-mentioned Fiscal Code of the Federation. In effect, it shows that the accused, JOHN WAYNE, has been stealing cars for six years in the United States, The cars were of foreign make, importation of which is prohibited by law, and they were introduced illegally into the country, without proper permits, and sold to the accused PATINO GUERRA, among others. There were two Ford Galaxies, 1967 and 1970, and a Thunderbird, sold by the accused KENNETH EDWARD GORDON for 10,000 pesos. He also brought into the country a Ford Galaxie, 1967, foreign made, and this was one of the cars which JOHN WAYNE sold,

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and he also sold it to PATINO GUERRA. The accused RICHARD NORMAN SUMMERS brought into the country ten foreign made cars, without proper permits. Three of these were Ford Galaxies, 1968, which he sold to JUAN MARTINEZ MURILLO for 8,000 pesos, and the other two were for 10,000 pesos each. A Chevrolet Impala, 1968 (?), a 1968 Ford, and another Ford LTD, 1968, were sold to PATINO GUERRA for 10,000 pesos each; a Chevrolet Impala, 1977; a Ford, 1968, another Ford Galaxie, 1968, and a pickup truck, 1968, were sold to JULIO CESAR SANCHEZ ASENCIO for 10,000 pesos each. The accused JOSE MANUEL PATINO GUERRA and JUAN MARTINEZ MURILLO, knew that the vehicles they were selling were of foreign origin and had been brought into the country illegally without proper permits. They admit they were given no papers to prove legal entry, meaning that in buying these cars, they were dealing in illegal merchandise. The accused KENNETH EDWARD, JOHN WAYNE and JERRY BUCHANAN were arrested on last May 22, by agents of the Secret Service in this city, and turned over to the authorities. From the first, a Ford pick-up 23 (illegible) Special, color clear coffee and red, 1971, camper, provisional plates 0235834 of the State of California, was impounded. Another station wagon, Ford, 1971, green, with California provisional plates No. 0255839, was impounded, and the third car, a Plymouth Barracude, blue, Florida plates, was also impounded. All vehicles were of foreign make and registry, and forbidden to enter the country, and there was no proof of legal entry. All the above circumstances were set forth in telegram No. 529-IV 42614, of last May 31st, which was sent to the Attorney General of the Federation, with the idea that the State Attorney (illegible) and warrants were requested for each and every one of the accused, since there is no proof of their innocence; on the contrary, the above is corroborated by the vehicles which have been impounded from the accused, consisting of proof of the crime, as established under Article 87, section IV, of the Code involved. (u)

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