FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

COVER SHEET

SUBJECT: JAMES DOUGLAS MORRISON

FBI WASH DC

FBI PHOENIX

5:13PM DEFERRED 11/12/69 RLB

TO: DIRECTOR, HOUSTON AND LOS ANGELES

FROM: PHOENIX (164-37) (2P)

THOMAS FREDERICK BAKER; JAMES D. MORRISON; CONTINENTAL AIRLINES PHOENIX, ARIZONA, NOVEMBER ELEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTYNINE. CAA-ASSAULT-INTERFERING WITH FLIGHT CREW.

RE PHOENIX TEL TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER ELEVEN, LAST, SUTEL TO PHOENIX, NOVEMBER TWELVE, INSTANT, HOUSTON TEL TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER TWELVE, INSTANT.

FOUR-COUNT INDICTMENT FILED BEFORE FGJ, PHOENIX, NOVEMBER TWELVE, INSTANT, AND TRUE BILL RETURNED. BENCH WARRANT ISSUED AND SUBJECT REMANDED CUSTODY USM. BOND RECOMMENDED BY USA AT TWENTYFIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS. DEFENSE ATTORNEY ARRANGED BOND REDUCTION HEARING BEFORE USDJ COPPLE, NOVEMBER TWELVE, INSTANT.

HOUSTON SUBMIT FD-THREE ZERO TWOS ON INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED NOVEMBER ELEVEN, LAST, IMMEDIATELY FOR USE IN FIVE-DAY REPORT. SUTEL RESIDENCE ADDRESSES CREW MEMBERS UNLESS RESIDING YOU DIVISION.

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FBI HOUSTON

1032AM URGENT 11-12-69 KFB

TO DIRECTOR, PHOENIX, AND LOS ANGELES

FROM HOUSTON (164-NEW) 3P

THOMAS FREDERICK BAKER; JAMES D. MORRISON; CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, PHOENIX, ARIZONA, NOV ELEVEN, SIXTY NINE, CAA- ASSAULT - INTERFERRING WITH FLIGHT CREW.

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RE PHOENIX TEL TO HOUSTON, NOV ELEVEN LAST.

FLIGHT CREW CONTINENTAL AIRLINES FLIGHT ONE SEVEN TWO INTERVIEWED TODAY. [redacted] ADVISED FLIGHT LEFT LOS ANGELES APPROXIMATELY FIVE TEN PM, NOV ELEVEN. [redacted] OLD HIM TO WHITE MALE PASSENGERS CREATING DISTURBANCE BY LOUD OBSCENE TALK, INTERFERING WITH HOSTESS INSTRUCTION ON USE OF OXYGEN MASK, KEEPING FEET IN AISLE. [redacted] TOLD HER TO TELL THEM ON HIS BEHALF TO BEHAVE. SUBSEQUENTLY CAPT PERSONALLY ASKED SUBJECTS TO OBSERVE PROPER CONDUCT. [redacted] STATED SUBJECTS TRIED TO TRIP HER, USED FOUL LANGUAGE, HIT HER WITH LAVATORY DOOR AND THREW GLASS AT HER AFTER LANDING. [redacted] VICTIM OF OBSCENE LANGUAGE AND GESTURES WAS HIT BY ICE AND WATER FROM THROWN GLASS. [redacted] OBSERVED SUBJECTS PASSING LIQUOR BOTTLE DURING FLIGHT. WAS IN GALLEY MOST OF TIME BUT HEARD AND OBSERVED SOME OF SUBJECTS' RUDE ACTION.

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PAGE TWO [redacted] TOOK OVER FLIGHT WHEN CAPT TALKED TO [redacted] SUBJECTS. COULD HEAR LOUD NOISE IN COCKPIT. [redacted] ADVISED HAD CONSIDERED LANDING NEAREST FIELD TO HAVE SUBJECTS REMOVED. RADIOED AHEAD TO PHOENIX TO HAVE POLICE ALERTED. DURING TAXI TIME AT PHOENIX [redacted] CONSIDERED STOPPING BEFORE REACHING UNLOADING POINT TO HAVE SUBJECTS REMOVED BECAUSE THEY WERE WALKING AROUND SMOKING DURING TIME SEAT BELT SIGN ON. [redacted] STATED CONDUCT OF SUBJECTS FRIGHTENED THEM AND INTERFERRED WITH THEIR DUTIES TO INSURE COMFORT AND SAFETY OF PASSENGERS. NAME OF SUBJECTS UNKNOWN TO CREW. NO PASSENGERS WHO WITNESSED INCIDENT ARRIVED HOUSTON. FLIGHT MANIFEST LOCATED LOS ANGELES. SIXTY THREE PASSENGERS DEPLANED PHOENIX, SEVEN DEPLANED EL PASO. PHOENIX POLICE TOOK NAMES OF SEVERAL PASSENGER WITNESSES. FD THREE ZERO TWOS FOLLOW.

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FBI PHOENIX

1123PM 11/11/69 URGENT JDD

TO DIRECTOR, LOS ANGELES AND HOUSTON

FROM PHOENIX (164-NEW)

THOMAS FREDERICK BAKER; JAMES D. MORRISON; CONTINENTAL AIRLINES PHOENIX, ARIZONA, ELEVEN/ELEVEN/SIXTYNINE. CAA - ASSAULT - INTERFERRING WITH FLIGHT CREW.

RE PX TELCALL TO HOUSTON INSTANT.

AT SEVEN: FORTY PM INSTANT, PHOENIX PD ADVISED THAT SUBJECTS WERE REMOVED FROM CONTINENTAL AIRLINES AIRCRAFT AT PHOENIX AT REQUEST OF CAPTAIN AS THEY HAD INTERFERRED WITH OPERATION OF FLIGHT CREW BY ATTEMPTING TO TRIP HOSTESSES, REFUSING TO FASTEN SEAT BELTS WHEN DIRECTED TO DO SO, BY SMOKING CIGARS WHEN NO SMOKING SIGN WAS LIT, BY THROWING OBJECTS ABOUT THE AIRCRAFT AND CAUSING CAPTAIN TO LEAVE FLIGHT DECK TO TRY TO CONTROL THEM ON AT LEAST TWO OCCASIONS. ST-110 REC-35 164-1001-3

SUBJECTS ALLEGED TO HAVE HAD OWN BOTTLE OF COGNAC FROM WHICH THEY DRANK, USING COMIC BOOK AS COVER. SUBJECTS ALLEGED TO HAVE

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USED OBSCENE LANGUAGE AND GESTURES WHEN DEALING WITH FLIGHT CREW.

BAKER; WM, DOB EIGHT/TWENTYEIGHT/FORTY AT WASHINGTON D.C. SIX FEET, BROWN AND BROWN.

MORRISON; WM DOB TWELVE/EIGHT/FORTYTHREE IN FLORIDA, SIX FEET, ONE FIFTY LBS., BROWN AND BROWN.

PROSECUTION UNDER TITLE FORTYNINE, SECTION ONE FOUR SEVEN TWO, AUTHORIZED BY AUSA LAWRENCE TUROFF. SUBJECTS BOOKED AT PHOENIX CITY JAIL TO BE PRESENTED USDJ ELEVEN/TWELVE/NEXT. BOTH DECLINED INTERVIEW.

FLIGHT DUE TO ARRIVE HOUSTON FROM PHOENIX AT ELEVEN THIRTYSEVEN PM INSTANT.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO SUTEL RESULTS INDICES AND IDENT NAME CHECK.

HOUSTON SUTEL OR TELEPHONE RESULTS OF INTERVIEWS WITH FLIGHT CREW AND PERTINENT PASSENGERS.

LA SUTEL RESULTS RECORD CHECKS WITH LA PD AND SO.

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OC: MR. WALTERS

11-12-69

PLAIN TEXT

TELETYPE URGENT

TO: SAC, PHOENIX (164-NEW)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

THOMAS FREDERICK BAKER; JAMES D. MORRISON; CONTINENTAL AIRLINES PHOENIX, ARIZONA, ELEVEN/ELEVEN/SIXTYNINE. CAA-ASSAULT-INTERFERRING WITH FLIGHT CREW.

REURTEL NOVEMBER ELEVEN LAST.

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[redacted] MORRISON MAYBE IDENTICAL JAMES DOUGLAS MORRISON, FBI NUMBER FIVE ONE ONE FOUR FOUR EIGHT F. SIMILAR DESCRIPTION, SAME BIRTH DATE. HAS ARRESTS FOR DRUNK, PETIT LARCENY OF POLICE HELMET AND UMBRELLA, BATTERY, DRUNK, LEWD AND OBSCENE PERFORMANCE, BREACH OF PEACE, RESISTING, ARREST FOR VAGRANCY, DRUNK DRIVING, NO VALID OPERATORS LICENSE IN POSSESSION, UFAP LEWD AND LASCIVIOUS BEHAVIOR.

NEITHER SUBJECT WANTED ACCORDING IDENTIFICATION DIVISION FILES.

NO RECORD BUFUG INDICES.

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Bureau info per Sheets, Div 5, 11-12-69 lwc

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FBI

Date: 11/13/69

Transmit the following in _____ (Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (164-37) (P)

THOMAS FREDERICK BAKER;
JAMES D. MORRISON;
CONTINENTAL AIRLINES
PHOENIX, ARIZONA
11/11/69
CAA - ASSAULT - INTERFERING
WITH FLIGHT CREW

Re Phoenix tel to Bureau, 11/12/69, and LA tel to PX, 11/12/69.

Enclosed for Miami, Jacksonville and New Haven is one Xerox copy of referenced Los Angeles teletype. Enclosed for Houston and El Paso are three copies each of photographs of subjects.

Docket of USA, Phoenix, Arizona, reflects that subjects were released on $2,500.00 bond on 11/12/69, to appear for plea before USDJ WILLIAM P. COPPLE, 11/24/69, at Phoenix. Subjects' attorneys' motion for reduction in bond apparently unsuccessful.

For information of offices not previously aware of this matter, subjects were passengers aboard Continental Airlines flight from Los Angeles to Phoenix, evening of 11/11/69. Subjects were removed from the airplane by

2 - Bureau
2 - El Paso (Enc 8)
2 - Houston (Enc 6)
2 - Phoenix
2 - Jacksonville (Enc 1)
2 - Los Angeles (164-223)
2 - Miami (Enc 1)
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Special Agent in Charge

PX 164-37

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Phoenix PD upon insistence of airplane captain because of their loud obscene language and physical assaults upon the hostesses which interfered with the performance of the duty of the flight crew. Subjects taken into Federal custody 11/11/69, indicted by FGJ, on 11/12/69, on four counts of interfering with the flight crew.

AUSA made specific request that results of interview of each hostess indicate whether she was in fear and intimidated by the pattern of actions of the subjects, even if specific action of each subject was not directed against her but may have been directed against one of the other hostesses. AUSA also desires specific information as to what comments and actions were made by the subjects to or against the captain that might be construed as intimidating him and affecting the performance of his duties. Specific information as to how many drinks of alcoholic beverages may have been served to each subject by the flight crew should be obtained. AUSA desires that efforts be made to have the flight crew differentiate by name between the two subjects. Arrangements should be made for flight crew members to observe photos of subjects and make identification.

At the time of removing subjects from the aircraft, Phoenix PD officers interviewed the following persons with addresses at [redacted]

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LEADS:

Coverage of requested investigation should be handled as if received via teletype. Details necessary for preparation of five-day report.

PX 164-37 [redacted] 67C

EL PASO DIVISION

AT EL PASO, TEXAS

Will interview passengers identified above. The reaction of each of these passengers to the conduct of the subjects should be obtained in detail and detailed descriptions of the actions directed against the crew, including quotations of comments, should be obtained.

JACKSONVILLE DIVISION, MIAMI DIVISION, AND NEW HAVEN DIVISION

Will obtain complete details surrounding arrests of MORRISON as outlined in the enclosed teletype and Miami should advise specifically the current status of the charges against MORRISON by Dade County which were the basis for his UFAP status.

LOS ANGELES DIVISION

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Will develop personal history data concerning MORRISON and BAKER and obtain details concerning arrests in that division.

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TELETYPE

FBI HOUSTON

1009AM URGENT 11-13-69 MBG

TO DIRECTOR, PHOENIX AND LOS ANGELES

FROM HOUSTON (164-73)

THOMAS FREDERICK BAKER; JAMES D. MORRISON; CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, PHOENIX, ARIZONA, NOV ELEVEN, SIXTY NINE, CAA - ASSAULT - INTERFERRING WITH FLIGHT CREW.

RE PX TEL TO BU, NOV TWELVE LAST. FLIGHT CREW ADDRESSES LISTED.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
PHOENIX	PHOENIX	11/18/69	11/11 - 17/69

TITLE OF CASE

THOMAS FREDERICK BAKER;
JAMES D. MORRISON
Continental Airlines,
Phoenix, Arizona
11/11/69

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] TYPED BY [redacted]

CHARACTER OF CASE 67C

CAA - ASSAULT - INTERFERENCE WITH FLIGHT CREW

REFERENCE: Phoenix teletype to Bureau 11/11/69.
Houston airtel to Phoenix 11/13/69.

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LEADS

Leads presently outstanding at Los Angeles, El Paso and Houston, sent via expedite communication, not being restated. Los Angeles and El Paso have no need for copies of this report in order to handle existing leads.

PHOENIX DIVISION

AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Will continue liaison with U. S. Attorney to assemble

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					☐ NONE	ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☐ YES ☒ NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☒ NO

APPROVED SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

COPIES MADE:

1 - Bureau
1 - USA, Phoenix
2 - Houston (164-73)
2 - Phoenix (164-37)

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Dissemination Record of Attached Report

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detailed information necessary for government's appearance at hearing on 11/24/69.

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FD-204 (Rev. 3-3-59)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Phoenix

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Report of: [redacted] Office: PHOENIX

Date: 11/1[illegible]/69

Field Office File #: PH 164-37 Bureau File #:

Title: THOMAS FREDERICK BAKER;
JAMES D. MORRISON;
Continental Airlines,
Phoenix, Arizona,
11/11/69

Character: CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT - ASSAULT - INTERFERING WITH FLIGHT CREW

Synopsis: Investigation initiated upon receipt of information from Phoenix Police Department that two men were taken into custody from Continental Airlines, Flight 172, upon complaint of Captain that they had interfered with operations of the flight crew. Flight crew advised two white male passengers created disturbance by loud/obscene talk interfering with hostess' instruction on use of oxygen, kept feet in aisle apparently to trip hostesses, threw drinking glass at one hostess after landing, striking a second with ice and water, and apparently maliciously struck hostess with lavatory door when opening it. These two passengers observed passing own liquor bottle between them during flight. Flight captain unable to control activities of these two passengers even though he cautioned that he might return to Los Angeles to have them removed, and also considered stopping aircraft away from terminal area at Phoenix due to the uncontrolled activities of these two passengers. Hostesses reported passengers activities frightened them and interfered with duties to insure comfort and safety of passengers. Other passengers have confirmed statements of hostesses and described language used by these two offensive passengers as very foul, vulgar and more than just mildly offensive. One of the two men commented to one hostess, "You're really going to be sorry now baby," after being admonished by the Captain. Facts presented FGJ 11/12/69 and true bill returned indicting subjects on 3 counts, each on violation Title [illegible] Section 1472. Hearing before USDJ COPPLE scheduled 11/[illegible]. Subjects released on $2,500 bond each.

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DETAILS: ALL b7C

Investigation initiated at 7:40 PM November 11, 1969, upon receipt of a telephone call from [redacted], Phoenix Police Department, Airport Detail, at which time he advised that the Phoenix Police Department had removed two passengers from Continental Airlines Flight 172 upon request of the aircraft [redacted] [redacted] advised that [redacted] alleged that two individuals identified as JAMES D. MORRISON and THOMAS FREDERICK BAKER had been drinking from their own bottle of liquor, using obscene and vulgar language as well as obscene gestures toward the hostesses, refused to obey directions of the flight crew with regard to the use of seat belts and not smoking, and were throwing objects at each other and the hostesses. [redacted] advised that the captain had requested that those individuals be held and that action should be taken to file federal charges against them for interfering with the operations of the flight crew.

Facts obtained from [redacted] were discussed with Assistant United States Attorney [illegible] TUROFF and it was decided that MORRISON and BAKER would be charged with violation of Title 18, Section 1472.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/14/69

THOMAS FREDERICK BAKER was contacted in the guard's office, Phoenix City Jail, at 10:23 PM, at which time he was advised of his rights as set forth in a warning and waiver form. He was supplied with a warning and waiver form, which he read, advised he understood, and since he was entitled to a lawyer, wished to call Los Angeles, California.

Further efforts to interview BAKER were not made and at his request, the FBI Office, Phoenix, Arizona, was instructed to contact the FBI Office in Los Angeles, California, to contact one MAX FINK, an attorney of Beverly Hills, California, to notify him that TOM BAKER and JIM MORRISON had been arrested at Phoenix, Arizona. This was accomplished at 10:25 PM.

At 11:18 PM, it was determined that the Los Angeles Office of the FBI had learned from Mr. FINK that he had been in contact with the Phoenix Police Department concerning BAKER and MORRISON.

On 11/11/69 Phoenix, Arizona File PX 164-37

by SA [redacted] Date dictated 11/13/69

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/14/69

JAMES D. MORRISON was contacted in the guard's office, Phoenix City Jail, at 11:14 PM, at which time he was advised of his rights as contained in a warning and waiver form and was supplied with a form, which he read and refused to sign.

MORRISON advised that his attorney was MAX FINK, whose telephone number at Beverly Hills, California, is 273-6760.

At 11:16 PM, FBI Office, Phoenix, was instructed to contact the FBI Office at Los Angeles, California, and supply them with FINK's telephone number so that he could be notified that MORRISON had been arrested at Phoenix, Arizona.

At 11:18 PM, FBI, Los Angeles, advised that Mr. FINK had been contacted and was aware of MORRISON's arrest and had been in contact with the Phoenix Police Department.

On 11/11/69 at Phoenix, Arizona File # PX 164-37

by SA [redacted] Date dictated 11/13/69

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/14/69

At 2:30 PM, THOMAS FREDERICK BAKER was taken [illegible] into custody from the Phoenix Police Department and transported via Government automobile to the custody of the United States Marshal.

11/13/69 Phoenix, Arizona File PX 164-37

by SA [redacted] and [redacted]

SA [redacted] Date dictated 11/13/69

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/14/69

At 2:30 PM, JAMES D. MORRISON was taken into custody from the Phoenix Police Department and transported by Government automobile to the custody of the United States Marshal.

On 11/12/69 at Phoenix, Arizona File # PX 184-37

SA [redacted] and

SA [redacted] Date dictated 11/13/69

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1 b1c1D Date 11/13/69

[redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] which departed Los Angeles, California, on November 11, 1969, at approximately 5:10 PM, with scheduled stops at Phoenix, El Paso, and San Antonio, final destination Houston, Texas.

Shortly after the plane took off from Los Angeles, a hostess, who he is not certain but believes to be [redacted] came to the flight cabin of the aircraft and told him that some longhaired passengers sitting in the First Class section of the plane were causing her problems, talking terribly, and generally misbehaving.

[redacted] instructed the hostess to go back and tell those passengers to behave in a normal fashion and to follow instructions to sit down inasmuch as the seat belt signs had been turned on, and if they did not abide by her instructions, to tell them he would have to come back and talk to them.

In response to the hostess' telling him of the trouble being caused by the passengers, [redacted] turned on the seat belt signs. A hostess then verbally announced over the speaking system that the seat belt sign had been turned on.

About five minutes later, the same hostess who originally reported to [redacted] the misbehaviour of the passengers, returned to the flight cabin and informed [redacted] that the passengers were acting horribly and would not sit down. The hostess was obviously upset. [redacted] then turned the aircraft over to the [redacted] put on his hat and coat and went into the First Class section of the plane. There he saw several long-haired, "hippie-type" male passengers, who were loudly talking, yelling back and forth to one another; one had his legs and feet stretched out into the aisle of the aircraft, and all, or most of them, were drinking alcoholic drinks.

On 11/12/69 at Houston, Texas File # HO 184-[illegible]

by SA [redacted] b3c Date dictated 11/12/69

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