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JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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TO: [REDACTED]

FROM: Officer R. J. Washington

SUBJECT: Discussions with Frank Melton
and others

DATE: 9-3-93

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On this date 25 August 1993, at about the hours of 16:45 I was traveling North on Robinson Rd Ext., and I saw Frank Melton at the building beside the Pizza Hut so he flagged me and I stopped. He asked me how I was doing and I said that I was fine and I asked him how everything was going with him and he stated the same.

Then we talked about him telling me that he knew of the Jackson Police Department investigation of him into several murders, that being of Joe Staffney and Robert Sheppard. I then stated to him that he needed to be careful and he stated the same to me. He then told me that they was after me and I stated to him, that I did not care because if they come after me I don't mind just be right, because when I come back I would be right.

We then talked about him running for the Mayor and I stated to him that you will get killed and that you will need a body guard.

In my capacity as a Police Officer and I knew of several youths that was involved into the gang activity in the city. I kept in contact with all of the youth that I would arrest. So when these youths became of age I was still checking on them. Some of the youths was living with Frank Melton, and on several occasion I would questions them about different things. The only things that the youth would say was to me I am not going to tell you yes or no but I would have to figure the answer out for myself. Some of the questions that I sometimes would ask:

1. Where did you get this money and car from?
2. Why are you on this corner selling and who are you working for?
3. Why did Frank put you out, and what did you do?
4. Now I put you in jail (DC) for auto theft how did Frank get you out of this?
5. Why did Frank adopt you as his son or child?
6. What are you doing for him?

Now in dealing with these youths from gang activities they left that and went into selling drugs. Now when asking questions

to them about Frank they would not give me a yes or no answer most
of them would just say, nothing.

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