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RON LEVIN, aka Ronald George Rothchild,
Ronald George Levine, Sam Goldberg,
Ronald Michael Weatherby, dba
NETWORK NEWS, INC., GENERAL INFORMATION CORP.,
MAY BROTHERS LAND CORP.;
JOSEPH HUNT, dba CYCLOTRONICS OF NORTH AMERICA INC.;
TOM FRANK MAY II, dba EYE CONTACT ADVERTISING;
PROGRESSIVE SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION
2121 West Main Street, Alhambra, California;
BANK LARCENY

On Monday, October 22, 1984, Beverly Hills Police Department (BHPD) arrested JOSEPH HUNT, aka Joseph Gamsky, and JAMES PITTMAN, aka Jim Graham for the murder of captioned subject RON LEVIN.

Officials at BHPD advise that they had not located LEVIN's body but believe they had enough circumstantial evidence to convict HUNT and GRAHAM stemming from their investigation which has been conducted since June 23, 1984 when LEVIN was reported missing.

On November 6, 1984, AUSA CHARLES LEE, Los Angeles, California, was advised of the facts regarding captioned matter and the recent developments by BHPD. AUSA LEE declined prosecution for Title 18, United States Code 2113b (Bank Larceny) regarding captioned matter due to the fact that RON LEVIN is presumed dead.

No further investigation will be conducted at Los Angeles.

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Honorable Robert Bonner
United States Attorney
312 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Re: Ronald George Levin

Attention: Mr. Charles Lee
Assistant U. S. Attorney

Dear Mr. Bonner:

This is to confirm a conversation between AUSA Charles Lee and Special Agent (SA) Nancy N. Underwood on November 6, 1984 in which the facts of the captioned matter were explained to AUSA Lee.

AUSA Lee will recall that officials at Progressive Savings and Loan reported that Ron Levin had deposited 3 checks into his Progressive Savings and Loan account totaling \$250,000.00 on three separate occasions. Levin withdrew \$150,000 before Progressive Savings and Loan received a stop payment from the respective banks. Preliminary investigation determined that all three stop payment letters were worded similarly and appeared to be typed on the same machine. The three check writers and Levin were all business acquaintances and the balances in their accounts were barely enough to keep the accounts open; not nearly enough to cover the written checks. Initial AUSA opinion suggested that this case be worked under Title 18, USC 2113b (Bank Larceny).

AUSA Lee was also advised that on June 23, 1984, Ron Levin was reported missing to the Beverly Hills Police Department (BHPD). Since that time, BHPD has conducted a full scale investigation culminating in the arrest of Joseph Hunt and James Pittman on October 22, 1984 for the murder of Ron Levin. BHPD has advised that the prosecution will continue even though Levin's body has not been located because they believe there is enough circumstantial evidence to convict Hunt and Pittman.

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AUSA Lee advised that he would decline prosecution of Levin for Title 18, USC 2113b (Bank Larceny) due to the fact that Levin is presumed dead.

No further investigation is being conducted by the Los Angeles Office of the FBI.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD T. BRETZING
Special Agent in Charge

By: *James B. Neilson*
JAMES B. NEILSON
Supervisory Special Agent