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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 6-8-54

FROM *ms* SAC, Cincinnati (100-0)SUBJECT: TRUMAN BETHURUM;
FLYING DISCS
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 6-7-54, Mr. THOMAS EICKHOFF, 3721 Tappan Avenue, Cincinnati 23, Ohio, and Mr. RALPH ZIMMERMANN, 2768 Highland Avenue, Cincinnati 12, Ohio, called at this office. Mr. EICKHOFF advised he is the operator of a beauty salon in the Neave Building, Cincinnati, and Mr. ZIMMERMANN advised he is President of the Zimmermann Packing Company in Cincinnati. Mr. EICKHOFF did all the talking for the two men and he furnished the following information:

On 6-3-54 an ad appeared in the "Cincinnati Enquirer," a newspaper of general circulation, Cincinnati, Ohio, to the effect that on 6-11-54 a program would be presented at Taft Auditorium, Cincinnati, Ohio, on "The Real Flying Saucer Story." The advertisement which Mr. EICKHOFF exhibited disclosed no sponsor for this program and it was only noted on the ad that tickets for the program sold for \$2.00 per person and would be on sale at the Central Ticket Office in Cincinnati.

Mr. EICKHOFF advised that although he belongs to no organization interested in flying saucers, he has been interested in this subject and has been interested to the extent that he desired to know the sponsorship of the program. He stated that he found out from the Central Ticket Office that the ad had been placed by HENRY MADAY, 364 West Lewiston Avenue, Ferndale 20, Michigan. He advised that he telephonically contacted MADAY on 6-3-54 and MADAY stated that he was only the agent for renting the hall and that he was acting on behalf of TRUMAN BETHURUM and GEORGE HUNT WILLIAMSON. He stated that on 6-4-54 MADAY called him back and told him that there had been a disagreement between MADAY, BETHURUM and WILLIAMSON over MADAY's arrangements for the sale of tickets for the program and the renting of the hall.

EICKHOFF advised that at this time MADAY said nothing to discredit either BETHURUM or WILLIAMSON and indicated that their disagreement only concerned his placing the ad in the newspaper prior to having the tickets for the program available in Cincinnati.

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