

2307 - 305 OUT OF PDX Z253/Z258 ETA SEA 2336

2313 - PSGR ADV IS HIJACKING

2320 - PSGR BOARDED AT PDX

0137 - 5 MIN OUT ON FINAL

0141 - ON THE GROUND  
1741

0328 - READY FOR TAXI

0335 - CLEARED FOR T/O

0338 - OFF GROUND  
1938

0703 - TERMINATED AT RENO NO PSGR NO DAMAGE  
~~0338~~

Robinson

~~CH 36578~~

Lodderland adv (from FBI) that  
Highacher is believed to be

TED MAYFIELD

PAPER CHUTE  
SCHOOL

NEAR DONALD, ORE.

CONTACT SEA TWR  
CTR

Lockwood 290755Z

Becker 250759Z

MR. Smith brief  
Jack O'Dohr OAK ~~5582 CTR~~ Footbridge 250802Z  
activity 762-784-5582 RNO TWR Black 250814Z

summary

TAPE RECORDINGS

WJ

0336 T/O

0340 7000' 14 DME V23

0344 7000' 19 DME U23

0347 160KIAS → 160KIAS ⇒ 10000

0349 155IAS

0400 10,000 LEVEL 170IAS

0402 NO MACH IND. TAT -7°C

LAST CONTACT WITH HIJACKER

0405 6411 CABIN FLUCTUATING ±A

0422 23M S OF PDX (DME 10,000) 165IAS

0452 EUGENE VOR 10,000' -7°C 170IAS

0530 MFR 10,000 -5°C 1AS 170

0538 ⇒ 11000

0550 RCA 11000 -1°C

0554 58 DME 325R RSL 11000

0638 J

0651 HDG AT MARKER.

0655 INBOUND ON APPROX

0700 4M, out on FINAL

Bob Lowenthal CH2-5106

say altitude - 6000'

2344Z 305 - were standing by.  
1544

not in the cockpit - nervous, but not uptight.  
(has attached with bomb with electrical detonator

2355 N55 2 back pack parachutes  
2 chest packs " { Pay 5:00 PM sea  
\$200,000 any denominations (0100Z)

no "funny stuff"  
park on inactive runway  
front loading bus stairs.

(no other vehicles with rotating beacon) pilot says  
passenger will be released when money &  
chutes delivered.

ultimate destination will be revealed after money.

6-1" block has 175# 50-60 yrs old white

0000 (305) were VFR. not planning beyond to fall  
sticks of dynamite (thought to be) by stew  
6 crew

written request: fueling on shutdown 211  
money bearer ident, live with New, not board  
then person dismount - then parachutes. on board

0024Z

Hochbrunn:

all requests will be honored at 17.00L.  
Al Lee will be courier. him and  
fuller only. maybe also a stair driver.  
Car at 10 to 11 o'clock from cockpit.

0030Z

black raincoat black briefcase 175#  
black hair

0033Z

121.9 ok frequency?

121.7

121.7 - will standby on that

3rd or 4th request for fuelling to begin as soon  
as aircraft stops.

0039Z

Do not have uniform on

0040Z

only one person boarding arrested for  
drunkenness. when? - ?

0050Z  
1650

Nyrop advised police & FBI no action to  
be taken -

request lights off possible  
going to land

0101

asking man where he wants to park. Pass if  
after fuelling completed. Then when clouds  
are clear they will go off for parachutes  
we'll hold until everything set.

0107 → money here, short 2 chutes  
1707 OR. standing by

0115 305 - charts available - CRAF maps too

0124 305 Report altimeter setting

0125 chest packs not here. Will man go for  
1715 getting chest packs in about 10 mins?  
will check his calling now

0128 he's fully aware McCord is 20 miles away  
and... standby.

0130 We understand everything set and  
will begin our descent.

0132 We're at 6000 we haven't started down yet.

0132 ATC - 305 cleared to 4000 - Roger

0133 ATC - H turn 070 - R

0134 ATC - dis 3000 - out of 5 for 3

0135 ATC - H 110 - R out of 3500

ATC - you will be intercepting about 7 miles  
9 mi N of Park tower at Park - Roger

0137 -

0138 -

5 out on final.

0141

Park involved cleared to land  
will advise - will stay on runway.

0143

(305) OK you can turn up the lights  
now slowly.

0143

305 in on ~~go~~ 121.7

0144

will stay on Rwy - rt side

0145

Rwy closed you can stay on if you like

0145

Do you want him write OK

305 in aft low. wants to stay there  
want fuel truck only

0146

He says got fuel at base right now.

1746

~~do~~ want stair truck now, driver  
stay in

0149

bring stairs up now.

0150

stairs in position

- 0155 → Pass coming out now Al coming out  
1755 now and put passengers behind car.  
Have maps and parachuting method  
Stew coming to get evictes
- 6156 One passenger coming back in!  
please monitor people
- 0157 Pass off now - headlites off. Keep pass away
- 0158 → Another full truck + 1 standby - not  
1758 able to fuel for some reason
- 0200 Want pass on other side of vehicle.  
Grl - are you free to listen - off:  
Gd Request 7706 9' (ld lites) 30 sec blank.
- 0202 Fuel trucks on the way.
- 0205 → Money on board  
1805
- 0207 move people back - Stew saw red cyl  
with wires resembling dynamite.

10/11

0211 Al - how does that look now?

0213 he was talking about Mexico City.  
what about the girls  
People ok

0215 start passengers walking across Rwy

1815 Fuel Driver not sure of directions

Mex go on flight 15 insists lets  
out no laundry in U.S. no crew off  
of 1<sup>st</sup> Class aisle curtain aft ~~door~~  
door open aft stair lowered in flight.

0224 → all passengers on bus

1824 0225 ask to make Phoenix?  
Questionable

0237 2 girls can leave

0244 only 1 girl on now

0249 → meals on board more fuel ready  
1849

- 0250 fuel truck needs green light.
- 0251 2 truck crossing. ok
- 0254 MSP no control problems
- 0258 MUCKLOW - Stew on board
- 0322 1922 stair away fuel away
- Gd. Mea 15,000
- 0325 We're going to start now
- 0327 He wants us to stay below 10,000  
What about alt routing south then west.
- 0328 Ready for taxi Cleared to PDX V23  
M13  
Sac M100 V23 3100 crn
- 0335 1935 Cleared for T.O. Steps up
- 0338 Over to Dep. Con 121.2

- 0340 7000 14 DME V23  
slowing to marked bug  
cockpit door closed Stew in cockpit  
no contact Aft stair light on
- 0344 7000 19 DME V23 air stair light.
- 0347 160 ~~ind~~ IAS 5 ab flap bug FF 4500 ea  
going to 170 k 2 or 3 m or  
leaving 7000 for 10000 150 IAS slow  
climb.
- 0349 Z going to 15° flaps 155 IAS
- 0352 Z Stew says he has knapsack in planning  
to jump. Think he's going to leave any  
time. We want to give him as much  
time as possible.
- 0356 Z Describe case contents: Stew - brief case  
left corner 8 sticks like my fire crackers  
8 "X 1" 2 roll each wire out of it.  
Battery (like flashlight) about as thick as  
my arm & 5" long

0358

~~3108~~ Rusty red red plastic covered wire  
He keeps holding onto the wire. He ~~had~~ held  
wire near the things that stick up on  
the battery.

0400

10 000 level 170 IAS FF 4000 ±  
15° Flaps, gear down.

0402

No Mach. TAT -7°C

0404

above 12 500 might get mesh drops.

~~0405~~

attempted 2 times to contact. just responded  
he said everything ok

~~0411~~

Reno looks good (weather). At the present  
cabin is fluctuating playing with air stain  
Ford cabin hits on

0422

230 MES. of POX 10,100 F.O.B 40,000 # FF 4000  
165 IAS

0425

Reno looks good (wx)

0430

have stew commercial wind man.

- 0435 MSP - ARINC - MSP have Al lie get United
- 0438 Route plan PP  $\Rightarrow$  MDF  $\Rightarrow$  RBL  $\Rightarrow$  RNO - Rog
- 0447 MSP - SEA YUMA for second T.O. if necessary,  
Route needed. RNO  $\rightarrow$  OAL  $\rightarrow$  BTY  $\rightarrow$  BLH  
 $\rightarrow$  YUMA
- (SFO Arinc)
- 0448 Next frequency will be 130.6 - Roger
- 0452 Over Eugene VOR 10,000' 4000 FF FOB 33500  
TAT - 7 170 IAS Gear down 15° Flaps
- 0500 No contact with back for 35 minutes will try again near Reno.
- 0514 MSP - ARINC - being taped - approx.
- 0515 Rdo check. (305)
- 0523 FBI feels you should communicate as much as possible. - Roger  
Crew feels he is not receptive to communications  
will call before down and back end he raise  
the stairs.
- MFR
- 0530 Over MDF 10,000 TAT - 5 IAS 170 Flaps 15 Gear down  
icing throughout one icing on wing A1 on

- occasionally,  $\frac{3}{8}$ " on window 1" to 3" on  
wing. F.O.B 27,500 FF 4000 pph

0534 Stay on 131.8 until RBL then 130.6

0535 Try to negotiate clean A/C to Mexico City  
P.O. 32000 at R350 LRC

0538 Recd 11000' RBL  $\rightarrow$  RNO slowly lower cabin  
Temp. slowly. cabin temp 60° at present

0540 Cool cabin appreciably will slow his reflexes  
Roger.

0542 (United 4351 relay) Suggest slow climb to 11000 ASA.  
Roger have started the climb.

0550 Rds ck ok level at 11,000 in the clear. losing  
ice - off windshield TAT - 1.

0554 58 DME 325°R RBL 18000 FOB 22000  
Cde will provide you to RBL  $\rightarrow$  RNO

(MIP) Big problems if you land in Mexico other than Mex  
Yuma ok perhaps

0559 16 aft door lite on - off again. entry of air train

11/1

Try to negotiate

0602 Will guarantee safe delivery with clean A/C  
Roger

to ARINC

0607 (MSP) Need time to arrange phone patch plz give  
5-10 minutes notice. ARINC - Roger

0611 RNO - MXC FL 350 just under 4 hrs 33,000 ft at N  
with 10 HW

0615 plan to change freq to 130.6 at 0630Z  
the A/C will be half way between RBL & RNO

0618 (MSP) please call MSP to establish Rdo after freq  
change. - Wilco

0619 (315) Have you a zero fuel weight for ldg nos.?  
17300 FOB

add 90000 + FOB for landing weight.  
use 10000 # high. est: 115,000 lbs.  
Roger 90000 + FOB

0626 ARINC-MSP Rdo check standing by for freq change

0630 ARINC - FIT going over. standing by. est.

everyone on 130.6

0635 Attempting contact not reading to well

0636 305 Rdo count 1-5-1

0638 comms being recorded - Yes,  
305 began descent 2 mins attempted call man  
call button and PA no contact starting down  
MSP - landing with ~~one~~ stair <sup>loose</sup> ~~down~~ ok will  
extend after ldg but will be ok.

0641 (MSP) poly advy ~~radio~~ on approach & TWR  
off entry & airstart like on, will try contact  
again.

0646 (MSP) advise man what with gear & flaps down next  
stop YUMA. From Yuma to MXC must be clean  
(305) tried call again no contact.

0651 (305) Holding at MKR

0655 (305) inbound - beginning approach, next call  
on the ground. <sup>(MSP)</sup> because my speeds by 10K

0700 4 mi out on final

0707 no smoke no contact with back  
shut engines down now, advised back

that we are waiting for fuel trucks - awaiting instructions from base now.

0710 (305) Ching A/C no pass no briefing  
had TWR observe landings with binoculars.

0712 ~~1000~~ (305) requesting shutdown, seal area, have experts search area.

0713 (305) now leaving A/C.

0728 FAA Reg. No. 100-15474 LAD  
<sup>B-2 night</sup>

~~2315 CNG-UNABLE 301/R~~

2312 - PS ADT 2T.

2315 - EARL comes 6AM-1

2318 - HAGEN ON WAY

2310 - POS - TWR -

IMMOR

36 PS ARS

2320 - AL LEE

2324 - FBI BY BUS

2326 - ED GROMMER FTA.

2330 - SWITCHBOARD NOTIFIED.

ASKED TO NOTIFY RENCE/SNECIR/ETC.

2335 - C/S ADVISED.

2335 - CHUTES ARRIVED FROM TCM  
BY CAB. PER HARRISON

2338 - ASKED PO TO CLK ON Q FOR 2463. <sup>REMS SET.</sup>

~~2344 - USE 735 ON 2463 IF NR~~

~~AND~~

~~C5/2345~~

484 - FBI ON LINE

2348 - BACK PACKS ON WAY  
TO JOE MAY.

0038 ADV 2 RED

0038 Called Sales/Kenilworth will call

0110 Reception desk reopened.

0130Z

TWR ADVZ WASH. D.C. REQS IF HIJACKER JUMPS  
THEY WANT PILOT TO TURN LNDG LITES ON AND  
SQUAWK EMGNCY FOR 30 SECs.

Delivered by Tower at 0200Z CWL

0235Z 2 girls released.

H.I. wants one girl to lower floors.

Soderlin requests stairs locked at T.O.

~~3400/354~~ possible

P.O. at ~~537~~ <sup>possible</sup> even and soft to follow 467,

0244 Bud Jones/FAA says that people say late off  
with stairs down catastrophic ex

0249 2 Stews in CO. Will not let  
other one go.

0250 Hijacker getting itchy re fueling.  
Al Lee/meals are on Board.

0254 He wants Stew with him on T.O.

0259 Discussion re trying down stew.

0303 Mr. Robinson Air Marshall's office  
offers to put on coverall 319  
and replace stew to let door down

0304 Range with gear down 1000 miles more  
SEA/PHX very doubtful

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0307 FAA/SEA Block 1<sup>st</sup> charter for Stew.

0310 Shidley / Helicopter 140K  
over 50 mile Range  
Coordinated with TCC for continuation.

0322 Agreed to takeoff with stairs up.

0325 Al Jones/BAC/Tallied to Solaris  
aboard en route.

0325 Helicopter pilot to his a/cft.

HJ went to stay blo 100/  
0328 305 clrd for TO - to ~~SAC~~ V-23 100/

0333 Paul/Tail Rang round he selected for landing.

0337 AIRINC ~~130.8~~ After Company.

0339 537 Taking out at PDX.

0342 He is trying to get stairs  
down.

0356 Glue Report / brief case / left down  
about 8 sticks dynamite, 6 in long & 1 inch  
wide and battery.

0358 Stee report contained  
red cloth around.

0400 100/ FF 4000# <sup>911 presq.</sup> gear down flaps 15

0402 110 RBL to RNO.

0405 No answer on Interphone.  
Response on PA.

TCM Baseops 984-5611

0418 23 DME PDX 100/  
FOB 40000# FF 4000# 165

Off 0336Z

0430 Paul/Sugest stow external with man  
in back.

If 2nd Takeoff from RNO  
to Yuma. Shortest route  
RNO DRCT OAL BTY BLH Yuma  
Contact Center

0445 130.6 Coll. Hodder, Lndon 2913

0450 <sup>over</sup> EVG 100 4000# per eng<sup>AT-7</sup>  
Gear down/Flaps 15° TAS 170  
FUEL REMAINING 33,500

(Bob Lowenthal)

0500 <sup>305</sup> No comm with rear.

Last contact <sup>0445</sup> 55" ago. Have decided  
not to contact him till near Reno.

0514 Is this being taped/affirmative

0515 Radio Check

0520 FBI suggest communicating as much  
as poss. Tell crew decide no.

Communications have not been good.  
His objective is Mexico City. Will  
ask him to name standards to be  
at Reno.

0526  $\frac{3}{8}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  top, 10" long, 1" wide  
1 to 3 inches. 27500 FT/FF 4000#

0530 Radio Check Assigned 130.6  
Wait till Red Bluff/Hwy 130.6  
via wood.

0532 <sup>Pauly</sup> Suggest negotiate Clean Acft  
out RNO to Mexico City.  
LRC BO 32000<sup>F</sup> 40,000<sup>F</sup> MINT 4/00 HRS

0535 <sup>(305) Pauly</sup> Recommend 11000 RDB DRCT RNO.  
Consider slowly lowering cabin temp.

0540 - REC COOLING CABIN TO BLOW REFLEXES.

0541 - FLT CUTTING OUT SOME.

0545 - RLA BY WAL  $\nearrow$  110 AS SOON AS  
PRACTICABLE.

0548 at 110 on 130.6

0549 RDO ch / dr clear/sing stopped

0552 58 <sup>NORTH OF</sup> DME from RBL.

0600Z Linda will be back on pitchboard soon

0610Z RNO/MEX. 33000 BO@NC first do. 4/00  
FLT LEVEL 350/ with 10KNOT HWD.

0617 : 130.6 @ 0630Z

0619 FOB 17,300

Add 90,000 to fuel aboard. Use 10,000 high  
in case some minimum load aboard.  
Put a call letter Nat 115.000